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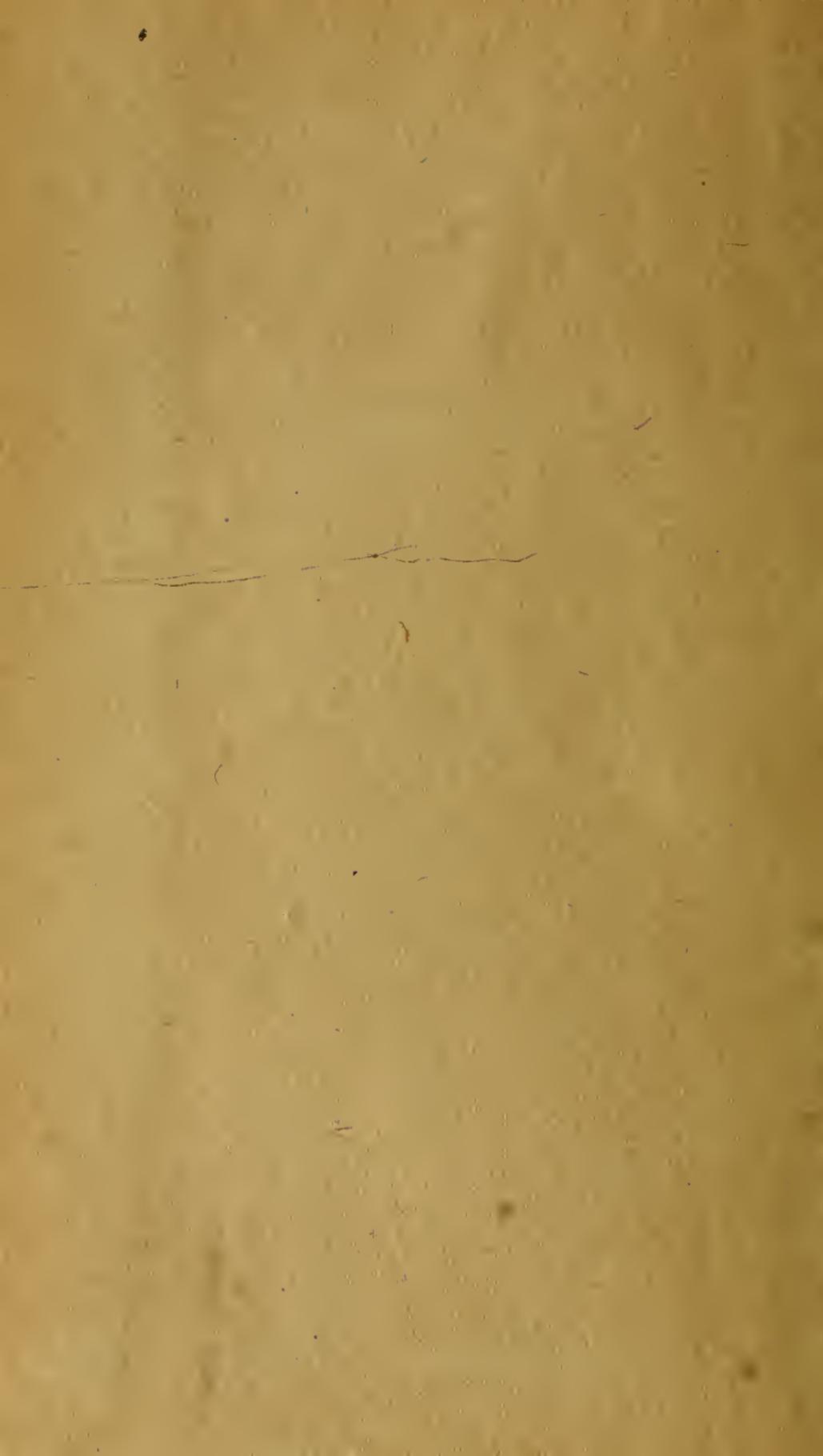
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OF THE

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OF

NORTH CAROLINA.

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CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

1. The Baptist State Convention shall be composed of three male representatives from each white Association in the State in fellowship with us, or one annual male representative appointed by the churches for every ten dollars contributed to its funds: *Provided*, that no church shall have more than ten representatives, and of such male life members as have been made so by the payment of thirty dollars at any one time to the Treasurer for the objects of the Convention. No one shall be a member of the Convention who is not a member in good standing of a Baptist church in fellowship with us, and no other life members shall be made.

2. The primary objects of the Convention shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College; to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among all the people of the State; to support the gospel in all destitute sections of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the gospel to the nations who have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the gospel, and to co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention in all its departments of labor.

3. The Convention shall meet annually, on Thursday night after the first Sunday in December.

4. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary and an Assistant, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor, and five Trustees, all of whom, except the Trustees, who shall serve during the pleasure of the Convention, shall be elected annually.

5. The President shall preside and enforce order in accordance with Dr. Mell's Parliamentary Practice. One of the Vice-Presidents shall preside in the absence of the President.

6. The Recording Secretary and his Assistant shall record the proceedings, collect and preserve statistics of the denomination, and publish and distribute the Minutes.

7. The Treasurer shall receive all funds represented in the Convention; make public acknowledgment of the same each week through the *Biblical Recorder*; give his bond to the Trustees; forward, at least once a month, all contributions to their destination; at every meeting of the Convention make a full report of his receipts and disbursements, and, on retiring from his office, turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

8. The Trustees shall secure and hold the title to any and all property belonging to or which may be acquired by the Convention, and take a sufficient bond of the Treasurer. The terms, conditions and amount of the bond shall be fixed by the Trustees, and in case the Treasurer shall refuse or neglect to give his bond within thirty days after his election, the Trustees shall have power to elect a Treasurer. They shall report annually to the Convention.

9. The Auditor shall, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements, vouchers, papers and books of the Treasurer, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the Treasurer's report.

10. The Corresponding Secretary shall solicit contributions to the objects of the Convention; assist the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools in the employment and payment of missionaries, and labor to promote the cultivation and development of Christian benevolence.

11. The Education Board shall, so far as it may be able, assist promising and indigent young ministers seeking to prepare themselves for the more efficient preaching of the gospel.

12. The Board of Missions and Sunday Schools shall encourage the churches to give liberally to all the objects of the Convention; so far as the means at its disposal will allow, supply all destitute portions of the State with faithful and efficient ministers of the gospel; give pecuniary aid, as far as can be secured, for building houses of worship at proper points in the State, and in cases where pecuniary aid cannot be given, commend them to the beneficence of the churches; encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature in the homes, in the churches and in the Sunday Schools; encourage Sunday School Conventions and Institutes; continue, and so far as it may be able, and the growth of this work may require, enlarge the Sunday School Supply Store, and co-operate with all missionary and Sunday School work of the Southern Baptist Convention.

13. There shall be an Auditor of the Sunday School Supply Store, who, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, shall examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements and expenditures, vouchers, papers, books and stock on hand, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the report on the Supply Store.

14. The Board shall be appointed annually, and report to each session of the Convention.

15. The Convention year shall close one week before the annual meeting of the body.

16. The Boards of the Convention shall fix the compensation of their respective officers, and that of the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the Convention.

17. The Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.

LIST OF DELEGATES.

ATLANTIC ASSOCIATION.

- Goldsboro*—James Long.
Snow Hill—T. D. Hackney, Bull Head.
Kinston—B. W. Spillman.
Pollocksville—J. H. Vernon, Cedar Grove.
Antioch—R. D. Carroll, Winterville.

BEULAH ASSOCIATION.

- Yanceyville*—D. J. Harris.
Ephesus—J. P. Woody, Alton, Va.,

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

- Moravian Falls*—W. R. Bradshaw, North Wilkesboro.
North Wilkesboro—W. M. Absher.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

- First Church, Raleigh*—J. W. Carter, Thos. E. Skinner, J. D. Boushall, Carey J. Hunter, Thomas H. Briggs, W. N. Jones, John C. Scarborough, J. W. Bailey, A. R. D. Johnson, Jos. F. Watson.
Wake Forest—W. R. Gwaltney, C. E. Taylor, John Mitchell, W. J. Ferrell, J. B. Carlyle, J. C. Caddell, E. J. Harrell, P. A. Dunn, Jasper Howell, Jr.
Forestville—L. N. Chappell, D. W. Allen.
New Hope—R. J. Buffaloe, Raleigh.

CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

- Elizabeth City*—C. S. Blackwell, W. N. Gregory, E. F. Pritchard.
Edenton—John E. White.
Reynoldson—W. B. Waff.

CEDAR CREEK ASSOCIATION.

- Fayetteville*—Chas. A. G. Thomas, Jno. A. Oates, Jr.
Hope Mills—J. G. Fisher, Roslin.
Cedar Creek—Rowland A. Hedgepeth.
Cape Fear—A. E. C. Pittman, Rennert.

CATAWBA RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Morganton—R. L. Patton, J. F. Spainhour, E. McK. Goodwin.
Mt. Home—J. L. Shinn, Morganton.

CALDWELL COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Dudley Shoals—J. W. Shell, Petra.

COLUMBUS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Chadbourn—T. J. Cobb.

EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

First Church, Wilmington—Will B. Oliver, Samuel G. Hall, S. D. Swaim, G. E. Leftwich.

Brooklyn, of Wilmington—James W. Kramer.

South-Side, of Wilmington—J. B. Harrell.

Corinth—A. J. Taylor, Mt. Olive.

Clinton—B. S. Peterson.

Mt. Olive—A. A. Butler.

ELKIN ASSOCIATION.

Liberty Grove—J. W. Burchett, Trap Hill.

FRENCH BROAD ASSOCIATION.

Mar's Hill—T. M. Honeycutt.

FLAT RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Oxford—Jno. S. Hardaway, J. A. Stradley, R. H. Marsh, F. P. Hobgood, F. W. Hancock.

Roxboro—H. T. Williams, A. R. Foushee, Ernest Cheek.

Enon—John M. Phipp, Oxford.

GREEN RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Marion—M. M. Landrum.

KINGS MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

Shelby—J. D. Hufham, R. L. Limerick, G. M. Webb.

Zion—A. C. Irvin, Pearl.

Boiling Springs—R. N. Hawkins.

LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Central Church, Apex—J. M. Holleman, Apex.

Friendship—C. V. Brooks, Bunn's Level.

LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

Abbott's Creek—N. R. Teague, Abbott's Creek; C. H. Teague, Wallburg.

High Point—J. B. Richardson, Jas. L. Griffin, R. C. Charles, N. W. Beeson, J. M. Hilliard.

Thomasville—H. Morton.

Orphanage—J. D. Newton, Thomasville.

Lexington—Thos. Carrick, James Smith, Henry Sheets.

Kernersville—J. F. Lancaster.

New Friendship—A. P. Snider and S. B. Wilson, Salem.

Liberty—John A. Summey, Hannersville; J. O. Teague, Salem.

East Bend—S. W. Hall, Thomasville.

Pine Grove—G. B. Motsinger, Geo. W. Wall and Joseph F. Yokley, Wallburg.

MT. ZION ASSOCIATION.

First Church, Durham—W. C. Tyree, H. A. Reams, L. G. Cole, A. L. Phipps.

Second Baptist, Durham—Geo. J. Dowell.

East Durham—O. C. Horton, J. F. MacDuffie.

Chapel Hill—Thos. Hume, J. W. Gore, Jos. S. Wray.

Burlington—R. VanDeventer, Alvis Andrews, J. M. Tisdale, J. W. Yates, G. F. Blackmon, J. C. Durham.

MECKLENBURG AND CABARRUS ASSOCIATION.

Tryon Street, Charlotte—T. H. Pritchard, Samuel P. Smith, J. C. Dowd, W. M. Lyles, T. C. Benton.

Olivet, Charlotte—L. R. Pruett, A. L. Betts.

Matthews—W. M. Johnson.

MONTGOMERY ASSOCIATION.

Laurel Hill—W. M. Bostick, Troy.

Star—G. L. Merrell.

OLD YADKIN ASSOCIATION.

Mountain View—K. Thompson, Low Gap.

Cross Roads—M. J. Hendricks.

PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION.

Greensboro—L. Johnson, W. H. Eller, F. A. Matthews, J. Y. Joyner, R. R. Moore, W. A. Devin, R. W. Brooks, George W. White, J. S. Moore, R. L. Vernon, John Thomas, W. W. Rowe.

Reidsville—M. A. Adams, Zack H. Neal, D. W. Johnson.

Moore's Chapel—W. E. Hackney and J. D. Hackney, Franklinsville.

Ramseur—A. B. Covington.

Macedonia—R. L. Coble, Longview.

PILOT MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

First Baptist, Winston—H. A. Brown, B. Pressley Smith, James D. Hollister.

Broad Street, Winston—S. F. Conrad, R. A. Womack.

Leaksville—J. W. Hundley, J. S. Williams, B. F. Ivie.

Madison—W. H. Wilson.

Walnut Cove—Isham Royal.

Mount Airy—J. H. Lamberth, C. C. Haymore.

Waughtown—L. C. McKaughan and C. W. Clodfelter, Salem.

Germanton—E. J. Styers.

Friendship—Lewis Royall, Hill Top.

Summerfield—J. M. Burton, J. L. Lane.

Spring Hill—T. M. Watson, Purcepolis.

PEE DEE ASSOCIATION.

Wadesboro—J. Q. Adams.

Rockingham—J. G. Blalock.

Lilesville—B. V. Henry.

RALEIGH ASSOCIATION.

Tabernacle of Raleigh—A. M. Simms, N. B. Broughton, J. R. Barkley.

Cary—C. W. Blanchard.

Smithfield—J. G. Pulliam.

Inwood—A. D. Hunter, Cary, and O. L. Stringfield, Raleigh.

Clayton—H. H. Horne, Chapel Hill.

Garner—H. H. Mashburn, Wake Forest.

ROBESON ASSOCIATION.

Red Springs—M. L. Kesler, R. A. Moore.

Lumberton—C. B. Skipper.

Lumber Bridge—J. W. Cobb.

SANDY CREEK ASSOCIATION.

Pittsboro—N. B. Cobb, Raleigh, and J. M. Griffin, Pittsboro.

Manly—W. C. Petty.

Carthage—J. R. Moore.

Siler City—D. L. Webster.

Aberdeen—J. W. Phillips.

Mt. Vernon Springs—O. T. Edwards.

Love's Creek—J. Q. Smith.

Ore Hill—R. P. Johnson, Siler City.

SOUTH RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Salem—S. A. Howard, Ora.

SOUTH YADKIN ASSOCIATION.

Mocksville—J. N. Stallings.

Salisbury—N. S. Jones.

Advance—B. K. Mason.

Jerusalem—Jesse C. Pack, Augusta.

Statesville—Geo. H. Church, J. Chas. Woodward.

Eaton's—P. P. Green, J. E. Davis, Neston, and E. Frost, Cana.

Farmington—J. H. Rich.

SOUTH FORK ASSOCIATION.

Hickory—C. S. Cashwell.

Gastonia—E. F. Jones.

STANLY ASSOCIATION.

Palmersville—H. Morris, E. F. Eddins.

Ebenezer—J. T. Calloway, Palmersville.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Wilson—J. A. Mundy.

Warrenton—T. J. Taylor, J. Hartwell Edwards, R. D. Fleming.

Scotland Neck—R. T. Vann, N. Biggs.

Henderson—J. W. Millard, Archibald Cree, James H. Lassiter, Thomas M. Pittman, W. B. Shaw, T. P. Stewart, A. W. Stewart.

Littleton—J. K. Fant.

Weldon—Geo. W. Harman.

Louisburg—W. B. Morton, Thos. B. Wilder.

Harris Chapel—A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville.

Greenville—C. M. Billings.

Enfield—J. A. McKaughan.

Plymouth—R. T. Venters.

Washington—Duncan McLeod, Windsor, Va.

UNION ASSOCIATION.

Monroe—Hight C. Moore.

Meadow Branch—Miles N. Bivens, Monroe.

WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

Murfreesboro—C. W. Scarborough, John B. Brewer.

Aulander—L. M. Curtis.

Hebron—Dancey Cole, Potecasi.

Cashie—J. B. Boone, Thomasville.

YADKIN ASSOCIATION.

Cross Roads—F. M. Hendrick, Neston.

MINUTES
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Thursday, Dec. 5, 1895.

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention met in its Sixty-fifth Annual Session with the Baptist church in Greensboro, on Thursday evening, December 5th, at 7:30 o'clock.

The introductory sermon was preached by A. M. Simms, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist church, Raleigh, N. C., from Isaiah 51:1 and 2. Subject—"The Voices of the Past, the Hope and Inspiration of the Future."

At the conclusion of the sermon, the congregation sang "He leadeth me."

The Convention was then called to order by President R. H. Marsh, of Oxford.

On motion, the chair appointed a Committee on Credentials, as follows: J. D. Hufham, W. C. Dowd, W. B. Shaw, C. W. Scarborough, T. B. Wilder, A. C. Cree, J. F. Watson, and J. W. Bailey.

The committee reported 203 delegates present and enrolled.

On motion of T. J. Taylor, J. D. Hufham was appointed to cast the ballot of the Convention for R. H. Marsh, of Oxford, for President.

On motion, a committee was appointed to nominate all the other officers of the Convention, except the Corresponding Secretary.

Committee: Noah Biggs, R. D. Fleming, J. A. Stradley, H. A. Reams, D. L. Webster, J. W. Cates, J. H. Lassiter.

The Committee retired, and after consultation, made the following nominations:

Vice-Presidents, J. W. Carter, W. B. Oliver, W. B. Shaw.

Secretaries, N. B. Broughton, N. B. Cobb.

Treasurer, J. D. Boushall.

Auditor, W. N. Jones.

Trustees of Convention, W. C. Tyree, C. M. Cooke, L. Johnson, T. H. Briggs, L. R. Mills.

The nominees were unanimously elected by the Convention.

J. D. Hufham moved to appoint a committee of five to nominate a Corresponding Secretary of the Convention.

J. B. Richardson moved to amend by striking out "Committee of five," and inserting in lieu thereof, "a committee consisting of C. E. Taylor, and one brother from each Association affiliating with this Convention."

J. W. Carter moved to amend by appointing committee of fifteen members.

J. Y. Joyner moved to amend by instructing the delegates from each Association to select one member of the committee, as proposed by J. B. Richardson's amendment.

After considerable discussion, J. D. Hufham moved to lay the whole matter upon the table.

The motion prevailed, and the whole matter was tabled.

An address of welcome was then delivered by L. Johnson, pastor of Greensboro church, in behalf of the people of Greensboro, the churches of Greensboro, and the Baptist church.

By request of the President, John A. Oates, Editor of *North Carolina Baptist*, responded in behalf of the Convention.

The Committee on Order of Business reported:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

I. Report of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

FRIDAY.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.

10 A. M.—Miscellaneous.

10:30 A. M.—Sunday School Board of Southern Baptist Convention.

11 A. M.—State Missions.

12:30.—Adjourn.

2:30 P. M.—Home Missions.

3:30 P. M.—Co-operation Plan.

7:30 P. M.—Baptist Female University.

8:30 P. M.—Ministers' Relief Board.

The report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools was then presented by J. C. Scarborough, President of the Board, and printed copies were distributed over the house.

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Many have been the blessings God has given to the Mission and Sunday School work during the past year. The labors of the missionaries have been abundant, and the work done has been blessed in its immediate results, and for the years which are to come the blessings from these labors will flow to the people of the State in rich abundance from churches established, and the light shining out from these to the communities around them in consecrated Christian lives, in better citizens and happier homes. The food crops for the year have been abundant, and the cotton and other money crops, while not so abundant, have brought and are bringing fairly good prices. Our people are in better condition than for several years past. Let us be grateful for the abundant mercies of God to us, and with our gratitude let us ask Him to give us the grace of liberality in good works for His glory and the betterment of humanity by the preaching of the gospel in every community and neighborhood in our own State, and in the regions beyond in our own land, and to the benighted in foreign lands. May the spirit of work and liberality come upon us with resistless force, and send us out to do the Lord's work committed to our hands and hearts.

THE DEAD.

The following brethren have been called to their reward, by death, since the last meeting of the Convention:

Rev. C. T. Bailey, D.D., June 5th, 1895, in his 60th year; Rev. J. L. Carroll, D.D., Rev. J. H. Taylor, Rev. D. K. Bennett, Rev. Ephraim

Bunch, Rev. G. W. Hill, Rev. Tresevant Harrison, Rev. J. M. Register, Rev. D. B. Nelson, of Western Convention; Rev. J. E. Greene, Rev. C. Durham, D.D., and brethren W. G. Upchurch, of Raleigh, W. G. Ferree, of Camden county, Geo. W. Blount, of Wilson, and S. N. Buxton, of Northampton county.

The relations of Bro. Durham to the Convention and the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools were such that the Board, at meeting held on November 10th, adopted the following in reference to his death:

RESOLUTIONS.

"In common with Baptists throughout this State, the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools is called upon to mourn the death of a most efficient, zealous and successful co-laborer, Rev. C. Durham, D.D., our Secretary since 1888; therefore,

"*Resolved*, 1. That we recognize the will and the wisdom of our Heavenly Father and bow in submission to Him, grateful for the life and labors and triumphant death of our brother.

"2. That we thus put on record our appreciation of our brother as a soldier of the Lord, zealous, energetic, indomitable, faithful and consecrated; and that we hold in loving remembrance his services in the capacity of Secretary of this Board.

"3. That we extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family, and commend them to the mercy of our Father in heaven.

"4. That a copy of these resolutions be put upon the minutes of the Board of State Missions and Sunday Schools, and a copy published in the *Biblical Recorder*. Offered by J. D. HUFHAM, *Com.*"

OUR MISSIONARIES.

The following are the names of the Missionaries, and the names of the Associations in which they have done their work during the past year, viz.:

ALEXANDER.—J. M. Shaver.

ASHE AND ALLEGHANY.—

ATLANTIC.—J. W. Rose, R. D. Carroll, Benj. Ward, W. T. Jones, J. W. Nobles, W. F. Fry and A. H. Porter.

BEULAH.—D. J. Harris and E. S. Pearce.

BLADEN.—D. J. Clark.

BRIER CREEK.—

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN.—

CALDWELL.—

CAPE FEAR.—W. S. Ballard.

CATAWBA.—

CEDAR CREEK.—

CENTRAL AND RALEIGH.—A. D. Hunter.

COLUMBUS.—

CHOWAN.—N. P. Stallings, A. W. Burfort, B. H. Matthews, J. R.

Matthews, W. R. Carawan, C. J. Woodson, John A. Shaw, Jos. Elliott, J. B. Ferebee and J. B. Overton.

EASTERN.—J. B. Harrell, S. D. Swain, N. A. Shelly, M. C. Walton, W. L. Bilbro and L. R. Carroll.

ELKIN.—J. W. Burchett.

FLAT RIVER.—

FRENCH BROAD.—T. M. Honeycutt, J. A. Bradley, A. J. Sprinkle and P. McDevett.

GREEN RIVER.—J. C. Sorrells, M. M. Landrum and G. W. Settlemeyer.

KING'S MOUNTAIN.—G. M. Webb, and R. L. Limrick.

LIBERTY.—H. Morton, M. J. Leach, John A. Summey, H. Sheets, Frank Fiddler and A. P. Stoker.

LITTLE RIVER.—A. N. Campbell, N. H. Gibbs, C. V. Brooks and R. H. Smith.

MITCHELL COUNTY.—L. H. Green.

MECKLENBURG AND CABARRUS.—D. W. Thommason, J. O. Alderman, L. R. Pruett and J. J. Payseur.

MONTGOMERY.—G. L. Merrell.

MOUNT ZION.—Alvis Andrews, A. J. Taylor, G. V. Tilley, J. F. McDuffie, J. C. Hocutt and R. VanDeventer.

PEE DEE.—T. S. Wright.

PIEDMONT.—J. J. Kellum and J. J. Lane.

PILOT MOUNTAIN.—M. J. Matthews, W. G. Glidewell, W. H. Wilson, R. M. Loftus and C. C. Haymore.

RALEIGH.—J. G. Pulliam, M. W. Sorrells, G. W. Coppedge and Wiley M. Page.

ROBESON.—J. A. Smith, M. L. Kesler and A. R. Pittman.

SANDY CREEK.—C. J. F. Anderson and S. F. Conrad.

SANDY RIVER.—

SOUTH FORK.—C. S. Cashwell, M. P. Matheny, J. B. Morris, C. M. Murchison, D. P. Bridgers and J. A. Hoyle.

SOUTH RIVER.—John Prevatt and W. B. Harrell.

SOUTH YADKIN.—N. S. Jones, B. K. Mason, A. W. Setzer and A. H. Goodin.

STANLY.—J. W. Suttle.

TAR RIVER.—W. V. Savage, D. McLeod, J. A. McKaughan, J. K. Fant, E. J. Edwards, J. W. Sledge, J. R. Pace, A. G. Willcox and C. M. Billings.

UNION.—

WEST CHOWAN.—B. Leggett and L. M. Green.

YADKIN.—E. J. Adams, A. Davis, S. S. May and N. E. Nickolas.

Number of Missionaries—106.

The number of Associations in the Convention the past year has been forty-five.

STATISTICS.

Missionaries -----	106
Sermons preached -----	20,934
Addresses delivered -----	21,303
Mission churches supplied -----	335
Out stations supplied -----	1,246
Baptisms -----	1,768
Added by Letter -----	1,263
New churches constituted -----	56
New Sunday Schools organized -----	187
Pages of tracts and religious literature distributed by the Corresponding Secretary -----	25,000

The above figures make a very good showing of work done by the Missionaries of the Convention. There are a few reports of Missionaries not made at time of tabulating these figures.

We have paid, or have the money in hand to pay, every obligation of the Board to Missionaries for work done for the year just closed. The Treasurer's Report will show definitely the financial condition of the Board in its relation to the Missionaries.

HOUSES OF WORSHIP DEDICATED.

"Rose Bay," Hyde county, April 21st, 1895. Chowan Association. Cost, \$1,200.

"Aberdeen," Moore county, June 30th, 1895. Sandy Creek Association. Cost, \$1,000.

"New Berne," Craven county, May 19th, 1895. Atlantic Association. Cost, \$600.

"Haw River," Alamance, June 30th, 1895. Mt. Zion Association. Cost, \$1,200.

"Hebron," [Lincoln county, May 5th, 1895. South Fork. Cost, \$700.

"Long Creek," Mecklenburg county, May 19th, 1895. Mecklenburg and Cabarrus. Cost, \$1,000.

"Berry's Grove," Orange county, July 7th, 1895. Mt. Zion Association. Cost, \$1,200.

"Carraleigh Mills" (Mission), Wake county, January 6th, 1895. Raleigh Association. Cost, \$500.

"Bethlehem," Halifax county, May 26th, 1895. Tar River Association. Cost, \$800.

"Roseboro," Cumberland county. Cost, \$600.

"Wilson," Wilson county, June 6th, 1895. Tar River Association. Cost, \$3,000.

"Morganton." Cost, \$7,000.

CHURCHES ORGANIZED.

"McMillans," Cumberland county, South River Association. Organized June 27th, 1895.

"Peterson's Chapel," Yancy Association. Organized February 10th, 1895. 53 members.

"Providence," Iredell county, South Fork Association. Organized with 25 members.

"Corinth," Rowan county, South Yadkin Association. Organized with 32 members.

"Tabernacle," Newbern, Atlantic Association. Organized May, 5, 1895.

"Calvary," Rowan county, South Yadkin Association. Organized April 28th, 1895. 17 members.

"Beulah," Iredell county, South Yadkin Association. Organized July 14th, 1895. 17 members.

"Ivey Ridge," Madison county, French Broad Association.

"Maple Springs," Randolph county, Liberty Association. 1895. 28 members.

"Centre Cross," Randolph county, Liberty Association. 1895. 30 members.

"Dan Valley," Pilot Mountain Association. Organized 1895.

"Pembroke," Robeson county, Robeson Association. Organized Sept. 1st, 1895. 17 members.

"Wilson's Store," Union county, Organized Sept. 28th, 1895.

"Oceola," Union county. Organized 1895.

"Cedar Grove," New Hanover county. Organized Sept. 15th, 1895, with 11 members.

"Bethlehem," Halifax county, Tar River Association. Organized May, 4th Sabbath, 1895.

"Tipper's Cross Roads," Wake county, Central Association. Organized June 15th, 1895. 16 members.

"Friendship," Mecklenburg county, Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association. Organized August 1, 1895. 33 members.

"Maysville," Jones county. Organized Sept. 24th, 1895. 7 members.

THE VOLUNTARY SYSTEM.

After the Convention at Charlotte, the matter of "Voluntary Mission Work by Pastors and Brethren," was discussed and urged in the *Biblical Recorder*, by Rev. N. S. Jones, of Salisbury. He called it "The Regions Beyond" work, and asked for volunteers for this work. Quite a number of pastors and brethren responded to this proposition, and a considerable work was done, but so few reports of the work were sent to the Mission Board that there is a want of definite information about it. The work needs the fostering care of the Convention. If it can be placed in the care of a committee, carefully selected, many destitute fields, which we are unable to reach by regularly appointed missionaries, can be reached in this way with the preaching of the Gospel, and future results, in souls saved and churches organized, will be large and the kingdom of Christ will be greatly extended.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God wants the World. He loved the world so as to give His Son. He has commissioned His people to tell the "glad news" to every creature. He is with those who are engaged in the work, whether we work in the home or foreign lands; we can all be foreign missionaries in spirit and in our lives. When we, who stay at home, pray and give, we are taking part with those who have gone.

The Southern Baptist Convention was organized in Augusta, Ga., in 1845. At that meeting the Foreign Mission Board was appointed. During the fifty years of its existence, 310 missionaries have been sent out and \$1,814,800 given to the work. Missions are now sustained in China, Africa, Italy, Brazil, Mexico and Japan. The report to the Convention which met in Washington, May 10th-14th, 1895, showed the following statistics:

China Missions.—Canton (begun in 1845), 13 missionaries, 22 native helpers, 8 churches, 866 members, 82 baptisms, 14 schools, \$1,683.65 contributions. Shanghai Mission (1847), 9 missionaries, 2 native helpers, 3 churches, 110 members, 2 baptisms, 2 schools, \$74 contributions. Chinkiang Missions (1880), 7 missionaries, 2 churches, 17 members, 1 school, \$206.16 contributions. North China Mission (1860) 12 missionaries, 3 churches, 138 members, 34 baptisms, 3 schools, \$53.54 contributions. Total for China, 41 missionaries, 25 native helpers, 16 churches, 1,131 members, 118 baptisms.

African Missions.—Lagos and interior (1850), 7 missionaries, 6 native helpers, 4 churches, 239 members, 67 baptisms, \$214.45 contributions.

Italian Missions.—Rome, Florence and other towns (1870), 3 missionaries from the United States, 28 native preachers and colporteurs, 18 churches, 353 members, 28 baptisms, \$357.25 contributions.

Brazilian Missions.—Bahia and vicinity (1882), 4 missionaries, 3 native helpers, 5 churches, 297 members, 36 baptisms; Rio and vicinity (1883), 6 missionaries, 2 native helpers, 5 churches, 119 members, 14 baptisms, \$1,518.50 contributions; Pernambuco (1889), 2 missionaries, 61 members, 28 baptisms, 1 church, contributions \$200; Campos (1890), 2 missionaries, 1 native assistant, 3 churches, 133 members, 55 baptisms, contributions \$320. Total for Brazil, 14 missionaries, 6 native helpers, 14 churches, 610 members, 133 baptisms.

Mexican Missions. (1880), 20 missionaries, 19 native helpers, 32 churches, 1,120 members, 226 baptisms, 3 schools, contributions \$1,817.38.

Japanese Missions. (1889), 6 missionaries, 5 native helpers, 1 church, 40 members, 9 baptisms, \$20.74 contributions.

Totals—churches, 85; members, 3,493; baptisms, 581; contributions, \$6,458.72.

THE BOARD.

The Foreign Board is appointed annually by the Southern Baptist Convention. As the Convention is composed of representatives, the

Board is the servant of the churches. It is composed of men who belong to some of these churches. These brethren are selected with a view to their piety, integrity, capacity and interest in the mission work. No better set of men could be found anywhere than those composing the Board.

To these brethren is entrusted the duty of directing our foreign mission work. This includes: (1) Establishing mission stations; (2) Selecting and sending out the missionaries; (3) Settling questions which arise on the field as to the conduct of the work; (4) Providing for the support of the missionaries.

In all of these points great wisdom is needed, and the Board often feels it necessary to refer questions for decision back to the brethren in convention who appointed them.

FAITH AND PRAYER.

We need more than ever to realize that this is God's work. He is the author of it. He gave it to us. Working with Him and for Him, we cannot fail. Great difficulties are before us, but the greater the conflicts the greater will be the conquests. Let us remember our Commander and Leader, His power and presence. Let us talk to God more about the work. More earnest prayer is needed for missions. A missionary labors for the coming of Christ's Kingdom. God loved this work and gave His Son for it. Let us pray to God more for this great work.

PASTORS.

The pastors must be thoroughly missionary to influence the churches for missions. They are God-appointed leaders. If they are indifferent or afraid, comparatively little will be done. If strong and earnest, much can be accomplished. To work up his church in missions, the pastor needs three things: (1) Convictions of God's truth; (2) Courage to speak the truth; (3) Consecration to lovingly, earnestly, patiently press the truth until he "brings things to pass."

APPORTIONMENT.

The following is taken from the "Report on Financial Policy of the Board," which was adopted at the last Convention:

"That through the cooperation of Vice-Presidents, the Board seeks to appoint, in each district association in our territory, a suitable representative, from whom facts may be gathered and to whom information about our Board may be distributed.

That the different States, tributary to this body, be requested to raise for our work the sums affixed, as follows:

Alabama -----	\$ 10,800
Arkansas -----	2,400
West Arkansas and Indian Territory -----	600

District of Columbia	1,200
Florida	1,800
Georgia	18,000
Kentucky	18,000
Louisiana	2,400
Maryland	13,200
Mississippi	6,000
Missouri	9,000
North Carolina	9,000
South Carolina	13,800
Tennessee	7,200
Texas	15,000
Virginia	21,000
Other States	600
Total	<u>\$150,000</u>

We recommend that North Carolina endorse the apportionment as given and subdivide it respectively among the Associations, and that the Associations, likewise, subdivide among the churches.

WOMEN'S WORK.

The Women's Missionary Union has pressed forward with the work during the past year with gratifying results. Their report shows nearly \$25,000 raised for Foreign Missions. The sisters can get information for organizing societies, etc., from the Corresponding Secretary, Miss Annie W. Armstrong, Baltimore, Md., who is ever ready to help.

OUTLOOK.

God is blessing our work very graciously. Many baptisms are reported from the different fields. We will soon send out several Missionaries. Most of these are those who have been at home to rest and recuperate.

FINANCES.

The contributions for the past year were over \$130,000. While still hampered with nearly \$20,000 debt, yet this is considerably less than last year, \$9,200 of it being on the Chapel Fund. We have no interest to pay on this last amount.

Of all the funds received at the office in Richmond, 92 cents on the dollar went to the-missionaries. Only 8 cents on the dollar was used for all expenses here.

In this calculation we have not included the expenses in the different States for collecting. These vary, as some States charge more than others. Some charge nothing at all.

The Board needs money now, not only to pay off past due obligations, but to meet the regular expenses each month. Through the summer comparatively little has come in ; not half enough to meet expenses.

INFORMATION.

More information is needed by pastors and people. Let pastors read and weave into their sermons missionary facts. Tell what God is doing now. His word and His works go together. Get the people to read *The Mission Journal*, published by the Boards. It can be gotten for 50 cents a year. Have some live brother or sister to get up subscribers. Try to get one or more *Journals* in each church in your Association.

Sample copies of *The Mission Journal* or tracts can be gotten free at any time.

If any brother wishes further information with reference to our Foreign Mission work, please feel perfectly free to ask any questions of the Corresponding Secretary, R. J. Willingham, or Associate Secretary, E. Y. Mullins, Richmond, Va.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSOCIATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Promptly after last session of the Southern Baptist Convention, the amount asked of our State for Foreign Missions for this year was apportioned among the Associations, and Representatives were appointed in each Association in the State to see that these amounts were raised, and to stimulate the churches in the work. Cheering news comes from many of the Associations that pledges were taken to the full amount, and some times more than the apportionment.

Missionary Motives.

The 1,000,000,000 heathen in need of salvation should stir us to activity.

Philanthropy should urge us to the rescue.

But the highest motive is in the Lord's command—Obedience; and in Paul's words: "The love of Christ constraineth us."

Encouragement.

If our faith needs strengthening, let us contemplate Carey and India, Judson and Burmah, Clough and the Lone Star Mission, Yates and China, together with our consecrated leaders now on the field, and gather courage to go forward.

Our Needs.

The call comes for men. We can't send them without money. The demands of the work are large, and increasing. Can they be met? The Spirit of God in our churches will speedily solve the question. Have we been trying to do mission work without the spirit of missions? The Holy Spirit in a church made it a missionary force—it will do so now.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

DISTRICT.	IN CARE.	Date.	Number of Churches.		Out Stations.		Mis-sion-aries.		Ordained Natives.		Unor-dained Natives		Increase.			Diminution.			Sunday School Scholars.	Houses of Worship.	Day Schools		Contributions.		
			Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Death.			Expulsion.	Letter.		Membership.	No. of Schools.	No. of Scholars.
AFRICA.		1850																							
Lagos	M. L. Stone																								
Hausser Farm	Albert Eli																								
Debari																									
Abboekuta	W. T. Lumbley																								
Awyaw	S. G. Pincock																								
Ogbomoshaw	C. E. Smith																								
Total			4	3	4	1	5	67	4	4	24	14	106	50	1	1	1	40	1	1	1	1	1	40	\$170 40
BRAZIL																									
Bahia	Z. C. Taylor	1882																							
Valenca	A. Marques																								
V. Graude																									
Maceio	Jos Aden																								
Alogoinhas	Jos Dominguez																								
Rio Janeiro and Nictheroy	W. B. Bagby	1884																							
Juiz de Fora and Barbacena	J. J. Taylor																								
Santa Barbara																									
Pernambuco	W. E. Entzinger	1889																							
Campos	S. L. Ginsburg	1890																							
Sau Fidelis	"																								
Total			14	23	8	6	4	2	133	18	10	36	17	610	50	1	1	87	1	3	1	1	1	87	\$2,028 50

OUR MISSIONARIES.

SOUTHERN CHINA.

CANTON AND VICINITY.—R. H. Graves, Mrs. Graves, Miss Lula Whilden, E. Z. Simmons, Mrs. Simmons, Thos. McCloy,* Mrs. McCloy,* G. W. Greene, Mrs. Greene, Miss H. F. North, Miss Mollie McMinn, Miss C. J. White, R. E. Chambers, Mrs. Chambers, and twenty-one native assistants and Bible-women.

CENTRAL CHINA.

SHANGHAI.—E. F. Tatum, Mrs. Tatum, R. T. Bryan, Mrs. Bryan, Miss Willie Kelly, Miss Lottie W. Price.

SOOCHOW.—(P. O. *Shanghai*.)—T. C. Britton,* Mrs. Britton.*

CHINKIANG.—L. N. Chappell,* Mrs. Chappell,* W. W. Lawton, Miss Julia K. Mackenzie.

YANG CHOW.—L. W. Pierce, Mrs. Pierce.

NORTHERN CHINA (P. O., CHEFOO.)

TUNG CHOW.—J. B. Hartwell, Mrs. Hartwell, Miss Anna B. Hartwell, Miss Lottie Moon.

Hwang-Hein.—C. W. Pruitt, Mrs. Pruitt, Peyton Stephens, Mrs. Stephens.

Pingtu.—W. H. Sears, Mrs. Sears, H. A. Randle, Mrs. Randle.

AFRICA (P. O., LAGOS.)

LAGOS.—M. L. Stone, with three native assistants and teachers.

Abbeokuta.—W. T. Lumbley, and L. O. Fadipe, native assistant.

Awyaw.—S. G. Pinnock, Mrs. Pinnock.

Ogbomoshaw (Ibadan.)—C. E. Smith,* (Henry Patterson Missionary), Mrs. Smith,* and one native teacher.

Hausser Farm.—Albert Eli, native evangelist.

ITALY.

ROME.—George B. Taylor,* 52 Via Giulio Romano, Sig. Paschetto.

FLORENCE.—J. H. Eager and Mrs. Eager, Via Oricellari, 16 bis. Sig. Galassi.

Milan.—Nicholas Papengouth.

Naples.—Signor Fasulo.

Venice.—Signor Bellondi.

Boscovate.—Signor Martinelli.

Bologna.—Signor Colombo.

Torre Pellice.—Signor Malan.

Cannes.—Signor Ferraris.

Miglianico.—Signor Plocinni.

Carpi.—Signor Boglione.

Cagliari, Sardinia.—Signor Arbanasich.

Portici.—Signor Basile.

Cagliari.—Signor Cossu.

Bari.—Signor Volpi.

Iglesias, Sardinia.—Signor Fortonese.

BRAZIL.

RIO DE JANEIRO.—W. B. Bagby, Mrs. Bagby, J. J. Alves, H. Ottoni,

Juiz de Fora.—J. J. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor.

BAHIA.—Z. C. Taylor, and Mrs. Taylor, Joao Baptista.

Maceio.—Jos. Aden.

Valenca.—Antonio Marques.

CAMPOS.—S. L. Ginsburg, Mrs. Ginsburg, A. Campos.

San Fidells.—Joas Manhaes.

PERNAMBUCO.—W. E. Entzminger, Mrs. Entzminger.

MEXICO.

TOLUCO, *State of Mexico*.—W. D. Powell, Mrs. Powell. *Lerma*.—M. H. Obregon.

PARRAS, *State of Coahuila*.—A. C. Watkins and Mrs. Watkins. *Monclova*.—M. Jiminez. *Allende and Nava*.—Felix Ramirez. *Juarez and Progreso*.—T. Rodriguez. *San Pedro*.—Ernesto Barocio. *Torreón*.—Florencio Trevino.

SALTILLO—*State of Coahuila*.—A. B. Rudd, Mrs. Rudd, Miss L. A. McDavid, Miss Addie Barton, Miss Ida Hayes, Jose M. Cardenas and Alex. Trevino. *Gualeana*.—R. Martinez. *Rayones*.—Porfino Rodriguez. *San Rafael*.—M. T. Flores.

DOCTOR ARROYO, *State of Nuevo Leon*.—J. G. Chastain, Mrs. Chastain and Eliseo Recio.

ZACATECAS, *State of Zacatecas*.—M. Gassaway. *Coloitan*.—Benj. Muller.

MORELIA, *State of Michoacan*.—H. P. McCormick, Mrs. McCormick.

GUADALAJARA, *State of Jalisco*.—D. A. Wilson, Mrs. D. A. Wilson, Miss Sallie Hale and F. de P. Stepehouson. *Silao*.—Samuel Dominguez. *Leon*.—Miguel Placencia, Victor Godinez.

ORIZABA, *State of Vera Cruz*.—I. N. Steelman, Mrs. Steelman, Moises Guajardo, Miss Z. Kempfer.

JAPAN.

MOJI.—J. W. McCollum, Mrs. McCollum.

FUKUOKA.—E. N. Walne, Mrs. Walne, N. Maynard, Mrs. Maynard.

* At present in this country.

NOTE.—Letters addressed to our missionaries in China and Japan should be endorsed *via* San Francisco. Those to Africa *via* England.

The Postage to each of our missions is five cents, except to Mexico, which is two cents.

HOME MISSIONS.

The total work of the Home Mission Board, for fifty years of its history, has been:

Missionaries (annual appointment)-----	5,639
Churches constituted -----	2,354
Houses of worship built-----	1,154
Additions to mission churches-----	123,191

It will seem, from these figures, that the Board has averaged 115 missionaries annually from its origin. Its missionaries have constituted an average of fifty churches every year, have added nearly 2,500 annually to their membership, and built one house of worship every two weeks on our mission fields.

Taking the last thirteen years of its history, since it has felt the touch of returning prosperity, and its progress has been greatly increased.

In these years its annual average of work has been:

Missionaries, total-----	3,460
Annual average-----	266
Churches constituted, total-----	709
Annual average-----	55
Houses of worship built, total-----	709
Annual average-----	54
Additions to churches, total-----	91,201
Annual average-----	7,000

When it is remembered that the entire denomination South numbered only 250,000 whites at its origin, and the disastrous years of cruel strife left our country impoverished, and all its industries prostrated, we are amazed and gratified at these results.

In the historical discourse on the fiftieth anniversary of the Southern Baptist Convention, delivered at Washington by Rev. W. H. Whitsett D. D., LL. D., he said :

“The Home Mission Board, which had so long been in an enfeebled condition, began to receive new favor after 1879. In the year 1882 it was reconstructed at Greenville, S. C., and started upon a career of prosperity that has been the joy and the marvel of our recent history. Experience has amply demonstrated that this agency is necessary to the prosperity and efficiency of the Convention. Therefore we may well rejoice in every influence that contributes to strengthen the hands and to improve the resources of the Home Mission Board.”

STATISTICAL TABLE.

STATES.	Number of Missionaries.	Weeks of Labor.	Churches and Stations.	Sermons and Addresses.	Prayer Meetings.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Total Additions.	Sunday-schools.	Pupils and Teachers.	Religious visits.	Churches Constituted.	Houses of Worship.	Bibles and Testaments.	Tracts distributed.
Alabama	1	52	---	240	26	---	---	---	---	---	42	---	---	---	500
Arkansas	40	1,200	160	4,045	219	438	470	908	18	729	3,758	10	2	---	---
Cuba	24	900	5	1,000	180	118	*2,698	118	7	1,000	---	---	---	---	---
District of Columbia	5	194	4	430	387	36	54	90	---	---	1,518	1	---	---	2,446
Florida	45	1,136	176	3,747	---	394	302	606	64	2,560	4,770	9	10	264	25,000
Georgia	4	209	4	374	162	10	30	40	3	303	1,589	---	---	---	4,500
Indian Territory	7	303	44	1,522	81	211	287	498	4	120	794	3	4	---	---
Kentucky	15	281	56	1,423	333	442	156	598	8	320	2,168	7	---	11	31,791
Louisiana	24	442	2,176	584	264	218	482	25	1,000	4,883	---	11	9	---	10,000
Maryland	4	212	4	605	628	38	---	38	---	---	1,084	---	---	67	4,950
Missouri	8	416	15	1,200	320	31	46	77	4	325	2,563	---	---	22	19,000
Mississippi	21	500	48	1,600	575	279	286	565	19	1,000	2,300	---	---	---	19,000
North Carolina	5	128	8	294	278	73	81	154	6	721	593	---	3	68	684
Oklahoma	13	530	49	1,134	470	177	115	299	7	212	670	25	2	---	---
Tennessee	40	832	150	5,208	1,166	549	831	1,380	49	1,592	8,845	31	5	4,830	208,625
Texas	105	2,724	377	14,539	205	1,652	1,851	3,503	136	4,340	21,032	58	9	1,366	258,742
Virginia	1	52	3	173	120	19	7	26	3	290	182	---	---	---	---
West Ark. and Indian Ter.,	50	835	250	7,391	---	1,203	1,078	2,281	69	2,070	2,085	33	14	---	---
Western North Carolina	11	416	47	997	207	99	---	99	---	---	1,684	---	5	764	---
West Virginia	2	104	8	114	153	24	5	29	3	208	149	---	---	---	---
	425	11,466	3,484	46,620	5,774	5,921	6,081	11,334	1,400	20,672	55,837	186	54	7,392	584,938

*Total Membership of Churches.

WORK OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR
ENDING APRIL 30TH, 1895.--JUBILEE YEAR.

General Statement.

Number of missionaries this year, four hundred and twenty-five, an increase of forty-four over last year, and more than in any year of the Board's history.

Baptized, five thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, an increase of one thousand four hundred and fifty-one over last year, and five hundred and seventy-two more than have been baptized in any year since the organization of the convention.

Cash receipts \$88,640.20, being \$15,319.29 larger than last year, and greater than any previous year except the Centennial.

The Board began the year with a debt of \$6,763.54; has paid on house of worship in New Orleans \$9,476.50, and for church buildings at other points \$2,386.62, a total of \$11,862.12.

After paying missionaries, April 1st, its indebtedness was \$23,000, which, May 1st, had been reduced to \$1,100.00, with a balance of \$109.06 in the treasury.

Increase of missionaries has been nearly 12 per cent.; of receipts, 20 per cent., and of baptisms, 32 per cent.

PRESENT WORK OF THE BOARD.

Nearly half the missionaries of the Board are working on the frontier of Texas, in the Indian Territory and in Oklahoma.

Its work among the Germans is in Baltimore, Louisville, St. Louis, Kansas City and interior towns in Missouri and in Texas. Among the French, in Louisiana and Missouri; and among the Mexicans, in Texas and New Mexico.

Its work in Cuba comprises twenty-four missionaries and has 2,698 church members.

Its work among the negroes is in Maryland, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Texas.

It has important missions in Baltimore, Washington, New Orleans, Nashville and Memphis.

Its work in the mountain region is in Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia.

Yet no one of its fields is fully occupied, and its destitution is not half supplied.

WHAT THE AVERAGE MISSIONARY OF THE HOME BOARD DOES.
(Compiled from official reports on file.)

He preaches to five congregations, and averages two sermons per week every year.

He attends forty prayer meetings, baptizes seventeen believers, and receives fifteen by letter.

He organizes one Sunday School, and every third year he organizes two, into which he gathers the first year, forty pupils and teachers.

He makes 160 religious visits, constitutes one church every two years, and builds a house of worship every three years, which cost, with the lot, \$900.

He gives away six Bibles and Testaments, and 3,000 tracts.

He costs the denomination \$300 per annum.

The house of worship he builds every third year adds to the wealth of the denomination a sum equal to his entire support.

CUBA.

The work of the Board in Cuba has been somewhat retarded by the war in that Island.

We are glad to say that there has been no interference by the government with our missionaries or our mission work.

The management of our work there by our Brother Diaz, in the difficult and trying circumstances in which he has been placed, is worthy of all praise. He has organized and sent to the field seven Societies of the Red Cross, whose work has been highly commended by both contending parties.

Should the present efforts result in the freedom of Cuba from Spanish rule, there would be thrown open to Southern Baptists the grandest opportunity and the greatest responsibility that has ever occurred in our history.

WORK AMONG THE NEGROES.

It is proposed that four bodies, the Home Mission Society of New York, the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Baptist Convention of North Carolina, and the negro Baptist Convention shall unite in the work of the evangelization of the colored people in North Carolina.

This work has progressed, so far as the employment of a general missionary for the State, with three district missionaries in different parts of the State, who are already in the field.

It is expected that the expenses of this work for the first year will be borne equally by these four bodies, and afterwards that the proportion of the negro Convention shall be increased gradually until they will bear the greater part of the burden.

The same plan of co-operation it is proposed to establish in all the States of the South. It is already adopted in Alabama, and arrangements are in progress to put it into operation in Louisiana and Kentucky.

The Home Mission Boards in New York and Atlanta hope to be able to report next May that this plan is in successful prosecution in four of our States.

DESTITUTION.

One of the gravest difficulties in the way of our work is that people do not realize the great needs of our field. It requires no argument, or even thought, to convince any one interested in missions that there is destitution in China, India, or Africa. But they are so accustomed to the enjoyment of religious privileges themselves, that they cannot realize that in this favored land there are any communities which are without such privileges. It requires facts, argument, reflection, to produce the conviction that there is destitution in America, as well as in foreign fields.

It is a startling thought that, as all are born without knowledge of the truth, if evangelistic efforts should cease America would become as much a Pagan country as China within a single generation. It is another startling fact that, notwithstanding all that has been done by our churches and Mission Boards in the last fifty years, and the great success that has attended their efforts, though Baptists have increased from 450,000 to 2,600,000 in this Southern land, there are more unregenerate persons within the limits of this Convention than there were fifty years ago.

It is estimated that one-half the population of the South, say 10,000,000, are under Baptist influence; deducting one-fourth of this number as below the age of accountability, and the 2,600,000 church members, leaves about 5,000,000 of unregenerate persons under the influence of our Baptist churches. These we must give the gospel, or they will probably never receive it.

With the view of ascertaining some just idea of the destitution of our Southern land, the Board addressed three questions to the Corresponding Secretaries of our State Boards as follows:

1. How many men would be required to supply the religious destitution of your State?
2. What amount would be required to support them?
3. What amount would be needed to supply them with houses of worship and other necessary equipment?

Answers were received from eight States—Kentucky, Mississippi, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, Louisiana, Tennessee and Texas—showing that for these States alone there would be required 1,392 missionaries, \$480,000 to support them, besides what their fields of labor would supply, and about an equal amount for church building, annually for the next ten years. This means that, including the remaining States within the Convention, there would be required to supply our religious destitution 2,000 missionaries, an annual expenditure of not less than

\$500,000 to support them, and afford them houses of worship and other facilities requisite for the work.

These facts force upon us the conclusion that, great as has been our success, the work of our Baptist churches has been only half accomplished, and in view of the rapid increase of our population in the near future, it becomes us to redouble our diligence, and let the dawning of the coming century see a thousand missionaries working under our Board, State and Home, gathering from this whitening harvest sheaves for the garner of our Lord.

WHAT THE HOME MISSION BOARD ASKS.

The Home Mission Board asks for its work this year *One Hundred Thousand Dollars*, and it has apportioned that amount among the States. The Board, in connection with the State Secretaries and Boards, will endeavor to secure this sum by every proper means. We are assured that this amount is far less than the ability of our people would warrant us in asking, and much short of the actual needs of our work.

The entire amount, however, judiciously dispensed, would not enable us to supply the three thousand Baptist homeless churches and houses of worship. It would not enable us fully to supplement the work that ought to be done in our great cities. It would not, if Cuba should obtain her independence, supply the imperious needs of that island for the gospel.

Three times the amount we ask would not fill the measure of the wants of the twenty-five millions of people living to-day on the field of the Home Mission Board!

And what is \$100,000 to a million and a half Baptists? How easily could it be raised if our people have a mind to work for the Lord. May the Holy Spirit incline every heart to zealous effort for the Master's cause, both at home and abroad!

Of this \$100,000 the Board asks of North Carolina but \$6,000. We are a hundred and fifty thousand strong, and the Home Mission Board has, in all the past years of its history, been very generous to North Carolina.

Besides what has been done in many of our rural districts, the Board has aided our churches in Raleigh, Edenton, Newbern, Goldsboro, Charlotte, Greensboro, Salisbury, Asheville, Chapel Hill, Warrenton, Hendersonville, Waynesville, Murphy, Bryson City, Washington, Tarboro, Newton, Concord, Elizabeth City, and other important places. Surely our Baptist people will rally warmly to the support of this Board, that has done such noble work for North Carolina. Let the \$6,000 asked be given with ready and willing hands.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The following circular letter was sent out by Bro. Durham in the early part of the present year, before the sessions of the Associations were held:

"IMPORTANT SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

"The improvement in Sunday School statistical information, published in the minutes of our Baptist Associations, has been very great during the past five years. This improvement will doubtless be continued till, in a few years, these tables will be as complete and as reliable as the tables giving the membership of our churches. It has taken five years in time, and much hard work with patience, to get the church clerks to furnish the information needed in the church letters to the Associations and to get the clerks of the Associations to appreciate, tabulate and print in the minutes this much sought and much needed information.

"For the present, however, study the table given below. It will show, in what Associations the defects are greatest. I know of no way to remedy these, except through the clerks of the churches in making up their annual church letters to the Associations, and through the clerks of the Associations in publishing their minutes.

"Let every one interested in Sunday School work do what he can to have all the facts about his own school put into his church letter to the next Association.

"In order to secure before the Associations this year the best report possible on Sunday Schools, and the most helpful discussion of this work, and to make sure of the publication in the next Associational minutes of the fullest possible Sunday School statistical information, we ask the brethren—one in each Association named below—to specially aid us in this work, viz.:

“Summary of Sunday School Statistics in the Baptist State Convention as Published in the Minutes of the Associations for 1894, and the name of one brother in each Association whom we ask to aid us in the work indicated.”

ASSOCIATION.	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE.	Number of Churches.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	No. of Volumes in Library.	Contributions to all Objects.
Alexander	Rev. J. B. Pool	15	7	---	432	---	\$ 31 10
Ashe and Alleghany	H. A. Eller	27	9	---	393	---	331 05
Atlantic	Rev. B. W. Spilman	29	20	177	1,251	825	410 75
Beulah	Dr. F. P. Tucker	13	12	78	936	251	400 68
Bladen	Rev. D. J. Clark	23	19	79	957	233	56 51
Brier Creek	Rev. V. M. Swain	29	18	108	1,222	---	5 00
Brunswick	Rev. J. H. Long	15	10	69	394	281	15 61
Brushy Mountain	Rev. W. R. Bradsher	20	---	---	---	---	---
Caldwell	Rev. I. W. Thomas	22	13	75	357	95	16 42
Catawba	Rev. R. L. Patton	23	13	77	694	---	112 97
Cape Fear	Rev. E. W. Wooten	21	17	148	877	509	60 28
Cedar Creek	Rev. R. A. Hedgepeth	20	---	---	---	---	---
Central	Rev. Dr. W. R. Gwaltney	25	21	201	2,024	2,895	1,244 12
Chowan	E. F. Aydlette	51	41	539	3,646	1,682	755 43
Columbus	Rev. T. J. Cobb	17	12	93	717	373	46 64
Eastern	L. R. Carroll	58	39	266	2,166	673	---
Elkin	J. S. Kilby	22	21	129	1,444	---	77 95
Flat River	T. H. Street	33	32	250	1,576	---	320 52
French Broad	Rev. T. M. Honeycutt	24	---	---	---	---	---
Green River	A. L. Grayson	36	26	190	1,474	---	119 18
King's Mountain	T. D. Lattimore	30	24	197	1,892	---	420 58
Liberty	Rev. J. M. Hilliard	23	20	129	1,307	352	128 54
Little River	Rev. J. A. Campbell	25	15	96	780	---	---
Meck'rg and Cabarrus	I. W. Durham	15	14	98	854	---	719 70
Mitchell	Rev. L. H. Green	28	---	---	---	---	---
Montgomery	Rev. J. W. Dickson	14	6	34	275	---	20 03
Mount Zion	Rev. R. VanDeventer	42	35	355	2,049	1,847	619 80
Pee Dee	Rev. J. Q. Adams	29	26	175	1,343	35	354 27
Piedmont	Dr. C. A. Rominger	5	---	---	---	---	---
Pilot Mountain	Rev. J. H. Lamberth	36	37	160	2,235	383	584 48
Raleigh	N. B. Broughton	50	38	323	3,317	1,697	1,425 60
Robeson	E. K. Proctor, Jr.	38	37	284	2,342	---	---
Sandy Creek	W. C. Douglas	48	---	---	---	---	---
Sandy Run	Rev. G. P. Hamrick	25	20	168	1,366	---	190 07
South Fork	Rev. E. F. Jones	32	21	156	1,299	---	---
South River	R. G. Taylor	28	22	126	1,301	---	---
South Yadkin	Rev. N. S. Jones	19	18	137	1,187	465	215 87
Stanly	Rev. J. W. Suttle	21	14	94	825	---	81 60
Stony Fork	Rev. Wm. M. Lee	16	8	---	513	---	---
Tar River	E. E. Hilliard	71	55	420	3,399	3,660	1,456 57
Three Forks	Rev. J. F. Davis	31	22	152	1,261	---	112 47
Union	Rev. H. C. Moore	26	24	123	1,235	---	190 55
West Chowan	Rev. C. W. Scarborough	45	43	367	2,810	2,103	474 08
Yadkin	J. G. Burrus	38	16	80	1,021	---	46 20
Yancey	Rev. J. W. Briggs	22	---	---	---	---	---
Total		1,380	848	6,083	52,871	16,459	10,046 62

“From information gathered in various ways, through the past five years, and a careful study of the Associational minutes, I am of the opinion that there are in the Convention in our churches and connected with them as branch schools, and connected with our State Mission work in school houses, in store houses, in tobacco barns, in private dwellings and under bush arbors, more Sunday Schools than churches. The following are perhaps about the facts in our Sunday School statistics in our Convention: Schools, 1,400; members of the schools, 100,000; contributions, \$25,000.

, 'There is no department of our work where greater developments are being realized, or greater progress being made. Correct statistical reports would abundantly establish these facts. C. DURHAM.'

It was the earnest desire of Bro. Durham to stimulate the Sunday School work and to gather Sunday School statistics. Hence the preparation of the circular letter. He expected good results along the line of his intention in the preparation of the letter.

The Convention at Charlotte, in 1894, passed the following resolution: "*Resolved*, That the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools be instructed to appoint a Sunday School Missionary or Missionaries to labor in the bounds of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention."

At the meeting of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, on February 26, 1895, in obedience to the instruction of the Convention in the above resolution; Brethren C. Durham, A. M. Simms and O. L. Stringfield were appointed a committee to consider and report a plan for the work contemplated by the Convention's resolution.

This Committee reported on April 2 the following plan, which was adopted by the Board:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Your Committee, appointed at the last meeting of the Board, to report a plan of work for the Sunday School Missionary or Missionaries, provided for by a resolution of the Baptist State Convention of 1894, page 57 of the Minutes, beg to submit the following report:

FIELDS.

1. The Convention to be divided into two sections—Eastern and Western.
2. The Eastern section to include the Pee Dee, the Montgomery, the Sandy Creek, the Piedmont and Beulah Associations, and all of the Associations east of them.
3. The Western Section to include the Union, Stanly, Liberty and Pilot Mountain Associations, and all of the Associations in the Convention west of them.

SCOPE OF THE WORK AND DUTIES OF MISSIONARIES.

1. To gather and tabulate, by Associations, the Sunday School statistics within the Convention.
2. To secure in each and every Baptist Sunday School, and in each and every Union Meeting, and in each and every Association, some suitable brother to cooperate with the Missionary, and to represent the general work in his school, or in his Union Meeting, or in his Association.
3. To secure the organization of new schools in churches where there are no schools, and at school-houses and control points in the destitute territory where schools ought to exist.

4. To encourage the use of the best Sunday School and mission literature, the purchase and distribution of the Scriptures, the purchase and use of suitable Sunday School libraries and song books, and in those things, so far as practicable, and to the best interest of the Convention work, to co-operate with its Supply Store.

5. To encourage the liberal support of the general Sunday School work of the Convention, and to secure, so far as possible, regular and special contributions for it.

6. To impart needed information about the Sunday School work in the Convention, and to make full quarterly reports to the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools of the work done, progress made, expenses incurred and collections secured.

7. To forward, at least monthly, to the Treasurer of the Convention, all collections made, or proper vouchers therefor to the Board of the Convention.

C. DURHAM,

A. M. SIMMS,

O. L. STRINGFIELD,

Committee.

April 2, 1895.

The Secretary was ordered by the Board to secure the services of a brother to accept this work under the plans reported by the Committee and adopted by the Board. He corresponded with several brethren. No one was secured.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLY STORE.

The following circular letter was prepared and sent out during the early part of the year in the interest of the Supply Store and to increase the volume of its business. The circular has proved effectual in awakening a wider interest among our people in the Store:

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“ DEAR BROTHER :

“ We are desirous to increase the volume of business and usefulness of our ‘Sunday School Supply Store,’ and with this end in view solicit your co-operation in aiding us to secure all the patronage possible on your field.

“ Will you not call the attention of your people to the fact of the existence of the ‘Sunday School Supply Store’ and explain to them that it is the property of the Baptists of North Carolina, and that in purchasing from or through this Store we are giving all the profits on our purchases to enable the denomination to conduct a larger and more successful work in the destitute fields in our State? There *cannot be any loss to our people* in sending their orders to *their own store*, as we supply all goods at *publishers’ prices*.

“Some of our people seem to think that we fill orders only for Sunday School literature and the publications of the *Baptist Sunday School Board*, but this is a very sad mistake, since we fill orders for the publications of the *Baptist Sunday School Board*, *American Baptist Publication Society*, or the *National Baptist Publication Society*, and any and all other *Baptist literature*, and *Sunday School and Church supplies* which may be required in our *Churches or Sunday Schools, or by individual brethren*.

“Some of our people send orders to outside stores (and they have a legal right to do this), but the profits on every such order is just so much taken away from your own store, and to this extent cripples its usefulness.

“We trust that you will not think that we are asking too much of your time to give this matter some consideration.

“It is impossible to make the work of the store as successful as it should be without all the brethren make a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altogether.

“You can help in developing this branch of the *Baptist State Convention* work, and we hope that you will give the **SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLY STORE** your valuable aid.

“Trusting that the work of the Lord is prospering on your field of labor, and with assurances of the hearty co-operation in your work of the **SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLY STORE** to the extent of its ability, we remain,

Yours in the work,

“BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL, SUPPLY STORE,

“Raleigh, N. C.”

Box 164.

BUSINESS OF THE SUPPLY STORE.

The report of the Convention last year showed the assets to be—	\$2,650 61
Liabilities	1,174 08
Assets over liabilities	\$1,476 53

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLY STORE,
YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30.

1895	
By merchandise	\$1,823 93
“ accounts due store	1,111 91
“ office furniture, fixtures, etc.	260 00
“ cash in hands of Treasurer	54
“ cash and stamps at store	3 94
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Liabilities	\$3,200 32
	1,678 91
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Assets over liabilities	\$1,521 41
Donations and discounts	88 27

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn, from the profits on its business, sent a check for \$150 to aid the Sunday School Mission work in this State.

The Board of Missions and Sunday Schools has, in the spirit of the Constitution of the Convention, endeavored to coöperate with the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in its work. We coöperate with that Board in its work of furnishing Sunday School literature to such of our Sunday Schools as wish to use the literature of the Board. The arrangement has been of profit to the Sunday School Supply Store, and of benefit and convenience to the large number of our Sunday Schools, using the Sunday School literature of the Southern Baptist Convention. We are grateful to the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for its timely aid and sympathy in our work.

The American Baptist Publication Society has given, recently, 500 Bibles and 1000 Testaments to be distributed to the indigent and destitute. We are grateful to the Society for this timely aid, and for its kindness and help to us in our work.

For full and more complete reports of the finances of the Sunday School Supply Store, as well as of the mission funds for the mission work of the Convention, we refer to the report of the Treasurer of the Convention.

We are grateful to God for the success of the work of the past year, and in the hope that the Lord will guide the Convention in its plans for the incoming year, we submit this report of the work for the year just closed.

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,

Pres. Board of Miss. and Sunday Schools, acting as Secretary.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF MISSIONS FOR 1895, AS MADE TO BOARD OF MISSIONS.

It is with much pleasure that the Woman's Central Committee of Missions reports one of the most successful years in its history.

The number of new societies has been larger than in any year since the first year of the Committees' appointment, numbering 54, with four reorganized. The Associational Vice-Presidents, appointed by the Board of Missions last year, have added much to the effectiveness of the work. Through their efforts, and those of ladies in the various Associations, missionary meetings were held with the ladies in attendance on the following Associations: Central, Mt. Zion, Eastern, Atlantic, Mecklenburg and Cabarrus, Piedmont, Pee Dee, West Chowan and Robeson.

Letters written by the Committee-----	1,352
Sent out quarterly letters-----	1,030
Leaflets -----	5,441

Blanks for reports, etc.....	1,800
Christmas Programs	600
Christmas Envelopes.....	3,000
Missionary Talks.....	3,600

To reduce expenses, the publication of *The Talk* was discontinued in March.

The Societies have contributed to the various objects of the Convention \$4,491.88, divided as follows:

Foreign Missions.....	\$1,091 66
Christmas Offering	320 84
Memorial Fund	352 71
Total Foreign Missions	\$1,765 21
Home Missions	736 20
Value Boxes to Missionaries	1,338 19
Week of Self-Denial.....	159 83
Total for Home Missions	\$2,234 22
State Missions.....	\$ 402 05
Ministerial Education.....	37 96
Orphanage	46 02
Expense Fund	6 42
Total	\$4,491 88

Respectfully submitted,

MISS FANNIE E. S. HECK,
Pres. W. C. C. of Missions.

MRS. J. A. BRIGGS,
Cor. Sec. W. C. C. of Missions, Raleigh, N. C.

On the announcement that the Board was out of debt, the Convention arose and sang,

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow,”

and Convention adjourned till Friday morning.

Printed copies of the Treasurer's Report were also submitted, as follows:

REPORT OF J. D. BOUSHALL, TREASURER BAPTIST STATE
CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA, FROM DECEMBER
1, 1894, TO DECEMBER 1, 1895.

STATE MISSIONS.

By balance last report		\$ 33 98
By amount received		11,368 60
To salary N. B. Broughton, Secretary	\$ 25 00	
To salary N. B. Cobb, Secretary	25 00	
To Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes Con- vention 1894	25 00	
To Edwards & Broughton, sundry printing	10 25	
To expressage from Tunis, N. C.	50	
To J. C. Whitty, Treasurer Atlantic Association ...	192 00	
To expenses Woman's Central Committee	40 47	
To rent of Mission Rooms	33 34	
To postage, stationery, fuel, lights, &c	67 07	
To salary C. Durham, Corresponding Secretary ...	629 27	
To traveling expenses Corresponding Secretary ...	50 00	
To house rent Corresponding Secretary	60 00	
To salary J. D. Boushall, Treasurer	104 15	
To amount acknowledged in excess of contribu- tions, acting on telegrams at close last report.	397 80	
To salaries of sundry Missionaries	8,963 76	
To drafts accepted for salaries of Missionaries	468 75	
To balance on hand	310 22	
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		\$ 11,402 58 \$ 11,402 58

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

By balance last report		\$ 673 00
By amount received		5,975 04
By amount received for "Yates Memorial"		459 91
By amount sent direct		1,099 11
To paid Foreign Mission Board	\$ 5,163 26	
To amount sent direct	1,099 11	
To Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes Con- vention 1894	20 00	
To Edwards & Broughton, sundry printing	8 00	
To expenses Woman' Central Committee	70 92	
To rent Mission Rooms	33 33	
To salary C. Durham, Corresponding Secretary ...	425 00	
To house rent Corresponding Secretary	40 00	

To travelling expenses Corresponding Secretary --\$	50 00	
To salary J. D. Boushall, Treasurer-----	41 66	
To amount acknowledged in excess of contribu- tions, caused by acting on telegrams at close last report-----	353 13	
To balance on hand--		
General Fund-----	442 74	
" Yates Memorial "-----	459 91	
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	\$ 8,207 06	\$ 8,207 06

HOME MISSIONS.

By balance last report-----		\$ 248 47
By amount received-----		3,562 04
By amount sent direct-----		966 38
To paid Home Mission Board-----	\$ 3,116 01	
To amount sent direct-----	966 38	
To Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes of Con- vention, 1894-----	20 00	
To Edwards & Broughton, sundry printing-----	5 00	
To rent, Mission Rooms-----	33 33	
To expenses Women's Central Committee-----	40 47	
To paid on account Havanna cot-----	25 00	
To postage New Orleans house-----	6 07	
To postage, stationery, etc-----	6 82	
To salary C. Durham, Corresponding Secretary....	225 00	
To house rent C. Durham, Corresponding Secretary	20 00	
To travelling expenses C. Durham, Cor. Secretary-	50 00	
To salary J. D. Boushall, Treasurer-----	41 66	
To amount acknowledged in excess of contribu- tions, caused by acting on telegrams at close last reports-----	123 00	
To balance-----	98 15	
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	\$4,776 89	\$4,776 89

EDUCATION.

By balance last report-----	\$	\$ 168 83
By amount received-----		2,924 30
To Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes of Con- vention for 1894-----	20 00	
To amount acknowledged in excess of contributions, caused by acting on telegrams at close of last re- port-----	115 00	
To amount paid Rev. John Mitchell for Secretary vouchers-----	2,867 98	
To balance-----	90 15	
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	\$ 3,093 13	\$ 3,093 13

ORPHANAGE.

By amount received	\$	\$ 1,034 99
To balance last report		11 52
To Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes for Convention of 1894		15 00
To amount paid S. W. Hall, Treasurer		570 87
To amount paid Ivey Allen, Treasurer		451 08
To amount acknowledged in excess of contribu- tions, caused by acting on telegrams at close of last report		36 10
By balance		49 58
	<u>\$ 1,084 57</u>	<u>\$ 1,084 57</u>
Amount sent direct for Orphanage about ..		9,500 00
Total for Orphanage		<u>\$10,584 57</u>

MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND.

By balance last report		3 81
By amount received		586 66
To printing Minutes of Convention of 1894	\$ 10 86	
To sent T. E. Cheek, Treasurer	502 59	
To amount acknowledged in excess, etc	2 10	
To balance	74 92	
	<u>\$590 47</u>	<u>\$590 47</u>

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

By balance last report	\$	35 97
By contributions received		13 47
By donation by Sunday School Board, Nashville..		150 00
By amount received from Supply Store		5,190 18
To Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes Con- vention, 1894	\$ 25 00	
To sundry items of printing	9 00	
To rent of store	200 00	
To postage and express	121 24	
To donations and discounts	88 27	
To merchandise purchased for store	53 25	
To insurance, fuel, lights, etc	137 33	
To salary, H. L. Watson, Clerk	600 00	
To salary, C. Durham, Cor. Secretary	145 73	
To house rent, C. Durham, Cor. Secretary	40 00	
To salary, J. D. Boushall, Treasurer	41 66	
To paid for Sunday-School Literature	2,225 86	
To paid for books, etc	1,697 76	
To balance	4 52	
	<u>\$5,389 62</u>	<u>\$5,389 62</u>

COLPORTAGE.

By amount received		\$9 75
To balance last report	\$1 03	
To balance	8 72	
	<u>\$9 75</u>	<u>\$9 75</u>

CHURCH EXTENSION.

By amounts contributed for church buildings		\$85,000 00
To amount expended on church buildings	\$85,000 00	
	<u>\$85,000 00</u>	<u>\$85,000 00</u>

STUDENTS' AID FUND.

(Louisville.)

By amount received		\$ 107 94
To paid W. H. Whitsett, Treasurer	\$ 10 00	
To paid E. C. Dargan, Treasurer	80 68	
To balance	17 26	
	<u>\$ 107 94</u>	<u>\$ 107 94</u>

SUMMARY.

State Missions	\$ 11,402 58
Foreign Missions	8,207 06
Home Missions	4,776 89
Education—	
Board of Ministerial Education	\$ 3,093 13
Royal Chair of English, W. F. C	3,738 11
Female University	6,500 00
	<u>13,331 24</u>
Orphanage	10,584 57
Ministerial Relief Fund	590 47
Sunday Schools and Colportage	5,399 47
Church Extension	85,000 00
Students' Aid Fund (Louisville)	107 94
Total	<u>\$139,400 22</u>

J. D. BOUSHALL,

Treasurer Baptist State Convention.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of J. D. Boushall, Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, for the past conventional year, comparing the same with the acknowledgments in the *Biblical Recorder*. I find all accounts, with the various objects of the Convention, to be correct, and disbursements supported by proper vouchers.

W. N. JONES,

Auditor North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

FRIDAY MORNING.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Dec. 6, 1895.

Convention met at 9:30 A. M. Devotional exercises by J. W. Millard, of Henderson.

Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and approved.

The following visiting brethren were welcomed to seats in the body:

E. C. Dargan, of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; A. J. S. Thomas, Editor of *Baptist Courier*, Greenville, S. C.; T. P. Bell, Corresponding Secretary of Sunday School Board of Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn.; F. M. Jordan, of Western North Carolina Baptist Convention; I. T. Tichenor, Corresponding Secretary of Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; J. S. Felix, Pastor First Baptist Church, Asheville, N. C.; H. L. Morehouse, Field Secretary of Home Mission Society, New York; A. E. Dickinson, Editor of *Religious Herald*, Richmond, Va.; C. C. Bitting, Bible Secretary of the American Baptist Publication Society; F. S. Meserve, President of Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.; W. L. Wright, pastor of Leigh Street Church, Richmond, Va.; J. R. Hunter, Professor of Chemistry, Richmond College; J. Williams, of Hendersonville, Western North Carolina Baptist Convention; S. S. Gibson, pastor of Hendersonville Church, Western North Carolina Baptist Convention; A. McA. Pittman, South Carolina; J. N. Boothe, Union, S. C., and the pastors of Greensboro churches.

The Chair announced the following:

Committee on State Missions.—J. E. White, C. S. Blackwell, R. A. Moore, J. M. Phipps, John A. Cates, A. E. C. Pittman, T. J. Cobb.

The special order, Sunday School Board of Southern Baptist Convention, was taken up, and the Convention ad-

dressed by T. P. Bell, Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn.

The Chair announced the following committees:

On Sunday Schools and Colportage.—C. A. G. Thomas, J. W. Gore, C. J. Hunter, S. P. Smith, S. F. Conrad, K. Thompson, C. H. Teague.

On Home Missions.—J. Q. Adams, W. B. Oliver, T. M. Pittman, R. A. Hedgepeth, B. S. Peterson, S. G. Hall, H. Morton.

On Foreign Missions.—J. H. Edwards, J. S. Wray, O. T. Edwards, J. D. Hackney, W. M. Liles, J. M. Tisdale, J. D. Hollister.

On Periodicals.—J. H. Lamberth, W. B. Shaw, J. G. Pulliam, J. C. Woodward, C. M. Billings, James Long, G. W. Harman.

On Female University.—T. Hume, J. W. Carter, W. C. Tyree, S. D. Swaim, R. T. Vann, J. W. Coble, B. V. Henry.

On Obituaries.—J. D. Hufham, W. R. Gwaltney, T. H. Pritchard, J. P. Woody, W. M. Bostick, E. D. Cheek, J. W. Burchett.

On Orphanage.—M. A. Adams, T. Carrick, J. M. Hilliard, James W. Smith, H. Sheets, F. Coker, J. M. Griffin.

To Nominate Board of Missions.—J. G. Blalock, G. H. Church, J. K. Fant, John A. Summey, J. S. Williams, J. W. Phillips, A. G. Willcox.

To Nominate Board of Education.—W. B. Morton, J. D. Boushall, J. R. Moore, J. W. Kramer, J. M. Holleman, H. C. Moore, C. B. Skipper.

On Ministers' Relief Board.—E. Frost, P. A. Denny, W. M. Gregory, E. P. Pritchard, F. W. Wall, R. W. Brooks, J. A. McKaughan.

On Preachers and Place of next Meeting.—J. C. Caddell, P. A. Dunn, A. W. Stewart, J. B. Harrell, H. Morris, B. F. Ivey, W. C. Fields.

On Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Greensboro Church.
Committee to Ascertain and Report Amount Expended by C. Durham, deceased, for Pamphlets on Education.—J. W. Millard, L. R. Pruett, B. W. Spillman.

On motion of R. T. Vann, the matter of electing a Corresponding Secretary was taken from the table. At the suggestion of A. M. Simms, the Convention spent several minutes in prayer, led by brethren Simms, Pritchard, T. J. Taylor, T. E. Skinner, J. G. Pulliam, C. W. Scarborough and C. A. G. Thomas.

After prayer, the motion of J. D. Hufham, as amended by J. B. Richardson, was passed, viz.: That a committee, composed of C. E. Taylor and one member from each Association be appointed to nominate a Corresponding Secretary of the Convention.

On motion of J. C. Scarborough, the following were appointed a committee to consider and report on the proper action to be taken by the Convention on the "Plan of Co-operation for North Carolina in Missionary Work for the Negroes of the State: W. R. Gwaltney, T. E. Skinner, J. D. Hufham, C. W. Scarborough, F. P. Hobgood, W. C. Dowd.

On motion of J. W. Gore, the President was directed to appoint a Committee on Obituaries.

John E. White read report of Committee on State Missions, as follows :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATE MISSIONS.

While we have cause for the profoundest grief in the loss of our leader in State Missions, we still have cause for great gratitude, that the brethren have responded so nobly to the urgent necessities of the situation, and that we are able to come to the Convention without debt.

The basis of our operations last year was \$15,000.

We recommend no backward, but a forward step. And your Committee urges the heartiest co-operation on the part of the churches in an effort to make our basis of operations for the ensuing year \$18,000.

JOHN E. WHITE,
C. S. BLACKWELL,
R. A. MOORE,
J. M. PHIPPS,
JOHN A. OATES,
A. E. C. PITTMAN,
T. J. COBB.

J. B. Boone moved to strike out \$18,000 and insert \$15,000. Adopted.

The Convention was then addressed by J. W. Carter, J. G. Pulliam, F. M. Jordan, T. J. Taylor, and A. G. Willcox, and the report, as amended, was adopted.

The President requested the delegates from the several Associations to come together during the intermission and recommend a committeeman from each Association to be placed on the Committee to Nominate the Corresponding Secretary.

Convention then adjourned till 2:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention was called to order by the President.

Prayer by C. C. Bitting, of Philadelphia.

Committee on Order of Business reported as follows :

SATURDAY.

9 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.

9:30 A. M.—Miscellaneous Business.

10 A. M.—Wake Forest College.

11:30 A. M.—Ministerial Education.

12 M.—Orphanage.

1 P. M.—Adjournment.

2:30 P. M.—Report of Committee to Nominate Corresponding Secretary.]

3 P. M.—Sunday Schools, Colportage and Bible Work.

4 P. M.—Report of Committee on *Recorder*, appointed at last session.

4:30 P. M.—Periodicals.

7:30 P. M.—Foreign Missions.

8:30 P. M.—Theological Seminary.

SUNDAY.

3 P. M.—Historical Society.

7:30 P. M.—Memorial Services.

MONDAY.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.

10 A. M.—Young People's Work.

10:30 A. M.—Reports of committees not otherwise provided for.

11 A. M.—Miscellaneous Business.

The report was adopted.

The President announced the following as the Committee to nominate a Corresponding Secretary:

C. E. Taylor, Chairman.

J. D. Huffham ----- King's Mountain Association.

T. H. Pritchard ----- Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association.

C. S. Blackwell ----- Chowan Association.

T. J. Cobb ----- Columbus Association.

M. M. Landrum ----- Green River Association.

E. F. Eddins ----- Stanly Association.

J. Q. Adams ----- Pee Dee Association.

J. B. Richardson ----- Liberty Association.

R. L. Patton	Catawba River Association.
J. M. Holleman	Little River Association.
S. A. Howard	South River Association.
A. M. Simms	Raleigh Association.
F. P. Hobgood	Flat River Association.
J. A. Oates, Jr.	Cedar Creek Association.
T. J. Taylor	Tar River Association.
M. N. Bivens	Union Association.
K. Thompson	Old Yadkin Association.
G. H. Church	South Yadkin Association.
C. W. Scarborough ..	West Chowan Association.
T. M. Honeycutt	French Broad Association.
E. F. Jones	South Fork Association.
W. B. Oliver	Eastern Association.
B. W. Spillman	Atlantic Association.
W. C. Tyree	Mount Zion Association.
J. P. Woody	Beulah Association.
J. W. Burchett	Elkin Association.
H. A. Brown	Pilot Mountain Association.
O. T. Edwards	Saudy Creek Association.
R. A. Moore	Robeson Association.
L. Johnson	Piedmont Association.
W. R. Gwaltney	Central Association.
N. R. Bradshaw	Brushy Mountain Association.
D. J. Harris	Watauga Association.

The Special Order, Home Missions, was taken up, and I. T. Tichenor, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention addressed the body.

The report was submitted by J. Q. Adams, as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee desires to call attention to the admirable report on the work of our Home Mission Board in the annual report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools. We note with pleasure the efforts that are being made to secure the co-operation of Home Mission Society of New York, and our Home Mission Board with the several white and colored Conventions throughout the Southern Baptist Convention in mission work among the colored people.

The Board is making an effort to raise one hundred thousand dollars this year, and of this amount North Carolina is asked to contribute six thousand dollars.

Resolved, That we reaffirm our devotion and interest in the work of the Home Mission Board, and that we put forth every effort to raise the amount asked of us.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. ADAMS,
For the Committee.

The report was adopted.

At the suggestion of W. R. Gwaltney, the Convention was led in prayer for Bro. Diaz and his co-laborers in Cuba.

The Convention then stood and joined in singing—

“Nearer my God, to Thee.”

The Special Order of Co-operation came up, and the following report was read:

Your Committee appointed to consider and report the proper action to be taken by the Convention of a plan of co-operation in missionary work for the colored people of this State, beg leave to recommend that which was agreed upon and proposed by the Boards of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Southern Baptist Convention.

W. R. GWALTNEY,
JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,
THOS. E. SKINNER,
R. T. VANN,

Committee.

By invitation, H. L. Morehouse, Field Secretary of the Home Mission Society of New York, addressed the Convention. The Convention was further addressed by J. O. Crosby, President of the Colored A. and M. College of Greensboro; F. S. Meserve, President of Shaw University; J. S. Felix, of Asheville; W. R. Gwaltney, of Wake Forest, and others.

The report was unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and the Convention was led in prayer by T. E. Skinner, of Raleigh.

N. B. Broughton introduced the following resolution, which was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That the Board of Missions of this Convention include in its appropriations for next year the sum of \$950, as provided for in the co-operation plan for this work.

J. W. Bailey introduced the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention assure Bro. Diaz, our faithful and efficient missionary in Cuba, of our earnest prayers to God for the continuance upon him and his work of the blessings which have so signally been made manifest up to this time, and that we bid him go forward in the strength of the Spirit to gain Cuba for Christ.

Several announcements were made, and the Convention adjourned till 7:30 P. M.

NIGHT SESSION.

Called to order at 7:30 o'clock, by the President.

James Long, pastor of Goldsboro Church, read part of first chapter of John, and offered prayer.

The special order, being the Baptist Female University, J. W. Carter, Chairman of the Committee, submitted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BAPTIST FEMALE UNIVERSITY

At no time during the history of this child of the Convention have we found greater pleasure in making this, our annual report. Since our last report the contract for the first building has been awarded to the North Carolina Car Company, at a cost of thirty-eight thousand (\$38,000, dollars. The walls of this building are between the first and second stories, and the work is now going on. The first payment of six thousand dollars has been made to the contractor, and a few hundred dollars in hand with which to aid in making the second payment. The Trustees having passed a resolution not to endanger the property with a debt, the work can go on only as our people furnish the money with which to pay the contractor. We have notes and subscriptions to the amount of about fifteen thousand dollars, and are putting forth every possible effort to secure an amount sufficient to erect ample buildings, first of all, for the accommodation of the very large patronage that is already assured the school.

We cannot hope that this great work can be done without a struggle, but with a long, hard pull, and a pull altogether, we confidently believe the Lord will give to us a school offering the largest opportunities for the girls of North Carolina. We ask that this Convention give the Trustees that encouragement which this struggling child so much needs and so richly deserves.

We most heartily urge the importance of pushing this work to completion as rapidly as possible, on account of the large number of young women who are anxious to enter next September. To this end we ask that our pastors and people take this great work on their hearts, and make every possible sacrifice for its early establishment.

It is with pleasure we note the hearty co-operation brethren Stringfield and Edwards have found wherever they have discussed the great work.

Respectfully submitted, J. W. CARTER,
T. HUME,
J. W. COBB,
S. D. SWAIM,
W. C. TYREE,
Committee.

The Convention was addressed by J. W. Carter, O. L. Stringfield and J. H. Edwards, after which a subscription of \$1,250 was taken, and the report was adopted.

J. F. McDuffie read the Report of the Minister's Relief Board :

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

To live in poverty, and yet to live honorably and above reproach, when one has commanded the seeming confidence and respect of his fellow-men, and then to be turned down amid despondency and gloom, and left on the cold charities of the world, often neglected and sometimes forgotten by those whom he loves, is enough to make any one feel dejected, especially amid afflictions and old age. This, no doubt, is the condition of some of our beneficiaries.

Most of them have labored arduously, earnestly and continuously in this work of love which we *all* love. They loved *all*, prayed for *all*, gave to *all*, and spent *all*, and now appeal to us *all*, for a little of our *all* to help them spend the last few days of their lives creditably and comfortably. Shall we divide with them?

The present condition of the Board indicates progress. The general contributions for this year have been more than any previous year, while special contributions have been less. The interest taken by some of the Associations has been very gratifying, while others seem not to have taken hold of it as yet. Of the forty-five Associations in the State, only twenty have representatives of the Board. Of this number only eight seem to be taking very much interest in the work of the Board. We have written to all these representatives, but they have not, as yet, responded. Nearly all those who have responded seem to be very much

encouraged with the outlook. The most praiseworthy of any of the Associations is the Mount Zion. Last year this Association only contributed sixty-six dollars and ninety-seven cents, but the brethren pledged one hundred and twenty-two dollars and eighty-eight cents for next year at its last session.

We have now on the Board the following: Brethren J. G. Barkley, of Rocky Mount; W. J. Combs, of Trap Hill; William Harris, of Kapp's Mills; Jesse Howell, of New Hill; John Hughes, of Byrd; R. W. Wooten, of Roda. Sisters C. F. Humphries, of Oxford; B. H. Phillips, of Reidsville; J. Barlow, of Sloop Point, and H. Spivy, of Clinton. Bro. T. Harrison, of Rockingham, was released from his afflictions and taken to his reward during this year. Bro. J. M. Register, of Register, only remained on the Board from February to August, and he passed way. Each of these brethren were great sufferers, but death released them and God took them home. We have received three beneficiaries on the Board this year: Bro. J. M. Register, Sister Harriet Spivy and Bro. R. W. Wooten. We have eleven now on the Board, and two applicants for consideration.

What we need most now, is to realize the possibilities lying before us. If Virginia can raise twenty-nine hundred and eighty-three dollars and forty cents for her fifty-two Beneficiaries, surely, North Carolina ought to be able to carry at least twenty-five Beneficiaries and raise half the amount of her sister State.

Brethren, let us rally to the help of these old Veterans of the Cross, and help them more, and help more of them for their work's sake. They have faithfully served us and need to be served faithfully by us.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. TYREE, *President.*

J. F. MACDUFFIE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

REPORT OF TREASURER BAPTIST MINISTERIAL RELIEF BOARD.

1894		RECEIPTS.	
Dec. 1.	Balance on hand.....	\$	314 88
24.	Class 22, 1st Baptist Sunday school, Durham.....		3 00
1895			
April 26.	Interest from P. I. B. Fund.....		50 50
30.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer.....		110 00
Aug. 8.	Lady.....		2 75
Sept. 8.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer.....		57 73
Nov. 28.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer.....		251 00
28.	Mrs. W. A. Marcom.....		1 00
28.	Flat River Association.....		59
30.	Interest from P. I. B. Fund.....		15 00
			<u>\$806 45</u>
Dec. 2.	Balance on hand.....		<u>\$128 59</u>

1895		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Mrs. B. H. Phillips	-----	\$	70 00
“ C. F. Humphries	-----		65 00
“ Rhoda Churchill	-----		65 00
“ Jane Barlow	-----		50 00
“ Harriet Spivey	-----		45 00
Rev. Jesse Howell	-----		47 50
“ William Harris	-----		40 00
“ W. J. Combs	-----		50 00
“ T. Harrison	-----		25 00
“ John Hughes	-----		31 00
“ J. G. Barkley	-----		50 00
“ J. M. Register	-----		22 50
“ R. W. Wooten	-----		14 00
“ J. H. Lewellen	-----		10 00
Postage, Corresponding Secretary	-----		5 00
Printing	-----		1 75
Balance due P. I. B. Fund	-----		86 11
“ to credit General Fund	-----		128 59
			<u>\$806 45</u>

1895		P. I. B. FUND.	
April 30.	Cash from Bank Certificates	-----	\$ 957 07
30.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer	-----	55 00
Sept. 12.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer	-----	28 86
Nov. 30.	General Fund	-----	86 11
			<u>\$1,127 04</u>
Dec. 2.	Balance on hand	-----	<u>\$127 04</u>
1895			
May 1.	Loan	-----	\$ 500 00
1.	Loan	-----	500 00
Nov. 30.	Balance	-----	127 04
			<u>\$1,127 04</u>

Respectfully submitted,

T. E. CHEEK, *Treasurer.*

We have examined the above report and find it correct.

H. A. REAMS,

GEO. J. DOWELL,

Auditors.

Discussed by J. S. Hardaway, W. C. Tyree, H. A. Reams, C. S. Blackwell and M. A. Adams, and the report adopted.

Adjourned with benediction by R. VanDeventer.

SATURDAY MORNING.

DECEMBER 7, 1895.

Devotional exercises conducted by A. C. Cree.

The convention was called to order at 9:30 A. M. by President Marsh.

On motion, the Trustees of the Convention were authorized to make deed of church property at Walnut Cove to the Trustees of the Baptist Church at that place.

A. M. Simms, for the committee appointed at last session to submit such changes in the Constitution as might be necessary for the purpose of creating a separate Sunday School Board, reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION REVISION.

Your Committee, appointed last year to report such revision in the constitution as was necessary to the appointment of a separate Sunday School Board, begs leave to report:

We recommend that the words "and Sunday School" be stricken out of Article 10, line 2, and out of Article 12, lines 1 and 13; and that in Article 12, line 8, strike out all following the word "literature," down to the word "co-operate" in line 12. Also, that the following article be added to the constitution:

13. The Sunday School Board shall have charge of the Sunday School work of this Convention, including the management of the Sunday School Supply Store, and shall have power to employ such means as they may deem best for the prosecution of the work.

A. M. SIMMS.
J. S. HARDAWAY,
THOS. HUME,
J. B. BOONE.

J. C. Scarborough offered a minority report.

Pending the reading of the minority report, the hour for the special order arrived, and Prof. J. B. Carlyle read the report of the Trustees of Wake Forest College, as follows:

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Since the last meeting of the Convention, four Trustees have died. These were C. T. Bailey, W. G. Upchurch, C. Durham and G. W. Blount. They all loved the College, and served it well.

At the annual meeting of the Board in June existing vacancies were filled by the election of N. B. Broughton, J. B. Boone and W. C. Dowd.

The number of students enrolled during the whole of the last session was 221. The registration for the present session, up to date, is 243. Of these 64 are preparing to preach the Gospel. There is reason to hope that others will enter the College within the next sixty days.

At no time in the history of the College has the health of the faculty and student body been better than during the last twelve months.

All the Chairs in the institution are now filled, and regular work is carried on in every department. At the annual meeting of the Trustees, in June, J. H. Gorrell, Ph. D., was made full professor and placed in charge of the School of Modern Languages. N. Y. Gulley, M. A., was made full professor and placed in charge of the Schools of Law and Political Science. R. W. Haywood, M. A., was made assistant professor, and work in the Schools of Latin and Greek assigned him.

The success of the School of Law has been very marked, and has even exceeded the expectations of its most sanguine friends. And there is good reason to believe that this is but the earnest of larger things in the near future.

The great majority of the students are working with assiduity and success, and are conducting themselves with perfect decorum. The number of those who are neglecting their opportunities, and are disposed to be mischievous, is small.

Many of the friends of the College have heartily endorsed the action of the faculty in prohibiting all games of foot-ball except on the Athletic Grounds of the institution.

In the absence of a regular instructor in Bible studies, Prof. W. L. Poteat has done a most valuable and fruitful work in organizing and guiding a voluntary movement among the students in this direction. Prof. W. B. Royall is expecting to do some special and regular work during the Spring Term with the large number of young ministers.

A careful comparison, recently made, reveals the very gratifying fact that a larger proportion of students than for many years past are regular attendants on Sunday School instruction. And it may be doubted whether there is in any college a more steady glow of missionary zeal than is found at Wake Forest.

The President of the College was at work in the field at large last session. This session he has been almost constantly at the College. Since last July all the agency work has devolved upon Rev. C. S. Blanchard, who has been seeking to complete the endowment of the Royall Chair.

Hopeful progress has been made, but much remains to be accomplished. Than the completion of this special endowment, no more important work is before the Baptists of North Carolina. If our people only knew the difficulties and financial embarrassments under which the Trustees and Faculty are seeking to do the great work committed to them, and if they could realize the opportunities now before the College, they would speedily put at the disposal of the Trustees such means that the latter would be unhampered in the administration of this great trust.

W. R. GWALTNEY,
J. D. HUFHAM,
C. E. TAYLOR,

Committee of Trustees of Wake Forest College.

The report was discussed by W. L. Wright, of Richmond; J. W. Millard, of Henderson; R. T. Vann, of Scotland Neck; J. B. Carlyle, of Wake Forest.

The report was adopted.

A telegram was received from North Carolina students at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., as follows:

LOUISVILLE, KY., Dec. 6.

To N. C. Baptist State Convention, Greensboro, N. C.:

North Carolina students send greeting. Col. 2:5.

R. G. KENDRICK, JR.

J. W. Millard was, on motion of J. D. Hufham, appointed to answer the telegram. He reported the following answer:

GREENSBORO, Dec. 6, 1895.

R. G. Kendrick, Jr., Louisville, Ky.

Telegram received. I Timothy 6:20 and 21.

J. W. MILLARD,
For Baptist State Convention.

The report on Ministerial Education was read by John Mitchell, of Wake Forest, as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The work of the Board, during the past year, has been fairly prosperous. Number of young ministers aided is 36. The aid given is \$9 per month, and this is made a loan rather than a gift, as it is to be returned after five years, without interest. This was adopted as the policy of the Board two years ago. We ask that the Convention shall express its desire as to whether this policy be continued, or whether the Board shall return to the old plan of *giving aid*.

I regret to have to report that the year closes with a debt of \$800. Some brethren and churches have not sent in promptly their contributions. We hope to pay off this debt soon. It shall be our aim to get the Board out of debt, and keep it out of debt, and aid as many young ministers, who are worthy and need it, as we possibly can. The Board will aid about the same number this year as last. Already 35 have been received. There are more than a dozen others who are asking for help, and who need it, but the means are not in sight, and the Board cannot receive them. Would that we could help all the worthy young ministers who apply. Brethren, for the Master's sake, let us do it.

Our Convention was organized for this work: "The primary objects of the Convention," says the constitution, "shall be to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong." "The Education Board, shall, so far as it is able, assist promising and indigent young ministers seeking to prepare themselves for the more efficient preaching of the Gospel." The importance of this work is growing upon us every year. The number of young ministers needing help is increasing with the rapid growth of our denomination. The Lord is making this work to grow upon us as never before. Let us meet the responsibility, and help the Lord's servants for the Lord's sake, No work that the Master has given us to do has been more signally blest. None has given better results. None is more important now. Would that we could help all the Lord's poor ministers, struggling to prepare themselves for the great work to which He has called them.

The following is a brief financial statement:

Received from J. D. Boushall, Treasurer during the year-----	\$2,883.51
Borrowed from W. C. Powell & Co., Dec. 14, 1894,-----	115.00
" " W. J. Ferrell, Treasurer, Jan. 4, 1895,-----	300.00
" " W. C. Powell & Co., March 5, 1895,-----	225.00
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	\$3,523.51
Disbursed during the year, as per receipts-----	\$3,570.56
Due the Treasurer-----	47.05

The itemized account has been audited and certified as follows:

"I have carefully examined the above account of Dr. John Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education of the N. C. Baptist State Convention, and find it correct, and properly vouched, with a balance of \$47.05 due Treasurer.

J. M. BREWER, *Auditor.*

There are also 12 young ministers at the Seminary at Louisville, from our State, and our brethren contribute to their support. And others are aided at our Academies and High Schools. Bro. Beam, at Bethel Hill, is supporting Bro. Edwards from the West Chowan Association, and has been for the past session. In this way he has been aiding liberally for several years.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MITCHELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

The report was discussed by John Mitchell, of Wake Forest; E. C. Dargan, of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and pledges and cash, amounting to over \$500, secured for the students' fund.

M. A. Adams read the report on Baptist Orphanage, as follows:

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Perhaps no phase of our conventional work lies so near the hearts of our people as the Baptist Orphanage, located at Thomasville, under the management of Bro. J. B. Boone. There are now 126 children in the institution to be fed, clothed and instructed. Their presence there appeals tenderly and persistently to our Christian liberality. "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father, is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

We do most earnestly recommend that our Sunday Schools take monthly collections, and that all our pastors give their churches an opportunity to aid in the support of this noble institution. That our people may be better informed and become more deeply interested in this work, we do hereby most heartily commend *Charity and Children*, under the editorial control of Bro. A. Johnson.

M. A. ADAMS,
HENRY SHEETS,
THOMAS CARRICK,
JAMES SMITH,
J. M. GRIFFIN,

Committee.

The Convention was addressed by M. A. Adams, J. B. Boone and others, and a collection was taken, after which the report was adopted.

Convention adjourned.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Convention was called to order by the President. Prayer by M. L. Kesler, of Red Springs.

Proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

The committee appointed to nominate a Corresponding Secretary reported through their chairman, C. E. Taylor, who recommended John E. White, of Edenton.

On motion, John E. White was elected Corresponding Secretary of the Convention by acclamation, unanimously.

J. H. Tucker, President of the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention, was invited to a seat, and to address the Convention. He extended fraternal greetings and sympathy from the brethren of Western North Carolina.

C. J. Hunter presented the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools and Colportage:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COL-
PORTAGE AND BIBLE WORK.

Your committee appointed to consider the subject of Sunday Schools and Colportage and Bible Work, beg leave to report that they have considered the very important subjects committed to them, and recommend to the Convention:

First. That a committee of fifteen, members of the Board of Missions, and Sunday Schools, be and are hereby appointed, to whom shall be entrusted the Sunday School and Colportage Work conducted by the Convention, the committee to be selected by the Convention annually.

Second. That it shall be the duty of this committee to manage the Sunday School Supply Store, now conducted by the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools at Raleigh, and to them shall also be committed the appointment of a Sunday School Secretary, or Secretaries, to prosecute the Sunday School work in the bounds of the Convention; and we recommend that our Sunday Schools be urged to purchase their supplies from our Supply Store.

Third. That the committee is also requested to provide for establishing Sunday Schools, and increasing the efficiency of existing Sunday Schools, for holding Sunday School Institutes in the different Associations of the Convention, and to organize the Baptist Sunday School workers of the State.

Fourth. The committee is directed to report to the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, and through them to the Baptist State Convention annually.

S. P. SMITH,
S. F. CONRAD,
CARY J. HUNTER,
J. C. SCARBOROUGH,
A. M. SIMMS,
THOS. HUME,
J. B. BOONE,

Committee.

The report was discussed by J. D. Hufham and C. J. Hunter, and the Convention was then addressed, by request, by C. C. Bitting, Missionary and Bible Secretary of the American Baptist Publication Society, who was followed by T. H. Pritchard, J. D. Hufham and A. M. Simms.

On motion of T. H. Pritchard, the report of the committee, with the reports submitted by the Committee on Revision of the Constitution, presented this morning, was re-committed to the two committees for consideration.

The Committee appointed to ascertain the amount paid out by Bro. C. Durham for the publication of the pamphlet on "How far the State Should Undertake to Educate," reported as follows:

Your Committee, appointed to find out and report upon the amount spent by Bro. Durham in publishing and distributing the pamphlet, "How Far Should a State Undertake to Educate," beg leave to report as follows:

Bro. Durham surrendered a life policy of insurance, face value	\$540.00,
Surrender value	\$ 177 12
He spent in postage	66 50
Printing memorial to Legislature	1 50
Interest for six months, at 6 per cent	27 36
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Amount actually expended	\$ 272 48

This was the amount actually expended. But it seems right to your Committee to emphasize the fact that this insurance policy was surrendered during the past summer, and, being a paid up policy, would have been worth the full amount to his bereaved family, viz., \$540. If this amount is returned, it will change the total to \$635.36.

The matter is worth the attention of the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. MILLARD,
L. R. PRUETT,
B. W. SPILLMAN,
Committee.

The report was received and a collection, amounting in cash and pledges to about \$500 was taken up.

The Committee on Time and Place reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

The Committee on Time and Place recommend that the next session of this Convention be held in the Baptist Church in Morganton, N. C. And that the time be changed from Thursday after the first Sunday in December to 2:30 P. M. on Wednesday, after the second Sunday in November.

To preach the Conventional Sermon: Dr. J. B. Richardson, of High Point, N. C. Alternate: Rev. J. H. Lamberth, of Mt. Airy, N. C.

J. C. CADDELL,
For Committee.

The report was amended so as to make the time Wednesday after second Sunday in November, at 3:30 P. M., and adopted.

On motion of T. J. Taylor, the consideration of report on Periodicals and *Biblical Recorder* was postponed until Monday morning, and the reports on Sunday Schools, recommitted to Committee, made special order for to-night after the discussion on the Theological Seminary.

Convention adjourned with benediction.

NIGHT SESSION.

Convention met at 7:30 P. M.

Devotional exercises were conducted by C. M. Billings, pastor of Greenville Church, who read 1st Psalm. Prayer by W. C. Tyree, of Durham, and L. R. Pruett, of Charlotte.

R. VanDeventer, Vice-President of Foreign Mission Board of Southern Baptist Convention, was called to the Chair.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by J. H. Edwards, as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Foreign missions press their claims upon us because the Master said, "Go ye into all the world," and He is now greatly cheering us in our toil. In Brazil, Mexico, Japan and China the outlook is unusually en-

couraging for our work. The great need, of course, is for more men, especially in China.

As to Brazil, a wave of evangelical life and power is sweeping all over the land. God's time to visit this people, with the Spirit's power, must be our time, with glad hearts, to send them the Gospel.

The conditions in China, created by the late war with Japan, are peculiarly favorable to Christianity.

Our Foreign Mission Board is anxious to send out new men, and the work is at a standstill for want of means to do so. The Southern Baptist Convention has now upon its fields in Africa, Brazil, China, Italy, Japan and Mexico—Missionaries, male, 40; female, 52; ordained natives, 30; unordained native helpers, 59; total number of churches, 85; out stations, 114; baptisms the past year, 581; total membership, 3,493. We observe that about one-sixth of the present membership were baptized during the past year. What hath God wrought! Surely we should be stirred to more earnest prayer; to more hearty and liberal giving in our Master's name to the foreign mission work!

We refer you, for full and accurate details, to the admirable table of statistics in the report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools of this Convention.

We commend the consolidated *Mission Journal* as an invaluable source of information about the whole mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention; price 50 cents per year; one copy free for ten subscribers. We should urge our people to take it.

We recommend that untiring efforts be made to raise this year \$9,000, the amount apportioned to and asked from our State for the work.

J. HARTWELL EDWARDS,

J. S. WRAY,

O. T. EDWARDS,

J. D. HACKNEY,

W. M. LYLES,

J. M. TISDALE,

JAMES D. HOLLISTER,

Committee.

The Convention was then addressed by E. Y. Mullens, Assistant Corresponding Secretary of Foreign Mission Board at Richmond, and T. C. Britton, returned missionary to China, after which the report was adopted.

E. C. Dargan, Professor in Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., addressed the Convention on the work and aims of the Seminary. A collection for the Ministers' Fund at the Seminary was made, amounting, in pledges, to \$500, besides a liberal cash collection.

C. J. Hunter read report of Convention on Sunday Schools and Colportage Work as follows :

JOINT REPORT OF COMMITTEES ON SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE WORK.

The Committees on Sunday Schools, Colportage and Bible Work; and on the necessary changes in the Constitution of the Convention so as to permit a separate Board for Sunday School and Colportage work, to whom the various reports of these committees were re-committed for the purpose of agreeing on one report, to be made this evening, beg leave to submit the following report :

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[Signed] S. F. CONRAD,
CAREY J. HUNTER,
JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,
A. M. SIMMS,
THOS. HUME,
J. B. BOONE.

Sunday School Committee :

N. B. BROUGHTON, <i>Chairman.</i>	JNO. T. PULLEN,
A. M. SIMMS,	J. W. BAILEY,
W. N. JONES,	J. H. WEATHERS,
T. H. BRIGGS,	J. W. CARTER,
S. W. BREWER,	J. B. BREWER,
J. W. GORE,	W. R. GWALTNEY,
W. L. POTEAT,	J. S. HARDAWAY.
J. C. SCARBOROUGH,	

The report was adopted.

J. C. Blalock read report of Committee to Nominate Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, which was adopted.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

J. C. SCARBOROUGH, Chairman.

JOHN E. WHITE, Cor. Sec.

J. H. Alford, G. M. Allen, C. W. Blanchard, J. D. Boushall, S. W. Brewer, N. B. Broughton, J. C. Caddell, J. W. Carter, N. B. Cobb, G. J. Dowell, J. C. Ellington, W. R. Gwaltney, F. P. Hobgood, J. N. Holding, E. C. Holleman, C. J. Hunter, W. N. Jones, W. A. Montgomery, T. H. Pritchard, T. E. Skinner, A. M. Simms, H. L. Watson, W. T. Faircloth, J. D. Hufham, H. C. Dockery, C. M. Cooke, T. H. Briggs, J. W. Gore, W. L. Poteat, John T. Pullen, J. W. Bailey, J. H. Weathers, J. B. Brewer, J. S. Hardaway, J. W. Millard, J. P. Wyatt.

Ashe and Alleghany, W. C. Fields; Atlantic, B. W. Spillman; Alexander, J. A. White; Beulah, S. P. Adams; Bladen, W. S. Meekin; Brier Creek, W. A. Myers; Brushy Mountain, R. A. Spainhour; Caldwell, J. V. McCall; Cedar Creek, C. A. G. Thomas; Central, P. A. Dunn; Catawba River, Samuel Huffman; Cape Fear, E. W. Wooten; Chowan, E. F. Aydlett; Columbus, J. W. Powell; Eastern, A. A. Butler; Elkin, J. S. Kilby; Flat River, R. H. Marsh; French Broad, T. M. Honeycutt; Green River, M. M. Landrum; King's Mountain, H. F. Schenck; Liberty, Jas. Smith; Little River, J. A. Campbell; Mecklenburg and Cabarrus, C. Gresham; Mitchell county, L. H. Green; Montgomery, W. M. Bostick; Mt. Zion, W. C. Tyree; Pee Dee, J. Q. Adams; Piedmont, R. W. Brooks; Pilot Mountain, H. A. Brown; Raleigh, O. L. Stringfield; Robeson, E. K. Procter, Jr.; Sandy Creek, O. T. Edwards; South Atlantic, J. M. Long; South Fork, J. D. Moore; South Yadkin, N. S. Jones; Stanley, E. F. Eddings; Tar River, W. B. Morton and E. E. Hilliard; Three Forks, W. S. Farthing; Union, H. C. Moore; West Chowan, J. B. Brewer; Yadkin, J. C. Burrus, Yancey county, J. F. Sams.

J. G. BLALOCK,
J. K. FANT,
JNO. A. SUMMEY,
J. S. WILLIAMS,
A. G. WILLCOX,
Committee.

E. Frost submitted report nominating Ministers' Relief Board, which was adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF BOARD.

W. C. Tyree, G. J. Dowell, J. F. McDuffie, N. B. Broughton, H. A. Foushee, H. A. Reams, T. E. Cheek, J. L. Markham, J. S. Hardaway, T. H. Street, O. C. Horton,

E. FROST,
W. N. GREGORY,
E. F. PRITCHARD,
Committee.

W. B. Morton reported for Committee to Nominate Board of Education.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

W. L. Poteat, W. E. Gwaltney, W. B. Royall, D. W. Allen, C. E. Brewer, J. M. Brewer, J. B. Carlyle, L. Chapell, W. B. Dunn, W. H. Edwards, P. W. Johnson, W. C. Lankford, L. R. Mills, J. B. Powers, F. M. Purefoy, N. Y. Gulley, C. E. Taylor, J. F. Lanneau, John Mitchell, R. W. Haywood, W. A. Montgomery, W. J. Ferrell, J. C. Caddell, A. F. Purefoy, T. E. Holding, J. H. Gorrell, B. F. Sledd, J. C. Fowler.

Report was adopted.

Pastor L. Johnson read appointments for Sunday.

Convention adjourned at 10 P. M. Benediction by J. W. Carter, of Raleigh.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

SUNDAY, December 8, 1895.

According to report of Committee on Religious Exercises, appointments were filled in the various places in the city, as follows:

Baptist Church—10 A. M., Sunday School Mass Meeting. Speakers: N. B. Broughton, Rev. B. W. Spillman, Hermon H. Horne, and Rev. E. Y. Mullens; 11 A. M., sermon by Rev. J. D. Hufham, D. D.; 7:30 P. M., Memorial Services.

First Presbyterian—11 A. M., Rev. Thomas Hume, D. D.; 7:30 P. M., Rev. E. Y. Mullens.

Westminister Presbyterian—11 A. M., Rev. T. H. Pritchard, D. D.; 7:30 P. M., Rev. C. S. Blackwell, D. D.

Market Street Methodist—11 A. M., Rev. R. T. Vann, D. D.; 7:30 P. M., Rev. John E. White.

Centenary Methodist—11 A. M., Rev. H. A. Brown, D. D.; 7:30 P. M., Rev. J. H. Lamberth.

Friends—11 A. M., Rev. W. R. Gwaltney, D. D.; 7:30 P. M., Rev. J. Q. Adams.

Methodist Protestant—11 A. M., Rev. M. L. Kesler; 7:30 P. M., Rev. J. G. Blalock.

East Baptist Mission—Rev. W. B. Waff.

Normal and Industrial School—3:30 P. M., Rev. T. H. Pritchard, D. D. Y. M. C. A. (Courthouse)—4 P. M., N. B. Broughton.

Shiloh Baptist Church, (colored)—8 P. M., Rev. N. B. Cobb, D. D., by request.

SUNDAY NIGHT.

J. D. Hufham read 11th chapter Hebrew; J. K. Fant offer prayer.

J. D. Hufham read the report of Committee on Obituaries, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

During the year which is now closing, more of our fellow-soldiers than usual have fallen on the field of honor. Their noble deeds are worthy of immortal record. Their sweet and saintly lives deserve to be held in everlasting remembrance. But time and space forbid more than brief and loving mention, while we drop a tear in memory of them and pass on to the fields of strife and of glory.

George W. Blount, of Wilson: Scholar, lawyer, deacon, Sunday School Superintendent, Trustee of Wake Forest College, of blameless life and gentle spirit, passed two weeks ago from his home in Wilson into the "House not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

G. W. Hill, of Columbus county, for forty-six years a preacher of the gospel, was taken from the storm and strife at the opening of the new year.

T. Harrison—scholar, preacher, faithful man of God—closed a life of fifty-six years, many of them filled with suffering, on the 6th of July; going from suffering here into the eternal glory.

Brethren S. W. Eaton, Jordan Tysor, F. B. Parks, Ezra Tatum, W. G. Ferree, S. N. Buxton, W. G. Upchurch, J. T. Waff, and W. H. Manning, having served their generation faithfully by the Will of God, have fallen asleep.

John Lemuel Carroll, bishop of the flock at Chapel Hill, on the 26th of June obeyed the call, "Come up higher," and joined the general assembly and church of the first-born, whose names are written in heaven. A graduate of the University, he was an able minister of the new Testament, an accomplished scholar, and a successful man of affairs. Two monuments of him remain: The Oxford Orphan Asylum, which, as St. John's College, he relieved of a crushing debt, thereby making the Asylum possible; and the French Broad Church, Asheville, which was builded through his wisdom and energy.

Christopher Thomas Bailey was born in 1835, died June 5th, 1895. Preacher, teacher and pastor—he filled a large measure of usefulness. But it was as Editor of the RECORDER, 1875 to 1895, that he did his best work and made his way into the admiration and love of his brethren.

Columbus Durham, born in 1844, died in Raleigh, November 14th, 1895. Confederate soldier 1861–1865, student at Wake Forest College

1867-'71, pastor at Goldsboro 1871-'76, pastor at Durham 1876-'88, Missionary Secretary of the Convention 1887-'95. It will be impossible to write the history of North Carolina Baptists without telling the fascinating story of his extraordinary career. No other man among us has ever touched the denominational life so effectively, or at so many vital points. No other man has been so widely or deeply lamented by his brethren.

J. D. HUFHAM,
 W. R. GWALTNEY,
 T. H. PRITCHARD,
 J. P. WOODY,
 W. M. BOSTICK,
 E. D. CHEEK,
 J. W. BURCHETT,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, ten-minute addresses were made by—

T. E. Skinner on life of G. W. Blount and W. G. Upchurch.

T. H. Pritchard on life of J. L. Carroll.

J. D. Hufham, on life of C. T. Bailey.

H. A. Brown and R. T. Vann, in memory of C. Durham.

Solo—"Christian's Good-night."

Two-minute speeches by brethren J. C. Scarborough, G. M. Webb, J. H. Vernon, T. J. Taylor, J. G. Pulliam, R. N. Hawkins, J. C. Caddell.

L. Johnson spoke of Bro. Trezevant Harrison.

The report was adopted.

Closed with "How Firm a Foundation," and benediction.

MONDAY MORNING.

DECEMBER, 9, 1895.

Convention met at 9:30 A. M.

M. L. Kesler conducted the devotional exercises.

H. A. Brown offered the following report:

REPORT ON EDITOR OF RECORDER.

During the last session of your body Dr. C. T. Bailey, editor of the *Biblical Recorder*, expressed to you his apprehension of speedy disease, and requested that a committee be appointed to make arrangements to continue the publication of the paper on conditions which would be satisfactory to the denomination after his death. The undersigned were appointed, and on the death of Dr. Bailey, after conferring with the family, decided that it would be best that the publication of the paper go on under the ownership of the family and under the sole editorial management of Bro. J. W. Bailey, son of our deceased brother, who had for two years been practically the editor-in-chief.

We are gratified to believe that the *Recorder* has not, at any time in its history, been more ably and more satisfactorily edited than at the present time. It is eminently worthy of the hearty support of all our people. Its sphere of usefulness will be enlarged in proportion as we give to it our hearty co-operation.

R. H. MARSH,
J. D. HUFHAM,
H. A. BROWN,
W. L. POTEAT,
J. B. BOONE,
Committee.

Remarks were made by J. D. Hufham, N. B. Broughton, T. H. Pritchard, T. E. Skinner, J. D. Boushall and J. B. Boone, and the report was adopted.

The report on Periodicals was submitted by J. H. Lamberth, as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In this eventful period, when the various denominations are trying to excel in religious literature, it is with a degree of pride and pleasure that we can present and recommend, to our host of Baptist people, and others, who wish to be informed about us, as the largest denomination in North Carolina, such periodicals as the *Biblical Recorder*, through which we speak our sentiments, preach our doctrines, and report our work. This paper, with an illustrious history back of it, a competent man at its head, representing the various interests of a great people, should be widely read and heartily supported by the thousands whom it represents.

The *North Carolina Baptist*, a younger religious paper, is in the field helping on the Master's work.

Charity and Children, through which our Orphanage speaks weekly to the God-favored homes of our State, is warmly recommended.

The Wake Forest Student, for the development of young talent, and a medium by which the Institution, at which it is edited, may be better known, is worthy of our attention.

And for broader information about our home and foreign work, the two combined journals, now known as the Mission Journal of our two boards, must be read if we keep posted on the needs and progress of the mission fields.

Praying that the Holy Spirit may guide in publishing, reading, and making each of the above mentioned periodicals mighty agents for the spreading of truth, information, and the Master's kingdom, we are

Respectfully yours,

J. H. LAMBERTH,
W. B. SHAW,
J. G. PULLIAM,
J. C. WOODWARD,
C. M. BILLINGS,
JAMES LONG,
G. W. HARMAN,'

Committee.

The report was adopted.

R. VanDeventer offered the following report on Young People's Union:

REPORT ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

A program was prepared, and a Young People's Convention has been held, as the last State Convention instructed.

There has been a marked change in the sentiment of many who, a year ago, were either opposed or indifferent to the movement. To-day they are its friends and advocates.

Your Committee report that an organization called the Baptist Young People's Union, Auxillary to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina has been effected. Officers have been elected.

An Executive Committee and a Committee on Constitution have been appointed.

The Constitution is as follows:

CONSTITUTION OF THE BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION, AUXILIARY TO THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA.

ARTICLE I. Name.—The name of this organization shall be The Baptist Young People's Union, auxiliary to the Baptist State Convention.

ART. 2. Object.—The object of this organization shall be the alliance

of our North Carolina young people in close auxiliary relation to the Baptist State Convention; their growth in knowledge of the Bible doctrine and ethics, of Baptist polity and history, and of missionary principles and enterprises; their development in spiritual life and Christian graces their training in the best methods of Christian work; and their culture in devout and reverent Christian worship. It shall also be the object of this organization to encourage young people's organizations in the churches, co-operating with it to sustain active auxiliary relations to the Boards of the Baptist State Convention. In pursuance of these ends, it shall be the aim of this Union to foster and aid local Baptist young people's organizations in connection with Baptist churches, in harmony with their principles and polity.

ART. 3. Members.—The members of the Union shall be accredited delegates from the Baptist Young People's Societies under the auspices of the Baptist churches of North Carolina, on the basis of one delegate to every ten members, or major fraction thereof, of each Baptist Young People's Society; provided, there be no more than five delegates from any Society. Every Missionary Baptist pastor in North Carolina shall be entitled to membership.

ART. 4. Officers.—The officers of the Union shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary and a Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot. Each of these officers shall perform the duties usually appertaining to their respective offices, until his successor is chosen.

ART. 5. Executive Committee.—Sec. 1. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the President and Secretary of the Union, and the Secretary of the Board of Missions of the Baptist State Convention, and four members elected by the Union in annual session.

SEC. 2. The Executive Committee may select from its members a Chairman, but its Secretary shall be the Secretary of the Union.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall have two regular meetings, one to be held at the annual meeting of the Union, and the other at not less than three months before the next annual meeting of the Union. Called meetings of the Committee may be held upon the written request of three of its members. Four members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 4. The Executive Committee shall be empowered to devise such plans, raise such funds, make such appointments, conduct such operations and require such reports, as it may deem best for the furtherance of the objects of the Union; and to fill vacancies occurring between meetings of the Union.

SEC. 5. The Executive Committee shall make full reports of its proceedings, and of the work done by and under it, to the Union at its annual meetings, and it shall be subject to the instructions of the Union.

ART. 6. Meetings.—The Union shall hold its regular meetings an-

nually, in connection with and at the place selected for the annual meeting of the Baptist State Convention, or at such other time and place as either the Union or its Executive Committee may appoint, Special meetings of the Union shall be called on the written request of five members of the Executive Committee.

N. B.—By vote of the Union, this Constitution is authoritative until the next meeting, when revision will be made.

Your Committee ask the approval and endorsement of this action by this Convention.

R. VANDEVENTER,
C. W. SCARBOROUGH,
C. S. BLACKWELL,
THOMAS HUME,
T. H. PRITCHARD.

Remarks were made by J. D. Hufham, R. VanDeventer, T. Hume, T. H. Pritchard, and the report was adopted.

J. D. Hufham introduced the following resolution, which was carried:

Resolved, That the President and Executive Committee of the Young People's Union be requested to consider the wisdom of being organically connected with this Convention, and of carrying on their work through a Board to be appointed annually by this body.

J. W. Carter submitted the following as the report of the committee appointed at Elizabeth City to memorialize the Legislature on the friction between the University and denominational colleges:

A MEMORIAL AND PETITION.

To the General Assembly of North Carolina:

A Committee appointed by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, at its sixty-third annual session, to memorialize the General Assembly of North Carolina with reference to friction between the State and private schools which are engaged in higher, collegiate, and university education, most respectfully submits to your honorable body the following Memorial and Petition:

After several months of serious consideration, the Committee is fully convinced—

That the roots and ultimate causes of the friction which you are asked to remove are in the laws of the State; and that nothing less than a change in the laws which direct the educational policy of the State will relieve the friction:

That this relief can be given by action of the General Assembly; for the Constitution makes the will of the people, expressed from time to time through their Representatives in the General Assembly, the supreme authority of the State for the appropriation of money from the Treasury of the State to higher, collegiate, or university education:

That a large proportion of the voters of the State, including many of the best friends of education, without regard to their political affiliations or religious convictions, believe that the time has come for a cautious but thorough revision of the laws which shape the educational policy of the State:

That the several Christian colleges and other private and denominational schools whose usefulness is imperilled, are entitled to consideration from your body. They represent, in their equipments, endowments, etc., several millions of dollars invested and voluntarily contributed by friends of education. They employ as instructors many men and women of the best scholarship and the highest character. They have sent forth a large proportion of the most successful teachers, preachers, farmers, lawyers, doctors, and business men in the State. They have many thousands of friends who are ready to make sacrifices to sustain and enlarge them. They are exerting such widespread and salutary influences that their continued existence and unhampered expansion seem necessary for the greatest good of the State:

That the illiteracy of large numbers of the people of North Carolina is a reproach to the State, is unfavorable to its prosperity and is a menace to its good government; that this illiteracy can be removed only through the agency of the Public Schools; and that these will require all the taxes of the people which can be expended for educational purposes:

That the policy of appropriating the taxes of the people to the support of higher education in colleges and universities is not only unjust to the public schools, with which these colleges and universities have no organic connection, but is actually obstructive to the most natural and healthful development of collegiate or university education in the State:

That the continued appropriation to higher education of any part of the taxes of the people which might be used in keeping the Public Schools open for four months a year, as required by the mandate of the Constitution, is unnecessary, and, therefore, unwise and wrong:

That this appropriation is unnecessary because it is possible for all higher collegiate, or university education to be provided for, not from the taxes of the people, but by private munificence, through endowments or otherwise, on the principle of voluntary support:

That the voluntary system is not only right in itself, but has proved its practical efficiency in every State in which it has had a fair trial:

That some of the same general principles which have demanded the separation of Church and State demand also the severance of higher

education from State support; that no more important service was ever rendered by human government to true religion than its severance from State support and control, and no more friendly service was ever rendered to the established churches themselves than the action which compelled all the churches in this country, without discrimination, to adopt the voluntary system; that, now, no more important or friendly service can be rendered to the cause of general education and to the several schools now maintained by the State for higher, collegiate or university education than the adoption for them by the General Assembly of the system of voluntary support:

That nothing short of a practical recognition and actual establishment of the principle of voluntary support in the higher education can remove the unnecessary, unwise, and hurtful friction, or can relieve the State of the widening and deepening discussion of what is believed by many thousands of people to be an unjust policy in education on the part of the State:

Now, therefore, we, your Memorialists, beg to submit to your honorable body that the Christian denomination by whose Convention we are charged with this duty has always, in peace and in war, been faithful to every interest of the State; that its members are the uncompromising friends of civil and religious liberty; and that they are ardent advocates of all education, the highest as well as the lowest.

Representing, as we believe, the views and wishes of the overwhelming majority of the members of this body of Christians, we beg you to hear and consider our petition:

1st. While we do not ask for any violent action on your part, we do ask that practical recognition shall be given by your body at this session to the voluntary principle in the support and control of all higher education in our State. We ask that this principle shall be so fully established in the laws of the State as ultimately to put all the institutions of higher learning on the same plane, so far as the principle of their control and support is concerned. We recognize the necessity for a period of transition. We believe that this period should be reasonable in extent, but definite in limit.

2d. That all the taxes of the people which are available for educational purpose shall be spent in the better schooling of the children of the State in Public Schools, and that due encouragement be given to the principle of voluntary local taxation for Common School purposes.

3d. That no exemption from examination for certificates to teach in the Public Schools shall be allowed to any person.

4th. That no institution for higher, collegiate, or university education shall be allowed, while aided by appropriations from the Treasury of the State, to issue or use scholarships unless these are based upon an actual annual money income sufficient to pay the regular charges in full for the privileges granted, said income to accrue from sources other than the appropriations made, for the time being, by the State.

5th. That all institutions chartered by the State for industrial and normal education shall confine themselves strictly to that work so long as they shall be supported in whole or in part by appropriations from the State.

6th. That no law making an appropriation to any institution shall continue in force, without re-enactment, for a longer period than the intervals between the meetings of the General Assembly.

It is believed that, if it were necessary, petitions signed by a majority of the voters in every county where this subject has been discussed before the people could be presented to you. But we hope that this will not be necessary, believing, as we do, that the members of your honorable body already understand, to a great extent, at least, the wishes of the people of North Carolina as to the educational policy of the State.

Fully trusting to your capacity and purpose to deal with the very important questions which are brought to your attention in this Memorial in such a way as to secure the best and largest and most permanent results to all classes of the people of the State, we submit our Petition to your honorable body.

And your Memorialists will every pray, etc.

C. DURHAM,
W. N. JONES,
J. W. CARTER,
CHAS. E. TAYLOR,
JNO. B. BREWER,

Committee of Baptist State Convention.

January 24, 1895.

The action of the committee was endorsed.

The Finance Committee reported as follows:

FINANCE REPORT.

Received for State Missions from—	
Creeksville church, West Chowan Association	\$ 2 75
Roanoke church, West Chowan Association	3 00
Eaton's church, South Yadkin Association	10 00
Spring Hill church, Pee Dee Association	4 13
Total	\$ 14 88
Orphanage collection	\$ 24 53
For debt due C. Durham	29 75
Theological Seminary	12 78

THOS. H. BRIGGS,
Chairman Finance Committee.

J. D. Hufham moved that N. B. Cobb be appointed Statistical Secretary of the Convention, at a salary of \$50 per annum.

After remarks by J. D. Hufham, J. W. Carter, J. C. Scarborough and W. R. Gwaltney, the motion was adopted.

T. E. Skinner introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His wise Providence to remove from earth to heaven our beloved sister, Mrs. Lillias Margaret McDaniel Vass; therefore

Resolved, That in view of her singularly consecrated life and most useful service in the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, that we do hereby recognize that service and thank God for her life.

On motion the Secretaries were instructed to have printed three thousand copies of the minutes, and that their allowance be \$25 each.

T. Hume introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the Convention hereby express its grateful appreciation of the generous hospitality of the Greensboro Baptist Church, and of the other Christian congregations, and of the good people generally, and that it also offer its thanks to the hotels, to the railroads and other transportation companies for reduced rates of travel.

Adopted unanimously, by standing vote.

On motion, a vote of thanks was tendered J. C. Scarborough for his services as Corresponding Secretary, and that he receive the salary of Corresponding Secretary till January 1st.

H. Sheets introduced the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Resolved, That this Convention desires to emphasize and encourage the work of our brethren in the State in the fight against the liquor traffic.

The business of the Convention having been completed, closing remarks were made by T. H. Pritchard, J. D. Huffman, W. R. Gwaltney and R. H. Marsh.

“Blest be the tie that binds” was sung, and the Convention adjourned at 12 M., to meet at Morganton, N. C., on Wednesday after the second Sunday in November, 1896, at 3:30 o'clock P. M.

R. H. MARSH,
President.

N. B. BROUGHTON,
N. B. COBB,
Secretaries.

APPENDIX.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

- Adams, E. J., Richmond Hill.
Adams, J. O., Wadesboro.
Adams, M. A., Asheville.
Adams, M. H., Venable.
Adderton, W. S., Denton.
Albritton, J. T., Mt. Olive.
Alderman, J. O., Concord.
Allen, W. M., Fletcher.
Allison, E., Brevard.
Aman, D. F., Marines.
Ammons, J. A., Needmore.
Ammons, J. M., Halewood.
Ammons, John, Outlook.
Anderson, C. J. F., Louisville, Ky.
Anderson, J. W., Asheville.
Angel, Jas. J., Boonville.
Annas, J. R. J., Monbo.
Arrington, C. C., Shelton.
Atkinson, J. W., Neuse.
Austin, D. M., Charlotte.
Austin, J. H., Rockingham.
Bailey, L. J., Walnut Run.
Baldwin, M., Winston.
Baldwin, T. M., Riceville.
Baldwin, J. R., Silas Creek.
Ballard, W. S., Southport.
Ballard, J. L., Doolie.
Bardwin, J. H., Silas Creek.
Barker, A. N., Hew Hope.
Barker, H. M., Peachtree.
Barker, W. F., Bud.
Barkley, J. G., Rocky Mount.
Barnes, S. D., Boomer.
Barnes, K., Sterling.
Barr, J. S., Pinckton.
Barrett, E. B., Peachland.
Bartlett, G. A., Etna.
Bassett, J. E., Asheville.
Beach, W. R., King's Creek.
Beam, J. A., Bethel Hill.
Beamer, W. H., Pine Ridge.
Beard, C. E., Winnie.
Beaver, C. E., Mt. Holly.
Beck, A. W., Calhoun.
Bell, J. W., Clinton.
Bennett, J., Iredell.
Bennett, J. L., Monroe.
Bennett, J. M., Churchland.
Bennett, R. J., New Hill.
Best, G. S., Kenansville.
Betts, Alvin, Raleigh.
Betts, Allen, Varina.
Betts, A. L., Charlotte.
Bilbro, W. L., Warsaw.
Billings, C. M., Greenville.
Bivins, J. A., Richardson's Creek.
Blackburn, S., Crumpler.
Blackwell, C. S., Ph. D., Elizabeth City.
Blalock, J. C., Ledger.
Blalock, T. K., Shanghai, China.
Blalock, J. G., Rockingham.
Blanchard, C. W., Cary.
Bland, Wm., Mingo.
Blevins, John, Hermitage.
Blevins, B., Absher.
Blevins, E., Blevins.
Blevins, C., Hermitage.
Blythe, James, Saluda.
Bobbitt, E. C., Michenor.
Bogart, C. P., Edenton.
Boone, J. B., D.D., Thomasville.
Boone, J. R., Estatoe.
Bordeaux, A. J., Kelly's.
Boyles, I. S., Louisville, Ky.
Bostick, W. M., Troy.
Bostick, G. P., Shanghai, China.
Boyd, J. P., Polkton.
Bradley, J. A., Marshall.
Bradley, W. T., Morgan Hill.
Bradshaw, W. R., Moravian Falls.
Bridgers, J. A., Spring Hope.
Bridges, B. M., Lattimore.
Bridges, D. P., Catawba.
Bridges, J. D., New House.
Bridges, J. A., Spring Hope.
Briggs, H. W., Bald Creek.
Briggs, J. W., Mars Hill.
Briggs, W. M., Briggsville.
Bright, A., Spring Creek.
Bright, T., Forest City.
Brisson, Wm., Guyton.
Britton, T. C., China.
Bristow, S. F., Colerain.
Britt, J. L., Turkey.
Brock, T. J., Acton.
Brooks, C. V., Bunn's Level.
Brooks, G. W., Brevard.
Brookshier, J. L., Flat Rock.
Brown, Asa, Riverside.
Brown, A. E., Gap Creek.
Brown, J. W., Absher.
Brown, C. C., Hamptonville.
Brown, H. A., D.D., Winston.
Brown, Joel, Elkville.
Brown, W. G., Cross Roads Church.
Brunt, Wm., Winnie.
Bryan, L., Cypress Creek.
Bryan, R. T., China.
Buchanan, C. S., Barker.
Buchanan, J. W., Minneapolis.
Buchanan, J. L., Barker.
Buchanan, S., Plum Tree.
Buchanan, W. S., Bakersville.
Buchanan, E., Bakersville.
Bullard, D. S., Roseboro.
Bumgardner, A. P., Caesar.
Bumgardner, W. J., Swanner.
Burcham, G. M., Elkin.
Burcham, A. J., Mt. Airy.
Burchett, J. W., Trap Hill.
Burfoot, A. W., Hertford.
Burgess, C. S., Newbern.
Butler, A. A., Mt. Olive.
Byrd, W. F., Trap Hill.
Cade, B., Franklinton.
Caines, G. C., Orton.
Caldwell, W. R., Robbinsville.
Cale, Dancy, Windsor.
Cale, D., Potecasi.
Callahan, N. A., White Hall.
Calhoun, C. L., Medlin.
Calhoun, T. J., Medlin.

- Camp, T. C., Tusquitee.
 Campbell, A. N., Poe's.
 Campbell, J. A., Poe's.
 Campbell, Neal, Grayson.
 Carroll, R. D., Wintreville.
 Carroll, S. T., Stony Fork.
 Carrick, Thomas, Lexington.
 Carswell, J. W., Enola.
 Carswell, Z., Enola.
 Carter, I. M., Bernice.
 Carter, Henry, Garland.
 Carter, J. W., D. D., Raleigh.
 Carter, T. S., Palestine.
 Case, C. C., Columbus.
 Cashwell, C. S., Hickory.
 Cashwell, J., Bladenboro.
 Cassidy, W. A., Trail Branch.
 Castevens, W. B., Mt. Nebo.
 Caudle, A. B., Waxhaw.
 Caudle, J. H., Mizpah.
 Caudle, R. T., Charlotte.
 Caudle, J. J., Dockery.
 Chaffin, M. S., Calahan.
 Chambers, S. A., Waynesville.
 Chappell, W. Y., Flint.
 Chappell, L. N., Cheu King, China.
 Cheek, F. B., Whitehead.
 Church, G. H., Statesville.
 Church, J. W., Ready Branch.
 Clark, David, Brinkleyville.
 Clark, D. J., Register.
 Clark, F. P., Dogwood.
 Clark, M. L., Muttenez.
 Clark, N. L., Chambers.
 Clarke, J. D., St. Paul's.
 Clement, A. B., Bushnell.
 Clenny, L. M., Silver.
 Cobb, N. B., D. D., Raleigh.
 Cobb, T. J., Chadbourn.
 Cobb, J. W., Lumber Bridge.
 Coleman, A., Murphy.
 Coley, W. J., Northside.
 Collie, D. S., Bryson City.
 Collins, J. W., Chalk Level.
 Combs, W. J., Trap Hill.
 Comer, J. Q., Hamptonville.
 Compton, M. C., Clyde.
 Conner, W. E., Quallatown.
 Conrad, S. F., Winston.
 Cook, H. B., Medlin.
 Cook, H. T., Wake Forest.
 Cook, J. H., Lark.
 Coppedge, G. W., Wakefield.
 Corn, A. J., Grange.
 Corn, Noah, Little Creek.
 Cothren, Grant, Trap Hill.
 Crabtree, A. W., Arlington.
 Cree, A., Roxobel.
 Cree, A. C., Wake Forest.
 Creech, W., Hare's Store.
 Crew, A., Roxobel.
 Crews, R. W., Germanton.
 Crisp, J. F., Norris.
 Crisp, R. H., Dorsey.
 Croom, H. M., Globe.
 Cross, R. D., WindSOR. N. C.
 Crocker, W. C., China.
 Crumpler, J. C., Hope Mills.
 Cullom, W. R., Louisville, Ky.
 Cunningham, H. A., Swain.
 Curtis, L. M., Aulander.
 Davenport, J. E. M., Crozer Theo. Sem.
 Daitz, T. F., Barker.
 Davis, A., Low Gap.
 Davis, M. P., Creedmore.
 Davis, W. H., Wake Forest.
 Davis, A. C., Unionville.
 Davis, A. W., Barker.
 Davis, E. L., Olive Branch.
 Davis, J. F., Vilas.
 Dehart, T. S., Swain.
 Dennis, J. D., Polk.
 Denton, J. R., Dysartsville.
 Devin, R. I., Oxford.
 Devenny, J. V., Youngsville.
 Deweese, E. A., Hanging Dog.
 Deweese, L., Outlook.
 Deweese, W. W., Burningtown.
 Dietz, J. S., Pearson.
 Dietz, T. F., Barker.
 Diggs, R., Cairo.
 Dixon, L. R., Goldston.
 Dixon, T., Shelby.
 Dobson, J. H., Catharine Lake.
 Douglas, J. J., Louisville, Ky.
 Dowell, G. J., Durham.
 Dowell, J., Jennings.
 Dowell, C. L., Dovesville.
 Driver, R. P., Mapleville.
 Duke, G. M., Duke's.
 Duncan, T. M., Beaver Creek.
 Duncan, J. W., Ledger.
 Duncan, H. J., Clinton.
 Dunn, W. C., Balsam Grove.
 Durham, C. H., Louisville, Ky.
 Earl, J. M., Swain.
 Early, D. W., Aulander.
 Ebeltoft, T. W., Shelby.
 Edwards, A. A., Winnabow.
 Edwards, D. D., Morrisville.
 Edwards, E. J., Williamston.
 Edwards, J. H., Wake Forest.
 Edwards, J. R., Swain.
 Edwards, O. T., Ore Hill.
 Edwards, W. H., Wake Forest.
 Elam, P. R., Kings Mountain.
 Eller, J. F., Sweet Water.
 Ellington, E. P., Wentworth.
 Elliott, Josiah, Hertford.
 Ensley, W., Dillsboro.
 Eudy, G. L., Efir's Mills.
 Fant, J. K., Littleton.
 Farthing, A. C., Hattie.
 Farthing, J. H., Hattie.
 Farthing, R. M., Louisville, Ky.
 Felmet, C. F., Waco.
 Fender, A., Laurelton.
 Ferebee, J. B., Belcross.
 Ferrell, B. S., Waxhaw.
 Ferrell, W. A., Raleigh.
 Fields, C. F., Elkin.
 Fisher, J. G., Roslin.
 Fleetwood, J. C., Margarettsville.
 Fontaine, P. H., Bethel Hill.
 Foster, J. A., Glass.
 Franklin, J. K., Devotion.
 Frisbie, T. J., Spring Creek.
 Furgerson, P. A., Lambsville.
 Fuqua, S. W., Eagle Springs.
 Galloway, J. A., Wolf Mountain.
 Galloway, J. E., Galloway.
 Gentry, S. E., State Road.
 Gibbs, N. H., Benson.
 Gilbert, R. M., Edneyville.
 Gilliam, E. R., Drew.
 Gilmore, S., Goldston.
 Glenn, W. H., Thaxton.
 Glidewell, C. W., Meadows.
 Goforth, M. A., Big Pine.
 Goforth, S. S., Lovelace.
 Gooden, A. H., Sweet Home.
 Gormley, M., Aquone.
 Gosnell, G. W., Owenby.
 Gouge, D. A., Bandana.
 Gouley, Robert, Winston.
 Gower, C. E., Lincolnton.

- Graham, H. W., Swann Station.
 Greaves, C. L., Wake Forest.
 Gray, W. F., Buck Shoal.
 Gray, W. T., Marler.
 Green, David, Norris.
 Green, J. B., Forest City.
 Green, J., Boiling Springs.
 Green, R. G., Hamptonville.
 Green, Solomon, Stony Fork.
 Green, C. L., Dark Ridge.
 Greene, G. W., Canton, China.
 Greene, Edmund, Norris.
 Greene, L. H., Bakersville.
 Greene, D. A., Bakersville.
 Greene, M. L., Ahoskie.
 Greene, S. M., Bakersville.
 Greenwood, ---, Paint Fork.
 Griffin, J. W., Statesville.
 Grindstaff, I., Bakersville.
 Gulleddge, J. G., Brown Creek.
 Gwaltney, J. P., York Institute.
 Gwaltney, H. H., Vernon.
 Gwaltney, J. S., Cora.
 Gwaltney, I. P., Vashti.
 Gwaltney, W. R., D. D., Wake Forest.
 Gwyn, E. N., Elkin.
 Hackney, J. D., Franklinville.
 Hackney, J. C., Franklinville.
 Hackney, L. H., Chapel Hill.
 Haithcock, ---, Albemarle.
 Hairfield G. R., Greystone.
 Hall, J. W., Hayesville.
 Hall, W. F., Idaho.
 Hall, S. W., Thomasville.
 Hamilton, L. C., Bowman's Bluff.
 Hamilton, R. F., Knight.
 Hamner, W. H., Lexington.
 Hamrick, G. P., Henrietta.
 Hamrick, F. C., Pump.
 Hardaway, J. S., Oxford.
 Harman, A. J., Harman.
 Harman, D. C., Sugar Grove.
 Harman, G. W., Weldon.
 Harman, G. W., Ramseur.
 Harman, J. M., Sugar Grove.
 Harper, R. D., Duke's.
 Harrill, H. D., Forest City.
 Harrell, E. J., Eure.
 Harrell, J. B., Wilmington.
 Harrell, R. W., Burgaw.
 Harrell, W. B., M. D., Dunn.
 Harrell, Z. D., Ellenboro.
 Harrellson, H., Gaddysville.
 Harrill, E. D., Ellenboro.
 Harrington, E. P., Mission.
 Harris, B. B., Dysartsville.
 Harris, D. J., Yanceyville.
 Harris, J. M., Hartland.
 Harris, Wm., Kapp's Mills.
 Hartly, D. C., Mineapolis.
 Hartsell, J. W., Morven.
 Hartsell, P. G., Big Lick.
 Hawkins, A. B., Leicester.
 Hawkins, R. M., Sharon.
 Haymore, C. C., Mount Airy.
 Haynes, J. M., Clyde.
 Haynes, W., Asheville.
 Hedgepeth C. P., Orrum.
 Hedgepeth, R. A., Cedar Creek.
 Hefner, D., Lenoir.
 Henderson, G. W., Blaine.
 Hensley, A. J., Rutherfordton.
 Hensley, S. B., Bee Log.
 Hensley, W. E., Faust.
 Henson, A. B., Balsam.
 Herring, D. W., Shanghai, China.
 Hester, N. F., Moravian Falls.
 Hewitt, D. L., Shallotte.
 Hice, J. H., Baton.
 Hilburn, D. H., Bladenboro.
 Hilburn, L. W., Freeman.
 Hilburn, Rufus M., Bladenboro.
 Hildebrand, A., Pearson.
 Hildreth, J. H., Wilmington.
 Hill, A. H., Cottonville.
 Hill, T. B., Blue Wing.
 Hilliard, J. M., High Point.
 Hocutt, J. C., Burlington.
 Hocut, J. E., Stanhope.
 Hodge, J. F., Pool.
 Hoggard, J. N., Severn.
 Hogset, W. D.
 Hogue, G. F., Boonville.
 Holland, G. W., Winston.
 Hollar, E., Feits.
 Hollar, I., Eupaptic Springs.
 Holleman, J. M., Apex.
 Hollifield, A. P., Ellenboro.
 Honeycutt, G. A., Whitley.
 Honeycutt, R., Beaman's X Roads.
 Honeycutt, Samuel, Wilhite.
 Honeycutt, T. M., Mars Hill.
 Honeycutt, W. H., Whitley.
 Hooker, W. H., Marshall.
 Hooper, G. W., Robbinsville.
 Hooper, L. W., Tuckaseegee.
 Hopkins, W. J., Rock Cut.
 Hopper, P. G., Grover.
 Hord, A. T., Glenville.
 Horner, K. C., Horner's.
 Horner, T. J., Henderson.
 Horton, O. C., E. Durham.
 Howard, H. H., Bee Log.
 Howell, Jesse, Ewing.
 Howell, W. T., Wake Forest.
 Howell, J. K., Rocky Mount.
 Hoyle, J. A., Maiden.
 Hoyle, B. M., Estatee.
 Hudgins, Richard, Pump.
 Hudson, T. J., Louisville, Ky.
 Hudson, T. J., China.
 Hufham, J. D., D. D., Shelby.
 Hughes, J., Byrd.
 Hughes, S. A., Senia.
 Hull, W. F., Camp Creek.
 Hume, Thos., D. D., L. L. D., Chapel Hill.
 Hunt, A., Gamble's Store.
 Hunter, A. D., Cary.
 Hurley, A., Bly.
 Hursey, J. A., Ashpole.
 Hutchinson, J. H., Hutchinson's Store.
 Irwin, A. C., Pearl.
 Isaac, E., Lineback.
 Ingram, H. M., Pekin.
 Jackson, Elbert, Turner's.
 James, R. H., Reuben.
 Jamison, Wesley, Bald Creek.
 Jenkins, M. A., Waynesville.
 Jenkins, J. T., Morehead City.
 Johnson, J. C., Reese.
 Johnson, J. H., Bethel.
 Johnson, L., Greensboro.
 Johnson, Wm. R., Buckhorn.
 Johnson, S. H., Gray's Creek.
 Johnson, L. E., Fremont.
 Jolly, J. R., Lomax.
 Jones, E. F., Gastonia.
 Jones, J. R., Milton.
 Jones, N. S., Salisbury.
 Jones, R. H., Wakefield.
 Jones, Wm. H., Blue Ridge.
 Jones, W. J., Estatee.
 Jordan, F. M., East Fork.
 Jordan, James, Central Falls.
 Jordan, S., Robbinsville.
 Jordan, W. P., Hertford.

- Jordan, Y., Osbornville.
 Justice, A. A., Etna.
 Justice, A. I., Emma.
 Justice, C. B., Rutherfordton.
 Kane, E. F., Good Spring.
 Kanot, J., Robbinsville.
 Kesler, M. L., Red Springs.
 King, J. D., Wampler.
 King, R. W., Wampler.
 King, T. C., Pensacola.
 King, W. G., Villanow.
 King, W. G., China.
 Knight, W. F., Blowing Rock.
 Kramer, James W., Wilmington.
 Kreger, J. C., King's Cabin.
 Kuykendall, J. A., Leicester.
 Kuykendall, W. I., Alexander.
 Lamberth, J. H., Mt. Airy.
 Lancaster, J. F., Oak Ridge.
 Lancaster, W. D., Sandy Springs.
 Landrum, M. M., M. D., Marion.
 Lane, J. L., Summerfield.
 Lanning, J., Lexington.
 Lansdell, J. J., Roxboro.
 Latta, A. T., Monroe.
 Lawhon, W. H. H., Lawhon.
 Lawing, J. W., Peachtree.
 Leach, M. J., Lassiter.
 Leatherman, J. F., Hull's X Roads.
 Lee, W. F., Tiptop.
 Lee, W. M., Summit.
 Lee, M. L., Ashpole.
 Leggatt, B., Windsor.
 Leggett, R. J., Howelville.
 Lennon, H., Orton.
 Lennon, J. P., Freeman.
 Lewellyn, J. H., Dobson.
 Lewis, C. H., Gamble's Store.
 Lewis, L. G., Pennington.
 Lewis, Joseph, Gage.
 Lewis, J. L., Laurelton.
 Lilly, Edmond, King's Creek.
 Limrick, R. L., Shelby.
 Little, J. W., Lane's Creek.
 Little, T. P., Beaver Dam.
 Littleton, J. W., Palestine.
 Livingston, D. K., Little Pine Creek.
 Loftis, R. M., Mt. Airy.
 Logan, W. H., Ayr.
 Long, J. H., Excelsior.
 Long, James J., Goldsboro.
 Loudermilk, D. P., Bridgewater.
 Lloyd, L. A., Spring Hope.
 Mace, G. W., Bowman's Bluff.
 Macomson, M. V., Graham.
 Manly, H., Brevard.
 Marcus, W. A., Homestead.
 Marley, H. C., Lenoir.
 Marsh, A., Beaver Dam.
 Marsh, R. H., D. D., Oxford.
 Martin, C. H., Polkton.
 Martin, J. H., Hamptonville.
 Martin, J. L., Louisville, Ky.
 Martin, W. N., Trail Branch.
 Mashburn, A. B., Nealsville.
 Mashburn, H. H., Wake Forest.
 Mason, J. A., Conclave.
 Mason, W. C., Flats.
 Mason, B. K., Advance.
 Mason, N. J., Louisville.
 Matheny, M. P., Asheville.
 Matthews, J. R., Hexlena.
 Matthews, B. H., Plymouth.
 Matthews, N. J., Pilot Mountain.
 Matthias, B., Buck Shoal.
 May, S. S., Cross Roads Church.
 Mercer, T. J., Bolivia.
 McCarson, J. L., Hendersonville.
 McClure, W. B., Stanley's Creek.
 McDevitt, P., Mars Hill.
 McDuffie, J. F., East Durham.
 McGinnis, I. J., Banner Elk.
 McGugan, C. P., Lumber Bridge.
 McKaughan, J. A., Enfield.
 McKinney, D. H., Bakersville.
 McLendon, J. J., Wolfsville.
 McMahan, A., Hamrick.
 McMillan, D. C., Ashpole.
 McNeal, M., Wilkesboro.
 Meadows, W. C., Poor's Knob.
 Meeks, O. P., Clinton.
 Melton, W. H., Kapp's Mill.
 Melton, E. C., Gray's Creek.
 Melvin, W. A., Harrell's Store.
 Melvin, W. S., Winnie.
 Merrell, G. L., Star.
 Metcalf, C. C., Briggsville.
 Michael, Ray, Nettle Knob.
 Miles, Jno A., Leicester.
 Millard, J. W., Henderson.
 Miller, Daniel L., Highlands.
 Milliken, C., Ash.
 Milliken, H., Ash.
 Millnox, T. H., Grover.
 Mints, J. A., Shallotte.
 Mitchell, Jno., D. D., Wake Forest.
 Mitchell, S. W., Cooper.
 Moffitt, J. L., Stone Mountain.
 Montague, E. J., Allensville.
 Moore, H. C., Monroe.
 Moore, I. F., Lynch.
 Moore, J. O., Huuting Creek.
 Moore, R. A., Red Springs.
 Moore, R. R., Green-boro.
 Moore, J. D., Louisville, Ky.
 Moore, J. R., Carthage.
 Morgan, B. L., Homestead.
 Morgan, D. A., Spring Creek.
 Morgan, E., Candler.
 Morgan, E. J., Candler.
 Morgan, F. M., Flats.
 Morgan, S. J., Morgan Hill.
 Morgan, W. C., Robbinsville.
 Morris, J. F., Stanley's Creek.
 Morton, D. S., Whitley.
 Morton, H., Thomasville.
 Morton, W. B., Louisburg.
 Morton, W. G., Albemarle.
 Moss, N. H., Cherryville.
 Mull, W. B., Shoup's Ford.
 Mullinax, T. H., Grover.
 Mumford, G. N., Littleton.
 Mundy, J. A., D. D., Wilson.
 Murchison, C. M., Penelope.
 Murchison, D. C., Gulf.
 Myers, I. T., Louisville, Ky.
 Myers, W. W., Round Mountain.
 Myers, T. C., Martin.
 Myers, A. E., Round Mountain.
 Myers, J. W., Round Mountain.
 Naylos, M. W., Giles Mills.
 Nelson, C. J., Goldsboro.
 Nelson, E. R., Hendersonville.
 Nelson, J. H., Patterson.
 Newell, G. W., Mapleville.
 Newton, I. T., Brevard.
 Newton, J. B., Aulander.
 Newton, J. D., Thomasville.
 Newton, W. C., Rochester Theo. Sem.
 Newton, H. F., Casar.
 Noble, J. W., Greenville.
 Norris, H. W., Ballentine's Mills.
 Norris, Isaac, Cruso.
 Norris, John, Sweet Water.
 Norton, J. H., Veuable.
 Nowell, W. C., Nashville.

- Olive, W. S., Apex.
 Oliver, P., Dalton.
 Oliver, W. B., Wilmington.
 Ollis, W. H., Plum Tree.
 Orr, G. W., Robbinsville.
 Orrell, N. B., Abbott's Creek.
 Osment, J. R., Statesville.
 Overby, R. R., D. D., Belcross.
 Overton, W. C., Harrellsville.
 Owen, J. L., Glenville.
 Owen, S. C., Candler.
 Oxford, Isaac, Cedar Valley.
 Pace, J. R., Whitakers.
 Page, S. C., Godwin.
 Page, Wiley M., Falcon.
 Palmer, R. L., Leander.
 Parks, E. L., Lisbon.
 Pauther, J. P., Quallatown.
 Pardew, A. T., Adley.
 Paris, T. W., New Castle.
 Parish, A. A., Edenton.
 Parsons, W. C., Baudana.
 Patton, R. L., Morganton.
 Payne, J. M., Deckhill.
 Payseur, J. J., Matthews.
 Peele, R. E., Wilmington.
 Pendergrass, J. R., Franklin.
 Perkinson, L. C., Warren Plains.
 Pernell, M. R., Franklinton.
 Peterson, C. D., Dalila.
 Phillips, Jona., Beech Creek.
 Phillips, Wm., Mount Airy.
 Phillips, J. L., Houck.
 Pierce, E. S., Bethel Hill.
 Pinner, R., Faust.
 Pippin, A. A., Spring Hope.
 Pitchford, J. A., Littleton.
 Pittman, A. R., Rennert.
 Pittman, A. E. C., Rennet.
 Platt, J. T., Warne.
 Plemmons, James, Biltmore.
 Plemmons, T. H., Louisville, Ky.
 Poe, E. A., Morganton.
 Pool, C. C., Partee.
 Porter, S. J., Newbern.
 Porter, C. W., Elm City.
 Porter, A. H., Orton.
 Poston, R., Shelby.
 Potter, W. J., Elk Park.
 Pounds, T. A., Archer Lodge.
 Powell, J. W., Rocky Mount.
 Prevatt, F. A., Lumberton.
 Prevatt, John, Hnntley.
 Prewett, N., Knob Creek.
 Pritchard, T. H., D. D., Charlotte.
 Privette, I. T., Wilkesboro.
 Proffit, M. S., Mars Hill.
 Pruett, L. R., Charlotte.
 Pruitt, Berry, Knob Creek.
 Pruitt, G., Penelope.
 Pruitt, Wm., Robbinsville.
 Pugh, J. M., Randleman.
 Purefoy, A. F., Wake Forest.
 Puruell, M. R., Franklinton.
 Pulliam, J. G., Smithfield.
 Putnam, J. W., Magnetic City.
 Queen, A. C., Tuckaseegee.
 Queen, B. N., Tuckaseegee.
 Queen, J. H., Bryson City.
 Queen, L. F., Cowart's.
 Ray, D. J., Whiteville.
 Ramsey, Garrett, Marshall.
 Rector, J. A., Table Rock.
 Reddish, W. H., Louisville, Ky.
 Redwine, J. F., Fork Church.
 Reece, J. N., Galloway.
 Reed, W. W., Balsam.
 Reid, T. M., Lineback.
 Reedy, E. W., Crumpler.
 Reese, J. V., Cruso.
 Rhodes, J. R., Saluda.
 Rich, W. H., Peru.
 Richardson, J. B., D. D., High Point.
 Rickman, P. R., Leatherman.
 Riddick, J. T., Bethel Hill.
 Riddle, B. B., Pensacola.
 Riddle, H. B., Big Pine.
 Riddle, J., Beaver Creek.
 Roberts, Creed, Berlin.
 Roberts, D. J., Cherry Lane.
 Robertson, W. A., Price's Creek.
 Robertson, J. D., Louisville, Ky.
 Rogers, J. W. F., Apex.
 Rogers, M., Bushnell.
 Rose, J. W., LaGrange.
 Rowell, J. E., Cleon.
 Rowell, S. J., Cleon.
 Roy, W. H., Paint Fork.
 Royall, W. B., D. D., Wake Forest.
 Royal, Frank M., Shanghai.
 Royal, R., Kelly.
 Sales, J., Mt. Tabor.
 Sams, L. W., Mars Hill.
 Sanderlin, G. W., LL, D., Washington, D. C.
 Sandling, R. C., Clintou.
 Saunders, B., Lilesville.
 Saunders, Samuel, Murfreesboro.
 Savage, W. V., Tarboro.
 Scarborough, C. W., Murfreesboro.
 Scott, J. J., Alfordsville.
 Seagraves, W. M., Jonesville.
 Sears, D. R., Siler City.
 Segle, L. M., Spring Creek.
 Sellers, Lorenzo, Supply.
 Sentell, R. A., Sonoma.
 Settle, J. F., Byrd.
 Settlemyre, G. W., Old Fort.
 Setzer, A. W., Carson.
 Sexton, S. M., Nough, Tenn.
 Shaver, J. M., Dealville.
 Sheets, Henry, Lexington.
 Shell, P. J., Plum ree.
 Shell, J. T., Petra Mills.
 Shell, L. C., Jonas Ridge.
 Shelly, N. A., Burgaw.
 Shepherd, J. J., Brindletown.
 Sherrill, T. C., Jumbo.
 Sherwood, J. J. L., Yerger.
 Shinn, J. L., Morganton.
 Shumate, Jas., Sparta.
 Silver, Thomas, Micaville.
 Simmons, S. F., Jonesville.
 Simms, A. H., Dillsboro.
 Simms, A. M., D. D., Raleigh.
 Skinner, T. E., D. D., Raleigh.
 Sledge, J. W., Stallings.
 Sledge, W. H., Louisville, Ky.
 Smiley, J. S., Swain.
 Smith, James A., Fair Bluff.
 Smith, J. E., Creedmore.
 Smith, J. L., Siler City.
 Smith, W. A., Durham.
 Soles, J., Mount Tabor.
 Sorrells, J. C., Nealsville.
 Sorrell, W. M., Cary.
 Southern, W. P., Asheville.
 Sparks, J. C., Bakersville.
 Speight, T. T., D. D., Lewiston.
 Spence, J. R., Ballentine's Mills.
 Spillman, B. W., Kinston.
 Sprinkle, A. J., Peck.
 Stallings, J. N., D. D., Mocksville.
 Stallings, N. P., Coinjock.
 Stamey, A., Bliss.
 Stamey, E. A., Lineback.
 Stanley, J. F., Solitude.

- Stephens, M. A., Lumberton.
 Stewart, J. L., Clinton.
 Stoker, A. P., Denton.
 Stone, C. K., Haystack.
 Stough, A. L., Pineville.
 Stradley, J. A., Oxford.
 Stringfield, O. L., Raleigh.
 Summey, J. A., Hannersville.
 Suttle, J. W., Albemarle.
 Swaim, S. D., Wilmington.
 Swaim, V. M., Jonesville.
 Swain, E. L., Shallotte.
 Tatum, E. F., China.
 Taylor, A. J., Mt. Olive.
 Taylor, C. E., D. D. L. D., Wake Forest.
 Taylor, E. L., Rutherfordton.
 Taylor, J. H., Poplar Grove.
 Taylor, T. J., Warrenton.
 Teeter, E. D., Locust Level.
 Tew, D. W., Clinton.
 Tew, J. W., Iredell.
 Tew, D. T., Clinton.
 Tew, J. O., Clinton.
 Thomas, A. B., Silver.
 Thomas, C. A. G., Fayetteville.
 Thomas, I. W., Hibriten.
 Thomas, James, Bandana.
 Thomason, D. W., Belmont.
 Thompson, K., Low Gap.
 Tilley, George V., Chapel Hill.
 Thorn, J. B., Ferry.
 Townsend, J. T., Fayetteville.
 Treadway, E. R., Cove Creek.
 Trivett, J. W., Dark Ridge.
 Tucker, Elihu, Bud.
 Tuttle, J. F., Whiteville.
 Tyree, W. C., Durham.
 Utley, C. H., Wake Forest.
 VanDeventer, R., Burlington.
 Vanhoy, W. H., Hamptonville.
 Vann, R. T., D. D., Scotland Neck.
 Vernon, J. H., Cedar Grove.
 Vestal, M. M., Jonesville.
 Vinson, J. D., Cullasaja.
 Waff, W. B., Reynoldson.
 Walker, N., New Castle.
 Wallen, Jesse, Marshall.
 Wallen, S., Big Laurel.
 Ward, Benjamin, Marines.
 Walton, M. C., Wilmington.
 Watkins, G. T., Roxboro.
 Watson, J. W., Chapel Hill.
 Weatherman, J. G., Jennings.
 Weaver, R. W., Greensboro.
 Webb, G. M., Shelby.
 Welborn, T. M., Trap Hill.
 Wells, C. G., Warsaw.
 Welch, H. D., Balsam.
 West, J. H., Downsville.
 West, W. C., Fayetteville.
 Wheelous, Z. W., Grissom.
 Whisnant, E. S., Table Rock.
 White, J. A., Taylorsville.
 White, J. E., Raleigh.
 White, J. M., Apex.
 White, G. W., Rocky Hock.
 White, M. P., Wilmington.
 Whitener, P. A., Morganton.
 Whiteside, Z. T., Uree.
 Whitlock, L. A., Silver.
 Willcox, A. G., Brinkleyville.
 Wilcox, Wm., Todd.
 Wild, J. M., Walnut Run.
 Wild, J. R., Big Pine.
 Wilhoit, G. O., Ansonville.
 Williams, A. B., Goldsboro.
 Williams, A. J., Kapp's Mill.
 Williams, B. B., Harrellsville.
 Williams, C. B., Winton.
 Williams, H. T., Roxboro.
 Williams, J. M., Clover.
 Williams, O. P., Robbinsville.
 Wills, C. G., Warsaw.
 Wilson, L. A., Sutherlands.
 Wilson, Samuel, Bee Log.
 Wilson, W. H., Madison.
 Wood, T. G., Belcross.
 Wood, E. M., Cisco.
 Woodruff, W. B., Elkin.
 Woodson, C. J., Gatesville.
 Woodward, J. S., Needmore.
 Wooten, E. W., Wooten.
 Wooten, F. T., Plymouth.
 Wooten, R. W., Ronda.
 Wright, N., Lark.
 Wright, J. W., Felts.
 Wright, T. S., Rockingham.
 Wyatt, W. J., Perth.
 Yarborough, J. H., Boone.
 Yarborough, A., Lexington.
 Younce, Jacob, Dark Ridge.
 Young, A. W., Scaly.

SUMMARY OF DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS OF SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, 1894.

(From Minutes of Southern Baptist Convention, 1895.)

STATES.	Associations.		Ordained Ministers.		Churches.		Baptisms.		Letter.		Experience.		Restoration.		Letter.		Exclusion.		Erasure.		Death.		Total White Membership.		Col'd Baptists.		Aggregate Membership.
	75	49	825	1,631	8,360	5,559	272	791	6,484	1,475	456	963	110,778	1,432	147,273	258,051											
Alabama.....	49	660	3,986	2,14	798	3,977	1,616	456	764	810	51,685	119,590	1,432	147,273	258,051												
Arkansas.....	1	26	384	42	183	852	14	94	49	4,415	12,023	16,444	46	12,023	16,444												
District of Columbia.....	22	240	1,492	33	183	852	419	103	209	21,900	22,546	44,446	343	22,546	44,446												
Florida.....	72	1,034	11,056	7,995	1,042	8,567	2,155	70	1,523	163,187	1,884	369,441	1,884	206,254	369,441												
Georgia.....	15	209	316	1,063	1,397	49	197	797	82	12,207	15	15,207	15	3,000	15,207												
Indian Territory.....	63	913	10,063	4,540	440	866	4,882	2,010	730	1,618	163,775	226,222	386	62,447	226,222												
Kentucky.....	24	228	2,448	1,527	8	395	1,619	648	14	274	30,569	945	30,569	945	102,354												
Louisiana.....	1	41	806	249	10	267	364	91	91	9,327	23	13,350	23	4,023	13,350												
Maryland.....	51	568	5,779	3,759	17	679	4,839	1,311	302	824	88,068	200,127	1,379	112,359	200,127												
Mississippi.....	78	1,146	11,142	5,155	892	5,589	2,332	1,089	1,419	132,920	310	155,844	310	22,921	155,844												
Missouri.....	54	722	1,538	8,490	4,986	1,089	5,386	2,753	1,600	52,694	1,131	109,871	1,131	109,871	262,565												
North Carolina.....	34	375	868	4,578	2,971	535	3,220	1,297	121	838	86,884	922	131,138	922	131,138												
South Carolina.....	48	841	1,398	10,254	4,069	698	4,594	1,780	520	1,371	118,861	582	46,569	582	165,433												
Tennessee.....	92	1,553	2,487	13,473	758	1,462	11,581	3,203	481	1,186	161,469	1,414	100,969	1,414	262,438												
Texas.....	23	426	9,682	2,891	660	2,940	1,150	1,069	1,223	106,149	1,231	213,188	1,231	213,188	319,337												
Virginia.....	702	9,907	17,803	105,190	63,818	3,741	10,060	64,529	22,741	5,049	4,040	1,431,041	12,898	1,317,130	2,748,171												

NOTE.—The statistics are of White Baptists exclusively, except in the two columns devoted to Colored Baptists, and the Aggregate Membership. The count of Ordained Ministers corresponds with the list in the American Baptist Year Book, and show the minimum number, since there are others whose names do not appear in associational minutes.

NORTH CAROLINA STATISTICS, BY ASSOCIATION

ASSOCIATIONS.	Organized.	MODERATOR AND POST-OFFICE.	CLERKS AND POST-OFFICE.	PLACE AND TIME
1 Alexander	1887	J. J. Hendren, Vashti	T. A. Hudson, Taylorsville	Pilgrim Church, Alexander
2 Ashe and Alleghany	1887	J. H. Doughton, Laurel Springs	R. L. Shoaf, Linney	Bushy Fork Church, Ashe
3 *Atlantic	1834	*Rufus Ford, (Reorganized to S. C.)	*J. B. Williams, Sr., Snow Hill	-----
4 Beulah	1832	S. B. Adams, Yanceyville	H. T. Williams, Roxboro	Beulah Church, Caswell
5 *Bladen County	1832	*William Bruut, Wituue	*F. S. Averitt, Abbottsburg	-----
6 *Brier Creek	1822	*W. A. Myers, Osbornville	*V. M. Swaim, Hamptonville	-----
7 *Brunswick	1834	*James A. Mints, Shallotte	*Isaac Jenrette, Iredell	-----
8 Brushy Mountain	1874	R. A. Spainbour, Moravian Falls	V. McGhinnis, Boomer	Mt. Zion Church, Wilkes
9 *Caldwell County	1885	*J. V. McCall, Lenoir	*A. E. Nelson, Patterson	-----
10 Catawba River	1830	J. H. Hoffman, Morganton	R. L. Moore, Morganton	Zion Hill Church, Burke
11 *Cape Fear	1835	*W. G. Hill, (Deceased)	*D. H. Cooke, Whiteville	-----
12 Cedar Creek	1853	R. A. Hedgepeth, Cedar Creek	R. D. Melvin, Kennert	Lebanon Church, Cumbe
13 Central	1800	N. Y. Gully, Wake Forest	J. V. Devenny, Youngsville	Rolesville Church, Wake
14 Chowan	1803	E. F. Aydtlett, Elizabeth City	Lycurgus Hofter, Gatesville	Berea Church, Pasquotau
15 Columbus	1883	T. J. Coob, Chadootrn	A. M. Kelly, Bladenboro	Porter Swamp Church, C
16 Eastern	1844	S. D. Swaim, Wilmington	A. R. Herring, Taylor's Bridge	Island Creek Church, Du
17 Etkin	1879	J. S. Kilby, Trap Hill	J. A. McCann, Roaring Gap	Union Cross Church, Sur
18 Flat River	1792	A. C. Farnam, Oxford	W. J. Foushee, Roxbro	Stovall Church, Sur
19 *French Broad	1808	*F. M. Honeycutt, Mars Hill	*J. E. Tilson, Grape Vine	-----
20 Green River	1841	M. M. Landrum, Marion	Ada L. Rucker, Rutherfordton	Green River Church, Rut
21 Kings Mountain	1852	H. F. Schenck, Cleveland Mills	D. S. Lovelace, Metat	Lattimore Church, Clevel
22 Liberty	1834	James Smith, Lexington	Henry Sheets, Lexington	Denton Church, Davidso
23 *Little River	1876	*H. Y. Smith, Bradley's Store	*J. A. Campbell, Poe's	-----
24 Mecklenburg and Cabarrus	1885	C. Gresham, (No Post-office given)	J. W. Durham, Charlotte	Indian Hill Church, ---
25 Mitchell County	1831	L. H. Green, Bakersville	D. W. Greene, Ledger	Mt. Pleasant Church, ---
26 *Montgomery	1838	*W. M. Bostick, Troy	*J. M. Wright, Iyra	-----
27 Mt. Zion	1870	O. C. Horton, Durham	C. R. Scott, Williams' Mill	Mt. Gilead Church, Chath
28 Pee Dee	1816	J. Q. Adams, Wadesboro	W. J. Matthews, Riverton	Lilesville Church, Anson
29 Piedmont	1894	E. W. Brooks, Greensboro	W. B. Kivett, Liberty	Moore's Chapel, Randolp
30 Pilot Mountain	1886	D. E. King, Leaksville	J. T. Valentine, Winston	Germanont Church, Stok
31 Raleigh	1803	H. W. Norris, Ballentine's Mills	James C. Burdson, Raleigh	Shiloh Church, Johnston
32 *Robeson	1882	*A. R. Pitman, Kennert	E. K. Proctor, Lumberton	-----
33 *Sandy Creek	1750	*O. T. Edwards, Mt. Vernon Springs	*W. J. Douglas, Carthage	-----
34 *Sandy River	1890	*A. P. Hollifield, Ellenboro	*R. H. Bridges, Henrietta	-----
35 South Fork	1878	*C. M. Murchison, Penelope	*J. T. McLean, Lincolnton	-----
36 *South River	1877	*Haynes L. Hall, Falcon	*J. B. Downing, Buckhorn	Baptist Chapel, Wednesd
37 South Yadkin	1874	J. B. Holman, Cool Spring	J. C. Turner, Statesville	Yadkin Valley Church, I
38 Stanly	1855	E. F. Eddins, Palmerville	E. D. Teter, Locust	Canton Church, Stanly C
39 *Stoney Fork	1862	*E. M. Gragg, (P. O. not given)	*Wm. Lee, (P. O. not given)	-----
40 Tar River	1831	N. L. Shaw, Warentou	A. G. Wilcox, Brinkleyville	Poplar Springs Church, F
41 Three Forks	1840	W. S. Farthing, Hattie	Jacob Yonce, Dark Ridge	South Fork Church, Wat
42 *Union	1855	H. E. Copple, Unionville	R. Hedfern, Monroe	-----
43 *West Chowan	1838	R. P. Thomas, Bethlehem	W. C. Parker, Seaboard	-----
44 Yadkin	1791	J. G. Burrus, Rockford	W. B. Castevens, Mt. Nebo	East Bend Church, Yack
45 *Yancey County	1888	W. A. Roberson, Price's Creek	T. N. Roland, Cane River	-----

Total reported in Baptist State Convention : White Associations, 45; Churches, 1,325; Baptisms, 7,620; Members, 126,574; Co
 *1894 (No Minutes of 1895 sent in to the office in time for these Minutes) † Reorganized in 1893. † Home and State Missi

ASSOCIATIONS IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST C

ASSOCIATIONS.	Organized.	MODERATOR AND POST-OFFICE.	CLERKS AND POST-OFFICES.	PLACE AND TIME
1 Buncombe County	1885	A. E. Brown, Owenby	R. G. Stokely, Asheville	-----
2 *Carolina	1877	W. B. Johnson, (P. O. not given)	J. M. Waldrop, Hendersouville	-----
3 Haywood County	1886	R. A. Sentel, Sonoma	G. W. Chambers, Waynesville	-----
4 Hiawasse	-----	-----	-----	-----
5 Liberty-Ducktown	-----	-----	-----	-----
6 *New Found	-----	L. M. Sagle, Spring Creek	C. J. Woody, (P. O. not given)	-----
7 Tennessee River	-----	J. S. Woodward, Nantahala	J. S. Smiley, Nantahala	-----
8 Transylvania	-----	E. Allison, Brevard	J. M. Hamlin, Brevard	-----
9 *Tuckaseelgee	-----	A. H. Simms, Dillsboro	T. C. Bryson	-----
10 Western	-----	-----	-----	-----

Total reported in Western Convention, 1894.

* 1893. † Churches in adjoining States not included.

CHRONOLOGICAL TABLE.

CHURCH SECRETARY.	TREASURER.	PREACHER OF INTRODUCTORY SERMON.	TEXT.	MISSIONARY SERMON.	TEXT.
	Henry Austin	Samuel Wait	Matthew 9: 36-38		
	Henry Austin	John Armstrong	Isaiah 5: 1-6		
	Henry Austin	Wm. P. Biddle	Romans 10: 14-15		
	Charles McAlister	David S. Williams	Mark 16: 15	Thomas Meredith	I Kings 18: 21.
	Charles McAlister	(Minutes mutilated)		John Armstrong and	Luther Rice.
	William Roles	John Kerr	Psalms 51: 12-13	Thomas Meredith	Revelations 6: 17.
	Amos J. Battle	John Armstrong		John Kerr preached on	death of Luther Rice.
	Amos J. Battle				
	Amos J. Battle	James S. Mims	Matthew 9: 9	S. Wait	II Timothy 1: 7.
	Amos J. Battle	John Armstrong	(Text not given)	J. J. Finch	(Text not given.)
	Amos J. Battle	J. J. Finch	James 1: 27	James McDaniel	Matthew 24: 14.
	Amos J. Battle	Wm. Hill Jordan	I Corinthians, 15: 57	Geo. M. Thompson and	others.
	James S. Purefoy	J. J. Finch	Matthew 13: 31-33	Wm. Hill Jordan	Isaiah 62: 6-7.
	James S. Purefoy	Eli Phillips	Ephesians 5: 1	S. Wait	Matthew 6: 10.
	James S. Purefoy	R. McNabb	II Corinthians 5: 15	J. J. Finch	II Timothy 4: 2.
	James S. Purefoy	G. M. Thompson	Matthew 24: 14	E. L. Magoon, of Richm'd	Zechariah 4: 6.
	James S. Purefoy	W. T. Broas	I Corinthians 10: 31	M. T. Yates, ordained as	Missionary.
	James S. Purefoy	J. S. Purefoy	Psalms 133: 1	W. H. Jordan	Matthew 6: 10.
	James S. Purefoy	David S. Williams	I Corinthians 1: 10	Wm. Jones	II Corinthians 29.
	James S. Purefoy	C. R. Hendrickson	Matthew 3: 11	J. J. James	I John 5: 8.
Wilson	James S. Purefoy	John B. White	Luke 19: 13	James McDaniel	(Text not given.)
	James S. Purefoy	Wm. Hooper	Mark 7: 7-8	Thomas W. Tobey	Nehemiah 6: 3.
	James S. Purefoy	James McDaniel	Isaiah 40: 9	Wm. T. Brooks	Isaiah 16: 1.
Raleigh	James S. Purefoy	R. I. Devin	Habakuk 2: 14	J. J. James, followed by	J. B. Taylor.
Pittsboro	James S. Purefoy	A. McDowell	Philippians 2: 4	J. L. Prichard	Psalms 5: 10.
	James S. Purefoy	T. W. Tobey	II Corinthians 5: 11	(No report on Minutes).	
	James S. Purefoy	(Pres't reviewed history	(of Convention)	Several Missionary Ad	dresses.
	James S. Purefoy	T. E. Skinner	Ephesians 4: 11-13	John L. Prichard	Matthew 6: 19.
	James S. Purefoy	T. H. Pritchard	Matthew 5: 13	W. M. Wingate	Revelations 2: 4.
	James S. Purefoy	J. S. Walthall	Romans 10: 1-4	G. L. Finch	
	S. S. Biddle	H. Petty	Isaiah 53: 7	T. R. Owen	
	James S. Purefoy	John Mitchell	James 1: 27	W. M. Wingate	
Army Colp. and Miss	James S. Purefoy	N. B. Cobb	II Corinthians 5: 10		
Army Miss and Colp.	James S. Purefoy	(No record)		Jas. B. Taylor, of Va	
	James S. Purefoy	A. McDowell	(No Minutes on file)		
Sec. S. S. Board	James S. Purefoy	J. B. Hardwick	I Corinthians 7: 29	W. M. Young	
Cor. Sec. State Miss. B'd	James S. Purefoy	Jas. P. Boyce, of S. C.	II Corinthians 5: 13-14	(Met in May, 1867)	
Sec. State Miss. Board	James S. Purefoy	J. L. Carroll	Acts 20: 26	(Met in October, 1867)	
Sec. State Miss. Board	James S. Purefoy	John Mitchell	Psalms 85: 10		
Sec. State Miss. Board	James S. Purefoy	J. L. Carroll	II Corinthians 5: 14		
Sec. of Mission B'ard	James S. Purefoy	Wm. Royall	Philippians 1: 12	Farewell Address by M.	T. Yates.
Cor. Sec	John G. Williams	W. J. Wingate	Luke 14: 23	T. H. Pritchard	
	John G. Williams	J. C. Hiden	Matthew 28: 19	W. M. Wingate	
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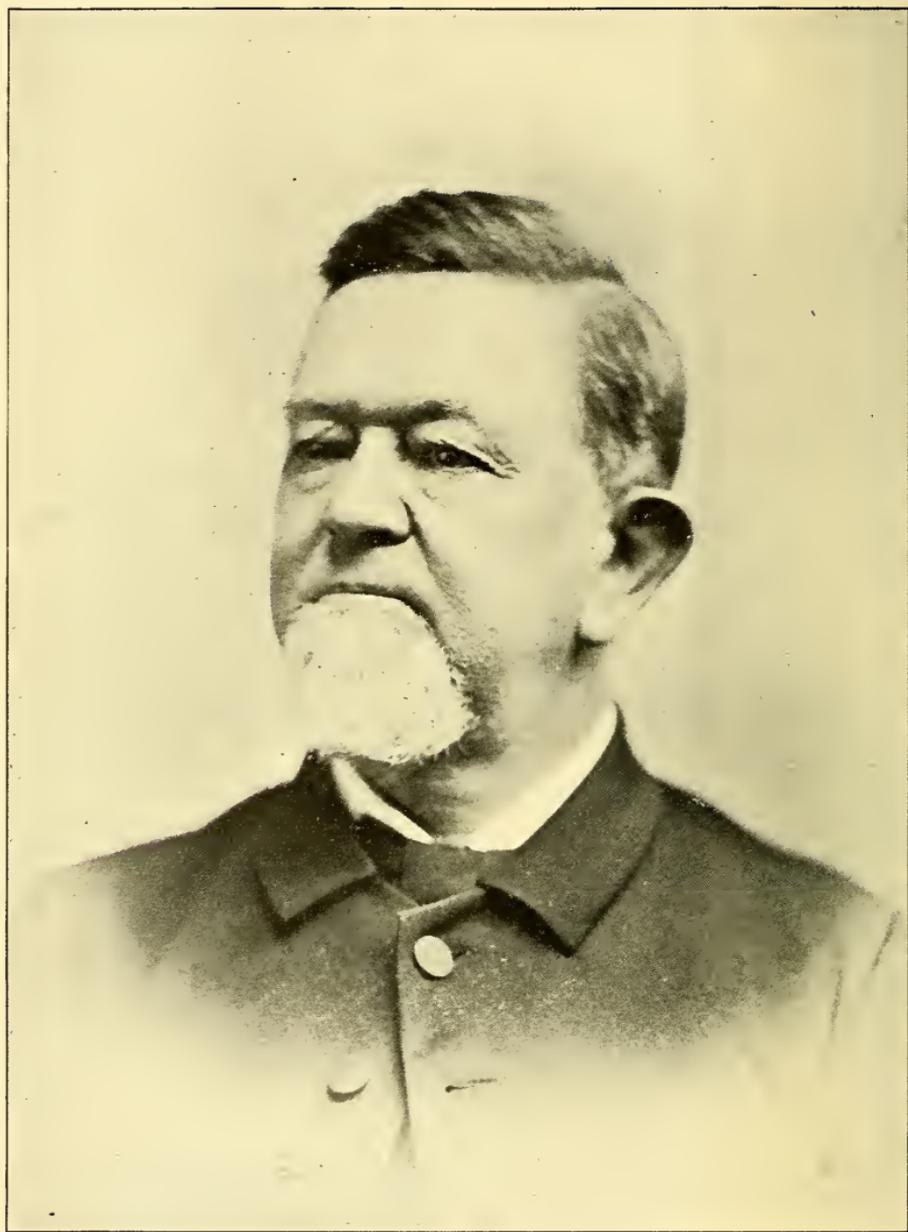
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CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

1. The Baptist State Convention shall be composed of three male representatives from each white Association in the State in fellowship with us, or one annual male representative appointed by the churches for every ten dollars contributed to its funds: *Provided*, that no church shall have more than ten representatives, and of such male life members as have been made so by the payment of thirty dollars at any one time to the Treasurer for the objects of the Convention. No one shall be a member of the Convention who is not a member in good standing of a Baptist church in fellowship with us, and no other life members shall be made.

2. The primary objects of the Convention shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College; to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among all the people of the State; to support the Gospel in all destitute sections of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the Gospel to the nations who have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel, and to co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention in all its departments of labor.

3. The Convention shall meet annually, on Thursday night after the first Sunday in December.

4. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary and an Assistant, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor, and five Trustees, all of whom, except the Trustees (who shall serve during the pleasure of the Convention) shall be elected annually.

5. The President shall preside and enforce order in accordance with Dr. Mell's Parliamentary Practice. One of the Vice-Presidents shall preside in the absence of the President.

6. The Recording Secretary and his assistant shall record the proceedings, collect and preserve statistics of the denomination, and publish and distribute the Minutes.

7. The Treasurer shall receive all funds represented in the Convention; make public acknowledgment of the same each week through the *Biblical Recorder*; give his bond to the Trustees; forward, at least once a month, all contributions to their destination; at every meeting of the Convention make a full report of his receipts and disbursements, and, on retiring from his office, turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

8. The Trustees shall secure and hold the title to any and all property belonging to or which may be acquired by the Convention, and take a sufficient bond of the Treasurer. The terms, conditions and amount of the bond shall be fixed by the Trustees, and in case the Treasurer shall refuse or neglect to give his bond within thirty days after his election, the Trustees shall have power to elect a Treasurer. They shall report annually to the Convention.

9. The Auditor shall, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements, vouchers, papers and books of the Treasurer, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the Treasurer's report.

10. The Corresponding Secretary shall solicit contributions to the objects of the Convention; assist the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools in the employment and payment of missionaries, and labor to promote the cultivation and development of Christian benevolence.

11. The Education Board shall, so far as it may be able, assist promising and indigent young ministers seeking to prepare themselves for the more efficient preaching of the gospel.

12. The Board of Missions and Sunday Schools shall encourage the churches to give liberally to all the objects of the Convention; so far as the means at its disposal will allow, supply all destitute portions of the State with faithful and efficient ministers of the Gospel; give pecuniary aid, as far as can be secured, for building houses of worship at proper points in the State, and in cases where pecuniary aid cannot be given, commend them to the beneficence of the churches; encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature in the homes, in the churches and in the Sunday Schools; encourage Sunday School Conventions and Institutes; continue, and so far as it may be able and the growth of this work may require, enlarge the Sunday School Supply Store, and co-operate with all missionary and Sunday School work of the Southern Baptist Convention.

13. There shall be an Auditor of the Sunday School Supply Store who, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, shall examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements and expenditures, vouchers, papers, books and stock on hand, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the report on the Supply Store.

14. The Board shall be appointed annually, and report to each session of the Convention.

15. The Convention year shall close one week before the annual meeting of the body.

16. The Boards of the Convention shall fix the compensation of their respective officers, and that of the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the Convention.

17. The Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.

BOARDS OF THE CONVENTION,

FOR 1896-'97.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

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JOHN E. WHITE, Cor. Sec.

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BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

N. B. Broughton, *Chairman*; A. M. Simms, W. N. Jones, John E. Ray, S. W. Brewer, W. C. Douglass, W. L. Poteat, J. C. Scarborough, John T. Pullen, J. W. Bailey, J. H. Weathers, J. W. Carter, J. B. Brewer, W. R. Gwaltney, W. R. Cullom, and John E. White, Cor. Secretary State Mission Board, member *ex-officio*.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

W. L. Poteat, W. R. Gwaltney, W. B. Royall, D. W. Allen, C. E. Brewer, J. M. Brewer, J. B. Carlyle, L. Chapell, W. B. Dunn, G. W. Paschall, P. W. Johnson, W. C. Lankford, L. R. Mills, J. B. Powers, F. M. Purefoy, N. Y. Gulley, C. E. Taylor, J. F. Lanneau, John Mitchell, W. R. Cullom, W. A. Montgomery, W. J. Ferrell, J. C. Caddell, A. F. Purefoy, T. E. Holding, J. H. Gorrell, B. F. Sledd, J. C. Fowler.

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LIST OF DELEGATES.

ALEXANDER ASSOCIATION.

Taylorsville—J. A. White.

ASHE AND ALLEGHANY ASSOCIATION.

Beaver Creek—T. M. Duncan.

ATLANTIC ASSOCIATION.

First Church, Goldsboro—James Long.

Kinston—J. Paul Spence.

Tabernacle Church, Newbern—H. B. Duffy.

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

Moravian Falls—W. R. Bradshaw, North Wilkesboro.

Walnut Grove—W. C. Meadows, Poor's Knob.

CALDWELL ASSOCIATION.

Lenoir—J. V. McCall, I. W. Thomas, Hibriten; F. P. Coffey, Gamewell.

King's Creek—J. L. Beach, Immanuel.

Union—Isaac Oxford, Cedar Valley.

Globe—Patterson Moore.

Rocky Spring—M. G. Shearer, Collettsville.

CATAWBA RIVER ASSOCIATION.

- Morganton*—J. A. Rector, J. H. McGilliard, H. W. Clarke, E. McK. Goodwin, E. F. Jones, J. H. Walker, R. L. Patton, J. W. Mull.
North Catawba—Robert L. Moore, J. S. Gwaltney, J. H. Hoffman.
Pleasant Hill—J. I. Smith, Enola.
Zion—E. A. Poe, Cora.
Smyrna—W. P. Patton, Table Rock.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

- First Church, Raleigh*—J. W. Carter, T. E. Skinner, J. W. Denmark, John C. Scarborough, J. W. Bailey, John E. Ray, Charles F. Meserve.
Wake Forest—W. R. Gwaltney, John Mitchell, W. L. Poteat, W. H. Davis, W. R. Culloni, P. A. Dunn, J. C. Caddell.
West Raleigh—A. L. Betts.
Rolesville—J. R. Broughton.
New Hope—B. B. Buffaloe.

CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

- Elizabeth City*—C. S. Blackwell.
Edenton—W. F. Watson.
Hertford—Josiah Elliott.

FLAT RIVER ASSOCIATION.

- Oxford*—R. H. Marsh, F. P. Hobgood.

FRENCH BROAD ASSOCIATION.

- Mars Hill*—T. M. Honeycutt, J. W. Briggs.
Paint Gap—C. C. Metcalf, Briggsville.
California—T. L. Brown, California Creek.

GREEN RIVER ASSOCIATION.

- Rutherfordton*—C. B. Justice, H. D. Harrell, W. M. Whiteside.
Bethel—J. C. Sorrels, Nealsville.
Marion—M. M. Landrum.

KINGS MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

- New Hope*—C. E. Gower, Lincolnton.
New Prospect—T. Dixon, Shelby.
Zion—H. M. Croom, Double Shoal; A. C. Irvin, Pearl.
Boiling Springs—G. P. Hamrick, Henrietta
Shelby—G. M. Webb, T. D. Lattimore.

LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

Lexington—Henry Sheets, James Smith, S. E. Williams.

Orphanage—J. B. Boone, W. H. Rich, J. D. Newton.

Piny Grove—C. C. Smith, Wallbury.

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Olivet, Charlotte—J. R. Hankins.

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Tryon Street, Charlotte—A. C. Barron, E. M. Tessier, R. H. Jordan.

Concord—J. J. Payseur.

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Bear Creek—J. C. Blalock, Ledger.

Yellow Mountain—W. H. Ollis, Spear.

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Troy—G. L. Merrell.

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West Durham—W. A. Smith.

Roberson Grove—J. F. McDuffie, East Durham.

First Church, Durham—W. C. Tyree, A. L. Phipps, L. G. Cole, Oscar T. Smith.

East Durham—O. C. Horton.

Chapel Hill—Joe S. Wray.

Mt. Carmel—J. W. Gore, Chapel Hill.

PEE DEE ASSOCIATION.

Wadesboro—J. Q. Adams.

Maxton—W. M. Jones.

PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION.

High Point—M. L. Kesler, J. B. Richardson, J. M. Hilliard.

Greensboro—Livingston Johnson, J. Y. Joyner.

Reidsville—J. A. Mundy.

Moore's Chapel—James Jordan, Central Falls.

PILOT MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

Mt. Airy—J. H. Lamberth, Lexington.

First Church, Winston—W. A. Wilkinson.

Broad Street, Winston—S. F. Conrad.

RALEIGH ASSOCIATION.

Tabernacle, Raleigh—B. W. Spilman, J. R. Barkley, Jacob S. Allen, N. B. Broughton.

Inwood—S. Otho Wilson, A. D. Hunter, O. L. Stringfield.

Green Level—W. B. Upchurch, Morrisville.

Cary—C. W. Blanchard.

Smithfield—J. G. Pulliam, Boone.

ROBESON ASSOCIATION.

Bethany—F. A. Prevatt, Lumberton.

Lumberton—J. N. Booth, J. W. Cobb, J. Dan Moore, Red Springs.

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Carthage—J. R. Moore.

SANDY RUN ASSOCIATION.

High Shoals—J. M. Goode, Mooresboro.

Bethel—Z. D. Harrill, Ellenboro.

SOUTH FORK ASSOCIATION.

Gastonia—James D. Moore, C. H. Durham.

Mountain Grove—D. A. Whistnant, Hickory.

Catawba—D. P. Bridges.

McAdenville—Joseph S. Fox.

Hickory—C. S. Cashwell, S. P. Hatton, B. F. Whiteside.

Maiden—J. A. Hoyle.

Penelope—C. M. Murchison.

SOUTH RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Fayetteville—Charles A. G. Thomas.

SOUTH YADKIN ASSOCIATION.

Statesville—George H. Church, J. C. Woodward, J. L. Kurpee, W. A. Thomas.

New Hope—S. A. Lazenby, Sigma.

Macks—J. P. Freezor.

Society—J. B. Holman, Cool Spring.

Mocksville—W. H. Graves, J. N. Stallings.

Salisbury—F. H. Myer, M. E. Parish.

Eaton's—P. P. Green, Nestor; E. Frost, Cana.

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Canton—S. A. Underwood, Palmersville.

Albemarle—John W. Suttle.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION.

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Louisburg—W. B. Morton.

Ephesus—G. W. Coppedge, Wakefield.

Plymouth—Frank T. Wooten.

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Boone—W. C. Coffey.

Three Forks—L. N. Perkins.

Flat Top—I. N. Corpening, Blowing Rock.

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Pleasant Hill—R. H. James, Reuben.

Olive Branch—T. P. Little, Marshville.

WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

Murfreesboro—C. W. Scarborough.

Seaboard—Archibald Cree.

YADKIN ASSOCIATION.

Mountain View—K. Thompson, Low Gap.

MINUTES

OF THE

North Carolina Baptist State Convention

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION.

MORGANTON, N. C., Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1896.

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention met in its Sixty-sixth Annual Session with the Baptist church in Morganton, on Wednesday afternoon, November 11th, at 3:30 o'clock.

President R. H. Marsh called the Convention to order, and requested John E. Ray to conduct opening exercises.

Bro. Ray read the 122d Psalm and offered prayer.

On motion, a Committee on Enrollment of Delegates was appointed as follows: J. Q. Adams, C. S. Blackwell, R. L. Patton, J. R. Moore, J. A. Campbell, G. L. Merrell and J. W. Suttle.

The Committee having performed its work, reported 104 delegates present.

J. H. Lamberth moved that J. W. Carter cast the vote of the delegates for R. H. Marsh for President.

The motion was unanimously adopted and the duty performed.

A committee, consisting of W. R. Gwaltney, E. F. Jones and A. Cree, was appointed to nominate the remaining officers of the Convention.

The Committee after consultation reported the following, which was unanimously adopted.

Vice-Presidents, Rev. T. E. Skinner, D. D., John C. Scarborough and Rev. J. A. Mundy.

Recording Secretaries, N. B. Broughton and Hight C. Moore.

Treasurer, J. D. Boushall.

Auditor, W. N. Jones.

Corresponding Secretary, Rev. John E. White.

Trustees, Rev. W. C. Tyree, C. M. Cooke, Rev. L. Johnson, T. H. Briggs and L. R. Mills.

On motion, a committee was appointed on Order of Business as follows: W. C. Tyree, C. W. Scarborough, J. E. White, B. W. Spilman, J. C. Caddell, C. W. Blanchard and A. D. Hunter.

R. L. Patton, pastor of the Baptist church of Morganton, delivered an address of welcome to the body.

By request of the President, response was made by S. E. Williams, of Lexington, on behalf of the Convention.

The following visiting brethren were recognized and welcomed: W. H. Whitsitt, President of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; R. G. Seymour, Bible Secretary of the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa.; A. E. Dickenson, Editor of *Religious Herald*, Richmond, Va.; James F. Edens, Field Editor of the *Christian Index*, Atlanta, Ga.; George P. Bostick, Missionary to China; John D. Jordan, Secretary of Southern Baptist Young People's Union, Birmingham, Ala.; W. Ward, Asheville, N. C.; W. Y. Quisenberry, Associate Editor of *Baptist Reflector*, Nashville, Tenn.; S. C. Mitchell, Professor of Latin in Richmond College, Richmond, Va.; J. M. Frost, Secretary of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; S. C. Owen, J. R. Pendergrass, W. W. Jones, E. J. Harrell, M. A. Adams and M. P. Matheny, of the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention; P. F. Maloy, District Missionary of Colored Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

The Committee on Order of Business made a partial report, as follows:

Your committee submits the following Order of Business:

WEDNESDAY.

7 P. M.—Introductory Sermon. At conclusion of sermon, Dr. J. M. Frost will speak on the work of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

THURSDAY.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional exercises.

10 A. M.—Report of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

10:15 A. M.—Report of Committee on Periodicals.

11 A. M.—Report on Foreign Missions.

12:30 P. M.—Address by Dr. Seymour on Bible and Publication Society.

1 P. M.—Adjournment.

2:30 P. M.—Miscellaneous Business.

3 P. M.—Address by Dr. W. H. Whitsitt on Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

4 P. M.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.

7 P. M.—State Missions and Sunday Schools.

The report was adopted.

On motion, adjourned till 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention reassembled at the hour appointed.

After singing, J. H. Lamberth read selections from Romans 3 and Ephesians 6, and President Marsh led in prayer.

The introductory sermon was then preached by J. B. Richardson, of High Point. Subject—"The Unchanging Christ." Text—"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever."—Heb. 13:8.

The President announced the following committees:

On Periodicals.—L. Johnson, J. A. Mundy, K. Thompson, A. C. Sherwood, W. C. Coffey, W. C. Meadows, Isaac Oxford.

On Foreign Missions.—A. C. Cree, T. Dixon, E. M. Tessier, A. L. Phipps, W. B. Upchurch, C. H. Durham, J. F. McDuffie.

After remarks by A. E. Dickenson, the body adjourned, with benediction by J. A. Mundy, of Reidsville.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises were conducted at 9:30 by W. H. Whitsett, of Louisville, Ky.

At 10 o'clock President Marsh assumed the chair and called the body to order.

The journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

John E. White, Corresponding Secretary of the Convention, read the annual report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools. Printed copies were distributed over the house. The report was received and ordered printed in the Minutes.

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF
MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

With gratitude to God for His abounding mercy and unfailing providence, we submit our Sixty-Sixth Annual Report.

STATE MISSIONS.

For the first time in its history the Convention assembles on its western border under the shadow of the Blue Ridge. From this point of elevation and wide outlook we survey the field we have occupied and the work we have been enabled to accomplish during the Conventional year now ended.

We rejoice to report the progress made and the prosperity which has attended the effort Baptists are making in North Carolina to establish the cause of Christ and the truth.

The Associations have been well attended, the discussions have been enthusiastic and well received, and the general spirit among the churches and the brethren has been of such a nature as to promise earnest work during the coming year. We rejoice especially to report the spirit of harmony which has prevailed in our ranks. The discussion of mission methods has largely subsided. Such discussion as we have had has been generally good-tempered and fraternal. The indications are that our Baptist brotherhood is more compact, more united, and less likely to be swerved from loyalty to our

organized work, and that the idea of Baptist interdependence and co-operation is too strongly entrenched in the hearts and minds of Baptist people to be disturbed. God has blessed our Mission work richly. Never in all the history of the Board have we been in greater need of His divine help and guidance, and never have we closed a year with deeper sense of His leadership in the affairs committed to us. For this God be praised!

Our Secretary, elected by the Convention at Greensboro, has been received wherever he has gone with the greatest kindness. The Associations have heard with appreciation and sympathy what he has had to say to them about the work, and have responded to his efforts by larger pledges for the work next year.

We are encouraged to hope that we are entering on a period of decided peace, progress and prosperity throughout our entire Zion.

THE DEAD.

Since your last session the following brethren have rested from their labors and have gone to their reward:

Ministers.—Edmund Tilley, of Caldwell County; Geo. W. Harmon, of Weldon; T. S. Andrews, Haynes Lennon, Jacob Shadd, of Parson's Grove church, near Lilesville; E. C. Melton, of Cumberland; Jos. G. Barkley, E. L. Davis, T. H. Pritchard, G. S. Best, G. W. Hill, D. C. Murchison, J. H. Caudle, Jesse Howell.

Laymen.—W. B. Clements, T. S. Memory, Richard Peed, John Meadows, Pinkney Meadows, A. M. Lewis, John G. Morgan and R. H. Moore.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Your Board earnestly calls attention to the fact that enough money has not been received for State Missions during the year to meet our obligations to the missionaries employed. Though a strenuous effort was made to avoid it, and earnest and persistent appeals made for money to prevent it, we are compelled to report a debt of \$2,350 to our missionaries.

REASONS FOR THIS.

In our efforts to secure from the churches and the brethren the funds to meet our obligations, we have had to contend with the hardest conditions in our history.

1. Dr. Durham's sickness, and his lamented death which followed, occurred in the midst of the Associational season, and he was able

to attend only twelve of our forty-four Associations. The work suffered because of this, and the churches did not pledge as largely as usual for State Missions.

2. We have been for the entire eleven months in the severest financial stringency. Money has been unprecedentedly scarce. Hard times have prevailed in every section of the State. "Hard times" makes itself felt first at the house of God. Our brethren in many instances have not felt able to give as largely as usual—not from lack of sympathy with the work, but because of absolute inability to raise the money.

3. A distracting political campaign has been waged for four months, which has contributed no little to the falling off of our receipts. People have been excited, business has been at a standstill, and the general effect has been discouraging to earnestness and single-mindedness in the discharge of Christian duty and obligation. This political excitement reached its highest point just at the time we would, under ordinary conditions, have expected our largest receipts. In the teeth of it, special appeals could not be made effectual and our efforts did not meet with the response hoped for.

4. Not the smallest of the reasons which have contributed to force us to report a debt is the fact that the Convention meets a month earlier than last year.

While we have had to meet the obligations of a twelve-months' work, we had only eleven months in which to get the money to meet them.

The month of November, during which last year the Treasurer acknowledged \$4,574.49 for State Missions, we could not have to help our showing. This month is the best month of all the twelve for our finances, as an examination of the Treasurer's books for ten years past will show, and our churches and individual brethren are better able than at any other time to respond to the needs of the work.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Your Board, in view of this debt and the fact last stated above, make the following recommendations to the Convention:

1. That the Convention meet hereafter according to Constitution (section 3, page 4, of Minutes), "on Thursday night after first Sunday in December." At the Convention in Goldsboro in 1891, after extended discussion, the clause of the Constitution was adopted, and we are convinced that experience has shown it to be for the best interests of our work.

2. We further recommend that the thirty days following the adjournment of this session of the Convention be set apart for the effort to pay off the indebtedness to our missionaries, and that all our churches and Sunday Schools be urged to take, during this thirty days, a special collection for this purpose. This will enable us to proceed with the next year's work without embarrassment or disarrangement. With the hearty co-operation of our pastors we believe the amount needed can be raised without difficulty.

OUR MISSIONARIES.

The following are the names of the missionaries at work this year, and the Associations in which their work was located:

ASHE AND ALLEGHANY—T. M. Duncan, J. C. Carper and J. W. Burchett.

ATLANTIC—J. W. Rose, R. D. Carroll, J. W. Nobles, W. F. Fry, Benjamin Ward, C. J. D. Parker.

BEULAH—C. R. Taylor.

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN—

CALDWELL—I. W. Thomas, John H. Nelson.

CAPE FEAR—W. S. Ballard.

CATAWBA—J. L. Shinn.

CEDAR CREEK—W. R. Johnson, E. C. Melton.

CENTRAL AND RALEIGH—A. L. Betts.

COLUMBUS—J. F. Tuttle, J. A. Smith.

CHOWAN—W. R. Carawan, M. O. Carpenter, N. P. Stallings, G. G. O'Neill.

EASTERN—J. B. Harrell, W. L. Tart.

ELKIN—Grant Cothren.

FRENCH BROAD—John Ammons, L. J. Bailey, A. J. Sprinkle.

GREEN RIVER—M. M. Landrum, J. C. Sorrells, G. W. Settlement, M. A. Harvey.

KINGS MOUNTAIN—G. M. Webb, J. M. Bridges.

LIBERTY—W. H. Rich, H. Sheets, J. A. Summey, H. Morris, M. J. Leach.

LITTLE RIVER—H. W. Graham, Allen Betts, A. N. Campbell.

MECKLENBURG AND CABARRUS—D. W. Thomasson, J. J. Payseur, L. R. Pruitt, J. R. Hankins.

MONTGOMERY—G. L. Merrell.

MOUNT ZION—J. F. McDuffie, J. M. Hilliard, W. A. Smith, R. Van Deventer.

PEE DEE—W. J. Fulford.

PIEDMONT—S. F. Conrad, James Jordan, J. B. Richardson, L. Johnson, J. L. Lane.

PILOT MOUNTAIN—W. H. Wilson, Henry Sheets, N. J. Matthews, R. M. Loftis, C. W. Glidewell, N. S. Jones, S. F. Conrad.

RALEIGH—J. G. Pulliam, W. H. Davis, W. M. Page, G. W. Coppedge, W. M. Sorrell, N. Y. Chappell.

SANDY CREEK—J. R. Moore, C. L. Greaves.

SOUTH FORK—J. A. Hoyle, C. S. Cashwell.

SOUTH RIVER—John Prevatte.

SOUTH YADKIN—N. S. Jones.

STANLY—J. W. Suttle, W. F. Hathcock.

TAR RIVER—W. V. Savage, F. T. Wooten, J. R. Pace, E. J. Edwards, J. W. Sledge, T. A. Floyd, A. G. Wilcox, J. A. McKaughan, J. W. Powell, J. K. Fant, J. K. Howell.

WEST CHOWAN—M. L. Green, B. Leggett, S. B. Barnes.

YADKIN—J. H. Lewellen, E. J. Adams, J. P. Griffith, A. Davis.

STATISTICS OF WORK.

Number of missionaries.....	98
Sermons preached.....	9,603
Churches supplied.....	196
Out-stations supplied.....	188
Religious visits.....	14,820
Baptisms.....	1,036
Added by letter.....	589
Protracted meetings.....	199
Conversions.....	1,550
Churches building.....	116
Churches finished.....	19
Churches organized.....	27
Value of church property on fields.....	\$100,178 00
Bibles and Testaments distributed.....	958
Tracts distributed.....	5,494
Paid on salaries of missionaries.....	\$6,144 11
Paid on churches building.....	\$11,027 91
Collected for State Missions.....	\$1,237 84
Collected for Foreign Missions.....	\$395 63
Collected for Home Missions.....	\$266 98
Collected for Education.....	\$232 43
Collected for Orphanage.....	\$444 42
Collected for other objects.....	\$1,220 53

CHURCHES BUILT.

Below is a statement of churches built during the year, including those not on mission fields:

Dedicated.—Baptist Chapel, Winston; North Rocky Mount, Creedmore, Maiden, New Castle, Vandemere, Ramoth Gilead, Carey Church, near Henderson; Emmans, near Goldsboro; Shiloh, near New Castle; Macedonia, near Trap Hill; Shiloh, Atlantic Association; Oregon, Beaufort County; Newton, Holloways, North Cove, McDowell County; Hermon, Union County.

Buildings (Planned, in Progress or Completed).—Colfax, Pleasant Hill, Mission Chapel, near Elizabeth City; Jerusalem, Davie County; Severn, Adrance, Ellisboro, Shore, Cherryville, Central Falls, Ellis' School House, near Salisbury; Holt's Mills, near Fayetteville; Sanford, Roanoke Rapids, Friendship, near Charlotte; Twelfth Street, Charlotte; North Mission, Greensboro; Pilot, Raleigh; Caraleigh, Raleigh; Southside, near Winston-Salem; Mt. Horne, Cherryville; Washington, North Rocky Mount; Sandy Creek Church, Franklin County.

Organized.—Sods, Swansboro, Creedmore, Sherwood School House, Friendship, Dover, Carey, near Henderson; Halifax, Sherwood, Pee Dee, near Rockingham; Severn, Durham School House, near Trap Hill; Thaniels, church five miles from Concord; two churches came over from Adventists: Webbo Chapel, Gaston County; Startown, Twelfth Street Charlotte.

Durham, Oxford and Franklinton have handsome new edifices. First Church, Raleigh; Baptist Tabernacle, Raleigh; Burlington, Fayetteville, Davis' Store, High Point, Shady Grove, and others have remodelled or added room. Statesville has secured a parsonage.

New houses of worship are on foot at Edenton, Warrenton, Tabernacles, Newbern and other points.

CO-OPERATION WORK FOR COLORED BAPTISTS.

At the last session of the Convention the following report was unanimously adopted:

“Your Committee appointed to consider and report the proper action to be taken by the Convention of a plan of co-operation in missionary work for the colored people of this State, beg leave to recommend that which was agreed upon and proposed by the Boards

of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Southern Baptist Convention.

“W. R. GWALTNEY,

“JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,

“THOS. E. SKINNER,

“R. T. VANN,

“*Committee.*”

The year by which this “Co-operation” work is governed is the same as our Conventional year. We are prepared to report on the general effect of this work and the results accomplished.

It has been most effective in doing the work contemplated. Nothing undertaken by Baptists, North or South, has had happier effect upon our colored people. The four missionaries employed have been splendidly efficient. The Institutes have been largely attended by colored people of all denominations. Our white pastors and laymen have participated in a helpful way in these Institutes, delivering lectures on the various topics as arranged for in the “Plan of Co-operation.”

As an indication of the zeal and interest awakened among our colored Baptists in North Carolina, and the beneficial influence upon them and their work, it was reported at their recent Convention, held in Greensboro, that this year they had raised for missionary and denominational purposes *four times more* than ever before in the history of their Convention.

Rev. C. S. Brown resigned at the end of the year as General Missionary and Rev. J. A. Whitted was elected to succeed him. Rev. C. C. Somerville was selected to succeed Rev. J. A. Whitted as District Missionary for the Eastern District.

Next year our share of the expense will be considerably lessened, and so on till the three years elapse, according to the plan adopted.

Attention is called to the fact that the Colored Convention this year is to assume two-fifths of the expense, the three co-operating bodies to assume each one-fifth. There has been a re-arrangement of salaries, accordingly, on this basis. The salary of the General Missionary is \$800, instead of \$1,000 as was originally agreed to. It was found that the appropriation of \$250 for traveling expenses of the General Missionary in North Carolina is entirely inadequate, inasmuch as in the western part of the State, particularly, traveling is quite expensive. It was therefore decided to appropriate \$300 for this purpose, which is but a trifling increase to each of the co-operating bodies.

The basis of our appropriations last year was \$3,800, or \$950 for each co-operating body. Inasmuch as Rev. C. S. Brown relinquished \$400 of his salary, the actual basis was \$850. For the coming year the aggregate appropriation will be \$3,650, one-fifth of which—that is, the proportion of each co-operating body—is \$730, being quite \$200 less than the amount for which we became responsible last year. Next year the amount will be about \$100 less.

It was deemed best that, instead of making an appropriation of \$100 to each District Missionary for expenses of Institutes, \$300 be appropriated for this purpose, and the General Missionary be required to report those expenses and pay all bills of lecturers, in order to unify and simplify the financial report. Hence the General Missionary hereafter will make his report on this point, while the District Missionaries will make none.

The Corresponding Secretary attended the recent meeting of the Colored Convention at Greensboro, and had an excellent opportunity, both in the public meetings and in private conversation, to judge of the workings of the plan of co-operation. There is no doubt that it is an unqualified success. The entire State which hitherto has been broken up into separate and discordant factions, is coming together as a compact and enthusiastic body, with something definite and worthy of their highest endeavors before them. The first year of co-operation necessarily has been one of explanation and preparation, to a very large extent. Leading brethren of the State look forward with great hopefulness for larger results every way the coming year. We are satisfied that, for the same expenditure of money by us, no more satisfactory results can be found anywhere in our mission fields.

On succeeding page will be found a statistical report of the work done by Co-operation Missionaries.

SYNOPSIS OF THE WORK DONE, ETC., BY THE MISSIONARIES IN NORTH CAROLINA UNDER THE PLAN OF CO-OPERATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1896.

NAMES OF MISSIONARIES.	Weeks of Service.	Institutes Attended.	Sermons Preached.	Lectures Given.	Candidates Received.	Churches Organized.	Churches Visited.	Miles Traveled.	Total Amount Collected.	Salary Paid.	Traveling Expenses Allowed.	Amount Spent Beyond Actual Allowance.
C. S. Brown, General Missionary.	52	25	122	127	72	---	23	13,878	\$153 76	\$100 00	\$62 50	\$27 56
J. A. Whitted, Eastern District.	52	23	110	165	6	---	96	9,903	728 89	150 00	37 50	68 06
A. B. Vincent, Central District.	52	13	97	210	---	---	91	7,364	555 60	150 00	37 50	104 89
P. F. Maloy, Western District.	44	15	102	114	16	2	78	6,640	309 35	131 30	31 25	37 71
Totals	200	76	431	616	94	2	288	37,785	\$1,747 60	\$531 30	\$168 75	\$238 22

Letters and postals written, 2,086; newspaper articles prepared, 143; pamphlets distributed, 11,800; pages, 168,000. Institutes held, 34; number of lectures, 187; ministers enrolled, 743.

The salaries and expenses itemized show only the *pro rata* paid by the Baptist State Convention (colored).

A NEED.

Our pastors should be informed more fully about State Missions, so as to be able to place the work before their people. They should know its history—a history rich in its record of God's favor and blessing.

They should be posted on the facts and conditions which in North Carolina make State Missions of supreme importance. They should clearly understand the fundamental character of State Mission work—its relation to Home and Foreign Missions, and to all the objects of the Convention and interests of the Baptists in North Carolina.

In order to furnish this information in convenient form, we have projected the publication of the following leaflets and tracts which we hope to have ready early in the year:

1. State Missions and the Scriptures.
2. State Missions and the Progress of the Baptists in North Carolina.
3. State Missions in Eastern North Carolina.
4. State Missions and the Kingdom of Christ in Western North Carolina.
5. Factory Missions in North Carolina.

Any facts, incidents, figures or information which would assist in the preparation of these tracts would be much appreciated by the Corresponding Secretary.

THE OUTLOOK.

For our State Mission work next year the outlook is encouraging. With one exception, every Association attended by the Corresponding Secretary the churches increased their pledges for this work.

There is evidence of increased interest in State Missions in nearly every Association in the State.

With good crops and under favorable conditions, the next year will mark a distinct advance for Christ's cause and the cause of His truth in North Carolina.

THE FIELD BEFORE US

Is wide—but not too wide—for the Gospel of Christ. It presents difficulties, but the difficulties must give way before us, if we accept the opportunities afforded and go forth, aided by the might of His all-conquering hand, to the conquest of North Carolina for Christ.

HOME MISSIONS.

FIFTY YEARS' WORK.

We give a summary of the work of the Board from its organization in 1845. We divide it into two parts, showing what was done before the Board came to Atlanta, and since that time.

The Board was at Marion thirty-seven years, and has been in Atlanta thirteen.

Missionaries sent out by the Marion Board...	2,179
Missionaries sent out by the Atlanta Board...	3,460
Total.....	5,639
Addition to churches, Marion Board	31,990
Addition to churches, Atlanta Board.....	91,201
Total.....	123,191
Churches constituted, Marion Board.....	310
Churches constituted, Atlanta Board.....	2,032
Total.....	2,342
Houses of worship built, Marion Board.....	445
Houses of worship built, Atlanta Board.....	709
Total.....	1,154

During its existence the Board has established about one-eighth of all the white churches in the Southern Baptist Convention.

In the States of Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, and the Indian Territory there are 4,743 churches. It is safe to say that one-half of these have been constituted or materially aided by missionaries of the Home Mission Board.

There have been added to these churches 168,981 members. It is apparent, therefore, that not less than one-eighth of the numerical strength of the Baptists of the South is due to the work of the Home Mission Board.

THE FIELDS OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

WESTERN FRONTIER.

Nearly half the missionaries of the Board are working on the frontier of Texas, in the Indian Territory, and in Oklahoma.

FOREIGN POPULATION.

Its work among the Germans is in Baltimore, Washington City, Louisville, St. Louis, Kansas City, and interior towns in Missouri and in Texas; among the French in Louisiana and Missouri, and among the Mexicans in Texas and New Mexico.

CUBA.

Before our work in Cuba was interrupted the work comprised twenty-four missionaries, including female teachers, and a native membership of 2,775 communicants. Church organization and school work is at present being maintained on the island by the laymen and the women. Our Cuban missionaries are occupied principally at Key West and Tampa, Fla., where they are doing excellent work among the thousands of Cubans residing there.

MOUNTAIN REGIONS.

Its work among the native white population in the mountain region is in Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia.

IN OTHER STATES.

Its work is also among the native white population in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Texas.

IN OUR CITIES.

Its work is in New Orleans, Jackson, Miss., Baltimore, Washington, Nashville and Memphis.

AMONG THE NEGROES.

Under the co-operative plan its work has been successfully inaugurated in the States of Alabama, North Carolina and Virginia. It is also doing some independent work among the negroes in Georgia, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

LABORERS ARE FEW.

Yet no one of its fields is fully occupied, and its destitution is not half supplied.

WORK OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD FOR THE CONVENTIONAL
YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1896.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

The labors of our missionaries this year have been attended by the influence of the Divine Spirit, so that only once before in all its history has the Board been able to report such results. The number of missionaries has been a small decrease from the number reported the previous year, but larger than any other year in the Board's history.

The baptisms have been 5,617, only 304 less than last year.

The receipts have been \$75,927.54, against \$76,770.91 last year.

The estimated value of the Board's property last year was \$99,430. The increase during the present year has been \$5,150, making the present total value \$104,580.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The Board began the year with a debt of \$1,100 and ends the year with \$7,950. The indebtedness incurred during the present year is \$6,850. Of this amount \$5,150 has been invested in property in New Orleans and El Paso, leaving the actual expenditure for the present year, above receipts, but \$1,600.

SUMMARY.

Work for the past Conventional year:

Missionaries.....	411
Weeks of labor.....	12,329
Churches and stations.....	1,626
Sermons and addresses.....	58,041
Prayer meetings.....	6,617
Baptisms.....	9,622
Received by letter.....	6,672
Total additions.....	13,295
Sunday Schools organized.....	372
Teachers and pupils.....	12,635
Religious visits.....	61,498
Churches constituted.....	207
Houses of worship built.....	92
Houses of worship improved.....	146
Amount expended on houses of worship.....	\$ 86,209
Bibles and Testaments distributed.....	2,595
Tracts distributed, pages.....	726,675

The State Boards of Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Indian Territory, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Western Arkansas, Indian Territory, and Western North Carolina, are in co-operation with us in a part or the whole of their work.

DESTITUTION.

One of the gravest difficulties in the way of our work is that people do not realize the great needs of our field. It requires no argument or even thought to convince any one interested in missions that there is destitution in China, India, or Africa. But they are so accustomed to the enjoyment of religious privileges themselves that they cannot realize that, in this favored land, there are any communities which are without such privileges. It requires facts, argument, reflection to produce the conviction that there is destitution in America as well as in foreign fields.

It is a startling thought that, as all are born without knowledge of the truth, if evangelistic efforts should cease America would become as much a pagan country as China within a single generation. It is another startling fact that, notwithstanding all that has been done by our churches and Mission Boards in the last fifty years, and the great success that has attended their efforts—though Baptists have increased from 450,000 to 2,600,000 in this Southern land—there are more unregenerate persons within the limits of this Convention than there were fifty years ago.

It is estimated that one-half the population of the South, say 10,000,000, are under Baptist influence; deducting one-fourth of this number as below the age of accountability, and the 2,600,000 church members, leaves about 5,000,000 of unregenerate persons under the influence of our Baptist churches. These we must give the gospel, or they will probably never receive it.

WHAT THE HOME MISSION BOARD ASKS.

The Home Mission Board asks for its work this year *one hundred thousand dollars*, and it has apportioned that amount among the States. The Board, in connection with the State Secretaries and Boards, will endeavor to secure this sum by every proper means. We are assured that this amount is far less than the ability of our people would warrant us in asking, and much short of the actual needs of our work.

The entire amount however, judiciously dispensed, would not enable us to supply the three thousand Baptist homeless churches and houses of worship. It would not enable us fully to supplement the work that ought to be done in our great cities. It would not, if Cuba should obtain her independence, supply the imperious needs of that island for the Gospel.

Three times the amount we ask would not fill the measure of the wants of the twenty-five millions of people living to-day on the field of the Home Mission Board!

And what is \$100,000 to a million and a half of Baptists? How easily could it be raised if our people have a mind to work for the Lord. May the Holy Spirit incline every heart to zealous effort for the Master's cause, both at home and abroad!

Of this \$100,000 the Board asks of North Carolina but \$6,000. We are a hundred and fifty thousand strong, and the Home Mission Board has in all the past years of its history been very generous to North Carolina.

Besides what has been done in many of our rural districts, the Board has aided our churches in Raleigh, Edenton, Newbern, Goldsboro, Charlotte, Greensboro, Salisbury, Asheville, Chapel Hill, Warrenton, Hendersonville, Waynesville, Murphy, Bryson City, Washington, Tarboro, Newton, Concord, Elizabeth City and other important places. Surely our Baptist people will rally warmly to the support of this Board, which has done such noble work for North Carolina. Let the \$6,000 asked be given with ready and willing hands.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God's love for a lost world caused Him to give His Son. Christ sent His disciples, and through them all who love Him, into all the world to tell of His love. A church which does not accept and, as far as possible, carry forward foreign missions, so far falls short of Christ in His spirit and commands. In order to better carry forward this work, the Southern Baptist churches organized in convention in Augusta, Ga., in May, 1845. At this convention they appointed a committee to look especially after the Foreign Mission work, which committee they called the Foreign Mission Board. This Board consists of twenty-one members living in Richmond, and one vice-president in each State. The general management of the Board is committed to the members in Richmond. The vice-

presidents in the States endeavor to awaken interest and quicken the zeal of our people.

The Board is appointed annually by the Southern Baptist Convention. The Convention, which represents the churches, has entire control of the Board—which is really only a committee to act for the Convention, or the churches which compose the Convention. The Board has a President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary and Assistant Corresponding Secretary. The brethren composing the Board are earnest, active Christian men, loved, esteemed and trusted by their brethren. They are found in the following walks of life: Three professors, two lawyers, one physician, eight pastors, one banker, one broker, one merchant, one editor, one college treasurer and librarian, two secretaries of the Board. The Corresponding Secretary and the Assistant Corresponding Secretary are paid for their services. The Treasurer is paid for a part of his time. No other member of the Board receives any pay, but on the contrary all give freely of time and service and means to the great work which they love so well.

MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES.

The Board meets monthly—oftener if necessary. The work which comes before them is generally first referred to committees for careful consideration. There is a Standing Committee for each one of our six mission fields. Each committee is expected to look more especially into the work and needs of the field assigned to it, and to make recommendations for the same. While the Board has respect for the reports of the various committees, still they frequently correct, amend or dissent from the reports which they bring. There are standing committees also on Finance, New Appointments, Woman's Work, Agencies, and Literature.

THE TRUE MISSIONARY.

Some seem to think almost anybody will do for a missionary. Far from it. We need to send the very best. God sent Paul, the best preacher of all, as a foreign missionary.

We need missionaries of deep piety, good hard sense, and sound bodies. We need them with lively hope, strong faith, great patience and perseverance, unbounded energy mixed with prudence and discretion. But with all these, it is necessary to have a consuming love of God and love of souls. No mortal more needs the

holy triad—hope, faith and love—than the gospel missionary. One might ask, “Who is sufficient for these things?” We answer, “No one; our sufficiency is in God, but let us present to him the best we have.”

In making appointments it is necessary to consider climate and the health and predispositions of the applicant. Much money can be wasted by sending good men and women to the wrong fields.

FINANCES.

The Board pays the missionaries every month. They are expected to give all of their time to the work, and hence they need more than if they worked at secular business during the week and preached only on Sabbaths. Letters of credit are sent to the treasurer of each mission station. With these letters of credit the treasurer there draws for the amount allowed, and then pays the missionaries on that field. In this way there is no trouble or danger of losing money in the mails, and the missionary knows definitely what he can expect, thus relieving him of anxiety about his living, in the midst of his many other difficulties. If the funds are not on hand when the missionary treasurer's draft comes, it is necessary for the Board to go to the banks and borrow. We cannot let our credit be impaired, and so the missionaries suffer. As it is now, the letter of credit of the Board is good anywhere on earth. We must keep it so. The banks charge six per cent. interest for money borrowed. If our churches would do their duty and pay earlier in the year we would not have to borrow, and thus save large amounts now paid for interest.

FIELDS OF LABOR.

Below we give a tabulated statement of our work and workers in the various mission fields. We give statistics from the last annual report of the Board:

CHINA MISSIONS.—*Canton Mission* (begun in 1845): 15 missionaries, 40 native helpers, 8 churches, 907 members, 91 baptisms, 13 schools, \$1,087.81 contributions. *Shanghai Mission* (1847): 8 missionaries, 3 native helpers, 3 churches, 108 members, 5 baptisms, 4 schools, \$87.00 contributions. *Chinkiang Mission* (1880): 6 missionaries, 2 churches, 19 members, 3 baptisms, 2 schools, \$16.97 contributions. *North China Mission* (1860): 12 missionaries, 1 native helper, 6 churches, 232 members, 53 baptisms, \$998.57 contri-

butions. *Total for China*: 41 missionaries, 44 native helpers, 19 churches, 1,266 members, 152 baptisms.

AFRICAN MISSIONS (1850).—*Lagos and interior*: 6 missionaries, 8 native helpers, 6 churches, 247 members, 51 baptisms, \$457.40 contributions.

ITALIAN MISSIONS (1870).—*Rome, Florence and other towns*: 3 missionaries from the United States, 28 native preachers and colporteurs, 21 churches, 430 members, 79 baptisms, \$643.45 contributions.

BRAZILIAN MISSIONS.—*Bahia and vicinity* (1882): 3 missionaries, 3 native helpers, 4 churches, 278 members, 71 baptisms, 3 schools, \$330.00 contributions. *Rio and vicinity* (1884): 4 missionaries, 4 native helpers, 5 churches, 187 members, 59 baptisms, \$1,212.00 contributions. *Pernambuco* (1889): 2 missionaries, 70 members, 17 baptisms, 1 church. *Campos* (1890): 2 missionaries, 1 native assistant, 4 churches, 248 members, 126 baptisms, \$700.00 contributions. *Total for Brazil*: 11 missionaries, 8 native helpers, 14 churches, 783 members, 273 baptisms.

MEXICAN MISSIONS (1880).—19 missionaries, 18 native helpers, 37 churches, 1,035 members, 177 baptisms, 3 schools.

JAPANESE MISSIONS (1889).—6 missionaries, 4 native helpers, 1 church, 40 members, 3 baptisms, \$20.00 contributions.

Totals.—Missionaries, 86; native helpers, 110; churches, 98; members, 3,801; baptisms, 735; contributions, \$5,553.20.

It will be seen from this report that there were more baptisms reported for last year than ever before in our foreign mission work. Surely God is blessing our efforts. Since the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention the work is still prospering on the foreign fields.

OUR DEBT.

The question is often asked, How came we to be so heavily involved in debt? Brethren will remember that the Southern Baptist Convention told the Board several years ago to send out one hundred new missionaries for "Centennial Year." The Board did send out about fifty, but feared to send more. Neither they nor the Convention could foresee the terrible financial stringency which has since come over our country. Our force is now, however, reduced by death and the return home of some on account of sickness, and if our debt was paid we could easily go forward.

The following scale has been arranged for the different States. If these amounts are contributed this Convention year, we will pay all past indebtedness and current expenses for this year.

	Am't asked Conv'n Year 1896-'97.
Alabama	\$8,400
Arkansas.....	2,400
Western Arkansas and Indian Territory.....	600
District of Columbia.....	1,800
Florida	1,800
Georgia	16,000
Kentucky	16,000
Louisiana	2,400
Maryland	9,000
Mississippi.....	7,200
Missouri	9,000
North Carolina	9,000
Western North Carolina.....	600
South Carolina	12,000
Tennessee.....	7,800
Texas.....	12,000
Virginia	21,000
Other sources.....	1,400
Total.....	<u>\$138,400</u>

It will thus be seen that North Carolina is asked for \$9,000 of the whole amount needed. Surely it can be raised if we will say it shall be done. For the first six months of the year closing October 31st, only \$1,402 had been sent to Richmond. Who is to blame for this? Is it pastors or people? Let each one carefully consider for himself.

NORTH CAROLINA MISSIONARIES.

North Carolina has cause for deep gratitude to God when she remembers her faithful men and women on foreign fields. The very mention of their names ought to move those who stay at home to more earnest prayer and greater effort. We give the list of those now working with our foreign mission board: R. T. Bryan and wife, G. W. Greene and wife, T. C. Britton and wife, E. F. Tatum, L. W. Pierce and Miss Lottie Price. These are all from North Carolina and are workers in China.

OUTLOOK.

Some are disposed to take a dark view of the mission work. We give a few selected notes here for the strengthening of the brethren:

“At the beginning of this century the Word of God could be studied by but one-fifth of the world’s population. Now it is translated into languages that make it accessible to nine-tenths of the inhabitants of the globe. For 3,000 years there existed but three versions of the Scriptures. Now they can be read in a large portion of the 6,000 spoken languages. To-day it is said, upon good authority, that the Bible is translated into thirty times as many languages as were spoken by the disciples on the day of Pentecost. In 1804 there were in the world only 5,000,000 Bibles; in 1894 there were in the hands of mankind 286,000,000 copies of the Sacred Word, and yet in the face of such facts blatant infidelism makes the statement that the old Book is ‘dying out and rapidly becoming a thing of the past.’ We think it is ‘dying’ just the right way.”

Farrar says, “Is it not, then, perfectly erroneous to talk of the failure of missions, when they started with one hundred and twenty despised Galileans, and when now—taking the number of Protestants in the world alone, and not taking the number of other divisions of Christians—there are at least one hundred and twenty millions of Protestants, and they have in their power almost all the wealth and almost all the resources of the world.”

Are the contributions for Foreign Missions falling off? No. The total gifts of Protestant Christians for Foreign Missions from the United States have increased from \$3,125,763 in 1885, to \$5,006,809 in 1895. The contributions from the whole world during the same time have grown from \$9,799,495, to \$14,441,807.

ARE WE ADVANCING?

Some people seem to think we are making little or no progress in our work. Let us look at the work of the Southern Baptist Convention as compared with a few years past. We copy from the Minutes in 1884—twelve years ago—and then give the figures for this year in a parallel column:

	1884.	1896.
Number of missionaries, native and foreign	95	195
Number of stations and out-stations	42	226
Increase in membership	175	735
Pupils in Sunday and day schools...	684	2,564
Contributions on field.....	\$1,077 00	\$5,553 20
Receipts in this country.....	\$80,465 87	\$108,150 56

In 1884, the report says: "The work is expanding signally in each of the continents in which our missionaries labor. * * *. Into all our advances the Board has been led seemingly by the hand of Providence. The past inspires gratitude; the future stimulates faith." This shows the year's work was considered good. Now, when we see how God has continued to bless us through these years, we ought not to complain and grow discouraged; but, rather, with earnest zeal, press forward to higher attainments and greater conquests for Him.

The power of satan will not yield in a day nor a year, but we go in this work through love, in obedience to the command of our Lord and Master. All power in heaven and earth is His and He has promised His presence. To be faithful is our part—to reward is His. To Him will be the victory. Amen!

CONCLUSION.

Baptists cannot too often be reminded that God has greatly honored them in the effort to save the world. The names of Carey, Judson, Rice, Hughes Gordon, and Yates are blazoned high on God's honor roll of Missions. To be a Baptist is to desire to obey Christ in all things. Surely then we must realize that it is poor obedience which does not include an earnest effort to preach the Gospel to every creature.

Your Board, in submitting this report, begs the sympathies and prayers of all the churches, and the indulgence and patience of the brethren. We have not done what we desired to do, but to the best of our strength we have endeavored to discharge the trust reposed in us; have sought to be faithful, and have, as wisely as we knew how, met the needs of the denomination so as to secure the largest and best results to the cause.

We herewith submit the report of Committee on Sunday Schools and Colportage, as provided by your body at its last session.

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,

President,

JNO. E. WHITE,

Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

To the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

DEAR BRETHREN: The Committee on Sunday Schools and Colportage, provided for at the last session of the Baptist State Convention, beg leave to report to you, and through you to the Convention, their work of the past year, as follows: -

The Sunday School and Colportage work, as a separate department of the work of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, commenced April 1st. Reliable statistics of the Sunday School work not being at hand, it was hard to tell just where the work of this department was most needed. An attempt was made at once to find out in each Association which churches had Sunday Schools. Accordingly, blanks were sent out to various brethren in the Associations with the request that they be filled and returned. Many of them were returned; some were not. The nearest estimate possible now is, that there are about four hundred Baptist churches in our Convention without Sunday Schools. Added to these, are hundreds of communities where Baptist Sunday Schools might be and ought to be. The only two Associations in the State reporting a Sunday School in each church are the Piedmont and the Robeson.

The Sunday School Supply Store owed the Sunday School Board at Nashville on April 1st a thousand dollars. A proposition was made to the Store that if the amount should be paid at once a discount of ten per cent. would be given. In response to a request from the Sunday School Committee the Board at Nashville made a donation of four hundred dollars to the Sunday School work in North Carolina. The thousand dollars was at once paid and the Board sent check for five hundred dollars.

The American Baptist Publication Society increased its discounts on periodicals from fifteen to twenty per cent., and arrangements are now pending which, if effected, will greatly aid in the colportage work in the State.

By reason of the fact that it seemed not to be generally understood that our Store is a book store, as well as a Sunday School supply store, the committee, on April 23d, changed the name to Baptist Book Store.

The Sunday School Missionary has visited nine associations, has held two Sunday School Institutes, and visited twenty-four counties in the interest of the work. The outlook is encouraging.

The purpose in view is to have a well-equipped Baptist Sunday School open fifty-two Sundays in each year within reach of every individual in the State.

The Sunday School Institute feature promises to be very helpful to the work. In these institutes matters pertaining to Bible study and general Sunday School work are studied. On the quality and quantity of the Sunday School work done will largely depend the future of our denomination in the State.

For lack of funds very little has been done in the colportage work. A considerable number of brethren have on their own responsibility done colportage work in connection with the Baptist Book Store. A number of Union Meetings and Associations have done colportage work during the year. No reliable statistics can be obtained, owing to the nature of the work.

The Baptist Book Store is in charge of this department. It is owned and operated by the Baptists of the State. The purpose of this store is to furnish to our people a wholesome Christian literature. The profits of the business, above current expenses, go to aid the State Mission work. The supply department is provided so that Sunday Schools using literature may order through the Store, and thereby place in the State Mission fund the commission received, on each order. By just enough interest in our work on the part of all the pastors in the State to see that their Sunday Schools send orders for their supplies of all kinds to the Baptist Book Store, several hundred dollars would be placed each year in our mission treasury.

The general book department is prepared to furnish at publishers' prices any book published in the United States or England. There is soon to be added a department for Second-hand Theological Books.

The financial condition shows no very marked improvement over last year:

STATEMENT OF BAPTIST BOOK STORE.

Assets and Liabilities October 31, 1896.

By amount of stock.....	\$2,173	14	
By accounts.....	1,150	15	
By furniture, fixtures, etc.....	290	00	
By cash.....	3	64	
			\$3,516 93
To liabilities.....			2,203 70
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Assets over liabilities.....			\$1,313 23
Donations and discounts.....			139 00

N. B. BROUGHTON, *Chairman.*

B. W. SPILMAN, *S. S. Missionary.*

THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF MISSIONS TO THE STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The most marked feature of the tenth year's work of the Woman's Central Committee has been the completion of the Yates Memorial Fund, an effort having been begun more than a year ago to raise an extra offering of one thousand dollars with which to send out to China a new missionary as a living memorial to Dr. and Mrs. Yates. We have now on hand more than eleven hundred dollars for this purpose, which is held until such time as the general condition of the Foreign Mission Board shall make the sending out of a new missionary advisable, or the right man to fill this important office is clearly pointed out.

With this exception, the work of your Committee has followed the same lines as hitherto. Our connection with the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, has been close and beneficial. We have followed in the main the plans on which the sisters in other States are working, and in furtherance of these plans have received and distributed large supplies of literature from the Union. Societies have been steadily formed, and there is every reason to believe that those already at work are taking a deeper spiritual hold on the meaning and possibilities of Missions.

Special effort has been made to organize the children into Mission Bands, and much interest in this work of hope for the present and power for the future has been shown. To such an extent has this work grown that your Committee has thought it wise to appoint one of our number, (Miss Lizzie Briggs, Raleigh, N. C.,) as Band Superintendent, who shall have especial oversight of this branch of our work.

The financial report given below falls somewhat below that rendered last year, but we are persuaded that this indicates no lack of interest or failing liberality on the part of the Societies. In spite of the fact that we have had this year only eleven months—a fact that tells particularly in the Societies' reports, it being their system to contribute month by month—the money contributed has been as large as last year. The apparent falling off, however, is caused by the fact that the boxes to Home Missionaries, counted at their money value in our annual report, owing to the earlier meeting of the Convention had not been sent out. A number of such blessed boxes are now in course of preparation.

In this our Eleventh Annual Report it may be of interest to note that, beginning with only fourteen active Societies ten years ago, there are now more than two hundred and fifty Societies, who have through your committee reported in the last ten years \$31,499.05 to the mission objects of the Convention.

Societies organized	48
Leaflets distributed	6,831
Quarterly letters sent out	1,075
Other letters	1,157

Contributed as follows:

Foreign Missions.....	\$ 1,230 75	
Christmas Offering.....	256 28	
Yates Fund	728 72	
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Total for Foreign Missions	\$ 2,215 75	
Home Missions.....	\$ 437 16	
Value of boxes	451 07	
Self-denial	79 48	
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Total for Home Missions	\$ 967 71	
State Missions	\$ 582 53	
Value of boxes	33 00	
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Total for State Missions.....	\$ 615 53	
Orphanage.....	\$ 59 18	
Value of boxes.....	80 92	
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Total for Orphanage	\$ 140 10	
Education	15 25	
Ministerial Relief.....	13 25	
Expense	1 95	
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Total	\$ 3,967 94	

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. A. BRIGGS,
Cor. Secretary.

MISS FANNIE E. S. HECK,
President.

L. Johnson for the Committee, presented the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In no age of the world, perhaps, has the printing press wielded such a mighty influence as it is doing to-day. Periodicals of all kinds are scattered like autumn leaves all over the land. We cannot be too careful as to the kind of literature that finds its way into our homes.

We can heartily recommend the following periodicals:

The *Biblical Recorder*—whose bugle-call to duty has been heard for more than a half-century, as it has led the Baptist hosts of North Carolina—should find its way into every Baptist home in the State. Never in its history did it do more valiant service than it is doing now. The vigor and sprightliness of its young editor, coupled with a conservatism beyond his years, eminently qualify him for the responsible position he holds.

The *North Carolina Baptist* is in the field, aiding in the work of building up our Baptist Zion.

It is through *Charity and Children* that we can be informed about the Orphanage work. We cordially recommend it as a means of bringing our people in closer touch with the Orphanage.

The *Foreign Mission Journal* will be found helpful in keeping the Mission work before our people.

The Sunday School periodicals of the Southern Baptist Convention are worthy of our patronage.

The *Wake Forest Student* and *Seminary Magazine* are excellent, and will bring us the news monthly from these honored institutions.

L. JOHNSON,
J. A. MUNDY,
K. THOMPSON,
A. C. SHERWOOD,
W. C. COFFEY,
W. C. MEADOWS,
ISAAC OXFORD.

Committee.

Remarks were made by L. Johnson, of Greensboro; J. A. Mundy, of Reidsville; J. M. Frost, of Nashville, and J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh.

The report was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was then read by A. C. Cree, as follows:

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Upon the Baptists of no State in the Union is the call of winning the heathen for Christ more urgent than upon the Baptists of North Carolina. God in his wise providence seems to have chosen us as a peculiar people for this work, having called from our ranks so many of his most faithful and blessed servants in foreign fields, thus binding our hearts by special cords of brotherly love to this part of his vineyard. The names of Yates, Bryan, Greene, Tatum, Britton, and many others, are household names in this State—names that should inspire prayer in the heart and prompt service at the hands of every Missionary Baptist in the State: names at whose mention our souls should thrill with Christ's "Go ye into all the world."

Impressed as never before with God's special call to the churches of this Convention to evangelize the people who sit in darkness, we your committee submit the following report:

In the past year there has been a faithful sowing and a glorious harvest. The Lord has gladdened our hearts with encouraging reports from the various fields. New churches have been organized, new fields entered and new forces quickened into life. More conversions, more baptisms, more eager, seeking throngs have been reported this year than in any previous year in the history of our Board, thus testifying to the increased activity of Christ's Spirit—the missionary Spirit—in heathen lands. The cloud is lifted from the ark of the covenant and is moving on toward the time when the kingdoms of this world shall have become the kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ. God has signalled, "Forward, march!" Shall we march?

The missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention are located in the following fields: China, Africa, Brazil, Mexico, Japan and Italy. This year's report gives us: Missionaries, 86; native helpers, 110; churches, 98; members, 3801; baptisms, 735; contributions from our State Convention, \$5,553.20. It is significant that nearly one-fifth of the members of our churches in foreign lands have been won for Christ and added to our churches in the past year. In China the conditions created by the late war with Japan give us a wider gate and a more open road than heretofore. The Gospel is now welcomed.

In Brazil the spirit of evangelical power is filling the hearts of the people. God is calling, and the Spirit is convincing "of sin and of righteousness, and of judgment to come." No field occupied by our missionaries has been so blessed in the past year with additions to its churches as Brazil. In Mexico our faith has been strengthened and our hopes brightened by glorious reports of great works. Bro. W. P. Cullom, our Japan Missionary reports the best year in his work there. Our Italian work showed more converts last year than ever before. Surely this is God's time to save the heathen, and just as surely God's time

must be our time to strive with greater effort, prayer and consecration to bring the heathen to Christ.

The Board of Foreign Missions needs more men and more money to carry on its work. Therefore, we most heartily recommend that our churches make earnest and untiring efforts to raise this year the \$9,000 apportioned to us as our part of the debt and running expenses of the Foreign Mission work of our Southern Baptist Convention. We also recommend the *Foreign Mission Journal*, published by our board at Richmond, as being the valuable current manual on the Foreign Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention. Our pastors and leaders should urge their people to subscribe for it.

For a more detailed report of our Foreign Missions we refer you to the efficient and full report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools of this Convention.

A. C. CREE,
T. DIXON,
E. M. TESSIER.
J. F. MCDUFFIE.
A. L. PHIPPS,
W. B. UPCHURCH,
C. H. DURHAM,
Committee.

The subject was discussed by A. C. Cree, John E. Ray, (who read a letter to the Convention from Missionary T. C. Britton), J. W. Carter and R. L. Patton. By request, C. W. Scarborough led the Convention in special prayer for the Foreign Mission work. The body was then addressed by R. J. Willingham, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, of Richmond, Va. The report was adopted.

R. G. Seymour, of Philadelphia, delivered an address upon the work and influence of the American Baptist Publication Society.

E. McK. Goodwin, Superintendent of the North Carolina School for the Deaf and Dumb, Morganton, extended an invitation to the Convention to visit that institution tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of John E. Ray, the Convention accepted the invitation.

The morning session adjourned with benediction by A. E. Dickenson, Richmond, Va.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Convention reassembled at 2:30 o'clock, President Marsh in the chair. W. F. Watson, of Edenton, led in the invocation of divine blessing.

President W. H. Whitsitt of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., addressed the Convention on the history, work and needs of that institution.

A collection in cash and subscriptions, amounting to \$335, was then taken for the Students' Aid Fund of the Seminary.

J. D. Hufham, Henderson, presented the following resolution which, after remarks by himself, was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The opening of the doors of the nations to the preaching of the gospel and the constantly increasing needs of our missions already established in heathen lands require enlarged contributions from the churches at home, therefore

Resolved, That we undertake to raise \$10,000 for Foreign Missions during the present year.

J. F. McDuffie presented the report of the Ministers' Relief Board:

REPORT OF MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

We, your servants of the Board, beg leave to submit the following report:

I. ITS PAST WORK.

This Board began its work under the auspices of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, May 3, 1890. It has partially supported twenty-four of our old preachers and their families (fifty-eight, including all). These have come from fifteen of our Associations. To these it has appropriated \$2,415, and has invested about \$1,250 in safe hands, well secured, of the Permanent Interest-Bearing Fund, the interest alone of which is appropriated to the beneficiaries and their families.

II. ITS PRESENT CONDITION.

We have eleven beneficiaries now on the Board. Bro. J. G. Barkley, of Rocky Mount, Tar River Association, and Bro. Jesse Howell, of New

Hill, Raleigh Association (the first beneficiary adopted by the Board), have finished their work and gone home. Great and good men they were, and served their generation faithfully. The Board has still remaining the following: Brethren Combs, Harris, Hughes, Wooten and Lewellen, and Sisters Churchill, Humphries, Phillips, Barlow, Spivy and Register. There are now two applicants awaiting reception.

III. ITS FUTURE OUTLOOK.

The general contributions this year have been better than any since 1892. This is very encouraging to the Board. We have reported from the churches up to November 4, \$606, an increase over 1895 of about \$180. To help the brethren realize the work and bring them in sympathy and touch with the work, we have gotten up a tract, setting forth the object of the work, the reasons why we should be loyal to our old brethren, and our duty to support them in their declining days. We have also sent out with these a statement of facts relative to the work. We believe by a careful study of these any brother can find encouragement to help support this worthy cause by his prayers and means.

Many are the letters of appreciation sent us by the beneficiaries, for the small amount sent them by the Board. We would be glad to send them more if we could, and help them farther if the brethren would give us the means.

Brethren of the Convention, pray for the Board; pray for the old preachers, and then pray for giving grace for yourselves and the work.

W. C. TYREE, *President.*

J. F. MACDUFFIE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

		RECEIVED.	
1895			
Dec. 2.	Balance on hand	-----	\$128 59
Dec. 2.	J. W. Couch	-----	1 00
1896			
Feb. 29.	Interest P. I. B. Fund	-----	20 00
June 3.	Interest P. I. B. Fund	-----	15 00
June 24.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer	-----	260 80
Oct. 5.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer	-----	123 00
Oct. 5.	C. W. P.	-----	1 50
Oct. 5.	Great Marsh Church	-----	1 50
Oct. 26.	Interest P. I. B. Fund	-----	10 00
Nov. 10.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer	-----	180 00
			<u>\$741 39</u>
Nov. 10.	Balance on hand	-----	<u>\$158 06</u>

PAID OUT.

Rev. J. H. Lewellen	\$ 30 00
Rev. Jesse Howell	35 00
Rev. W. J. Combs	30 00
Rev. J. G. Barkley	10 00
Rev. William Harris	30 00
Rev. John Hughes	15 00
Rev. R. W. Wooten	15 00
Mrs. H. C. Register	30 00
Mrs. B. H. Phillips	35 00
Mrs. Rhoda Churchill	45 00
Mrs. C. F. Humphries	32 00
Mrs. Jane Barlow	32 00
Mrs. Harriet Spivey	40 00
Stationery	5 90
Printing	6 00
Printing	3 50
P. I. B. Fund	86 93
P. I. B. Fund	42 00
P. I. B. Fund	60 00
Balance	158 06
	<u>\$741 39</u>

Permanent Interest-Bearing Fund.

1896		RECEIVED.	
Jan. 1.	Balance on hand		\$127 04
June 25.	One-third receipts		86 93
Oct. 16.	One-third receipts		42 00
Nov. 10.	One-third receipts		60 00
			<u>\$315 97</u>

Nov. 10.	Balance on hand		<u>\$ 65 97</u>
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1896		PAID OUT.	
Oct. 5.	Loan		\$250 00
Nov. 10.	Balance		65 97
			<u>\$315 97</u>

PERMANENT INTEREST-BEARING FUND INVESTED.

One loan	\$ 500 00
One loan	500 00
One loan	250 00
	<u>\$1,250 00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

T. E. CHEEK, *Treasurer.*

We have examined the above report and found it correct.

H. A. REAMS,
JOHN L. MARKHAM,
Auditors.

In the discussion of the report speeches were made by J. F. MacDuffie, John E. Ray, W. C. Tyree, J. D. Hufham. The report was then received and ordered printed in the Minutes.

W. C. Tyree, for the Committee, made the following

REPORT ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FRIDAY.

9 A. M.—Devotional exercises.

10 A. M.—Sunday School Board of Southern Baptist Convention.

10:30 A. M.—Orphanage.

11:30 A. M.—Wake Forest College.

7 P. M.—Female University.

8 P. M.—Home Missions.

The President announced the following committees:

On Preachers and Place of Next Meeting.—B. W. Spilman, W. H. Rich, J. H. Lamberth, S. E. Williams, L. R. Pruett, S. Otho Wilson, J. J. Payseur.

To Nominate Committee on Sunday School and Colportage Work (Fifteen Members of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools).—J. M. Hilliard, J. S. Gwaltney, J. H. Walker, J. I. Smith, T. B. Stuart, Z. D. Harrill, J. M. Good.

To Nominate Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.—J. E. Ray, A. L. Betts, H. M. Croom, James Jordan, J. H. Walker, T. P. Little, H. Sheets.

Committee on Finance.—G. P. Hamrick, W. L. Poteat, C. B. Justice.

On Religious Exercises.—Pastor and Deacons of Morganton Church.

On Sunday Schools and Colportage.—J. P. Spence, J. S. Allen, G. W. Coppedge, E. McK. Goodwin, J. S. Wray, J. R. Hankins, F. A. Prevatt.

On State Missions.—J. B. Richardson, Hight C. Moore, J. W. Bailey, W. R. Bradshaw, W. H. Ollis, J. C. Sorrels, Josiah Elliott.

To Nominate Ministers' Relief Board.—C. W. Blanchard, H. W. Clark, C. E. Gower, J. W. Briggs, J. D. Hufham, J. R. Broughton, M. P. Matheny.

To Nominate Board of Education.—J. B. Boone, P. A. Dunn, J. R. Barkley, C. C. Smith, W. M. Lyles, G. M. Webb, A. C. Irvin.

On Home Missions.—W. F. Watson, C. F. Meserve, J. N. Booth, J. N. Stallings, J. C. Woodward, F. H. Meyer, W. H. Graves.

On Orphanage.—F. P. Hobgood, W. A. Wilkinson, M. E. Parish, J. W. Denmark, C. A. G. Thomas, J. S. White, S. F. Conrad.

On Female University.—James Long, M. E. Parish, E. A. Poe, C. S. Cashwell, J. B. Holman, P. P. Green, H. B. Duffy.

On Obituaries.—W. B. Morton, W. R. Gwaltney, J. B. Richardson, T. E. Skinner, O. C. Horton, T. M. Duncan, J. A. Hoyle.

After announcements, the Convention adjourned, with benediction by W. R. Gwaltney of Wake Forest.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The opening exercises of the evening session were conducted by T. M. Honeycutt, of Mars Hill, who read the 1st Psalm and led in prayer.

The following report on State Missions was presented by J. B. Richardson, Chairman of the Committee :

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your committee feels it only necessary to call attention to certain salient features of our State Mission work.

THE WORK ACCOMPLISHED.

During the year just ended we have had at work on State Mission fields ninety-eight missionaries. The labors of these missionaries have resulted in over 1,600 additions to churches on mission fields. One hundred and sixty-two churches have been in course of erection during the year. Thirty thousand dollars have been contributed by our mission churches for all objects during the year. In view of the conditions which have prevailed, this must be regarded as a remarkable year's work.

The report of the Board of Missions brings to the attention of the Convention the fact that we are now in debt to our missionaries \$2,350..

We would recommend that during the session of this Convention we raise \$500 in cash and pledges, and that the next 30 days be set apart for a special effort to remove this debt, so that the next year's work may not be embarrassed, and that every church connected with the Convention and every Sunday School be asked to make a special collection for this purpose during the next 30 days.

We would also call attention to the excellent results accomplished by the work of co-operation among our colored Baptists and urge upon our pastors the duty of doing what they can for its continued success.

Your committee also begs leave to suggest to the Convention the fact that, instead of growing less, the need for a vigorous and enlarged State Mission work is greater to-day than ever before in our history. While

we do not feel able to recommend a larger basis of operations for next year, we recommend that no backward step be taken and that the State Board of Missions proceed next year on a basis of \$15,000, as this year.

COMMITTEE.

Pending the adoption of the report, J. B. Richardson, of High Point, spoke on the "General Work"; W. R. Bradshaw, of North Wilkesboro, on "Western Carolina as a Mission Field"; John C. Scarborough, of Raleigh, on "Mission Work Among our Working People"; John E. Ray, of Raleigh, on "Its Success and Possibilities"; Secretary John E. White on "The Needs of the Missionaries of the State Board"; and J. D. Hufham, of Henderson, on "Meeting the Present Emergency."

A collection in cash and pledges, payable in thirty days, amounting to about \$530, was then taken to relieve the State Mission indebtedness.

On motion of H. B. Duffy, of Newbern, the report on Sunday-schools and Colportage was made the special order for to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The exercises of the evening were then concluded with the benediction by J. B. Boone, of Thomasville.

FRIDAY MORNING.

At 9:30 o'clock, devotional exercises were conducted by W. R. Cullom, who read and commented upon the Parable of the Sower.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

A. C. Barron, the new pastor of Tryon Street church, Charlotte; M. E. Parish, new pastor of Salisbury church, and F. H. Meyer, of Salisbury, were recognized and welcomed to the Convention.

The work and claims of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention were presented by J. M.

Frost, Corresponding Secretary of the Board at Nashville, Tenn.

The report on the Orphanage, which follows, was presented by F. P. Hobgood, of Oxford:

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The general condition of the Orphanage is satisfactory. During the past year the children and officers have enjoyed uniformly good health, and we are satisfied that good work has been done in all departments.

We take pleasure in calling attention to the marked improvements made in *Charity and Children*, both in respect to its mechanical execution and its editorial finish.

The contributions have been liberal, especially in view of the stringency of the times. The present indebtedness for current expenses is \$673.23. This is not discouraging, as it is expected that the collections in this month, especially on Thanksgiving day, will be sufficient to liquidate the debt.

Work on the Central School Building has been pushed as fast as the means permitted. This is now nearly ready for the tinnings; and the Superintendent estimates that in addition to the good subscription on hand uncollected, fifteen hundred dollars will be needed to finish and equip the building. It is earnestly hoped that the churches will soon furnish this sum. The completion of this house will increase the capacity for nearly seventy-five more children, will decrease the expenses of the teaching force nearly 25 per cent., and enable the Superintendent to do more efficient work in the education of the children.

F. P. HOBGOOD, *For Committee.*

The report was adopted after discussion by J. B. Boone, General Manager of the Orphanage; W. C. Tyree, of Durham; J. D. Hufham, of Henderson, and N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh.

A collection, amounting to \$583.77, was then taken for the completion and equipment of the Central School Building. The report was adopted.

The report on Wake Forest College was submitted by W. R. Gwaltney, of Wake Forest, as follows:

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Since the last meeting of the Convention, Rev. Thomas H. Pritchard, D. D., one of the oldest members of the Board of Trustees, has left us

and gone to his reward. He dearly loved the College and served in this capacity for more than thirty years, and for two years he was president of the College.

At the last annual meeting of the Board existing vacancies were filled by the election of Rev. R. T. Vann, Rev. John E. White, D. L. Gore, H. B. Duffy, J. F. Spainhour, Hon. W. T. Crawford and Rev. L. Johnson.

The number of students enrolled during last session was 260. During the present session up to date 245 have registered, and others are expected during the fall term. Of those present 57 are preparing to preach the gospel. This promises to be the most successful session in the history of the College.

For the last two years there has been very little sickness among the students, and very little among the citizens of the village. No where in all this Southland can there be found a more healthy locality. All the chairs in the institution are now filled and regular work in every department is carried on.

The great majority of the students are studying faithfully and with great success. The number that is disposed to be idle was never smaller.

Prof. George W. Paschal was elected to succeed Prof. R. W. Haywood as assistant professor in the schools of Latin and Greek, and the work that he is doing is fully meeting the expectation of all who know his record as a student at Wake Forest, and that of his three-years' course in the University of Chicago.

THE SCHOOL OF LAW.

In June, 1893, the Trustees decided to add to the college a school of law. But nothing was done, until the summer of 1894, and only one student attended the summer school of that year.

The catalogue of 1894-'95 shows 14 names.

The summer's school of 1895 was attended by 18 students. The catalogue of 1895-'96 contains the names of 67 law students. The summer school of 1896 had 23., while the next catalogue already shows for the law school 76, representing four States. As to the quality of the work done I need not speak. Suffice it for the present to say, that some of our young men enter some of the leading universities North, putting the law course at Wake Forest against two years there.

The need of a working library has pressed heavily upon the teacher in charge, and he has often felt that his work lost much of its efficiency on that account.

Just in the recent past several friends of the College have presented some law books. Among the number are the Western Publishing Company, S. J. Pemberton, H. B. Parsons, Ray & Bro., N. B. Broughton, the Edward Thompson Company, 30 volumes; Judge Walter Clark, 31 volumes, and Chief Justice Faircloth, 285 volumes. All these books are very valuable works.

SCHOOL OF THE BIBLE.

The new department of Bible Study has been organized in two classes, the Junior class—proficiency in which is required of every applicant for the degree of Bachelor of Arts—and the Senior class which is placed among the elective studies. The Junior class recites three times a week, and will go through the whole Bible during the session. The Senior class will study with more minute care special portions of Scripture. The Bible is the text-book, though others are used along with it.

The School of the Bible has received a warm welcome from the student body, and we believe that under the wise leading of Prof. Cullom it is destined to become very popular. But this new department, starting off so popular and so full of promise, must soon close its work and drop out of the institution, unless some means be speedily raised for its support. During the next three years \$25,000 ought to be raised for the permanent endowment of this chair. The tens of thousands of Baptists in North Carolina who so long desired to see the Bible systematically taught in our College are not willing, after such a hopeful beginning, to see it come to an untimely end.

It seems clear that this Convention ought to take such steps as will secure the continuance of this work.

The Sunday-school, prayer-meetings and all the religious services are well attended, and the monthly missionary meeting, which in the past has inspired so many young men with the spirit of missions and sent them into the Home and Foreign fields, is full of interest and promise.

The endowment of the Royall chair has been practically secured, and if all the notes and pledges are paid when due, it will soon be entirely accomplished.

Rev. C. W. Blanchard is still in the field, faithfully doing agency work, and many are the good results seen following his labors in looking after the general interests of the College.

If our people really knew the great work which their College is doing, and the difficulties and financial embarrassments under which the Faculty and the Trustees are carrying it on, and the possibilities which lie before them were they unhampered, they would put sufficient means at their disposal, and would be ever looking forward and providing for its increasing usefulness.

The future outlook of Wake Forest is brighter than ever before, and there never was a time in the history of this country when our religious institutions saw so bright a future. The minds and hearts of the people are turning to Christian education, and soon all sharp competition from secular schools will give place to the voluntary principle in higher education.

High schools for co-education, as feeders to Wake Forest and our

Female college, should be established in many of our Associations. Several such schools have recently been started with flattering prospects.

Since writing this report we have learned that at least seventy are preparing boys for Wake Forest College. W. R. GWALTNEY.

Remarks were made by W. R. Gwaltney on the present condition of Wake Forest; Charles A. G. Thomas, of Fayetteville, on the influence of the College; W. R. Culom, of Wake Forest, on the Bible School, and M. L. Kessler, of High Point, on Pastoral Institutes.

On motion of N. B. Broughton, the order of business for this afternoon—Sunday Schools and Colportage—was postponed until to-morrow morning.

The Convention then adjourned until 7 P. M.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Convention met at the hour appointed, and devotional exercises were conducted by C. B. Justice, of Rutherfordton, N. C.

The following report of the Committee to nominate the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, presented by John E. Ray, was adopted:

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

J. C. SCARBOROUGH, Chairman.

JOHN E. WHITE, Cor. Sec.

J. H. Alford, G. M. Allen, J. S. Allen, C. W. Blanchard, J. D. Boushall, S. W. Brewer, N. B. Broughton, A. C. Barron, J. C. Caddell, J. W. Carter, N. B. Cobb, G. J. Dowell, W. C. Douglas, J. C. Ellington, W. R. Gwaltney, F. P. Hobgood, J. N. Holding, E. C. Holleman, C. J. Hunter, W. N. Jones, W. A. Montgomery, J. A. Mundy, John E. Ray, T. E. Skinner, A. M. Simms, B. W. Spilman, H. L. Watson, W. T. Faircloth, J. D. Hufham, H. C. Dockery, C. M. Cooke, W. L. Poteat, John T. Pullen, J. W. Bailey, J. H. Weathers, J. B. Brewer, J. S. Hardaway, J. P. Wyatt, W. R. Cullom.

Ashe and Alleghany, W. C. Fields; *Atlantic*, H. B. Duffy; *Alexander*, J. A. White; *Beulah*, S. P. Adams; *Bladen*, W. S. Meekin; *Brier Creek*, W. A. Myers; *Brushy Mountain*, R. A. Spainhour; *Caldwell*, J. V. McCall; *Cedar Creek*, C. J. Hedgepeth; *Central*, P. A. Dunn; *Catawba River*, Samuel Huffman; *Cape Fear*, E. W. Wooten; *Chowan*, E.

F. Aydlett; *Columbus*, J. W. Powell; *Eastern*, J. L. Stewart; *Elkin*, J. S. Kilby; *Flat River*, R. H. Marsh; *French Broad*, T. M. Honeycutt; *Green River*, C. B. Justice; *King's Mountain*, H. F. Schenck; *Liberty*, James Smith; *Little River*, J. A. Campbell; *Mecklenburg and Cabarrus*, T. S. Franklin; *Mitchell County*, L. H. Green; *Montgomery*, W. M. Bostick; *Mt. Zion*, W. C. Tyree; *Pee Dee*, J. Q. Adams; *Piedmont*, R. W. Brooks; *Pilot Mountain*, H. A. Brown; *Raleigh*, O. L. Stringfield; *Robeson*, E. K. Procter, Jr.; *Sandy Creek*, O. T. Edwards; *South River*, W. C. Barrett; *South Fork*, J. D. Moore; *South Yadkin*, J. N. Stallings; *Stanley*, E. F. Eddings; *Tar River*, R. G. Kendricks and E. E. Hilliard; *Three Forks*, W. S. Farthing; *Union*, H. C. Moore; *West Chowan*, C. W. Scarboro; *Yadkin*, J. C. Burrus; *Yancey county*, J. F. Sams.

JOHN E. RAY,
A. L. BETTS,
H. M. CROOM,
JAMES JORDAN,
J. H. WALKER,
T. P. LITTLE,
HENRY SHEETS,

Committee.

C. W. Blanchard, of Cary, for the Committee to Nominate Board of Ministerial Relief, read the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee to Nominate Ministerial Relief Board, recommend the following names to compose this Board:

W. C. Tyree, G. J. Dowell, J. F. McDuffie, N. B. Broughton, H. A. Foushee, H. A. Reams, T. E. Cheek, J. L. Markham, J. S. Hardaway, T. H. Street, O. C. Horton.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
M. P. MATHENY,
H. W. CLARKE,
J. W. BRIGGS,
J. D. HUFHAM,
C. E. GOWER,

Committee.

The Report on Baptist Female University was read by James Long, of Goldsboro:

REPORT ON BAPTIST FEMALE UNIVERSITY.

The last report to this Convention stated that the contract to erect the principal building had been let to the North Carolina Car Company at

a cost of \$37,700. Since the last Convention the building has been carried to the third story and paid for—the first story costing \$6,000, the second, \$5,000. The rear portion of the building is ready for the roof timbers. The remaining stories of the main building and the roof on all the building will cost \$10,000.

The Treasurer has in hand between \$800 and \$1,000; notes and subscriptions that will be due by the close of this year, \$5,000; and notes falling due in 1897 and later, \$10,000. The Executive Committee have deemed it wise to carry on the work only as funds came in to pay the bills. They have refused to endanger the property, already paid for, with a debt. They appeal with confidence to the Baptists of the State to see to it that the work shall be completed at an early date. The great necessity upon this Convention to provide advantages for our young women equal to those we have for our young men is an appeal we can no longer disregard.

The large number of young women now asking for the advantages of such a school appeals with an eloquence that should call forth our best energies.

Great encouragement has been received from the fact that a sentiment has been created which demands hearty struggles and sacrifices on the part of our people to secure at least two hundred thousand dollars for the establishment of this school. Can we not confidently hope that twenty-five men and women may be found who will contribute \$1,000 each? That fifty men and women may be found who will contribute \$500 each? That one hundred men and women may be found who will contribute \$100 each? That two hundred men and women may be found who will contribute \$50 each? That five hundred men and women may be found who will contribute \$10 each?

Our Secretary, O. L. Stringfield, expressed great satisfaction on account of the hearty reception our people have extended to him wherever he has been in the interest of this work, and is more confident than ever that the work will be a grand success, with the enthusiastic co-operation of our pastors and deacons.

From what has been done during the greatest financial depression in thirty years, surely we can trust the Lord that He will provide the means through his servants to bring the work to a glorious success, to the honor of his name.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES LONG,
E. A. POE,
C. S. CASHWELL,
Committee.

Remarks were made by James Long, S. C. Mitchell, Professor of Latin in Richmond College, and O. L. Stringfield,

Financial Agent of the Female University. The report was then adopted.

W. F. Watson, of Edenton, presented the Report on Home Missions.

HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee desires to call special attention to so much of the excellent report of the Board of Missions and Sunday schools, as refers to the work of the Home Mission Board; and would emphasize the fact, that one-eighth of all the white churches within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, were established by the Home Board; and that of the 4,743 Baptist churches in the States of Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas and the Indian territory, fully one-half owe their existence and present degree of prosperity to the faithful, untiring efforts of this organization.

It is especially important for North Carolina Baptists to remember, that this Board has rendered efficient service to the denomination in aiding in the establishment and sustenance of churches in the important towns of Edenton, Elizabeth City, Raleigh, Newbern, Goldsboro, Charlotte, Chapel Hill, Warrenton, Hendersonville, Murphy, Bryson City, Waynesville, Washington, Tarboro, Newton, Concord and other important points, too numerous to mention in this report.

It should be a cause for profound gratitude to God, that, largely under the direction of this Board, the convention, at last, has found the way open leading to a long neglected field which under the co-operative plan, and the blessing of the Great Head of the Church, is destined to accomplish great things in the training and spiritual uplifting of the negro Baptist population of our State.

In view of the past labors of the Board and the ever increasing demands of the work made by the ever-changing conditions confronting the Board in all this Southern land, the Board ventures to ask the convention for the modest sum of \$6,000 for the prosecution of this great work during the next conventional year, which amounts to four cents per capita of our Baptist people.

The committee would recommend that the convention undertake to raise the amount asked for and thus encourage the Board to go forward with the great work committed to its care.

W. F. WATSON,

J. N. BOOTH,

J. C. WOODWARD,

F. H. MEYER,

W. H. GRAVES,

Committee.

After discussion by W. F. Watson, C. S. Blackwell, of Elizabeth City, and A. C. Barron, of Charlotte, the report was adopted.

The report on Wake Forest College was then adopted.

The following report of the Committee to Nominate a Board of Education, offered by J. B. Boone, of Thomasville, was adopted:

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

W. L. Poteat, W. R. Gwaltney, W. B. Royall, D. W. Allen, C. E. Brewer, J. M. Brewer, J. B. Carlyle, L. Chapell, W. B. Dunn, G. W. Paschal, P. W. Johnson, W. C. Lankford, L. R. Mills, J. B. Powers, F. M. Purefoy, N. Y. Gulley, C. E. Taylor, J. F. Lanneau, John Mitchell, W. R. Cullom, W. A. Montgomery, W. J. Ferrell, J. C. Caddell, A. F. Purefoy, T. E. Holding, J. H. Gorrell, P. F. Sledd, J. C. Fowler.

J. B. BOONE,
P. A. DUNN,
J. R. BARKLEY,
C. C. SMITH,
W. M. LYLES,
G. M. WEBB,
A. C. IRVIN,

Committee.

B. W. Spillman, for Committee on Preachers and Place of Next Meeting, read the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Place and Preachers, recommend that the next Session of the Convention be held with the Baptist Church in Oxford.

To preach the Introductory Sermon: Rev. A. C. Barron, Charlotte, N. C.; Alternate, Rev. A. Cree, Seaboard, N. C.

B. W. SPILMAN,
W. H. RICH,
J. J. PAYSEUR,
S. OTHO WILSON,
L. R. PRUETT,
J. H. LAMBERTH,

Committee.

In behalf of the Committee, W. C. Tyree read the following report on Order of Business:

SATURDAY.

- 9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.
10:15 A. M.—Sunday Schools.
11:15 A. M.—Ministerial Education.

12:15 P. M.—Obituaries and Miscellaneous Business.

3:00 P. M.—Historical Society.

4 P. M.—Trustees' Report, Finance Report and Miscellaneous Business.

The Convention then adjourned with benediction by A. C. Barron, of Charlotte.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The morning prayer-meeting was conducted by J. D. Hufham, of Henderson.

At 10 o'clock President Marsh called the Convention to order.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The following telegram was received from the North Carolina students in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky :

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY., November 14.

To Baptist State Convention, Morganton, N. C.

Seminary students send greeting. Col. 3:23, 24.

J. D. ROBERTSON.

RUFUS WEAVER.

J. Q. Adams, of Wadesboro, was appointed to respond to the telegram. He reported the following answer :

MORGANTON, N. C., November 14, 1896.

J. D. Robertson and Rufus Weaver, Louisville, Ky. :

Greeting received. 1 Timothy 4:16.

J. Q. ADAMS,

For Baptist State Convention.

J. M. Hilliard read the report of the Committee to nominate Board on Sunday-school and Colportage work, as follows :

N. B. Broughton, Chairman; A. M. Simms, W. A. Jones, John E. Ray, S. W. Brewer, W. C. Douglas, W. L. Poteat, J. C. Scarborough, John T. Pullen, J. W. Bailey, J. H. Weathers, J. W. Carter, J. B. Brewer, W. R.

Gwaltney, W. R. Cullom, and John E. White, Corresponding Secretary of State Mission Board, members *ex officio*.

J. M. HILLIARD,
Z. D. HARRELL,
J. M. GOODE,
Committee.

On motion of J. D. Hufham, the time of meeting of the next Convention was changed to Thursday night after first Sunday in December, according to the Constitution.

The report on Sunday Schools and Colportage was presented by J. R. Hankins, of Charlotte, as follows :

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

In a report in the Minutes of 65th annual session of this body, the suggestion is made that there are more Baptist Sunday Schools in this State than churches. Reliable statistics on this subject cannot be had; but the establishment, at our Greensboro session, of a Sunday-school Committee and Missionary will soon enable the Convention to get full and satisfactory reports of this important branch of our work.

The Board of Missions and Sunday Schools report about 400 churches in our Convention without Sunday Schools—about 30 per cent. of the 1,400 Baptist-churches in our State. It is the purpose of our Sunday School Missionary to reach these churches and infuse into them a Sunday School spirit.

The Baptist Book Store, which has been an experiment with us for many years, is we believe on a firmer basis than ever before. Its assets over liabilities is \$1,313.23. Some man in each Association is asked to interest himself in behalf of the bookstore with every Sunday-school in his Association. Let the brethren remember that all profits from this bookstore go to increase the contributions to State Missions.

The Sunday School Institutes promise to be an incentive to our Sunday Schools, both in establishing new schools and in energizing those already established. These Institutes should be held in all our Associations.

Very little has been done in colportage. This arises neither from lack of work to be done nor from unimportance of the work, but from the lack of funds. Most that has been done along this line has been the voluntary work of brethren working on their own responsibility.

The Sunday School stands to us in two vital relations. It is the nursery of the church, where the generation that is to follow us can learn the Glad Tidings. And it is the arm of the church by which we can

reach out and reclaim new territory for Christ. This work therefore needs our careful thought and our earnest prayers.

J. P. SPENCE,
 J. S. ALLEN,
 G. W. COPPEDGE,
 E. MCK. GOODWIN,
 J. S. WRAY,
 J. R. HANKINS,
 F. A. PREVATT,

Committee.

Remarks by J. R. Hankins, on the influence of this work; N. B. Broughton, on the business of the Baptist Book Store; B. W. Spilman, Sunday School Missionary, on the planting, equipment and improvement of Sunday Schools; and W. R. Gwaltney, on the Colportage Work.

The report was adopted.

S. P. Holton, President of Claremont College, Hickory, was introduced and welcomed to the Convention. B. F. Leith, pastor of the Methodist Church, Morganton, also received recognition by the President of the body.

The report of the Board of Education was presented by John Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary of the Board.

After speeches by John Mitchell, M. L. Kesler, of High Point, and John C. Scarborough, of Raleigh, the report was ordered printed in the Minutes.

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Thirty-six young ministers were aided by the Board of Education during the last session. Ten of these graduated in June.

The maximum aid furnished is nine dollars per month; and this not a gift, but a loan to be returned after five years, without interest.

At the close of the session the Board was in debt \$1,200. In view of this indebtedness, it was thought best to reduce for a while the number of beneficiaries, and so only twenty-four have been received this session. Others will be received later, if the contributions seem to justify it. The indebtedness of the Board has been reduced to \$300. There are more than a dozen applications for aid before us, and we are hoping to be able to receive the most of them at the opening of the Spring Term. It is a source of deep regret that we are not able to help all these poor young

ministers in their noble effort to prepare themselves for the great work to which the Lord has called them. No work of the Convention is more important. None has been more fruitful in good results.

The number of young ministers needing help is greater now than ever before, and the demand for them at home and abroad is great and increasing. Would that we were able to receive all the worthy young ministers who apply.

The following is a brief financial statement :

Current expenses paid up to November 1, 1896—

Notes against the Board.....\$300

ANNUAL ACCOUNT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

DEBITS.

Received of J. D. Boushall, Treas	\$2,942 43
Borrowed from Prof. C. E. Brewer	200 00
Borrowed from Prof. W. J. Ferrell	100 00
Total.....	<u>\$3,242 43</u>

CREDITS.

Bal. due on last year's account.....	\$ 47 05
Paid out during year as per receipts	<u>3,226 00</u>
	\$3,273 95
Due the Secretary.....	\$31.52

The above account (itemized) has been audited and certified, as follows:

"I have carefully examined the above accounts of Rev. Dr. John Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, beginning December 1, 1895, and ending November 9, 1896, and find them correct and properly vouched, with a balance of thirty-one dollars and fifty-two cents due Secretary.
 J. M. BREWER, *Auditor.*"

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MITCHELL,
Cor. Secretary.

W. B. Morton, of Louisburg, offered the report on Obituaries, as follows:

OBITUARIES.

During the last year some of the best and most faithful of God's servants have fallen on the field of battle. Time and space forbid more than a brief mention of names who are worthy of more honor than we can bestow upon their memories.

A minister present in this Convention once preached a sermon which he counted almost worthless; but that sermon resulted in the conversion of George W. Harmon, who became one of God's purest and most faithful and efficient heralds of the Cross. He received his primary education under the instruction of Dr. J. B. Richardson, and his theological training at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He served faithfully as pastor at Wadesboro, Old Fort, Marion, Monroe and Weldon, in North Carolina—also in Missouri and South Carolina. The strong Baptist Church in Wadesboro stands and will always stand as a monument to his memory.

Thomas Henderson Pritchard, brother beloved, a prince in our Israel, was with us, apparently full of vigor and with the prospect of years of useful labor, at our last session. Now we miss his genial spirit, his large heart and his eloquent voice; gone forever to the General Assembly and Church of the First-born. We mourn for him gone; we give thanks for him while with us; we hold in our hearts forever the memory of his life and labors, his graces and virtues. He was born in Charlotte, prepared for college in that city and in the town of Mocksville; graduated from Wake Forest College—was pastor at Hertford, Raleigh, Wilmington and Charlotte in this State, and in Petersburg, Baltimore and Louisville; President for several years of the Board of Missions; President for three years of Wake Forest College; Trustee of the College, of the State University and of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; associate editor of the *BIBLICAL RECORDER*—these places he filled for a longer or shorter period, and they attest the honor in which he was held by his brethren. An eloquent preacher, an earnest and industrious pastor, a graceful and vigorous writer, a genial companion, a steadfast friend, he filled a large place in our hearts and in our work. It was meet that his last earthly labors should have been given to the city of his birth and there his ashes rest until the morning of the resurrection.

Rev. E. L. Davis, of Union county, for fifty years a preacher of the gospel, was one of the most earnest and untiring of the faithful. None perhaps are more worthy of honor by this Convention.

Revs. G. S. Best, Jesse Howell, D. C. Murchison, J. H. Caudle, L. W. Sams, S. C. Farthing, J. G. Barkley, E. C. Millon, Edmond Tilley, I. S. Andrews, Haynes Lennon, Jacob Shadd; also brethren A. B. Clements, R. H. Moore, Pinckney Meadows, T. S. Memory, John G. Morgan, A. M. Lewis, Richard Peed and John Meadows. These have all served well their day and generation and are well worthy of a place in our memories.

W. B. MORTON,
For Committee.

Remarks were made by W. B. Morton on G. W. Harmon; W. R. Gwaltney on W. B. Clements; F. P. Hobgood on John J. Meadows; J. D. Hufham, T. E. Skinner,

Josiah Elliott and A. C. Barron upon the life and work of T. H. Pritchard. The report was adopted.

The following resolutions were presented by W. R. Gwaltney, of Wake Forest.

WHEREAS, It is known to many of our people that Bro. S. F. Conrad, in his love and zeal for the cause of the Master in building churches in mission fields has been struggling with a heavy burden of debt contracted in building the churches at Walnut Cove and Ruffin:

And whereas, there is still a debt of \$450 for the Ruffin church, for which Bro. Conrad is personally responsible, and which is now being pressed for collection—

Resolved, That we express for Bro. Conrad our sympathy, and that we heartily commend him to the confidence and liberality of the churches, and ask them to aid him in removing this burden from his shoulders.

The resolution was adopted.

J. D. Hufham offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, The prison system of the State classes all convicts together, making no discrimination between young and old criminals—hardened offenders and such as have just entered on a career of crime: therefore,

Resolved, That patriotism, humanity and justice require that there should be discrimination and classification in these things;

Resolved That in the judgment of this body a reformatory for youthful criminals should be established at an early day;

Resolved, That the Secretaries of the Convention be instructed to send copies of these resolutions to the Governor and Governor-elect of North Carolina.

On motion of John C. Scarborough, of Raleigh, J. W. Bailey was appointed statistician of the Convention for the coming year at a salary of fifty dollars.

The Convention then adjourned till 4 o'clock with benediction by President Marsh.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Convention was called to order at 4 P. M. by the President.

The following resolution, presented by L. Johnson, of Greensboro, was after remarks by J. W. Gore of Chapel Hill, adopted:

WHEREAS, The State aid to higher education by taxation is wrong, unjust and unwise—a wrong against the whole people, who cannot receive the benefit of such appropriations; unjust to the private and corporate and denominational institutions voluntarily supported; unwise, because the people of North Carolina are now inadequately provided with public schools for their children and need every cent of their taxes that can be spared for this purpose; therefore,

Resolved, That the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina reaffirm its opposition to State aid by taxation to higher education.

The report of the Treasurer of the Convention was presented by John E. White, of Raleigh. It was ordered printed in the Minutes.

REPORT OF J. D. BOUSHALL, TREASURER BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA, FROM DECEMBER 1, 1895, TO NOVEMBER 9, 1896.

STATE MISSIONS.		
By Balance last report.....		\$ 310 22
Amount received.....		9,461 44
To Jno. T. Pullen, Treas. Raleigh Asso.:		
Amount paid in error.....	\$ 75 58	
Mrs. C. Durham, salary-Rev. C. Durham, November, 1895.....	70 73	
John C. Scarborough, Acting Corresponding Secretary.....	58 54	
N. B. Cobb, salary as Recording Sec.	25 00	
N. B. Broughton, salary as Recording Secretary.....	25 00	
Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes.....	40 00	
Amount refunded Beulah Association	52 21	
N. B. Cobb, salary as statistician.....	16 66	
Portrait of Rev. C. Durham.....	10 00	
Postage, stationery and lights.....	45 63	
Rent Mission Rooms.....	33 34	
Printing.....	4 75	
Expenses Women's Central Com.....	27 50	
Paid on account Co-operation Plan...	681 97	
John E. White, salary as Cor. Sec.,...	566 66	
John E. White, traveling expenses as Corresponding Secretary.....	137 25	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer...	82 47	
Paid sundry missionaries.....	8,007 74	
Amount overdrawn.....		189 37
	\$ 9,961 03	\$ 9,961 03

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

By Amount received Yates Memorial.....		\$	1,148	02
Amount received General Fund.....			6,244	61
Amount sent direct.....			914	00
To Amount Yates Memorial on hand.....	\$	1,148	02	
Paid Foreign Mission Board.....		4,934	28	
Amount sent direct.....		914	00	
Mrs. C. Durham, salary and rent due				
Rev. C. Durham, November, 1895..		70	00	
J. C. Scarborough, Acting Secretary.		29	17	
Printing Minutes.....		30	00	
Rent		8	33	
Postage, stationery, etc		26	70	
Printing.....		4	50	
Expenses Women's Central Com.....		55	00	
John E. White, salary as Cor. Sec....		500	00	
John E. White, traveling expenses as				
Corresponding Secretary.....		100	15	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer...		80	00	
Balance on hand.....		406	48	
	\$	8,306	63	
	\$	8,306	63	

HOME MISSIONS.

Balance last report.....		\$	98	15
By amount received.....			3,226	71
Amount sent direct			1,124	60
To amount sent direct.....	\$	1,124	60	
J. C. Scarborough, acting Cor. Sec...		16	66	
Printing Minutes.....		30	00	
Telegrams, postage, stationery, etc...		28	99	
Rent.....		33	33	
Printing		2	00	
Expenses Women's Central Com.....		27	50	
Salary Jno E. White, Cor. Secretary,		183	33	
Traveling expenses, Jno. E. White,				
Cor Secretary.....		25	00	
Salary J. D. Boushall, Treasurer.....		50	83	
Paid on Co-operation Plan.....		964	98	
Paid Home Mission Board.....		1,678	67	
Balance.....		283	56	
	\$	4,449	46	
	\$	4,449	46	

EDUCATION.

Balance from last report.....		\$ 287 11
By amount received.....		2,765 95
To printing Minutes	\$ 20 00	
Rev. John Mitchell, Sec'y, vouchers,	3,065 74	
Amount overdrawn		32 68
	<u>\$ 3,085 74</u>	<u>\$ 3,085 74</u>
Amount contributed to Royal Chair (Wake Forest Endowment).....		\$ 6,001 36
Baptist Female University.....		8,698 56
		<u><u>\$ 14,780 28</u></u>

ORPHANAGE.

By amount received.....		\$ 1,356 08
To balance last report.....	\$ 49 58	
Edwards & Broughton, printing Min- utes	22 95	
Paid Ivey Allen, Treasurer	1,236 64	
Balance.....	46 91	
	<u>\$ 1,356 08</u>	<u>\$ 1,356 08</u>
Amounts sent direct: Current expenses, Central Building.....		\$ 7,083 44
In kind.....		2,492 30
Charity and Children.....		1,210 48
		<u><u>\$ 10,786 22</u></u>

MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND.

To balance last report.....	\$ 74 92	
By amount received.....		\$ 657 78
To Edwards & Broughton, printing Min- utes	15 86	
Paid T. E. Cheek, Treasurer.....	563 80	
Balance.....	3 20	
	<u>\$ 657 78</u>	<u>\$ 657 78</u>
Received interest, etc., by Cheek, Treas.,		84 00
Total.....		<u><u>\$ 741 78</u></u>

BUSINESS OF BAPTIST BOOKSTORE.

Balance last report.....		\$	4 52
By contributions.....			20 22
Amount from Colportage.....			14 76
Donation by S. S. Board, Nashville..			500 00
Receipts of store			5,644 23
To paid Mrs. C. Durham, on salary of Rev.			
C. Durham, November, 1895.....	\$		4 27
J. C. Scarborough, Acting Secretary..			20 83
Advertising			20 00
Printing Minutes.....			40 00
A. R. D. Johnson, taking inventory..			10 00
Printing			25 00
Salary H. L. Watson, clerk.....			600 00
" B. W. Spillman, Secretary.....			525 00
Rent.....			75 00
Cash for merchandise			60 40
Insurance.....			15 00
Postage and express			70 81
Fuel, lights, freight, etc.....			92 50
Donations and discounts.....			139 64
Paid for Sunday School literature and books.....			4,478 40
Balance.....			6 88
		\$	6,183 73
		\$	6,183 73

COLPORTAGE.

Balance last report.....		\$	9 75
By amount received.....			5 01
To paid Baptist Book Store.....	\$		14 76
	\$		14 76
	\$		14 76

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Recd. of Camden and Currituck Union...		\$	64 62
To paid T. B. Pool.....	\$		40 00
C. B. Garrett.....			24 62
	\$		64 62
	\$		64 62
Amounts expended for church buildings, improvements, etc., (estimated).....		\$	80,000 00

STUDENTS' AID FUND, LOUISVILLE, KY.

Balance from last report.....		\$	17	26
By amount received.....			71	51
To paid E. C. Dargan, Treasurer.....	\$	96	07	
Balance.....			7	30
		<u>\$</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>07</u>
Amounts sent direct (estimated).....		\$	500	00

SUMMARY.

State Missions.....	\$	9,961	03
Foreign Missions.....		8,306	63
Home Missions.....		4,449	46
Education:			
Ministerial		3,085	74
Wake Forest Endowment.....		6,001	36
Baptist Female University.....		8,698	56
Orphanage:			
Current expenses.....		8,439	52
Central Building.....		2,492	30
Charity and Children.....		1,395	10
Ministerial Relief Fund.....		741	00
Baptist Bookstore		6,183	73
Colpörtage.....		14	76
Durham debt.....		261	18
Church extension.....		80,064	62
Students' aid fund.....		596	07
Grand total	\$	140,691	00

J. D. BOUSHALL,
Treasurer Baptist State Convention.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of J. D. Boushall, Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, for the past conventional year, comparing the same with the acknowledgments in the *Biblical Recorder*. I find all accounts, with the various object of the Convention, to be correct, and disbursements supported by proper vouchers.

W. N. JONES,
Auditor North Carolina Baptist State Conventio n.

On motion of John E. White, it is ordered that twenty-five hundred copies of the Minutes be printed, and that the secretaries be allowed the usual compensation for their services.

J. N. Stallings offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Some of our brethren were not satisfied with the present method of appointing the Associational representatives upon the Board of Missions; and whereas, the Convention desires to remove every objection:

Resolved, That we recommend that each Association select her representative for said Board, and report his name to the next session of this Convention, and provide for his attendance upon the meetings of the Board as it may think proper.

On motion of N. B. Broughton, the thanks of the body are heartily extended to the Morganton Baptist Church; also to the other churches of Morganton and the people generally, for their generous hospitality; to the railroads for reduced rates, and to Prof. E. McK. Goodwin, Superintendent of the State Deaf and Dumb School, for the entertainment given the members of the Convention by the School on Friday afternoon.

Remarks were made by John E. Ray, N. B. Broughton, J. D. Hufham and J. Y. Joyner.

The business of the Convention having been completed, the body adjourned, with benediction by R. L. Patton, to meet at close of sermon to-morrow night for final adjournment.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

SUNDAY, November 15, 1896.

According to report of Committee on Religious Exercises, appointments were filled in the various places of worship in the town as follows :

Baptist Church.—10 A. M., Sunday School Mass Meeting. Speakers: J. Y. Joyner, John C. Scarborough, John E. Ray and N. B. Broughton.

11 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. J. D. Hufham, D. D.

7:30 P. M.—Sermon by W. F. Watson.

Methodist Church.—11 A. M., Rev. A. Cree; 7:30 P. M.—Rev. O. L. Stringfield.

Presbyterian Church.—11 A. M., L. Johnson; 7:30 P. M., B. W. Spilman.

SUNDAY NIGHT.

At the conclusion of the sermon at the Baptist church by Rev. W. F. Watson, President Marsh called the Convention to order for closing exercises.

Remarks were made by brethren W. F. Watson, John E. Ray, H. B. Duffy, Isaac Oxford (the oldest member present), E. F. Jones, R. L. Patton and President Marsh.

After singing an appropriate hymn the Convention adjourned to meet in Oxford, N. C., on Thursday night after the first Sunday in December, 1897.

R. H. MARSH,
President.

N. B. BROUGHTON,
HIGHT C. MOORE,
Secretaries.

PROCEEDINGS NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The Ninth Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Baptist Historical society was held in the Baptist church in Morganton November 14, 1896.

Dr. Thomas Hume, the president, being absent, Hon. J. C. Scarborough, on motion of Dr. Hufham, was elected president of the society for the ensuing year.

The proceedings of the last meeting were read and approved.

Prof. W. L. Poteat, treasurer, made his annual report, which showed \$120.12 now in the treasury.

Dr. J. D. Hufham, for the special committee on printing, reported that the committee had arranged for the printing of a quarterly magazine, which would be issued during the present year. This committee, consisting of J. D. Hufham, T. M. Pittman and N. B. Cobb, were reappointed for the ensuing year.

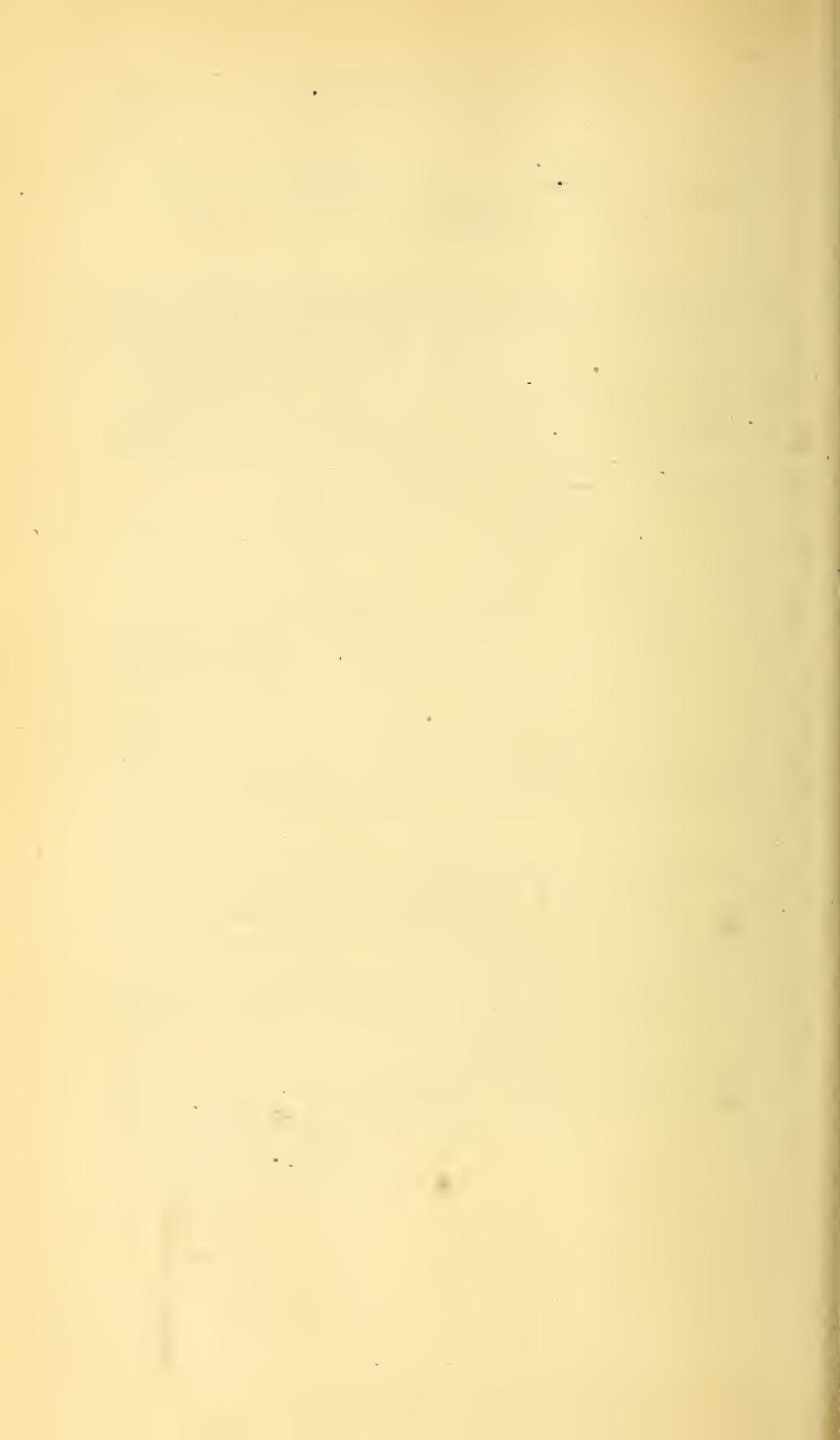
The following new members were enrolled: H. Sheets, James W. Denmark, M. L. Kesler, J. W. Bailey.

A paper on the life and labors of Dr. William Royall was read by Prof. F. P. Hobgood.

On motion of Dr. Skinner it was ordered printed in the quarterly magazine, and become a part of the History of the Baptists in North Carolina.

At 4 o'clock the society adjourned to meet with the Baptist State Convention in its next annual session in Oxford, N. C.

J. C. CADDELL,
Secretary.



APPENDIX.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Adams, E. J., Richmond Hill.
Adams, J. Q., Wadesboro.
Adams, M. A., Asheville.
Adams, M. H., Venable.
Adderton, W. S., Denton.
Albritton, J. T., Mt. Olive.
Alderman, J. O., Washington.
Allen, W. M., Fletcher.
Allison, E., Brevard.
Aman, D. F., Marines.
Ammons, J. A., Needmore.
Ammons, J. M., Mars Hill.
Ammons, John, Outlook.
Anderson, C. J. F., So. Bap. Theol. Sem.
Anderson, J. W., Asheville.
Angel, Jas. J., Boonville.
Annas, J. R. J., Monbo.
Arrington, C. C., Shelton.
Atkinson, J. W., Neuse.
Austin, D. M., Charlotte.
Austin, J. H., Rockingham.
Bailey, L. J., Walnut Run.
Baldwin, M., Winston.
Baldwin, T. M., Riceville.
Baldwin, J. R., Silas Creek.
Ballard, W. S., Southport.
Ballard, J. L., Doolie.
Bardwin, J. H., Silas Creek.
Barker, A. N., Grade.
Barker, H. M., Peachtree.
Barker, W. F., Bud.
Barnes, S. D., Boomer.
Barnes, K., Sterling.
Barrett, W. C., Ora.
Barron, A. C., Charlotte.
Barr, J. S., Pinckton.
Barrett, E. B., Peachland.
Bartlett, G. A., Franklin.
Bassett, J. E., Asheville.
Beach, W. R., King's Creek.
Beam, J. A., Bethel Hill.
Beamer, W. H., Pine Ridge.
Beard, C. E., Winnie.
Beaver, C. E., Mt. Holly.
Beck, A. W., Calhoun.
Bell, J. W., Clinton.
Bennett, J., Iredell.
Bennett, J. L., Marshville.
Bennett, J. M., Marshville.
Betts, Alvin, Raleigh.
Betts, Allen, Varina.
Betts, A. L., Raleigh.
Bilbro, W. L., Warsaw.
Bivens, J. A., Richardson's Creek.
Blackburn, S., Crumpler.
Blackwell, C. S., Ph. D., Elizabeth City.
Blalock, J. C., Ledger.
Blalock, T. K., Shanghai, China.
Blalock, J. G., Rockingham.
Blanchard, C. W., Cary.
Bland, Wm., Hawley's Store.
Blevins, John, Hermitage.
Blevins, B., Absher.
Blevins, E., Blevins.
Blevins, C., Hermitage.
Blythe, James, Saluda.
Bobbitt, E. C., Michenor.
Bogart, C. P., Edenton.
Boone, J. B., D. D., Thomasville.
Boone, J. R., Estatoe.
Booth, J. N., Lumberton.
Bordeaux, A. J., Doughton.
Bostick, W. M., Troy.
Bostick, G. P., Shanghai, China.
Boyd, J. P., Polkton.
Bradley, J. A., Marshall.
Bradley, W. T., Morgan Hill.
Bradshaw, James, Pendley.
Bradshaw, W. R., North Wilkesboro.
Bridgers, S. A., Forest City.
Bridges, B. M., Lattimore.
Bridges, D. P., Catawba.
Bridges, J. D., New House.
Briggs, H. W., Bald Creek.
Briggs, J. W., Mars Hill.
Briggs, W. M., Briggsville.
Bright, A., Spring Creek.
Bright, T., Murphy.
Brisson, Wm., Guyton.
Britton, T. C., Bethlehem.
Bristow, S. F., Coleraine.
Britt, J. L., Turkey.
Brock, T. J., Acton.
Brooks, C. V., Lemon Springs.
Brooks, G. W., Brevard.
Brookshier, J. L., Flat Rock.
Brown, Asa, Riverside.
Brown, A. E., Asheville.
Brown, J. W., Absher.
Brown, C. C., Hamptonville.
Brown, H. A., D. D., Winston.
Brown, Joel, Elkville.
Brown, W. G., Cross Roads Church.
Brunt, Wm., Winnie.
Bryan, L., Cypress Creek.
Bryan, R. T., Shanghai, China.
Buchanan, C. S., Barker.
Buchanan, J. W., Minneapolis.
Buchanan, J. L., Barker.
Buchanan, S., Plum Tree.
Buchanan, W. S., Bakersville.
Buchanan, E., Bakersville.
Bullard, D. S., Roseboro.
Bumgardner, A. P., Cæsar.
Bumgardner, W. J., Swanner.
Burcham, G. M., Elkin.
Burcham, A. J., Mt. Airy.
Burchett, J. W., Trap Hill.
Burfoot, A. W., Hertford.
Burgess, C. S., Wake Forest.
Butler, A. A., Warsaw.
Byrd, W. F., Trap Hill.
Caines, G. C., Orton.
Caldwell, W. R., Robbinsville.

- Cale, D., Potecasi.
 Callahan, N. A., White Hall.
 Calhoun, C. L., Medlin.
 Calhoun, T. J., Medlin.
 Camp T. C., Tusquitee.
 Campbell, A. N., Poe s.
 Campbell, J. A., Poe's.
 Campbell, Neal, Grayson.
 Carroll, R. D., Smyrna.
 Carroll, S. T., Stony Fork.
 Carrick, Thomas, Lexington.
 Carswell, Z., Enola.
 Carter, I. M., Bernice.
 Carter, Henry, Garland.
 Carter, J. W., D. D., Raleigh.
 Carter, T. S., Palestine.
 Cashwell, C. S., Hickory.
 Cashwell, J., Bladenboro.
 Cassiday, W. A., Trail Branch.
 Castevens, W. B., Mt. Nebo.
 Caudle, A. B., Waxhaw.
 Caudle, R. T., Charlotte.
 Caudle, J. J., Dockery.
 Chaffin, M. S., Calahan.
 Chambers, S. A., Waynesville.
 Chappell, W. Y., Flint.
 Chappell, L. N., Wakefield.
 Cheek, F. B., Whitehead.
 Church, G. H., Statesville.
 Church, J. W., Reedy Branch.
 Clark, D. J., Register.
 Clark, F. P., Dogwood.
 Clark, M. L., Mutteuz.
 Clark, N. L., Chambers.
 Clarke J. D., St Paul's.
 Clement, A. B., Bushnell.
 Clenny, I. M., Silver.
 Cobb, N. B., D. D., Harrell's Store.
 Cobb, T. J., Chadbourn.
 Cobb, J. W., Lumber Bridge.
 Coleman, A., Murphy.
 Coley, W. J., Northside.
 Collie, D. S., Bryson City.
 Collins, J. W., Polk.
 Combs, W. J., Trap Hill.
 Comer, J. Q., Hamptonville.
 Compton, M. C., Clyde.
 Conner, W. E., Quallatown.
 Conrad, S. F., Winston.
 Cook, H. B., Medlin.
 Cook, J. H., Lark.
 Coppedge, G. W., Wakefield.
 Corn, A. J., Grange.
 Corn, Noah, Little Creek.
 Corpening, I. N., Blowing Rock.
 Cothren, Grant, Trap Hill.
 Crabtree, A. W., Arlington.
 Cree, A., Seaboard.
 Cree, A. C., Wake Forest.
 Creech, Worley, Micro.
 Crews, R. W., Germanton.
 Crisp, J. F., Norris.
 Crisp, R. H., Dorsey.
 Croom, H. M., Globe.
 Cross, R. D., Windsor.
 Crocker, W. E., Chin Kian, China.
 Crumpler, J. C., Hope Mills.
 Cullom, W. R., Wake Forest.
 Cunningham, H. A., Swain.
 Curtis, L. M., Aulander.
 Davenport, J. E. M., Crozer Theo. Sem.
 Daitz, T. F., Barker.
 Davis, A., Low Gap.
 Davis, W. H., Smithfield.
 Davis, A. C., Unionville.
 Davis, A. W., Barker.
 Davis, J. F., Polkton.
 Dehart, T. S., Swain.
 Dennis, J. D., Polk.
 Denton, J. R., Dysartsville.
 Devin, R. I., Oxford.
 Devenny, J. V., Youngsville.
 Deweese, E. A., Hanging Dog.
 Deweese, L., Out'ook.
 Deweese, W. W., Burningtown.
 Dietz, J. S., Pearson.
 Dietz, F. F., Barker.
 Dixon, L. R., Goldston.
 Dixon, T., Shelby.
 Dobson, J. H., Ham.
 Douglas, J. J., Beaufort.
 Dowell, G. J., Durham.
 Dowell, J., Jennings.
 Driver, R. F., Earpsboro.
 Duke, G. M., Mapleville.
 Duncan, T. M., Beaver Creek.
 Duncan, J. W., Ledger.
 Duncan, H. J., Clinton.
 Duun, W. C., Balsam Grove.
 Durham, C. H., Gastonia.
 Earl, J. M., Swain.
 Early, D. W., Aulander.
 Edmudson, John T., Littleton.
 Edwards, A. A., Winnabow.
 Edwards, D. D., Morrisville.
 Edwards, E. J., Cedar Creek.
 Edwards, J. R., Swain.
 Edwards, O. T., Mt. Vernon Springs.
 Edwards, W. H., Durham.
 Elam, P. R., Kings Mountain.
 Eller, J. F., Sweet Water.
 Ellington, E. P., Wentworth.
 Elliott, Josiah, Hertford.
 Ensley, W., Diltsboro.
 Eudy, G. L., Efir's Mills.
 Fant, J. K., Ahoskie.
 Farthing, J. H., Hattie.
 Farthing, R. M., Louisville, Ky.
 Felmet, C. F., Waco.
 Fender, A., Laureton.
 Ferebee, J. B., Belcross.
 Ferrell, B. S., Waxhaw.
 Ferrell, W. A., Bryson City.
 Fields, C. F., Elkin.
 Finch, G. L., Williamston.
 Fisher, J. G., Roslin.
 Fleetwood, J. C., Margarettsville.
 Fontaine, P. H., Bethel Hill.
 Foster, J. A., Wilkesboro.
 Frankliu, J. K., Devotion.
 Frisbie, T. J., Spring Creek.
 Furgerson, P. A., Lainsville.
 Fullord, W. J., Rockingham.
 Fuqua, S. W., Eagle Springs.
 Galloway, J. A., Wolf Mountain.
 Galloway, J. E., Galloway.
 Gentry, S. E., Dobson.
 Gibbs, N. H., Benson.
 Gilbert, R. M., Edneyville.
 Gilliam, E. R., Drew.
 Gilmore, S., Goldston.
 Glenn, W. H., Thaxton.
 Glidewell, C. W., Meadows.
 Goforth, M. A., Big Pine.
 Goforth, S. S., Lovelace.
 Gooden, A. H., Bryanttsville.
 Gormley, M., Aquone.
 Gosnell, G. W., Owenby.
 Gough, D. A., Bandana.
 Gourley, Robert, Winston.
 Gower, C. E., Lincolnton.
 Graham, H. W., Swann Station.
 Greaves, C. L., Wake Forest.
 Gray, W. F., Buck Shoal.
 Gray, W. T., Marler.
 Green, David, Norris.

- Green, J. B., Forest City.
 Green, J., Boiling Springs.
 Green, R. G., Hamptonville.
 Greeu, Solomon, Stony Fork.
 Green, C. L., Dark Ridge
 Greene, G. W., Canton, China.
 Greene, Edmund, Norris.
 Greene L. H., Bakersville.
 Greene, D. A., Bakersville.
 Greene, M. L., Ahsokie.
 Greene, S. M., Bakersville.
 Greenwood, —, Paint Fork.
 Griffin, J. W., Dallas.
 Grindstaff, I., Bakersville.
 Gullledge, J. G., Brown Creek.
 Gwaltney, J. P., York Institute.
 Gwaltney, H. H., Vernon.
 Gwaltney, J. S., Cora
 Gwaltney, L. P., Vashti.
 Gwaltney, W. R., D. D., Wake Forest.
 Gwyn, E. N., Buck Shoals.
 Hackney, J. D., Franklinville.
 Hackney, J. C., Franklinville.
 Hackney, L. H., Chapel Hill.
 Hagleman, J. G., Sweet Water.
 Haithcock, U. F., Albemarle.
 Hairfield, G. R., Greystone.
 Hall, J. W., Hayesville.
 Hall, W. F., Idaho.
 Hall, S. W., East Bend.
 Hamilton, L. C., Bowman's Bluff.
 Hamilton, R. F., Knight.
 Hamner, W. H., Lexington.
 Hanrick, G. P., Henrietta
 Hamrick, F. C., Pump.
 Hankins, J. R., Charlotte.
 Hardaway, J. S., Oxford.
 Harman, A. J., Harman.
 Harman, D. C., Sugar Grove.
 Harman, J. M., Sugar Grove.
 Harrill, H. D., Forest City.
 Harrell, E. J., Eure.
 Harrell, J. B., Wilmington.
 Harrell, R. W., Burgaw.
 Harrell, W. B., M. D., Dunn.
 Harrill, Z. D., Ellenboro.
 Harrill, E. D., Ellenboro.
 Harrellson, H., Gaddysville.
 Harrington, E. P., Mission.
 Harris, B. B., Dysartsville.
 Harris, D. J., Yanceyville.
 Harris, J. M., Hartland.
 Harris, Wm., Knapp's Mills.
 Hartly, D. C., Minneapolis.
 Hartsell, J. W., Morven.
 Hartsell, P. G., Concord.
 Hawkins, A. B., Leicester.
 Hawkins, K. M., Sharon.
 Haymore, C. C., Mount Airy.
 Haynes, J. M., Clyde.
 Haynes, W., Asheville.
 Hedgepeth, I. P., Orrum.
 Hedgepeth, R. A., Cedar Creek.
 Hefner, D., Lenoir.
 Henderson, G. W., Blaine.
 Hensley, A. J., Wake Forest.
 Hensley, S. B., Bee Log.
 Hensley, W. E., Faust.
 Henson, A. B., Balsam.
 Herring, D. W., Shanghai, China.
 Hewitt, D. L., Shallotte.
 Hice, J. H., Baton.
 Hilburn, D. H., Bladenboro.
 Hilburn, L. W., Freeman.
 Hilburn, Rufus M., Bladenboro.
 Hildebrand, A., Pearson.
 Hildreth, J. H., Wilmington.
 Hill, A. H., Cottonville.
 Hill, T. B., So. Bap. Theo. Seminary.
 Hilliard, J. M., High Point.
 Hocutt, J. C., Haw River.
 Hocut, J. E., Nashville.
 Hodge, J. F., Pool.
 Hoggard, J. N., Severn.
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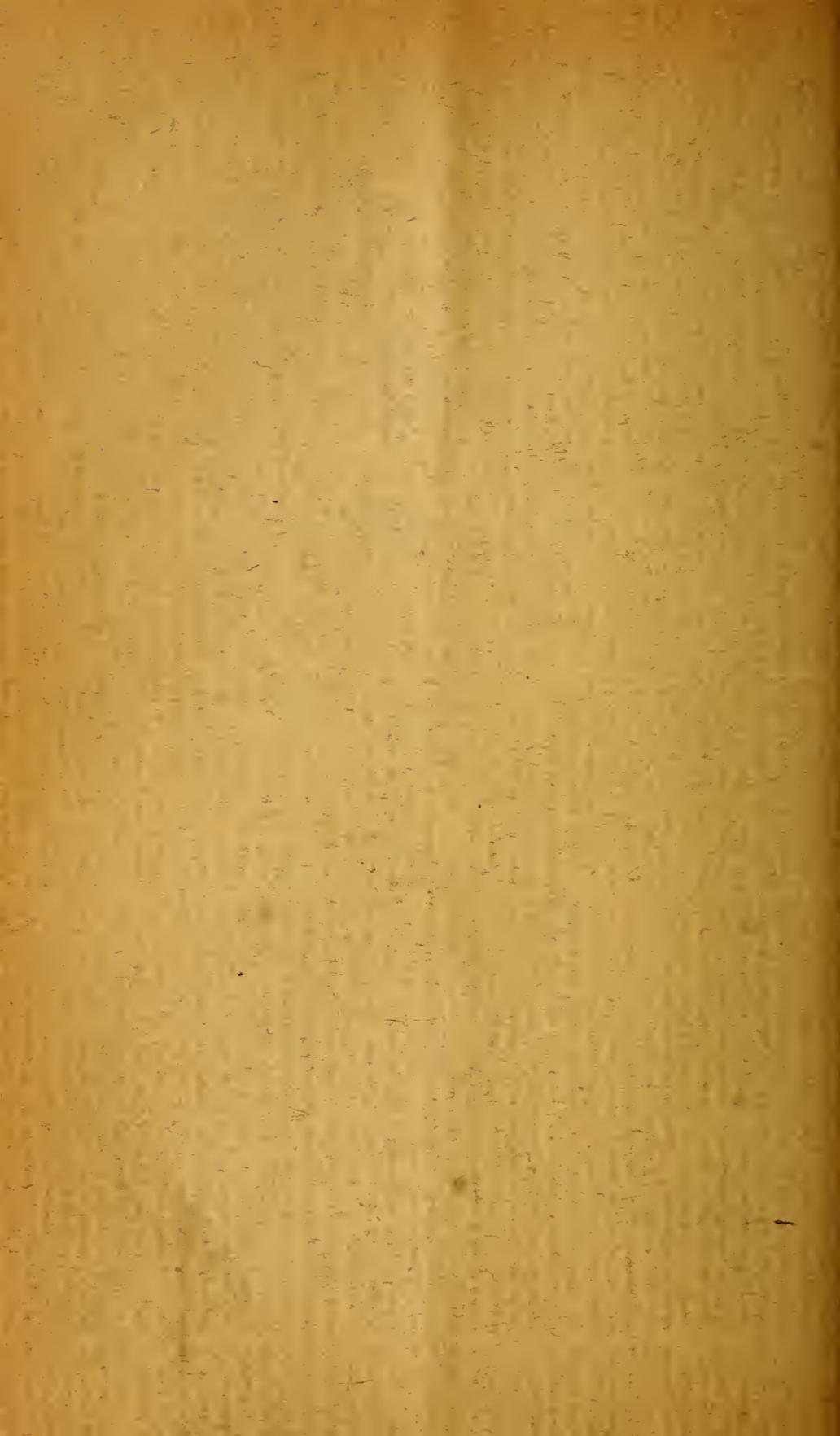
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CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

1. The Baptist State Convention shall be composed of three male representatives from each white Association in the State in fellowship with us, or one annual male representative appointed by the churches for every ten dollars contributed to its funds: *Provided*, that no church shall have more than ten representatives, and of such male life members as have been made so by the payment of thirty dollars at any one time to the Treasurer for the objects of the Convention. No one shall be a member of the Convention who is not a member in good standing of a Baptist church in fellowship with us, and no other life members shall be made.

2. The primary objects of the Convention shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College; to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among all the people of the State; to support the Gospel in all the destitute sections of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the Gospel to the nations who have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel, and to co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention in all its departments of labor.

3. The Convention shall meet annually, on Thursday night after the first Sunday in December.

4. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary and an Assistant, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor, and five Trustees, all of whom, except the Trustees (who shall serve during the pleasure of the Convention) shall be elected annually.

5. The President shall preside and enforce order in accordance with Dr. Mell's Parliamentary Practice. One of the Vice-Presidents shall preside in the absence of the President.

6. The Recording Secretary and his Assistant shall record the proceedings, collect and preserve statistics of the denomination, and publish and distribute the Minutes.

7. The Treasurer shall receive all funds represented in the Convention; make public acknowledgement of the same each week through the *Biblical Recorder*; give his bond to the Trustees; forward, at least once a month, all contributions to their destination; at every meeting

of the Convention make a full report of his receipts and disbursements, and, on retiring from his office, turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

8. The Trustees shall secure and hold the title to any and all property belonging to or which may be acquired by the Convention, and take a sufficient bond of the Treasurer. The terms, conditions and amount of the bond shall be fixed by the Trustees, and in case the Treasurer shall refuse or neglect to give his bond within thirty days after his election, the Trustees shall have power to elect a Treasurer. They shall report annually to the Convention.

9. The Auditor shall, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements, vouchers, papers and books of the Treasurer, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the Treasurer's report.

10. The Corresponding Secretary shall solicit contributions to the objects of the Convention: assist the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools in the employment and payment of missionaries, and labor to promote the cultivation and development of Christian benevolence.

11. The Education Board shall, so far as it may be able, assist promising and indigent young ministers seeking to prepare themselves for the more efficient preaching of the Gospel.

12. The Board of Missions and Sunday Schools shall encourage the churches to give liberally to all the objects of the Convention; so far as the means at its disposal will allow, supply all destitute portions of the State with faithful and efficient ministers of the Gospel; give pecuniary aid, as far as can be secured, for building houses of worship at proper points in the State, and in cases where pecuniary aid cannot be given, commend them to the beneficence of the churches; encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature in the homes, in the churches and in the Sunday Schools; encourage Sunday School Conventions and Institutes; continue, and so far as it may be able and the growth of this work may require, enlarge the Baptist Book Store, and co-operate with all missionary and Sunday School work of the Southern Baptist Convention.

13. That a committee of fifteen members of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools be appointed, to whom shall be entrusted the Sunday School and Colportage work conducted by the Convention, the committee to be selected by the Convention annually. That it shall be the duty of the committee to manage the Baptist Book Store at Raleigh, and to them shall be committed the appointment of a Sunday School Secretary, or Secretaries, to prosecute the Sunday School work within the bounds of the Convention. That the committee shall provide for establishing new Sunday Schools and increasing the efficiency of existing Sunday Schools, for holding Sunday School Institutes in the different Associations of the Convention, and to organize the Baptist Sun-

day School workers of the State. The committee is directed to report to the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, and through them to the Baptist State Convention annually.

14. There shall be an Auditor of the Baptist Book Store who, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, shall examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements and expenditures, vouchers, papers, books and stock on hand, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the report on the Book Store.

15. The Board shall be appointed annually, and report to each session of the Convention.

16. The Convention year shall close one week before the annual meeting of the body.

17. The Boards of the Convention shall fix the compensation of their respective officers, and that of the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the Convention.

18. The Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.

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A. L. Phipps, Robert Holloway.

Durham, Second Church—G. J. Dowell, Z. P. Council.

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Olive Chapel—W. S. Olive, Apex.

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Reidsville—J. A. Mundy.
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MINUTES

OF THE

North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

OXFORD, N. C., December 9, 1897.

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention met in its Sixty-Seventh Annual Session with the Oxford Baptist Church, at 7.30 p. m., Thursday, December 9, 1897.

The introductory sermon was preached by A. C. Barron, of Charlotte. Text, Acts 1:8.

President Marsh then assumed the chair and called the Convention to order.

The following were appointed a Committee on Enrollment: B. S. Royster, W. N. Jones, D. L. Gore, L. R. Pruett, W. F. Watson, J. B. Carlyle and J. D. Boushall. The Committee reported 203 messengers present.

On motion, T. E. Skinner cast the unanimous vote of the Convention for R. H. Marsh for President.

The following were appointed a committee to nominate the remaining officers of the body: B. W. Spilman, J. C. Caddell, J. H. Lamberth, W. O. Allen, A. W. Setzer, J. M. Hilliard and H. M. Shaw.

Committee on Order of Business was appointed, as follows: T. J. Taylor, L. Johnson, J. W. Bailey, J. D. Hufham, F. P. Hobgood, H. A. Brown and J. B. Brewer.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed: A. E. Dickenson, editor *Religious Herald*, Richmond, Va.; A. J. S. Thomas, editor *Baptist Courier*, Greenville, S. C.; T. C. Buchanan, representing *Christian Index*, Atlanta; R. G.

Seymour, of the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia; I. T. Tichenor, Corresponding Secretary of Home Mission Board, Atlanta; A. L. Purinton, representing Sunday School Board of Nashville; A. J. Barton, of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond; A. T. Robertson, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

The Committee to nominate remaining officers made the following report, which was adopted: Secretaries, N. B. Broughton and Hight C. Moore; Auditor, W. N. Jones; Treasurer, J. D. Boushall; Vice-Presidents, J. M. White, R. T. Vann and C. B. Justice; Corresponding Secretary, Jno. E. White.

J. D. Hufham, for the Committee on Order of Business, made the following partial report, which was adopted:

FRIDAY.—9.30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.

10 a. m.—Miscellaneous Business.

10.30 a. m.—Home Missions.

11.30 a. m.—Sunday School Publications, with addresses of 30 minutes each by Drs. Seymour and Purinton.

Adjournment.

Address of welcome was delivered by J. S. Hardaway, pastor of Oxford Baptist Church. Response was made by A. M. Simms on the part of the Convention.

The Chair appointed the following Committee on Home Missions: W. B. Oliver, W. H. Reddish, J. W. Suttle, T. J. Taylor, F. T. Wooten, J. D. Newton and Wm. Brunt.

Corresponding Secretary J. E. White then presented the Sixty-Seventh Annual Report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools as follows:

SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It is with a deep sense of gratitude to God for His divine guidance and blessing, and to the Baptist churches and people of North Carolina for their generous sympathy and support that we come to render through the Convention assembled to them an account of our stewardship for the work committed to us during the past year in this our Sixty-Seventh Annual Report.

Your Board never greeted the Convention under happier auspices or with more cause for thanksgiving and congratulation. In the report submitted last year we expressed the hope that "we are just entering on a period of decided peace, progress and prosperity throughout our entire Zion." The results of the past year's history vindicate and substantiate the wisdom of that hopeful prophecy.

We are at peace. The brotherhood is undisturbed by factional strife. We have progress. The denominational face is to the front in Missions, Education and in all the work of the Convention. We have prosperity. The pastors have been blessed in their ministry. The churches have had large accessions to the membership. Eight thousand believers have been baptised during the year. Our Institutions already at work have been loyally supported. Those in course of establishment have met and are still meeting with the hearty sympathy and assistance of our people. And we may expect with confidence that if devotion to Christ, faithful adherence to His Gospel, and continued and uncompromising insistence on Baptist principles shall still characterize our undertakings, peace, progress and prosperity will be the heritage of our Zion in the years to come.

The financial aspect of the year's work is a just source of pleasure to your Board. For the first time in the history of the Convention, the Treasurer reports as much as \$15,000 received for State Missions. The largest amount reported in former years was \$14,332.63. His report for the year just closed shows \$15,256.07. This is \$5,294.94 more than was received last year. The debt of \$2,350 to our missionaries reported to the Convention at Morganton is paid. And every cent due the missionaries for the year just ended has been paid except \$350. The Board asks that a cash collection covering this amount be secured during the present session. In view of the severe financial depression, felt especially in our country churches, we feel that this record is monumental. The praise for this result belongs to God, and to the churches and individuals who have responded so nobly to the needs of the work.

Along with this report we submit statistical tables exhibiting the year's work—numerical and financial—by associations of the churches and Sunday Schools. These will be printed in the proper places in the minutes.

RECOMMENDATION.

The Board recommends to the Convention that an amendment be made by the Convention to the Constitution, section 3, by striking out "Thursday night" and substituting "Tuesday night," and that the Convention hereafter meet on Tuesday night to hear the annual sermon, and that organization be deferred until Wednesday morning.

CHURCHES ORGANIZED.

The following newly organized churches have been reported to the Board. There are doubtless others organized, but not reported. Sharon, Flat River Association; Steele's Mill, Pee Dee Association; Oak Ridge, Central Association; Ayersville, Pilot Mountain Association; Oak Grove, King's Mountain Association; Corinth and New Home, Union Association; Mt. Pleasant, Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association; River View, South Fork Association; Paylor's, Beulah Association; Sherwood, Little River Association; Enon Chapel and Bear Creek, Atlantic Association.

STATE MISSIONS.

In this work the Baptists of North Carolina have been divinely led and signally blessed. Year after year we have pressed forward in it until we have established mission points and churches along the line of every railroad and in every county in the bounds of the Convention. There are one hundred and twenty prominent railroad towns and cities in North Carolina, the most of which now have self-supporting and contributing Baptist churches in which the Baptist cause has been started or aided in its struggles for existence and growth by the Board of Missions. Then, too, there are hundreds of well-to-do Baptist churches in other towns and country places that stand as witnesses to the wisdom and successful prosecution of this work. The records show that in the last twenty years the missionaries of this Board have preached the Gospel in over three thousand neglected places, and organized on destitute mission fields over five hundred Baptist churches. Eternity's reckoning alone will reveal the benefits and blessings which have come to communities and individuals through the agency of State Missions in North Carolina.

In this work during the year just ended the results achieved by our missionaries may, without disparagement, challenge comparison with any of the Convention's history.

We began the year with a debt of \$2,350 to our missionaries. The Board desires to express its appreciation of their patience and sympathy under sometimes distressing circumstances. The fact that they themselves raised on their fields \$1,300 for all objects, is full proof of their faithful devotion to the work of the Board.

OUR MISSIONARIES.

The names of the missionaries and the Associations in which they have done their work, are as follows:

Ashe and Alleghany.—T. M. Duncan.

Atlantic.—J. M. Alderman, Benjamin Ward, G. N. Bray, R. D. Carroll, J. W. Rose, H. H. Mashburn.

- Beulah.—E. R. Harris.
 Brushy Mountain.—A. T. Pardew.
 Central.—A. L. Betts.
 Chowan.—G. G. O'Neill, T. G. Wood, N. P. Stallings, E. S. Pierce,
 W. R. Carawan, J. T. Riddick.
 Eastern.—J. B. Harrell, F. H. Farrington, G. O. Tilley, J. H. Hildreth,
 N. A. Sheely, W. L. Bilbro, Joseph Aden.
 Elkin.—Grant Cothren, B. F. Rollins.
 French Broad.—T. M. Honeycutt.
 Green River.—J. C. Sorrels, C. D. Graves, J. S. Corpening, B. K. Mason.
 King's Mountain.—G. M. Webb, J. M. Bridges, A. M. Ross.
 Liberty.—W. H. Rich, J. A. Summey, H. Sheets, H. Morris.
 Little River.—J. A. Campbell, A. N. Campbell, J. M. Holleman,
 R. J. Bennett, H. W. Gaham, A. H. Gibbs.
 Mecklenburg and Cabarrus.—J. J. Payseur, L. R. Pruett, J. R. Hawkins,
 F. H. Meyer, J. F. Morris.
 Mt. Zion.—W. A. Smith, W. A. Crabtree, J. F. McDuffie, J. W. Watson,
 J. M. Hilliard, Alvis Andrews.
 Pee Dee.—F. S. Wright, W. J. Fulford.
 Piedmont.—M. L. Kesler, J. L. Lane, G. L. Merrill, James Jordan,
 Thomas Carrick, J. A. Hackney.
 Pilot Mountain.—W. H. Wilson, W. A. Ayers, C. C. Haymore, R. L. Loftis,
 N. S. Jones.
 Raleigh.—W. H. Davis, W. M. Page, W. M. Sorrell, G. W. Coppedge.
 Robeson.—J. A. Smith, J. W. Cobb, J. D. Moore, R. A. Moore, J. J. Scott,
 W. M. Jones.
 Sandy Creek.—J. R. Moore.
 South Fork.—C. S. Cashwell, J. A. Hoyle.
 South River.—John Prevatte, G. A. Bain.
 South Yadkin.—D. P. Bridges, J. N. Stallings, D. R. Myers.
 Stanley.—J. W. Suttle.
 Tar River.—W. V. Savage, J. R. Pace, G. L. Finch, J. O. Alderman,
 F. T. Wooten, J. W. Powell, J. A. McKaughan, A. G. Wilcox,
 W. A. Ferrell, Jno. T. Edmundson.
 Three Forks.—C. S. Farthing.
 Union.—A. B. Caudle.
 West Chowan.—S. B. Barnes, M. L. Green.
 Yadkin.—W. A. Ayers.
 Yancey.—J. R. Naugle.
 Number of missionaries, 101.

STATISTICS OF WORK.

Number of sermons preached	5,460
Churches supplied	248
Out-stations supplied	165
Persons and families religiously visited	12,685
Persons baptized	1,334
Number added by letter	732
Protracted meetings held	230
Professed conversions	1,741
Houses of worship building	93
Houses of worship finished this year	18
Assisted in the organization of churches	17
Number of Bibles and Testaments distributed	2,193
Number of denominational tracts distributed	6,299
Money collected for support of pastor on field	\$27,272.01
For building or repairing house of worship	2,973.29
Value of church property on fields	90,500.00
For State Missions	564.45
For Associational Missions	228.05
For Foreign Missions	463.60
For Home Missions of Southern Baptist Convention	210.18
For Ministerial Education	164.62
For Baptist Orphanage	239.89
For Sunday Schools and colportage	661.62
For other objects	1,898.22

Report of Sunday School work for the year is as follows:

Number of schools on fields	195
Number of pupils enrolled in same	9,959
Number of officers and teachers in same	2,016
Number of conversions from these schools	340
Members of church at work in Sunday Schools	2,808
New schools organized this year	69
Schools visited	300
Contributions for school expenses	\$747.54
Contributions for State Missions	37.76
Contributions for other objects	155.42

NOTABLE POINTS.

In Charlotte, Rev. L. R. Pruett began last year a mission Sunday School near the Gingham Mills, in a three-room factory cottage. Within a year that work resulted in a church—the 12th street—which now has one hundred and forty members, which is contributing over \$325 to the support of a pastor.

In Concord, brother J. J. Payseur has paid off the old and harassing church debt, and is preparing to enlarge the church building to accommodate the growing interest.

In the Elkin Association, our missionary, Rev. Grant Cothren, has met with great success in his work. As an indication of the character of his work, a new association was organized November 19, from churches from the Primitive Baptist Associations in Wilkes county, and churches from the Elkin and Stoney Fork Associations. The indications are, that before another year is gone, this movement in that section will result in breaking down the organized anti-mission spirit thoroughly.

In the Atlantic Association, our greatest and largest mission field, much good work has been done. There are signs pointing to a forward movement next year in this Association. There is a demand for the increase of our force of missionaries there.

In the South Fork Association, the Board is gratified to report a well-planned effort to press the work in several new fields.

In the Tar River Association, itself a monument to the success of State Missions, it is the opinion of brethren who know that it will be only a short time before the immense area of destitution, reaching from Weldon to the Albemarle Sound, will have been reached and the fields become largely self-supporting.

In Hyde county, our two missionaries, brethren Pierce and Carawan, report considerable progress. Another church has been organized and new stations opened.

In McDowell county, brother J. C. Sorrels has organized ten churches in ten years, and regards his work for the past year as the most successful he has had. The Board would make mention of the splendid services rendered on that field during four months of the summer without money and without price from any source by brother C. D. Graves, who is now at the Seminary.

At many other points which we have not space to mention, are to be found evidences of encouraging growth and progress.

TRACTS.

In the last report submitted, we expressed need for conveniently arranged literature to be furnished pastors and churches, to the end that they might be informed on State Missions. We are glad to report that that need has been partially supplied by the publication of three tracts and leaflets, written by the Corresponding Secretary. Twenty thousand have been distributed, and there is reason to believe that much good has been accomplished through them.

CO-OPERATION.

We submit on opposite page the report of colored missionaries working under the plan of co-operation entered into two years ago by the Baptist State Convention, the Home Mission Board and Baptist Home Mission Society of New York, together with the Colored Convention in North Carolina. Your Board is convinced that great good has been accomplished in this movement. The colored Baptists have more than fulfilled their part in raising their portion of the funds necessary to carry on the work. They fully appreciate our disposition to help them train and develop their people, and are showing themselves capable of development by more than meeting our expectations for this work.

SYNOPSIS OF WORK DONE BY MISSIONARIES FOR YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31st, 1897.

Missionaries.	District.	Weeks of Service.	Institutes Attended.	Sermons Preached.	Addresses.	Baptized.	Churches Organized.	Churches Visited.	Miles Traveled.
J. A. Whitted.....	General.....	52	32	64	162	.....	.....	94	55,949
P. F. Malloy.....	Western.....	52	18	120	13	.....	1	59	6,383
A. B. Vincent.....	Central.....	52	15	56	132	.....	.....	38	5,340
C. C. Somerville.....	Eastern.....	49½	14	88	99	.....	.....	52	6,432
A. S. Dunston.....	Eastern.....	12	1	32	54	.....	.....	25	1,430
F. W. Wallace.....	Western.....	12	.....	20	25	14	3	35	1,500

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Committee of fifteen from the Board, appointed at Greensboro and reappointed at Morganton, to which was committed the Sunday School work in North Carolina, report as follows through the Board to the Convention:

Your Committee is glad to report a general quickening of interest in the Sunday School work during the year.

On December 5th, our Sunday School missionary, Rev. B. W. Spilman, becoming convinced that the condition of the Book Store, on which the expenses of the work depended, was not such as to justify the arrangement under which he had accepted the work, gave up the Book Store and took the field as a general missionary to arouse such interest in the work as might in the future, make possible a permanent arrangement for a larger effort than we are now making.

It is but just to brother Spilman to report that he has been since March 1st doing this work practically without salary.

Plans yet to be considered and passed upon by the Board of Missions are in shape by which it is expected that we may during the next year place the Sunday School field work on a definite and more satisfactory basis.

We submit a statement from our Sunday School missionary of the work he has done.

REPORT OF B. W. SPILMAN.

Since March 1st of this year I have been engaged in the Sunday School work under the endorsement of the Sunday School Committee. The object in view is to organize and train the Sunday School forces of North Carolina to the end that in every community there may be a well equipped evergreen Baptist Sunday School with a trained teaching force. The necessity for such work is apparent when it is remembered that between one-third and three-fourths of all the Baptist churches organized in this State had their origin in a Sunday School; that from eighty to ninety per cent. of our church members came in from the Sunday Schools, and that as a training school for developing active church workers no agency has yet appeared in North Carolina that has done so much.

With thousands of communities having no Sunday Schools; with about a thousand Baptist churches having either no Sunday School at all or a school for only a few months during the year; with 218 of the 413 points supplied by the State Mission Board reporting no Sunday Schools, and a teaching force almost wholly untrained, the work must be vigorously pushed.

Since last March my work has been in the direction of creating sentiment in favor of a more aggressive work in the Sunday School field than has been done for the past ten years. I have attended during that time six Sunday School Institutes held at the following points: North Catawba, Caldwell County; Bethlehem, McDowell County; Bakersville, Mitchell County; Sawyer's Creek, Camden County; Buie's Creek, Harnett County; Salem, Sampson County. I have attended only three associations this year. The Sunday School work was given a good hour at each of these. I attended the State-Line Chautauqua at Fair Bluff and State Chautauqua at Red Springs.

I have spoken 124 times in 28 counties during the nine months.

Conditions seem to be favorable just now for doing a work in establishing Sunday Schools and training the workers, which has been greatly needed for years.

The Baptist State Sunday School Chautauqua, which held its annual session at Red Springs last August, has proven itself to be a most potent factor in the Sunday School work of the State. Through the Chautauqua more than any other source there has been created a desire for better methods in Sunday School work.

The outlook for the future is hopeful. Many of the difficulties in the way two years ago have been removed. Many yet remain. There are now organizations of Sunday School workers in twenty-eight of the Associations of our Convention.

The time has come when an active effort should be made to organize the workers in the remaining sixteen Associations.

To organize new Sunday Schools there should be a force of Sunday School missionaries placed in the field during the coming summer. This can be done without expense to the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

To train the workers there should be an earnest effort made to have organized in every church a Sunday School Teachers' Meeting; in every Association one or more Sunday School Institutes; in various sections of the State. District Sunday School Chautauquas, such Chautauquas having been already planned for 1898 to be held in Littleton, Halifax County; Mars Hill, Madison County; Buie's Creek, Harnett County; Fair Bluff, Columbus County, and at some point in the Atlantic Association, and then the Baptist State Sunday School Chautauqua.

As to the financial side. No special effort has been made to collect funds for this work. I have taken no collections. The funds sent in have been voluntary contributions without any solicitation on my part. I have received since March 1st for this work \$240.37, which has been used as follows:

Postage, mostly Children's Day programs	\$23.55
Printing	30.00
Traveling expenses	127.27
Salary	59.55
	<u>\$240.37</u>

There are bills due Edwards & Broughton and the Baptist Book Store to the amount of \$72.92.

Respectfully submitted,

B. W. SPILMAN.

BAPTIST BOOK STORE.

On December 15th, the date of brother Spilman's resignation under the former arrangement, your Committee placed the Book Store in charge of the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention, and all efforts were bent to get the business on a better financial basis. These efforts have proven successful to a gratifying degree. On December 15th, the liabilities of the Store were \$2,544.38, and our assets \$3,771.04—assets over liabilities, \$1,226.66. The following statement of condition will indicate improvement made:

STATEMENT OF THE BAPTIST BOOK STORE.

By Merchandise		\$1,937.54	
Accounts		1,228.99	
Furniture and Fixtures		300.00	
Cash		304.76	
	Dr.		
To Liabilities		\$1,392.91	
Balance		2,378.38	
		<u>3,571.20</u>	<u>3,771.29</u>
			<u>2,378.38</u>
Donations and Discounts			111.99

HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board began the year May 1st, 1896, with a debt of \$13,700. On January 1st, 1897, that debt had increased to \$28,000. It was a remarkable achievement, alike commendable to the Board and our Southern Baptist churches, that when the Southern Baptist Convention met in Wilmington May 5th, that debt had been paid and a small balance left in the treasury.

Below is a summary of the year's work:

SUMMARY.

Summary of work for the past Conventional year is as follows:

Missionaries, - - - - -	372
Weeks of labor, - - - - -	11,075
Churches and stations, - - - - -	1,963
Sermons and addresses, - - - - -	48,508
Prayer meetings, - - - - -	62,175
Baptisms, - - - - -	4,709
Received by letter, - - - - -	4,746
Total additions, - - - - -	9,455
Churches constituted, - - - - -	139
Houses of worship built, - - - - -	57
Houses of worship improved, - - - - -	129
Amount expended on houses of worship, - - - - -	\$52,040
Sunday Schools organized, - - - - -	313
Teachers and pupils, - - - - -	10,725
Bibles and Testaments, - - - - -	2,837
Traacts distributed (pages), - - - - -	645,346

WORK OF THE BOARD—AMONG THE NEGROES.

The work under the plan of co-operation with State Conventions, both white and colored, the Home Mission Society and the Home Mission Board, is in operation in Alabama, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia. Fourteen missionaries are in the joint employ of these Boards, three in Alabama, three in South Carolina, four in North Carolina and four in Virginia.

FOREIGN POPULATION.

There are tens of thousands of these people in Baltimore, Louisville, St. Louis and Kansas City, where we are now working. Missouri alone has about 800,000. The French population of Louisiana, the Germans of Oklahoma and Texas, and the Mexicans along the Rio Grande from El Paso to the Gulf, make at least as many more to whom we ought to send the word of life.

CUBA.

The enforced removal of all our pastors from that island more than a year ago, left the work in the hands of the body of the membership. Many have removed to this country. Some have joined the contending armies, and the conditions have been extremely adverse to our cause.

But such has been the diligence and faithfulness, especially of the women, that the schools have been continued, the prayer meetings and religious services on the Sabbath day observed, and quite a number who have professed their faith in Christ are awaiting baptism. With the return of peace we may confidently expect the renewal of a prosperity not surpassed by the brightest days in the history of our work in Havana.

Rev. J. V. Cova has been laboring during the year among the Cuban population in Tampa. He encountered difficulty and delay in procuring a suitable house for holding worship. This obstacle by the aid of brethren in that city, has been removed, and his congregation now meet in a most comfortable place in a good location. His family has suffered a great affliction during the year.

Brother Bueno was located in West Tampa, and had begun his work with his usual earnestness and persistence, when his faithful wife sickened and died. It was deemed best, on account of his own health and that of his daughter, to remove to Key West, where he is now laboring with good results.

Brother O'Halloran, on leaving Cuba, began his work in Key West. He found there quite a number of Baptists who had fled from Havana. The Cuban Chapel, built some years ago by the Board, he has used for a daily school as well as for a place of worship. He writes very encouragingly about his work.

LATEST FROM CUBA.

Under date of April 6, Dr. Belot, a prominent member of the church, who has charge of our property in Havana, writes:

"There is no reason to be discouraged about the schools and religious matters; on the contrary, considering the absence of pastor and minister to guide the mission, the deacons and ladies in charge of the spiritual progress of the people are doing much better than could be expected. The meetings are well attended, and there is a gradual increase of numbers who want to join the church, others waiting to be baptised. The religious work is not interfered with, either by Catholic clergy or by police; this body protects when needed.

"The schools are doing well. The work has been interrupted a short time on account of epidemics, but has resumed now. The number of scholars attending increases gradually."

OUR CITIES.

While the past work of the Board has been largely in the country, the growing towns and cities have not been neglected.

Churches have been aided in not less than ninety per cent of our most important centers of population. The changing conditions of our civilization are carrying larger numbers to our cities than ever before. Trade is moving southward in its efforts to reach foreign lands. The exportation of corn from Baltimore, Hampton Roads and New Orleans is nearly three times as great as from Boston, New York and Philadelphia.

Pig iron, which, within the last two years, has for the first time been exported from this country, is seeking a market through the ports of Savannah and Pensacola. The manufacture of ten millions of bales of cotton within sight of the fields where it is grown will reach its consummation within the lifetime of another generation. The natural trade center of the Western Hemisphere is the northern coast of the Gulf of Mexico, and to that point all commerce is tending as rapidly as human enterprise can build the railways to convey it or supply the cities with facilities to receive it.

Such facts make these rapidly-growing centers of trade perhaps the most important part of the mission work of this Convention. The religious destiny of the world will be shaped by the influences that emanate from this country within the lifetime of the next generation, and those influences will flow out from our cities along the highways of commerce. The snowy fiber that grows upon our fields, woven into forms suited to the wants of every kindred and tribe, will be borne by vehicles of commerce to every shore, and wherever it goes, will go along with it the moral influence dominating that people who have grown it upon our fields, transformed it in our factories, and carried it to them in our great leviathans of the deep.

FRONTIER MISSIONS.

There are other departments of our work which vie with this in the strength of their appeal to our sympathy and our support.

West of the Mississippi river lies a vast field, the fabulous wealth of whose undeveloped resources science has failed to grasp. In the dim light of the civilization now advancing upon it, it seems a new world hanging upon the outskirts of our own, and destined one day to be filled with a population whose wealth and culture will equal, if they do not surpass, those of the Atlantic States.

From it there has come for years the cry for greater help than the Board has been able to give, until it has almost been hushed in the hopelessness of despair.

What ought we to do for these people and the millions pressing upon their footsteps in their onward march to wealth and power?

THE INDIANS.

Living within this territory is a race to whom we owe an obligation we can never fully repay.

The white people have grown rich and powerful upon the fields they once possessed. Their broad plantations, their growing cities, their huge factories, their long-extended railroads, their schools and colleges, their houses and temples where they worship God, are all builded upon the land the red man possessed, and of which he was deprived by the bloody and unsparing hand of war.

We cannot return him the land of which our fathers deprived him. That is lost to him forever. But we can turn his eye and heart to that better land, and lead him to that Redeemer who will give him an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, whose fadeless beauties shall be his forever.

MOUNTAIN REGION.

Our mountain region, comprising the ridges and valleys of the Appalachian system, extending from Pennsylvania to central Alabama, and from the Piedmont region of the southeast to the blue-grass fields of Kentucky and Tennessee, is one of the most wonderful regions of the globe.

The people who live in much of this area are strongly inclined to our Baptist faith, but there is among them a marked absence of the spirit of progress in things both material and spiritual. Many of them are poor, and their intellectual advancement is in keeping with their physical condition.

Other denominations are realizing the importance of this field, and are exerting every effort to possess themselves of its advantages. The Mormons have sent to the southeastern section of our country four hundred missionaries, with headquarters at Chattanooga. Many of these are laboring among these mountain people. What a shame it will be to us, as Baptists, if we lose this most promising field and allow others to take our crown of glory.

ENLARGED BENEFICENCE.

The experience of the last three years demonstrates the necessity of increasing the number of our people who contribute to missions, and systematizing our work that our Boards will receive a steady income through the entire year.

The number of those who contribute to mission work does not equal one-third of our membership, and about two-fifths of the amounts given to our Home and Foreign Boards is received in the month of April, the last month of the financial year.

The fact that a denomination whose churches all lie in the area of our Convention, and whose membership, though not more than one-seventh of our own, contributes without special effort more money to Foreign Missions than Southern Baptists can be made to give under whip and spur, shows a condition which demands a speedy remedy.

The Board asked the Southern Baptist Convention for its moral support in the effort to raise during the present year for its work not less than one hundred thousand dollars. The Convention sanctioned the plans of the Board, and North Carolina has been asked to do her part in making the movement a success.

On May 22, the Corresponding Secretary of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention met the other State Secretaries, with the Board, in Atlanta for the discussion of these plans, and for the adoption of definite measures to promote them. Resolutions were adopted which commit North Carolina Baptists to this effort to secure \$100,000 for Home Missions. In addition to this, our just obligation to bear our share of the great necessities of the work, we have been placed under special obligations to the Board by the following resolution, adopted by the Home Board, May 27th:

NORTH CAROLINA—\$500, AND \$500 CONDITIONAL.

Resolved. That in addition to the agency expense and co-operation in negro work paid out of Home Mission funds to North Carolina State Board, an appropriation of \$500 be paid this Board December 1, 1897, and that the additional amount of \$500 be paid April 30, 1898, on the express condition that the cash receipts from North Carolina (not including receipts from Western North Carolina) to the Home Board for this Southern Baptist Conventional year shall be \$4,000."

North Carolina Baptists, 160,000 strong, should have no difficulty in meeting, and more than meeting, these conditions. In all its history our Home Board has been generous to North Carolina. For, besides what has been done in many of our rural districts, the Board has aided our churches in Raleigh, Edenton, Newbern, Goldsboro, Charlotte, Greensboro, Salisbury, Asheville, Chapel Hill, Warrenton, Hendersonville, Waynesville, Murphy, Bryson City, Washington, Tarboro, Newton, Concord, Elizabeth City and other important places. Surely our Baptist people will rally warmly to the support of this Board, which has done such noble work for North Carolina.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORK.

Our Lord has not commanded us to preach His Word in any particular part of the world, but in all the world. And while we press forward the work at home, being zealous for the evangelization and development of every nook and corner of our State, as also of our whole country, we must not forget the regions beyond. All the work, whether at home or abroad, stands on the same commandment of Christ, and we cannot assume to teach even our children without thereby acknowledging our duty to preach the Gospel in all the world. The human family is one: we have one Saviour, and the work is one.

THE COMPARATIVE IMPORTANCE OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To reach a correct conclusion as to the comparative importance of the different divisions which we have made in the work for practical convenience, we have only to compare intelligently the conditions and needs of the different sections of the great world-field. For instance, we have in North Carolina, according to the last national census, a little over one and a half millions of people, all told; while China has about four hundred and fifty millions—that is, we have in this State one person where China has three hundred. Now, we Baptists alone, not to mention any of the other Christian denominations, have, in North Carolina, over one hundred and fifty thousand members, over sixteen hundred churches, and about six hundred preachers. But China, with a population numbering three hundred to our one, has, of all Christian denominations, only a little over fifty thousand church members, only seven hundred churches, and only a little over six hundred preachers, not including natives. Or, to put it otherwise, China, with three hundred times as many people, has only about as many preachers of all denominations as North Carolina has of Baptists alone; has not *half* as many churches of all denominations as North Carolina has of Baptists alone, and has *only one-third* as many church members of all denominations as North Carolina has of Baptists alone. Now, one soul in China is worth no more than one soul in North Carolina, but it is worth just as much, and it is just as much our duty, under our Saviour's orders, to give the Gospel to one there as one here. But there are three hundred times as many there as here, and only one-third as many Christians, all told, as we have members in our own churches here in this single State. Surely, brethren, surely, there is crying need in the regions beyond. Let us hasten with the light. A similar comparison could be made between almost any two parts of the field at home and abroad.

WHAT SOUTHERN BAPTISTS ARE DOING.

While Southern Baptists are doing so little to meet this need that our heads ought to hang for shame, we are glad that we are doing something. The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention submitted what was in many respects a very pleasing report to the last session of the Convention, which met in our own seaport, Wilmington. The opening sentence of that report says:

“The past year has been full of the blessings of our Heavenly Father on the work which He has entrusted to us in foreign lands. While in some respects it has been a year of great difficulties and trials, yet the Lord has prospered us continually.”

The Board had last year in the six fields—China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Brazil and Mexico—eighty missionaries and one hundred and ten native helpers. The Lord was exceeding abundant in His blessings, and these workers baptised six hundred and sixty persons. The total receipts for the year ending April 30th were \$125,681.99.

NORTH CAROLINA'S PART.

Of the above amount, North Carolina gave \$7,303.44, including the Yates Memorial Fund, mentioned later in this report. During our own fiscal year just closed we have given, as shown by our Treasurer's report, \$8,854.26. Brethren, are we willing that these figures stand as the measure of our interest in the salvation of all the world outside the bounds of our own Southland?

In arranging its schedule for the present year's work the Foreign Board has asked us to give \$9,000. We recommend that the Convention approve the request, and pledge our most earnest and unceasing efforts to raise this amount. Shall we not, with our more than 150,000 members and six hundred preachers, contribute this much for the salvation of the world? Nay, ought we not to contribute many times as much?

YATES MEMORIAL MISSIONARY.

Among those things for which we are profoundly grateful, is the fact that God has honored our State by calling some of our noblest brethren to the foreign field. Of this number was the honored and lamented Yates. Three years ago, at the Charlotte Convention, there was a well-formed purpose among the women of our State to raise a fund for the erection of a suitable memorial to Dr. Yates. It was suggested that no other memorial would be so appropriate as a missionary to labor for the salvation of the people for whom Dr. Yates gave his splendid life. The suggestion was at once adopted, and soon a fund of over \$1,100 was raised. But not until the beginning of 1897 was the plan carried to completion. At that time brother T. C. Britton and wife, both of our

own State, were at home, having come for a rest, and were exceedingly anxious to return to their work in China. The Board was anxious to send them back, but owing to a lack of funds could not unless some special provision could be made. All this seemed providential, and the women decided to adopt brother Britton as the Yates' Memorial Missionary, appropriating to his return and support the funds then on hand, with the understanding that they would try to raise a sufficient amount for his support regularly hereafter. The Board concurred in this, and Brother and Sister Britton sailed on January 16. We rejoice in this action of our women, regarding it a fit token of our love for the great missionary, M. T. Yates. We pledge to the sisters our hearty co-operation in carrying forward this well-begun work.

EXPENSES OF THE BOARD.

It is pleasing to note that our Foreign Board conducts its business with such economy that last year only 13 per cent of all the receipts was consumed in expenses, including the expenses both in Richmond and in those States that charge for handling money passing through the hands of State officials.

PERSONAL MENTION.

We rejoice that we have had in our midst during the past few months, and still have, our brother E. F. Tatum, of Shanghai, China, who went out from us and is now home for rest. A like joy is felt also at the presence of Mrs. G. W. Greene, of Canton, China, who is resting for a short time at home.

CONCLUSION.

In closing this section of our report, we call attention to the fact that just fifty years ago the first missionaries were sent to central China by Southern Baptists, and that they went from North Carolina. On November 6, 1847, the first Baptist church was organized in Shanghai. The Lord has blessed and prospered the work there, and has greatly honored the Baptists of North Carolina in connection with it. As we stand here to-day, looking back over these fifty years of toil and sacrifice for the Master by the noble men and women that have gone out from among us to give not simply their money, but their lives, to this work, over these fifty years crowned by the blessings of our Lord, and looking out over the years to come, each one holding its duties to our Redeemer and blessings from Him, we are filled with conflicting emotions. Brethren, have we done our best? Let us thank God for all the benedictions of the past, beg His forgiveness for all our indifference and shortcomings in the work, and pledge to Him the best that there is in us for the future.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

This Board is located in Nashville, Tenn., and is now in the seventh year of existence.

The work accomplished by this, the youngest of our general interests, is remarkable. The fact that last year it was enabled to put into our Home and Foreign Mission treasuries \$13,211.74 in cash, after making donations amounting to \$28,878.14 to other objects, and then show assets above liabilities of nearly \$15,000, is a tribute to the wise and energetic administration of its affairs. This statement is made simply as indicating the Board's financial condition, and also its methods of conducting its affairs. The following statement will show, as well as figures can show, what the Board has done for the furtherance of our denominational interests in the way of financial help:

Gifts of Bibles, books, tracts and periodicals to mission schools.....	\$ 8,707 80
Cash for Home and Foreign Boards.....	12,211 74
Cash to Sunday School Missions in the different States ..	17,277 78
Expended for other denominational interests	2,892 46
Purchase and equipment of house	9,101 29
Cash balance on hand	2,126 10
Other assets.....	11,384 86
Summary for six years	<u>\$64,703 13</u>

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CAUSE IN THE SOUTH.

While the Baptist Sunday Schools of the South compare most favorably with those of other denominations, and while their condition presents much to awaken gratitude and encouragement, yet manifestly a great deal remains to be done. Even in the best schools there is need for better equipment, better teaching, better methods, and better results. Whatever the Southern Baptist Convention can do to foster its Sunday School interests, will be only the fostering of power for future usefulness in the enlargement of all its work. In the united support of the Sunday School Board, in undertaking these great and lofty ends, the Convention can make for itself an agency of tremendous scope. The brethren in charge have tried to administer the trust with which they have been charged in a way to deserve the approval of their brethren, and so as to meet the ends for which the Convention brought the Board into existence. The only way, rather the main method, of helping the Board in their work, is in supplying the Sunday Schools with the periodicals which are owned and controlled by the Convention, and which, besides other things, make prominent the missionary interests of the

Convention. Here we are laying the foundations of the future, not only in the way of Baptist doctrine, but also in missionary training. This can be made an immense power, and surely is worthy the kindly consideration of the Convention. Helping at this point and in this way is helping every other interest.

NORTH CAROLINA'S INTEREST IN THIS WORK.

We are under obligation to support this Board for the following good and sufficient reasons:

1. It is just as much a department of our Southern Baptist Convention work as Home or Foreign Missions.
2. It is a mighty agency for the dissemination of Baptist literature.
3. It is a missionary agency in itself, and gives annually from \$12,000 to \$20,000 to Home and Foreign Missions in cash.
4. This Board has given \$400 this past year to our Sunday School work in North Carolina.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

The Central Committee is more than happy to be able to report a larger increase in contributions than in any year in its history, and a larger number of Societies organized than in any other year, the first not excepted. Last year the Societies reported a little less than four thousand dollars; this year they report more than six thousand, two hundred. The first year after the appointment of the Committee, we reported the organization of seventy-one Societies; this year ninety-one new Societies have been formed. This remarkable increase has been made without any "especial object" or new plan of work being put forward.

The correspondence maintained by the Central Committee with each Society, by which each is brought in touch with every other, and each feels itself to be an important part of an important whole, has been kept up with the usual diligence.

The number of Associational Vice-Presidents has been increased, and much effective work has been done by these officers, of whom there are twenty.

An important and interesting feature of the year's work has been the increased number of the Woman's Associational Mission Meetings, held generally by the Vice-Presidents. By this means many ladies who could not have been reached otherwise have become informed and instructed in this branch of mission work. In nearly every instance where there was no Society at the place where the Association was held, one has resulted from these meetings.

Miss Lizzie Briggs, appointed last year as special supervisor of Band work, has increased the interest in this important department of mission training, and we look for still larger results along this line.

In the Societies more emphasis than ever before has been placed on Bible study in connection with the monthly meeting, and on the need of *neighborhood* missions, the members being urged to devote time and energy to the spiritual uplifting of the sick, poor and ignorant around them.

Last year in our annual report we asked the continued and increased interest of the ministers in the work of the Societies. We would now express our thanks for invaluable aid rendered, at the same time feeling sure that those who have organized or encouraged Woman's or Children's Missionary Societies in their churches have been more than repaid by the added power gained for all departments of church work.

In summing up last year the work of the Committee since its appointment in 1886, we found the Societies had reported \$31,499.05 as given to missions. The amount reported this year increases this sum to \$37,771.88. The itemized report of the year's work by the Committee and contributions reported by Societies is as follows:

Quarterly Letters.....	1,292
Other Letters.....	2,011
Leaflets, blanks, etc., sent out.....	13,105
Societies organized.....	91
Reported for Foreign Missions.....	\$1,907.39
Home Missions.....	3,229.51
State Missions.....	928.63
Other State Mission objects, Orphanage, Ministerial Education, etc.....	204.85
Toward expenses of Committee.....	2.45
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	\$6,272.83

Respectfully submitted.

FANNIE E. S. HECK,
President W. C. C.

MRS. J. A. BRIGGS,
Corresponding Secretary W. C. C.

On motion of J. D. Hufham, the recommendation of the Board as to change in the Constitution was referred to a special committee.

State Missions was made the special order for 10.30 on Saturday morning.

Adjournment, with benediction by R. G. Seymour, of Philadelphia.

FRIDAY MORNING.

DECEMBER 10, 1897.

Convention re-assembled at 9.30 a m. Devotional exercises were conducted by A. T. Robertson, of Louisville, Ky.

Minutes of yesterday evening were read and approved.

The following brethren were welcomed to seats in the body: W. S. Penick, Elizabeth City; F. H. Farrington, Wilmington; J. H. Tucker and J. A. Brookshire, of the Western North Carolina Convention; John Lewis, Wales; Thomas Needham, Philadelphia; F. L. Cleveland, Chapel Hill; Forrest Smith, Louisburg, and E. F. Tatum, China.

The President appointed the following committees:

Orphanage.—J. C. Scarborough, F. L. Cleveland, C. E. Gower, B. F. Winston, R. D. Cross, F. H. Farrington, J. P. Spence.

Female University.—A. M. Simms, J. W. Carter, W. B. Morton, Jas. Smith, J. J. Payseur, S. A. Howard, C. H. Durham.

Obituaries.—Thomas Hume, T. E. Skinner, P. A. Dunn, Jno. E. Ray, C. E. Taylor, J. V. McCall, S. P. Hatton.

On Recommendations of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.—J. D. Hufham, E. F. Pritchard, J. A. Taylor, H. A. Reams, J. W. Watson, W. T. Yancey, A. M. Ross.

To Nominate Board of Education.—N. L. Shaw, A. D. Hunter, H. H. Mashburn, E. J. Edwards, W. L. Poteat, William Brunt, J. A. McCaughan.

To Nominate Ministers' Relief Board.—J. A. Stradley, M. Blalock, O. C. Horton, J. W. Burchett, G. L. Finch, John W. Suttle, W. B. Waff.

State Missions.—L. R. Pruett, C. L. Greaves, R. I. Crews, G. H. Church, T. M. Honeycutt, L. R. Carroll, W. C. Barrett.

Sunday Schools and Colportage.—W. S. Penick, R. G. Kendrick, Jno. Markham, J. H. Booth, R. D. Fleming, N. P. Stallings, J. W. Coppedge.

Religious Exercises.—Pastor and deacons of Oxford Baptist Church.

To Nominate Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.—L. N. Chappell, J. A. Beam, W. S. Olive, S. W. Oldham, W. S. Bilbro, R. H. Jordan, Geo. J. Dowell.

To Nominate Committee on Sunday School and Colportage Work (fifteen members of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools).—Josiah Elliott, C. T. Ball, W. M. Bostick, A. Johnson, J. E. Herring, N. S. Jones, W. B. Royall.

Preachers and Place of Next Meeting.—E. W. Sikes, B. F. Hester, A. W. Setzer, John A. Oates, Jr., H. W. Norris, H. Sheets, J. B. Roller.

Foreign Missions.—W. M. Jones, S. J. Porter, E. F. Tatum, W. T. Creath, R. F. Treadway, G. T. Watkins, M. E. Parrish.

Periodicals.—R. T. Vann, J. A. Campbell, W. C. Tyree, A. C. Barron, T. M. Pittman, John Sweany, Samuel Saunders.

Finance.—E. McK. Goodwin, C. W. Blanchard, H. A. Foushee.

Invitations were read from Superintendent N. M. Lawrence to visit the Oxford Orphan Asylum this afternoon at 4 o'clock; also from President F. P. Hobgood to visit the Oxford Female Seminary to-morrow afternoon at 4.30 o'clock. Both invitations were unanimously accepted.

J. W. Bailey, for the Committee, submitted the following order of business for Friday:

2.30 p. m.—Miscellaneous Business.

3 p. m.—Ministers' Relief Board. [Wake Forest Trustees meet.]

7.30 p. m.—Our Baptist History and the Historical Papers.

8.45 p. m.—Foreign Missions.

The following resolution, offered as a substitute by R. T. Vann, was, after discussion by J. D. Hufham, J. W. Carter, R. T. Vann, R. D. Fleming, John E. White and others, adopted by a vote of 88 to 77:

In view of all the circumstances involved in the Whitsitt controversy, we think it best for this Convention to take no action on the matter.

W. B. Oliver, of Wilmington, presented the report on

HOME MISSIONS.

The Treasurer's report indicates a growing interest among our churches in the work of this Board, but your Committee believes that Home Missions has not been presented to and pressed upon our people as the magnitude and needs of the field demand.

The work in Cuba goes on in spite of the distracted condition of the Island. Our churches live, and that life will become manifest in great power when the yoke of civil and ecclesiastical bondage is entirely cast off. The Board should be prepared to enter and possess at once. It is our duty to assist in this preparation.

Southern Baptists hold the answer to a question which vexes rulers, law-makers and philanthropists. It is largely in their power

to decide what the future of the negro in this land shall be. A God-given responsibility rests upon us to evangelize, train and uplift this dependent people into a Christian citizenship. We recommend that our pastors explain and press the plan of co-operative work, and suggest that the best results are dependent upon personal interest and participation in institute work more than upon contributions.

The Frontier Missions and work among foreigners are of utmost importance. More missionaries are needed, which means that larger contributions are required, which again means that more general information concerning the field and greater interest in the labors of the Board are necessary. It is impossible for us to ignore these opportunities, to neglect these open doors, and yet win the commendation of faithful servants.

Our contributions the past year show a gratifying gain over the preceding one, but we can and must do better.

WILLIAM BRUNT,
W. H. REDDISH,
J. D. NEWTON,
WILL B. OLIVER,
T. J. TAYLOR.

Remarks by I. T. Tichenor, Atlanta; J. D. Hufham, W. B. Oliver, J. E. White, A. C. Barron, T. J. Taylor, R. T. Vann. The report was then adopted.

The next topic considered was Sunday School Publications. R. G. Seymour, Philadelphia, addressed the Convention on the work of the American Baptist Publication Society.

Adjourned to meet at 2.30 p. m. Benediction by A. E. Dickenson, Richmond.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

At the hour appointed, the President called the Convention to order.

On motion of L. Johnson a committee was appointed to commend the work done by the Woman's Mission Societies. The President appointed the following committee: L. Johnson, T. B. Boushall, T. L. Caudle, J. G. Pulliam, W. W. Parker, W. B. Shaw, E. B. Lewis.

A. L. Purinton, of Nashville, then addressed the body on the publications of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

C. F. James, President of Roanoke Female College, was recognized.

J. D. Hufham reported for the committee on the recommendations of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

After remarks by J. D. Hufham, T. E. Skinner, N. B. Broughton, R. T. Vann, L. Johnson, the proposed constitutional change as to time of meeting was not adopted.

The following recommendations were adopted upon suggestion of the committee:

1. That a cash collection be taken at the close of the addresses on the report of the Board of Missions to morrow; said collection to be for paying off the debt, \$350, now due by the Board.

2. That we will try to raise for Home Missions \$4,000 by the 30th of April, in accordance with the terms of the appropriation made to our work, and that we raise \$9,000 for Foreign Missions.

W. C. Tyree, of Durham, presented the report of the Ministerial Relief Board as follows:

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL RELIEF BOARD.

We have many things to be grateful for during the past year; but, nothing in all the work of our Convention calls forth our most profound gratitude, as the interest our brethren have taken in this object of the Convention. The report of the Treasurer of the Convention showed last year, up to November, six hundred and thirty-five dollars (\$635). Up to December 1 of this year the report shows nine hundred and twelve dollars (\$912), an increase of two hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$275).

This is due to a very great extent from effort put forth by our dear Bro. J. C. Caddell during his visits to the various Associations in the State. We feel very grateful to him for the interest he has taken in the work.

We have to chronicle the death of one of our old brethren. Bro. W. J. Combs has been called to his reward.

We have now on the Board thirteen beneficiaries: Brethren Lew-

ellen, William Harris, John Hughes, R. W. Wooten and S. Blackburn: Sisters Register, Phillips, Churchill, Humphries, Barlow, Spivey, Combs and Best. Bro. Blackburn, Sisters Combs and Best have been received this year.

We realize there are several of our dear old brethren needing attention from this Board, and we would thank any of our brethren who are aware of such cases to inform us, and they will get such attention as we are able to give them, if they are worthy.

To say they, with these on the Board, are needy, is only to express what the brethren of the Convention already know. They have made but little complaint. In fact very few of them have complained at all. Most of them are only waiting to go home. While they wait let us try to make their stay pleasant if we can. They need your prayers as well as your contributions. Pray for them, and pray for us, that we make no mistake in our work.

Faternally,

J. F. MACDUFFIE,
Corresponding Secretary.

W. C. TYREE,
President.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BAPTIST MINISTERIAL RELIEF BOARD.

1896		RECEIVED.	
Nov. 10.	Balance on hand		\$ 158 06
1897			
Apr. 21.	Interest on loan		50 00
Apr. 21.	Ins. repaid		11 25
Mch. 30.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer		232 00
June 5.	D. L. Gore		50 00
July 8.	Interest on loan		30 00
Sept. 15.	J. D. Boushall Treasurer		227 00
Sept. 15.	Interest on loan		15 00
Oct. 21.	Interest on loan		15 00
Dec. 6.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer		408 25
			\$1,196 56
Dec. 10.	Balance		\$ 174 46
1896		PAID OUT.	
Nov. 10.	Corresponding Secretary's expenses		\$ 7 60
1897			
Apr. 5.	Insurance		11 25
Dec. 7.	Permanent Interest-Bearing Fund		305 75
	Rev. J. H. Lewellen, Dobson		62 50
	Rev. W. J. Combs, Trap Hill		45 00

Dec. 7.	Mrs. W. J. Combs, Trap Hill.....	\$ 20 00
	Rev. Wm. Harris, Kapps' Mill.....	50 00
	Mrs. C. F. Humphries, Oxford.....	72 50
	Mrs. Jane Barlow, Sloop Point.....	50 00
	Mrs. H. C. Register, Register.....	50 00
	Rev. John Hughes, Byrd.....	25 00
	Rev. R. W. Wooten, Ronda.....	25 00
	Mrs. B. H. Phillips, Reidsville.....	72 50
	Mrs. Rhoda Churchill, Raleigh.....	72 50
	Mrs. Harriet Spivey, Clinton.....	72 50
	Mrs. E. H. Best, Warsaw.....	30 00
	Rev. Solomon Blackburn, Bud.....	30 00
	Rev. N. H. Moss, Waco.....	20 00
Dec. 9.	Balance.....	174 46
		<u>\$1,196 56</u>

PERMANENT INTEREST-BEARING FUND.

1896		
Nov. 10.	Balance.....	\$ 65 97
1897		
Dec. 7.	One-third receipts for 1897.....	305 75
	Balance on hand.....	<u>\$371 72</u>

LOANED ON REAL ESTATE.

One loan.....	\$ 500 00
One loan.....	500 00
One loan.....	250 00
	<u>\$1,250 00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

T. E. CHEEK, *Treasurer.*

We have examined this report and the Treasurer's books, and have found same correct.

H. A. REAMS.

GEO. J. DOWELL,

Auditors.

Remarks were made by W. C. Tyree, H. A. Reams, of Durham, G. H. Church, of Statesville, and J. D. Hufham, of Henderson, after which the report was adopted.

The Convention then adjourned to visit the Oxford Orphan Asylum.

FRIDAY EVENING.

President Marsh called the Convention to order at 7.30 p. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by W. C. Tyree, of Durham, who read a part of the second chapter of Philippians and offered prayer.

L. Johnson, of Greensboro, offered the following report on Order of Business :

SATURDAY.

10 a. m.—Miscellaneous Business.

10.30 a. m.—State Missions.

12 m.—Wake Forest.

2.30 p. m.—Miscellaneous Business.

2.45 p. m.—Seminary.

7.30 p. m.—Female University, followed by Ministerial Education.

SUNDAY.

7.30 p. m.—Orphanage.

MONDAY.

10 a. m.—Periodicals.

11 a. m.—Woman's Work.

12 m.—Miscellaneous Business.

The following were welcomed to seats in the Convention : R. F. Tredway, new pastor at Shelby, and F. W. Boatwright, President of Richmond College.

The special order for the evening, "Our History and the Baptist Historical Papers," was then taken up. Addresses were made by E. W. Sikes, of Wake Forest, John E. White, of Raleigh, J. D. Hufham and T. M. Pittman, of Henderson.

W. M. Jones, of Maxton, presented for the committee the report on Foreign Missions as follows :

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The ground of the commission of our ascended Lord, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," is found in the fact that "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son to die for it; that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Since Foreign Missions are so deeply implanted in the heart of the Gospel, it behooves us, who are sharers of His redeeming love, to carry the same to those who sit in heathen darkness.

During the past year, on our six mission fields, God has abundantly blessed our labors and our prayers, for our missionaries report baptism of six hundred and sixty persons.

We congratulate the Baptist women of North Carolina, that since the last meeting of our Convention, they have carried to completion the work of supporting a Yates' Memorial Missionary in China. We pledge to them in their work our full and earnest co-operation.

We are this year asked by the Board to contribute \$9,000 to help carry on the work, but the 140,000 Baptists of this Convention should raise this amount to \$10,000.

We also recommend that our pastors, as far as possible, promote a missionary spirit among their churches, by increasing the circulation of the "Foreign Mission Journal," by encouraging the formation of a Woman's Missionary Society in every church, by fervent prayers for missionaries and their work.

For more extended reference to our work, we refer you to report of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. JONES,
G. T. WATKINS,
W. T. CREATH.
SAMUEL J. PORTER,
E. F. TATUM,
M. E. PARISH,
R. F. TREDWAY.

Remarks were made by W. M. Jones and A. J. Barton, Assistant Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond. The report was then adopted.

Adjournment. Benediction by Thomas Hume, of Chapel Hill.

SATURDAY MORNING.

DECEMBER 11, 1897.

Evangelist Thomas Needham, of Philadelphia, conducted devotional exercises.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

T. J. Taylor, for the Committee on Order of Business, reported that the report on obituaries would be presented and considered immediately after discussion of the Orphanage, Sunday night.

H. A. Brown read a statement from certain lawyers concerning a contested will in which the Convention is interested.

On motion, this matter was referred to a committee. The Chair appointed the following as the committee: J. E. White, J. D. Boushall and W. N. Jones.

B. W. Spilman, of Raleigh, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

In order to more perfectly preserve the sources of our Baptist History in North Carolina, be it

Resolved 1. That the Statistical Secretary be instructed to gather and preserve each year a file of the "Biblical Recorder," "Charity and Children," "North Carolina Baptist," "Wake Forest Student," and copies of the catalogues of Wake Forest College, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Oxford Female Seminary, Chowan Baptist Female Institute and Baptist academies; Minutes of the Baptist State Convention, Southern Baptist Convention, and of the Associations of the State; and of the colored Convention and Associations; the North Carolina Baptist Almanac, Baptist Historical Papers, American Baptist Year Book, and whatever other publications of historical value to North Carolina Baptists.

2. That all weekly, monthly, or quarterly publications be bound each year. That annual publications be bound at the close of each census year.

3. That the Secretary be allowed \$50 per year for his services, in addition to the actual expense incurred in collecting the documents.

4. That as soon as practicable a fire-proof vault be built for this collection. Said vault to be paid for from funds given for that purpose, under the direction of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

Remarks by J. D. Hufham, W. L. Poteat, A. T. Robertson.
The report on State Missions was submitted by L. R. Pruet, of Charlotte, as follows :

STATE MISSIONS.

This year of missionary effort in North Carolina will go down on the pages of history as one of the brightest chapters.

We have come to the Convention with our hearts delighted and full of joy over the great success of the work, and we should not forget to render the gratitude and praises of our hearts to God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift.

During the year our Board has employed one hundred and one missionaries, and as a result of their faithful and self-denying work, 1,334 persons have been baptized.

Your Committee feels that God has greatly blessed the untiring efforts of our Corresponding Secretary, and that the liberality of the Baptists all over the State has abounded toward the Board and its work.

A great deal has been done, and yet we have only a little more than begun to occupy the growing and inviting fields before us. Towns and cities are springing up in our State, and they must have the Bible as Baptists believe it.

We heartily commend the order of the Convention for a collection during its session, to pay \$350 due our missionaries.

We would also recommend that the Board operate on a basis of \$15,000 during the coming year.

We further recommend that our pastors and churches do more missionary work on their own fields.

Committee.

The report was discussed by L. R. Pruet, H. A. Brown of Winston, D. L. Gore of Wilmington, W. R. Bradshaw of Wilkesboro, C. W. Blanchard of Kinston, John E. White and N. B. Broughton. A collection in cash and pledges was then taken for State Missions, amounting to \$350.

Telegram is read from the students of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, as follows :

LOUISVILLE, KY., Dec. 11. 1897.

North Carolina Baptist State Convention, Oxford, N. C.:

Twenty-seven sons of North Carolina at the school of the prophets send greetings. II Thessalonians 3: 16.

RUFUS WEAVER.
D. F. LAWRENCE.

G. L. Finch was appointed to respond in behalf of the Convention.

The following were, at this point, recognized and introduced to the Convention: M. H. Tuttle, pastor Oxford Methodist Church; G. P. Perry, pastor Oxford M. E. Circuit; J. B. Hurley, pastor Wilson M. E. Church; J. A. Whitted, Secretary of Co operative Work, Warrenton; Woodford Revis, pastor of Third Baptist Church, colored, of Oxford.

J. B. Boone, of Thomasville, submitted the following:

REPORT ON WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

The last session of the college, which closed May 26, 1897, was probably the most prosperous of the sixty-two years of its history. Two hundred and sixty-five students were matriculated; forty-one graduated; one received the degree of Master of Arts; thirty-nine the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and seven the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

At the annual meeting of the Board a vacancy was filled by the election of Mr. J. C. Caddell.

The resignation of Rev. C. W. Blanchard as Financial Secretary was accepted, and the value of his work formally recognized. No changes were made in the Faculty.

Since the last meeting of the Convention some modifications have been made in the requirements for degrees. The range of election of studies has been somewhat widened, but graduation has not been rendered more easy thereby.

The collection of amounts pledged for the completion of the Royall Chair of English has been slower than could be desired. Of the \$25,000 needed, \$14,864.60 has been paid in and invested. Of this amount \$12,212.38 has come from individual givers and \$2,652.22 from the American Baptist Education Society in fulfillment of their conditional pledge.

The largest single contribution ever made to the library in the College was received last August from the venerable and honored President of the Board, Bro. T. E. Skinner. This notable addition to the educational facilities of the college consists of about 1,700 volumes. The thanks of the whole denomination are due to the giver.

A Summer School and a Pastor's Institute were inaugurated in the college during the last vacation. The former was a success. The latter was so thinly attended by our pastors that the Faculty do not feel encouraged to plan for another session during the vacation of 1898.

During the fall term of the session of 1897—1898 two hundred and twenty-five students have matriculated—fewer by twenty than were present at the corresponding period last year. The causes of this falling off are not far to seek, but it is needless to discuss them here. The session so far has been characterized by steady and successful work of the student body, with but few exceptions.

Especial attention is called to the continued growth and success of the Law Department of the college. The school of the Bible also continues to prove the wisdom of its establishment.

It is gratifying to note the establishment of associational academies in several sections of the State. These will naturally become feeders for Wake Forest and our Woman's College in Raleigh. The steady growth of educational interest among our people encourages the hope that at no distant day such high schools and academies will be organized and fostered by every Association in North Carolina.

The college has been fortunate in being able to secure the services of Mr. E. W. Sikes as its representative during the last few months. He has delivered effective addresses at a number of the Associations and at other places in the State. It is with pleasure that we report that this gentleman, who last June received from Johns Hopkins University his Ph. D., was on yesterday elected Professor of Economics and History, and was placed in charge of Physical Culture.

Since the old gymnasium was divided to provide quarters for the Law and Bible departments, no suitable provision has been made for physical culture. The college is temporarily placed at a disadvantage in this regard, and it is hoped that before the opening of the next session a new and ample gymnasium, with facilities for bathing, will be erected and equipped.

RELIGIOUS INTEREST IN THE COLLEGE.

There has been for the most part the usual interest in religious services. The young men's prayer-meeting has been more largely attended than in many years. The monthly missionary meeting was, perhaps, never better. The students' Bible Band is doing good work in the study of the Gospel every Sunday afternoon.

J. B. BOONE,

D. L. GORE,

L. JOHNSON.

Committee.

Addresses were made by C. E. Taylor, T. E. Skinner and E. W. Sikes.

Adjourned to meet at 2.30 p. m. Benediction by J. H. Lamberth.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The President assumed the chair at the hour appointed, and the Convention was led in prayer by H. A. Brown, of Winston.

N. L. Shaw, for the Committee to Nominate Board of Education, reported the following, which was adopted :

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

W. L. Poteat, W. R. Gwaltney, W. B. Royall, D. W. Allen, C. E. Brewer, J. M. Brewer, J. B. Carlyle, L. Chappell, W. B. Dunn, G. W. Paschal, P. W. Johnson, L. R. Mills, J. B. Powers, F. M. Purefoy, N. Y. Gulley, C. E. Taylor, J. F. Lanneau, John Mitchell, W. R. Cullom, W. A. Montgomery, W. J. Ferrell, J. C. Caddell, T. E. Holding, J. H. Gorrell, B. F. Sledd, J. C. Fowler, W. C. Parker, L. W. Bagley.

The report on State Missions was then adopted.

Moved that the report on Sunday Schools and Colportage be now considered.

L. N. Chappell submitted report of Committee to Nominate Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, as follows :

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

John E. Ray, *Chairman*; John E. White, *Corresponding Secretary*; J. H. Alford, G. M. Allen, J. S. Allen, J. D. Boushall, C. B. Edwards, A. D. Hunter, J. B. Boone, J. M. Broughton, A. B. Forrest, S. W. Brewer, N. B. Broughton, J. C. Caddell, J. W. Carter, H. W. Norris, W. C. Douglass, J. C. Ellington, W. R. Gwaltney, F. P. Hobgood, J. N. Holding, E. C. Holleman, C. J. Hunter, W. N. Jones, W. A. Montgomery, T. E. Skinner, A. M. Simms, H. L. Watson, W. T. Faircloth, J. D. Huffman, H. C. Dockery, C. M. Cooke, W. L. Poteat, John T. Pullen, J. W. Bailey, J. H. Weathers, J. B. Brewer, J. S. Hardaway, J. P. Wyatt, B. W. Spilman, A. C. Barron, J. A. Mundy, W. R. Cullom.

Ashe and Alleghany, J. Ellis; *Atlantic*, C. W. Blanchard; *Alexander*, L. P. Gwaltney; *Beulah*, J. E. Jordan; *Bladen*, Wm. Brunt; *Brier Creek*; *Brushy Mountain*, J. L. Hemphill; *Caldwell*, J. V. McCall; *Cedar Creek*, R. W. Horrell; *Central*, P. A. Dunn; *Catawba River*, J. H. Hoffman; *Cape Fear*; *Chowan*, T. B. Boushall; *Columbus*; *Eastern*, L. R. Carroll; *Elkin*; *Flat River*, T. H. Street; *French Broad*; *Green River*, T. B. Justice; *Kings Mountain*, G. M. Webb; *Liberty*; *Little River*, J. M. Holleman; *Mecklenburg and Cabarrus*, R. H. Jordan; *Mitchell*; *Montgomery*; *Mt. Zion*. G. J. Dowell; *Pee Dee*, J. G. Blalock; *Piedmont*, R.

W. Brooks; *Pilot Mountain*, H. A. Brown; *Raleigh*, J. M. White; *Roberson*, E. K. Proctor, Jr.; *Sandy Creek*, C. L. Greaves; *South Fork*, W. A. Graham; *South River*; *South Yadkin*, G. H. Church; *Stanly*; *Tar River*; *Three Forks*, W. S. Farthing; *Union*, H. C. Moore; *West Chowan*; *Yadkin*, V. M. Swaim; *Yancey*.

L. N. CHAPPELL,
 J. A. BEAM,
 W. S. OLIVE,
 S. W. OLDHAM,
 W. S. BILBRO,
 R. H. JORDAN,
 GEO. J. DOWELL,
Committee.

W. S. Penick, Elizabeth City, submitted the report on Sunday Schools and Colportage which, after discussion by W. S. Penick, B. W. Spilman, N. B. Broughton and John E. White, was re-committed for certain amendments.

A. T. Robertson, Louisville, Ky., then addressed the Convention on the history and work of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. A collection in cash and pledges was taken for the Seminary amounting to \$650.

E. W. Sikes, for the Committee on Preachers and Place of Next Meeting, reported the following, which was adopted :

The Committee on Preacher and Place report the following: Introductory Sermon, Rev. W. S. Penick: Alternate, J. Q. Adams; Place, Greenville.

E. W. SIKES,
 B. F. HESTER,
 A. W. SETZER,
 H. W. NORRIS,
 HENRY SHEETS,
Committee.

Adjourned, with benediction by A. E. Dickenson, to visit Oxford Female Seminary.

SATURDAY EVENING.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. A. Mundy, of Reidsville, who read the 27th Psalm. C. F. James, of Virginia, led in prayer.

The report on the Baptist Female University was submitted by A. M. Simms, of Raleigh, as follows:

REPORT ON BAPTIST FEMALE UNIVERSITY.

Owing to the position which woman occupies in the family, and the close relationship which she therefore sustains to all that pertains to the highest welfare of the human race, no more important subject can claim our attention than that of woman's preparation for life.

As *she* is refined and cultured, and spiritualized, all the influences and streams of life feel her power, just as the heart of all the people answers when the strings of a harp are swept by a music loving soul.

The Baptists have given to the world many noble women whose ministrations have helped to sweeten the life of the suffering people, and there are in our homes, *to-day*, girls as noble hearted and as richly endowed by nature as any age has produced. To give to them, from the humblest to the highest, an opportunity to equip themselves educationally for life, must be our work, if we are to be true to our trust.

The schools we have are doing good work, and we thank God for them, as we do for every institution that has breathed a noble ambition and a pure hope into a life of eternal possibilities.

But a female university is a necessity to our work, and the heart of our people, that never quails before difficulties nor despairs in the midst of suffering, has laid hold of it, and has said, "By the grace of God it shall be."

The roof is now on the building, which is one of the handsomest structures in the State; the scaffolding is being taken down and the windows boarded up for the winter. If our people will give us the means to push the work the school could be opened next fall. This we hope and pray may be done. It will take \$20,000 to enable us to do this, but the responses which our people have already made and the noble hearts that are interested in the enterprise, lead us to hope it will be done.

Hundreds of girls are waiting to come, and thousands of parents and children are praying that He, who has given to us so many sources of joy in the past, will add this also.

We call to every Baptist heart, be with us in this work.

A. M. SIMMS,
 J. W. CARTER,
 W. B. MORTON,
 JAMES SMITH,
 J. J. PAYSEUR,
 S. A. HOWARD,
 C. H. DURHAM,
Committee.

The report was discussed by President F. W. Boatwright, of Richmond, N. B. Broughton and O. L. Stringfield. Collection and subscriptions, payable by September 1st, 1898, for the University, were taken, amounting to \$4,714. The report was adopted.

Convention then adjourned.

SUNDAY.

Various pulpits in Oxford and vicinity were occupied by members of the Convention. The following were the appointments:

Baptist Church.—Sunday School: Rev. R. T. Vann, Jno. E. Ray, Arch. Johnson; 11 a. m., Rev. A. J. Barton; 3 o'clock p. m., Sunday School Mass Meeting: N. B. Broughton, Rev. B. W. Spilman, J. W. Bailey; 7.30 p. m., Mass Meeting on Orphanage.

Presbyterian Church.—Sunday School: Rev. W. F. Watson, Rev. James Long; 11 a. m., Rev. Thos. Needham; 7.30 p. m., Rev. Thos. E. Skinner, D. D.

Methodist Episcopal Church.—Sunday School: Rev. R. F. Tredway, Rev. J. J. Payseur; 11 a. m., Rev. J. W. Carter; 7.30 p. m., Rev. J. A. Mundy.

Orphan Asylum.—Rev. C. S. Cashwell at 3 p. m.

Horner School.—Rev. Thomas Hume, D. D.

Enon Baptist Church.—Rev. C. B. Justice.

Poor House.—Rev. John Lewis.

Hester's Baptist Church.—Rev. Josiah Elliott.

First Baptist Church, Colored.—11 a. m., Rev. W. R. Gwaltney; 7.30 p. m., Rev. Jno. E. White.

M. E. Church, Colored.—11 a. m., Rev. Hight C. Moore.

Second Baptist Church, (Penn Ave.)—11 a. m., Rev. A. J. Cleveland; 7.30 p. m., Rev. L. R. Pruett.

Presbyterian Church, Colored.—11 a. m., Rev. Jno. T. Edmundson; 7.30 p. m., Rev. G. W. Church.

Convention exercises for the evening were opened with music, reading of the 41st Psalm by W. B. Royall, of Wake Forest, and prayer by A. Cree, of Seaboard.

The President called the body to order. The report on the Orphanage was read as follows by J. C. Scarborough, of Murfreesboro:

REPORT ON THOMASVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Convention which met in the First Baptist Church of Raleigh in the Fall of 1884 had before it for consideration a resolution to commit the Convention to the establishment and support of an Orphanage for the care and training of indigent orphan children. A considerable number of our brethren in that Convention were found to be opposed to the passage of the resolution, thinking the movement unwise and such an institution unnecessary. The discussion was spirited, but without harshness. The brethren did not see alike.

The friends of the resolution feared it would not pass. Those opposing feared it would pass. Under these circumstances its friends thought it wise to withdraw the resolution from further consideration by the Convention, and to organize a Baptist Orphanage Association apart from the Convention, which Association should have for its object the establishment of an orphanage for the care and training of indigent orphan children.

The Association was accordingly organized during that session of the Convention. Two committees were appointed. One to procure a charter from the Legislature, which was to meet in January, 1885. The other to select and procure, by gift or purchase, a site for the proposed orphanage. The site near Thomasville was selected and procured by purchase before the end of the year 1884. The charter was procured from the Legislature of 1885 for "The North Carolina Baptist Orphanage Association." Some years later it was changed to "The Board of Trustees of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage," composed of eighteen members, with powers of self-perpetuation.

We deem it unnecessary in this report to go more particularly into the details of the history of its first beginning. It is sufficient to say that the first orphan was registered on the roll at the Orphanage on November 11th, 1885. All opposition ceased immediately on the beginning of the active work of caring for orphan children. The sympathies of our people went out to the institution, and their contributions were sent in liberal measure for the support of the children.

The first report made to the Convention of the Orphanage and its work was made at the session in Reidsville in the Fall of 1886.

Since the establishment of the Orphanage 480 children have been enrolled from 69 counties in North Carolina. There are now present 164.

There are on the grounds 16 brick buildings. Five of these buildings are occupied by the orphans as homes and dormitories.

The Central School Building was completed and occupied on the 7th of last June. The building and equipments cost about \$6,000. Every dollar of its cost has been raised and paid. The condition of the Orphanage is excellent, considering the pressure of the times. The institution is practically out of debt for current expenses. The contributions are from a very much larger scope than ever before, and the outlook is hopeful.

But the Orphanage is not yet complete. There is pressing need now of a Home for the General Manager. Your Committee recommend that such steps be taken by this Convention as may be needful to commend the building of a suitable home for the General Manager to our pastors and churches for their consideration and contributions. It is *the present necessity* of our Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH, *Chairman.*

For Committee.

The report was discussed by John C. Scarborough, J. B. Boone, General Manager of the Orphanage, J. D. Hufham, R. T. Vann and H. B. Duffy. Subscriptions were taken for the purpose of erecting a new building at the Orphanage amounting to \$1,260.

The Convention then adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING.

Convention met at 9.30 a. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by T. E. Skinner, of Raleigh.

Minutes of Saturday and Sunday were read, corrected, and approved.

W. C. Tyree read the report on Periodicals as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

If one were called upon to mention the factors that have made this the foremost of all ages, he must name the pulpit, the platform, the school-house and the printing press. This last agency stands along beside the pulpit in power. Every business enterprise seeking popular support invokes the aid of the printer; and any party or sect that un-

dertakes the problem of existence without the support of a newspaper invites extinction.

The *Biblical Recorder* has stood for sixty years and more, the faithful friend and sturdy helper of every object dear to this Convention. Missions, Sunday Schools, Education, and Orphanage work all find in it a staunch supporter. It may be doubted whether any other single agency has done more to bring our denomination in this State to its present high position.

The duty of supporting the *Recorder* is twofold. In doing so we are best promoting the Kingdom of God among men, while at the same time we are enlarging our own spiritual growth. It is ably and fearlessly edited, and the reduction of its price to \$1.50 has removed the only difficulty ever urged in the way of its general circulation among our Baptist people.

In *Charity and Children* we have the official organ of our Orphanage. Its holy mission and its clean, elevating, stimulating matter commend it to every lover of his race.

We owe it to our denomination and to those men who are freely giving their labor to the cause, to exert ourselves in the support and perpetuation of the *Baptist Historical Papers*.

The *Foreign Mission Journal*, of Richmond, represents the Foreign Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention. It may be had at 35 cents per copy or 25 cents in clubs of ten.

Our Home Field, which looks after the work of Home Missions in the South, is published in Atlanta, and may be had for 10 cents a year or 5 cents in clubs of ten.

We would also make mention of the *North Carolina Baptist* as a most excellent religious paper.

R. T. VANN,
J. H. LAMBERTH,
A. C. BARRON,
W. C. TYREE,
SAMUEL SAUNDERS,
J. A. CAMPBELL,
Committee.

Remarks were made by John C. Scarborough, J. D. Huffman, A. M. Simms, J. E. White, N. B. Broughton, T. E. Skinner, A. E. Dickenson, of Richmond, J. W. Bailey.

The following amendment to the report, offered by L. Johnson, was accepted and the whole adopted :

AMENDMENT.

We cannot overestimate the value and importance of a denominational organ. It is the medium through which the churches, homes

and individuals are reached with the clarion call for united effort in the Lord's work; it is the agency which elicits, combines and directs the thought and energies of our people, unites them in sympathy and interest and educates them in the spirit of progress and large undertaking for the Kingdom of God in the earth. It is a cause for gratitude to God that the Baptists of North Carolina throughout the last sixty-three years of their history have had such an organ as the *Biblical Recorder*. Every succeeding year of its splendid work vindicates the wisdom and commends the foresight of our fathers who founded the *Recorder* and consecrated it to the defence of Christ, His truth and humanity's common cause of Justice and Liberty. The *Recorder* never deserved the large and general support as it does to-day. The price has been reduced to meet the conditions of all our people. It is ably and fearlessly edited. It is commended to our people by a popular representative. It is under the proprietorship of two of the most loyal and capable Baptists in the State. Therefore be it

Resolved 1. That the Baptist State Convention commend and approve the course of brethren Edwards & Broughton in reducing the price of the *Recorder* to \$1.50, and appreciate the faith in our support which this reduction indicates and that we hereby pledge ourselves during the coming year to the effort to give the *Recorder* a circulation of 10,000 in our State.

2. That the Convention again approves the present editorial management of the paper, and pledges to the editor, J. W. Bailey, its continued support and sympathy in his effort to promote the development of our people and defend the principles and interests of the denomination.

3. That we gratefully acknowledge the valuable work of the traveling agent Bro. J. C. Caddell. While primarily representing the *Recorder*, he has thrown his whole soul into all our denominational work, and has taken every occasion to speak a word for the work.

G. L. Finch reported the following telegram of response to students in the Seminary at Louisville:

OXFORD, N. C., Dec. 13, 1897.

*North Carolina Students, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary,
care Rev. W. R. Weaver, New York Hall, Louisville, Ky.*

We send greeting. Psalm 122, verses 6 and 7. G. L. FINCH,
For Baptist State Convention.

T. L. Blalock, missionary to China, was recognized and welcomed to the Convention.

L. Johnson presented the following report on Woman's Work, which was adopted:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

It is with great pleasure that we note the excellent report submitted by the Woman's Central Committee. It is only in recent years that we have come to recognize the importance of woman's work.

The amount contributed is very gratifying. Nearly one-fourth of the amount contributed to Foreign Missions, and three-fourths of the Home Mission fund came from the Woman's Missionary Societies, while State Missions and other objects of the Convention were liberally supported. The Committee is able to report a larger increase in its contributions than any year in its history.

As an educational agency it is invaluable. Perhaps no other agency has done such effective work in disseminating information and awakening interest in missions.

The letters written, the missionary literature scattered like autumn leaves, are seeds that must bring a blessed harvest in the years to come.

All this has been done with no expense. Especial mention should be made of the worthy President, who is consecrating her life to this work.

We most heartily commend the efforts of these noble women, and bid them God speed in all their undertakings.

L. JOHNSON,
For Committee.

Thomas Hume, of Chapel Hill, offered the following report on Obituaries, which was adopted:

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

The necrology of this year has to do mainly with faithful men, the unrecognized private soldiers of the host of God's elect, names not known to the great world, but written in the Lamb's Book of Life. If they are not recorded here, it is not for want of grateful love for their memory, but because no one has supplied the means for telling of these silent heroes.

A few brethren have rendered such important service to churches and benevolent institutions that they must needs be commemorated.

Brother W. W. Mitchell of Ahoskie, in the West Chowan Association, fell asleep in his eighty-seventh year after a life of devoted usefulness. Chowan Institute and the whole Baptist fraternity hold him in thankful love. He gave four thousand dollars to rescue the honored school at a crisis in its history, and aided in raising one thousand more. Other good deeds marked the career of this godly and active believer.

We could not omit to mention the useful life and Christian service of an honored physician, Dr. Victor McBrayer, a member of the Shelby church, who rests well after good work.

Rev. J. S. Bullard, of the South River Association, died in his sixty-ninth year.

Dr. A. B. Roberson, senior deacon of the Chapel Hill Church, ceased from his labors all too soon, as it might seem to our short sight. Useful and helpful in his profession, practical and successful in business, earnest and faithful in his Christian course, his church lost a wise counsellor and devoted member.

Bro. Hugh K. Reid, of Reidsville, has just died at the age of eighty, after remarkable activity maintained almost to the last. Hesitating long before joining the church, he became one of its most serviceable members. He managed his large business interests with honorable skill and most successful results. He declined political position towards which his family associations and his knowledge of affairs might have tempted him. He rests from his labors, and his works do follow him.

MAJ. W. W. VASS.*

BY REV. THOS. E. SKINNER, D. D.

The city of Raleigh has been called upon to give up many of her influential and useful citizens. We have attended their funerals and lamented their departure and our loss, but how have we taken their lives and deaths as lessons and warnings to our hearts?

"For over fifty years," says his biographer, "Maj. Vass has been an earnest, consistent communicant of the Baptist church, and has ever carried his religion into his every-day business life. His name is held in the warmest esteem and confidence wherever known. It was said of him, 'His ability is great; his honesty crystal.'"

But what if the subject of this obituary notice has played the man so well in secular life; what if he had exceeded all other men in secular enterprise; of what avail now would all these things be if he had not found the "pearl of great price," the "one thing needful," the "better part," which was not taken from him here, nor ever shall be?

I have often heard him relate the circumstances of his awakening, for all men are naturally asleep to spiritual things, of the alarm to which his high nervous temperament was subjected at the sight of himself as a sinner lost; of how he feared that death might cut off his escape from the wrath to come; of how fear drove away the possibility of belief in His Word and trust in His promises; of how the two destinies, "Life" and "Destruction" shone with a clear light, and looked with fierce, piercing eyes.

Then the two courses of conduct set so plainly before him, the "narrow way" and the "broad way," he saw as never before that there was no middle way; no neutrality between Satan and God; no serving two masters. He seemed to stand at the meeting of two ways. The

*Copied from *News and Observer*, Raleigh, N. C.

enemy of all souls beholding the situation, said, "Do as you like." "One like unto the Son of Man" replied, "There is but one way to eternal life: I am the way—the way of truth, the way of life, of obedience, of holiness." Away, then, with self-righteousness and pride of sins, and turn unto the way of practical obedience to God. "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve," and remember that the narrow way is rough and steep. On the other hand, the broad way seems easier at the start, but on that path you will lose your life—in that way lies death.

Thus was set before him life and death, and he chose the better way, and now he wears the crown of life.

A few days before his departure, I asked him how he felt in view of his positive assertion, "I shall never go out of this house again." His reply was calm and assuring, reminding me of the words of the convert to Christ in Greenland who, when asked by the missionary the day before his death how he felt, replied, "I shall not rise from this bed again; I am called home to the Lord. My desire is fixed on my heavenly country, where I shall behold Him whom I love, and who loves me." When asked whether he feared death, "Oh, no. How can I love Christ and fear death. The death of Christ was the death of Death."

A few years ago, in some reminiscences of members of the First Baptist Church of Raleigh, I wrote: "Among the older members, and among the most useful men in the church, is our worthy and aged brother, W. W. Vass, Sr. Always in his pew, a discernor of men and their talents, without being over critical. His constant presence was an example and a blessing to all the people, with his singularly circumspect walk as a disciple of Christ. Not that he is faultless, for to such an inference no one would more earnestly object than he."

Let this be our prayer: "Teach me so to live, that I may dread the grave as little as my bed." This is my prayer, for the Scriptures declare that Christ has "abolished" and "destroyed" death; that "whoever believeth in Him shall never die;" that the believer "shall not taste death." The great end of life is to learn how to die. May the consoling and comforting presence of the Lord abide with the bereaved family, and the church of which for forty-nine years he was a member, and with the community.

THOMAS HUME,

THOMAS E. SKINNER,

For the Committee.

John Mitchell, of Wake Forest, offered the report on Education, which was received and ordered printed in the Minutes. Remarks by John Mitchell.

The report is as follows:

REPORT ON BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The work of the Board has been fairly good during the year. Thirty-one young ministers were aided by the Board in the Spring Term. In order to relieve the Board of debt it was thought best to reduce the number of beneficiaries for a while. So only twenty-three were received for the Fall Term, and three of these did not return. To this number three have been added since, and others will be at the opening of the Spring Term in January next. There are now a dozen or more applications for aid, and it is most devoutly wished that the Board might be able to assist all the worthy young ministers who apply.

The importance of the work cannot be over-estimated. It is growing upon us, and we should enlarge our contributions to the Board, that they might be able to give this timely aid to the young ministers for the Master's sake.

We are glad to be able to report that the Board is now practically out of debt. All outstanding notes and obligations have been cancelled, and the current expenses paid up to date, except the salary of the Corresponding Secretary, which is due from January 1st 1897—11 months at \$20 per month, \$220. This may be reduced by the amount in the hands of the Treasurer.

The annual account of the Secretary, itemized, is as follows :

DEBITS.

Received of J. D. Boushall, Treas	\$ 2,564 67
Jan. 4. Borrowed W. J. Ferrell.....	300 00
Mar. 1. " C. E. Brewer.....	100 00
Mar. 22. " " "	50 00
Total	\$ 3,014 67

CREDITS.

Balance due on last year account.....	\$ 31 52
Paid out as per receipts.....	3,080 84
	\$ 3,112 36
Leaving amount due on open account	\$97 69

The above account, itemized, has been audited and certified as follows :

"I have carefully examined the above accounts of Rev. Dr. John Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, beginning November 10, 1896, and closing December 1, 1897, and find them correct and properly vouched, with a balance of ninety-seven dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$97.69) due the Secretary.

JOHN M. BREWER,
Auditor."

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MITCHELL,
Corresponding Secretary.

J. W. Bailey offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the functions of the office of Statistical Secretary, with the provisions for the maintenance of that office, be merged into the office of Corresponding Secretary.

Secretary J. E. White presented the report of Treasurer J. D. Boushall. It was ordered printed in the Minutes:

REPORT OF J. D. BOUSHALL, TREASURER BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION. NOVEMBER 9, 1896, TO DECEMBER 4, 1897.

STATE MISSIONS.		
Balance.....		\$189 37
By amount received.....		\$15,266 07
To Paid:		
N. B. Broughton, Recording Secretary.....	25 00	
Hight C. Moore, Recording Secretary.....	25 00	
Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes..	35 00	
Dr. N. B. Cobb, salary as Statistical Sec...	33 34	
Edwards & Broughton, printing.....	75 00	
Part Expenses Women's Central Com.....	44 40	
Rev. John E. White, salary as Cor. Sec....	820 00	
Rev. John E. White, Cor. Sec., traveling expenses.....	150 00	
Rent of Mission Rooms.....	67 01	
J. D. Boushall, Treasurer, salary.....	75 00	
Amount paid on Co-operation.....	633 32	
Amount paid sundry missionaries.....	14,172 85	
Balance.....		1,039 22
	<u>\$16,335 29</u>	<u>\$16,335 29</u>
FOREIGN MISSIONS.		
Balance.....		\$406 48
By amount received.....		8,854 26
To Paid:		
Amount sent direct.....	\$878 86	
Part Expenses Women's Central Com.....	88 81	
Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes..	20 00	
Rent of Mission Rooms.....	52 17	
Rev. John E. White, Cor. Sec., salary....	533 00	
Rev. John E. White, Cor. Sec., traveling expenses.....	55 00	
J. D. Boushall, Treasurer, salary.....	50 00	
Amount sent S. S. Board, Nashville.....	14 06	
Edwards & Broughton, printing.....	60 50	
Expenses Vice Presidents.....	19 21	
Amount sent Foreign Mission Board.....	6,560 00	
Balance.....	929 13	
	<u>\$9,260 74</u>	<u>\$9,260 74</u>

HOME MISSIONS.

Balance.....		\$283 56
By amount received.....		5,668 54
To Paid:		
Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes..	\$20 00	
Appropriation to N. C. Board of Missions..	500 00	
Part Expenses Women's Central Com.....	44 40	
Rent of Mission Rooms.....	21 34	
Rev. John E. White, Cor. Sec., salary.....	350 00	
Rev. John E. White, Cor. Sec., traveling expenses.....	50 00	
J. D. Boushall, Treasurer, salary.....	50 00	
Edwards & Broughton, printing.....	48 15	
Amount paid on Co-operation.....	722 62	
Amount sent direct.....	351 52	
Amount paid Home Mission Board.....	3,128 63	
Balance.....	665 44	
	<u>\$5,952 10</u>	<u>\$5,952 10</u>

EDUCATION—*Ministerial Education.*

Balance.....	\$32 68	
By amount received.....		2,814 30
To Paid;		
Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes..	20 00	
Salary J. D. Boushall, Treasurer.....	15 00	
Dr. John Mitchell, Sec'y, vouchers.....	2,488 59	
Balance.....	248 03	
Total.....	<u>\$2,814 30</u>	<u>\$2,814 30</u>
Amount contributed to Royall Chair (Wake Forest, Endowment).....		\$5,176 80
Amount contributed to Baptist Female University - { Cash.....\$5,090 26 }		6,140 26
{ Real Estate... 1,050 00 }		
Total for Education.....		<u>\$14,131 36</u>

ORPHANAGE.

(*Figures furnished by Ivey Allen, Treasurer.*)

Cash contributions.....	\$7,625 16
Subscriptions to <i>Charity and Children</i>	1,901 56
Contributions to Central Building.....	2,155 94
Contributions in kind.....	1,366 79
Total.....	<u>\$13,049 45</u>

MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND.

By balance		\$3 20
Amount received		915 92
To Paid:		
Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes..	\$10 00	
Paid T. E. Cheek, Treasurer	867 25	
Balance	41 87	
	<u>\$919 12</u>	<u>\$919 12</u>

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

By amount received		\$223 10
To Paid:		
Edwards & Broughton, printing	\$30 00	
B. W. Spilman, S. S. Missionary	193 32	
Balance		22
	<u>\$223 32</u>	<u>\$223 32</u>

STUDENTS' AID FUND (LOUISVILLE.)

By amount received		\$50 05
To Paid:		
Dr. E. C. Dargan, Treasurer	\$50 05	
	<u>\$50 05</u>	<u>\$50 05</u>
Amount sent direct, estimated		\$500 00

BAPTIST BOOK STORE.

By Balance		\$6 88
Donation S. S. Board, Nashville		400 00
Receipts of store		7,885 95
To Paid:		
Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes..	\$30 00	
Edwards & Broughton, printing and mdse.	100 00	
Salary Rev. B. W. Spilman, Secretary	300 00	
Salary H. L. Watson, Clerk	650 00	
Salary J. D. Boushall, Treasurer	60 00	
Rent	358 32	
Water rent	4 42	
Fuel, lights, insurance, etc.	172 87	
Donations and discounts	111 99	
Postage, box rent, etc.	99 26	
Sunday School literature and books	5,951 38	
Balance		43 41
	<u>\$7,838 24</u>	<u>\$7,838 24</u>

THE "DURHAM DEBT."

By amount received in 1896.....		\$254 85
Amount received in 1897		144 10
Paid Mrs. Durham at sundry times	377 55	
Paid Mrs. Durham balance January 5, 1897..	21 40	
	<u>\$393 95</u>	<u>\$398 95</u>

SUMMARY.

State Missions.....		\$16,335 29
Foreign Missions.....		9,260 74
Home Missions.....		5,952 10
Education :		
Ministerial	\$2,814 30	
Wake Forest Endowment	5,176 80	
Baptist Female University	6,140 26	14,131 36
Orphanage :		
Cash.....	7,625 16	
<i>Charity and Children</i>	1,901 56	
Central Building.....	2,155 94	
In kind	1,366 79	13,049 45
Ministerial Relief		919 12
Sunday School Mission Work.....		223 32
Students' Aid Fund		550 05
Baptist Book store.....		7,838 24
The "Durham Debt".....		398 95
Church Extension, estimated.....		60,000 00
		<u>\$128,658 62</u>

J. D. BOUSHALL.

Treasurer Baptist State Convention.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of J. D. Boushall, Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, for the past conventional year, comparing the same with the acknowledgements in the *Biblical Recorder*. I find all accounts, with the various objects of the Convention, to be correct, and disbursements supported by proper vouchers.

W. N. JONES,

Auditor North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

J. A. Stradley, for the Committee, reported as follows:

MINISTERIAL RELIEF BOARD.

Your Committee to Nominate Ministerial Relief Board, recommend the following names to compose this Board:

W. C. Tyree, G. J. Dowell, J. F. McDuffie, N. B. Broughton, H. A. Foushee, H. A. Reams, T. E. Cheek, J. L. Markham, J. S. Hardaway, T. H. Street, O. C. Horton.

J. A. STRADLEY,
 J. W. BURCHETT,
 O. C. HORTON,
 G. L. FINCH,
 M. BLALOCK,
 JOHN W. SUTTLE,
 W. B. WAFF,
Committee.

Josiah Elliott submitted the

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE SUNDAY SCHOOL
 AND COLPORTAGE COMMITTEE.

N. B. Broughton, *Chairman*; A. M. Simms, Jno. E. White, W. N. Jones, John E. Ray, S. W. Brewer, W. C. Douglass, W. L. Poteat, John T. Pullen, J. D. Boushall, J. W. Bailey, J. H. Weathers, J. W. Carter, R. N. Simms, J. B. Brewer, J. M. Broughton, W. R. Cullom.

JOSIAH ELLIOTT,
For Committee.

J. W. Bailey offered the following resolution, which was carried unanimously:

Resolved, That this Convention reiterates the position it has taken in behalf of the Voluntary Principle in Higher Education, the prime importance of Christian Education, and sufficient provisions for the education of all the people.

J. D. Newton offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Baptists of North Carolina, assembled in Convention, do express their sympathy with the unfortunate feeble-minded children in our State; and we therefore favor the idea of some practical effort being made with reference to the establishment of a suitable home for the training and development of these mentally affected persons, which, it is supposed, now numbers more than one thousand within the limits of North Carolina.

Thomas Hume presented the following resolution, which was heartily adopted:

Resolved. The Convention renders its grateful tribute to Oxford and its hospitable people, under the leadership of Pastor Hardaway and Chairman Hancock, for their generous and graceful entertainment of so large a body of delegates and visitors. Our thanks are due to the pastors and members of all Christian communions, to the Oxford Female Seminary and the Oxford Orphan Asylum for delightful receptions and specially prepared exercises for our benefit, to the Horner School, and to the railroad companies.

On motion, it is ordered that fifteen hundred copies of the Minutes be printed, and that the Secretaries be allowed the usual fees.

The Convention then adjourned, to meet in Greenville, N. C., on Thursday night before the second Sunday in December, 1898.

R. H. MARSH,
President.

N. B. BROUGHTON,
HIGHT C. MOORE,
Secretaries.

APPENDIX.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

- Abernathy, J. W., Matthews.
Adams, E. J., Richmond Hill.
Adams, J. Q., Wadesboro.
Adams, M. A., Apex.
Adams, M. H., Venable.
Adams, J. J., Southport.
Adderton, W. S., Denton.
Alderman, J. O., High Point.
Allen, W. M., Fletcher.
Allison, E., Brevard.
Aman, D. F., Marines.
Ammons, J. A., Needmore.
Ammons, J. M., Halewood.
Ammons, John, Outlook.
Anderson, C. J. F., So. Bp. Theo. Sem.
Anderson, J. W., Asheville.
Angel, Jas. J., Boonville.
Annas, J. R. J., Monbo.
Arrington, C. C., Shelton.
Atkinson, J. W., Neuse.
Austin, D. M., Charlotte.
Austin, J. H., Rockingham.
Bailey, L. J., Walnut Run.
Baldwin, M., Winston.
Baldwin, T. M., Rise.
Baldwin, J. R., Silas Creek.
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Barker, W. F., Bud.
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Barnes, S. B., Lewiston.
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Bartlett, G. A., Franklin.
Bassett, J. E., Asheville.
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Beamer, W. H., Pine Ridge.
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Beaver, C. E., Mt. Holly.
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Bell, J. W., Clinton.
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Bennett, J. L., Marshville.
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Betts, A. L., Raleigh.
Betts, J. T., Whiteville.
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Blalock, J. G., Rockingham.
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Blevins, John, Hermitage.
Blevins, B., Absher.
Blevins, E., Blevins.
Blevins, C., Hermitage.
Blythe, James, Saluda.
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Boone, J. B., Thomasville.
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Bridges, J. D., New House.
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Bright, A., Spring Creek.
Bright, T., Murphy.
Brindle, J. A., Cary.
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 Brooks, G. W., Brevard.
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 Brown, J. W., Absher.
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 Brunt, Wm., Winnie.
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 Buchanan, C. S., Barker.
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 Campbell, A. N., Poe's.
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 Clark, M. L., Morganton.
 Clark, N. L., Chambers.
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 Hopper, P. G., Issa.
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 Horner, T. J., Henderson.
 Horrell, R. W., Burgaw.
 Horton, O. C., East Durham.
 Howard, H. H., Bee Log.
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 Howell, J. K., Rocky Mount.
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 Hoyle, B. M., Estatee.
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 Hudson, T. J., Chin Kiang.
 Hufham, J. D., Henderson.
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 Hughes, S. A., Valley.
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 Hume, Thos., Chapel Hill.
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 Hunter, A. D., Cary.
 Hurley, A., Bly.
 Hutchinson, J. H., Hutchinson's Store.
 Irwin, A. C., Pearl.
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 Jackson, Elbert, Turner's.
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 Jamison, Wesley, Bald Creek.
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 Johnson, J. H., Weldon.
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 Johnson, Wm. R., Ashe.
 Johnson, S. H., Gray's Creek.
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 Jolly, J. R., Lomax.
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 Jones, N. S., Tarboro.
 Jones, R. H., Wakefield.
 Jones, Wm. H., Blue Ridge.
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 Jordan, James, Central Falls.
 Jordan, S., Robbinsville.
 Jordan, W. P., Hertford.
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 Kanot, J., Robbinsville.
 Kendrick, R. G., Weldon.
 Kesler, M. L., Rocky Mount.
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 King, R. W., Wampler.
 King, T. C., Pensacola.
 King, W. G., Villanow.
 Knight, W. F., Blowing Rock.
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 Lancaster, W. D., Sandy Springs.
 Lane, J. L., Summerfield.
 Lanning, Jeff., Eldorado.
 Landsell, J. J., Roxboro.
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 Lawing, J. W., Peachtree.
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 Leatherman, J. F., Hull's X Roads.
 Lee, W. F., Tiptop.
 Lee, W. M., Summit.
 Lee, M. L., Ashpole.
 Leggatt, B., Windsor.
 Leggett, R. J., Howelville.
 Lennon, J. P., Applewhite.
 Lewellyn, J. H., Dobson.
 Lewis, C. H., Gamble's Store.
 Lewis, L. G., Pennington.
 Lewis, Joseph, Gage.
 Lewis, J. L., Laurelton.
 Lewis, John, Morehead.
 Lilly, Edmond, King's Creek.
 Limrick, R. L., Shelby.
 Little, J. W., Lane's Creek.
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 Littleton, J. W., Palestine.
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 Martin, J. H., Hamptonville.
 Martin, J. L., Roger's Store.
 Martin, W. N., Trail Branch.
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 Mason, N. J., Louisville.
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 Matthews, B. H., Ward's Mill.
 Matthews, N. J., Pilot Mountain.
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 Melvin, W. S., Winnie.
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 Segle, L. M., Spring Creek.
 Sellers, Lorenzo, Supply.
 Sentell, R. A., Sonoma.
 Settle, J. F., Byrd.
 Settlemyre, G. W., Henrietta.
 Setzer, A. W., Greenville.
 Shaver, J. M., Dealville.
 Shaw, J. A., Creswell.
 Sheets, Henry, Lexington.
 Shell, P. J., Altamont.
 Shell, J. T., Petra Mills.
 Shell, L. C., Jonas Ridge.
 Shelly, N. A., Burgaw.
 Shepherd, J. J., Brindletown.
 Sherrill, T. C., Jumbo.
 Sherwood, J. J. L., Yerger.
 Shinn, J. L., Mooresville.
 Shumate, Jas., Sparta.
 Silver, Thomas, Micaville.
 Simmons, S. F., Jonesville.
 Simms, A. H., Dillsboro.
 Simms, A. M., Raleigh.
 Skinner, T. E., Raleigh.
 Sledge, J. W., Stallings.
 Smiley, J. S., Swain.
 Smith, James A., Fair Bluff.
 Smith, J. E., So. Bap. Theo. Sem.
 Smith, J. L., Siler City.
 Smith, W. A., West Durham.
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 Spilman, B. W., Raleigh.
 Sprinkle, A. J., Peek.
 Stallings, J. N., Salisbury.
 Stallings, N. P., Moyock.
 Stamey, A., Bliss.
 Stamey, E. A., Lineback.
 Stanley, J. F., Solitude.
 Stephens, M. A., Lumberton.
 Stephenson, E. G., Raleigh.
 Stewart, J. L., Clinton.
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 Taylor, C. E., Wake Forest.
 Taylor, E. L., Rutherfordton.
 Taylor, T. J., Warrenton.
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 Tew, J. W., Iredell.
 Tew, D. T., Clinton.
 Thomas, A. B., Silver.
 Thomas, C. A. G., Fayetteville.
 Thomas, I. W., Lenoir.
 Thomas, James, Bandana.
 Thomason, D. W., Belmont.
 Thompson, K., Low Gap.
 Tilley, George V., Winston.
 Thorn, J. B., Ferry.
 Toney, B. W., Sunshine.
 Townsend, J. T., Carmichael.
 Treadway, E. R., Cove Creek.
 Treadway, R. F., Shelby.
 Trivett, J. W., Dark Ridge.
 Tucker, Elihu, Bud.
 Tuttle, J. F., Clayton.
 Tyree, W. C., Durham.
 Utley, C. H., Wake Forest.
 Vanhoy, W. H., Hamptonville.
 Vann, R. T., Scotland Neck.
 Vernon, J. H., Cedar Grove.
 Vestal, M. M., Jonesville.
 Vinson, J. D., Cullasaja.
 Waff, W. B., Reynoldson.
 Walker, N., New Castle.
 Wallen, Jesse, Marshall.
 Wallen, S., Big Laurel.
 Ward, Benjamin, Marines.
 Walton, M. C., Wilmington.

- Watkins, G. T., Roxboro.
Watson, W. F., Edenton.
Watson, J. W., Chapel Hill.
Wells, E. D., Magnolia.
Weatherman, J. G., Jennings.
Weaver, R. W., So. Bap. Theo. Sem.
Webb, G. M. Shelby.
Welborn, T. M., Trap Hill.
Wells, C. G., Warsaw.
Welch, H. D., Balsam.
West, J. H., Downsville.
West, W. C., Fayetteville.
Wheelous, Z. W., Grissom.
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White, J. A., Taylorsville.
White, J. E., Raleigh.
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White, M. P., Wilmington.
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Whiteside, Z. T., Uree.
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Wilson, W. H., Madison.
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Woodruff, C. E., Hickory.
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Yarborough, A., Lexington.
Younce, Jacob, Dark Ridge.
Young, A. W., Scaly.

NUMERICAL STATISTICS.

Associations.	By Baptism.	By Letter.	Excluded	Died.	Restored.	Membership.	No. Churches.
Alexander	173	34	18	19	22	2,406	16
Ashe and Alleghany.....	80	43	20	12	76	1,412	33
Atlantic.....	154	91	35	28	20	2,401	33
Beulah.....	29	11	10	12	1	812	10
Bladen.....	62	31	67	29	22	1,975	17
Brier Creek.....	209	33	28	35	24	3,212	31
Brushy Mountain.....	89	30	9	15	19	1,833	19
Caldwell.....	80	40	20	19	17	1,095	25
Catawba River.....	198	37	55	21	29	2,186	28
Cape Fear.....	122	64	54	17	32	2,361	42
Cedar Creek.....	69	51	43	21	13	1,721	15
Central.....	152	97	34	34	25	3,264	26
Chowan.....	578	163	254	93	91	8,352	52
Columbus.....	81	26	26	13	11	1,054	18
Eastern.....	295	173	170	60	31	5,069	60
Elkin.....	94	49	15	13	11	1,499	25
Flat River.....	144	108	64	39	18	4,123	33
French Broad.....	115	50	70	27	26	2,979	30
Green River.....	288	181	39	36	28	4,139	41
Kings Mountain.....	283	195	35	50	29	5,168	32
Liberty.....	126	22	26	30	9	2,277	26
Little River.....	103	54	54	27	20	2,272	24
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus..	225	219	35	17	27	1,720	20
Mitchell.....	117	48	80	15	33	2,463	28
Montgomery.....	120	38	20	10	13	1,110	14
Mount Zion.....	283	193	123	77	38	5,390	43
Pee Dee.....	233	136	43	28	19	2,574	29
Piedmont.....	73	97	11	21	3	1,540	16
Pilot Mountain.....	235	61	65	28	.....	3,626	44
Raleigh.....	332	221	186	42	57	4,022	50
Robeson.....	195	131	87	41	53	4,090	39
Sandy Creek.....	160	31	42	36	.....	2,436	40
Sandy Run.....	173	171	41	.....	24	3,983	24
South Fork.....	308	133	56	27	23	3,328	35
South River.....	84	53	143	38	14	2,883	31
South Yadkin.....	148	81	35	22	13	2,048	24
Stanley.....	181	73	21	12	16	1,621	14
Stony Fork.....	49	33	19	13	17	1,012	22
Tar River.....	498	261	128	77	54	7,325	78
Three Forks.....	121	77	62	20	33	2,771	32
Union.....	229	159	74	32	32	3,089	26
West Chowan.....	614	234	104	100	137	9,279	47
Yadkin.....	204	59	39	31	20	2,632	35
Yancey.....	73	61	28	25	13	2,366	23
Total.....	8,350	4,290	2,401	1,570	1,214	142,591	1,348

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Associations.	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	School Expenses.	Contributions by Schools.	Volumes in Library.	Quarteries and Other Papers
Alexander.....	10	182	495	677	\$	\$ 19 10	.....	.....
Ashe and Alleghany*.....	4	280	2,295	2,575	445.36	6,671.77	684	3,089
Atlantic.....	38	39	258	297	37.80	.....	413	230
Beulah.....	16	108	911	1,019	.....	31.86	345	390
Bladen.....	13	87	1,076	1,163	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brier Creek.....	13	56	845	901	.....	40.02	.....	310
Brushy Mountain.....	15	66	707	773	35.33	2.50	160	640
Caldwell.....	16	106	894	1,000	89.76	61.75	.....	432
Catawba.....	20	136	928	1,064	123.87	.....	698	301
Cape Fear.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cedar Creek*.....	23	232	2,104	2,336	558.88	570.82	2,285	4,675
Central.....	56	630	4,330	4,960	848.94	.....	2,619	4,035
Chowan.....	14	103	713	816	88.65	77.17	423	479
Columbus.....	47	266	2,027	2,293	.....	.....	425	.....
Eastern.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elkin*.....	28	250	1,154	1,413	374.03	.....	291	1,348
Flat River.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
French Broad*.....	35	220	1,943	2,163	109.97	.....	27	2,283
Green River.....	28	223	2,346	2,569	203.76	268.06	.....	1,720
Kings Mountain.....	20	133	1,247	1,370	101.84	.....	1,301	331
Liberty.....	20	129	1,085	1,214	108.27	.....	.....	507
Little River.....	15	145	1,363	1,508	501.66	1,116.94	250	1,535
Mecklenburg & Cabarrus.....	14	50	732	788	82.35	.....	.....	.....
Mitchell.....	9	55	321	376	8.00	.....	.....	154
Montgomery.....	41	330	3,260	3,590	769.67	.....	1,794	4,240
Mount Zion.....	28	188	1,482	1,660	321.87	.....	140	1,863
Pee Dee.....	17	152	1,395	1,537	262.94	.....	.....	.....
Piedmont.....	35	294	3,009	3,393	.....	855.79	1,444	2,390
Pilot Mountain.....	39	246	3,716	3,962	926.82	729.69	1,883	3,695
Raleigh.....	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Robeson.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandy Creek*.....	20	125	684	809	.....	.....	.....	1,063
Sandy Run.....	20	156	1,399	1,565	.....	.....	.....	.....
South Fork.....	24	145	1,539	1,684	.....	.....	.....	.....
South River.....	16	119	847	966	104.06	48.32	460	1,250
South Yadkin.....	14	88	715	823	.....	69.99	.....	875
Stanley.....	6	.....	345	345	9.73	.....	.....	.....
Stony Fork.....	15	128	1,076	1,204	31.23	19.83	173	409
Three Forks.....	69	593	6,193	6,696	1,001.29	.....	3,084	4,557
Tar River.....	26	170	1,595	1,765	.....	237.81	.....	916
Union.....	41	284	3,048	3,332	.....	.....	1,836	3,327
West Chowan.....	23	87	1,479	1,566	85.20	.....	.....	636
Yadkin.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	89.00	.....	.....
Yancey*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	914	6,490	58,546	66,046	7,182.89	4,161.42	20,013	47,549

* No report.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

Associations.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	The Poor.	Repairs.	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Ministers' Relief.	Total.
Alexander.....	\$ 358	\$ 121	\$ 15	\$.	\$ 12	\$ 13	\$ 61	\$.	\$ 9	\$.	\$ 15	\$ 6	\$ 611
Ashe and Alleghany..	341	.....	.....	99	46	4	3	.....	7	24	.....	.....	484
Atlantic.....	5, 115	1, 114	159	.....	488	128	250	126	225	3, 304	28	48	10, 995
Beulah.....	1, 221	67	37	4	184	56	56	31	35	162	21	.....	1, 866
Bladen.....	831	.....	13	51	66	45	74	26	24	72	10	.....	1, 212
Brier Creek.....	759	75	100	250	4	.....	38	.....	11	.....	21	8	1, 257
Brushy Mountain.....	835	.....	.....	.....	83	20	215	43	117	.....	13	.....	1, 247
Caldwell.....	669	102	2	.....	32	8	137	1	28	106	18	4	1, 131
Catawba River.....	1, 152	472	.....	.....	12	2	211	.....	179	105	13	.....	2, 053
Cape Fear.....	1, 144	338	.....	.....	68	14	37	9	29	.....	26	14	1, 678
Cedar Creek.....	1, 121	235	.....	.....	92	14	89	5	43	125	18	12	1, 773
Central.....	4, 980	938	318	3, 000	622	395	520	161	342	236	38	26	11, 575
Chowan.....	8, 317	1, 358	310	819	730	332	453	191	391	586	73	29	16, 401
Columbus County.....	693	55	44	64	55	11	58	4	21	24	12	7	1, 048
Eastern.....	4, 891	2, 695	161	120	440	103	231	58	224	732	32	36	12, 191
Elkin.....	251	1, 148	.....	.....	77	2	13	2	18	.....	18	1	1, 512
Flat River.....	4, 670	323	84	.....	294	109	534	204	184	1, 393	33	32	7, 878
French Broad.....	713	.....	.....	.....	47	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	21	.....	787
Green River.....	1, 828	169	41	340	244	96	301	9	79	11	33	14	3, 642
Kings Mountain.....	3, 461	940	.....	.....	238	105	171	60	150	2, 287	36	.....	7, 438
Liberty.....	1, 651	236	.....	.....	170	95	148	91	299	679	25	17	3, 428
Little River.....	1, 128	90	5	130	100	50	77	34	89	153	28	.....	1, 907
Meck'burg & Cabarrus	3, 437	1, 135	66	355	551	95	192	91	175	460	22	29	7, 369
Mitchell County.....	500	87	31	.....	.....	.....	570	.....	6	53	20	.....	1, 267
Montgomery.....	496	82	6	330	39	29	38	6	34	.....	13	.....	796
Mount Zion.....	7, 632	2, 085	311	2, 934	657	195	384	156	287	1, 090	54	114	15, 837
Pee Dee.....	3, 527	693	158	185	310	347	369	86	248	822	28	37	6, 810
Piedmont.....	3, 387	713	57	1, 100	242	195	269	41	217	1, 000	15	25	7, 198
Pilot Mountain.....	4, 111	2, 844	.....	2, 007	598	119	303	102	320	2, 003	23	.....	12, 797
Raleigh.....	4, 622	1, 316	361	698	982	227	393	100	279	758	45	39	10, 977
Robeson.....	4, 074	2, 171	50	.....	547	284	475	96	377	547	23	53	8, 677
Sandy Creek.....	1, 963	112	.....	1, 027	211	202	211	39	229	252	27	31	4, 355
Sandy Run.....	1, 392	397	.....	.....	91	73	129	34	29	373	25	.....	2, 584
South Fork.....	2, 574	388	.....	341	273	77	261	93	292	576	24	60	5, 961
South River.....	3, 085	.....	.....	.....	522	11	14	.....	.....	.....	24	2	3, 095
South Yadkin.....	2, 234	471	63	977	309	55	125	39	170	130	18	31	5, 132
Stanley.....	850	79	18	566	72	36	50	16	61	.....	15	10	1, 912
Stoney Fork.....	.....	5	.....	.....	4	.....	188	.....	6	.....	10	.....	204
Tar River.....	11, 090	1, 560	323	3, 124	1, 482	276	385	196	1, 845	875	67	82	21, 400
Three Forks.....	650	7	19	240	39	25	57	.....	81	45	28	.....	1, 117
Union.....	1, 893	220	76	556	115	151	145	18	102	364	32	14	3, 496
West Chowan.....	7, 343	808	257	771	669	306	799	291	610	658	65	35	13, 199
Yadkin.....	963	1, 803	.....	.....	52	.....	25	3	49	160	18	.....	3, 098
Yancey.....	190	.....	.....	.....	13	1	5	.....	4	2	14	.....	229
Total.....	122, 508	15, 030	3, 364	14, 301	12, 080	4, 153	9, 211	2, 077	8, 152	29, 032	1, 112	835	389, 561

ASSOCIATIONAL TABLE.

Associations.	Moderator.	Post-office.	Clerk.	Post-office.	Place of Next Meeting—Church.	Date.
Alexander.....	J. J. Hendren	Vashti	T. A. Hindson.....	Taylorsville	Little River	Sept. 29.
Ashe and Alleghany	J. H. Daughton	Laurel Springs	H. A. Eller.....	Berlin	Friendship	Sept. 27.
Atlantic	Dr. R. H. Lewis	Kinston	J. H. Eaton.....	Morehead City.	Davis Shore	Oct. 11.
Beulah	J. E. Armstrong	Milton	E. R. Harris.....	Yanceyville	Providence.....	Aug. 9.
Bladen	W. S. Melvin	Winnie	F. S. Averitt.....	Abbotsburg	Holly Springs	Oct. 6, 7, 8
Brier Creek	D. C. Jarvis	Lovelace	J. M. Crater.....	New Castle.	Beaver Creek	Aug. 25.
Brusly Mountain	J. L. Hemphill	Moravian Falls	V. McChinnis.....	Boomer	Rocky Springs	Sept. 1.
Caldwell	E. D. Crisp	Globe	J. V. McCall.....	Lenoir	Oak Grove	Oct. 6.
Catawba River	J. H. Hoffman	Morganton	E. McK. Goodwin	Morganton.	Mount Zion	Oct. 20.
Cape Fear	A. C. Mears	Calabash	Isaac Jenrette	Iredell	Beaver Dam	Oct. 12.
Cedar Creek	R. A. Hedgepeth	Cedar Creek	A. J. Hall.....	Clay Fork	Perry's Chapel	Oct. 11.
Central	A. C. Green	Raleigh	C. E. Brewer.....	Wake Forest.	Sonnside	May 17.
Chowan	J. A. Spruill	Columbia	L. Hoffer.....	Gatesville	Whiteville	Oct. 4.
Columbus	J. L. Memory	Whiteville	A. M. Kelly.....	Bladenboro.	Siloam	July 12.
Eastern	J. L. Stewart	Clinton	A. R. Herrang	Taylor's Bridge	Flat River Union	Aug. 24.
Elkin	C. F. Fields	Elkin	J. H. McCann	Roaring Gap	Pleasant Hill	Sept. 22.
Flat River	B. S. Ryster	Oxford	W. J. Ponshee	Roxboro	Sandy Plains	Sept. 22.
French Broad	J. F. Tilson	Grapevine	S. J. Honeycutt	Mars Hill.	Rich Fork	Aug. 25.
Green River	W. M. Blanton	Marion	A. P. Sorrels	Gilkey	Cumberland Union	Nov. 3.
King's Mountain	E. Y. Webb	Shelby	D. S. Lovelace	Metal	Cold Water	Oct. 20.
Liberty	James Smith	Lexington	H. Sheets	Lexington	Bear Creek	Sept. 15.
Little River	J. C. Clifford	Dunn	J. A. Campbell	Poes	Antioch	Oct. 4.
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus	L. R. Pruett	Charlotte	Hugh Long	Mount Pleasant.	Wadesboro	Oct. 21.
Mitchell	S. M. Greene	Bakersville	D. W. Greene	Ledger	Mount Zion	Aug. 31.
Montgomery	W. M. Bostic	Onvil	J. M. Wright	Tyra	Walnut Cove	Aug. 4.
Mount Zion	O. C. Horton	Durham	C. R. Scott	Williams' Mill.	Johnston Antioch	Nov. 3.
Pee Dee	T. H. Adams	Wadesboro	W. J. Matthews	Riverton	Pittsboro.	Oct. 6.
Piedmont	J. O. Jones	Reidsville	W. H. Eller	Greensboro.	Mount Pleasant	Oct. 6.
Pilot Mountain	D. F. King	Leakville	J. T. Valentine	Winston	Penelope	Oct. 20.
Raleigh	J. M. Broughton	Raleigh	J. C. Birdsong	Raleigh	Salem	Oct. 19.
Robeson	A. R. Pittman	Kennett	E. K. Proctor, Jr.	Lumberton	Jerusalem	Sept. 1.
Sandy Creek	W. H. H. Lawhon	Lawhon	C. V. Brooks	Lemon Springs	Ebenezer	Nov. 3.
Sandy Run	A. P. Hallfield	Bostic	B. H. Bridges	Bostic	Buffalo Cove	Nov. 6.
South Fork	W. A. Graham	Maepelah	L. A. Abernathy	Maepelah	Weldon	Oct. 4.
South River	H. L. Hall	Falcons	John R. Downing	Buckhorn	Cool Spring	Aug. 30.
South Yadkin	J. N. Stallings	Salisbury	S. J. Tatum	Jerusalem	Boonville	Aug. 18.
Stanly	E. T. Eddins	Palmriver	E. D. Teeter	Locust	Elk Shoal	Sept. 29.
Stoney Fork	E. M. Gragg	Grandfather	Wm. Lee	Summit		
Tar River	N. L. Shaw	Warrenton	A. G. Willcox	Brinkleyville		
Three Forks	W. S. Farthing	Hattie	Smith Hagaman	Sweet Water		
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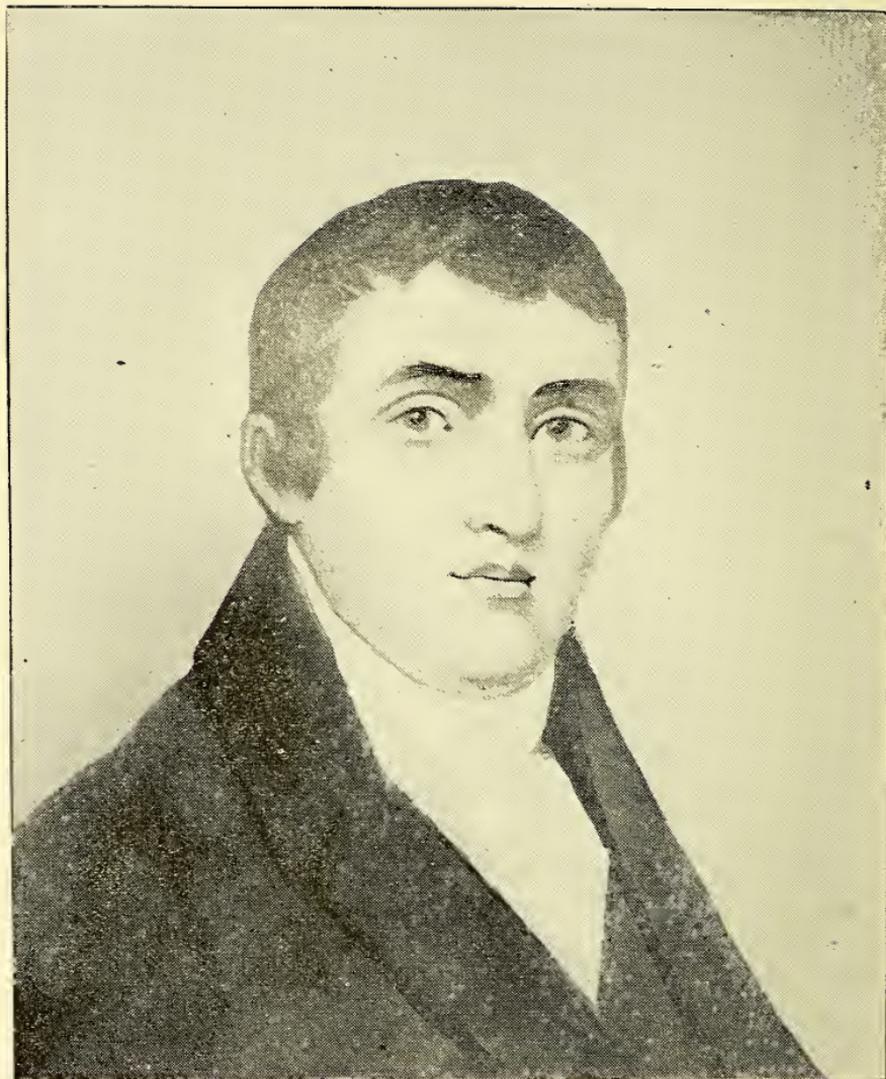
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CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

1. The Baptist State Convention shall be composed of three male representatives from each white Association in the State or one annual male representative appointed by the churches for every ten dollars contributed to its funds: *Provided*, that no church shall have more than ten representatives, and of such male life members as have been made so by the payment of thirty dollars at any one time to the Treasurer, for the objects of the Convention. No one shall be a member of the Convention who is not a member in good standing of a Baptist Church in fellowship with us, and no other life members shall be made.

2. The primary objects of the Convention shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College; to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among all the people of the State; to support the gospel in all the destitute sections of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the gospel to the nations who have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist Churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the gospel, and to cooperate with the Southern Baptist Convention in all its departments of labor.

3. This Convention shall meet annually, on Wednesday morning after the first Sunday in December.

4. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary and an Assistant, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and Auditor, and five Trustees, all of whom, except the Trustees (who shall serve during the pleasure of the Convention) shall be elected annually.

5. The President shall preside and enforce order in accordance with Dr. Mell's Parliamentary Practice. One of the Vice-Presidents shall preside in the absence of the President.

6. The Recording Secretary and his Assistant shall record the proceedings, collect and preserve statistics of the denomination, and publish and distribute the Minutes.

7. The Treasurer shall receive all funds represented in the Convention; make public acknowledgment of the same each week through the *Biblical Recorder*; give his bond to the Trustees; forward, at least once a month, all contributions to their destination; at every meeting of the Convention make a full report of his receipts and disbursements, and, on retiring from his office, turn over to his successor all moneys, papers and books belonging thereto.

8. The Trustees shall secure and hold the title to any and all property belonging to or which may be acquired by the Convention, and take a sufficient bond of the Treasurer. The terms, conditions and amount of the bond shall be fixed by the Trustees, and in case the Treasurer shall refuse or neglect to give his bond within thirty days after his election, the Trustees shall have power to elect a Treasurer. They shall report annually to the Convention.

9. The Auditor shall, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements, vouchers, papers and books of the Treasurer, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the Treasurer's report.

10. The Corresponding Secretary shall solicit contributions to the objects of the Convention; assist the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools in the employment and payment of missionaries, and labor to promote the cultivation and development of Christian benevolence.

11. The Education Board shall, so far as it may be able, assist promising and indigent young ministers seeking to prepare themselves for the more efficient preaching of the gospel.

12. The Board of Missions and Sunday Schools shall encourage the churches to give liberally to all the objects of the Convention; so far as the means at its disposal will allow, supply all destitute portions of the State with faithful and efficient ministers of the gospel; give pecuniary aid, as far as can be secured, for building houses of worship at proper points in the State, and in cases where pecuniary aid can not be given, commend them to the beneficence of the churches; encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature in the homes, in the churches and in the Sunday Schools; encourage Sunday School Conventions and Institutes: continue, and so far as it may be able and the growth of this work may require, enlarge the Baptist Book Store, and cooperate with all missionary and Sunday School work of the Southern Baptist Convention.

13. That a committee of fifteen members of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools be appointed, to whom shall be entrusted the Sunday School and Colportage work conducted by the Convention, the committee to be selected by the Convention annually. That it shall be the duty of the committee to manage the Baptist Book Store at Raleigh, and to them shall be committed the appointment of a Sunday School Secretary, or Secretaries, to prosecute the Sunday School work within the bounds of the Convention. That the committee shall provide for establishing new Sunday Schools and increasing the efficiency of existing Sunday Schools, for holding Sunday Schools Institutes in the different Associations of the Convention, and to organize the Baptist Sunday School workers of the State. The committee is directed to report to the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, and through them to the Baptist State Convention annually.

14. There shall be an Auditor of the Baptist Book Store who, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, shall examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements and expenditures, vouchers, papers, books and stock on hand, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the report on the Book Store.

15. The Boards shall be appointed annually, and report to each session of the Convention.

16. The Convention year shall close one week before the annual meeting of the body.

17. The Boards of the Convention shall fix the compensation of their respective officers, and that of the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the Convention.

18. The Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.



COLUMBUS DURHAM.

BORN APRIL 28, 1844. DIED NOVEMBER 14, 1895.

A master workman in the building of the Convention.

MINUTES

OF THE

North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION.

GREENVILLE, N. C., *December 8, 1898.*

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention met in its Sixty-Eighth Annual Session with the Baptist Church of Greenville, N. C., at 8 p. m., Thursday, December 8, 1898.

The audience sang "All hail the power of Jesus' name," and R. R. Overby led in prayer.

The introductory sermon was then preached by W. S. Penick, Elizabeth City. Text: Acts. vi. 2-7.

The following were appointed a Committee on Enrollment: J. W. Bailey, H. M. Shaw, W. H. Ragsdale, T. M. Pittman, C. J. Hunter, T. B. Wilder, C. J. D. Parker. The Committee immediately performed its work, and reported 127 messengers present.

On motion of A. M. Simms, R. H. Marsh was reelected President of the Convention.

The following were appointed a committee to nominate the remaining officers of the Convention: R. G. Kendrick, W. A. Smith, N. L. Shaw, J. A. McKaughan, H. H. Mashburn, L. M. Curtis, A. W. Early.

The following were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body: R. J. Willingham, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond; J. M. Frost, Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Board, Nashville; O. F. Flippo, of the American Baptist Publication

Society, Philadelphia; J. R. Sampey, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville; Thomas Needham, evangelist, Waynesboro, Va.; James Nelson, of the Woman's College, Richmond; C. F. James, of Roanoke College; A. M. Croxton, new pastor at Monroe; W. M. Vines, new pastor at Asheville; J. F. Love, Suffolk, Va.; Rufus Weaver, of the *Seminary Magazine*, Louisville; N. M. Watson, pastor of the Methodist Church of Greenville; A. E. Dickenson, editor *Religious Herald*, Richmond.

R. G. Kendrick, for the Committee to nominate remaining officers of the Convention, made the following report, which was adopted: Vice Presidents, Noah Biggs, W. L. Poteat and L. Johnson; Secretary, N. B. Broughton; Assistant Secretary, H. C. Moore; Treasurer, J. D. Boushall; Auditor, Walters Durham; Corresponding Secretary, John E. White.

The address of welcome was delivered by A. W. Setzer, pastor of Greenville Baptist Church. Response on the part of the Convention was made by J. S. Hardaway, of Oxford.

The following Committee on Order of Business was appointed: N. L. Shaw, J. C. Caddell, J. E. White, J. D. Boushall, C. E. Gower, E. E. Hilliard, C. J. Woodson.

N. L. Shaw, for the Committee on Order of Business, made the following partial report, which was adopted:

FRIDAY.—9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises, conducted by Dr. Overby.
 10 a. m.—Reports of the different Boards of the Convention.
 10.30 a. m.—Sunday School Board of Southern Baptist Convention.
 11.30 a. m.—Reception of Committee representing Associations of former Western Conventions.
 1 p. m.—Adjournment.

The Convention then adjourned with benediction by Secretary J. M. Frost, of Nashville.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

GREENVILLE, N. C., *December 9, 1898.*

The Convention reassembled at 9.30 a. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by R. R. Overby, who read Psalm ciii. Prayer was offered by T. E. Skinner and C. W. Scarborough.

The Minutes of last night were read and approved.

Corresponding Secretary John E. White presented the Sixty-Eighth Annual Report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, which was received, and on motion of R. T. Vann was referred to appropriate committees:

SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

In rendering its annual report of the work committed to its direction, the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools feels honored in saluting the Convention on the spot of its birth.

The brave and devoted spirits who came together here in this town in that historic meeting of March 26, 1830, to give reality of fact and form to the dream of Martin Ross in the organization of the Baptist State Convention, could not without divine prescience have foreseen that in little over a half century such a gathering as this in extension of their humble labors would assemble here as that which to-day your Board greets in the sixty-eighth annual session of the Convention.

May we not be permitted to indulge the solemnizing faith that from the summits of eternity that noble circle of founders are looking down upon this scene with heavenly pride and solicitude, and to express the hope that throughout the whole session of your body we all may be responsive to the high and generous spirit which was characteristic of these men who laid the foundation of our denominational progress.

Your Board would take this occasion to invite the attention of the Convention briefly to the encouraging retrospect which its meeting in this place so suggestively affords. In the address which was sent out sixty eight years ago to the Baptists of North Carolina from that memorable meeting here, it was said that the Convention which had just been formed promised more to the Baptists of North Carolina than any human institution ever yet offered to their consideration, and that it would exist and multiply its advantages

“ when its projectors and present supporters had rested from their labors amid the clods of the valley.” How bold the faith of such a prophecy! But was ever a prophecy more literally fulfilled in the history of the world? The Convention has existed—it has multiplied its advantages—though those who projected it and supported it in its infancy have long ago rested from their labors “ amid the clods of the valley.”

In 1830 its active supporters numbered but a handful; in 1898 it rejoices in the love and support of thousands. Then there were only three associations in cooperation in its work; now there are fifty-five. Then there were only 272 Baptist churches in the whole State; now there are 2,500. Then only 15,000 Baptists; now a quarter of a million. In the first year of the Convention's history the total amount of missionary contributions was only \$495.73 1-2; now, according to the report of the Convention's Treasurer, we have contributed this year to missions \$30,000. Then only four missionaries were at work in State Missions; now, 103. Then Wake Forest College existed only as a dream, according to many impossible of realization; now that dream has been carved into four splendid buildings of brick, a faculty numbering twelve members, a student body of about 260, and an endowment of over \$200,000. Then, no thought of female education; now, the Baptist Female University soon to be opened to the women of the State, the Chowan Female Institute with its unequalled history, and the popular Seminary at Oxford. Then, no Baptist school for secondary education; now, 49 academies and high schools in direct cooperation with Wake Forest College owned or controlled by Baptists. The retrospect can but awaken in all our hearts a deep feeling of gratitude to God for what under His guidance we have been permitted to accomplish for the cause of the gospel. And it should inspire us as we are about to enter the open door of a new century to press forward with confidence and zeal in the fulfillment of our mission in the world.

THE YEAR 1898.

Your Board congratulates the Convention that the year just ended has been in all departments of the work a year of great harmony and progress. The year 1898 will take its place in history as an epochal period viewed from various standpoints. In our political relationship we have seen God's hand laid on our Nation to lead it out into strange and untried national responsibilities. Almost without warning we find ourselves sponsors for human liberty throughout the world. In our relationship as Christians and Southern Baptists it is marked by the crash of crumbling barriers and wide-swing doors of opportunity in the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico. Suddenly, though not without warning, we find ourselves

confronted by a responsibility which would be appalling were it not that for many years God has been preparing the Baptists of the South for this day of His Kingdom. Nor are these far-reaching developments the only manifestations of Divine Providence in the year now drawing to a close. As North Carolina Baptists, we confront new conditions. For the first time since 1845, the Baptist State Convention will occupy the entire territory of North Carolina. A delegation of brethren representing the Buncombe County, the Carolina, the Haywood County, the Liberty-Ducktown, the New Found, the Tennessee, the Transylvania, the Tuckasegee and the Western Associations, which were formerly organized as the Western North Carolina Convention, are in attendance upon your body to present the action of that Convention taken October 21, in a proposition to unite with the Baptist State Convention. They feel assured of a hearty reception at your hands. They bring to us strength, not unmixed with great responsibility. Their union with us presents to the Convention a new situation, involving issues of great importance. Such are the conditions in this new territory that it appears highly important to your Board that without delay we should seal our union with the spirit of earnest cooperation with our western brethren in an aggressive effort to develop the well-known resources of power in that section. Therefore your Board, as the executive servant of the Convention, begs leave to propose the following recommendations with reference to the work in western North Carolina.

1. That the Convention endorse the proposed annual meeting of western North Carolina Baptists for the discussion of Missions, Education and other related subjects, to the end that the missionary spirit may be stimulated, missionary information disseminated, educational enterprises encouraged, and the pastors and churches brought into personal contact and intimate fellowship in their work—with the suggestion that this proposed meeting shall be held not only for the benefit of the former territory of the Western Convention, but for the entire mountain section of the State.

2. That for reasons of convenience, and that the churches be spared no encouragement in the duty of Christian beneficence, the Convention authorize the selection of an Assistant Treasurer for the funds contributed to different objects, who shall be located in the western territory, and who shall make regular monthly remittances by check or voucher to the Treasurer of the Convention.

3. That the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools be instructed to select and secure a general missionary or missionaries for the mountain section of the Convention, who shall work under the direction of the Board.

4. The Convention appoint a committee to confer as soon as pos-

sible with the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention with reference to educational and mission work in western North Carolina, seeking the cooperation of that Board in securing funds necessary to maintain a general missionary or missionaries, and to provide assistance for such destitute points as may need our help.

STATE MISSIONS.

At the first meeting of this Convention on the date of its organization, steps were taken as a duty of primary necessity to prosecute the work of State Missions. The Constitution, adopted March 26, 1830, among other things declared, that one of the primary objects of this Convention shall be "the employment of missionaries within the limits of this State." And with the organization of the Convention the work was begun, and men at once selected to begin the enterprise of evangelizing the State of North Carolina. In that retrospect which forms the introduction to this report, in which some statement is made of the remarkable progress of North Carolina Baptists during the sixty-eight years of our Conventional history, it might have been appropriately stated that the chief agency under God in this growth and development of the Baptist cause has been the work of State Missions. In the history of this work State missionaries have organized more than five hundred Baptist churches, more than one-third of our total number of churches. In every way, both directly and indirectly, the objects of this Convention and the purposes for which it was founded have been advanced step by step as we have prosecuted our State Mission work. A striking instance of its direct influence in the work of Foreign Missions is seen in the fact that 100 churches in 100 railroad towns where the Baptist cause was begun or aided by the Board, not to speak of the hundreds of well-to-do Baptist churches in other towns and country places, last year contributed over \$3,000, or nearly one-half of the total amount given by North Carolina Baptists, for Foreign Missions.

The year just ended has been a year of enthusiasm and activity in this work, and your Board is encouraged to believe that the work of State Missions is to-day more deeply entrenched in the sympathies of our people and can rely upon their support more fearlessly than ever before in our history. Noteworthy among the points for encouragement in the work this year, we call attention to two facts: 1. The increased number of laymen who take decided and prominent interest in our efforts to supply the destitution within the bounds of their associations. In several instances new executive committees have been selected from this class of our brethren and we may expect that the work next year will feel the effect of such

intelligent cooperation—so essential to the best results in State Mission work. Those who understand the nature of State Mission work, appreciate the great practical importance of this fact. 2. The increasing disposition of associations to do their mission work through the Board; either directly committing it to its supervision, or in closer cooperation with it. The point has been carefully guarded in bringing this about, that no impression be made that the Board in any sense is assuming any responsibility except that of a servant. The associations are still responsible through their executive boards for the support of missionaries. The result of this is to give unity and coherence to State Missions as viewed by the Convention, and to broaden the sympathies of associations, encouraging them to look beyond their own bounds to needs of the whole State.

ENLARGEMENT.

Your Board presents a matter which, it is hoped, will receive the earnest consideration of the Convention in its present session. The progress of the work has brought us to the point when your Board feels we must consider the necessity of enlarging our operations in State Missions.

In several associations in which large areas of destitution exist missionaries are forced to serve from six to ten different points, some of which are distant from the central station, frequently as much as thirty miles. In one instance, the missionary must ride forty miles from his home to reach one of his regular appointments. It must be clear that the most effective work can not be done under such circumstances. Also, instead of diminishing, as some would expect, the number of points to be occupied on our developing fields steadily increases. As the work prospers, the calls for the missionary's labors from unexpected quarters come without any special effort on his part to establish an interest at new points. That this has been generally true during the past year, is seen from the fact that at the end of the first quarter our missionaries reported only 212 mission stations, and on the first of October this number had increased to 358. It is seen, therefore, that many fields need to be divided, the effect of which will be to intensify missionary effort. Attention is also called to the fact that at present we are only half supplying the need at factory towns for missionary work. There are over two hundred cotton mills in North Carolina, and a factory population of about 25,000 people. Yet we have only 14 missionaries who are working any portion of their time among factory people. The need for improvement at this point is obvious. Again, our present arrangement for Sunday School work has brought an additional burden to the Board. That arrangement is made necessary by the fact that no funds are provided by our churches to

support a separate department of Sunday School work. On the present plan, unless money to sustain it is provided from other sources, appropriations will be necessary from State Mission funds. To this there is no objection, as it is the proper and legitimate work for your Board of Missions and Sunday Schools. We merely suggest that if we are to go forward in the prosecution of this work, we must increase the resources of the Board. Now add to these and other demands for the enlargement of the Board's work the additional field of activity which comes with the union of the two Conventions, and the imperative character of our situation will appeal to the most conservative. We therefore submit to the Convention for determination the following recommendations:

1. That in view of the increased territory to be occupied, and the increasing demands from the Board for assistance for newly opened and developing fields, and from the growing interest in our Sunday School work, the Convention consider whether or not the time has come to increase our State Mission operations from a \$15,000 basis to a \$20,000 basis for the ensuing year.

2. That some decided and well-considered action be taken to present to the churches, to the pastors, and the individuals, the absolute nature of the necessity for largely increased contributions for State Missions.

THE BOARD'S FINANCIAL CONDITION.

There was a fear on the part of many even as late as October the 1st that we would end the year with a debt of not less than \$2,000; conditions existed calculated to discourage the most sanguine. The low prices of farm produce, of cotton especially, which reached the lowest price in its history, created a widespread and general disappointment in every section of the State. During the months of September and October, in which we realize generally two-thirds of our State Mission receipts, the State was torn from center to circumference with an exciting and unusually violent political campaign, which penetrated to the remotest country districts. During this time it commanded almost a monopoly of public and private attention. As is known to all, great effort was made to impress the needs of our work upon pastors and people.

It is but just to say that responses to this effort were most gratifying. During the month of November we received over \$4,000 in cash. Hope was entertained to the last moment that we would have no debt. We regret, however, that we are forced to report a debt to our missionaries of \$664.63. Reference to the report of last year will show that we reported a debt of \$350 to the missionaries. This has been paid. Reference to the Treasurer's report for last year will show that we had an overdraft of \$1,069.32. On this there

is still due a balance of \$1,061.07. The Board would suggest that, as the amounts due the missionaries is, in every case small, we can carry the indebtedness until the end of the first quarter, February 1, without serious embarrassment, relying upon an extra effort meanwhile to liquidate it. In many respects our Treasurer will submit report of the best financial record ever made by the Convention.

During the twelve months we have received more money for State Missions, as will be shown by Treasurer's report, than in any previous year of the Convention's history.

Again we call the attention of the Convention to the importance of some provision for the payment of our missionaries quarterly. To allow the great bulk of the money to be collected in four weeks of the year is expensive, unbusiness-like and discouraging. It is unbusiness-like, as no board can wisely plan the expenditure of missionary money, not knowing whether or not there will be money on hand to meet the imperative necessities of the missionary. It is discouraging alike to the Board and the missionaries. It is a hardship of peculiar magnitude. Our missionaries are compelled to suffer, when to their absolute need the Board is unable to make any response. Reliance upon an uncertain or a delayed income is an easy method to incur a debt, and a debt upon a missionary treasury is a mortgage the very existence of which crushes enthusiasm, dashes hope, creates distrust, and encourages faultfinding. The time has come for us to reform our faulty methods of conducting the Lord's business. It has been ascertained that a bank in Raleigh will be glad to serve the Board in some arrangement which will enable us to pay our missionaries at the end of each quarter, and we would suggest that the Convention authorize the Board to effect such an arrangement if it can be done to the advantage of the work.

OUR MISSIONARIES AND THEIR FIELDS OF LABOR.

The Board presents in this report a full and complete record of all its appropriations from State Mission funds during the year, and also the amount contributed through the executive committees of the associations, as approved by the Board and entered as a part of the work of State Missions.

Ashe and Alleghany: E. Blevins—4 points in Alleghany County; appropriation by Board, \$25; Association, \$25. T. M. Duncan—7 points in Ashe County; appropriation by the Board, \$25; Association, \$75.

Atlantic Association: R. D. Carroll—6 points in Carteret County; by Board, \$75. Geo. D. Styron—3 points in Onslow County; by Board, \$75. H. H. Mashburn—Tabernacle, Newbern; by Board, \$300. J. M. Alderman—5 points in Jones and Craven counties; by Board, \$150. D. P. Harris—6 points in Pamlico County; by Board,

\$200. J. W. Rose—7 points in Wayne and Lenoir; by Board, \$100. W. L. Bilbro—4 points in Pitt County; by Board, \$175.

Beulah Association: D. J. Harris—points in Caswell County; by Board, \$50; by Association, \$50. J. H. Lambeth—points in Caswell County; by Association, \$100.

Bladen Association: R. L. Byrd—points in Bladen County; by Board, \$25.

Brushy Mountain Association: A. T. Pardew, evangelist—Wilkes County; by Association, \$75.

Catawba River Association: W. F. Mull—Connellys Springs; by Board, \$50.

Cape Fear Association: J. J. Adams—Southport; by Board, \$100. J. T. Betts; by Association, \$150. C. F. Ramsbottom, T. J. Cobb, G. W. Harmon.

Cedar Creek Association: E. J. Edwards—Smyrna, in Sampson County; by Association, \$36. W. R. Johnston—points in Cumberland County; by Association, \$36.

Central Association: A. L. Betts, city missionary; by Committee, \$300.

Chowan Association: W. R. Carrawan—6 points in Hyde County; by Board, \$175. E. S. Pierce—points in Beaufort and Hyde counties; by Yeopim Union, \$125.

Columbus Association: A. H. Porter—Smyrna, Columbus County; by Board, \$50.

Eastern Association: F. H. Farrington—Southside, Wilmington; by Board, \$250; First Church, \$150.

French Broad Association: T. M. Honeycutt—general missionary Madison County; by Board, \$300; by Association, \$300.

Green River Association: J. C. Sorrells—6 points in McDowell County; by Board, \$300. J. M. Walker—2 points in Rutherford and McDowell counties; by Board, \$75.

Kings Mountain Association: G. M. Webb—at Cherryville and McAdenville; by Board, \$100.

Liberty Association: Henry Sheets—Southside; by Board, \$25. W. H. Rich—Orphanage Church; by Board, \$200.

Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association: J. J. Payseur, Concord; by Board, \$375. L. R. Pruett—Charlotte Missions; by Board, \$300; Tryon Street Church, \$160. S. F. Conrad—Olivette Church; by Board, \$100.

Mount Zion Association: F. L. Cleveland—Chapel Hill; by Board, \$150. W. A. Crabtree—Orange Factory; by Association, \$40.00. J. M. Holleman—Pleasant Hill; by Association, \$25.00. P. A. Ferguson—Glenco; by Association, \$25.00. J. M. Hilliard—Mt. Adar; by Association, \$50.00. J. W. Watson—Cool Spring; by Association, \$25.00.

Little River Association: J. A. Campbell—Benson; by Board, \$40. A. N. Campbell—Pleasant Ridge; by Association, \$20.56. R. J. Bennett—Pleasant Ridge; by Association, \$4. H. W. Graham—Mt. Tabor; by Association, \$20.56. J. M. Holleman—Lillington; by Association, \$20.56. N. H. Gibbs—Pine Forest and New Life; by Association, \$21.24. J. V. DeVenny—Coke's School House, \$25.04. Wm. Rogers—Black's School House; by Association, \$17.56.

Pee Dee Association: T. S. Wright—Factory Point; by Association, \$100.

Piedmont Association: J. L. Lane—Gibsonville and Summerfield; by Board, \$50. J. M. Hilliard—Cherry Street; by Board, \$300. Thos. Carrick—Liberty; by Board, \$75. J. A. Hackney—Macedonia; by Board, \$25. Jas. Jordan—Central Falls; by Board, \$50.

Pilot Mountain Association: G. V. Tilley—Broad Street, Winston; by Board, \$200. W. H. Wilson—by Association, \$100. C. C. Haymore—by Board, \$50; by Association, \$70. P. Oliver—by Association, \$20. J. B. Richardson—Spray; by Association, \$100. R. M. Loftis—by Association, \$25. C. C. Arrington—by Association, \$12.50. R. W. Crews—by Association, \$20. C. W. Glidewell—by Association, \$35.

Raleigh Association: J. W. Suttle—Johnston County; by Board, \$300. B. L. Hoge—Johnston County; by Board, \$150. A. A. Pippin—Wilson County; by Board, \$50. L. A. Loyd—Nash County; by Board, \$12.50.

Robeson Association: R. A. Moore—Blue Springs Township; by Association, \$200. W. M. Jones—Maxton; by Association, \$175. J. J. Scott—Robeson County; by Association, \$50. J. A. Smith—Robeson County; by Association, \$75. A. R. Pittman—Robeson; by Association, \$75. J. W. Cobb—Robeson County; \$25.

Sandy Creek Association: J. M. White—Cameron; by Board, \$20.

South Fork Association: V. L. Vipperman—Newton; by Board, \$125. A. M. Ross—Bessemer City; by Board, \$25; by Association, \$25. D. P. Bridgers—Maple Grove; by Association, \$50. J. A. Hoyle—Riverview; by Association, \$50. J. F. Morris—Bennington; by Association, \$50.

South River Association: John Prevatte—Sampson County; by Association, \$300.

South Yadkin Association: J. L. Shinn—Mooreville; by Board, \$250. D. P. Bridgers—Beulah; by Board, \$25; by Association, \$50. S. J. Beeker—Advance; by Board, \$25. J. N. Stallings—Rowan field; by Board, \$400.

Stanly Association: J. A. McKaughan—Albemarle; by Board, \$100.

Stone Mountain Association: D. J. Roberts—Wilkes County; by

Board, \$50. Grant Cothren—Wilkes County; by Board, \$40. C. E. Blevins—Wilkes County; by Board, \$20.

Tar River Association: G. L. Merrell—Hobgood; by Board, \$150; by Association, \$150. R. H. Herring—Halifax; by Board, \$50; by Association, \$50. F. T. Wooten—Plymouth; by Board, \$50. G. L. Finch—Plymouth; by Board, \$100; by Association, \$100. N. S. Jones—Tarboro; by Board, \$250; by Association, \$250. D. B. Rickard—Eagles; by Board, \$50; by Association, \$50. W. A. Ayers—by Board, \$50; by Association, \$50. M. L. Kesler—Rocky Mount; by Board, \$50. J. N. Booth—Washington; by Board, \$300; by Association, \$300. J. W. Powell—Juvenile School House; by Board, \$50; by Association, \$50. R. G. Kendrick—Roanoke Rapids; by Board, \$100; by Association, \$50. A. G. Wilcox—Bethlehem; by Association, \$50. A. A. Pippin—Castalia; by Association, \$12. J. W. Sledge—Nash County; by Association, \$25. L. A. Loyd—Crocker's Chapel; by Association, \$22.

Three Forks Association: C. S. Farthing—Watauga County; by Association, \$20.

Union Association: J. L. Bennett—Union County; by Board, \$50.

West Chowan Association: M. L. Green—Pine Forest; by Board, \$25. S. B. Barnes—Hillside; by Board, \$35. B. Leggett—Bertie County; by Board, \$110.

J. A. Whitted—cooperation General Missionary Board, \$277.38.

P. F. Maloy—cooperation District Missionary Board, \$150.

A. B. Vincent—cooperation District Missionary Board, \$150.

C. C. Summerville—cooperation District Missionary Board, \$150.

John E. White, Corresponding Secretary, salary and expenses, \$815.

J. D. Boushall, Treasurer, salary, \$75.

B. W. Spilman, Sunday School Missionary, salary and expenses, \$603.56.

Miss L. W. Partin, Stenographer, \$35.

Mission Rooms, rents and incidentals, postage, etc., \$194.35.

Woman's Central Committee, \$14.44.

N. B. Broughton and H. C. Moore, Secretaries, \$50.

Expenses Volunteer Missionaries, \$61.40.

Printing Minutes of Convention, \$20.00.

STATISTICS OF WORK.

The following, which has been gathered from quarterly reports of missionaries, will give a partial idea of what they have accomplished during the year just ended:

Number of sermons preached	6,721
Churches supplied	239
Out-stations supplied	119
Persons and families religiously visited	15,022

Persons baptized.....	\$1,466
Number added by letter.....	1,045
Protracted meetings held.....	250
Professed conversions.....	1,706
Houses of worship building.....	83
Houses of worship finished this year.....	25
Assisted in the organization of churches.....	29
Number of Bibles and Testaments distributed.....	\$1,300
Number of denominational tracts distributed.....	15,445
Money collected for support of pastor on field.....	\$19,333.00
For building or repairing house of worship.....	5,279.35
Value of church property on fields.....	124,500.00
For State Missions.....	788.54
For Associational Missions.....	342.36
For Foreign Missions.....	489.83
For Home Missions for Southern Baptist Convention.....	284.46
For Ministerial Education.....	360.00
For Baptist Orphanage.....	702.98
For Sunday Schools and colportage.....	108.71
For other objects.....	1,909.16

Report of Sunday School work of missionaries for the year is as follows:

Number of Sunday Schools on fields.....	203
Number of pupils enrolled in same.....	11,765
Number of officers and teachers.....	2,363
Number of conversions from these schools.....	277
Members of church at work in Sunday Schools.....	3,306
New schools organized this year.....	73
Schools visited.....	274
Contributions for school expenses.....	\$1,017.66
Contributions for State Missions.....	88.33
Contributions for other objects.....	199.55

THE VOLUNTEER MISSION CORPS.

Immediately following the Convention at Oxford a movement was inaugurated in voluntary mission work which has become well known as the Volunteer Mission Corps; eighty-six of our ablest pastors enlisted for a term of four years, agreeing to give, without remuneration, ten days each year to missionary effort, to go whenever and wherever directed, the Board agreeing to pay necessary railroad expenses. The purposes of this movement are well known, and commend themselves to the judgment of all acquainted with our work in North Carolina. These purposes have been measurably accomplished, so far as could be expected in a newly organized

effort. Our missionaries have been reinforced with strong help and greatly encouraged in their labors. The Baptist cause, wherever the volunteer missionaries have gone, has gained prestige, and much direct gain has come to the churches where meetings were held. To the denomination as a whole, the movement has imparted the spirit of aggression in evangelistic work. Pastors—before only remotely acquainted with the real character of our mission work—have been brought into direct contact with the missionaries and their fields of labor. It is the common expression of the volunteer brethren, that they were not only able to accomplish good for those among whom they labored, but that they themselves having seen the destitution personally, and the emphatic need for State Mission work, are able to present this cause to their churches with an intelligence and enthusiasm impossible before.

The following indicates the disposition which was made of our volunteer mission forces. It was to be regretted that in several instances there was failure to hold the meetings at places at times appointed, but with these exceptions there was a gratifying compliance with all appointments.

Atlantic Association—

- Trenton—Rev. J. H. Lambeth, Lexington.
- Maysville—John Douglass, Clinton.
- Spring Garden—John Lewis, Morehead City.
- Truitts—O. L. Stringfield, Raleigh.
- Second Church, Goldsboro—J. N. Booth, Washington.
- Union—T. G. Wood, Belcross.
- Cool Springs—Rev. L. R. Carroll, Warsaw.
- Castoria—Rev. N. P. Stallings, Moyoek
- Smyrna—Rev. R. G. Kendrick, Weldon.
- Vandemere—Rev. James Long, Goldsboro.
- Bayboro—Rev. Josiah Elliott, Hertford.
- New Hope—Rev. M. L. Kesler, Rocky Mount.

Green River Association—

- McDowell County, Curtis Creek—Rev. G. L. Finch, Williamston.
- Clear Creek—Rev. J. E. Herring, Henrietta.
- North Cove—Rev. W. R. Gwaltney, Hickory.
- Turkey Cove—Rev. C. L. Greaves, Pittsboro.
- Peppers Creek—Rev. W. M. Jones, Maxton.
- Green Mountain—Rev. J. S. Hardaway, Oxford.
- Macedonia—Rev. J. A. McKaughan, Albemarle.
- Harmony Grove—Rev. J. L. Shinn, Mooresville.
- Hall Town—Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Wilkesboro.
- Zion Hill—Rev. W. H. Rich, Thomasville.
- Catawba—Rev. W. C. Tyree, Durham.

Henry Station—Rev. M. E. Parrish, Salisbury.
 Head Buck Creek—Rev. J. N. Stallings, Salisbury.
 Armstrong's Cove, and other points—Rev. C. D. Graves, S. B.
 T. S., Louisville, Ky.

Chowan Association—

Hyde County—Rev. G. L. Finch, Williamston.
 Juniper Bay—Rev. W. B. Waff, Reynoldson.

Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association—

Phaniels—Rev. A. A. Butler, Franklinton.
 Mount Pleasant—Rev. H. H. Mashburn, Newbern.
 Cold Water—Rev. G. J. Dowell, Lumberton.
 Rock Hill—Rev. F. L. Cleveland, Chapel Hill.
 Harrisburg—Rev. H. A. Brown, Winston.
 12th Street, Charlotte—Rev. S. J. Porter, Morganton.
 Dillworth—Rev. A. C. Cree, Wake Forest.
 Huntersville—Rev. R. L. Patton, Morganton.
 Long Creek—Rev. B. K. Mason, Marion.
 Friendship—Rev. J. M. White, Apex.

South Yadkin Association—

Hertford—Rev. J. P. Spence, Advance.
 Beulah—Rev. J. A. Stradley, Oxford.
 Mooresville—Rev. T. J. Taylor, Warrenton.
 Gay's Chapel—Rev. M. A. Adams, Raleigh.
 Cleveland—Rev. T. B. Justice, Rutherfordton.
 James Cross Roads—Rev. C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton.
 China Grove—Rev. C. W. Scarboro, Murfreesboro.
 Faith—Rev. A. B. Hunter, Cary.
 Spencer—Rev. G. H. Church, Statesville.
 Calvary—Rev. C. H. Durham, Gastonia.
 Hall's Cross Roads—Rev. J. J. Payseur, Concord.
 Mount Vernon—Rev. T. Carrick, High Point.
 Providence—Rev. R. W. Weaver, S. B. T. S., Louisville, Ky.
 Corinth—Rev. J. A. Mundy, Reidsville.

South Fork Association—

Lincolnton—Rev. Thos. Hume, Chapel Hill.
 Newton—Rev. R. F. Treadway, Shelby.
 Point near Newton—Rev. J. T. Edmundson, Vaughan.
 Startown—Rev. W. H. Wilson, Madison.

Raleigh Association—

Smithfield—Rev. J. E. White, Raleigh.

Tar River Association—

Rocky Mount—Rev. W. P. Hines, Richmond, Va.
 N. Rocky Mount—Rev. J. F. Love, Suffolk, Va.
 Mildred—Rev. L. Johnson, Greensboro.
 School House—Rev. J. W. Kramer, Wilmington.

Everetts—Rev. B. Craig, Tarboro.
 Halifax—Rev. J. D. Moore, Red Springs.
 Enfield—Rev. A. M. Simms, Raleigh.
 Washington—N. B. Broughton, Raleigh.
 Washington—Rev. J. W. Carter, Raleigh.
 Elm City—Rev. J. Q. Adams, Wadesboro.
 Tillery—Rev. L. R. Pruett, Charlotte.
 Hobgood—Rev. J. D. Hufham, Henderson.
 Dismal School House—Rev. J. E. White, Raleigh.
 Eagles—Rev. Geo. W. Duke, Dukes.
 Point near Washington—Rev. W. F. Watson, Edenton.
 D. B. Ricard's Field—Rev. Henry Sheets, Lexington.
 Gethsemane—Rev. L. M. Curtis, Aulander.
 Point near Wilson—Rev. O. C. Horton, East Durham.
 Point near Williamston—Rev. Forest Smith, Louisburg.
 Dawsons—Rev. J. G. Blalock, Rockingham.
 Dawsons—Rev. G. J. Dowell, Lumberton.
 Tarboro and other points—Rev. J. E. Hudson, Richmond, Va.
 Weldon—Rev. A. C. Barron, Charlotte.

The following is a report in totals of the work done by the Volunteer Mission Corps: Number of days of service, 416; number of sermons preached, 726; number of inquirers in meetings, 621; number of conversions, 319; collections for State Missions, \$333.37; railroad expenses, \$348.17.

The success which has attended this movement, the spirit of sympathy and enthusiasm which it has engendered among the brethren, entitles us to the hope that even larger things may be expected from a continuation of it during the next three years. The Board is impressed that we can employ the Volunteer Mission Corps to even greater advantage in a work of development among the different churches in the several associations, in what are termed denominational institutes.

During the year brethren J. C. Caddell, C. W. Blanchard, S. J. Porter and B. W. Spilman, assisted by the Corresponding Secretary, have spent some weeks in this work, and report that, in their judgment, it is the practical method for reaching the churches definitely and directly with denominational interests. In effect, it is carrying each object to the individual member of each church. The manner of conducting these institutes is for the brethren who are to do the speaking to place themselves in the hands of the pastor or pastors with whose churches they are to meet, who make all arrangements for conveyance from one point to the other. The meetings are arranged for both day and night, at points within reach of each other. Experience thus far has demonstrated that our people will attend

these meetings, and that the churches visited received great benefit. As above suggested, it is thought possible that brethren may be secured from the Volunteer Mission Corps to give an additional ten days in the months of March and April to engage in denominational institute work. If so, we may expect to have during the spring institutes with not less than two hundred churches.

Therefore we would offer the following recommendations:

That the Convention appoint a committee to report to the Convention with reference to the feasibility of securing the cooperation of pastors and brethren especially fitted for this work, who will agree to give ten days time during the months of March and April, in an effort to reach the individual churches through the agency of the denominational institutes.

COOPERATION.

The Convention's attention is called to the fact that, with this year, the Board concludes the work assigned to us by the Convention of 1895, in the following report adopted at Greensboro unanimously:

Your Committee, appointed to consider and report proper action to be taken by the Convention with regard to a plan of cooperation in missionary work for the colored people of this State, begs leave to recommend that plan which was agreed upon and is proposed by the Boards of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Southern Baptist Convention.

W. R. GWALTNEY,
J. C. SCARBORO,
T. E. SKINNER,
R. T. VANN,

Committee.

Three years experience in this work has convinced your Board of the utility and practical wisdom of the plan of cooperation. The conventions in Alabama, Virginia and South Carolina have also adopted it, and in their recent conventions report unanimously for its continuance. It is expected that other Southern States will this year adopt it as the wisest and most practical method yet suggested for helping colored Baptists to develop and organize themselves for Christian work. In North Carolina our experience with it has been exceptionally encouraging. The first year was introductory and experimental; the second year gave strong evidence of the value of the plan. It enlisted the sympathy of colored Baptists in their own cause and the work of missions elsewhere. The third and concluding year of the original agreement furnishes a complete demonstration of the incomparable superiority of the plan over the old method and order of things among colored Baptists of this State. They are united now upon their Convention work as never before; their meetings are more orderly, their discussions more intelligent. Higher ideals have been inculcated, and the consequent demand of

the churches for better preaching has stimulated the colored minister to do better work. Educational and missionary interests have received fresh impetus. Attention is also called to the fact that this movement has had a distinct influence in promoting and maintaining harmony and Christian fellowship between the races. This fact calls for special emphasis. During the recent excited political campaign the colored Convention passed a series of resolutions aimed and calculated to hinder agitation and excitement among the colored people, calling their attention from politics to religion. It is also known to your Board that the general missionary, Rev. J. A. Whitted, and the district missionaries, without exception, were at personal pains during that time to use their influence to the utmost in this direction.

To indicate something of the sentiment which prevails among colored Baptists, we append a clause of a report adopted at their recent Convention, in relation to this work of cooperation: "Such has been its benefits, and so strong is the feeling among our people that God in His good providence has brought Baptists of the North and South, both white and black, together in the blessed service of the Master through the work of cooperation, that colored Baptists would mourn were the relationship sundered." The question which this Convention will decide is whether we sha'll continue the work of cooperation for another term of years. Awaiting the action of this Convention, a tentative agreement was entered into between Dr. Tichenor, of the Home Mission Board, and Dr. Morehouse, of the Home Mission Society, and our Corresponding Secretary, providing for the continuance of Cooperation for a term of three years, dating from November 1, 1898, on the following basis: One-half of the expense to be borne by the colored Convention the first year, and the other half by the three cooperating bodies, with a declining responsibility of \$100 to each of the cooperating parties for the two years following. This would be \$633 for each of the cooperating bodies the first year; \$533 for the second, and \$433 for the third year. Your Board recommends the ratification of this agreement, and asks that a motion be made that the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools include in its appropriation for the next year the sum of \$633 for the support of the work of colored Baptists.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Committee of fifteen from the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, to which is committed the direction of the Sunday School work in North Carolina, submit through this Board to the Convention the following report:

To the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee, to whom has been entrusted the Sunday School and Colportage work and the management of the Baptist Book Store, take great pleasure in presenting the report of a prosperous year's work.

Through the vigorous labors of our Sunday School missionary, Rev. B. W. Spilman, the needs of increased Sunday School facilities, better teachers, and the destitution of Sunday Schools in many sections of the State, have been impressed upon our people as never before. For the information of the Convention, a brief resume of the work since the appointment of a committee of fifteen is given herewith in the report of the Sunday School missionary.

REPORT OF B. W. SPILMAN. SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONARY.

I submit herewith my third annual report as Sunday School missionary. The new movement for establishing and aiding Sunday Schools in North Carolina was inaugurated in 1895, at Greensboro. A committee of fifteen members of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools was selected, to whom was entrusted the prosecution of the Sunday School work in the State. The financial support of the work was provided by the Sunday School Board at Nashville and the Baptist Book Store, Raleigh. Under this plan the work continued from April 1, 1896, to December 16, 1896. From that time to the Convention in Oxford in 1897, the work was in the hands of the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention. No action was taken at Oxford looking toward advancing the Sunday School work. The Sunday School Committee was, however, reappointed and took up the matter of helping the Sunday Schools of the State. After studying the situation, it was deemed best not to select a Sunday School Secretary, as provided by the Convention; but the Committee decided to select a Sunday School missionary and urge his appointment by the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools. At the meeting of the Committee, December 20, 1897, the following plan was adopted with reference to the Sunday School work:

"That a Sunday School missionary be elected to whose support the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools is asked to make an appropriation of (\$600) six hundred dollars, or at that rate, per annum, and his necessary traveling expenses, whose work shall be defined as follows, with all the liberty desired for his individual suggestion and action in the aggressive prosecution of the work:

"1st. To cooperate with the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools in a special effort to have organized a Sunday School at every mission station to which the Board or associations make appropriations, and also at such other points as in his judgment Sunday Schools should be established. This work may be accomplished

by personal visits to the stations, or by correspondence with the missionaries.

“2d. To attend Sunday School associations, conventions, chautauquas and other such meetings, as the representative of our Sunday School interests. To organize and conduct Sunday School institutes and district chautauquas, and by personal effort increase the interest in more efficient Sunday School work in the State.

“3d. To visit churches and Sunday Schools already established and enlist their sympathies and financial support for the Sunday School work in a regular and systematic way, to the end that the work may become at an early day self-sustaining.

“4th. That the Sunday School missionary shall feel himself free and untrammelled in the formulation and execution of such plans as he may adopt for the accomplishment of the above-named objects, and shall be responsible only to the Sunday School Committee, to which he will render reports of his work for transmission through the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools to the Baptist State Convention, as prescribed by its Constitution.”

On Tuesday, January 19, the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools appropriated \$500 to pay salary and defray traveling expenses of the Sunday School missionary.

Under the above plan I took up the work January 20, 1898. I have attended from that time to the close of this report (November 30) two associations, five Sunday School chautauquas, twenty-one Sunday School institutes, and fifty-four Sunday School rallies—making a total of eighty-two points visited in the interest of the Sunday School work. The number of sermons and addresses delivered at these eighty-two places during the ten months and ten days of work, is 306. These places were in thirty-three counties and the territory of twenty-four associations. Between the close of this report and the Convention are two institutes and two Sunday School rallies. Nine of the twenty one institutes were held on the fields of the State missionaries. The others were held in the country and in small towns and villages. During the past three years no Sunday School institute has been held in a town of over two thousand inhabitants.

The general interest in the Sunday School work in the State seems to be greater than ever before.

A few new Sunday School associations have been organized during the year. I have made two unsuccessful attempts to find out the number of such associations in the State. I think that there are between thirty and thirty-five. They usually meet on a fifth Sunday, so that I can reach only two each year.

The Sunday School institutes have, as a rule, been poorly attended. The institute work is comparatively new, and the nature

of the work done is not well understood. This, together with the fact that the institutes have been held mostly with churches weak in membership and surrounded either by indifference or hostility to Sunday School work, accounts in part for the small attendance.

Four district Sunday School chautauquas were held during July and August, at Fair Bluff, Littleton, Mars Hill and Buies Creek.

The State Sunday School Chautauqua held its sixth annual session last August in Shelby. This was its first meeting in the west. A large, well-arranged tabernacle was built at Shelby by a stock company for the use of the Chautauqua and similar gatherings. The meeting at Buies Creek was held in a large tabernacle built in connection with the Buies Creek Academy. A similar tabernacle is to be built at Mars Hill. Subscriptions amounting to more than \$300 have been made already.

District chautauquas have been planned for the coming year to be held at Fair Bluff, Mars Hill and at some point in the Atlantic Association.

During the year Sunday School Departments have been conducted in the Biblical Recorder, by Rev. H. C. Moore, of Newbern, and in Charity and Children, by the Sunday School missionary. The former has been devoted to an exposition of the International Sunday School Lessons, and the latter to Sunday School news and a discussion of methods.

The coming of the Western Convention to join forces with us adds to our responsibility as well as to our field of operations. Bringing, as it does, ten counties and ten associations to us, it adds much to a field so large already as to render it a physical impossibility to do justice to it.

It is the purpose of your Committee to continue the work which has been so vigorously prosecuted during the past year, and we shall ask the Board of Missions for such appropriation as may be necessary to sustain the same.

We submit the report and statement of the

BAPTIST BOOK STORE.

This concludes the seventeenth year of the existence and work of the Baptist Book Store. Its usefulness and its importance is only just now coming to be recognized by our people. Without capital without credit, except such as it made for itself, it has been by no means the smallest of the agencies in the progress and prosperity of the Baptist cause in North Carolina. Its financial history has been rugged, and many yawning chasms have been faced. In 1891, at the meeting of the Convention at Goldsboro, the Store reported liabilities over assets \$300.19. The success achieved in overcoming such discouragements as this is exhibited in the report below sub-

mitted, in which is shown that since 1891 the Store has increased its business from \$6,614 to \$8,414.77. In 1891 the store's report showed liabilities over assets \$300.19. We now have assets over liabilities \$3,356.26, as is shown in statement submitted below.

During the past year the Store has had the largest business in all its history by nearly two thousand dollars. Upon reference to the Treasurer's report, it will be seen that the Store has contributed directly out of its net profits \$500.00 to the salaries of missionaries. Your Committee is convinced that this department of our Convention work may be made more and more a power for the upbuilding of our cause both in the dissemination of denominational and Christian literature, and as a source of money supply for the enlarging work of State Missions. Not without consideration, we suggest that if the Convention will provide a \$2,000 capital, and pastors and people give the Store support and patronage upon which we could assuredly rely, it could in five years so increase the volume of its business and its profits as to be able to pay very largely the cost of administration in our mission work, including the salary of the Corresponding Secretary and Sunday School Missionary. We should not omit to return our gratitude to our Sunday School Board at Nashville, and the American Baptist Publication Society, for donations of books and other literature.

STATEMENT OF BAPTIST BOOK STORE, NOVEMBER 30, 1898.

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By merchandise.....			\$1,900.00
By accounts			2,415.67
By furniture and fixtures			330.00
By Baptist Almanac.....			100.00
By cash.....			178.77
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To liabilities	\$1,568.18		
To balance	3,356.26		
		4,924.44	4,924.44
By balance.....			3,356.26
To amount paid Board Missions and Sunday Schools for salaries of missionaries	500.00		
To assumed debt on account of Children's Day, not heretofore included in liabilities	23.25	523.25	
Net assets.....			2,833.01
Donation and discounts, \$16.56.			

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
N. B. Broughton, Chairman.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our Foreign Mission work has been greatly blessed during the past year. Not only did our Foreign Board receive enough contributions to pay all indebtedness, but also had about three thousand dollars with which to begin the new year. Seven hundred and one baptisms were reported on our foreign fields. God seems graciously to be leading us on. We need not only to hear His command, but also to note the guidance of His providence.

OUR FOREIGN BOARD.

We Baptists of North Carolina cooperate with our sister States in doing Foreign Mission work. The Foreign Board, located at Richmond, Va., is the servant of the churches composing the Southern Baptist Convention. They organized it. They annually appoint its officers and members. They make rules to govern its proceedings. They furnish the means to carry on its work. They can enlarge or abridge its work at pleasure. When the Convention was first organized in Augusta, Ga., May, 1845, it appointed the Foreign Mission Board (or Committee) and located it in Richmond, Va. Here it has continued ever since. The Board consists of twenty-one members, who live in Richmond, with one Vice-President in each of our cooperating States. Of these members, only the following receive any salary: the Corresponding Secretary and the Assistant Corresponding Secretary, for all their time, and the Treasurer, for a part of his time.

COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD.

For convenience and facility in working, the Board is divided into eleven committees. These consider the various questions which are to be presented to the Board, and they bring reports with recommendations, which are then acted on by the Board. Visiting brethren at times attend the Board meetings, and are gladly welcomed by our brethren in Richmond.

APPOINTING MISSIONARIES.

This is one of the most difficult of all the duties which devolves upon the Board. It is necessary for a man who wishes to be a missionary to be good, and also good for the work. Not every man is suited for certain kinds of work here at home, and the same is true with perhaps greater emphasis, on the foreign field. When any one applies to the Board to go out as a missionary, he (or she) is advised first to confer with the pastor or some good brother near home. Then communication is opened up by the Board with a number of brethren who know the applicant and are considered safe

and discreet. Among these it is always desired that the pastor and a good physician shall express their opinions. The Board should know of the moral character and physical condition of the applicant. We consider it almost a waste of money to send persons who are physically unable to stand the climate, and who will, after taking an expensive trip abroad, soon have to return home. We need in missionaries a "great deal of the stuff of which heroes are made." It takes, besides physical strength, much moral patience and heroism to go and stand and stand, and stand, and stay, and wait and wait, and work and work. More of this endurance than most people have any dream or conception of—more than many of those who have offered for the work found that they had when tried. A missionary, who goes and stays ten, twenty, forty, years and works on still, has won a place loftier than that of kings, and equal to that of any martyr of earth. It is this "sticking" quality that is so much needed. It takes much grace and endurance. After a person has applied to the Board, and is supposed to be worthy, he passes an examination as to his Christian experience, call to the ministry and to mission work, and also a medical examination. If then he is accepted, his field of labor is decided on, and arrangements are made for his going forth.

THE MISSIONARY ON THE FIELD.

He is necessarily a person of great individuality. If not so when he arrives on the field, this trait of character will soon be developed. In a great many questions he has to decide for himself, and that very positively. The Board, while it tries to exercise a wise oversight of the missionaries, recognizes that they are God-called men with minds and hearts, and so in many questions leaves them to decide for themselves. The question of clothing, what they shall eat, how they shall conduct their domestic affairs, are personal and not denominational matters.

OUR MISSIONS.

We have missionaries working in six foreign countries. Below we give a tabulated statement of the work for the past year:

Countries.	Date of Organization.	Missionaries.	Native Assistants.	Churches.	Baptisms in 1897.	Membership.
China-----	1845	40	43	21	208	1,499
Africa-----	1850	3	10	6	43	313
Italy-----	1870	1	25	21	55	481
Mexico-----	1880	13	17	32	101	1,132
Brazil-----	1882	13	15	21	283	1,274
Japan-----	1889	6	7	1	11	61
Total-----		76	117	102	701	4,760

Of these missionaries, the following are from North Carolina: Rev. G. W. Greene and wife, Rev. E. F. Tatum, Rev. R. T. Bryan and wife, Miss Lottie W. Price, Rev. T. C. Britton and wife, China. Miss Anna M. Greene, daughter of Rev. G. W. Greene, has recently been appointed by the Board as a missionary to China, and will return there with her father, who expects to leave about January 1, 1899.

FINANCES.

Our Board does not send funds direct to the missionaries, but it has adopted a plan which is considered better.

Once a year estimates come from the various mission fields of what will be needed. These estimates are first carefully considered by the various committees and then submitted to the Board. When these are approved, letters of credit are sent to the various missions, and on these letters the missionaries draw drafts which are as good as gold in any land.

From a careful study of the report of the Foreign Board last year, it will be seen that of the receipts seven and one-third per cent has been used for expenses in Richmond, one and two thirds per cent has been used for interest, and four and two-thirds per cent has been used in the States for collecting the funds. In other words, thirteen and two-thirds per cent was used for all expenses, including interest.

This shows that our work has been carefully and economically conducted.

Below we give a table of what has been given by the different States for the past two years, and what is asked for during this Conventional year:

States.	Preachers.	Churches.	Members.	Contributions in 1896 '97.	Contributions in 1897 '98.	Amount asked for 1898 '99
Alabama -----	949	1,713	119,454	\$6,563.29	\$5,950.74	\$8,000
Arkansas -----	816	1,379	72,591	1,827.96	2,114.10	2,400
District of Columbia -----	29	13	4,927	*1,081.78	*1,019.03	1,800
Florida -----	274	467	21,751	1,047.00	1,000.00	1,500
Georgia -----	1,257	1,915	179,968	20,275.29	17,425.06	18,000
Kentucky -----	1,169	1,687	188,463	12,214.62	13,514.46	15,000
Louisiana -----	308	532	33,064	1,971.64	1,968.84	2,000
Maryland -----	47	60	10,779	7,707.71	5,659.73	8,000
Mississippi -----	673	1,503	105,288	8,528.22	7,192.41	7,500
Missouri -----	1,391	1,849	141,437	*7,069.34	*5,481.33	8,000
N'th Carolina† -----	837	1,603	154,195	7,839.63	7,555.08	9,000
South Carolina -----	468	903	91,795	11,352.50	11,470.58	12,000
Tennessee -----	880	1,368	122,980	6,058.06	6,331.76	7,500
Texas -----	1,647	2,661	180,338	8,483.46	12,659.53	12,000
Virginia -----	524	927	116,188	21,565.18	23,370.52	21,000
Other sources -----				2,096.31	1,536.52	2,300
Total -----	11,270	18,580	1,543,018	125,681.99	124,249.69	136,000

* Part of their gifts goes to Missionary Union.

† Includes Western North Carolina Convention.

Surely North Carolina ought to give every dollar of the \$9,000 asked from her for this great work.

THE FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL.

During the year the Foreign Mission Journal has attained to a circulation never reached before. Twenty-two thousand copies or more have been printed monthly. It is earnestly desired that the circulation be increased this year to thirty thousand copies. The price is thirty-five cents per annum, or twenty-five cents in clubs of ten.

MAPS.

The Board has published an excellent set of maps of our mission fields. These show the main stations and out-stations in each of our fields in Africa, China, Japan, Brazil, Italy and Mexico. Nearly six hundred sets of these maps have been sold. Every church ought to have a set to use in studying missions. The cost for the six maps is two dollars; the postage or express, thirty cents to any point in the United States.

TRACTS AND ENVELOPES.

The Board keeps on hand a good supply of tracts containing mission information, and also neatly printed envelopes for Foreign Mission collections. Any church or pastor can get these, free, by simply applying for them.

THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

The field of the Home Mission Board covers the entire South, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and the Island of Cuba. There is not a State or Territory within its borders in which the Board has not men preaching the gospel to the destitute.

The work accomplished during the last Southern Baptist Conventional year, although there existed special adverse conditions, compares favorably with any former year. The total amount of cash received by the Board was \$86,887.27, against \$83,184.31 the preceding year, an increase of \$3,702.96. The number of missionaries employed was 467, against 372 the preceding year. Baptisms, 4,739, against 4,709.

These missionaries employ themselves in preaching the gospel, making religious visits, establishing Sunday Schools, organizing churches, building houses of worship and distributing Bibles and Testaments, tracts and other religious literature.

Last year they performed 11,407 weeks of labor, preached 49,306

sermons in nearly 2,000 different places, reaching with the Word of Life probably 300,000 people. They added 9,509 members to their churches, built and improved 113 houses of worship, organized 297 Sunday Schools, into which they gathered 7,000 children, made 60,000 religious visits, put into homes nearly 5,000 Bibles and Testaments, and scattered 1,580,741 pages of tracts.

While it is impossible to give the results of the present year's work until its labors are finished and the figures are gathered, there is every reason to believe they will exceed those of last year. The total number of missionaries for the current year will probably exceed 500.

MOUNTAIN REGIONS.

At the last meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention the Home Board was instructed to take under advisement the prosecution of the special work of Christian education in the mountain sections of our country, and earnestly advised to consider the advisability of employing a suitable man to give his entire time to the oversight of the work and to the holding of Bible Institutes for the instruction of the ministry in Bible doctrine and methods of Christian work.

These instructions were in harmony with the oft-repeated expressions of the Board, and since the meeting of the Convention it has addressed itself to planning for their execution. Through its Committee on Mountain Missions and Sunday Schools it has been diligently seeking to secure just the right man for this important work. From present indications, it is hoped this will soon be accomplished, and the enlargement of this work fairly inaugurated. For some years the Board has been expending about \$4,000 in mountain work. Several times this amount could be profitably used and will be required when the urgent demands of our mountain regions receive the consideration the Board has for years desired to give, and is now, by the Convention, authorized to do.

WEAK STATES.

There are a number of States in the South where our denomination is too few in numbers and too weak in finances to do even half the mission work that is actually demanded. Notably, Arkansas, Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas. All these States are being helped, and every dollar thus expended soon returns to the denomination many-fold, in influence and financial support.

Referring to the Home Board, the Florida Convention said: "For what we are in a religious and educational point of view, we are indebted to this Board, as well as for the strength of what we are doing for Foreign Missions."

Dr. B. F. Riley, of Georgia, who spent some time studying the

situation in Louisiana, declared: "The Home Mission Board could wisely expend its entire income on the great destitution of that State."

Dr. A. J. Holt has said, what is well known to others: "I know that the Home Mission Board saved Texas to the Southern Baptist Convention without doubt, I know this of my own personal knowledge."

These States are simply helped by the Home Board. Their churches are urged to raise all they can for their own destitution and other denominational missions, and the Home Board then supplements their offerings by that amount of means which it is able to give.

FRONTIER MISSIONS.

The work of the Board on the frontier has been wonderfully blessed, growing in interest from year to year. This phase of the work lies chiefly in the Indian Territory, Oklahoma, western Arkansas, and that part of Texas which borders on the Rio Grande from El Paso to its mouth. This district of country is about equal in size to the States of Alabama, Georgia, Florida and South Carolina, and comprises wonderful physical possibilities. During last year there was organized in the Indian Territory a Sunday School and Colportage Convention, which promises fine results. A similar organization has recently been effected in Oklahoma. These two organizations, as well as the General Association of the Indian Territory and the Oklahoma Convention, are all in thorough accord, and determined to cooperate only with the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Board has been constrained to make increased appropriations for this work, and yet it is unable to meet the urgent necessities there for greatly enlarged effort.

WORK AMONG THE NEGROES.

Under the cooperative plan, as directed by the Convention, work among the negroes has been carried on in Alabama, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, and will be commenced in Georgia in January next. This work has proven eminently successful.

CUBA.

In the providence of God, all barriers to the free access of the gospel in the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico have been removed. Thus, the Home Board is not only enabled to take up its work in Havana, but also there is imposed upon Southern Baptists the great responsibility of covering the entire island with the Word of

Life. Every indication is favorable for the reception of the truth by the natives throughout the entire island.

It is the intention of the Board to prosecute this feature of its work as vigorously and as early as practicable. Numbers of missionaries will be required, and the Board will exercise great care and prudence in their selection, as well as the selection of points at which to establish the work.

Rev. J. R. O'Halloran, former missionary of the Board in Havana, was sent to Santiago about two months ago. He has established a school, ordained one native preacher, baptized not less than sixty or seventy-five converts, and constituted two churches. In part of this work he has had the counsel and assistance of Rev. D. H. Parker, of Georgia, who is chaplain in the U. S. Army.

The Committee of the Board who recently visited Havana was gratified with the success of their visit. They found that the women there had continued all the day and Sunday Schools and prayer services during the entire war. The Committee found everything favorable for a forward movement in Havana as early as the work can be reorganized, which the Board will do without delay.

It has been proposed by several States that there shall be raised not less than \$50,000 for prosecuting work in Cuba. This sum would not exceed the amount required by the importance of the field, nor the ability of Southern Baptists to meet their obligation.

OTHER WORK.

In addition to these special phases of work, the Board realizes the great importance of work in certain cities and among the foreign population. It is doing a splendid work, in a limited way, among the Germans and Italians in Baltimore, and among the Germans in Louisville, St. Louis, Kansas City and some other points. The imperative necessity of enlarging this phase of its work must impress itself upon the denomination, if the great numbers coming to our shores from the various nations of the earth are to receive the gospel of salvation and become capable of discharging the high obligations of citizenship.

NORTH CAROLINA'S PART.

The attention of the Convention is called to the fact that the Home Mission Board has this year appropriated to our North Carolina work the liberal amount of \$1,000. Five hundred dollars of this amount was paid December 1. The other \$500 will be paid to us April 30, on condition that we secure from North Carolina churches, exclusive of the amount sent from territory of the Western Convention, as much as \$4,000 during this Southern Baptist Conventional year.

In view of the union of the two Conventions in North Carolina, our cooperation with the Home Mission Board in its work receives additional emphasis. It can not be too strongly urged that we must increase our contributions to Home Missions. With the assistance of churches formerly in the Western Convention, we should easily raise as much as \$5,000 for that work by May 1, 1899.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

In submitting our report for the general work, we would leave it incomplete except mention were made of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, with headquarters at Nashville, Tenn. This Board is coordinate with the Home and Foreign Boards, and stands as an agency of the Convention for the furtherance of its work along certain lines and in behalf of a great interest.

As set out in this report, to the recent session of the Convention in Norfolk, this Board had last year the most prosperous year in its history, and is becoming more and more a factor in our denominational life, helping all the other great interests that are fostered by the Convention.

Its benevolence during the last Convention year in appropriations of cash and books and tracts and Bibles and periodicals and missionary boxes amounted to over twelve thousand dollars, and in seven years to nearly fifty-five thousand dollars, besides the enlargement of its business in every department of work.

This enterprise of the Southern Baptist Convention has developed into a great business under the absolute ownership and control of the Convention, and for the advancement of all the Convention's interests—a business which, measured by its income making power, is easily worth two hundred thousand dollars and has been built up without the investment of any money capital on the part of the denomination.

The periodicals and publications of the Board are well adapted to meet the needs of our people, and especially directed to forward the interests which we as a denomination have in hand.

(1) A full line of Sunday School periodicals, with all that is needed for the equipment of a Sunday School.

(2) A Convention Almanac, published annually, edited by Dr. Lansing Burrows, full of facts and incidents in denominational life, and also setting out all the work of the Convention, following in order the Mission Card prepared by the Woman's Missionary Union.

(3) The Story of Yates the Missionary, written by Dr. Chas. E. Taylor, and setting out in a wonderful way the life-work of our great missionary to China.

(4) A Great Trio, a paper-bound book consisting of three charming lectures before the Seminary at Louisville, by Dr. W. R. L. Smith, having for his subjects Jeter, Fuller, and Yates.

(5) Restricted Communion, a tract of 70 pages, by J. M. Frost, and also a full line of catechisms by John A. Broadus, Basil Manly and others.

All these periodicals and publications are issued by the Board for the Convention, being entirely under its control and ownership.

The Bible Department of the Sunday School Board stands for the Bible work of the Southern Baptist Convention. Contributions to its Bible Fund entitles to representation in the sessions of the Convention. The Board last year sent out nearly twelve thousand copies of the Word of God into destitute places, making its appropriations for the most part through the missionaries of the State Board and the Home Board. Bibles have been sent out on the frontier, also for distribution among the immigrants in Baltimore, among Cuban refugees in Florida, also to Africa and to Cuba. No one can forecast the harvest which may come from this sowing of the Seed of Life. We commend this work to the thoughtful consideration of our people, counting it worthy of their support and contribution.

The Board makes special effort for the training of the young in missionary thought and life through its Kind Words and mission articles in the Teacher, and other mission publications. In addition to this, it has two special days in the Sunday Schools—namely, Missionary Day, the last Sunday in September, and Children's Day, the second Sunday in June. Programs are prepared and furnished without cost for these services, in whatever quantities may be needed and as the school may desire. The educational value of these services can hardly be over estimated. The money that is collected from Missionary Day, though sent directly to the Sunday School Board, is forwarded to the Home and Foreign Boards, being divided equally between these two Boards unless otherwise designated. The money which comes from Children's Day in June goes to the credit of the Bible Fund, and for every dollar that is received, the Board appropriates another dollar from its business, and so makes every contribution do double service in sending out Bibles and Testaments to destitute places.

The great ultimate end of all this work of the Board is for the advancement and improvement of our Sunday School condition. There are thousands of churches among us that have no Sunday School, and the Sunday Schools we have need advancement in many ways. The Home Department in the Sunday School is intended to carry the Word of God into the family circle; and we need, both in the school and in the home, to emphasize afresh the

Bible as the very Word of God. The boys of to-day are the men of to-morrow; and there is tremendous power in the printed page for the making of men. We need to enlarge the Sunday School thought and purpose. Here is a great mission field for missionary sowing and a missionary harvest. Here we lay the foundations for future usefulness.

The Convention, in its Sunday School Board, is carrying forward the Sunday School cause and seeking in every way to foster the great interests for the furtherance of its work. The appeal of the Convention for this Board is not less urgent than its appeal for the Home and Foreign Boards. It is worth our while, in view of the great interests we have in hand, to carry the Sunday School Board into all our churches. There is hardly a more effective way in which to build up and strengthen and carry forward our work.

WOMAN'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF MISSIONS.

The Central Committee makes its thirteenth annual report with a deep sense of thankfulness. It has had during the entire course of the year marked signs of divine blessing upon all its work. At the last annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies, it was determined to endeavor to give as a Christmas Offering an amount sufficient to support Mr. T. C. Britton in China, thus establishing a perpetual living memorial to Dr. and Mrs. Yates, and the necessary sum was given by the Societies during the first week in January. In March a Week of Self-denial and Prayer for Home Missions was observed, resulting in an offering of \$488.59. Throughout the year great emphasis has been laid on the importance of increasing gifts to State Missions, and the last two years have been marked by much improvement in this direction.

Important service has been rendered by Miss Elizabeth Briggs in the organization of Children's Mission Bands, and by twenty Associational Vice-Presidents in every department of the work. In several associations the work has made notable progress, the efforts of the associational officers being heartily seconded by pastors and people alike.

Again, this year as last, we have to report a remarkably large number of new societies organized, the average being nearly two a week for the entire year. The Central Committee has, as in the past, endeavored to keep in constant and close touch with each Society by frequent personal letters and large distribution of leaflets, as follows: Letters written, 1,432; postals, 363; quarterly letters, 2,320; leaflets, blanks, minutes, mission cards, etc., 16,065. New societies, 96. Reported by the societies for year December, 1897—1898,

\$7,040.00, divided between Home, State and Foreign Missions, and Orphanage as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE, EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND
NINETY-EIGHT.

Foreign Missions.....	\$2,000.46
Home Missions.....	3,319.47
State Missions.....	1,190.39
Orphanage	337.10
Louisville Seminary.....	5.40
Education	5.41
Relief Fund.....	8.15
Expense Fund.....	2.18
Sunday Schools	10.69
For Cubans	50.00
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	6,929.25

While chronicling with deep thankfulness this remarkable growth in societies and large increase in contributions, we would, as in the past, ask not only the tacit approval of the pastors, but their earnest cooperation. Hitherto we have asked especially for aid in the organization of societies. We would ask now, first, that they urge all the female members of their churches to join the societies already formed; second, that they endeavor to raise the standard of giving in these societies, and lastly, that they occasionally encourage the societies by their presence and words of encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

FANNIE E. S. HECK, President.

MRS. J. A. BRIGGS. Cor. Sec.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Convention was presented and ordered to be printed in the Minutes:

REPORT OF J. D. BOUSHALL, TREASURER BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION, DECEMBER 4, 1897, TO DECEMBER 3, 1898.

STATE MISSIONS.

To balance last report	\$1,069.23	
By amount received		\$15,521.84
To paid:		
N. B. Broughton, salary as Rec. Sec.....	25.00	
H. C. Moore, salary as Rec. Sec	25.00	
Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes.....	20.00	
Part Expenses Woman's Central Com.....	47.74	
Jno. E. White, salary as Cor. Secretary	760.00	
Jno. E. White, travelling expenses	35.00	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	75.00	
Benbow & Benbow, legal services.....	20.00	
Postage, stationery, etc	159.90	
Postage, stationery S. S. Committee.....	28.03	
Furnishing for Mission Rooms.....	42.00	
Rent of Mission Rooms	16.66	
Miss Lena W. Partin, salary as stenographer.....	35.00	
B. W. Spilman, salary, etc., as S. S. Miss	585.53	
Expenses Volunteer Mission	61.40	
On account of cooperation.....	614.88	
Salaries of Missionaries.....	12,942.55	
Balance		1,031.07
	<u>16,582.91</u>	<u>16,582.91</u>

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

By balance.....		\$429.13
Amount received		8,030.27
Amount sent direct		325.89
To paid:		
Amount sent direct	\$325.89	
Part expenses Woman's Central Com	81.04	
Printing Minutes.....	32.50	
Postage, stationery, etc	111.28	
Rent Mission Rooms.....	58.83	
Jno. E. White, salary as Cor. Secretary	480.00	
Miss L. W. Partin, salary as stenographer	50.00	
	<u>1,139.04</u>	<u>8,785.29</u>

Amount forward	\$1,139.04	\$8,785.29
Jno. E. White, travelling expenses	95.00	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	60.00	
Printing	29.25	
Jno. E. White, expenses as Statistical Sec ...	5.00	
Furnishings for Mission Rooms	64.13	
Amount sent Foreign Mission Board	6,573.39	
Balance	819.48	
	<u>8,785.29</u>	<u>8,785.29</u>

HOME MISSIONS.

Balance		\$265.44
By amount received		4,328.52
Amount sent direct		324.00
Value of boxes sent direct		1,536.00
To paid :		
Amount sent direct	\$324.00	
Value boxes sent direct	1,536.00	
Printing Minutes	20.00	
Part expenses Woman's Central Com	47.73	
Rent of Mission Rooms	27.01	
Jno. E. White, salary as Cor. Secretary	460.00	
Postage, stationery, etc	106.27	
Jno. E. White, Cor. Sec., travelling expenses..	75.00	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	50.00	
Miss Lena W. Partin, salary as stenographer..	50.00	
Printing	22.50	
Furnishings for Mission Rooms	59.80	
Amount sent Home Mission Board	3,250.00	
Balance	425.65	
	<u>6,453.96</u>	<u>6,453.96</u>

EDUCATION.

Balance		\$146.58
By amount received		2,468.16
To Paid :		
Dr. John Mitchell. Sec'y's vouchers	\$2,153.07	
Printing and mailing Minutes	15.00	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	15.00	
Balance	431.67	
	<u>2,614.74</u>	<u>2,614.74</u>
Amount contributed to Endowment Wake Forest College		3,420.03
Amount contributed to Baptist Female Uni- versity		7,081.66
Total for Education		<u>13,116.43</u>

ORPHANAGE.

(Report by Ivey Allen, Treasurer.)

Amount contributed in cash.....		\$7,751.36
Amount contributed in kind		1,607.95
Subscriptions to <i>Charity and Children</i>		1,762.54
Amount contributed for Manager's Home.....		836.17
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		11,958.02
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MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND.

By amount received.....			\$918.09
To Paid :			
Printing and mailing Minutes.....	\$14.50		
T. E. Cheek, Treasurer.....	903.59		
		918.09	918.09
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Total value this Fund.....			1,924.58
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BAPTIST BOOK STORE BUSINESS.

By cash receipts of Store.....			\$8,414.77
To Paid :			
Balance.....	\$43.41		
Printing, etc.....	75.00		
H. L. Watson, salary as Clerk	600.00		
Rent of store.....	203.99		
Furnishings for Mission Rooms.....	49.67		
Printing Minutes	20.69		
Miss L. W. Partin, salary as stenographer ..	44.00		
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	50.00		
Fuel, lights and insurance.....	103.24		
Freight, drayage, etc.....	146.76		
Donations and discounts	166.56		
Literature, books, etc	6,698.71		
Balance.....	212.74		
		8,414.77	8,414.77
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SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

By amount received.....			\$203.17
To Paid :			
Balance.....	\$22.00		
B. W. Spilman, salary as Missionary.....	177.42		
W. D. Bostic, salary as Colporter.....	25.75		
Balance.....			22.00
		203.39	203.39
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STUDENTS' AID FUND (LOUISVILLE.)

By amount received.....		\$60.30
To Paid:		
Dr. E. C. Dargan, Treasurer.....	\$60. 30	
	<u>60.30</u>	<u>60.30</u>
Amount sent direct. estimated.....		<u>500.00</u>

SUMMARY.

State Missions.....		\$16,582.91
Foreign Missions.....		8,785.29
Home Missions.....		6,453.96
Education:		
Ministerial.....	\$2,614.74	
Wake Forest Endowment.....	3,420.03	
Baptist Female University.....	7,081.66	13,116.43
Orphanage:		
General Expenses.....	7,751.36	
Manager's Home.....	836.17	
<i>Charity and Children</i>	1,762.54	
Contributions in kind (estimated).....	1,607.95	11,958.02
Ministerial Relief.....		918.09
Students' Aid Fund.....		560.30
Baptist Book store.....		8,414.77
Sunday Schools and Colportage.....		203.39
Contributed on Mission fields for Church extension.....		5,279.35
Contributed for Church extension other than Mission fields—estimated.....		75,000.00
Paid Pastors' salaries not on Mission fields.....		122,508.00
Incidental expenses of churches.....		15,030.00
For Poor.....		3,364.00
Contributions for Mission purposes.....		29,032.00
Sunday School expenses.....		7,182.89
Grand total.....		<u>324,389.40</u>

J. D. BOUSHALL.

Treasurer Baptist State Convention.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of J. D. Boushall, Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, for the past Conventional year, comparing the same with the acknowledgments in the *Biblical Recorder*. I find all accounts, with the various objects of the Convention, to be correct, and disbursements supported by proper vouchers.

W. N. JONES.

Chairman W. C. Tyree presented the Report of the Ministerial Relief Board, which was received and referred to appropriate committees :

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF BOARD.

It is with profound gratitude in behalf of the "old preachers" and their families that we are able to make so favorable a report to the great Baptist brotherhood of North Carolina. These fathers in Israel deserve our respect, honor, and gratitude because they were pioneers in many sections of our State, preaching the gospel in destitute sections, laying the foundations of many of our strong and flourishing churches; and they performed there faithful duties with but little if any compensation. They have spent their lives and worn themselves out in their efforts to save souls and teach the great doctrines which Baptists believe. Unselfishly, bravely and faithfully they labored and we have entered into their labors. Carefully and patiently they sowed, and we are reaping the harvest from the seed they planted. Age or disease has now made it impossible for them to preach: they linger with us a little while in the twilight of their lives before they are called home to receive their reward, and so devoted and unselfish has been their lives that they have not laid up anything to support them in old age. Such is the character of these brethren whom it is our duty and privilege to care for and support for Jesus' sake.

We have now thirteen beneficiaries. Brother R. W. Wooten, of Rhonda, has passed to his reward, and brother N. H. Moss, of Waco, has been received since our last report. Except these two, the list of beneficiaries remains as it was last year. We believe there are other deserving and needy Baptist ministers in the State who ought to receive our assistance, and we would be very glad to have them reported to us, so that we can supply them with the blank form of application, etc. Our contributions steadily increase every year, and we are anxious to find out other worthy objects of our sympathy and assistance as our ability to help increases. Our receipts this year are larger than ever before, and we believe the contributions to this cause will be larger every year as the Board and its work become more widely known among our people. Our work appeals so generally and directly to the reason and sympathy of all that it needs only to be presented in order to be supported. We earnestly appeal to all our pastors to explain the Board and its work to their churches and take at least one public collection every year for its work.

We try to follow our Constitution literally and never deviate from the rigid requirements for assistance. Every applicant is required to satisfactorily fill out a blank form of questions and have his application endorsed by the moderator and executive committee of his association

before his name is put on the list of beneficiaries. If any unworthy or undeserving one is aided, it is because the moderator or executive committee deceives us. We are anxious to help every one who deserves help, and we try to help no one who does not.

We have sustained a great loss during the year in the death of brother J. L. Markham, who had been a faithful and useful member of the Board ever since it was located in Durham. He was so wise and conscientious and so interested in our work. We shall greatly miss his help and counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. McDUFFIE,

Corresponding Secretary.

W. C. TYREE,

President.

Corresponding Secretary John Mitchell presented the Report of the Board of Education, which was received and referred :

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Thirty-four young ministers have been aided by the Board during the past year. The aid usually given is \$9.00 per month; and this not a gift, but a loan, to be returned after five years, without interest. Twenty-nine were received on the Board for the Fall Term, 1898. Six of them are not in attendance. We are expecting to add six or more to the number at the opening of the Spring Term, or before. And still others are wanting aid. Would that we were able to aid all the worthy young men who apply.

The importance of this work can not be overestimated. It is one of the leading objects of our Baptist State Convention, in whose Constitution we find written :

“1. The primary objects of this Convention shall be to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong. * * * *

“2. The Education Board shall, so far as it is able, assist promising and indigent young ministers seeking to prepare themselves for the more efficient preaching of the gospel.”

No work of the Convention is more important. None has given better results. None calls more loudly for help now. Let us heed the call, and, for the Master's sake, help His poor young ministers in their worthy and noble effort to prepare themselves for the great work to which He has called them.

The annual itemized account of the Corresponding Secretary shows the following :

DEBITS.

Received of J. D. Boushall, Treasurer, during the year	\$2,303.77
Borrowed from C. E. Brewer, January 23, 1898.....	133.00
Borrowed from Citizens National Bank. July 6, 1898. (ninety days)	150.00
Total.....	2,586.77

CREDITS.

Balance due on last year's account.....	\$97.69
Paid out as per receipts during the year.....	2,494.86
Total.....	2,592.55
Leaving balance due Corresponding Secretary on open account.....	6.78

We have in the hands of our Treasurer, J. D. Boushall, an amount sufficient to pay this and all other current expenses of the Board to date, and leave a balance of \$200.00 or more in favor of the Board; so that I can report the Board of Education out of debt, and it gives me pleasure to do it.

JOHN MITCHELL.

Corresponding Secretary.

The Convention was then addressed by Secretary J. M. Frost, of Nashville, on the work, opportunities and prospects of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The following Committee, representing the former Baptist Convention of Western North Carolina, was introduced to the body by C. S. Cashwell: A. I. Justice, of the Carolina Association; W. M. Vines, of Buncombe County Association; A. B. Smith, of the Tuckaseegee Association; W. E. Wilkins, of the Haywood County Association; T. Bright, of the Western North Carolina Association.

Remarks on the part of the Committee were made by A. I. Justice, T. Bright, A. B. Smith, W. M. Vines and W. E. Wilkins.

The following resolution, presented by J. S. Hardaway, was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, We have this day heard through messengers of the dissolution of the Western North Carolina Convention; and, whereas, said

messengers are present seeking admission as members of this body. Therefore be it

Resolved 1. That the first article of the Constitution of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention be amended so as to read: "The Baptist State Convention shall be composed of three male representatives from each white Association in the State, or one annual male representative," etc.. etc.

2. That the delegates from the Associations and churches formerly composing the Western North Carolina Convention, be welcomed on their application as delegates of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

Welcome on the part of the Convention was extended the messengers from Western North Carolina by C. E. Taylor. Remarks were also made by J. B. Boone, W. R. Gwaltney and T. E. Skinner. The hand of welcome was then extended while singing, "Blest be the tie that binds."

On motion of J. D. Boushall the reported contributions from Western North Carolina are included in the report of this Convention.

N. L. Shaw presented the partial report on Order of Business:

FRIDAY AFTERNOON AND NIGHT.—2.30 p. m.—Miscellaneous Business.
 3 p. m.—Wake Forest College.
 3.45 p. m.—Theological Seminary.
 7.30 p. m.—Dr. O. F. Flippo on American Baptist Publication Society.
 8 p. m.—Foreign Missions.

The President appointed the following committees:

Home Missions.—E. W. Sikes, A. R. Foushee, W. C. Petty, C. F. Meserve, R. R. Overby, E. Lee, J. E. M. Davenport.

Orphanage.—James Long, T. D. Boone, J. H. Lamberth, J. T. Edmundson, H. L. Watson.

Female University.—W. L. Poteat, B. Craig, J. B. Newton, C. J. F. Anderson, A. L. Betts, Noah Biggs.

Obituaries.—L. Johnson, John Mitchell, W. B. Morton, T. E. Skinner, C. B. Justice.

State Missions.—C. S. Blackwell, W. M. Bond, S. J. Porter, W. B. Waff, G. M. Duke, W. C. Cook, W. E. Wilkins.

Foreign Missions.—G. W. Greene, A. C. Barron, J. S. Meadows, R. H. Gilbert, C. W. Scarboro.

Periodicals.—J. E. Ray, O. P. Meeks, J. W. Cobb, J. M. Alderman, W. G. Britt, F. H. Farrington.

To Nominate Board of Education.—B. F. Hester, W. R. Gwaltney, G. M. Duke, E. Wright, J. S. Johnson, P. J. Long.

To Nominate Ministerial Relief Board.—C. B. Justice, S. A. Howard, J. E. Matthews, W. M. Jones, L. N. Chappell.

To Nominate Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.—A. D. Hunter, T. T. Speight, S. W. Hall, G. L. Merrell, J. M. White, G. P. Harrill, A. B. Adkins.

To Nominate Committee on Sunday Schools and Colportage.—G. L. Finch, A. A. Butler, J. D. Moore, J. W. Rose, S. F. Bristow.

Sunday Schools and Colportage.—N. B. Broughton, Forrest Smith, W. M. Vines, R. A. Hedgepeth, A. Bass, D. W. Allen.

Religious Exercises.—Pastor and deacons of Greenville Baptist Church.

Preachers and Place of Next Meeting.—C. S. Cashwell, J. A. Oates, W. R. Bradshaw, E. L. Dawson, S. J. Cobb.

Finance.—H. M. Shaw, Ed. Wyatt, H. B. Duffy.

Woman's Work.—J. E. Herring, J. Q. Adams, W. S. Penick, J. A. Mundy, F. H. Jones.

Education, Ministerial and General.—F. P. Hobgood, J. C. Scarboro, F. L. Cleavland, J. S. Corpening, R. T. Vann.

On Enlargement of State Mission Work.—Thos. Carrick, J. J. Payseur, R. H. Lewis, W. J. Fulford, M. E. Parrish.

On Cooperation.—J. W. Carter, C. E. Taylor, J. A. Mundy, A. I. Justice.

On Recommendations of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools Concerning the Work in Western North Carolina.—W. C. Tyree, T. J. Taylor, R. T. Vann, J. B. Boone, T. Bright.

On Volunteer Mission Corps.—J. N. Booth, M. L. Kesler, A. M. Simms, W. B. Morton, A. B. Smith.

Ministerial Relief.—T. J. Taylor, W. F. Watson, T. M. Pittman, N. L. Shaw, J. S. Hardaway.

The following telegram was read :

LOUISVILLE, KY., *December 8, 1898.*

President Baptist Convention, Greenville, N. C.:

North Carolina Seminary students send greetings. Numbers vi. 24-26.
ARCH C. CREE,
A. R. LOVE.

A. W. Setzer was appointed to make reply on the part of the Convention.

A letter from F. M. Jordan to the Convention was read by N. B. Broughton.

The Convention then adjourned with benediction by A. E. Dickenson, Richmond.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 2.30 p. m., President Marsh in the chair.

J. W. Carter, for the Committee on Cooperation, submitted the following, which was laid on the table :

Your Committee on Cooperation recommend that this Convention continue to cooperate with the colored Baptists of the State upon the conditions stated in Report of Board on page 16.

On motion of John E. Ray it was ordered that a committee of one be appointed from this Convention to cooperate with like committees from other States in Southern Baptist Convention relative to the proposed Jubilee of Missions in 1900.

The President appointed John E. Ray as the committee.

The following resolution, submitted by R. T. Vann, was adopted :

Resolved, That, in view of the important work accomplished by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, we heartily endorse that Board and heartily commend it to the patronage of our churches and Sunday Schools.

C. W. Scarborough offered the following resolution, which was adopted after remarks by J. M. Frost, J. W. Carter, W. C. Tyree, W. R. Gwaltney and A. L. Betts :

Resolved, That we express to our Sunday School Board the opinion that if there could be placed in our quarterlies a catechism in sections, with Scripture references, setting forth the doctrines dear to us as Baptists. it would meet a pressing need in a majority of our churches.

S. W. Hall reported the serious illness of J. H. Mills, of Thomasville, offering the following resolution, which was adopted :

That we, as a body, extend to Bro. Mills our deep and heartfelt sympathy in his sore affliction and that we pray that he may be speedily restored to health.

The Convention was led in prayer for Bro. Mills by John E. Ray. The Secretaries were instructed to telegraph Bro. Mills a message from the Convention.

The Report on Wake Forest College, presented by C. J. Hunter, was received as follows:

WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

It is gratifying to be able to report that the College is in a prosperous condition. During the session of 1897 and 1898, 253 students were matriculated. At the Commencement there were a larger number of graduates than had ever received diplomas before at any one time. Seventeen young men received the degree of Bachelor of Law, thirty-six the degree of Bachelor of Arts and six the degree of Master of Arts.

At the last annual meeting of the Board of Trustees, vacancies were filled by the election of Messrs. R. E. Royall, of Wake, and E. Y. Webb, of Cleveland.

The number of students matriculated during the current term is 236, eleven more than at the corresponding date last session. These young men have worked well, and, with very rare exceptions, their deportment has been excellent.

The religious condition of the College is unusually good. The Wake Forest Church held a meeting early in the session in which several students professed religion and others were much strengthened. This meeting was conducted by Rev. E. M. Poteat, one of the alumni of the College. Since the resignation of Dr. Gwaltney, the church has been without a pastor and the pulpit has been supplied, for the most part, by members of the Faculty. It is hoped that a pastor will be secured by the beginning of the new year. The Students' Association for Christian work is very helpful in the religious life of the institution.

The property of the denomination at the College is well cared for and is in good condition. The Memorial Hall has been rendered more secure and attractive by a beautiful panelled steel ceiling. Recent arrangements have resulted in the bountiful supply of water which for several years has been a desideratum.

At their last annual meeting the Trustees authorized an effort to raise the money with which to build and equip a gymnasium, and Prof. E. W. Sikes was requested to make the needed canvass. This building is a necessity, and it is hoped that the Baptists of the State will, by their contributions, enable it to be erected during the next summer.

The relations between the Convention and the College are close and vital. The prosperity of the College reacts upon the efficiency of the Convention. Every friend of the Convention should see to it, there-

fore, that the patronage which legitimately belongs to Wake Forest should not be diverted from it to any other institution within or without the State.

CAREY J. HUNTER,
F. P. HOBGOOD,
J. E. WHITE,

Committee.

Remarks were made by C. J. Hunter, T. E. Skinner, J. D. Boushall, A. C. Barron and C. E. Taylor.

J. R. Sampey, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, then presented the claims of the Seminary, and pledges were taken for the Student's Aid Fund amounting to \$638.50.

The Convention then adjourned, with benediction by C. F. Meserve.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Convention met at 7.30 p. m. The audience united in singing, "Come we that love the Lord." W. M. Vines, of Asheville, read the second Psalm and led in prayer.

O. F. Flippo, of Philadelphia, then addressed the body on the American Baptist Publication Society.

A solo was rendered by H. A. Wolfsohn, of Georgia.

Livingston Johnson, Vice-President of the Foreign Mission Board, was called to the chair.

The report on Foreign Missions was presented by G. W. Greene as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A hundred years ago the friends of Foreign Missions were praying the Lord to open the nations that the missionaries might take the gospel to them. The Lord heard their prayers and opened the nations.

Then they prayed for men and women to take the gospel to the nations, and the Lord called the men and women. For several years there have been more candidates for appointment than could be sent. During this time our prayer has been that the Lord would quicken the spirit of missions among the people that the money might be furnished to send these men and women. The increase in contributions has been gradual but slow, and again our Board is calling for men and women.

The news from the field is encouraging. The reports to the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention included only the work of the year 1897. Many fields reported more baptisms than ever before. Already for this year the numbers have passed those of 1897. The South China Mission reported 132 for last year, and 147 for ten months of the present year. Large accessions are reported also in Central and North China and in Brazil. New stations are opening to our workers, and the hearers are more numerous in the old stations. There are signs of progress.

While there has been some progress in the contributions in the Southern States, there has been for some years little progress in North Carolina. For several years the gifts to other objects have been gradually increasing, but the gifts to Foreign Missions have continued about the same. We rejoice to see progress in other directions; we desire to see progress for this object also. This increase ought to come from larger gifts by those who have hitherto contributed, and the awakening of interest on the part of many who have not yet become regular contributors. Such increase can come only through patient and faithful efforts on the part of the pastors and brethren in the churches.

G. W. GREENE,

A. C. BARRON,

C. W. SCARBOROUGH,

J. S. MEADOWS,

F. H. FARRINGTON,

Committee.

Addresses were made by G. W. Greene, C. B. Justice and Secretary R. J. Willingham, of Richmond. The report was then adopted.

N. L. Shaw, for the Committee on Order of Business, submitted a report which was recommitted.

The Convention adjourned, with benediction by F. H. Jones.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

GREENVILLE, N. C., *December 10th, 1898.*

The Convention opened with devotional exercises, conducted by W. M. Vines, of Asheville, who read from the fortieth chapter of Isaiah. Prayer was offered by C. F. Meserve and C. E. Taylor.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

N. L. Shaw, for Committee on Order of Business, made the following report, which was adopted :

SATURDAY.

- 10 a. m.—Periodicals.
- 11 a. m.—State Missions. Reports of Committees on Enlargement and on W. N. C. Work and Denominational Institutes.
- 2.30 p. m.—Home Missions.
- 3.30 p. m.—Orphanage.
- 7.30 p. m.—Sunday Schools and Colportage.
- 8.15 p. m.—Female University.

SUNDAY NIGHT.

- 7.30 p. m.—Historical Memorial Service.

MONDAY.

- 9.30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises, A. I. Justice.
- 10 a. m.—Ministerial Relief Board.
- 11 a. m.—Ministerial and General Education.
- 12 m.—Woman's Work.
- 3 p. m.—General Business.

C. S. Cashwell, for Committee on Place and Preacher, made the following report, which was adopted :

Your Committee would name the First Church, Asheville, as the place. To preach the sermon, R. T. Vann ; alternate, W. C. Tyree.

On motion of L. Johnson it was unanimously—

Resolved, That article 3 of the Constitution be so changed as to read, "This Convention shall meet annually on Wednesday morning after the first Sunday in December."

John E. Ray offered the following Report on Periodicals, which was adopted :

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

It is not easy to overestimate the importance of having wholesome literature in the homes of our people. For the information of the membership of our churches ; for the unification of our forces ; for the spiritual upbuilding of our Baptist men and women ; for the education of our children, we must have a good periodical—a religious journal.

In the progress of our denomination no one can calculate the influence which has been exercised by the organ of our Convention—the *Biblical Recorder*. For sixty-five years it has stood for every enterprise held dear by our fathers and ourselves: and the good which has resulted we shall know only when the great book is opened, after time shall have ended. No Baptist in North Carolina can afford to deprive himself and his family of the benefits to be derived from its weekly visits. We congratulate the Convention upon the union of the *Western North Carolina Baptist* with the *Biblical Recorder*.

We would also commend most heartily to the patronage of the members of the churches composing this Convention *Charity and Children*, the organ of our Orphanage; *Wake Forest Student*, *Baptist Historical Papers*, *Foreign Mission Journal*, *Seminary Magazine*, *Our Home Field*, and the *North Carolina Baptist*.

JOHN E. RAY,

W. G. BRITT,

J. W. COBB,

F. H. FARRINGTON,

J. M. ALDERMAN,

Committee.

The report was spoken to by T. E. Skinner, T. M. Pittman, A. M. Simms, John E. Ray, R. W. Weaver, T. T. Speight, O. F. Flipppo, T. Bright and J. W. Bailey.

S. J. Porter offered the report on State Missions as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The year 1898 will be epochal in the history of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, because of two events—meeting at the place of its birth, and the consolidation of the work of the entire State.

Notwithstanding the fact that a fierce and distracting political storm has swept our State from mountain top to seashore, God has spoken an unusual peace to our Baptist voters.

We are devoutly thankful that God has given us a special token of His favor in guiding to the waters of baptism, through the hands of our 103 State missionaries, 1,466 converts, 132 more than were ever baptized by our missionaries in any previous year. They were also enabled to preach 6,721 sermons, an increase of 1,257 over the year before.

One-third of our State's territory having been added to our responsibilities, we heartily urge our State Board to advance our operations from a \$15,000 to a \$20,000 basis. To meet this increased expenditure and enlarged work, we recommend that every lay mem-

ber be urged to make a voluntary offering in cash of one day's labor or income. We urge the pastors to go home and at once present this opportunity of an offering of one day's labor or income to every man and woman in our churches.

We earnestly urge our pastors to lead the laymen in their voluntary "one-day wage offerings" by extending the pastors' voluntary ten days' free evangelistic services. We believe the laymen will freely give one day's cash income if they see the pastors giving ten days' extra preaching service. If the service of the one and the silver of the other can be united, we have solved the problem of developing our new territory.

We feel that our State Board should seek the cooperation of the associational committees of the late Western Convention in planning for the best work in that important territory.

We believe that if a more vigorous and persistent effort were made to have our churches make State Mission collections very early in the Conventional year that our missionaries could be paid promptly at the end of every quarter, and that there would be no need of making any arrangement with banks to get money during the first half of the year to pay them. We believe the time has come for our pastors and churches to get out of the unbusiness-like habit of putting off our State Mission collections to the last quarter in the year to pay men who have worked from the first of the year. We must reform, and pay our honest debts when they are due, quarter by quarter. If every pastor would begin immediately after returning home to collect a part of the State Mission pledges we believe that three desirable results would be secured: (1) More State Mission money would be raised and with less effort; (2) Our missionaries could be paid honestly and promptly; (3) Our State Board and our Secretary would have their minds relieved and their hands untied for other advanced work. This new beginning year of new leaf turning is the time to begin to do the right thing. Unless we try we will never reform our bad habits of doing three-fourths of the Lord's work on credit.

C. S. BLACKWELL,
S. J. PORTER,
G. M. DUKE,
W. E. WILKINS,
W. C. COOKE,
W. B. WAFF,

Committee.

Thomas Carrick submitted the following report on Enlargement of State Mission Work :

REPORT ON ENLARGEMENT OF STATE MISSION WORK.

Your Committee to whom was referred the matter of the enlargement of the State Mission work, offer the following report :

That the recommendations of the Secretary of this Convention, as to the enlargement of the work, be adopted ; and that the State Mission Board be instructed, as suggested, to operate on a basis of \$20,000 the ensuing year.

THOS. CARRICK,
WM. J. FULFORD,
M. E. PARRISH.
RICHARD H. LEWIS,
Committee.

W. C. Tyree, for the Committee to Consider Recommendations of State Missions Board Relative to the Work in Western North Carolina, reported as follows :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WORK IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA.

We, the Committee to whom the recommendations of the Board of Missions, with reference to the work in Western North Carolina have been committed, advise that these recommendations be adopted :

1. That the Convention endorse the proposed annual meeting of Western North Carolina Baptists for the discussion of Missions, Education and other related subjects, to the end that the missionary spirit may be stimulated, missionary information disseminated, educational enterprises encouraged and the pastors and churches brought into personal contact and intimate fellowship in their work - with the suggestion that this proposed meeting shall be held, not only for the benefit of the former territory of the Western Convention, but for the entire mountain section of the State.

2. That for reasons of convenience, and that the churches be spared no encouragement in the duty of Christian beneficence, the Convention authorize the selection of an Assistant Treasurer for the funds contributed to different objects, who shall be located in the western territory, and who shall make regular monthly remittances by check or voucher to the Treasurer of the Convention.

3. That the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools be instructed to select and secure a general missionary or missionaries for the mountain section of the Convention, who shall work under the direction of the Board.

4. The Convention appoint a committee to confer as soon as possible with the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention with reference to educational and mission work in Western North Carolina, seeking the cooperation of that Board in securing funds necessary to maintain a general missionary or missionaries, and to provide assistance for such destitute points as may need our help.

We also advise that the Board be instructed to provide, as far as practicable, for the immediate continuance of the mission work already in operation in the Western Convention and enlarge it as fast as possible.

J. B. BOONE,
R. T. VANN,
T. BRIGHT,
T. J. TAYLOR,
W. C. TYREE,
Committee.

J. N. Booth made the following report for the Committee on the Volunteer Mission Corps:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VOLUNTEER MISSION CORPS.

We, the Committee to whom was referred the recommendation relative to Denominational Institutes, report the following:

We call attention to and commend the work done by the "Volunteer Mission Corps" and by brethren in Denominational Institutes, and advise that the work in these lines be continued; but in order to avoid confusion it seems best, to your Committee, to keep them separated.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. BOOTH,
A. M. SIMMS,
M. L. KESLER,
A. B. SMITH,
W. B. MORTON,
Committee.

The foregoing reports were discussed by J. D. Hufham, John E. Ray, John E. White, C. E. Taylor and W. E. Wilkins, after which they were adopted.

J. W. Bailey was instructed to send a telegram of congratulation to H. A. Brown, of Winston, who to-morrow completes the twenty-first year of his ministry with the First Church in that city.

The Convention then adjourned with benediction by T. M. Honeycutt, of Mars Hill.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reassembling at the hour appointed, the Convention was led in prayer by W. R. Gwaltney.

On motion the matter of cooperation is taken from the table. After discussion by J. D. Hufham and J. E. White, the report was adopted.

A. D. Hunter, for the Committee to Nominate Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, made their report, which was adopted. [See "Boards of Convention."]

F. P. Hobgood submitted the report on Education, Ministerial and General, as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL AND GENERAL EDUCATION.

It is cause for regret that the interest in the work of the Board of Education does not seem to increase. The receipts of the Board do not keep pace with the growing needs and the growing financial ability of the denomination. This lack of increase, in view of the increase of contributions to the other objects of the Convention, is marked.

The Committee ventures to suggest that the highest interests not only of the young ministerial students receiving aid from the Board, but also of those receiving free tuition from the College, are not served by their becoming pastors of churches, while we are quite sure that the churches themselves suffer from such a connection, and that the reaction upon the Board itself is not favorable.

The general educational outlook of the denomination is full of cheer. A larger number of boys and girls are attending the colleges of the State than ever. We rejoice in the prosperity of Wake Forest College, and of Chowan Baptist Female Institute and Oxford Seminary. These institutions for girls have met the responsibilities resting on them, and have educated women worthy to walk by the side of sons of Wake Forest, to sympathize with them in their highest aspirations, and to assist them in their noblest endeavors. And we rejoice in the early completion of the Female University.

But that which gives the greatest hope for the education of the vast Baptist host of North Carolina is the establishment of secondary schools. A large number of the associations have erected academies to prepare for college the boys and girls purposing to obtain a thorough education, and to subserve the educational interests of

the far larger number who can not go to college. We recommend the establishing of such a school by every association in the State.

F. P. HOBGOOD, *Chmn.*,
 J. C. SCARBOROUGH,
 F. L. CLEAVLAND,
 J. S. CORPENING,
 R. T. VANN,

Committee.

The motion to adopt was laid upon the table for consideration Monday morning.

The report on Home Missions was presented by E. W. Sikes as follows :

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Results of the present year's work of the Home Board can not be well ascertained until its labors for the year are finished and the figures are gathered. Every indication points to a larger work than any previous year. Last year the whole number of missionaries employed were 467, and the preceding year 372. The total number of missionaries for the current year will probably exceed five hundred. This ratio of increase may be expected to obtain in results of the Board's work throughout.

The general work of the Board in all departments is being maintained, and there is not a phase of this work that has not pressed upon the consideration of the Board urgent appeals for the necessity of enlarged appropriations. While this is true, there have been gratifying evidences of a forward movement all along the lines of denominational, and especially missionary, effort. Apparent differences and difficulties which threatened the best development and progress of churches, associations and conventions in some sections have been overcome, and an era of decided harmony and missionary determination seems to be settling over the Baptist Zion.

MOUNTAIN REGIONS.

At the last meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention the Home Board was instructed to take under advisement the prosecution of the special work of Christian education in the mountain sections of our country, and earnestly advised to consider the advisability of employing a suitable man to give his entire time to the oversight of the work, and to the holding of Bible institutes for the instruction of the ministry in Bible doctrine and methods of Christian work.

These instructions were in harmony with the oft-repeated expres-

sions of the Board, and since the meeting of the Convention it has addressed itself to planning for their execution. Through its Committee on Mountain Missions and Schools it has been diligently seeking to secure just the right man for this important work. From present indications it is hoped this will soon be accomplished and the enlargement of this work fairly inaugurated. For some years the Board has been expending about four thousand dollars in mountain work. Several times this amount could be profitably used and will be required when the urgent demands of our mountain regions receive the consideration the Board has for years desired to give, and is now, by the Convention, authorized to do so.

CUBA.

In the providence of God all barriers to the free access of the gospel in the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico have been removed. Thus, the Home Board is not only enabled to take up its work in Havana, but also there is imposed on Southern Baptists the great responsibility of covering the entire island with the Word of Life. Every indication is favorable for the reception of the truth by the natives throughout the entire island.

It is the intention of the Board to prosecute this feature of its work as vigorously and as early as practical. Numbers of missionaries will be required, and the Board will exercise great care and prudence in their selection, as well as the selection of points at which to establish the work.

Rev. J. R. O'Halloran, former missionary of the Board at Havana, was sent to Santiago about two months ago. He has established a school, ordained one native preacher, baptized not less than sixty or seventy-five converts, and constituted two churches. In part of this work he has had the counsel and assistance of Rev. D. H. Parker, of Georgia, who is chaplain in the United States Army.

The Committee of the Board who recently visited Havana was gratified with the success of their visit. They found that the women there had continued all the day and Sunday Schools and prayer services during the entire war. The Committee found everything favorable for a forward movement in Havana as early as the work can be reorganized, which the Board will do without delay.

It has been proposed by several States that there shall be raised not less than fifty thousand dollars for prosecuting work in Cuba. This sum would not exceed the amount required by the importance of the field, nor the ability of Southern Baptists to meet their obligations.

The Committees appointed by the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, met in joint session according to agreement in Wash-

ington, D. C., on the 23d day of November, in the office of the President of Columbia University.

The principal matter for consideration by the conference was to determine the relations of the two bodies in prosecuting work in the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico. After a full and frank discussion of the whole subject, the following resolution was unanimously agreed to:

Resolved. That, in the opinion of this conference, held this 23d day of November, 1898, in the city of Washington, D. C., and representing two great Home Mission societies of American Baptists, North and South, with a constituency of two and one half million communicants, it is expedient that the following division of territory should be adopted by the societies represented, viz: That the American Baptist Home Mission Society should prosecute its work in the island of Porto Rico and in the two eastern provinces of Cuba; while the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention should prosecute its work in the remaining provinces of the island of Cuba."

WALTER SIKES, *Chmn.*,

A. R. FOUSHEE,

W. C. PETTY,

R. R. OVERBY,

E. LEE,

J. E. M. DAVENPORT.

C. F. MESERVE.

Committee.

The report was discussed by E. W. Sikes, W. S. Penick, S. J. Porter, and adopted.

G. L. Finch submitted the report of the Committee to Nominate Sunday School Committee, which was adopted. [See "Boards of Convention."]

On motion of W. F. Watson, the Orphanage was made special order for this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

B. F. Hester submitted the report of the Committee to Nominate the Board of Education, which was adopted. [See "Boards of Convention."]

A. W. Setzer read the report of the Committee on Devotional Exercises, announcing the services for Sunday.

The Convention then adjourned with benediction by W. R. Gwaltney.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The evening session of the Convention was opened with devotional exercises, conducted by C. W. Scarboro, who read from the fifth chapter of Romans and led in prayer.

On motion of N. B. Broughton, the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read and consideration of same postponed till to-morrow afternoon at the Sunday School mass-meeting at 3 o'clock.

T. J. Taylor presented the following report on Ministerial Relief, which was adopted :

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

During the past year the Ministerial Relief Board has done a most gratifying work. More would have been accomplished if the opportunity had been given, and the opportunity ought to have been afforded; for surely there are more than fourteen needy persons in this State who ought to be beneficiaries of this Board.

Two things are necessary in order that the Board may accomplish the work for which it was created. First, every person in the State entitled to receive its benefactions should be faithfully reported to the Board. To this end, all our people, and especially the pastors, should make diligent inquiry with reference to needy aged ministers and widows of preachers, and bring to the attention of the Board every needy case. Second, the pastors should bring the work of this Board before their churches and take collections for the same at least once a year.

We thank God for what has already been done in this department of our work, and earnestly recommend that a faithful effort be made, along the lines suggested, to increase the responsibilities of the Board; for increased responsibilities will surely be followed by enlarged contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. TAYLOR,
N. L. SHAW,
J. S. HARDAWAY,
W. F. WATSON,
T. M. PITTMAN,

Committee.

H. L. Watson, for the Committee, submitted the report on the Orphanage which, after remarks by J. B. Boone, J. W. Bailey and E. E. Hilliard, was adopted :

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Thirteen years of orphanage work with North Carolina Baptists have passed into history.

Our people have builded better than they knew. With profound gratitude to God we chronicle the unabated progress of the Orphanage at Thomasville, and its growing favor with the people. The past year has been one of growth in all respects.

The number of orphans now present is about one hundred and seventy. The enro'lment during these thirteen years has been considerably over five hundred.

Just a year ago at this time a fearful epidemic of measles prevailed; there were 110 cases. Only one fatal, and this was more from heart-failure than from measles. The health of the Orphanage has been well-nigh perfect this year.

We note with thanksgiving that recently there has been a great spiritual work among the orphans. Twenty-five were baptized on last Sunday. Many others of these fatherless little ones have, we believe, received the Saviour.

The general management of the Orphanage and the work has been eminently satisfactory. Our noble band of workers there are thoroughly in love with their work.

Charity and Children—this is an excellent paper, and grows better as it grows in years. Five thousand copies of *Charity and Children* go regularly into the Baptist homes of North Carolina. It has its place and mission, and should be in every Baptist home in North Carolina.

The General Manager's house, a beautiful and commodious structure, has been completed.

Subscriptions to the amount of \$1,250 were raised at the last Baptist State Convention, of which only about nine hundred dollars have been forwarded designated for that specific work. It is probable that a number of contributions have been sent up for the work which were not so designated, and so had to go into the general funds. The actual cost of the building has been \$2,000, \$750 of which is not provided for. We recommend that some special effort be made to raise this deficit.

Dr. R. D. Fleming, who was a life-long friend of the Orphanage, bequeathed to the Orphanage an amount, which having been supplemented by his widow, is sufficient for the erection of a second nursery. The building will be erected in the early spring.

The present needs of the Orphanage:

We need to expend about five hundred dollars for milch cows.

The natural advantages of the Orphanage grounds make it possible, by the expenditure of a thousand or fifteen hundred dollars, to construct a good system of water-works. This is greatly needed, as it would add much to the comfort, convenience, health and safety of all concerned.

Enlargement: The occupation of the General Manager's house releases the Infirmary to be used for its own legitimate purpose. This will require an additional matron. Also, the building of a second nursery will require an additional teacher and matron. These things will increase the capacity of the Orphanage, and at the same time will correspondingly increase the expenses.

We heartily commend the custom of many churches of making a Thanksgiving offering to the Orphanage, and also of the Sunday Schools making a monthly offering to the same.

We sincerely regret to hear of the extreme illness of the former General Manager of the Orphanage, brother J. H. Mills—the pioneer of orphanage work in the State. His works will follow him.

H. L. WATSON,
JAMES LONG,
JOHN T. EDMUNDSON,
J. H. LAMBERTH,
T. D. BOONE.

Committee.

The following telegram was read:

WINSTON, N. C., *December 10, 1898.*

J. W. Bailey, Care of Convention, Greenville, N. C.

My heart overflows with gratitude to God and love for the brethren.
II Timothy iv. 2. H. A. BROWN.

A cash collection was then taken for the Orphanage amounting to \$20.37.

The report on the Baptist Female University was presented by W. L. Poteat as follows:

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST FEMALE UNIVERSITY.

Since the last meeting of the Convention, work on the University building has been uninterrupted, except during the winter and early spring months, and it is now near to completion. Half of the flooring is laid, the plastering is completed this week, and the doors and windows will be in place by Christmas. The porches are finished, and are now in process of painting. The plumbing work has been

done, except the placing of the finishings; water and gas pipes, together with wires for electric lights, having been laid throughout the building. The steam-heating plant, with an excellent system of ventilation, has been completed and promises satisfaction. The amount expended upon the building up to date is \$33,853.45. We congratulate the Convention and the womanhood of the State upon the possession of as handsome and well-appointed a building as stands in our borders.

The total cash received during the Conventional year is \$7,081.66, which is nearly one thousand dollars in advance of the collection of the preceding year. This is most encouraging, in view of the peculiar conditions of the period.

But the funds for the continuance of the work on the building is now exhausted, and we would urge strongly upon the Convention and the churches immediate and large contributions for its completion at once, with the view of opening the institution next September.

W. L. POTEAT,

J. B. NEWTON,

A. L. BETTS,

Committee.

Remarks were made by R. T. Vann and O. L. Stringfield, after which pledges were taken for the Baptist Female University amounting to \$905.00.

The Convention united in singing, "Praise God from whom all blessing flow," and adjourned to meet to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Benediction by C. E. Taylor.

FOURTH DAY—THE SABBATH.

Under direction of the Committee on Religious Exercises various churches in Greenville were supplied by brethren in attendance upon the Convention as follows :

Baptist Church—Sunday School, B. W. Spilman, presiding.

9.30 a. m.—Song Service, Prof. Wolfsohn.

9.40 a. m.—Five minute talks by N. B. Broughton, A. E. Dickenson, E. E. Hilliard, J. W. Bailey, H. C. Moore.

3 p. m.—Sunday School Mass Meeting, N. B. Broughton, presiding ; B. W. Spilman, W. E. Wilkins, O. F. Flippo.

11 a. m.—Dr. J. W. Carter.

7.30 p. m.—Memorial Service.

- Presbyterian Church—11 a. m.—Thos. Hume, D. D.
 7.30 p. m.—W. M. Vines.
 Methodist Church—11 a. m.—John E. White.
 3 p. m.—Woman's Mass Meeting in behalf of Baptist Female University, presided over by Miss Heck.
 7.30 p. m.—W. C. Tyree.
 Sycamore Hill Baptist Church, colored—11 a. m.—O. L. Stringfield.
 7.30 p. m.—A. M. Croxton.
 2.30 p. m.—Union Service of Colored Churches, Chas. F. Meserve.
 Methodist Church, colored—11 a. m.—Rev. C. E. Gower.
 7.30 p. m.—Rev. S. J. Porter.

At 3 p. m. the Convention was called to order to hear the report on Sunday Schools and Colportage, which was presented by N. B. Broughton, and after discussion by N. B. Broughton, O. F. Flippo, W. E. Wilkins and B. W. Spilman, was adopted :

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

Your Committee congratulates the Convention upon the splendid work accomplished during the past year in the Sunday School cause, and the increased and profitable business of our Book Store, at Raleigh.

We rejoice to believe that the true work of the Sunday School in teaching the Word of God is rapidly possessing the minds of our brethren and sisters, and that the use of the Bible in the school, rather than the quarterly or leaflet, is fast taking place.

Through the labors of brother B. W. Spilman and others in institutes, conventions and chautauquas, our people are being rapidly prepared for the important work of better facilities and of management and teaching. We commend to all the pastors and churches the importance of these meetings conducted in the interest of the Sunday School work, and hope they will urge their workers to attend same whenever possible to do so.

We heartily commend the support of the Sunday School and Colportage work to the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, and trust in every way possible the Committee of fifteen will prosecute the work committed to them.

N. B. BROUGHTON,
 W. M. VINES,
 FORREST SMITH,
 A. BASS,
 D. W. ALLEN,
 R. A. HEDGPETH,

Committee.

At 7.30 p. m., just before the meeting of the Baptist Historical Society, after an appeal by T. Bright, a collection in cash and pledges, amounting to \$130.00, was taken for the Baptist Church in Murphy, N. C.

At the conclusion of the meeting of the Historical Society, the President called L. Johnson to preside, and a short farewell service was given brother Geo. W. Greene, wife and daughter, missionaries to China, who are to sail in January next. C. E. Taylor delivered a brief parting address, to which brother Greene replied, and friends gave the parting hand while the congregation sang "God be with you till we meet again."

Thomas Hume offered the following, which was adopted :

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention, assembled in the birth-place of its organization, send by the hands of their dear brother, George W. Greene, this note of fraternal greeting and tender sympathy to their brethren and sisters beloved in the Lord who represent them in the China mission field. We are yours in the deathless love of the one Saviour and in the one work for the salvation of the world. We commend you to God and to the Word of His grace, and may He, the very God of peace, sanctify you wholly, and we pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you. He also will do it. 1 Thessalonians v. 23, 24.

FIFTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

GREENVILLE, N. C., *December 12, 1898.*

The Convention assembled at 9.30 a. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by J. E. Herring, who read the fortieth Psalm. Prayer by John Mitchell, A. M. Simms and F. H. Jones.

The Minutes of Saturday and Sunday were read and approved.

The report of the Committee to Nominate Ministerial Relief Board was read by the Secretary and adopted. [See "Boards of Convention."]

On motion, the following Committee is appointed to con-

fer with the Home Mission Board, with reference to educational and mission work in Western North Carolina: John E. White, W. M. Vines and L. Johnson.

On motion of A. M. Simms the Baptist Book Store is requested to provide the most accurate form of statistical letter and seek to introduce the same for uniform use among the churches of the State.

N. B. Broughton presents the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved. That a committee of five members of this body be appointed to confer with the railroad authorities of this State with the view of securing better accommodation and lower rates for delegates and visitors in attending our Annual Sessions.

The President appointed N. B. Broughton, A. M. Simms, Hight C. Moore, C. J. Hunter and B. W. Spilman as the Committee.

John E. White offered the following report of Special Committee :

Your Committee, appointed by the Convention at Oxford to represent the Convention in the Carrender Will case, desire to make the following report:

The case is still pending in the courts of Yadkin County. Efforts, which involved the necessity of a visit to all the parties to suit, have been made to secure a just compromise. Our efforts have not yet been crowned with success.

It is, however, probable that a compromise, from which the Convention will realize \$1,200.00 cash, will be effected.

JNO. E. WHITE,
J. D. BOUSHALL,
W. N. JONES.

The President announced that the same Committee would be continued.

The Committee on Obituaries submitted the following report :

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

It is fitting that we pause in our business, to place a tribute on the graves of those who have been called to their reward.

Some who were with us in our meeting at Oxford, have gone to the

great Convention in the skies, whose session never ends. We would make honorable mention of brethren J. A. Egerton, James Dowd and Jerry Gay; while there are others, doubtless, worthy of extended notice, we would speak especially of our great loss in the death of Dr. R. D. Fleming. On a quiet Sabbath day in April last, he heard the voice of his Master saying, "Thy work on earth is done. come up higher."

Brother Fleming was a man of Christlike spirit, gentle and modest in manner, his voice was not often heard in our meeting, but when he spoke, his words were words of wisdom.

He was very fond of children and they, in turn were very fond of him. This made him an excellent Sunday School worker. His love for children manifested itself again in his interest for the fatherless ones.

While he was liberal in his contributions to all objects, it is with our Orphanage that his name is inseparably linked. He wrote the first article advocating the establishment of a Baptist Orphanage in our State. He was one of the charter members of the Orphanage Association, and was an honored trustee from the beginning until the time of his death.

He was one of the first contributors to the Orphanage and during all years his gifts were large and numerous.

It was through his efforts that the excellent press upon which *Charity and Children* now is printed, was procured.

In his will he left a handsome sum to be used as the trustees thought best. His wife, who thoroughly sympathized with him in his love for the Orphanage, added to his princely bequest a sum sufficient to erect a much needed building. This is the second building that this excellent family has provided. So long as the Orphanage stands to bless our fatherless little ones, the memory of Dr. Fleming will be gratefully cherished by our people. He was successful in the accumulation of wealth, but more successful in the use he made of it.

Having served his generation, he fell on sleep.

L. JOHNSON,

J. MITCHELL,

THOS. E. SKINNER.

Committee.

Remarks were made by J. D. Hufham, A. M. Simms, N. L. Shaw and C. E. Gower, after which the report was adopted.

The report on Ministerial and General Education was taken from the table and discussed by John Mitchell, N. L. Shaw, A. D. Hunter, W. R. Gwaltney, J. D. Hufham, and then adopted.

A. W. Setzer reported the following answer to students in the Seminary :

GREENVILLE. N. C., *December 10, 1898.*

A. C. Cree and A. R. Love, Louisville, Ky.:

Greeting received. I Timothy iv. 14, 15, 16.

A. W. SETZER.

For Baptist State Convention.

The report on Woman's Work was offered by J. E. Her-ring as follows :

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

We hail with joy our sisters, and congratulate them upon the splendid success they have achieved under God during the year now closing. Progress has been made along all lines of the work, and the outlook is exceedingly encouraging indeed. New societies have been organized at the rate of two for almost every week in the year. Thousands of cards, letters, leaflets and other literature have been sent on their mission of service, and the splendid sum of \$6,929.25 has been given to missions and in the eleven years of the Central Committee's existence, our mission boards have received at their hands \$44,701.25.

New Associational Vice-Presidents have been added to the list of workers, and new lines of usefulness are opening up to their loving hands every year.

What can be chronicled and tabulated is, to my mind, the least of the great work accomplished. They are making a contribution to missionary literature that is sure to tell on the ages, and while devout mothers read, astonished children look in silent wonder at mother's tears, and in coming years will realize the meaning of mother's prayers. How their little eyes shine with pleasure and their young hearts burn with enthusiasm, when mother's hands are filling the "missionary box" with blessings for children they have never seen. Yes, they are growing up a generation of missionaries.

Again, out of the societies come our best-equipped Sunday School teachers, who, when before their classes, tell the story of the Cross, will tell also of a needy world.

Another important help they render is known alone to the pastor. As from his burdened soul he speaks to praying hearts, the sympathetic tear can not fail to fire him with an enthusiasm that will be to his words as steam to a cold, dead engine, or the electric current to the lifeless wire.

One more word: The pastor that fails to avail himself of this source of helpfulness wrongs the cause of Jesus Christ.

J. E. HERRING,

J. Q. ADAMS,

W. S. PENICK,

J. A. MUNDY,

F. H. JONES,

Committee.

Remarks were made by F. H. Jones, Thomas Hume, J. W. Carter and the report adopted.

John E. White offered the following resolution:

Resolved 1. That the Convention of North Carolina Baptists reaffirm its unalterable faith in Christian Education and its conviction that our Baptist boys and girls should seek their training in Baptist schools and colleges.

2. That as citizens we believe that the State's policy which neglects the common schools—the schools of the people—and appropriates public money for the benefit of the few in Higher Education, is undemocratic, unjust to taxpayers, unfair to private and denominational beneficence, without excuse, and that the cause of education in all its branches would be greatly advanced by a reversal of that policy.

3. Therefore, exercising our right of petition, we, the Baptist State Convention, respectfully memorialize the Legislature soon to assemble to appropriate every available dollar of public money, however small the amount may be, to the improvement of our public schools, and that the policy of progress in this direction be set up and maintained until the reproach of illiteracy be removed from our State, and until the 600,000 boys and girls whose hope for enlightenment is in the public schools are afforded an opportunity to receive the primary instruction necessary to fit them for the duties of citizenship.

After remarks by Thomas Hume and Jno. E. White, the resolution was adopted.

On motion of B. W. Spilman, the Corresponding Secretary was authorized to furnish each member of the Legislature with a copy of the resolution.

The following resolution, offered by R. H. Herring, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretaries of the Convention be instructed to have printed 2,000 copies of the Minutes of this session of the Convention and

properly distribute the same. and that the Treasurer of the Convention be authorized to pay from funds in his hands the salaries of the Secretaries for their work.

Thomas Hume introduced the following, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That we hereby express our cordial appreciation of the delightful hospitality so generously given by our brethren, by the pastors and people of other Christian bodies and the citizens generally of Greenville ; and we thank all those who have furthered us on our way and in our work.

Thomas Hume offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That we express our interest in the work of the Baptist Young People's Union, and urge that all lend a hand in helping our young members to grow in grace and in knowledge.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet in Asheville on Wednesday, December 6, 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m.
Benediction by J. W. Carter.

N. B. BROUGHTON,
HIGHT C. MOORE,
Secretaries.

R. H. MARSH,
President.

APPENDIX I.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

North Carolina Baptist Historical Society.

The Society met at 7.30 o'clock Sunday evening in the Greenville Baptist church, the members of the Convention taking part in a commemorative service, the President of the Society, Prof. Thomas Hume, in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Dr. J. A. Mundy.

Brother Hume made an introductory address on "What the Historical Society Stands For"—the survey of the past which gives heart and assures success in the future, the *esprit du corps* that makes us feel the strength and weight of our denomination, the fearless critical investigation of truth.

Bro. Thomas M. Pittman, one of the editors of the society papers, gave a valuable and striking paper on "The Preparation for Baptist Work in North Carolina," showing that the population and the religious character and life were not determined by the Jamestown, Virginia, settlement so much as by the later Puritan strain and influence, and by other important foreign influences.

Bro. Thomas E. Skinner followed with a paper on "The Personnel of the Organizing Convention of 1830," rich in a veteran's discriminating portraiture of Patrick Dowd, Thomas Meredith, James McDaniel and Samuel Wait.

Bro. J. D. Hufham asked to be excused, for lack of time, from delivering his address on "The History of the Convention Since its Organization."

Prof. E. W. Sikes made an inspiring address, in lieu of an elaborate paper which he had prepared for the occasion, on the importance of preserving the materials for our history, of transmitting floating traditions, and all the oral collections of facts and opinions, by making written records that pass into permanent literature. Documentary history it is our duty to provide through authorized agencies.

The Historical Society papers, the magazine edited by brethren Pittman and Hufham, at Henderson, N. C., was commended as a repository of information of indispensable importance, and an appeal made for subscriptions to it.

A committee composed of brethren John E. White, Thomas M. Pittman, E. W. Sikes, and the President and Secretary of the Society, was appointed to arrange for the next meeting.

On motion of brother T. J. Taylor, the present officers were reelected for the ensuing year: President, Thomas Hume; Secretary, J. C. Caddell; Treasurer, W. L. Poteat; Chairman of Committee on Publication, T. M. Pittman.

THOMAS HUME,
President.

J. C. CADDELL,
Secretary.

APPENDIX II.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Abernathy, J. W., Matthews.
Adams, E. J., Richmond Hill.
Adams, J. Q., Wadesboro.
Adams, M. A., Lyons.
Adams, M. H., Venable.
Adams, J. J., Southport.
Adderton, W. S., Denton.
Alderman, J. O., High Point.
Allen, W. M., Fletcher.
Allison, E., Brevard.
Aman, D. F., Marines.
Ammons, J. A., Needmore.
Ammons, J. M., Halewood.
Ammons, John, Outlook.
Anderson, C. J. F., Hertford.
Anderson, J. W., Asheville.
Angel, Jas. J., Boonville.
Annas, J. R. J., Moubo.
Arrington, C. C., Shelton.
Atkinson, J. W., Neuse.
Austin, D. M., Charlotte.
Austin, D. H., Rockingham.
Ayers, W. A., Bethel.

Bailey, L. J., Walnut Run.
Bain, G. A., Poes.
Baldwin, M., Winston.
Baldwin, T. M., Rise.
Baldwin, J. R., Silas Creek.
Ballard, W. S., Clarkton.
Ballard, J. M., Doolie.
Bardwin, J. H., Silas Creek.
Barker, A. N., Grade.
Barker, H. M., Peachtree.
Barker, W. F., Bud.
Barnes, S. D., Boomer.
Barnes, S. B., Lewiston.
Barnes, K., Sterling.
Barrett, W. C., Raleigh.
Barron, A. C., Charlotte.
Barr, J. S., Pinckton.
Barrett, E. B., Peachland.
Bartlett, G. A., Franklin.
Bassett, J. E., Asheville.
Beach, W. R., King's Creek.
Beam, J. A., Bethel Hill.
Beamer, W. H., Pine Ridge.
Beard, C. E., Winnie.
Beaver, C. E., Mt. Holly.
Beeker, S. J., Michael.

Beck, A. W., Calhoun.
Bell, J. W., Clinton.
Bennett, J., Iredell.
Bennett, J. L., Marshville.
Bennett, J. M., Marshville.
Betts, Alvin, Raleigh.
Betts, A. L., Raleigh.
Betts, J. T., Whiteville.
Bilbro, W. L., Ayden.
Bivens, J. A., Richardson's Creek.
Blackburn, S., Crumpler.
Blackwell, J. W., Unaka.
Blackwell, C. S., Wilmington.
Blalock, J. C., Ledger.
Blalock, T. L., Ching Kiang, China.
Blalock, J. G., Rockingham.
Blanchard, C. W., Kinston.
Bland, Wm., Hawley's Store.
Blevins, John, Hermitage.
Blevins, B., Absher.
Blevins, E., Blevins.
Blevins, C., Hermitage.
Bobbitt, E. C., Michenor.
Boone, J. B., Thomasville.
Boone, J. R., Estatoe.
Booth, J. N., Washington.
Bordeaux, A. J., Doughton.
Bostick, W. M., Troy.
Bostic, G. P., Shanghai, China.
Bostic, W. D., Wake Forest.
Boyd, J. P., Polkton.
Bradley, J. A., Grape Vine.
Bradley, W. T., Morgan Hill.
Bradshaw, E. T., Cora.
Bradshaw, W. R., North Wilkesboro.
Bray, G. N., Gatesville.
Bridgers, S. A., Forest City.
Bridgers, J. M., Waco.
Bridges, B. M., Lattimore.
Bridges, D. P., Catawba.
Bridges, J. D., New House.
Briggs, H. W., Bald Creek.
Briggs, J. W., Mars Hill.
Briggs, W. K., Briggsville.
Bright, A., Spring Creek.
Bright, T., Murphy.
Brindle, J. A., Cary.
Brisson, Wm., Guyton.
Britton, T. C., Soo Chow, China.
Bristow, S. F., Colerain.

- Britt, J. L., Turkey.
 Brock, T. J., Acton.
 Brooks, C. V., Lemon Springs.
 Brooks, G. W., Brevard.
 Brookshier, J. L., Flat Rock.
 Brown, Asa, Riverside.
 Brown, A. E., Asheville.
 Brown, J. W., Absher.
 Brown, C. C., Hamptonville.
 Brown, H. A., Winston.
 Brown, Joel, Elkville.
 Brown, W. G., Cross Roads Church.
 Brunt, Wm., Winnie.
 Bryan, L., Cypress Creek.
 Bryan, R. T., Shanghai, China.
 Buchanan, C. S., Barker.
 Buchanan, J. W., Minneapolis.
 Buchanan, J. L., Barker.
 Buchanan, S., Pulm Tree.
 Buchanan, W. S., Bakersville.
 Buchanan, E., Bakersville.
 Bumgardner, A. P., Caesar.
 Bumgardner, W. J., Swanner.
 Burcham, G. M., Elkin.
 Burcham, A. J., Mt. Airy.
 Burchett, J. W., Trap Hill.
 Burgess, C. S., So. Bap. Theo. Sem.
 Busler, R. M., Winterville.
 Butler, A. A., Franklinton.
 Byrd, R. L., Tolarsville.
 Byrd, W. F., Trap Hill.
 Caines, G. C., Orton.
 Caldwell, W. R., Robbinsville.
 Caldwell, Jno. W., Loreta.
 Cale, D., Potecasi.
 Callahan, N. A., White Hall.
 Calhoun, C. L., Medlin.
 Calhoun, T. J., Medlin.
 Camp, T. C., Tusquitee.
 Campbell, A. N., Poes.
 Campbell, J. A., Poe's.
 Campbell, Neal, Grayson.
 Carroll, R. D., Smyrna.
 Carroll, S. T., Stony Fork.
 Carrick, Thomas, High Point.
 Carlton, W. F., Summit.
 Carswell, Z., Enola.
 Carter, I. M., Bernice.
 Carter, Henry, Garland.
 Carter, J. W., Raleigh.
 Carter, T. S., Palestine.
 Cashwell, C. S., Cleveland Mills.
 Cashwell, J., Bladenboro.
 Cassiday, W. A., Trail Branch.
 Caudle, A. B., Waxhaw.
 Caudle, R. T., Rockingham.
 Caudle, J. J., Dockery.
 Chafin, M. S., Calahan.
 Chambers, S. A., Waynesville.
 Chappell, W. Y., Flint.
 Chappell, L. N., Milton.
 Cheek, F. B., Whitehead.
 Church, G. H., Statesville.
 Church, J. W., Reedy Branch.
 Clark, D. J., Register.
 Clark, F. P., Dogwood.
 Clark, M. L., Morganton.
 Clark, N. L., Chambers.
 Clarke, J. D., St. Paul's.
 Clayton, Clubb, Sexton.
 Clement, A. B., Bushness.
 Clenny, L. M., Silver.
 Cleavland, F. L., Chapel Hill.
 Cobb, N. B., Harrell's Store.
 Cobb, T. J., Chadbourn.
 Cobb, J. W., Lumber Bridge.
 Coleman, A., Murphy.
 Colby, W. J., Northside.
 Collie, D. S., Bryson City.
 Collins, J. W., Polk.
 Comer, J. Q., Hamptonville.
 Comer, W. T., Lovelace.
 Compton, M. C., Clyde.
 Conner, W. E., Quallatown.
 Conrad, S. F., Charlotte.
 Cook, H. B., Medlin.
 Cook, J. H., Lark.
 Coppedge, G. W., Wakefield.
 Corn, A. J., Grange.
 Corn, Noah, Little Creek.
 Corpening, I. N., Blowing Rock.
 Corpening, J. S., Burlington.
 Cothren, Grant, rap Hill.
 Crabtree, W. A., Durham.
 Craig, B., Tarboro.
 Creath, W. T., Imo.
 Cree, A., Littleton.
 Cree, A. C., So. Bap. Theo. Sem.
 Creech, Worley, Micro.
 Crews, R. W., Germanton.
 Crisp, J. F., Norris.
 Crisp, E. D., Upton.
 Crisp, R. H., Dorsey.
 Croom, H. M., Lawndale.
 Cross, R. D., Windsor.
 Croxton, A. M., Monroe.
 Crumpler, J. C., Hope Mills.
 Cullom, W. R., Wake Forest.
 Cunningham, H. A., Swain.
 Current, J. M., Buck Shoal.
 Curtis, L. M., Aulander.
 Daitz, T. F., Barker.
 Davenport, J. E. M., Coinjock.
 Davis, A., Low Gap.
 Davis, W. H., Hendersonville.
 Davis, A. C., Unionville.

- Davis, A. W., Barker.
 Davis, J. F., Taylorsville.
 Dehart, T. S., Swain.
 Dennis, J. D., Polk.
 Denton, J. R., Dysartsville.
 Devenny, J. V., Poes.
 Devin, R. I., Oxford.
 Deweese, E. A., Hanging Dog.
 Deweese, L., Outlook.
 Deweese, W. W., Burningtown.
 Dietz, J. S., Pearson.
 Dietz, T. F., Barker.
 Dixon, L. R., Goldston.
 Dixon, T., Shelby.
 Dobson, J. H., Atkinson.
 Douglass, J. J., Clinton.
 Dowell, G. J., Lumberton.
 Dowell, J., Jennings.
 Duke, G. M., Dukes.
 Duncan, T. M., Beaver Creek.
 Duncan, J. W., Ledger.
 Duncan, H. J., Clinton.
 Dunn, W. C., Falsam Grove.
 Durham, C. H., Asheville.
- Earl, J. M., Swain.
 Early, D. W., Aulander.
 Edmundson, John T., Littleton.
 Edwards, A. A., Winnabow.
 Edwards, D. D., Morrisville.
 Edwards, E. J., Cedar Creek.
 Edwards, J. R., Swain.
 Edwards, O. T., Mt. Vernon Sp'ings.
 Edwards, W. H., Durham.
 Elam, P. R., Kings Mountain.
 Eller, J. F., Sweet Water.
 Ellington, E. P., Wentworth.
 Elliott, Josiah, Hertford.
 Ensley, W., Dillsboro.
 Eudy, G. L., Efird's Mills.
- Farrington, F. H., Wilmington.
 Farthing, C. S., Hattie.
 Farthing, J. H., Hattie.
 Farthing, R. M., Louisville, Ky.
 Felmet, C. F., Waco.
 Fender, A., Laurelton.
 Ferrebee, J. B., Belcross.
 Ferrell, B. S., Waxhaw.
 Fields, C. F., Elkin.
 Finch, G. L., Carthage.
 Fisher, J. G., Roslin.
 Fleetwood, J. C., Margarettsville.
 Fontaine, P. H., Bethel Hill.
 Foster, J. A., N. Wilkesboro.
 Franklin, J. K., Devotion.
 Freeman, F. M., Logan's Store.
 Frisbie, T. J., Spring Creek.
 Furgerson, P. A., Lambsville.
- Fulford, W. J., Rockingham.
 Fuqua, S. W., Eagle Springs.
- Galloway, J. A., Wolf Mountain.
 Galloway, J. E., Galloway.
 Gentry, S. E., Dobson.
 Gibbs, N. H., Benson.
 Gilbert, R. H., Harrell's Store.
 Gillam, E. R., Drew.
 Gilmore, S., Goldston.
 Glenn, W. H., Thaxton.
 Glidewell, C. W., Meadows.
 Goforth, M. A., Big Pine.
 Goforth, S. S., Lovelace.
 Gooden, A. H., Bryantonsville.
 Gormley, M., Aquone.
 Gosnell, G. W., Owenby.
 Gough, D. A., Bandana.
 Gourley, Robert, Winston.
 Gower, C. E., Jackson.
 Graham, H. W., Swann Station.
 Greaves, C. L., Pittsboro.
 Gray, W. F., Buck Shoal.
 Gray, W. T., Marler.
 Green, David, Norris.
 Green, B. P., Mooresboro.
 Green, J. B., Forest City.
 Green, J., Boiling Springs.
 Green, R. G., Hamptonville.
 Green, Solomon, Stony Fork.
 Green, C. L., Dark Ridge.
 Greene, G. W., Canton, China.
 Greene, Edmund, Norris.
 Greene, L. H., Bakersville.
 Greene, D. A., Bakersville.
 Greene, M. L., Ahoskie.
 Greene, S. M., Bakersville.
 Greenwood, —, Paint Rock.
 Griffin, J. W., Dallas.
 Grindstaff, I., Bakersville.
 Grizzard, R. W., Wallace.
 Gullledge, J. G., Brown Creek.
 Gwaltney, J. P., York Institute.
 Gwaltney, H. H., Vernon.
 Gwaltney, J. S., Cora.
 Gwaltney, L. P., Vashti.
 Gwaltney, W. R., Hickory.
 Gwyn, E. N., Buck Shoal.
- Hackney, J. D., Franklinville.
 Hackney, J. A., Siler City.
 Hagleman, J. G., Sweet Water.
 Hairfield, G. R., Greystone.
 Haithcock, U. F., Albemarle.
 Hall, J. W., Hayesville.
 Hall, W. F., Idaho.
 Hall, S. W., Mars Hill.
 Hamilton, L. C., Bowman's Bluff.
 Hamilton, R. F., Knight.

- Hamner, W. H., Lexington.
 Hamrick, F. C., Pump.
 Hamrick, D. M., Rutherfordton.
 Hardaway, J. S., Oxford.
 Hare, H. Gap Creek.
 Harman, A. J., Harman.
 Harman, D. C., Sugar Grove.
 Harman, G. W., Ramseur.
 Harman, J. M., Sugar Grove.
 Harrill, H. D., Forest City.
 Harrell, E. J., Eure.
 Harrell, J. B., Wilmington.
 Harrell, W. B., Dunn.
 Harrelson, H., Gaddysville.
 Harrill, Z. D., Ellenboro.
 Harrill, E. D., Ellenboro.
 Harrill, G. P., Murfreesboro.
 Harrington, E. P., Mission.
 Harris, B. B., Dysartsville.
 Harris, D. J., Yanceyville.
 Harris, D. P., Vandemere.
 Harris, J. M., Hartland.
 Harris, Wm., Knapp's Mills.
 Hartley, D. C., Minneapolis.
 Hartsell, J. W., Morven.
 Hartsell, P. G., Concord.
 Hawkins, A. B., Leicester.
 Hawkins, R. M., Sharon.
 Haymore, C. C., Mt. Airy.
 Haymore, R. D., Mount Airy.
 Haynes, J. M., Clyde.
 Haynes, W., Asheville.
 Hedgepeth, I. P., Lumberton.
 Hedgepeth, R. A., Cedar Creek.
 Hefner, D., Lenoir.
 Henderson, G. W., Blaine.
 Hensley, A. J., Wake Forest.
 Hensley, S. B., Bee Log.
 Hensley, W. E., Faust.
 Henson, A. B., Balsam.
 Herring, J. E., Henrietta.
 Herring, D. W., Ching Kiang, China.
 Herring, R. H., Halifax.
 Hewitt, D. L., Shallotte.
 Hice, J. H., Batou.
 Hilburn, D. H., Bladenboro.
 Hilburn, L. W., Freeman.
 Hilburn, Rufus M., Bladenboro.
 Hildebrand, A., Pearson.
 Hildreth, J. H., Wilmington.
 Hill, A. H., Cottonville.
 Hill, T. B., So. Bap. Theo. Sem.
 Hilliard, J. M., Greensboro.
 Hocutt, J. C., Haw River.
 Hocutt, J. E., Nashville.
 Hodge, J. F., Pool.
 Hoge, B. Lacy, Concord.
 Hoggard, J. N., Severn.
 Hogue, G. F., Boonville.
 Holland, G. W., Winston.
 Hollar, E., Felts.
 Hollar, I., Eupeptic Springs.
 Holleman, J. M., Apex.
 Hollifield, A. P., Ellenboro.
 Honeycutt, G. A., Whitley.
 Honeycutt, R., Beaman's X Roads.
 Honeycutt, T. M., Mars Hill.
 Honeycutt, W. H., Concord.
 Hooker, W. H., Marshall.
 Hooper, G. W., Robbinsville.
 Hooper, L. W., Tuckaseegee.
 Hopkins, W. J., Casar.
 Hopper, P. G., Issa.
 Hopper, C. F., Clinton.
 Hord, A. T., Glenville.
 Horner, K. C., Siler City.
 Horner, T. J., Henderson.
 Horrell, R. W., Hope Mills.
 Horton, O. C., East Durham.
 Howard, H. H., Bee Log.
 Howell, W. T., Wake Forest.
 Howell, J. K., Rocky Mount.
 Hoyle, J. A., Maiden.
 Hoyle, B. M., Estatoe.
 Hudgins, Richard, Pump.
 Hudson, T. J., Ching Kiang.
 Hufham, J. D., Henderson.
 Hughes, J., Byrd.
 Hughes, S. A., Valley.
 Hull, W. F., Camp Creek.
 Hume, Thos., Chapel Hill.
 Hunt, A., Gamble's Store.
 Hunter, A. D., Cary.
 Hurley, A., Bly.
 Hutchinson, J. H., Hutchinson's Sto.
 Ingram, H. M., Pekin.
 Irwin, A. C., Pearl.
 Isaac, E., Lineback.
 Jackson, Elbert, Turner's.
 James, R. H., Reuben.
 Jamison, Wesley, Bald Creek.
 Johnson, C. C., Reese.
 Johnson, L., Greensboro.
 Johnson, Wm. R., Ashe.
 Johnson, S. H., Gray's Creek.
 Johnson, L. E., Freemont.
 Jolly, J. R., Lomax.
 Jones, E. F., Zionsville.
 Jones, J. R., Royal.
 Jones, R. H., Bethel Hill.
 Jones, Wm. H., Blue Ridge.
 Jones, W. J., Estatoe.
 Jones, W. M., Maxton.
 Jordan, F. M., East Fork.
 Jordan, James, Central Falls.
 Jordan, S., Robinsville.

- Jordan, W. P., Hertford.
 Jordan, Y., Osbornsville.
 Justice, A. A., Ætna.
 Justice, T. B., Rutherfordton.
 Justice, A. I., Emma.
 Justice, C. B., Rutherfordton.
 Kane, E. F., Good Spring.
 Kanot, J., Robinsville.
 Kesler, M. L., Rocky Mount.
 King, J. D., Wampler.
 King, R. W., Wampler.
 King, T. C., Pensacola.
 King, W. G., Villanova.
 Knight, W. F., Blowing Rock.
 Kuykendall, J. A., Leicester.
 Kuykendall, W. I., Alexander.
 Lamberth, J. H., Lexington.
 Lancaster, J. F., Oak Ridge.
 Lancaster, W. D., Sandy Springs.
 Lane, J. L., Summerfield.
 Lanning, Jeff., Eldorado.
 Landsell, J. J., Roxboro.
 Larkins, J. D., Kenansville.
 Latta, A. T., Monroe.
 Lawhon, W. H. H., Lawhon.
 Lawing, J. W., Peachtree.
 Leach, M. J., Lassiter.
 Leatherman, J. F., Hull's X Roads.
 Lee, W. F., Tiptop.
 Lee, W. M., Summit.
 Lee, M. L., Ashepole.
 Leggatt, B., Windsor.
 Leggett, R. J., Howelville.
 Lennon, J. P., Applewhite.
 Lewellyn, J. H., Dobson.
 Lewis, C. H., Gamble's Store.
 Lewis, L. G., Pennington.
 Lewis, Joseph, Gage.
 Lewis, J. L., Laurelton.
 Lewis, John, Morehead.
 Lilly, Edmond, King's Creek.
 Limrick, R. L., Shelby.
 Little, J. W., Lane's Creek.
 Little, T. P., Marshall.
 Littleton, J. W., Palestine.
 Livingston, D. K., Little Pine Creek.
 Lloyd, L. A., Nashville.
 Loftis, R. M., Culler.
 Logan, W. H., Ayr.
 Long, J. H., Excelsior.
 Long, James, Goldsboro.
 Loudermilk, D. P., Bridgewater.
 Mace, G. W., Bowman's Bluff.
 Macomson, M. V., Graham.
 Manly, H., Brevard.
 Marcus, W. A., Homestead.
 Marley, H. C., Lenoir.
 Marsh, A., Marshville.
 Marsh, R. H., Oxford.
 Martin, C. H., Polkton.
 Martin, C. F., Murphy.
 Martin, J. H., Hamptonville.
 Martin, J. L., Creedmore.
 Martin, W. N., Trail Branch.
 Marshburn, A. B., Nealsville.
 Mashburn, H. H., Newbern.
 Mason, J. A., Conclave.
 Mason, W. C., Flats.
 Mason, B. K., Williamston.
 Mason, N. J., Louisville.
 Matthews, J. R., Hexlena.
 Matthews, B. H., Hot Springs.
 Matthews, N. J., Pilot Mountain.
 Matthias, B., Buck Shoal.
 May, S. S., Allgood.
 Mercer, T. J., Bolivia.
 McC Carson, J. L., Hendersonville.
 McClure, W. B., Alexis.
 McDevitt, P., Mars Hill.
 McDuffie, J. F., Rock Springs.
 McGinnis, I. J., Banners Elk.
 McGugan, C. P., Lumber Bridge.
 McIntosh, C. M., Austryville.
 McKaughan, J. A., Albemarle.
 McKinney, C. H., Bakersville.
 McLendon, J. J., Wolfsville.
 McLure, W. H., Henrietta.
 McMahan, A., Forest City.
 McMillan, D. C., Ashepole.
 McNeil, M., Wilkesboro.
 Meadows, W. C., Poor's Knob.
 Meeks, O. P., Clinton.
 Melton, W. H., Kapp's Mill.
 Melvin, W. A., Harrell's Store.
 Melvin, W. S., Winnie.
 Merrell, G. L., Hobgood.
 Metcalf, C. C., Briggsville.
 Michael, Ray, Nettle Knob.
 Miles, John A., Leicester.
 Miller, Daniel L., Highlands.
 Miller, I. C.
 Milliken, C., Ash.
 Milliken, H., Ash.
 Mints, J. A., Shallotte.
 Mitchell, John, Wake Forest.
 Mitchell, S. W., Asheville.
 Moffitt, J. I., Stone Mountain.
 Montague, E. J., Allensville.
 Moore, H. C., Newbern.
 Moore, I. F., Lynch.
 Moore, J. O., Hunting Creek.
 Moore, R. A., Red Springs.
 Moore, R. R., Greensboro.
 Moore, J. D., Red Springs.
 Moore, J. R., So. Bap. Theo. Sem'n'y.

- Morgan, B. L., Homestead.
 Morgan, D. A., Spring Creek.
 Morgan, E. J., Hominy.
 Morgan, F. M., Flats.
 Morgan, S. J., Morgan Hill.
 Morgan, W. C., Robbinsville.
 Morris, J. F., Stanley's Creek.
 Morton, D. S., Whitney.
 Morton, H., Thomasville.
 Morton, W. B., Roxboro.
 Morton, W. G., Albemarle.
 Moss, T. J., Forest City.
 Moss, N. H., Cherryville.
 Mull, W. B., Shoup's Ford.
 Mullinox, T. H., Grover.
 Mundy, J. A., Reidsville.
 Murchison, C. M., Penelope.
 Myers, I. T., So. Bap. Theo. Sem.
 Myers, W. W., Round Mountain.
 Myers, D. R., Salisbury.
 Myers, T. C., Martin.
 Myers, A. E., Round Mountain.
 Myers, J. W., Round Mountain.

 Naylor, M. W., Giles Mills.
 Nelson, C. J., Goldsboro.
 Nelson, E. R., Hendersonville.
 Nelson, J. H., Patterson.
 Newell, G. W., Mapleville.
 Newton, I. T., Brevard.
 Newton, J. B., Aulander.
 Newton, J. D., Thomasville.
 Newton, H. F., Casar.
 Noble, J. W., Willard.
 Norris, H. W., Cosma.
 Norris, Isaac, Cruso.
 Norris, John, Sweet Water.
 Norton, J. H., Venable.
 Nowell, W. C., Nashville.

 Olive, W. S., Apex.
 Oliver, P., Dalton.
 Oliver, W. P., Wilmington.
 Ollis, W. H., Plum Tree.
 Oneil, G. G., Louisburg, Ky.
 Orr, G. W., Robbinsville.
 Orrell, N. B., Abbott's Creek.
 Osment, J. R., Dallas.
 Overby, R. R., Belcross.
 Overton, W. C., Harrelsville.
 Owen, J. L., Glenville.
 Oxford, Isaac, Cedar Valley.

 Pace, J. R., Wilton.
 Page, S. C., Godwin.
 Page, Wiley M., Falcon.
 Palmer, R. L., Leander.
 Parks, E. L., Lisbon.
 Parker, C. J. D., Durham.

 Panther, J. P., Quallatown.
 Pardew, A. T., Adley.
 Paris, T. W., New Castle.
 Parish, M. E., Salisbury.
 Parsons, W. C., Bandana.
 Patton, R. L., Morganton.
 Payne, J. M., Blowing Rock.
 Payseur, J. J., Concord.
 Pendergrass, J. R., Franklin.
 Penick, W. S., Elizabeth City.
 Perkinson, L. C., Wise.
 Pernell, M. R., Franklinton.
 Peterson, C. D., Dalila.
 Phillips, John, Beech Creek.
 Phillips, Wm., Mt. Airy.
 Phillips, J. L., Houck.
 Pierce, E. S., Pantego.
 Pinner, R., Faust.
 Pippin, A. A., Wakefield.
 Pitchford, J. A., Littleton.
 Pittman, A. R., Rennert.
 Pittman, A. E. C., Rennert.
 Platt, J. T., Warne.
 Plemmons, James, Biltmore.
 Poe, E. A., Cora.
 Pool, C. C., Partee.
 Porter, S. J., Morganton.
 Porter, C. W., Elm City.
 Porter, A. H., Orton.
 Poston, R., Pearl.
 Potter, W. J., Elk Park.
 Powell, J. W., Rocky Mount.
 Prevatt, F. A., Lumberton.
 Prevatt, John, Huntley.
 Prewett, N., Knob Creek.
 Privette, I. T., Wilkesboro.
 Proffit, M. S., Mars Hill.
 Pruett, L. R., Charlotte.
 Pruitt, Julius, Connellys Springs.
 Pruitt, Berry, Knob Creek.
 Pruitt, G., Penelope.
 Pruitt, Wm., Robbinsville.
 Pugh, J. M., Randleman.
 Pulliam, J. G., Lenoir.
 Putnam, J. W., Magnetic City.

 Queen, A. C., Tuckasegee.
 Queen, B. N., Tuckasegee.
 Queen, J. H., Bryson City.
 Queen, L. E., Cowart's.

 Ramsey, Garret, Marshall.
 Ramsbottom, C. F., Chadbourn.
 Rector, J. A., Morganton.
 Reddish, W. H., Wilson.
 Redwine, J. F., Fork Church.
 Reece, J. N., Galloway.
 Reed, W. W., Balsam.
 Reid, T. M., Huse.

- Reedy, E. W., Crumpler.
 Reese, J. V., Cruso.
 Rhodes, J. R., Saluda.
 Rickard, D. B., Columbia.
 Rich, W. H., Thomasville.
 Richardson, J. B., High Point.
 Rickman, P. R., Leatherman.
 Riddle, B. B., Pensacola.
 Riddle, H. B., Big Pine.
 Riddle, J., Beaver Creek.
 Roberts, Creed, Berlin.
 Roberts, D. J., Cherry Lane.
 Roberts, D. J., Trap Hill.
 Robertson, W. A., Barnardsville.
 Rogers, J. W. F., Apex.
 Rogers, M., Bushnell.
 Rollins, B. F., Elkin.
 Rose, J. W., LaGrange.
 Rowell, J. E., Cleon.
 Rowell, S. J., Cleon.
 Roy, W. H., Paint Fork.
 Royall, W. B., Wake Forest.
 Royal, F. M., Ching Kiang, China.
 Royal, R., Kelly.
 Ruppe, John, Byarsville.
- Sales, J., Mount Tabor.
 Sandling, R. C., Clinton.
 Saunders, B., Lilesville.
 Scarborough, C. W., Murfreesboro.
 Seagraves, W. M., Jonesville.
 Sears, D. R., Siler City.
 Segle, L. M., Spring Creek.
 Sellers, Lorenzo, Supply.
 Sentell, R. A., Clyde.
 Settle, J. F., Byrd.
 Settlemyre, G. W., Henrietta.
 Setzer, A. W., Greenville.
 Shaver, J. M., Dealville.
 Shaw, J. A., Creswell.
 Sheets, Henry, Lexington.
 Shell, P. J., Altamont.
 Shell, J. T., Petra Mills.
 Shell, L. C., Jonas Ridge.
 Shelly, N. A., Burgaw.
 Shepherd, J. J., Brindletown.
 Sherrill, T. C., Jumbo.
 Sherwood, J. J. L., Yenger.
 Shinn, J. L., Mooresville.
 Shumate, James, Sparta.
 Silver, Thomas, Micaville.
 Simmons, S. F., Jonesville.
 Simms, A. H., Dillsboro.
 Simms, A. M., Raleigh.
 Skinner, T. E., Raleigh.
 Sledge, J. W., Stallings.
 Smiley, J. S., Swain.
 Smith, A. B., Dillsboro.
 Smith, James A., Fair Bluff.
- Smith, J. E., So. Bap. Theo. Sem.
 Smith, J. L., Siler City.
 Smith, W. A., West Durham.
 Smith, Forrest, Louisburg.
 Soles, J., Mount Tabor.
 Sorrells, J. C., Nealsville.
 Sorrell, W. M., Cary.
 Southern, W. P., Asheville.
 Sparks, J. C., Bakersville.
 Speight, T. T., Lewiston.
 Spence, J. R., Polk.
 Spence, J. P., Hertford.
 Spilman, B. W., Raleigh.
 Sprinkle, A. J., Peek.
 Stallings, J. N., Salisbury.
 Stallings, N. P., Moyock.
 Stamey, A., Bliss.
 Stamey, E. A., Lineback.
 Stanley, J. F., Solitude.
 Stephens, M. A., Lumberton.
 Stewart, J. L., Clinton.
 Stoker, A. P., Denton.
 Stone, C. K., Haystack.
 Stough, A. L., Pineville.
 Stradley, J. A., Oxford.
 Stringfield, O. L., Raleigh.
 Summey, J. A., Hannersville.
 Suttle, J. W., Smithfield.
 Swaim, S. D., Mocksville.
 Swaim, V. M., Cross Roads Church.
 Swain, E. L., Shallotte.
- Tatum, E. F., China.
 Talbirt, W. T., Concord.
 Taylor, A. J., Chinquapin.
 Taylor, C. E., Wake Forest.
 Taylor, E. L., Rutherfordton.
 Taylor, T. J., Warrenton.
 Teeter, E. D., Locust Level.
 Tew, J. W., Iredell.
 Tew, D. T., Clinton.
 Thomas, A. B., Silver.
 Thomas, C. A. G., Fayetteville.
 Thomas, I. W., Lenoir.
 Thomas, James, Bandana.
 Thomason, D. W., Gaffney, S. C.
 Thompson, K., Low Gap.
 Tilley, George V., Winston.
 Thorn, J. B., Ferry.
 Toney, B. W., Sunshine.
 Townsend, J. T., Carmichael.
 Treadway, E. R., Cove Creek.
 Treadway, R. F., Shelby.
 Trivett, J. W., Dark Ridge.
 Tucker, Elihu, Bud.
 Tuttle, J. F., Clayton.
 Tyree, W. C., Durham.
- Utley, C. H., Wake Forest.

- Vanhoy, W. H., Hamptonville.
 Vann, R. T., Scotland Neck.
 Vernon, J. H., Cedar Grove.
 Vestal, M. M., Jonesville.
 Vines, W. M., Asheville.
 Vinson, J. D., Cullasaja.
 Vipperman, J. L., Newton.

 Waff, W. B., Reynoldson.
 Walker, N., Newcastle.
 Wallen, Jesse, Marshall.
 Wallen, S., Big Laurel.
 Walton, M. C., Wilmington.
 Ward, Benjamin, Marines.
 Watson, W. F., Edenton.
 Watson, J. W., Chapel Hill.
 Weatherman, J. G., Jennings.
 Weaver, R. W., So. Bap. Theo. Sem.
 Webb, G. M., Shelby.
 Welborn, T. M., Trap Hill.
 Wells, C. G., Warsaw.
 Welch, H. D., Balsam.
 West, J. H., Downs ville.
 West, W. C., Fayetteville.
 Wheelous, Z. W., Grissom.
 Whisnant, E. S., Maiden.
 White, J. A., Taylorsville.
 White, J. E., Raleigh.
 White, J. M., Apex.
 White, G. W., Rockyhock.
 White, M. P., Wilmington.
 Whitener, P. A., Morganton.
 Whiteside, Z. T., Uree.
 Whiteside, W. M., Rutherfordton.

 Whitlock, L. A., Silver.
 Wilcox, A. G., Brinkleyville.
 Wilcox, William, Todd.
 Wild, J. M., Walnut Run.
 Wild, J. R., Big Pine.
 Wilhoit, G. O., Ansonville.
 Wilkins, W. E., Clyde.
 Williams, A. J., Kapp's Mill.
 Williams, B. B., Harrellsville.
 Williams, C. C., Royal.
 Williams, J. M., Clover.
 Williams, O. P., Robbinsville.
 Wilson, L. A., Sutherlands.
 Wilson, Samuel, Bee Log.
 Wilson, W. H., Madison.
 Wood, T. G., Belcross.
 Wood, E. M., Cisco.
 Woodruff, C. E., Hickory.
 Woodson, C. J., Gatesville.
 Woodward, J. S., Needmore.
 Wooten, E. W., Clarkton.
 Wooten, F. T., Huntley.
 Wooten, R. W., Ronda.
 Wright, N., Lark.
 Wright, J. W., Felts.
 Wright, T. S., Rockingham.
 Wright, W. L., Troy.
 Wyatt, W. J., Perth.

 Yarborough, J. H., Forest City.
 Yarborough, A., Lexington.
 Younce, Jacob, Dark Ridge.
 Young, A. W., Scaly.

STATISTICS OF BENEVOLENCE.

	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	The Poor.	Repairs.	State Mis-sions.	Home Mis-sions.	Foreign Mis-sions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage	Other Objects	Minute Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	Total.
	\$338	\$121	\$15	-----	\$12	\$13	\$61	-----	\$9	-----	\$15	\$6	\$611
and													*819
	277			\$28	28	4	1		3		21		356
	5, 115	1, 114	159		485	128	250	\$126	225	\$3, 304	28	48	10, 995
	1, 276	68	29	26	181	70	74	47	45		17	16	1, 849
	750	86	5	120	55	67	72	22	16	56	9		1, 244
k	750	75	100	250	1		38		11		21	8	1, 257
t	335				77	47	151	39	112		14		1, 206
	800	413	26		31	11	132	4	69	121	21	10	1, 634
	1, 144	338			68	14	37	9	29		26	14	1, 678
River	1, 077	326			157		212		145	108	10		1, 878
ek	980	486			77	84	73	9	83	53	15	16	1, 876
	4, 890	999	252	779	1, 119	420	698	173	309	860	36	42	10, 566
	8, 528	1, 082	202	1, 150	446	223	345	151	219	720	68	11	13, 148
	875	86	1	66	96	71	114	4	30	20	9		1, 372
	5, 051	184	94		507	135	765	50	123	266	42	50	5, 998
	251	1, 148			77	2	13	2	18		18	1	1, 512
	4, 070	323	84		294	109	534	204	184	1, 393	33	32	7, 878
road	360				300	29	29		33		24		746
	1, 892	141	258	291	244	199	209	8	79	3, 128	32		6, 174
unt'n	3, 390				237	135	206	61	78	1, 051	35	36	5, 228
	1, 731	130	20		165	97	160	83	264	690	26	36	3, 420
	1, 031	55	21	401	179	50	53	24	78	25	31		2, 084
urg													
arrus	3, 437	1, 135	66	355	551	95	192	91	175	460	22	29	7, 369
	500	87	31			1	6		6	53	20		1, 267
ery	630	452		25	46	20	36	5	45		12	2	1, 231
	7, 187	1, 404	316	469	741	293	477	151	350	421	50	118	11, 990
	4, 800	492	100	199	253	252	238	73	163	226	24	32	6, 360
	3, 067	843	105	1, 059	221	214	344	24	160	1, 166	20	33	6, 883
ntain	3, 426	2, 514		4, 462	530	188	308	161	264	603	28		13, 333
	5, 170	1, 312	316	1, 986	652	294	402	64	289	1, 740	45	48	12, 918
	4, 074	2, 171	50		547	284	475	96	377	547	23	53	8, 677
ek	2, 034	99	869		183	139	293	120	192	176	26	27	4, 093
n	1, 392	397			91	73	129	34	29	373	25		2, 584
k	2, 985	490		975	223	83	116	21	154	31	21	34	5, 624
er	2, 102	171		750	381	21	139	18	55	453	23	15	4, 128
lkin	2, 595	632	89	576	363	72	163	54	209	941	17	34	5, 625
unt'n	903	129	8	311	65	37	44	16	74	17	14		1, 602
k													*14
													*163
ks	10, 356	2, 003	354	1, 374	1, 445	370	497	182	766	2, 029	62	78	19, 716
	759	48	49	166	36	42	140		26	34	31	7	1, 386
	1, 851	263	31	285	148	163	200	30	97	304	40	8	3, 384
wan	7, 343	808	257	771	669	306	799	291	610	658	65	35	13, 199
	1, 054	132			28	24	38	5	66	96	19		1, 427
	190				13	1	5		4	2	14		229
	111, 566	22, 762	3, 909	16, 874	11, 925	4, 851	8, 269	2, 442	12, 376	22, 115	1, 152	979	216, 756

urposes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Associations.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars	Total.	Contributions	Expenses	Quartries and Papers.
Alexander	9	13	463	476		\$16.00	
Alleghany and Grayson*							
Ashe County							
Atlantic	44	253	1,980	2,242		834.00	2,172
Beulah	9	47	278	325		43.00	169
Bladen	16	168	911	1,019		32.00	390
Brier Creek	14	74	1,247	1,321			
Brushy Mountain	13	78	677	755		75.00	370
Caldwell	8	63	644	707	\$32.00	62.00	532
Cape Fear	20	136	928	1,064	124.00		361
Catawba	8	47	542	589	65.00	73.00	434
Cedar Creek	8					70.00	
Central	20	193	1,987	2,180	734.00	658.00	2,483
Chowan	42	575	4,235	4,810	159.00	728.00	4,264
Columbus	14	103	713	816	89.00	77.00	4,055
Eastern	42	165	1,509	1,674	201.00	327.00	
Elkin*							
Flat River	28	259	1,184	1,413	374.00		1,348
French Broad*							
Green River	35	220	1,943	2,163		110.00	2,285
Kings Mountain	28	217	2,371	2,588	174.00	187.00	2,060
Liberty	16	152	1,114	1,266		100.00	1,310
Little River	20	120	1,085	1,214		108.00	507
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus	15	145	1,063	1,508	1,116.00	507.00	1,335
Mitchell County	15	75	787	862		125.00	
Moutgomery	8	46	392	438	4.00	66.00	181
Mount Zion	29	298	2,755	3,051		815.00	3,946
Pee Dee	26	177	1,775	1,952		320.00	1,894
Piedmont	19	137	1,594	1,731	281.00	380.00	925
Pilot Mountain	35	292	3,547	3,839		1,650.00	3,578
Raleigh	39	352	3,410	3,762	401.00	971.00	3,480
Robeson*	32						
Sandy Creek	17	118	1,018	1,136	37.00	6.00	
Sandy Run	20	125	684	809			1,063
South Fork	18	152	1,429	1,581			
South River	24	145	1,539	1,684			
South Yadkin	15	135	1,204	1,339	50.00	152.06	1,021
Stanly	14	88	715	823		70.00	875
Stone Mountain*							
Stony Fork	7		441			6.00	
Tar River	70	553	4,903	5,456	652.00	1,140.00	5,844
Three Forks	27	71	1,496	1,567	9.00	70.00	1,038
Union	*25	158	1,529	1,687		3.00	1,303
West Chowan	41	284	3,048	3,332			3,327
Yadkin	23	147	1,548	1,695		120.00	849
Yancey*							
Total	1,004	6,389	57,697	64,869	4,538.00	9,407.00	54,339

* No report.

APPENDIX.

Associations.	Moderator.	Post-office.	Clerk.	Post-office.	Place of Next Meeting.	Date.
Alexander	J. J. Hendren	Vashti	T. A. Hudson	Taylorsville	Lenny's Grove	Sept. 28.
Alleghany and Grayson	J. N. Daughton	Laurel Springs	J. M. Wagoner	Whitehead		Nov. 4.
Ashe County	James Eller	Berlin	G. L. Porter	Bud	New River	Aug. 29.
Atlantic	C. W. Blanchard	Kinston	H. C. Moore	Newbern	Tabernacle	Oct. 10.
Beulah	J. H. Lamberth	Lexington	E. R. Harris	Yanceyville	Yanceyville	Aug. 8.
Bladen	W. S. Melvin	Winnie	F. S. Averitt	Abbotsburg		Nov. 9.
Brier Creek	J. C. Jarvis	Lovellace	J. M. Crater	New Castle	Cranberry	Oct. 5.
Brushy Mountain	J. L. Hemphill	Moravian Falls	V. McGinnis	Boomer	Lewis Fork	Aug. 24.
Caldwell	J. W. Thomas	Lenoir	J. V. McCall	Lenoir	Blatts Fork	Sept. 1.
Cape Fear	A. C. Meares	Calabash	I. Jenrette	Iredell		Oct. 20.
Catawba River	J. H. Hoffman	Morganton	Fred G. Turner	Morganton	North Catawba	Oct. 5.
Cedar Creek	J. G. Fisher	Roslin	A. J. Hall	Clay Fork	Mt Gilead	Oct. 11.
Central	Jno. E. Ray	Raleigh	C. E. Brewer	Wake Forest	Brassfields	Oct. 10.
Chowan	J. A. Spruill	Columbia	L. Hoffer	Gatesville	Whiteville Grove	May 23.
Columbus	J. L. Memory	Whiteville	A. M. Kelly	Bladenboro	Cherry Grove	Sept. 21.
Eastern	J. L. Stewart	Clinton	A. R. Herring	Taylors Bridge	Mt. Holly	Oct. 3.
Elkin	C. F. Fields	Clinton	C. P. Burchett	Dinnette		Sept. 22.
Flat River	B. S. Royster	Oxford				July 10.
French Broad	J. E. Tilson	Grape Vine	W. P. Jarvis	Mars Hill	Big Laurel	Oct. 18.
Green River	M. M. Landrum	Fingerville, S. C.	A. P. Sorrell	Gilkey		Sept. 21.
Kings Mountain	E. G. Webb	Shelby	D. S. Lovelace	Metal	New Prospect	Sept. 21.
Liberty	James Smith	Lexington	Henry Sheets	Lexington	Abbotts Creek	Aug. 23.
Little River	J. M. Holleman	Apex	J. A. Campbell	Poes		Nov. 9.
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus						
Mitchell County						
Montgomery	S. N. Greene	Bakersville	D. W. Greene	Ledger	Yellow Mountain	Sept. 14.
Mt. Zion	W. I. Wright	Troy	E. Lee Fox	Star	Troy	Oct. 12.
Peet Dece	O. C. Horton	Durham	C. R. Scott	Cary	Mt. Pisgah	Oct. 3.
Piedmont	J. O. Adams	Wadesboro	W. J. Matthews	Riverton	Ansonville	Oct. 19.
Pilot Mountain	R. W. Brooks	Greensboro	W. H. Eller	Greensboro	Ramseur	Aug. 30.
Raleigh	D. F. King	Leaksville	J. T. Valentine	Winston	Mt. Airy	Aug. 3.
Robeson	J. M. Broughton	Raleigh	J. C. Birdsong	Raleigh	Holly Springs	Oct. 26.
Sandy Creek	A. R. Pittman	Rennett	E. K. Proctor	Lamberton		
Sandy Run	W. H. H. Lawhon	Lawton	C. V. Brooks	Lennon Springs	Sandy Branch	Oct. 5.
South Fork	F. B. Gaffney	Henricetta				Oct. 5.
South River	W. A. Graham	Machpelah	D. P. Bridges	Catawba	Mt Holly	Oct. 26.
South Yadkin	H. L. Hall	Falcon	J. B. Downey	Buckhorn		Oct. 19.
Stanly	J. N. Stallings	Salisbury	S. J. Tatam	Jerusalem	Society	Aug. 31.
Stone Mountain	E. F. Eddins	Palmerville	E. D. Teeter	Locust		Nov. 2.
Stony Fork	C. Blevins	Ira	J. S. Kilby	Trap Hill		Nov. 18.
Tar River	I. C. Miller	Warrenton	Wm. Lee	Shunhit	Mt. Vernon	Sept. 7.
Three Forks	N. L. Shaw	Hattie	A. G. Wilcox	Brinkleyville	Warren Plains	Sept. 26.
Union	W. S. Farthing	Monroe	S. Haganan	Sweet Water	Beech Mountain	Aug. 29.
West Chowan	H. F. Cottle	Murfreesboro	R. F. Beasley	Monroe	Marshville	Oct. 5.
Yadkin	J. C. Scarborough	Rockford	W. R. Rayner	Roseland		
Yancey	J. G. Burrus	Pensacola	V. M. Swain	Cross Roads Church	Sandy Springs	Aug. 17.
	B. B. Riddle		N. N. Silver	Micaville		Sept. 8.

STATISTICS—Associations formerly comprising the Western North Carolina Convention, now a part of the Baptist State Convention.

Associations	Churches	Baptisms	Total Membership	SUNDAY SCHOOLS		Value of Church Property.	REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS.			
				No.	Enrollment.		Home Purposes.	Missions	Other Benevolence.	Aggregate
Buncombe Co -----	32	213	3,541	24	2,197	\$70,000	\$10,228.22	\$787.47	\$433.13	\$11,4
Carolina -----	41	187	4,173	22	1,222	13,150	1,365.38	229.96	82.70	1,6
Haywood Co -----	14	107	1,644	8	806	10,000	1,417.92	86.27	46.44	1,5
Liberty-Ducktown	20	79	1,628	17	667	3,175	336.72	38.07	-----	-----
New Found -----	21	79	1,439	8	-----	16,850	16.45	42.02	-----	-----
Tennessee River ---	35	132	2,167	27	1,425	5,500	647.85	55.20	10.56	7
Transylvania -----	21	48	1,818	11	649	6,575	939.07	92.99	55.94	1,0
Tuckaseigee-----	42	305	3,820	31	1,587	14,600	1,703.30	81.39	137.16	1,9
Western -----	21	63	1,630	16	919	7,425	648.59	102.61	19.33	7
Total -----	257	1,213	21,860	164	9,474	147,275	19,403.50	1,516.08	785.26	19,6

Summary of latest reported statistics of the Baptist State Convention for last year:

Number of churches-----	16
Membership-----	10
Baptized-----	1
Number Sunday Schools-----	6
Scholars enrolled-----	\$3
Contributions to Missions-----	275
Contributions to home expenses-----	1
Contributions to education-----	1
Contributions to Orphanage-----	2
Contributions to other benevolence-----	35
Aggregate-----	

NUMERICAL STATISTICS.

Associations.	No of Churches.	Bap- tisms.	Ex- cluded.	Died.	Re- stored.	Mem- bership.
Alexander	17	67	16	13	4	2,328
Alleghany and Grayson	10					370
Ashe County	28	64	24	9	41	1,412
Atlantic	44	199	40	37	14	2,762
Beulah	10	26	11	7	4	816
Bladen	28	36	54	18	19	1,851
Brier Creek	32	167	25	26	13	3,304
Brushy Mountain	18	54	33	16	7	1,448
Caldwell	26	165	26	22	23	2,039
Cape Fear	44	122	54	17	32	2,361
Catawba River	29	60	41	8	9	2,319
Cedar Creek	15	77	31	13	10	1,834
Central	26	234	65	32	50	3,226
Chowan	53	162	80	50	24	8,352
Columbus	18	51	42	14	19	1,554
Eastern	61	172	182	72	37	6,189
Elkin	27	94	15	13	11	1,499
Flat River	34	144	64	39	18	4,123
French Broad	26	243	97	38	14	3,079
Green River	42	158	44	43	31	3,879
Kings Mountain	33	260	74	40	22	5,278
Liberty	24	100	27	32	9	2,244
Little River	24	39	71	22	5	2,183
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus	20	225	35	17	27	1,720
Mitchell County	27	172	67	19	53	2,407
Montgomery	15	72	8	10		937
Mt. Zion	42	261	110	65	23	5,447
Pee Dee	27	59	33	22	11	2,397
Piedmont	17	67	25	12	5	1,557
Pilot Mountain	41	237	60	39		3,902
Raleigh	50	318	105	53	32	5,156
Robeson	39	195	87	41	53	4,090
Sandy Creek	37	108	30	30		3,149
Sandy Run	24	173	41		24	3,983
South Fork	35	272	49	30	23	3,443
South River	31	94	63	10	65	2,966
South Yadkin	27	114	73	29	24	2,092
Stanly	22	79	32	20	4	1,610
Stone Mountain	8					592
Stony Fork	14	40	38	8	5	942
Tar River	77	522	107	68	41	7,711
Three Forks	32	152	104	29	25	2,728
Union	30	157	72	32	17	3,130
West Chowan	47	614	104	100	137	9,279
Yadkin	34	226	51	32	19	3,020
Yancey	23	73	28	25	13	2,366
Total	1,288	8,864	2,438	1,262	1,017	147,974

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1. The Baptist State Convention shall be composed of three male representatives from each white Association in the State and one annual male representative appointed by the churches for every ten dollars contributed to its funds, and of such male life members as have been made so by the payment of thirty dollars at any one time to the Treasurer, for the objects of the Convention. No church shall have more than ten representatives. No one shall be a member of the Convention who is not a member in good standing of a Baptist Church in fellowship with us, and no other life member shall be made.

2. The primary objects of the Convention shall be to encourage and support Wake Forest College; to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among all the people of the State; to support the gospel in all the destitute sections of the State and of the Southern Baptist Convention; to send the gospel to the nations who have it not; to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature; to assist Baptist Churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship; to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the gospel, and to cooperate with the Southern Baptist Convention in all its departments of labor.

3. This Convention shall meet annually, on Wednesday after the first Sunday in December.

4. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary and an Assistant, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and Auditor, and five Trustees, all of whom, except the Trustees (who shall serve during the pleasure of the Convention), shall be elected annually.

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6. The Recording Secretary and his Assistant shall record the proceedings, collect and preserve statistics of the denomination, and publish and distribute the Minutes.

7. The Treasurer shall receive all funds represented in the Convention; make public acknowledgment of the same each week through the *Biblical Recorder*; give his bond to the Trustees; for-

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10. The Corresponding Secretary shall solicit contributions to the objects of the Convention; assist the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools in the employment and payment of missionaries, and labor to promote the cultivation and development of Christian benevolence.

11. The Education Board shall, so far as it may be able, assist promising and indigent young ministers seeking to prepare themselves for the more efficient preaching of the gospel.

12. The Board of Missions and Sunday Schools shall encourage the churches to give liberally to all the objects of the Convention, so far as the means at its disposal will allow; supply all destitute portions of the State with faithful and efficient ministers of the gospel; give pecuniary aid, as far as can be secured, for building houses of worship at proper points in the State, and in cases where pecuniary aid can not be given, commend them to the beneficence of the churches; encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and a sound religious literature in the homes, in the churches and in the Sunday Schools; encourage Sunday School Conventions and Institutes; continue, and so far as it may be able and the growth of this work may require, enlarge the Baptist Book Store, and cooperate with all missionary and Sunday School work of the Southern Baptist Convention.

13. A committee of fifteen members of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools shall be appointed, to whom shall be entrusted the Sunday School and Colportage work conducted by the Convention, the committee to be selected by the Convention annually. It shall be the duty of the committee to manage the Baptist Book Store at Raleigh, and to them shall be committed the appointment of a Sunday School Secretary, or Secretaries, to prosecute the Sunday School

work within the bounds of the Convention. The committee shall provide for establishing new Sunday Schools and increasing the efficiency of existing Sunday Schools, for holding Sunday School Institutes in the different Associations of the Convention, and to organize the Baptist Sunday School workers of the State. The committee is directed to report to the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, and through them to the Baptist state Convention annually.

14. There shall be an Auditor of the Baptist Book Store, who, prior to each annual meeting of the Convention, shall examine carefully all the receipts, disbursements and expenditures, vouchers, papers, books and stock on hand, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the report on the Book Store.

15. The Boards shall be appointed annually, and report to each session of the Convention.

16. The Convention year shall close one week before the annual meeting of the body.

17. The Boards of the Convention shall fix the compensation of their respective officers, and that of the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the Convention.

18. The Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual session by two-thirds of the representatives present voting in the affirmative.

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

ALEXANDER COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Taylorsville—J. A. White, A. C. Payne.

ATLANTIC ASSOCIATION.

Middle Street, New Bern—Hight C. Moore.

Morehead City—A. W. Setzer.

Smyrna—R. D. Carroll, Davis.

Swansboro—C. B. Paul.

Tabernacle, New Bern—A. H. Harnley.

BEULAH ASSOCIATION.

Ephesus—Wm. M. Faulkner, Harmony, Va.

Kerr's Chapel—A. B. Walker, Stony Creek.

——— L. N. Chappell, Milton.

Yanceyville—B. S. Graves.

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

First Church, North Wilkesboro—W. R. Bradshaw, H. W. Horton.

BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Antioch—J. H. Woodward and M. S. Proffitt, Democrat.

Beaver Dam—J. H. Stradley, W. Haynes, and E. P. Stradley, of Asheville; T. L. Brown, Juno; J. T. Justice, Grace.

Berea—T. C. King, Riceville.

Cane Creek—W. T. Wray, J. A. Wray, R. A. Morgan and A. H. Pinkerton, of Fairview.

Fern Hill—J. M. Hamrick, Fairview.

First Church, Asheville—W. M. Vines, J. R. Patterson, J. M. Stoner, J. H. Tucker, W. C. Stradley, W. C. McConnell, J. P. Howatt, J. C. Martin.

Flat Creek—W. R. Roberts, Stocksville.

French Broad, Asheville—C. H. Durham.

Hominy—Levi S. Clark, Candler.

Morgan Hill—James N. Morgan, W. T. Bradley.

Mount Carmel—L. Plemmons, Owenby, and F. Sluder, Juno.

Spring Mountain—S. F. Moore, Fairview.

Weaverville—S. C. Roberson.

West End, Asheville—J. F. Vines, A. E. Brown, T. L. Pommel, W. J. Hough, J. B. Grise, W. A. Hayes.

CALDWELL COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Globe—William Millican Moore, Cora.

Lenoir—J. G. Pulliam, I. W. Thomas, J. K. Moose.

CAPE FEAR AND COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION.

Lennon's X Roads—A. H. Porter, Orton.

Whiteville—J. T. Betts.

CAROLINA ASSOCIATION.

Green Mountain—J. B. Freeman and A. I. Justice, Fruitland.

Hendersonville—Wm. L. Richards, J. A. Maddrey, A. B. Freeman,
J. M. Maddrey, I. Buckner, Thomas J. Rickman.

Mills River—J. L. Whitaker, Pink Bed.

Mount Gilead—J. S. Rhodes, Angelin, and J. A. Hooper, Mills
River.

Mount Moriah—John H. Justice, Blue Ridge.

CATAWBA RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Mull Chapel—W. F. Hull, Mull Grove.

Morganton—S. J. Porter, J. A. Rector, Samuel Huffman, E. McK.
Goodwin.

North Catawba—O. L. Hoffman, Baker.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Franklinton—A. A. Butler.

Perry's Chapel—R. O. Pernell, Franklinton.

Raleigh, First Church—J. W. Bailey, J. E. Ray, C. F. Meserve,
J. L. Kesler, J. D. Boushall, T. E. Skinner, C. J. Hunter, W. N. Jones,

Wake Forest—J. W. Lynch, C. E. Taylor, John Mitchell, J. C. Cad-
dell, J. B. Carlyle, J. L. Lake.

CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

Edenton—G. N. Cowan.

Gatesville—Lycurgus Hofler.

Reynoldson—W. B. Waff.

Sawyer's Creek—Joe S. Sanderlin and Thomas G. Wood, Belcross.

EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Brooklyn—J. J. Payseur, Wilmington.

Clinton—John J. Douglass.

Southside—R. H. Herring, Wilmington.

Wilmington, First Church—C. S. Blackwell.

FLAT RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Enon—B. F. Hester, Oxford.

Estes Church—E. H. Pruitt, Oxford.

Hester's—J. B. Pruitt, D. H. Pruitt, Oxford.

Oxford—R. H. Marsh, J. S. Hardaway, J. A. Stradley.

FRENCH BROAD ASSOCIATION.

- Madison Seminary*—Jesse Wallin, Marshall.
Mars Hill—W. E. Wilkins, R. L. Moore, W. F. Robinson, T. M. Honeycutt, L. C. Hough, J. R. Sams.
Paint Gap—C. C. Metcalf, Briggsville.

GREEN RIVER ASSOCIATION.

- Clear Creek*—J. C. Sorrels, Garden City.
Eureka—Z. T. Whiteside, Eure.
Marion—M. M. Landrum, Fingerville, S. C.
Rutherfordton—W. M. Whiteside, C. B. Justice, T. B. Justice; H. D. Harrill, Forest City.

HAYWOOD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

- Clyde*—R. A. Sentel, Waynesville.
Locust Field—L. N. Pinner, Canton.
Pleasant Hill—B. F. Hill, W. F. Compton, J. L. Morgan, J. M. Haynes, and I. F. Moore, Clyde.
Ratcliff Cove—James Liner, Clyde.
Waynesville—E. M. Lightfoot.

HENDERSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

- Hendersonville*—J. Williams.

KINGS MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

- Boiling Springs*—D. F. Putnam, Waco.
Kings Mountain—A. M. Ross.
New Bethel—C. S. Cashwell, Shelby.
Poplar Springs—R. N. Hawkins, Sharon.
Shelby—Sidney Hamrick, P. T. Webb, E. Y. Webb, G. M. Webb, R. L. Limrick, J. D. Brevard, H. D. Wilson.
Zion—A. C. Irwin, Pearl; D. F. Putnam, Shelby.

LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

- Abbott's Creek*—N. R. Teague.
Holloway's—O. L. Stoner.
Lexington—Henry Sheets, James Smith.
Liberty—John R. Miller, Fair Grove.
Orphanage—J. D. Newton, W. H. Rich, J. B. Boone, A. Johnson.
Piny Grove—Charles M. Wall, Wallburg.
Reed's X Roads—A. E. Myers, Reed's.

LIBERTY AND DUCKTOWN ASSOCIATION.

- Ducktown, Tenn.*—J. V. Rynor.
Mine City—E. D. Cole, Mineral Bluff, Ga.
Pleasant Hill—C. M. Deaner, Mars Hill.

MECKLENBURG AND CABARRUS ASSOCIATION.

- Concord, First Church*—B. Lacy Hoge, F. P. Smith.
Mooreville—J. L. Shinn.
Tryon Street, Charlotte—A. C. Barron, J. A. Durham.
Twelfth Street, Charlotte—L. R. Pruitt.

MONTGOMERY ASSOCIATION.

- Mount Gilead*—Edgar Haywood.
Star—W. B. Owen.
Wadeville—W. H. Parker.

MOUNT ZION ASSOCIATION.

- Antioch*—J. W. Watson, Gath.
Burlington—G. H. Church.
Cane Creek—J. F. MacDuffie, Rock Spring.
Cedar Fork—I. S. Barbee, Nelson.
Chapel Hill—Thomas Hume, F. L. Cleaveland.
Durham, First Church—W. C. Tyree.
Durham, Second Church—C. J. D. Parker.
East Durham—W. F. Fry, J. F. Pleasants.
Graham—John C. Hocutt.
West Durham—W. A. Smith.

NEUSE ASSOCIATION.

- Kinston*—C. W. Blanchard, J. B. Jackson, J. F. Parrott.

NEW FOUND ASSOCIATION.

- Hot Springs*—B. H. Mathews.
North Fork of Big Pine—G. W. Wilde, J. R. Wilde. Big Pine.
Zion Hill—R. C. Morgan, New Found.

PEE DEE ASSOCIATION.

- Maxton*—W. M. Jones, Wadesboro.
Rockingham—Charles L. Greaves, William J. Fulford.

PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION.

- High Point*—J. B. Richardson.
Pine Grove—J. W. Hines, Wallburg.
Ramseur—Thomas Carrick, High Point.
Reidsville—James A. Mundy, F. H. Jones, T. F. Scoggins.
Salem Street, High Point—J. M. Hilliard.
West Washington Street, Greensboro—R. W. Brooks, Livingston
 Johnson, Joseph Fred Watson.

PILOT MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

- Leaksville*—R. E. White.
Winston, Broad Street—G. V. Tilley.
Winston, First Church—H. A. Brown.

RALEIGH ASSOCIATION.

Cary—John E. White.

Inwood—O. L. Stringfield.

Salem—J. M. White. Apex.

Shady Grove—A. D. Hunter, Cary.

Smithfield—John W. Suttle, T. J. Lassiter, T. H. Brooks; W. H. Davis, Troy.

Tabernacle, Raleigh—A. M. Simms, N. B. Broughton, T. B. Moseley, B. W. Spilman.

Wakefield—A. A. Pippin.

ROBESON ASSOCIATION.

Lumber Bridge—J. W. Cobb.

Lumberton—George J. Dowell.

Red Springs—J. D. Moore.

SANDY CREEK ASSOCIATION.

Brush Creek—O. T. Edwards, Mt. Vernon Springs.

SANDY RUN ASSOCIATION.

Henrietta—J. E. Herring.

SOUTH FORK ASSOCIATION.

Catawba—J. S. Bridges.

Gastonia—W. F. Watson, H. B. Moore.

Hickory—W. R. Gwaltney, J. F. Click.

Lincolnton—D. P. Bridges, J. L. Wilkie.

Macedonia—C. R. Orrender. Winston.

Maiden—J. A. Hoyle.

Newton—J. L. Vipperman.

Penelope—C. M. Murchison.

Salem—C. H. Payseur, Mars Hill.

SOUTH RIVER ASSOCIATION.

Fayetteville—John A. Oates, Jr.

Salem—Samuel A. Howard, Salemburg.

SOUTH YADKIN ASSOCIATION.

Advance—E. Frost, Cana.

Mocksville—S. D. Swaim.

Salisbury—M. E. Parrish, Charles B. Jordan.

Society—J. B. Holman, Cool Spring.

Statesville—Edwin S. Reaves, John C. Turner, Charles A. Leonard.

STANLY ASSOCIATION.

Albemarle—J. A. McKaughan, Filmore Whitley.

Palmerville—J. F. Davis, H. Morris, Z. D. Coggin.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION.

- Bear Swamp*—W. E. Bowers, Brinkleyville.
Ephesus—G. W. Coppedge, Wakefield.
Henderson—J. D. Hufham.
Louisburg—Forrest Smith, Josiah Crudup.
Mount Vernon—George M. Duke, Duke's.
Rocky Mount—M. L. Kesler.
Scotland Neck—R. T. Vann.
Tarboro—Braxton Craig.
Wilson—W. H. Reddish, D. Worthington.

TENNESSEE RIVER ASSOCIATION.

- Bryson City*—Jonathan Wood.
Maple Spring—J. S. Woodard, Needmore.

TRANSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION.

- Enon*—H. C. Osborne, Calhoun.
Little River—A. J. Corn, Grange.
Mount Moriah—F. M. Jordan, East Fork.

TUCKASEEGEE ASSOCIATION.

- Cowee*—T. C. Bryson, West's Mills.
Cold Spring—H. H. Hyde, Bryson City, J. S. Smiley, Swain.
Dillsboro—R. F. Jarrett, A. B. Smith.
Franklin—J. R. Pendergrass, A. H. Sims.
Oak Grove—W. L. Bradley, Etna.
Pensecola—J. W. Kesterson, Sylva.
Swain—E. Allison.
Sylva—A. B. Thomas.
Webster—H. C. Cowan, L. D. Cowan.

UNION ASSOCIATION.

- Hopewell*—A. C. Davis, Olive Branch.
Meadow Branch—J. K. Bivens, Monroe.
Mount Harmony—A. B. Caudle, Wingate.

WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

- Aulander*—E. J. Harrell, A. W. Early.
Murfreesboro—C. W. Scarborough, G. P. Harrill.
Republican—T. T. Speight, Lewiston.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION.

- Hayesville*—M. A. Love, Mars Hill.
Martin's Creek—C. F. Martin, Ballew.
Murphy—T. Bright.

YADKIN ASSOCIATION.

Boonville—S. J. Beeker.

Cross Roads—C. L. Bagby, M. J. Hendricks.

YANCEY COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Burnsville—R. M. Farthing.

Mount Pleasant—W. H. Sparks, Bald Creek.

LIST OF VISITORS.

R. J. Willingham, Richmond, Va.; T. H. Plemmons, Abbeville, S. C.; Robert G. Seymour, Philadelphia, Pa.; E. E. Chivers, Chicago; W. E. Gwatkin, Louisville, Ky.; A. E. Dickenson, Richmond, Va.; George A. Long, Asheville, N. C.; M. D. Jeffries, Knoxville, Tenn.; J. M. Frost, Nashville, Tenn.; F. H. Kerfoot, Atlanta, Ga.; E. Y. Mullins, Louisville, Ky.; J. C. Blasingame, Raleigh, N. C.

MINUTES

OF THE

North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., *December 6, 1899.*

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention met in its Sixty-ninth Annual Session with the First Baptist Church of Asheville, N. C., at 10 o'clock, Tuesday morning, December 6, 1899.

President R. H. Marsh called the Convention to order, devotional exercises having been conducted by F. L. Cleveland, of Chapel Hill.

The following were appointed a Committee on Enrollment: M. L. Kesler, B. W. Spilman, J. W. Bailey, J. A. Stradley, and A. M. Simms. The committee immediately performed its work and reported 166 messengers present at this hour.

On motion of R. T. Vann, the Secretary cast the unanimous vote of the Convention for R. H. Marsh, of Oxford, for President of the Convention.

On motion of J. W. Bailey, N. B. Broughton was elected Secretary and Hight C. Moore, Assistant Secretary.

The following were appointed a committee to nominate the remaining officers of the body: J. W. Bailey, W. F. Watson, John E. Ray, J. M. White, and C. J. Hunter.

Visiting brethren were recognized as follows: R. J. Willingham, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond; R. G. Seymour, Bible Secretary of the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia;

T. M. Plemmons, of South Carolina; E. Y. Mullins, President of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville; George H. Long, of the Methodist Church, Asheville; A. E. Dickenson, editor of the *Religious Herald*, Richmond; M. D. Jeffries, of Knoxville, Tenn.; J. E. Gwatkin, representing the *Baptist Argus*, of Louisville; J. W. Perry, of South Carolina; W. W. Jones, Troy, S. C.

The Committee on Order of Business was appointed as follows: M. L. Kesler, J. E. White, C. J. Hunter, T. Bright, W. M. Jones.

J. L. Lake, Professor of Physics in Wake Forest College, and A. H. Harnley, pastor of the Tabernacle, New Bern, were introduced to the Convention.

On motion, E. Allison, of Brevard, and G. S. Jones, of Hendersonville, having been life members of the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention, were made life members of this body.

On motion of R. T. Vann, ministers of all denominations were invited to seats in the Convention.

J. W. Bailey, for the committee to nominate remaining officers, reported as follows: Vice-Presidents, J. H. Tucker, Lycurgus Hoffer, W. N. Jones; Treasurer, J. D. Boushall; Assistant Treasurer, J. M. Stoner; Auditor, Walters Durham; Corresponding Secretary, John E. White; Trustees, W. C. Tyree, C. M. Cooke, Livingston Johnson, T. H. Briggs, L. R. Mills.

On motion of L. Johnson, the Convention adjourned to meet at 7.30 this evening.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., *December 6, 1899.*

The opening service of song was conducted by E. M. Lightfoot, of Waynesville.

The Introductory Sermon was then preached by R. T.

Vann, of Scotland Neck. Text: Exodus xiii.19.—“And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him; for he had straitly sworn the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you; and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you.”

The Convention was welcomed by W. M. Vines, on the part of the First Baptist Church, and by J. H. Tucker in behalf of the city of Asheville and the Baptists of Western North Carolina. Response on the part of the Convention was made by Livingston Johnson, of Greensboro.

M. L. Kesler, for the committee, made the following report, which was adopted:

THURSDAY.—9.30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.

10 a. m.—American Baptist Publication Society.

10.30 a. m.—Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

11.30 a. m.—Foreign Missions and Report on Woman's Work.

1.30 p. m.—Adjournment.

3 p. m.—Periodicals.

3.30 p. m.—Wake Forest College.

Adjournment.

7.30 p. m.—S. S. Board of Southern Baptist Convention.

8 p. m.—Home Missions.

Adjournment.

FRIDAY.—9.30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.

10 a. m.—Committee on Destitute Fields in the State.

11 a. m.—Committee on Missions at Manufacturing Centers.

12 m.—Committee on Education in W. N. C. and General Education.

1 p. m.—Sunday Schools.

Adjournment.

7.30 p. m.—Orphanage.

8.30 p. m.—Baptist Female University.

Adjournment.

SATURDAY.—9.30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.

10 a. m.—Ministerial Relief.

10.30 a. m.—Historical Papers.

11.30 a. m.—Obituaries.

12 m.—Special Committees.

The President announced the following committees :

Home Missions.—C. S. Blackwell, G. H. Church, J. T. Betts, L. N. Chappell, A. B. Walker, J. L. Morgan.

Orphanage.—W. A. Smith, C. B. Paul, J. L. Shinn, S. D. Swaim, J. A. White, W. C. Stradley.

Female University.—O. L. Stringfield, W. R. Teague, R. A. Sentell, E. Allison, J. B. Carlyle, A. H. Harnley.

Obituaries.—F. H. Jones, J. M. White, H. A. Brown, W. R. Gwaltney, J. D. Hufham, E. Allison.

State Missions.—J. L. Wilkie, D. P. Bridges, E. A. Myers, J. A. Hoyle, R. O. Pernell, E. M. Lightfoot.

Foreign Missions.—Thomas Hume, J. D. Brevard, C. L. Bagby, J. S. Bridges, R. S. White, W. H. Reddish.

Periodicals.—J. A. Mundy, J. E. Ray, R. H. Herring, T. C. King, S. D. Swaim, J. F. Vines.

To Nominate Board of Education.—Thomas Carrick, A. C. Payne, H. Morris, John R. Miller, Z. D. Coggins, B. H. Mathews.

To Nominate Ministerial Relief Board.—B. F. Hester, A. A. Butler, J. S. Barbee, O. T. Edwards, J. B. Jackson, A. H. Sims.

To Nominate Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.—Henry Sheets, J. R. Jackson, W. J. Hendricks, R. D. Carroll, J. B. Pruitt, W. H. Sparks.

To Nominate Committee of Fifteen as Sunday School and Colportage Committee.—W. H. Rich, H. Morris, F. Whitley, J. C. Sorrels, C. F. Martin.

Sunday Schools and Colportage.—J. D. Moore, T. B. Moseley, J. F. Parrott, G. N. Cowan, M. A. Love.

Religious Exercises.—Pastors and Deacons of the Baptist churches in Asheville.

To Nominate Preachers and Place of Next Meeting.—W. N. Jones, G. H. Church, J. A. White, B. W. Spilman, C. H. Durham.

Finance.—L. Hofter, C. J. D. Parker, J. P. Howatt, James Liner.

Woman's Work.—F. L. Cleaveland, A. W. Early, G. M. Duke, A. B. Smith, T. C. Bryson.

Education, Ministerial and General.—J. C. Blasingame, E. J. Harrell, W. B. Waff, J. L. Lake, R. L. Moore, T. E. Skinner.

Cooperation.—A. M. Simms, G. J. Dowell, J. J. Douglass, A. H. Porter, T. B. Justice.

Ministerial Relief.—J. S. Hardaway, W. F. Watson, J. L. Vipperman, S. J. Becker, R. S. White, S. J. Porter.

John E. White, Corresponding Secretary of the Convention, presented the Report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, as follows :

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It is with a deep sense of gratitude to God for His blessings upon our cause and His guidance in the management of our work, that the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools presents its sixty-ninth annual report to the Convention. We greet you under circumstances of peculiar significance.

Fortunate in the place of your meeting, a distinguished and attractive city, set in the hills of a country famed throughout the world, the home of a sturdy Baptist multitude and a hospitable people.

Fortunate are we especially because of the peculiar significance of a meeting which celebrates the union of all sections of our State in one Convention. It is not the least of the benefits to be derived from this union that those who attend this session of the Convention will learn the lesson which will be impressed upon all who mingle here that Baptists do not draw their character from the soil or section in which they live, but from the truth in which they believe. The union of the two Conventions is not the mixture of diverse and differing peoples, but of those who are and have ever been of "one Lord, one faith, one baptism." They come together as brethren who have a common history, a common faith and identical ideals. It will indeed make blessed our meeting here if we may all realize this truth; if as we part, looking west, the eastern Baptist may say to his western brother, "whither thou goest I will go, thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God," and looking east the western Baptist may linger at the parting with his eastern brother while both realize in their hearts

"We are not divided, all one body we,
One in hope and doctrine, one in Charity."

The Convention from this exalted outlook may profitably look back

JUST TWENTY YEARS AGO.

Then only twenty-four Associations, nineteen of them represented in that session at Oxford, were cooperating in the work of the Convention. Now every Association in the State, fifty-six in number, is cooperating in our work. Then the Baptists of this State gave for Foreign Missions \$2,875.70, and there had gone out from them only two missionaries to the heathen. Now we are giving \$9,000, and since that time thirty-one have gone from the Baptist churches of North Carolina to the Foreign fields, making in all from our churches to the heathen, thirty-seven.

Twenty years ago we were giving, including the Western Convention, \$4,260.05 to State Missions. Now \$20,000.

Twenty years ago to Home Missions \$1,196.38. Now \$5,000.

Twenty years ago the Board of Education was aiding twelve young preachers; now thirty-seven.

Then we had in the State Mission work eighteen missionaries; now one hundred.

Then we had no Orphanage; now a home for our orphan children, liberally sustained and wisely managed.

Then Wake Forest College was struggling for existence. Now it is thoroughly established in the hearts of our people, with a patronage rapidly approaching three hundred, and an endowment and equipment of more than \$250,000.

Then the question of denominational duty in the education of our women had been discussed in only one corner of the State. Now the Baptist Female University, newly opened, challenges the admiration of all and eclipses the record of any State in the South in the Christian education of women.

During the two decades, the Baptists of North Carolina have given to State Missions \$240,316.00; to Foreign Missions \$145,456.00; Home Missions \$68,000.00; to the Orphanage \$89,000.00; to Ministerial Education \$62,000.00, and to all objects included in the schedule of church contributions more than five million dollars.

THE YEAR'S WORK.

The year just ended is easily notable as the best your Board has ever reported to the Convention in the following respects:

We have had more missionaries, regular and voluntary, engaged directly in the work of preaching the gospel on State Mission fields. Their reports show greater activity in sermons preached, religious visits made in protracted meetings held, and money collected on the field. More Sunday Schools in operation, more officers and teachers enlisted, more contributions from schools, more pupils enrolled in same and the number of baptisms is larger than last year by 200.

We have raised \$8,499.40 more for the objects of the Convention than last year. Thirty of our largest Associations have increased their pledges to State Missions 33 1-3 per cent over the pledges for the same cause last year, and our Treasurer's report will show that we have done \$1,116.88 better for Home Missions, and \$2,316.44 for Foreign Missions, and \$4,553.16 for State Missions than last year—which was the best year in the history of the Convention in aggregate receipts for these causes.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

It does not require the report of the Board to acquaint the Convention with the fact that the financial needs of the work have been met with more than usual energy, and that no effort has been omitted to enlist the sympathy and liberality of our people for our State Mission work. Twenty thousand State Mission tracts have been distributed. The Corresponding Secretary has travelled more than thirty thousand miles, made two hundred addresses and sermons, and written 11,000 letters.

The financial situation which the Board confronted January 1st, was as follows: A debt of \$633.00 to the missionaries on the work of the year preceding; an overdraft of \$1,061.07 which was reported to the Convention at Oxford. In addition to this, acting under the instructions of the Convention, the Board had appropriated for this year's work \$5,000 more than in any year previous, making our total liabilities January 1st, including the obligations assumed by Associations for Associational Mission work, more than \$20,000. It is to be noted that this enlargement was made after the meetings of the Associations last year, and was not therefore provided for in the pledges of the churches. Consequently, to meet these greatly increased obligations, an extraordinary effort was necessary. That effort has been made. Nobly have our pastors, churches and people responded to it. During the last week the Treasurer received more than \$6,000.00. Our missionaries have been paid in full except \$16.83—vouchers outstanding due January 15th—the note due at bank December 1st has been paid—the overdraft of \$1,069.07 of long standing is wiped out and with heart full of joy and praise to God for the fidelity, consecration and loyalty of our people we report to the Convention this glorious achievement. It must not, however, be forgotten that our new conventional year began November 1, 1898, and that at the end of the first quarter, February 1, 1900, we will need \$5,000.00 to pay our obligations to the missionaries for that quarter. Let not this great deliverance, at a crucial period of our work—for which we render thanks to God, and for which we rejoice together, be the cause of reaction, and discontinuance of earnest work for State Missions.

Perhaps the most noteworthy feature of the financial condition of the work is the encouraging fact that the churches at the recent associations have increased their pledges to State Missions for the coming year 33 1-3 per cent, and are now working on a \$20,000 basis.

OUR MISSIONARIES AND THEIR WORK.

The Board presents, herewith, a full and complete record of all its appropriations from State Mission funds during the year. This

does not include the amounts appropriated by the Executive Committees of the Associations.

Atlantic Association:

M. P. Davis, by Board	\$115.00
W. L. Bilbro	200.00
R. D. Carroll	250.00
W. H. Dodd	300.00
J. M. Alderman	175.00
C. B. Paul	100.00
J. W. Rose	150.00
H. H. Mashburn	200.00
Joseph Ayden	200.00

Beulah Association:

Ephesus Church	50.00
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Buncombe Association:

T. C. King	75.00
W. P. Sothern	75.00

Caldwell Association:

J. G. Pulliam	250.00
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Cape Fear and Columbus Association:

J. T. Betts	200.00
J. J. Adams and E. N. Pierce	100.00

Central Association:

M. R. Pernell	25.00
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Chowan Association:

W. R. Carawan	175.00
J. E. M. Davenport	75.00
R. R. Overby	170.00

Eastern Association:

J. H. Hildreth	75.00
F. H. Farrington	225.00
B. Ward	50.00
N. A. Shelby	200.00

Green River Association:

J. C. Sorrells	300.00
C. D. Graves	25.00
R. L. Patton	100.00

Kings Mountain Association:

R. N. Hawkins	25.00
G. M. Webb	25.00

Liberty Association:

W. H. Rich	\$100.00
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Liberty and Ducktown Association:

E. D. Cole	50.00
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Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association:

S. F. Conrad	125.00
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L. R. Pruett	300.00
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J. L. Shinn	100.00
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B. Lacy Hoge	350.00
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D. W. Austin	25.00
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Montgomery Association:

W. L. Wright	100.00
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Mt. Zion Association:

F. L. Cleveland	150.00
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Pee Dee Association:

C. L. Greaves	150.00
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Piedmont Association:

J. A. Summy	25.00
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J. C. Hocutt	40.00
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J. M. Hilliard	250.00
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F. H. Jones	50.00
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E. P. Ellington	50.00
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Thomas Carrick	75.00
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Pilot Mountain Association:

G. V. Tilley	200.00
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C. C. Haymore	40.00
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Henry Sheets	25.00
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Raleigh Association:

J. W. Suttle	300.00
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A. A. Pippin	50.00
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A. L. Betts	100.00
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T. H. Leavett	100.00
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D. McLeod	125.00
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J. W. Smith	100.00
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Sandy Creek Association:

J. M. White	25.00
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South Fork Association:

W. R. Gwaltney	90.00
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J. L. Vipperman	90.00
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A. M. Ross	50.00
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South Yadkin Association:

J. N. Stallings	\$400.00
J. L. Shinn	200.00
C. G. Wells	250.00

Stanly Association:

J. A. McKaughan	250.00
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Stone Mountain Association:

Grant Cothorn	50.00
D. J. Roberts	50.00

Tar River Association:

B. K. Mason	75.00
J. N. Booth	200.00
B. Craige	225.00
R. H. Herring	50.00
G. L. Merrell	150.00
M. L. Kesler	100.00
J. W. Powell	100.00
R. G. Kendrick	100.00
R. H. Gilbert	100.00
W. A. Ayers	50.00
A. Cree	25.00

Tuckaseegee Association:

A. B. Smith	250.00
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Western North Carolina Association:

T. Bright	400.00
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Carolina Association:

T. B. Justice	100.00
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Cooperation:

J. A. Whitted, General Missionary	233.33
P. F. Maloy, District Missionary	133.33
A. B. Vincent, District Missionary	133.33
C. C. Sommerville, District Missionary	133.33
General Missionary Western N. C., A. E. Brown, salary	800.00
District Missionary Madison, Yancey, Mitchell counties, T. M. Honeycutt, salary	300.00
Field Secretary, S. S. Dept., B. W. Spilman, salary	900.00
Cor. Sec., John E. White, salary	830.00
Treasurer, J. D. Boushall, salary.....	75.00
Stenographer, Miss L. W. Partin, salary.....	67 50
Mission rooms, rents and incidentals	134.83
Postage, stationery, etc	129.77

N. B. Broughton and H. C. Moore, Secretaries	\$50.00
Printing minutes of Convention	20.00
Expenses Volunteer Mission Corps.....	273.69

STATISTICS OF WORK.

The following, which has been gathered from quarterly reports of missionaries, will give a partial idea of what they have accomplished during the year just ended:

Number of sermons preached	7,028
Churches supplied	262
Out-stations supplied	112
Persons and families religiously visited	13,220
Persons baptized	16,030
Number added by letter	920
Protracted meetings held	288
Professed conversions	2,235
Houses of worship building	78
Houses of worship finished this year	31
Assisted in the organization of churches	33
Number of Bibles and Testaments distributed	460
Money collected for support of pastor on field	\$26,400.00
For building or repairing house of worship	7,250.00
Value of church property on fields	139,000.00
For State Missions	1,396.80
For Associational Missions	389.00
For Foreign Missions	528.00
For Home Missions of the S. B. C.	482.26
For ministerial education	220.60
For Baptist Orphanage	906.83
For Sunday Schools and colportage	154.22
For other objects	4,693.00

Report of Sunday School work of missionaries for the year is as follows:

Number of Sunday Schools on fields	306
Number of pupils enrolled in same	14,625
Number of officers and teachers	1,890
Number of conversions from these schools	486
Members of church at work in Sunday Schools	2,560
New schools organized this year	84
Schools visited	220
Contributions for school expenses	\$2,235.85
Contributions for State Missions	79.40
Contributions for other objects	273.26

THE WORK OF THE BOARD ENLARGING.

The growth of our State Mission field has been constant and natural. The successful occupation of mission points has revealed opportunity in adjacent territories, and as we have increased the number of our missionaries we have discovered destitution before unknown. We believe it is true that no other denomination has surveyed and staked off the religious destitution of North Carolina as have the Baptists. Our field of work as it appears to-day before the Board naturally shapes itself into three divisions—destitution in Eastern North Carolina; the factory problem, and education in Western North Carolina. The work in each presents essential points of difference and requires different methods. In Eastern North Carolina we have large areas of genuine gospel destitution. In the Tar River Association the difficulties to be overcome are peculiar. The destitution to be supplied is that remaining from the intense bitterness of the great missionary controversy of 1834. The backbone of anti-missionism in the whole world is located there. There is not an anti-mission church in any other section of the State or of the world, which is not strengthened, encouraged and rendered more difficult of approach by the anti-mission stronghold in the Tar River Association. That spirit overcome there, its organic life in this State is ended. The distressing feature of the work is the fact that the descendants of those who constitute the anti-mission strength in the Tar River Association are growing up in practical infidelity; they are not joining even the anti-mission churches. If they are reached with the gospel at all, it will be at our hands.

In the Atlantic and Neuse Association we have a different condition. The great masses of the people are in a state of religious unrest. Every imaginable variety of belief flourishes there. The church organizations that exist are for most part nothing more than religious debating societies. It is very apparent, and indeed admitted by the people themselves, that out of this ferment the people need to be led. The disintegration that is going on affords to us a very rare opportunity. But our present force working in that field is manifestly inadequate. In thirteen counties in Eastern North Carolina we have only one Baptist preacher to the county.

INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION.

The Board submits to the Convention some important facts which deserve serious attention with regard to the rapidly increasing factory population in our State. So remarkably has the number of factories multiplied that the condition is rapidly assuming the phase of industrial revolution. The factory population has more than

doubled itself during the past five years. An unfortunate feature of this movement for practical remedy is that there is an apparently unavoidable tendency on the part of this population to form a distinct community which can be reached religiously only by the provision of a separate church and a separate pastor. At some points known to the Board this is not the case, but the exceptions to the rule are few. It is apparent, however, that the more factories established, and the larger the factory population, the more difficult it is going to be for our churches already established in a town or city to furnish adequate and suitable religious privileges. On every hand, in the secular press, in the trade journals, the indications point to a transformation of North Carolina into a manufacturing State within a few years. The failure of agricultural pursuits to prove remunerative, the natural enticement of change and the gregarious instinct of the human family conspire to accelerate this transformation. It is now not a question of "will the people go?" but, "will the factories come?" The answer to this question is furnished by our undeveloped water-power, our cotton fields, railway connection with shipping ports, and the abundance of anxious labor discouraged by unprofitable agriculture, which can be obtained much cheaper than in New England.

The factories are already here, two hundred and fifty of them. Thirty new ones have been established this year, and the most conservative and best-informed factory men express the opinion that in twenty years North Carolina factories will furnish employment to three hundred thousand operatives.

Your attention is called to the fact, and it is here that Baptists are deeply involved, that the people who are to be and are already effected by this movement, are those connected directly or by attachment with Baptist churches. It is in the country that our numerical strength is to be found, and it is from the country that the people are moving at the rate of five hundred a month during the year 1899. It is to be noted also that factories are being built for the most part at or near the towns and cities where Baptists are comparatively weaker and less influential than Pedobaptists. So that the problem that presents itself to your Board is that of Baptist population moving into a Pedobaptist atmosphere where the influences are strong to undermine doctrinal conviction, finally resulting, unless remedy is provided, in an absolute loss from our strength. The only practical plan of operation, as your Board sees it now, is for us to provide every such factory community not otherwise provided for with a preacher, a Sunday School and a church. At present we have only fourteen missionaries who are doing work among the factory people, of whom there are in North Carolina more than one

hundred thousand. This matter as a grave and serious question in our denominational progress should impress upon our churches the necessity for greater contribution and a larger support to State Missions.

EDUCATION.

It has not been customary for your Board to include this department of work in its annual report to the Convention. But so intimately is education connected with missionary development that, in the absence of any agency of the Convention especially devoted to the consideration of this matter as it affects State Missions, we esteem it necessary that we should in this report bring to the attention of the Convention at its present session a statement calling attention to it.

The prevalence of illiteracy in North Carolina is a condition by which the devil always profits, and which hinders the advancement of the kingdom of God. This illiteracy is not confined to any one section of the State, and broadly speaking, it is a problem for every Association, for every local church. The missionaries of our Board have been urged to encourage by every means in their power the establishment of schools on the mission fields, and much of the progress we have made has been built up around school houses. In Western North Carolina especially, as elsewhere, the lack of educational provision largely accounts for the absence of missionary development. Religiously, it is the best evangelized territory in the world. Too much can not be said in praise of the aggressive evangelistic spirit which has brought this about. That the only remaining problem in Western North Carolina is an educational one presents to this Convention a supreme duty and an imperative obligation. Without recounting the almost limitless possibilities of this section of our State commercially, it should be sufficient for us to know that the cause of Christ in the world and the happiness and greatest usefulness of our people, bone of our bone, and flesh of our flesh, in this section will be marvellous conserved by Christian education. It is estimated that in twenty counties of Western North Carolina there are three hundred thousand white people, of these one-third are children under the age of accountability. Of the population which has reached the age of accountability there are, according to the census of 1890, 125,000 professing Christians, or communicants of all churches; and of these, according to the minutes of Associations covering this territory, 75,000 are members of Baptist churches. It is, therefore, a fact conceded by other denominations that Western North Carolina is a Baptist section. Obligation of any kind to benefit these people is a Baptist obligation. The waste of

power by the undevelopment of intellect is a Baptist loss. The mountain boy potentially a Vance or a Clingman but for lack of education, is a Baptist boy. The mountain girl who becomes the mother of a sturdy family without that equipment so fortunate for humanity, is a Baptist woman. It should greatly emphasize our duty, as it should also quicken our diligence, that other denominations are expending thousands of dollars in schools in this section, and that there are five times as many Pedobaptist schools as there are schools even under Baptist control. Whoever educates the child will have the man. Whoever provides the school will furnish the church. Along with the spelling book there is going a catechism or that subtler influence from the hand that gives it which wins sympathy and following. Behind the catechism there is the preacher, and behind the preacher there will soon be a church. The head of one of these schools said to a representative of the Board, "The people are Baptists, we recognize that, but if you Baptist people are not able or willing to do this work, we must do it." It is a hopeful fact which your Board reports that our brethren in the Western counties are not unmindful of the educational destitution, and are anxiously ready for cooperation in the effort to relieve it. In their Associations during the past summer the pastors and the brethren have discussed the situation, and there is common agreement that Baptists should educate Baptist children, and that they must do it or be recreant to an imperious necessity.

At the last session of the Convention a committee was appointed to confer with the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention with reference to educational and mission work in Western North Carolina. The result of that conference held in Atlanta during the month of June was the approval by the Home Mission Board of a plan submitted and discussed before them for which they made the appropriation applied for. In outline this plan provides for the establishment and equipment of four schools of the same grade as Mars Hill College in Madison County. These schools are to be located at strategic points in the four natural divisions of Western North Carolina, to be selected in each instance by the Associations cooperating to establish it. To provide such rates of tuition as will place the schools within the reach of our people. To assist young men preparing themselves for the Baptist ministry and such as already in the ministry seeking educational advantages in obtaining academic instruction. To provide a professorship in each school of theology and Bible study suited to the needs of our preachers who will avail themselves of its benefits. To provide also for a series of pastors' institutes in each territory under the direction of the above-mentioned teacher, assisted by members of the Vol-

unteer Mission Corps who are equipped for this kind of work. These institutes to be held during the summer months. One of these schools is already splendidly established at Mars Hill College, and is executing as far as possible these plans during the current year. Another has been located by the Tuckasegee, Tennessee River, Liberty and Ducktown and Western North Carolina Associations at Sylva, Jackson County, on property donated, together with a cash contribution of \$500.00. Another at Fruitland, Henderson County, for the southwestern mountain section, which is already doing splendid work. The other school will probably be located in Wilkes County for the northwestern section of our mountain territory. It is evident that for the complete success of this carefully devised plan, we will need more money than has yet been provided. It will require not less than \$1,000 a year for each school. The Board recommends that the Convention endorse the plan and encourage our people throughout the State to increase their contributions to State Missions so that the Board will be enabled to do its part in the complete establishment and adequate equipment of these schools.

On February 19th, after consultation with our brethren in Western North Carolina, the Board elected Rev. A. E. Brown General Missionary for Western North Carolina, at a salary of \$800.00 and expenses. He entered the field on June 15th. The Board is gratified that the wisdom of the selection has been increasingly indicated by advices from every source, and feels it but just to say that Brother Brown has justified every expectation by his ability, energy and discretion in the performance of his work. We herewith place before the Convention his report.

Report of A. E. Brown, General Missionary.

I entered upon the work of General Missionary for Western North Carolina in June of the present year. I have not spared myself in any hardship consequent to the duties of my office. I have traveled over 3,000 miles, mostly by private conveyance, and spoken to over 25,000 people. I have confined my efforts mainly to the territory formerly occupied by the Western Convention. The work has consisted in visiting churches and attending Associations, laying before them the work of missions and the importance of education. I have visited eighty-five churches and eleven Associations. My work has extended into eleven counties and the churches in Georgia and Tennessee which belong to our Convention.

In this territory there are about 300 churches and 200 ordained ministers. The churches and pastors for the most part are well disposed toward the work of our Convention, when it is properly laid before them, but living as they do, remote from the markets, they

handle very little money. A goodly number of these churches worship in public school houses and pay their pastors a very meager salary, if indeed it can be called a salary at all, consequently the pastors support their families by engaging in farming or other secular employment, and preaching is a sort of side line with them. The pastors while uneducated are men of sterling worth and need help, and many of them would appreciate any effort to lift them to a higher plane of work. This can be done by Bible schools and furnishing them with libraries to be paid for in monthly instalments. I am convinced that many of them would gladly take advantage of such opportunities should they be offered—indeed all of them to whom I have suggested such a plan have been eager to accept it.

Feeling that education was the key to the situation which confronts us in this part of the State, I have bent my energies in that direction and the prospects are that within the next year three new schools of high grade will be opened. The Carolina Association has established their school at Fruitland, six miles east of Hendersonville. They have in course of construction a handsome building which will cost \$3,000 to finish and equip. It is well located and will have a large territory to draw from. They expect to have the first story ready for occupancy by the first of January. The school is already in operation with three teachers and more than 150 students.

The Mitchell County Association has purchased, at a nominal sum, an unfinished school building in Bakersville, and expect to start a school early in the new year.

Arrangements are being made to erect a large up-to-date school building at Sylva, in Jackson County, to be under the control of the Tuckasee and Tennessee River Associations. It will occupy, to my mind, one of the most important fields in the mountains.

Two other schools are in contemplation—one in Burnsville, the other at some point in Cherokee County, not yet determined.

I am hoping much from these schools. Ignorance is a foe to progress. Education broadens and gives a higher view of life and that is what we need.

The points in this territory which are aided by the Board are doing well. Brother Bright has succeeded in raising the debt off the parsonage property in Murphy, and the prospects for Baptists in this field are brightening. Bro. A. B. Smith has done an excellent year's work at Dillsboro and surrounding country. A new church has been established near that town as a result of his labors. The meeting house at Weaverville has been completed sufficiently to occupy. There being no pastor to look after that field since the removal of Rev. W. W. Jones to another State, Capt. J. H. Stradley has taken

the work of finishing the house upon himself, and having interested some friends, it bids fair to be completed at an early date. There are other points in this section which should be strengthened—such as Robbinsville, the county town of Graham County; Hayesville, the county town of Clay County, and Sylva, which is to be the seat of one of our schools.

As I look back over my six months' experience on this field I am greatly encouraged. For two years disintegrating forces have been at work in our midst which had alienated some of our people and so lessened the contribution for Conventional Missions that last year they amounted to only \$383.20. This year the contributions for the same purpose will be more than twice that amount, and the people are rapidly falling into line again. This is a most difficult field, the fact that it is filled with dormant churches makes it so. But still it is a hopeful field. It is largely Baptist, but whether it remains so depends upon wise and persistent effort. Strong efforts are being made to wrest it from our grasp. We may expect to spend more money in this work for a few years than it returns to our mission treasuries, but there is every indication that a new era of growth in consecration and cooperation is dawning in Western North Carolina.

A. E. BROWN,
General Missionary.

THE VOLUNTEER MISSION CORPS.

The second year's work of the Volunteer Mission Corps has been in many respects more satisfactory than last year. Some things have been learned by experience, and while not all those who were given appointments have filled them, the results from the meeting held by those who did go more than offsets the loss from their failure. The list of volunteers was increased during the year to one hundred and twenty. Indeed it is practically true that not a single pastor to whom the letter of invitation was sent declined to volunteer. Few features of our denominational history are more noteworthy than this, and no movement has had a greater moral effect upon our progress. In other States of the Southern Baptist Convention the fire has spread. The following is a report in total of the work that has been done this year by the Volunteer Missionaries:

Days of service, 493.

Number of sermons, 696.

Attendance upon meetings, 7,265.

Number of enquirers, 451.

Number of professed conversions, 391.

Special collections for State Missions, \$224.68.

Travelling expenses, \$273.69.

COOPERATION.

Cooperation between the Colored Baptist State Convention and American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Home Mission Board agreed to for a new term by our Convention last year, has gone on during the year just ended successfully. One General Missionary and three District Missionaries are employed for all their time, holding "New Era" Institutes working with the churches, organizing them and inciting colored Baptists to larger missionary undertakings. It is just that we should speak of the diligence of these men and their wisdom in dealing with the difficult and delicate questions which have arisen to hinder and discourage their work. The success achieved by the plan of cooperation during four years is remarkable.

In 1895 the negro Baptists in our State reported to their Convention only about \$300.00 for all missionary and educational purposes. At the recent session in New Bern their Treasurer reported \$4,500 for these objects.

To indicate something of the value of the work of cooperation as well as to show the volume of work performed we submit below a resume of the past four years prepared at our solicitation by the General Missionary, Rev. J. A. Whitted:

"In compliance with your request for data respecting the work of cooperation in North Carolina for the four years ending October 31, 1899, allow me to say we have labored altogether 1,110 weeks. During this time 237 institutes have been held in different sections of the State. Four hundred and eighty-one colored lecturers have aided in these meetings, 245 white. The aggregate attendance of ministers was 2,374. The aggregate attendance of congregations, 130,000. Besides this 2,147 addresses on the work and on all practical and religious subjects have been given by our missionaries; 1,550 sermons; 1,133 churches visited; 126,423 miles travelled; \$9,727.15 collected for the different objects of the Convention.

"The institutes have been rightly called "New Era" Institutes, for they mark a new era in the colored Baptist ministry of our State. There was never such a demand for the proper books as we have now among our ministers, and a more efficient service is manifest everywhere. The people themselves instructed in the institutes are demanding not only efficient men for their pulpits, but men of moral and spiritual qualifications.

"A wonderful change is seen in our church meetings, in our Associations and in our Conventions. Wrangling and disagreement have given way to the pleasant and profitable employment of devising

plans and proper methods of enlargement and development of Christian work.

"New activity and life are seen in every organization connected with the Baptists of the State. Their Foreign Mission work has so improved that the State now takes the lead in contributions. Their educational work was never so assuring as at this time. An assistant professor will be paid out of its educational fund, a number of young men assisted in the study of the ministry and a number of our young women assisted in the pursuit of an education.

"The past year has been given largely to systematizing our work and the results have been far beyond our expectation.

"Our receipts in the past four years as compared to the previous years has been ten to one. Cooperation has simply brought about revolution in our State. We can not speak so positively about the good it has brought to the white people, and yet we know they have been benefitted to some extent. Their gifts of money, time and talent in helping us to carry on the work have brought to them blessings untold. This is but the fulfillment of our Saviour's teachings when He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

"The work has brought the races more in touch with each other, and we have every reason to thank God for this act of His providence in bringing to our State its greatest blessing."

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The committee of fifteen from the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools to which the Convention commits the Sunday School work in North Carolina, Colportage and the Baptist Book Store, submit through the Board to the Convention the following report:

Your committee presents herewith a report of the work done in the field of Sunday School work, through the statement of Rev. B. W. Spilman, Field Secretary of the Sunday School Department:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT, 1899, BY B. W. SPILMAN.

The year just closing has been the best for the Sunday School work in the history of the new movement for helping Sunday School workers, started in Greensboro in 1895. I submit my fourth annual report.

The work of creating an interest in Sunday School work has been pushed along the usual lines. At many points in the State Sunday School Rallies have been held. I have attended eighteen of these. Sunday School Institutes were held during the spring and summer months. Engagements for five Sunday School Institutes had to be cancelled on account of the snow in February and of the prevalence of smallpox in the State later in the winter.

There was instituted during the year the plan of securing men familiar with Sunday School work to hold Sunday School Institutes.

The Sunday School Committee made an appropriation of fifty dollars for this work. Under this plan Bro. J. M. Broughton, of Raleigh, John E. Ray, of Raleigh, and Prof. C. C. Crittenden, of Wilson, were secured for work in Sunday School Institutes.

Two District Chautauquas were held during the year. The Eastern Chautauqua met at Scotland Neck in July, and was well attended. The musical feature was especially prominent. The Mountain Chautauqua held its second session in Mars Hill, Madison County, and was in every way a success. People were registered in attendance from six different States and from twenty different counties. A large tabernacle is to be built, and everything points to the building up of a great summer gathering for the study of the Bible and methods of Sunday School work.

During November a school for Bible study was conducted for a week at Buie's Creek, in Harnett County. The school was conducted on the school plan, two topics being discussed each day and studied during the interval. The attendance and interest manifested far exceeded my expectation.

The State Sunday School Chautauqua met in its seventh annual session in Shelby in July. It drew Sunday School workers from every section of the State, many attending from the mountains and from as far east as Elizabeth City and Morehead City. The course of normal lessons by Dr. C. R. Blackall, of Philadelphia, was the special feature.

In connection with the summer school at Wake Forest there was held a Sunday School Institute. Bro. N. B. Broughton directed the meeting.

The Baptist Female University has provided for a course of lectures on Sunday Schools.

It had been planned that I should attend fifteen of the Associations in the interest of Missions. A slight attack of malarial fever prevented my attending eight of them. I attended seven. A summary of the meetings attended is as follows:

State Chautauqua	1
Summer School, Wake Forest	1
Bible School, Buie's Creek	1
District Chautauquas	2
Associations	7
S. S. Rallies	18
S. S. Institutes	38

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In addition to the above meetings addresses were delivered in various sections of the State, the work having been in 41 counties and 35 Associations, including in all 352 sermons and addresses.

During the year departments for Sunday School workers have been conducted in the *Biblical Recorder* by Pastor H. C. Moore, New Bern; in the *North Carolina Baptist* by Prof. W. R. Cullom, of Wake Forest College, and in *Charity and Children* by myself.

Something has been done toward providing a correspondence course for Sunday School workers. It is hoped to offer it to the Sunday Schools of the State during the early weeks of 1900.

December 30, 1898, the Sunday School Committee ordered that "B. W. Spilman is charged with the duty of organizing an increased interest in the colportage work by inducing churches and associations to appoint colporters, and the Baptist Book Store be instructed to offer the best possible inducements to promote the colportage work." I have on hand letters from every section of the State urging the necessity for colportage work. Something has been done—at best very little. Beyond the work of about a third of the State Missionaries who sold a few books as opportunity offered, and six or eight Associational and Volunteer Colporters practically nothing has been done in this line. The need is urgent, but how to supply it is a problem not yet solved. The matter will gradually be brought to the attention of the Associations, and it is hoped that something may be done.

June was selected by the Sunday School Committee as Sunday School month, and an appeal was sent out to the Sunday Schools of the State for a contribution for the Sunday School work.

In response to this appeal about \$250 has been received. This does not represent the amount of contribution by the Sunday Schools for this object. It was in several instances noted that in a reply to the appeal would be, "Our Sunday School at A——— will take collection in June for Sunday Schools. We will raise \$5.00." Then in the latter part of June or first of July an acknowledgment appears in the *Recorder*, "State Missions, Sunday School A——— \$5.00."

Below I submit financial statement:

<i>Salary.</i>	
For November, 1898.....	\$50.00
December 1, 1898 to December 1, 1899	875.00
Total salary for 13 months.....	\$925.00
<i>Expenses.</i>	
To volunteers holding Institutes.....	10.65
Expenses to Mars Hill Chautauqua	16.00
Attending Associations.....	21.45
Postage, stationery, fixtures.....	42.71
Traveling expenses.....	77.47
	168.28
	1,093.28

COLPORTAGE.

The best system of colportage work is that which makes every Baptist not only a reader of good literature, but the active unit in the propaganda of good literature. It is our plan to encourage this through the agency of the Baptist Book Store. Our efforts in this direction have been especially successful in cooperation with the missionaries of the Board. Each missionary is urged to carry a stock of books, and is furnished with such as he thinks he can dispose of without any actual money outlay on his part, his account with the Store being charged to the Board of Missions. Forty of the missionaries this year have been enlisted in this plan, and have sold \$873.70 worth of books, Bibles and Testaments, and have distributed tracts on missionary and doctrinal subjects. We have also about ten colporters working under the direction and by the appointment of Associations. In addition to this should be mentioned the large number of pastors who keep a stock of books and other literature for distribution among their people.

It should be evident to all that there has been no time in our history when the Baptists in North Carolina should be so watchful against pernicious literature and so active in offsetting the hurtful zeal of those who propagate error and ism, by a vigorous distribution of books, tracts and papers which maintain and defend the truth. Your committee has had many applications for cheap Bibles and Testaments for gratuitous distribution among the poor who were in want of such literature, and the indifferent who were in need of it. We have been compelled to answer these applications with the statement that we have no fund with which these could be supplied. Could the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools do better than to set aside \$500.00 each year for colportage and Bible distribution?

THE BAPTIST BOOK STORE.

This department of the work continues to vindicate the wisdom which eighteen years ago established the Baptist Book Store. During the past year the Store has increased its business \$1 535.14 over last year. Upon reference to the Treasurer's books it will be seen that the Store has paid out of its profits on the appropriations made by the Board of Missions the sum of \$600.

The need of capital is more and more realized as the Store seeks to serve our preachers and Sunday Schools in supplying books and literature. If the Convention can provide the Store with \$1,000 as working capital, the Store can engage to return to State Missions on the amount annually over and above its present contribution.

Below is submitted a statement which shows what the business has been during the year and the present financial condition of the Store:

Business of Baptist Book Store for Twelve Months, Showing Amount of Business and Profits on same by Months Since December 1, 1898.

Month.	Amount of Business.	Profits.
1898.		
December	\$1,465.10	\$269.77
1899.		
January	711.98	139.65
February	241.99	48.26
March	1,323.66	221.91
April	755.39	147.67
May	467.82	92.46
June	1,487.61	271.79
July	618.26	121.98
August	658.25	90.08
September	1,515.99	279.80
October	634.46	125.35
November	569.40	112.85
	10,449.91	1,921.97

ANNUAL BALANCE SHEET OF THE BOOK STORE.

November 30, 1899.

By merchandise		\$3,144.71
By accounts		2,500.78
Paid salaries account missionaries		600.00
" donations and discounts		225.13
" furniture and fixtures		340.00
" Baptist Almanac		100.00
" cash		633.43
	DR.	
To liabilities	\$3,115.39	
To donations	825.13	
To balance	3,603.53	
	7,544.05	7,544.05
By balance		3,603.53

MISSION ROOMS.

The increased business of the Baptist Book Store, and the necessity for a larger and less public place for the meeting of the Board, has made it necessary for changes in the local home of the Board.

The Book Store has the room at the rear of the first floor of the building which was formerly occupied by the Board. And the Board's rooms are now in larger and better quarters on the second floor of the building. Most favorable terms were granted by Mrs. Annie S. Bailey, the owner of the property. The Board and its officers can now transact its work much better than under the formerly crowded conditions.

At some future time the Convention should consider the advisability of buying and owning a building for Baptist headquarters in Raleigh.

HOME MISSIONS.

The success of every interest to which Southern Baptists are committed is in a measure dependent upon the efficiency and support given to our Home Mission Board. Its work is basal work, and is important not only in preparing the way and laying the foundations upon which the denomination may build, but also in fostering and developing weak and important interests in many of our Southern States. It has been said that "Home Missions have always been the chief source of all other missionary and educational enterprises." Dr. A. J. Rowland has said:

"If we are ever going to enlarge our missionary forces abroad, reinforce old fields and occupy new ones, we must develop our resources at home. The truth is, the extension of the Foreign Mission work during the past quarter of a century is due in no small degree to the results of Home Mission operations. There are hundreds of churches all over our land which are now pouring their offerings into our Foreign Mission treasury which were founded and fostered by our Home Mission Boards. If enlargement is to go on in the foreign work it must be by the same processes."

The field of our Home Board embraces all the States south of and including Maryland, Kentucky, and Missouri, together with Oklahoma and Indian Territories, and the Island of Cuba.

The work of the Board is largely cooperative and is naturally divided into the following general departments: Mountain Regions, Frontier Work, Foreign Population, Work Among the Negroes, Work in Cities and Cuba.

The name Sunday School Missionary was changed by the Sunday School Committee to Sunday School Field Secretary.

MOUNTAIN REGIONS.

Including West Virginia, the territory thus described embraces an area of two hundred thousand square miles. It comprises parts of the States of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Ten-

nessee, Kentucky and Alabama. The last annual report of the Home Mission Board contains the following reference to the importance of this department of its work:

"The expressed desire of the Convention that the Board should do more for the mountain people, has not been accompanied by the necessary increase of funds that would enable the Board to execute in full its wishes in this matter.

"Many of the reports of the Board bear witness to the fact that it has not failed to appreciate the importance of this field, or been dilatory in its efforts to supply its needs.

"The *New York News*, one of our most prominent political journals, says of this region, after describing a part of it which embraced about one hundred thousand square miles, that this small area possesses greater natural resources than any tract of a million square miles to be found anywhere on the globe.

"It is well known that the great majority of these mountaineers are Baptists. Their isolation has been the great barrier to their progress. They need more and better schools, more instructive preachers, everything that will give them a broader outlook, thus enabling them to appreciate the advantages of their condition and to utilize them, not only for their own good, but for that of the world at large."

FRONTIER WORK.

The time was when what are now Baptist strongholds in States east of the Mississippi River constituted what is known as frontier stations, and were helped by the Home Mission Board. The frontier line has gradually receded westward, until it may be described as beginning at the Kansas line and extending southward to the Rio Grande, thence along that river to the sea. It comprises an area of, approximately, a thousand miles in length by five hundred miles wide. It embraces the whole of Oklahoma and Indian Territories and portions of Arkansas and Texas.

FOREIGN POPULATION.

In our great cities are gathered the great body of the foreign population of our Southern country. In the country places the Board has done work in the interior towns in Missouri, in Oklahoma, in El Paso and the contiguous parts of Arizona, and, in cooperation with the State Board of Texas, in the central parts of that State, and in Austin, San Antonio and along the Mexican border.

The principal work of the Board has been done in Baltimore, Louisville, St. Louis and Kansas City.

This is a work, the importance of which is not appreciated by

our people. The thousands of foreigners coming to our country annually must be evangelized if they are to become useful citizens.

IN THE CITIES.

While the work of the Home Board has been very largely in the country, the growing towns and cities have not been neglected. It has been said:

If you should select one hundred of the most important towns and cities in the Southern States, you would find on examination that churches in at least ninety of the hundred had been helped by the Home Mission Board. You would further find that in the capital of every State within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, with one solitary exception, churches in the day of their weakness have been helped by the Home Mission Board. Also in the capital of this nation churches of both races have in their beginning received financial aid from this same agency.

WORK AMONG THE NEGROES.

The proper religious training and moral guidance of the Negro is a responsibility peculiarly committed to Southern Baptists. The work of the Board among the negroes is chiefly cooperative work under what is known as the Fortress Monroe plan. This work has proven eminently satisfactory in the development of Christian character and improving the condition of the Negro.

This character of cooperative work has been carried on in the States of Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. It is probable that the work will soon be taken up in Texas.

CUBA.

By agreement, there has been a division of territory in Cuba between the Baptist Home Mission Society of New York and the Home Board, it being agreed that the former shall occupy the two Eastern Provinces, and the latter shall confine its missionary labors to the four Western Provinces. This gives to Southern Baptists an opportunity of doing far more mission work in Cuba than contributions enable the Home Board to carry on. The Board has its work well established in three Provinces. In Havana Province under the supervision of Dr. Diaz. In Matanzas Province, Rev. J. V. Cova is the General Missionary for that Province, while Rev. J. R. O'Halloran is in charge of the work in Santa Clara Province. The work is prospering at a number of points in these Provinces. There is a great demand for more preachers and teachers.

LAST YEAR'S WORK.

The last annual report of the Home Mission Board stated: "The report of the Board for the year just closed is the best ever made to the Convention.

"The number of missionaries employed this year was 653 against 467 last year. Baptisms this year 6,552 against 4,739 last year. Total additions to churches this year 12,983 against 9,509 last year. Sunday Schools organized this year 512 with 14,768 teachers and pupils, against 297 with 7,710 teachers and pupils last year."

SINCE 1845.

The Home Mission Board has sent out under annual appointment, since its organization, 7,270 missionaries who have reported 160,863 additions to churches, and have constituted 2,789 churches. It has established about one-seventh of all the white churches within the Southern Baptist Convention.

NORTH CAROLINA AND THE HOME BOARD.

By the union of the Western North Carolina Convention with the North Carolina State Convention, our dependence on the Home Mission Board has been increased. We are gratified to be able to report that in recognition of our increased responsibility the Home Board has promptly granted such increased appropriation as, in the judgment of our Board, it seemed proper to suggest for the current year.

In addition to the amount of over \$600 being expended by the Home Board in cooperative work among the negroes in North Carolina, it is in cooperation with our State Board in our general educational and mission work. It has appropriated for the present Southern Baptist Conventional year, and is paying into the treasury of our Board, for this purpose, the sum of \$3,000.

APPEAL.

In the light of what this Board has accomplished in the past, of the important work in which it is now engaged, and of the great need for enlargement, we commend to the prayerful consideration and the active support of every Baptist in North Carolina, the appeal of the Home Mission Board for increased contributions. It has stated that to carry forward the work committed to it, with any proper degree of efficiency, it needs not less than one hundred thousand dollars in cash contributed by the churches. Of this amount North Carolina Baptists ought to give during the coming year \$6,000. The growing interest and intelligence of our people in Home Missions, which is in no small degree due to the active and able efforts

of J. C. Caddell, North Carolina's Vice-President of this Board, indicates that we will reach this amount.

Your Board in concluding report on Home Missions would in behalf of North Carolina Baptists extend to Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, the new Corresponding Secretary of the Board, the heartiest greetings of sympathy and good-will.

We will also express our love and honor for the retiring Secretary, Dr. I. T. Tichenor, who has been, in the judgment of your Board, during the past twenty years, as an individual, the greatest factor in the development of Southern Baptists, and whose cooperation and assistance is still a vital power in the successful management of our Home Mission work.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

In submitting our report for the general work, we would leave it incomplete except mention were made of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, with headquarters at Nashville, Tenn. This Board is coordinate with the Home and Foreign Boards, and stands as an agency of the Convention for the furtherance of its work along certain lines and in behalf of a great interest.

As set out in this report, to the recent session of the Convention in Louisville, this Board had last year the most prosperous year in its history, and is becoming more and more a factor in our denominational life, helping all the other great interests that are fostered by the Convention.

Its benevolence during the last Convention year in appropriations of cash and books and tracts and Bibles and periodicals and missionary boxes amounted to over twelve thousand dollars, and in eight years to nearly seventy-five thousand dollars, besides the enlargement of its business in every department of work.

This enterprise of the Southern Baptist Convention has developed into a great business under the absolute ownership and control of the Convention, and for the advancement of all the Convention's interests—a business which, measured by its income making power, is easily worth two hundred thousand dollars and has been built up without the investment of any money capital on the part of the denomination.

The periodicals and publications of the Board are well adapted to meet the needs of our people, and especially directed to forward the interests which we as a denomination have in hand.

(1) A full line of Sunday School periodicals, with all that is needed for the equipment of a Sunday School.

(2) A Convention Alamanac, published annually, edited by Dr. Lansing Burrows, full of facts and incidents in denominational life.

and also setting out all the work of the Convention, following in order the Mission Card prepared by the Woman's Missionary Union.

(3) The Story of Yates the Missionary, written by Dr. Chas. E. Taylor, and setting out in a wonderful way the life-work of our great missionary to China.

(4) A Great Trio, a paper-bound book consisting of three charming lectures before the Seminary at Louisville, by Dr. W. R. L. Smith, having for his subjects Jeter, Fuller and Yates.

(5) Restricted Communion, a tract of 70 pages, by J. M. Frost, and also a full line of catechisms by John A. Broadus, Basil Manly and others.

All these periodicals and publications are issued by the Board for the Convention, being entirely under its control and ownership.

The Bible Department of the Sunday School Board stands for the Bible work of the Southern Baptist Convention. Contributions to its Bible Fund entitles to representation in the sessions of the Convention. The Board last year sent out nearly twelve thousand copies of the Word of God into destitute places, making its appropriations for the most part through the missionaries of the State Board and the Home Board. Bibles have been sent out on the frontier, also for distribution among the immigrants in Baltimore, among Cuban refugees in Florida, also to Africa and to Cuba. No one can forecast the harvest which may come from this sowing of the Seed of Life. We commend this work to the thoughtful consideration of our people, counting it worthy of their support and contribution.

The Board makes special effort for the training of the young in missionary thought and life through its Kind Words and mission articles in the Teacher, and other mission publications. In addition to this, it has two special days in the Sunday Schools—namely, Missionary Day, the last Sunday in September, and Children's Day, the second Sunday in June. Programs are prepared and furnished without cost for these services, in whatever quantities may be needed and as the school may desire. The educational value of these services can hardly be overestimated. The money that is collected from Missionary Day, though sent directly to the Sunday School Board, is forwarded to the Home and Foreign Boards, being divided equally between these two Boards unless otherwise designated. The money which comes from Children's Day in June goes to the credit of the Bible Fund, and for every dollar that is received the Board appropriates another dollar from its business, and so makes every contribution do double service in sending out Bibles and Testaments to destitute places.

The great ultimate end of all this work of the Board is for the

advancement and improvement of our Sunday School condition. There are thousands of churches among us that have no Sunday School, and the Sunday Schools we have need advancement in many ways. The Home Department in the Sunday School is intended to carry the Word of God into the family circle; and we need, both in the school and in the home, to emphasize afresh the Bible as the very Word of God. The boys of to-day are the men of to-morrow; and there is tremendous power in the printed page for the making of men. We need to enlarge the Sunday School thought and purpose. Here is a great mission field for missionary sowing and a missionary harvest. Here we lay the foundations for future usefulness.

The Convention, in its Sunday School Board, is carrying forward the Sunday School cause and seeking in every way to foster the great interests for the furtherance of its work. The appeal of the Convention for this Board is not less urgent than its appeal for the Home and Foreign Boards. It is worth our while, in view of the great interests we have in hand, to carry the Sunday School Board into all our churches. There is hardly a more effective way in which to build up and strengthen and carry forward our work.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The highest and most unselfish and Christ-like form of Christian service and missionary effort is that which looks to the evangelization of the entire race. No one can be a missionary in the true sense, in the sense in which our Master was and in which He desires us to be, without taking upon His heart the bearing of the message to all people and the bringing of all people to Christ. The crown of our Baptist people in this fair State is that they have always sustained an earnest and sympathetic attitude toward this world-wide department of the Lord's work, giving to it not only of their money, but many of their best men and women.

Rejoicing in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free and believing in the helpfulness of fellowship and the strength of cooperation, we have always done our Foreign Mission work, in company with our brethren of other States, through the Foreign Mission Board, S. B. C. Hence, to discuss *our* Foreign Mission work is to discuss that Board and its work.

At the last session of the Convention, which was held last May in Louisville, the Board reported a fine year's work. During the fiscal year, ending April 30th, the Board had received from the benevolence of our people \$108,716.06, which added to a gift or two from outside sources and to the income from some invested funds, gave the Board an aggregate income of \$109,267.43. This was sev-

eral thousand dollars less than the receipts of the year preceding. But this falling off was not unnatural under all the circumstances, and is not to be regarded as an indication that the interest of our people in the work was less than formerly. In this connection it is very gratifying to note that our State not only did not fall off but made an encouraging gain in its contributions, giving \$8,092.91, as against \$7,839.63 the year before. It is also gratifying that notwithstanding the falling off in the receipts, the Board conducted its business in such a way as to report no debt, with a small balance on hand.

For our own fiscal year just closed our State has given \$10,640.34, which is a gain of \$1,855.05 over last year. For this we thank God and take courage.

The last report of the Foreign Board to which we referred above, was exceedingly inspiring as to the work accomplished. During the year '98, the period covered by the statistical part of the report, there were 845 baptisms on the six fields now occupied. This is far the largest number ever reported. The report showed 100 churches, and 140 out-stations, 82 missionaries, and 128 native helpers, a net gain of 712 members and a membership of 5,347.

Having its spirit stirred by the thrilling facts of this splendid report, the Convention, by a rising unanimous vote, instructed the Board to plan the work this year on the basis of a 25 per cent increase. Under this instruction the Board has sent out ten new missionaries since the Convention, and is planning for larger things. The latest advices that we have from Richmond bring us the good tidings that there is a general spirit of enlarged liberality among the churches, which has brought the contributions up to date to a considerably higher point than they were at a similar date last year. And, what is much better news, that the Lord's blessings upon the field are exceeding abundant, one of the fields having baptized in the first nine months of '99 a larger number of converts than for the whole of '98, which, as already shown, was much the most blessed year up to date.

In the face of such facts we are of the opinion that all our hearts ought to be stirred, and that our gifts ought to flow into the treasury with an ever increasing generosity. The Foreign Board requests us to give during its current fiscal year \$9,000. We recommend that this Convention approve the request, and pledge ourselves heart and hand to raise the amount.

While the Board has already sent out ten new missionaries since the Convention we learn from the Corresponding Secretary several other good men and women are needed for stations imperatively calling for reinforcement.

We recommend that this Convention and our people throughout all

our State pray that the Lord may honor and bless us by calling from among us some of our brightest and best to go. We pray that North Carolina may in the future as in the past give not only her money but her men, that the splendid line beginning with Yates may have an unbroken succession, that the stream of consecrated life going out from among us to refresh the foreign field may continue with ever increasing volume, and that the spirit of world-wide missions among our people may be ever at flood tide.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

The following is the list of members of Central Committee, and Vice-Presidents of Associations for 1900, approved by the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools:

Mrs. J. A. Briggs, Mrs. Egerton. Mrs. T. H. Briggs, Mrs. N. B. Broughton, Mrs. J. W. Carter, Miss Maude Reid, Mrs. W. N. Jones, Mrs. J. C. Ellington, Miss E. Briggs, Mrs. A. M. Simms, Miss Fannie E. S. Heck.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

Atlantic—Mrs. Hight Moore, New Bern.
Neuse—Miss E. A. Draughan, Kinston.
Central—Mrs. William Royall, Wake Forest.
Beulah—Mrs. L. N. Chappell, Milton.
Chowan—Mrs. Fannie Whitehurst, Elizabeth City.
Columbus and Cape Fear—Mrs. J. G. Blalock, Whiteville.
Eastern—Miss Julia M. Jones, Warsaw.
Green River—Mrs. J. A. Grayson, Rutherfordton.
Kings Mountain—Mrs. Loula K. Connelly, Shelby.
Little River—Miss Emma Kivett, Lillington.
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus—Mrs. B. Lacy Hoge, Concord.
Mt Zion—Mrs. Lizzie Battle, Durham.
Pee Dee—Mrs. Frank Bennett, Wadesboro.
Piedmont—Mrs. J. C. Murchison, Greensboro.
Pilot Mountain—Mrs. Harvey Crist, Salem.
Raleigh—Mrs. John E. White, Cary.
Robeson—Mrs. T. F. Toon, Lumberton.
Sandy Creek—Mrs. T. H. Chapin, Pittsboro.
South River—Mrs. Samuel A. Howard, Salemburg.
Tar River—Mrs. W. B. Shaw, Henderson.
Union—Mrs. D. A. Covington, Monroe.
West Chowan—Miss Blanche Vann, Ahoskie.
Haywood—Mrs. B. F. Hill, Clyde.
Tuckaseegee—Mrs. S. H. Harrington, Franklin.
Carolina—Miss Lida Carter, Angeline.
Western Carolina—Miss Sallie Bright, Murphy.
New Found—Mrs. M. S. Buckner, Owenby, N. C.

With profound gratitude your Committee reports the best year of its history. In Greenville the societies took as their aim for the year 1898-1899 raising \$7,500.00 for missions. To-day we report \$8,746.62, an increase of more than \$2,700.00 over last year.

This result has been reached by steady growth along the lines of work formerly pursued.

The most important feature of the year has been the welcome union of the societies of the west with those of the east, these societies having had no inconsiderable part in the sum mentioned above.

The salary of our Yates Memorial Missionary, Mrs. T. C. Britton, of Soochow, China, was more than raised by the Christmas Offering; the enlarged interest in Home Missions was evinced by larger gifts during the week of self-denial, and especially in the many and valuable boxes packed this fall for Frontier Missionaries, while the growth in contribution to State Missions in the last three years must be exceedingly gratifying to all believers in this basal work.

Without going further into details of the work, in which the faithful efforts of twenty-five Associational Vice-Presidents have materially aided, we will let the figures given below speak for themselves, feeling assured that all who have watched the remarkable growth of our Woman's Mission endeavor within the bounds of our State, will, with us, exclaim—The Lord hath done great things whereof we are glad.

New societies, 66.
 Quarterly letters, 2,000.
 Other letters, 2,910.
 Postals, 35.
 Leaflets, blanks, etc., 15,805.
 Mite boxes, 498.

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Ministerial relief	18.57
Sunday Schools	2.70
	8,746.62

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. A. BRIGGS,
Corresponding Secretary.

JNO. E. WHITE,
Corresponding Secretary.

FANNIE E. S. HECK,
President.

JNO. E. RAY,
President.

The following special committees were appointed :

Destitution in Eastern Carolina.—C. W. Blanchard, C. M. Wall, E. H. Pruitt, B. S. Graves, B. W. Spilman, H. C. Moore.

Missions at Manufacturing Centers.—L. R. Pruett, A. C. Irwin, Sidney Hamrick, J. A. McKaughan, M. E. Parrish, Jonathan Wood.

Education in Western Carolina.—T. M. Honeycutt, C. S. Cashwell, G. M. Webb, R. L. Limrick, A. I. Justice, J. S. Woodard.

Volunteer Mission Work.—S. J. Porter, F. F. Scoggins, H. D. Wilson, W. L. Bradley, C. D. Cole.

The Convention then adjourned.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., *December 7, 1899.*

The Convention reassembled at the hour appointed, and was led in devotional exercises by W. C. Tyree, of Durham.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

B. W. Spilman presented the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to consider the matter of providing an Educational Commission, said committee to report to the Convention in 1900.

R. G. Seymour, of Philadelphia, addressed the Convention on the work of the American Baptist Publication Society.

The Secretary read the following telegram :

LOUISVILLE, KY., *December 6, 1899.*

President of the Baptist State Convention, Asheville, N. C. ;

Greetings from North Carolina men at the Seminary. I Cor. i. 3-9.

ARCH C. CREE.

JOHN R. MOORE.

J. S. Hardaway was appointed to respond in behalf of the Convention.

The following were recognized and welcomed to seats in

the Convention : T. D. Lawrence, President of the Normal and Collegiate Institute, of Asheville ; President Lodge, of the Limestone Institute, South Carolina ; B. P. Robertson, pastor of Gaffney Church, South Carolina ; Wm. L. Richards, new pastor at Hendersonville ; W. C. Allen, of South Carolina.

President E. Y. Mullins, of Louisville, made an address on the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Subscriptions were taken for the Student's Aid Fund of the Seminary amounting to \$848.00. A cash collection of \$9.87 was also taken for the same object.

Thomas Hume presented the report of the Committee on

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The close of this great century is witnessing the most radical changes in the administration of the life of the world. How difficult soever it may be to separate between good and evil in political motives and plans, the believing heart rejoices that "the Lord reigneth," and the children of light must be prepared to exercise the wisdom that cometh from above and seize the great opportunity. While the nation is crossing its bridges is no time to define fully our missionary movement upon the isles of the eastern and western seas. But the outlook is hopeful because of the recoil from the alliance of church and state, of priestcraft and corruption.

We can not fail to be moved by the blessing of God on the labors of our servants, and His, in the wide foreign field. Eight hundred and forty-five baptisms amongst the heathen are reported by them for the past year. The Board was untrammelled by debt at the end of the Conventional period. But our Southern Convention ordered an advance of twenty-five per cent in the outlay for the work. Eleven new missionaries have been appointed ; two of them are North Carolina men, J. C. Owen and W. E. Crocker, both assigned to China. Only one worker has gone down in death, C. D. McCarthy, in Brazil. In North Mexico, Brazil and China the signs of the divine favor are especially evident.

The crying need is that our churches, our individual members, shall *know* this world which is to be redeemed, "all the world," into which we are commanded to go and take the gospel of life and salvation. We must let in the light of heaven on the soul's secret movements and seek to incite in others the spirit of obedience to the plain command. But we must too provide instruction and help towards the understanding of this comprehensive and diversified subject. It is a serious question. What are the means used towards this end in the country church with its infrequent services ?

The Master's call is imperative. Our representatives have sounded the demand for a notable advance in view of the invitation of Providence and our enlarged responsibility. While men and women are crying, "Here am I, send me," shall we not rise to the height of this great argument with the money which the Lord has given us? It seems to us that the wise pastor has to a great degree the situation in his hands and the inspiration of the highest theme, "the world for Christ," to prompt his pleading.

THOS. HUME,
 J. D. BREVARD,
 C. L. BAGBY,
 J. S. BRIDGES,
 R. E. WHITE,
 W. H. REDDISH,
Committee.

F. L. Cleaveland submitted the report of the Committee on
 WOMAN'S WORK.

The following is a summary of the work of our woman's societies as submitted by their President, Miss Fannie Heck, of Raleigh. The committee thinks it could best serve the Convention by incorporating this data into its report :

"I give herewith the results of the year's work of the Woman's Missionary Societies. The growth this year has been such as to call forth our deepest gratitude, especially when we remember that this is the result of steady growth along tried and approved lines rather than transient effort. Contrasting this report with that of the first year's work of the committees, \$1,000.00 with \$8,764.00, brings forcibly to mind the increase in fourteen years.

"In round numbers the Woman's Missionary Societies of our State have grown from fourteen to nearly four hundred and have given more than \$52,000.00 to Home, State and Foreign Missions. Our unvarying aim is large things for Christ. We believe 1900 will see such things as we hardly dared to dream of even five short years ago."

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Ministerial Education	28.27
Expense Fund	8.21
Minister's Relief Fund	18.57
Sunday Schools	2.70

8,746.62

The committee believes it expresses the thought of the entire Convention in thanking the women of our churches for their efficient and valuable aid.

F. L. CLEVELAND,
A. W. EARLY,
G. M. DUKE,
A. B. SMITH,
T. C. BRYSON,

Committee.

After remarks by Thomas Hume and R. J. Willingham both reports were adopted.

Adjournment with prayer by T. E. Skinner.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention was led in prayer by J. S. Smiley, of Swain County.

J. A. Mundy presented the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

As our people advance in educational attainments, we depend more and more on periodical literature to inform our churches and to unify them in the Master's work.

Your committee feel a deep sense of gratification at the increased circulation and more efficient equipment of our religious journals.

The *Biblical Recorder*, our Convention organ, has justly won a place in the hearts of our people, that needs only to be mentioned in this report. In it we have the two essential elements of power and success—consecrated money and brains—serving the people and our Lord's Kingdom. Its record for more than threescore years has been one of loyalty to truth and duty.

Charity and Children, the organ of our Orphanage; *Wake Forest Student*; *Baptist Historical Papers* and the *North Carolina Baptist* have kept pace with the advance movement and are doing a fine work in their respective spheres.

And with them, we commend most heartily the *Foreign Mission Journal*, *Our Home Field* and the *Seminary Magazine* to the patronage of our people.

J. A. MUNDY,
J. E. RAY,
R. H. HERRING,
T. C. KING,
S. D. SWAIN,
J. F. VINES,

Committee.

Remarks were made by J. A. Mundy, J. S. Smiley, A. B. Thomas, J. W. Bailey, N. B. Broughton, W. R. Gwaltney, J. D. Hufham, and the report was adopted.

Livingston Johnson offered the following resolution which was adopted :

RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS we believe that the relationship between the Convention and its organ, the *Biblical Recorder*, should be as close and vital as possible.

AND WHEREAS, the extension of the *Recorder's* circulation among our people is of great concern to the work of the denomination; therefore be it

Resolved, That a committee of five from the Convention be appointed to act in behalf of the Convention as an Advisory Committee with the proprietors of the *Recorder* and its editor in its control and in determining plans for the increase of the *Recorder's* usefulness as the Denominational Organ and for the extension of its circulation among our people.

On motion of N. B. Broughton the report on Wake Forest College is made special order for 11 o'clock to-morrow.

The President appointed the following as the *Biblical Recorder* Advisory Committee: John E. White, W. L. Po-teat, R. T. Vann, T. M. Honeycutt, and W. R. Gwaltney.

The Convention then adjourned.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at the hour appointed, and devotional exercises were conducted by A. H. Harnley, of New Bern, who read a part of Romans xii., and led in prayer.

B. W. Spilman, for the Committee on Credentials, presented the application of the recently formed Neuse Association for admission into this body. The Association was received, and the messengers present received the hand of welcome by the President.

The Convention was then addressed by J. M. Frost, Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn.

John E. White presented the following resolution, regarding the celebration of the year 1900 :

RESOLUTION ON THE CELEBRATION OF THE YEAR 1900.

WHEREAS, The Southern Baptist Convention at its session in Norfolk in 1898, inaugurated a movement for the celebration of the year 1900, as a memorial year in our Baptist churches, in which special effort is to be made to more fully inform them of the gracious fullness of the Divine blessings received during the past century, and to better organize and equip them for the mighty work which lies before them in the century to come.

AND WHEREAS, the recent Convention in Louisville, Ky., further endorsed this movement and completed arrangements for its consummation through a special committee; therefore be it

Resolved, That in accordance with the provision in the plan adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention, we appoint a committee of five to cooperate with the committee of five appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention, and that our committee be requested to secure the appointment of a committee of five in each of our District Associations, who, in turn, shall secure the appointment of a committee of three in each church within their bounds, all of said committees to cooperate with the General Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention,

JNO. E. WHITE.

C. S. Blackwell offered the report on Home Missions, which, after discussion by F. H. Kerfoot, was adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee on the work of the Home Board would report :

During the Convention year we find that the Home Board has continued its assistance at several points in the State, besides entering very heartily into cooperative support of our educational enterprises in Western North Carolina. We feel that this added token of interest and outlay on the part of the Board should stimulate our people to push up our Home Board contribution from \$5,000 this year to \$6,000 for next year. We advanced \$1,200 the past year, we can add \$1,000 even to that the coming year. There are many reasons why we should not forget the Home Board in our forward movement along all other lines.

While we are more or less familiar with the splendid work being done in the mountain section of our own State by this Board, we should not let our sympathies for it be limited by the boundary of our own need. We should know that a vast field far more destitute reaches beyond our State lines and cries piteously and continuously for help; that into this field the Home Board has gone, and God has gone with it.

The territory of the Home Board holds a varied and vast population. Besides our Indian population of 65,000, Texas alone has 200,000 Mexicans. The States have 5,000 Chinese, 40,000 Italians, 500,000 Germans, and 7,000,000 Negroes. In addition to this mixed multitude we have 1,000,000 Cubans on our hands. With such conditions confronting it, the Home Board can not stop. It too must go forward. In every step of its advance God has given a token of His blessing. At Louisville it made a report showing the finger prints of "God's good hand" upon it during the past year, thus:

"The number of missionaries employed this year was 653 against 467 last year. Baptisms this year 6,552 against 4,739 last year. Total additions to churches this year 12,983 against 9,509 last year. Sunday Schools organized this year 512, with 14,768 teachers and pupils, against 297 with 7,710 teachers and pupils last year."

While our prayers and benedictions go with and rest upon the God-honored and heroic I. T. Tichenor, the retiring leader of this noble work, we rise up and salute the incoming Secretary, Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, and pledge him the love and loyalty of North Carolina Baptists.

CALVIN S. BLACKWELL,
G. H. CHURCH,
J. T. BETTS,
L. N. CHAPPELL,
A. B. WALKER,
J. L. MORGAN.

Committee.

The President appointed the following as a committee on celebration of 1900: John E. White, A. E. Brown, L. Johnson, C. W. Scarborough, J. C. Caddell.

The Convention adjourned with benediction by A. C. Barron, of Charlotte.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The devotional exercises were conducted by G. H. Church, of Burlington, who read and commented on a part of Ephesians, sixth chapter.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The motion was adopted to reconsider the action to make Wake Forest College special order for 11 a. m. to-day, and it was made the special order for from 12.30 till adjournment.

On motion, the following constitutional amendment was adopted :

Insert in section 5 the words, "Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law," instead of the words "Mell's Parliamentary Practice."

J. H. Weaver, pastor of Central Methodist Church, Asheville, was recognized and welcomed.

C. W. Blanchard presented the report of the Committee on Destitution in Eastern Carolina :

REPORT ON DESTITUTION IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA.

In Eastern North Carolina the Baptists of the State find their largest area of destitution. It is found mainly in the counties covered by the Tar River, the Eastern, the Atlantic and the Neuse Associations.

In the Tar River Association there is much destitution of real evangelical preaching, the territory being largely pre-occupied by anti-nomian leaders. This opposition is hard to overcome among the older members of the families, but is giving way in the sweep of intelligence and evangelical work among the young. Much attention should be paid to this territory by our Board of Missions.

In our opinion the greatest mission work of the Eastern Association is that of development of churches already constituted, but surely there is yet unoccupied territory in this section. Much work is yet to be done ere we are ready to yield it to fate.

The *largest, neediest and most promising mission field* in the State is that covered by the Neuse and Atlantic Associations. There are ten fertile counties here, with a population of about 200,000, and only about 3,000 members of Baptist churches. We now have about 46 organized churches, are cultivating 30 mission points that promise to become churches, and fail to reach not less than 50 others that are inviting to our preachers.

On this territory the Mormons have placed 17 missionaries. Last year the Baptists partially supported 8 men. This year we are asked to sustain 12 men. We believe it will be wise for the Convention to push the work in this section without stint of men or means. The men now on the field have a firm grasp of the work, but they need reinforcement and encouragement.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
HIGHT C. MOORE,
C. M. WALL,
B. W. SPILMAN,

Committee.

Remarks were made by C. W. Blanchard and M. L. Kesler, and the report was adopted.

L. R. Pruett submitted the report of the Committee on Manufacturing Centers, as follows:

REPORT ON MISSIONS AT MANUFACTURING CENTERS.

This Southland, and especially North Carolina, is rapidly becoming a great manufacturing section. A larger number of industries, especially that of cotton, are now being established than ever before in our fair land.

New mills are going up in many parts of our own State. These factories employ men, women and children. In the main these people have moved to the city or town, and have left their country homes and their country churches. A large number of this growing population is now without Baptist pastors, Baptist Sunday Schools and Baptist church houses. This being the condition, the duty of this Convention and the Baptists of the State can be seen at a glance.

In the face of this fact, your committee recommends the following:

First, that the pastors and churches in the manufacturing centers utilize local talent when possible, aided by the State Mission Board when necessary, which will often require only an outlay of expenses for a building in which to worship and the necessary current expenses.

Second, that the Board seek to provide for every town and factory community a pastor and church privileges as soon as possible.

M. E. PARRISH,
A. C. IRWIN,
J. A. MCKAUGHAN,
S. A. HAMRICK,
JONATHAN WOOD,
L. R. PRUETT.

Committee.

Remarks were made by L. R. Pruett, and the report was adopted.

At this point the President gave the hand of special welcome to Adam Corn and John H. Justice, aged members of the body, who were at the organization of the Western Convention. A freewill offering of \$15.98 was tendered brother Corn.

W. E. Wilkins offered the report of the Committee on

EDUCATION IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA.

Your Committee on Education in Western North Carolina note that: Western North Carolina includes twenty-five counties with a popula-

tion of about 300,000. Of this number about 50,000 are Baptists. Estimating that there are 60,000 children of school age in this section some 40,000 are Baptists or under Baptist influences. Evidently the future of our Baptist Zion will be largely determined by what we do or fail to do for this army of 40,000 children. We note with gratitude—

1. That the public schools are now doing far more for the development of this host than ever before.

2. That Baptists have felt the pressing needs of the young people of the west by providing Mars Hill College, Fruitland Institute, Taylorsville High School and Belleview; and soon there are to be Associational schools at Sylva in Jackson County, and at Bakersville in Yancey.

3. That there is now a general awakening in educational lines and that open doors are calling loudly for cooperation from the brotherhood. A key, humanly speaking, to the new Western North Carolina is held by the Associational High School. Shall we possess it?

4. We call special attention to the offer of Mr. M. C. Treat, of Washington, Pennsylvania, who has placed a loan fund of \$600 for young ministers who wish to attend Mars Hill College. This enables 10 young ministers to enter school each year. May the Lord richly bless our benefactor!

But while something is being done it is not even enough to prevent loss to our Baptist cause. We heartily recommend the Educational section in the report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools and earnestly urge that every \$1.00 invested in high schools here now will do as much as \$5.00 a few years from now. The opportunity now open, which may not be open many years, is illustrated by the experience of our brethren in Yancey County. They were offered the plot of ground and one-tenth of the amount needed to build a \$2,500.00 Associational High School. After waiting a year or two on our brethren the donor made the same proposition to another denomination and now a \$6,000.00 High School marks the last opportunity of our people in a county where three-fourths of the people are Baptists.

Respectfully,

T. M. HONEYCUTT,

C. S. CASHWELL,

G. M. WEBB,

R. L. LIMRICK,

A. I. JUSTICE,

J. S. WOODWARD,

Committee.

Remarks by T. M. Honeycutt, A. E. Brown, A. I. Justice, and John E. White and the report was adopted.

W. R. Gwaltney presented the report of the Trustees of Wake Forest College as follows:

WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Prosperity and growth have characterized the past year. The matriculation during 1898-9 was the largest in the history of the College. It is likely that this number will be passed before the present session shall end. Fifteen more have matriculated already than at this time last year. At no time has more faithful work been done or has better order prevailed. The health of the students and of the community continues excellent. A young minister of high promise died in October, but he carried with him the seeds of disease when he went to Wake Forest.

The changes in the personnel of the Board and Faculty have been few. Judge E. W. Timberlake has been made a Trustee in the place of Mr. W. H. Mitchell. Prof. J. L. Lake has been elected to the chair of Physics and Prof. J. F. Lanneau has been assigned to the Chair of Applied Mathematics and Astronomy, these two Departments having been separated at the last meeting of the Board. Prof. C. E. Brewer and Assistant Prof. C. W. Paschal have been given one year's leave of absence. The place of the former is filled temporarily by Professor Lake; that of the latter by Mr. W. B. Daniel.

The Law School continues to grow in popularity and in the number of its matriculates. Though only in its sixth year, it is already widely recognized as one of the best in the South.

Comparison between the last catalogue and those published before it will reveal the fact that the standard of the College for graduation has been raised in a marked degree. The standard for entrance, also, is gradually being elevated. That this can be done is due to the increasing number and improving work of our academies. In this connection it is gratifying to note the success of several Associational academies already established and the discussions in several Associations as to the establishment of others. Few more important matters claim the attention of North Carolina Baptists than the founding of first rate academies under the control and within the limits of their Associations.

Some of the needs of the College are imperative. Not to supply these at a very early day will be to begin to fall back in efficiency as compared with other colleges. A general effort for the increase of means at the disposal of the Trustees for improvement and equipment ought not to be long deferred.

The report was discussed by C. W. Scarborough, J. B. Carlyle, and ordered printed in the minutes.

The Convention adjourned with benediction by M. L. Richards, of Hendersonville.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The opening exercises included the reading of the 122nd Psalm, by W. F. Watson, prayer by G. M. Duke.

D. P. Bridges presented the report on State Missions, which was adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Our State work lies at the foundation of all our work. We are moving forward along all our lines of work. This advancement can not be permanent unless our State work is in the fore-front of this forward movement. This year our Board has employed 100 missionaries in our State work, together with the great work done by our noble band of volunteer mission workers. Your committee recommends that our Board lay out its work for the next year on a basis of \$20,000, and that our volunteer work be carried on as before. In order for our Board to do this the churches must stand by the work in their prayers and in enlarged contributions. Brethren, here are our destitute fields in the east, our manufacturing centers and our educational work in the west. Let us then stand by all these departments of our work.

E. A. MYERS,
R. O. PERNELL,
E. M. LIGHTFOOT,
J. L. WILKIE,
D. P. BRIDGES,
J. A. HOYLE,

Committee.

W. A. Smith offered the report on the Orphanage as follows:

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Every Baptist who is at all acquainted with our Orphanage and its good work and splendid management has a holy pride in this institution. It is indeed the expression of Christian love in a most becoming manner. Its great demands and glorious work calls forth sympathy and support from the most lukewarm and illiberal Christian. It often breaks the way for greater liberality for all other objects of the Convention.

There are now about 175 children in the Orphanage. About 200 have been enrolled during the year but twenty-five have been honorably dismissed.

The health of the children has been excellent. Their spiritual inter-

ests also are tenderly watched after, and a large number of them are members of the church.

The management of the Orphanage is systematic and entirely satisfactory. The discipline is gentle, but firm. That wise and good manager and his noble Christian wife seem to be divinely suited and appointed to this work.

The \$750 debt on the General Manager's house, which had not been provided for at last Convention, has been paid.

The second nursery building (the bequest of Dr. R. D. Fleming, supplemented by his widow) has been completed, and will be ready for occupancy next Monday. This building, however, will only supply the necessary accommodation for the present number of children who have been hitherto so much crowded.

The present needs of the Orphanage certainly ought to claim our attention. Not that the orphans in charge lack for comfortable accommodation, but that so many worthy applicants can not be received for lack of capacity. We, your committee, therefore recommend to the Convention that steps be taken for the erection and furnishing of other suitable buildings that we may not lack for capacity. A Mills Memorial Building has been spoken of and we believe that such a building might be supplied during the ensuing year very easily if only the proper efforts should be made. The necessity for enlarged capacity is evidenced by the fact that over fifty worthy applications have been made through the Conventional year, which could not be received for lack of room. If we had the necessary buildings we believe an increase of twenty-five per cent of the current expenses would provide for twice the number of orphans we now have in the institution. Our people seem to be ready and willing to furnish food and raiment, but are slow to provide shelter. All the buildings we now have were supplied by special funds, the most of which was given by individuals.

We note with pleasure the continued usefulness of, and the increased interest in, *Charity and Children*. This paper now visits between five and six thousand homes. It returns value received for the subscriber in good reading matter, and information about the Orphanage work, which is not supplied from any other source, besides being of direct pecuniary aid to the Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. SMITH,
C. B. PAUL,
J. L. SHINN,
S. D. SWAIM,
J. A. WHITE,
W. C. STRADLEY,

Committee.

Remarks by W. A. Smith, J. B. Boone, and N. B. Broughton. Subscriptions amounting to \$2,585 were taken

for the Mills Memorial Building. The report was then adopted.

O. L. Stringfield submitted the report on the Baptist Female University as follows :

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST FEMALE UNIVERSITY.

The year 1899 will mark an epoch in the history of the Baptist denomination in this State in educational work. On the 27th of September last the Baptist Female University of North Carolina opened its doors for the education of our women with an enrollment of 180, of which 120 are boarders. Two generations of Baptists have desired to see what has this year been accomplished in the establishment of this institution. Ten years ago at the Convention in Henderson this work was started. It was then resolved "that the time had come when the Baptists of the State should establish a school for young women of high grade for the advancement of the higher education of the women of our land." The wisdom of this action of the Convention has been justified by the splendid opening which the University has had.

The number of pupils who applied for admission at the opening of the University were greater than the Board of Trustees had expected or had provided for, and it became necessary to secure additional accommodations for the patronage of the school. This was done by the purchase of the Adams property, adjoining the University grounds, (a handsome private residence of twenty-six rooms,) and also by making additional dormitory room in the main building. This purchase and additional room, together with the repairs, furniture and furnishings necessary, required an additional indebtedness of \$15,000 to that already incurred, which was \$20,000. The Trustees were loth to incur this debt, but they saw no way to avoid it and be true to the trust committed to them.

The University now has comfortable accommodations for 150 boarders—30 more than are now enrolled, but it is expected that these accommodations will be taken up before the end of the present session. The property which the University has cost between \$80,000 and \$90,000, but this property could not now be duplicated for \$100,000. Indeed no school in the State has superior accommodations for the comfort of its patrons than our school at Raleigh. Its faculty is composed of five men and thirteen women, who have been selected with great care for the positions they occupy, and are eminent in their profession as teachers.

The expenses of the University, though of necessity large, we are glad to report are fully met by the income of the institution, but it is necessary to provide for the debt incurred for the buildings and their furnishings. This should be done as early as possible by the denomi-

nation, to the end that education at the University may be cheapened and this menace to this youngest child of the Convention may be removed.

During the year there has been contributed for the building and furnishings \$8,393.78 in cash and \$2,861.50 in subscriptions, making a total of \$11,255.28. On account of sickness our financial Secretary has done very little work during the last two months, and will not be able to enter the field before January. Bro. C. A. G. Thomas, pastor of the church in Fayetteville, has kindly consented to aid in the great work until the health and strength of our financial Secretary shall be fully restored.

THE WOMAN'S BUILDING FUND.

It was a gracious providence that our women engaged to put forth special efforts during this year to aid in the great work. They have been led by one of the foremost of our Southern women. During the year they have secured \$1,693.20 in cash, and \$1,176.50 in subscriptions, making a total of \$2,869.70. This amount and the amount secured through the Financial Secretary make a grand total of cash and subscriptions \$14,124.98. The amount of cash reported by Miss Susan W. G. Clark, the treasurer of the Woman's Executive Committee, is far from representing all that the women did. The amount would have been much larger but for the fact that very often the money meant to be given to Miss Heck was given to our Financial Secretary. The work done during the year by our women has been highly satisfactory to the trustees and friends of the school. We rejoice greatly in the fact that Miss Fannie E. S. Heck is now organizing our women into an "Educational Union." We most heartily commend this work to the women of the State. With our women organized in the great work of education, and especially the education of our young women, the good that will come to the homes of North Carolina can not be estimated.

THE PRESSING DEMANDS THAT ARE NOW UPON US.

Our trustees have not finished the Baptist Female University. They have only begun it. Both of the buildings are filled with earnest young women, with a fine prospect that twice the number now enrolled will be in attendance next September. What shall be done about the debt upon the property, and about erecting another building is to be decided by the men and women composing this Convention.

The Baptist people have never failed in a great crisis, and we are willing to trust them to put forth greater efforts than ever, that this great work may move on rapidly till fully established.

In view of the pressing demands upon us at this time to provide ample room for the young women of the State who wish to enter the Baptist Female University, and to keep these great advantages at the low charges at which they are now offered, we recommend that all possible

efforts be put forth to secure during the coming year \$35,000, to pay the indebtedness on the property.

Most respectfully submitted,

O. L. STRINGFIELD,
E. ALLISON,
R. A. SENTELL,
A. H. HARNLEY,

Committee.

Remarks were made by J. C. Blasingame, J. W. Bailey, and O. L. Stringfield, and the report was adopted.

Adjourned.

FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., *December 9, 1899.*

Devotional exercises were conducted by Adam Corn, who read from the second chapter of Acts.

Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

W. N. Jones presented the report of the Committee on Place and Preacher which was adopted as follows:

PLACE—Raleigh.

PREACHER—W. M. Vines; alternate, W. C. Tyree.

A. M. Simms made the following report which was adopted:

REPORT ON COOPERATION.

The work of cooperation on the part of the Home Mission Society of New York, the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and this State Convention with the colored Baptists of North Carolina seems to be producing good results, and we therefore commend it to the Convention for its continuance.

By reference to page 30 of the minutes of this Convention for 1898 you will see that the amount which this Convention is to spend in this work for the current year is \$533.00.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. SIMMS,
GEO. J. DOWELL,
J. J. DOUGLAS,
A. H. PORTER,
T. B. JUSTICE,

Committee.

On motion of M. L. Kesler the order of business was amended as follows:

- 10.30 a. m.—Ministerial Relief.
- 11.00 a. m.—Sunday Schools.
- 12.00 m.—Ministerial Education.
- 12.30 p. m.—Historical Papers.
- 1.00 p. m.—Obituaries.
- 1.30 p. m.—Miscellaneous Business.

R. H. Griffith, of Hendersonville, was introduced to the Convention and welcomed to a seat in the body.

J. S. Hardaway offered the report on Ministerial Relief as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

It is most gratifying to your committee to be able to report that the year closing with the meeting of this Convention has been, in many respects, the most successful year in the history of the work of the Ministerial Relief Board. The receipts have more than met the Board's obligations, and fifteen worthy servants of the Lord have received some substantial token of the denomination's desire to do its part by those who have wrought well in their day and are now simply waiting for the call to come up higher.

Your committee would urge upon the pastors of the Convention the importance of informing the churches about the Board and its work and taking, at least, one collection during the year for the benefit of these aged, indigent servants of God.

Your committee would also suggest that pastors and laymen communicate to the Secretary or President of the Board the names of all worthy persons legitimately falling within the province of the work of the Board.

J. S. HARDAWAY,
W. F. WATSON,
S. J. PORTER,
I. S. BARBEE,
R. E. WHITE,

Committee.

J. F. McDuffie, Corresponding Secretary of the Ministerial Relief Board, presented the annual report of the Board, which was ordered printed in the minutes.

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF BOARD.

This department of our work has been signally blessed; and we have much to be grateful for in the appreciation shown by the Convention, in the marked increase of interest shown and taken by the brethren, and in the considerable increase in contributions by the different churches, many of which have not before been doing anything for these old brethren. We have had many letters of inquiry to answer, which is to the mind of the Board a marked increase of interest.

Two great needs are before us: First, we need to know of the worthy needy ones. A look on the fields will convince any casual observer of this fact. Here and there are weary ones, bowed down with care and anxiety, waiting for help from Christ's servants who observe His law of love "Bear ye one another's burdens." They are helped by the few who have been necessitated to realize it to be cumbersome in the extreme, many of whom perhaps have never heard of this Board. It would be a source of comfort in such cases, many times, to help each other, if we only knew of it, and to know it would be only a little effort put forth frequently on the part of those who are in touch with the work. Again, we need more who are in sympathy with this work. To walk in the path of a realized duty brings the sweetest comfort and joy to any soul. Results are frequently hid behind the curtain of God's providence. In a visionary cottage stained with the effects of time lives the old veteran of the cross. On the table lies the Sword with which he has fought many battles. On the strands of time, here and there, are the effects of his struggles which God has enabled him to overcome. But by this old table stands the old cupboard scantily and poorly provided for. How often the old man thinks of better days gone by, and wonders why this state of affairs. He sleeps and wakes only to find it worse and worse as the days go by. To help him would be only perhaps to deprive ourselves of a few luxuries.

The demands upon us for their support is obligatory when we rightly consider their sacrifices and work. They erected the foundation upon which we are building. The best of their lives were spent in laying this foundation. By helping them it begets a spirit of benevolence within us that come from no other work in our Convention. Largely there is going out a spirit of sympathy and love for these old brethren that develops itself in such gifts as result in larger contributions to our other work. They are helped by our helping; and we are in like manner blessed by helping them.

We are very much encouraged by the efforts of our brethren during this Conventional year. God has signally blessed us in the work. We have received many letters of inquiry, and more blanks have been sent out than in recent years, as the result of which we have received two additional beneficiaries, and three others await the action of the Board. There have been no deaths, so far as we have heard, of any of our ben-

eficiaries during this year. There are now fourteen beneficiaries on the Board. Bro. Wm. W. Reid, of Dillsboro, and sister Elvia, widow of Bro. G. C. Caines, of Orton, N. C., have been received since last report.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. C. TYREE,

J. F. MACDUFFIE,

President.

Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF BOARD FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 2, 1899.

1898.		<i>Received.</i>	
Dec. 7.	Balance		\$285.19
1899.			
April 11.	Interest		7.50
May 19.	.....		1.30
31.	.....		10.50
July 10.	.....		60.00
15.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer		300.00
Sept. 16.	Interest		12.75
Oct. 2.	Cool Springs Church		4.65
12.	Interest		6.00
14.	D. L. Gore		100.00
16.	Interest		7.50
19.	J. D. Boushall, Treasurer		450.00
Dec. 2.	.....		290.00
1899.		<i>Paid Out.</i>	
To	Rev. W. W. Reed		\$50.00
	Rev. N. H. Moss		50.00
	Mrs. Rhoda Churchill		70.00
	Mrs. C. F. Humphries		70.00
	Mrs. B. H. Phillips		70.00
	Mrs. Harriet Spivey		70.00
	Mrs. Jane Barlow		20.00
	Mrs. H. C. Register		45.00
	Mrs. Sibby Combs		45.00
	Mrs. E. H. Best		45.00
	Rev. Wm. Harris		45.00
	Rev. Solomon Blackburn		45.00
	Rev. John Hughes		29.65
	Rev. J. H. Lewellin		35.00
	Mrs. Elvia Caines		30.00
	Expenses of Corresponding Secretary		9.80
	P. I. B. Fund		381.55
	Balance to credit General Fund		424.39
			1,535.39
			1,535.39
Disbursed			629.06

P. I. B. FUND.

Loan	\$500.00
.....	150.00
.....	350.00
.....	425.00
.....	250.00
.....	200.00
.....	100.00
.....	150.00
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	2,125.00
Balance on hand.....	181.13
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	2,306.13
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Respectfully submitted to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

T. E. CHEEK,
Treasurer.

We have examined the report herewith submitted and certify that same is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

This December 4, 1899.

H. A. FOUSHEE,
R. H. RIGSBEE.
Auditors.

John E. White presented the report of the Treasurer of the Convention and it was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

STATE MISSIONS.

By amount received.....	\$20,074.03
To balance.....	\$1,069.22
Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes....	50.00
Hight C. Moore, salary as Rec. Sec	25.00
N. B. Broughton, salary as Rec. Sec	25.00
Amount advanced from Beulah Association ..	50.00
Fuel, lights, etc.....	34.83
Jno. E. White, expenses as Statistical Sec...	10.00
Stamps, stationery and office supplies.....	134.77
Part expenses W. M. S	21.76
B. W. Spilman, salary, expenses as S. S. Miss.	718.89
Jno. E. White, salary as Cor. Sec	815.00
Amount paid on cooperation.....	512.65
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Amount forward	3,467.12

Amount forward	\$3,467 12	\$20,074 03
Traveling expenses of Vol. Miss.	116.52	
Jno. E. White, traveling expenses	154.10	
Rent of Mission Rooms	28.33	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	75.00	
Miss Lena Partin, salary as Stenographer	76.00	
Revenue stamps	15.90	
Printing and advertising	82.25	
H. B. Duffy, Tabernacle church, New Bern ..	100.00	
G. H. Saddleson, Southern Pines church	100.00	
Amount paid Missionaries	15,575.77	
Balance	283.04	
	<u>20,074.03</u>	<u>20,074.03</u>

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

By amount received		\$9,291.42
By amount sent direct		1,348.92
To Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes	\$40.00	
Rev. J. C. Owen, traveling expenses Mis. tour	25.00	
Rev. A. J. Barton, traveling expenses Mis. tour	6.75	
J. Z. Eure, traveling expenses Mis. tour	10.00	
C. R. Taylor, traveling expenses Mis. tour	10.00	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	60.00	
Fuel, lights, stationery, etc	20.00	
Stamps and office supplies	52.55	
Expenses W. M. S	76.84	
Jno. E. White, salary as Cor. Sec	425.00	
Jno. E. White, traveling expenses	105.35	
Miss Lena Partin, salary as Stenographer	76.00	
Rent of Mission Rooms	40.00	
Printing and advertising	76.49	
Sent Foreign Mission Board	7,746.02	
Amount sent direct	1,348.92	
Balance	521.42	
	<u>10,640.34</u>	<u>10,640.34</u>

HOME MISSIONS.

By amount received		\$5,608.72
By amount sent direct		161.90
To Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes	\$40.00	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	50.00	
Fuel, lights, etc	20.00	
Expenses W. M. S	52.01	
Amount forward	<u>162.01</u>	

Amount forward.....	\$162.01	\$5,770.62
To Stamps, stationery and office supplies....	55.00	
Jno. E. White, salary as Cor. Sec	450.00	
Jno. E. White, traveling expenses	55.00	
Miss Lena Partin, salary as Stenographer ...	76.00	
Printing.....	100.00	
Rent	23.33	
Amount sent Home Mission Board.....	4,600.00	
Amount sent direct	161.90	
Balance	87.38	
	<u>5,770.62</u>	<u>5,770.62</u>

EDUCATION.

Balance.....		\$431.67
By amount received.....		2,840.09
To Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes....	\$20.00	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer.....	15.00	
Vouchers by Dr. John Mitchell.....	2,467.46	
Balance	769.30	
	<u>3,271.76</u>	<u>3,271.76</u>

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

Balance	\$22.00	
By amount received.....		\$261.06
To paid Rev. B. W. Spilman, salary and expenses as Field Secretary.....	350.65	
Balance		111.59
	<u>372.65</u>	<u>372.65</u>

MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND.

By amount received.....		\$1,059.07
T. E. Cheek, Treasurer	\$1,050.00	
Balance	9.07	
	<u>1,059.07</u>	<u>1,059.07</u>
Total value this fund.....		<u>2,306.12</u>

STUDENTS AID FUND (LOUISVILLE).

By amount received.....		\$60.37
To paid Jno. R. Sampey, Treasurer.....	\$60.37	
	<u>60.37</u>	<u>60.37</u>
Amount sent direct, estimated'.....		500.00

BAPTIST BOOK STORE.

Balance		\$212.74
By cash receipts of store		10,047.64
To Printing Minutes of Convention	\$20.00	
Miss P. Ellington, salary Oct. and Nov.	20.00	
J. D. Boushall, salary as Treasurer	50.00	
Donations and discounts	225.13	
Furniture and fixtures	67.75	
Postage, fuel and lights	191.59	
Freight, drayage, etc.	200.27	
H. L. Watson, salary as clerk	600.00	
Miss Lena Partin, salary as stenographer ...	76.00	
Rent	200.00	
Printing and stationery	103.62	
Advertising	50.79	
Literature, books, etc.	7,837.91	
Balance	617.32	
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	10,260.38	10,260.38

SUMMARY.

State Missions	\$20,074.03
Foreign Missions	10,640.34
Home Missions	5,770.62
Education	3,271.76
Sunday Schools and Colportage	372.65
Ministerial Relief Fund	1,059.07
Students Aid Fund (Louisville)	560.37
Baptist Book Store	10,260.38
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Total actual cash contributions	52,009.22

Respectfully submitted.

J. D. BOUSHALL,

Treasurer Baptist State Convention.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of J. D. Boushall, Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, for the past conventional year, comparing the same with the acknowledgments in the *Biblical Recorder*. I find all accounts with the various objects of the Convention to be correct, and disbursements supported by proper vouchers.

WALTERS DURHAM,

Auditor North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

Remarks by J. S. Hardaway, W. F. Watson, W. C. Tyree and the report on Ministerial Relief was adopted.

W. H. Rich presented the report of the Committee to nominate Sunday School and Colportage Committee, which was adopted. (See list of Boards.)

Thomas Carrick presented the report of the Committee to nominate Board of Education, which was adopted. (See list of Boards).

T. B. Moseley presented the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

The work of our North Carolina Sunday School Committee has been eminently successful. The institutes under the management of Bro. B. W. Spilman, Sunday School Field Secretary, have aroused and quickened a widespread interest in the work. He has attended, in the last year, sixty-eight meetings in the interest of Sunday Schools, and has personally conducted fifty-seven. We feel that we can not speak too highly of his self-sacrificing labors—facing and enduring the trials that have attended the work, and giving to it, for a scant remuneration, a whole-hearted and efficient service.

The benefits to our cause at large, resulting from the earnest, faithful efforts of our Field Secretary, can, in part at least, be seen when we find that an increased interest in Sunday Schools means a more open door, and a greater influx of devoted, intelligent Christians into our churches.

Your committee begs leave to urge that the Convention instruct the Sunday School Committee, through its Field Secretary, to push forward the colportage work in every way practical.

J. D. MOORE,
T. B. MOSELEY,
J. F. PARROTT,
G. N. COWAN,
M. A. LOVE.

Committee.

Remarks by T. B. Moseley, John E. Ray, N. B. Broughton, and the report was adopted.

Livingston Johnson presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention rejoices in the prosperity of the Oxford Seminary for girls and the Chowan Female Institute, and wishes them hearty God-speed in their blessed work of helping to lift up the girls of our denomination.

On motion, F. P. Hobgood of Oxford, and C. W. Scarborough of Murfreesboro, were given five minutes each to present their respective institutions.

The report of Committee to nominate the Ministerial Relief Board was received and adopted. (See list of Boards.)

John E. White presented the following report, which was adopted :

CARRENDER WILL CASE.

Your committee to which was committed the adjustment of the Convention's interest in the will of Lewis Carrender, deceased, of Yadkin County, begs leave to report :

That we have arrived at a compromise with parties involved by which the Convention receives \$1,000.00 for the transfer of its rights under the will to the plaintiff in the suit. This transfer has been consummated ; the case is removed from litigation and the Treasurer of the Convention has in hand \$500.00 in cash and \$500.00 note payable September 1, 1900.

Under the terms of the will the Convention was enjoined to place its bequest at interest and the interest from the same to be used in State Mission work.

We recommend that the Treasurer of the Convention be instructed to execute a loan of the money and note now in his hands to the Baptist Book Store at six per cent per annum.

JNO. E. WHITE.

W. N. JONES, \

J. D. BOUSHALL,

Committee.

John E. White presented the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That in view of the peculiar significance attached to the closing year of the century, and in view of lamentable lack of full, accurate and reliable statistics of Baptist work and numerical strength in North Carolina, that the Convention elect brethren Hufham and T. M. Pittman statistical secretaries for the year 1900, with instructions to collect and report to the next session of the Convention full, accurate and reliable statistics of the Baptists of North Carolina and such historical data as deserves perpetuation in our records.

Resolved 2d, That the Board of Missions be instructed to appropriate \$150 to defray the expenses of the work.

JNO. E. WHITE.

R. T. Vann presented the following resolution, which was adopted ;

Resolved, That the Baptist State Convention express its high appreciation of the faithful, efficient and self-denying service rendered by Miss Fannie E. S. Heck in securing funds for the Baptist Female University, and that we cordially commend her to the sympathy and cooperation of all our people.

The President appointed the following committee of five to consider the appointment of an educational commission to report in 1900: B. W. Spilman, C. E. Taylor, J. C. Scarboro, J. A. Campbell, W. J. Ferrell.

J. F. Davis presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, the Baptists of North Carolina now in convention assembled are opposed to all wrong-doing of whatever character;

AND WHEREAS, one Mr. Roberts has been elected to the Congress of the United States;

AND WHEREAS, the said Roberts is understood to be a polygamist having three wives;

AND WHEREAS, polygamy is subversive of morality and a menace to the public good as well as contrary to the laws of the United States; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina desire to express our disapproval of the said Roberts's manner of life, and request that the Congress of the United States do not permit the said Roberts to take his seat.

J. C. Blasingame offered the report on Education, Ministerial and General, as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL AND GENERAL EDUCATION.

It is gratifying to report that the Board of Education is out of debt. This is the first time it has been able to so report. The number of students receiving aid have been increased from thirty-one last year to forty this year.

There are many hopeful signs of a greatly increased interest in General Education. Wake Forest College has now 260 students, fifteen more than at the same time last year. The Baptist Female University opened its first term on September 27th, and has issued 180 matriculation cards. Notwithstanding this large attendance it is a notable fact that Oxford Seminary and the Chowan Baptist Female Institute have each a much larger attendance this year than last. These last two institutions have been the only female colleges Baptists could claim and depend upon for the education of our young women, and we are glad to see that the opening of the University has been simultaneous with an increased attendance in these two worthy institutions. Our people should take this as a verification of the scriptural declaration that to him that hath shall be given.

We are glad to report the founding of three Associational schools since the last Convention, viz.: The Sylva High School, Jackson

County; Bowman Academy, Bakersville; and Fruitland Institute, Henderson County. Mars Hill College reports an increased attendance of thirty.

We would emphasize the importance of establishing Associational High Schools in every Association in the State.

JAS. C. BLASINGAME, *Chairman.*

T. E. SKINNER,

R. L. MOORE,

J. L. LAKE,

W. B. WAFF,

E. J. HARRELL,

Committee.

John Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education, presented the annual report of the Board, which was ordered printed in the Minutes.

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION, 1899.

The work of the Board of Education during the year has been fairly prosperous, and is encouraging. Contributions have been a little better than last year. All outstanding obligations have been cancelled. The current expenses have been paid to December 1, 1899, and we are glad to be able to report *that the Board of Education is out of debt.*

The work of the Board, always important, but never more so than now, is growing upon us, and the Board has decided to increase the number of its beneficiaries to forty, with the hope that the contributions will justify the increase. The number aided last session is thirty-one. The number received this session to date is thirty-six, and we shall doubtless reach forty during the next term, and it is hoped that we shall be able to aid all the worthy young ministers who may apply. The aid usually given is \$9 per month, and this not a gift, but a loan to be returned after five years without interest. If not paid within the five years the notes after that will draw four per cent interest. The first of the notes became due a few months ago, and some of them have been paid.

The annual account of the Corresponding Secretary from December 5, 1898, to December 2, 1899, shows the following :

DEBITS.

Received from J. D. Boushall. Treasurer..... \$2,458.72

CREDITS.

Balance due on last year's account..... \$6.78

Paid out during the year, as per receipts..... 2,435.45

Cash in hand to balance..... 16.49

2,458.72

The above account itemized has been audited and certified as follows:

“ I have carefully examined the above account of Dr. John Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, beginning December 5, 1898, and ending December 2, 1899, and find them correct and properly vouched, with a balance of sixteen dollars and forty-nine cents (\$16.49) in hand.”

J. M. BREWER,

Auditor.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MITCHELL,

Cor. Sec'y.

W. L. POTEAT,

President.

Remarks were made by John Mitchell, C. E. Taylor, and R. T. Vann, after which the report was adopted.

J. S. Hardaway reported having sent to the North Carolina men in the Seminary the greetings of the Convention, citing II Thess. i. 11, 12.

Thomas Hume offered the following resolution, which, after remarks by Thomas Hume, J. D. Hufham, and J. C. Caddell, was adopted:

Resolved, That the Convention recommend the Baptist Historical Papers, the valuable quarterly of the North Carolina Baptist Historical Society, published at Henderson, North Carolina, by brethren J. D. Hufham and T. M. Pittman, at \$1.00 per year, to all who are interested in the careful search for truth and in the permanent record of the best results. It must be sustained by Baptists for their own sake while they thus advance God's own truths.

J. B. Carlyle offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Convention be extended to the pastor and members of the First Baptist Church of Asheville and to the people of this beautiful mountain city for their unstinted hospitality; to the different churches of the city for the tender of their pulpits on the Sabbath; to Mr. Geo. W. Vanderbilt for an invitation to visit his magnificent estate, and to the railroads of the State for reduced rates.

On motion of J. B. Carlyle, the Secretaries are allowed the usual compensation, and instructed to have the usual number of minutes printed.

J. M. White, for the committee, submitted the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Eleven of our honored brethren have died since the meeting of this Convention last year in Greenville. Extended notices of all these good brethren would make a report too long to be spread upon the minutes of this Convention. Your committee therefore present the following brief report :

WHEREAS, The Great Head of the Church has, in His inscrutable wisdom, seen fit to remove from the vineyard of Christ on earth to the place He has prepared for His people in heaven, the following beloved brethren, namely: Elders J. H. Lamberth, G. W. Mace, J. W. Anderson, William Parsons, W. E. Hensley, J. B. Poole, W. T. Jones, Laurel Hill, Virginia, J. D. Robertson, Rock Hill, South Carolina, J. N. Hoggard, G. W. Sanderlin, D.D., LL.D., C. J. Nelson, and brethren J. H. Mills, W. S. Grandy: therefore,

Resolved 1st, That we hereby express our gratitude to God for giving us in the lives of these brethren gifts and influences that have greatly helped in the Master's work, and that we are also thankful for the good accomplished through the instrumentality of these brethren while they were with us on earth.

Resolved 2nd, That the profound and heartfelt sympathy of this body be extended to the families of these brethren and to the churches from which they were taken.

F. H. JONES,
 J. M. WHITE,
 H. A. BROWN,
 W. R. GWALTNEY,
 J. D. HUFHAM,
 E. ALLISON,

Committee.

On motion of N. B. Broughton, the State Board of Missions and Sunday Schools is requested to incorporate a list of our deceased brethren in their report.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow evening for the closing exercises of the Convention.

FIFTH DAY—SUNDAY EVENING.

At the conclusion of the sermon to-night by W. C. Tyree, President Marsh called the Convention to order, and made appropriate closing remarks. He was followed by J. A. Stradley and T. E. Skinner.

On motion of Livingston Johnson, the Convention then adjourned to meet in Raleigh at 7.30 p. m., on Wednesday, December 5, 1903.

R. H. MARSH, PRESIDENT.

N. B. BROUGHTON,
HIGHT C. MOORE,
Secretaries.

APPENDIX I.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

- Abernathy, J. W., Matthews.
Adams, G. W., Fair Plains.
Adams, E. J., Richmond Hill.
Adams, J. Q., Wadesboro.
Adams, M. A., Cary.
Adams, M. H., Venable.
Adams, J. J., Clinton.
Adderton, W. S., Denton.
Alderman, J. O., Raleigh.
Allen, W. M., Fletcher.
Allison, E., Brevard.
Aman, D. F., Marines.
Ammons, J. A., Needmore.
Ammons, John, Outlook.
Anderson, E. F., Transom.
Anderson, C. J. F., Hertford.
Angel, James J., Boonville.
Annas, J. R. J., Monbo.
Arrington, T. F., Cowarts.
Arrington, C. C., Shelton.
Atkinson, J. W., Neuse.
Austin, D. M., Charlotte.
Austin, J. H., Rockingham.
Ayers, W. A., Bethel.
- Bailey, L. J., Walnut Run.
Bain, G. A., Buies Creek.
Baldwin, M., Huntsville.
Baldwin, T. M., Rise.
Baldwin, J. R., S Las Creek.
Ball, C. T., Spring Hope.
Ballard, W. S., Clarkton.
Ballard, J. M., Doolie.
Barker, A. N., Grade.
Barker, H. M., Peachtree.
Barker, W. F., Bud.
Barnes, S. D., Boomer.
Barnes, S. B., Lewiston.
Barnes, K., Sterling.
Barrett, W. C., Raleigh.
Barron, A. C., Charlotte.
Barr, J. S., Pinckton.
Barrett, E. B., Peachland.
Bartlett, G. A., Franklin.
Bassett, J. E., Asheville.
Beach, J. J., Moravian Falls.
Beach, W. R., King's Creek.
Beam, J. A., Bethel Hill.
Beamer, W. H., Pine Ridge.
Beard, C. E., Winnie.
- Beaver, C. E., Mt. Holly.
Beeker, S. J., Boonville.
Beck, A. W., Calhoun.
Bell, J. W., Clinton.
Bennett, J., Iredell.
Bennett, J. L., Marshville.
Bennett, J. M., Churchland.
Betts, Alvin, Raleigh.
Betts, A. L., Louisville, Ky.
Bilbro, W. L., Ayden.
Bivens, J. A., Richardson's Creek.
Blackburn, S., Bud.
Black, C. J., Big Lick.
Blackwell, J. W., Unaka.
Blackwell, C. S., Wilmington.
Blalock, J. C., Ledger.
Blalock, T. L., Chung Kiang, China.
Blalock, J. G., Whiteville.
Blanchard, C. W., Kinston.
Bland, Wm., Hawley's Store.
Blanton, J. C., Fancy.
Blevins, John, Hermitage.
Blevins, B., Absher.
Blevins, E., Blevins.
Blevins, C., Ira.
Blevins, S., Dehart.
Boone, J. B., Thomasville.
Boone, J. R., Estatoe.
Booth, J. N., Greenville.
Bordeaux, A. J., Doughton.
Bostick, W. M., Troy.
Bostic, G. P., Shanghai, China.
Bostic, W. D., Rock Spring.
Boyd, J. P., Polkton.
Bradley, J. A., Grape Vine.
Bradley, W. T., Morgan Hill.
Bradley, W. L., Harris.
Bradshaw, E. T., Cora.
Bradshaw, W. R., North Wilkesboro.
Brantley, J. P., Perth.
Bray, G. N., Henderson.
Bridgers, S. A., Forest City.
Bridges, B. M., Latt more.
Bridges, D. P., Lincolnton.
Bridges, J. D., New House.
Briggs, H. W., Bald Creek.
Briggs, J. W., Mars Hill.
Briggs, W. K., Briggsville.
Bright, A., Spring Creek.
Bright, T., Murphy.

- Brindle, J. A., Wake Forest.
 Brisson, Wm., Guyton.
 Britton, T. C., Soo Chow, China.
 Bristow, S. F., Colerain.
 Britt, D. C., Pittsboro.
 Britt, J. L., Turkey.
 Brock, T. J., Ac on.
 Brooks, C. V., Lemon Springs.
 Brooks, G. W., Brevard.
 Brookshier, J. L., Flat Rock.
 Brown, Asa, Riverside.
 Brown, A. E., Asheville.
 Brown, T. K., Black Mountain.
 Brown, J. W., Absher.
 Brown, C. C., Hamptonville.
 Brown, H. A., Winston.
 Brown, Joel, Elkville.
 Brown, W. G., Cross Roads Church.
 Brunt, Wm., Wiunie.
 Bryan, L., Cypress Creek.
 Bryan, R. T., Shanghai, China.
 Buchanan, C. S., Barker.
 Buchanan, J. W., Minneapolis.
 Buchanan, J. L., Barker.
 Buchanan, S., Plum Tree.
 Buchanan, W. S., Bakersville.
 Buchanan, E., Bakersville.
 Bumgardner, A. P., Cæsar.
 Bumgardner, W. J., Swanner.
 Burcham, G. M., Elkin.
 Burcham, A. J., Mt. Airy.
 Burchett, J. W., Ronda.
 Butler, R. M., Winterville.
 Butler, A. A., Franklinton.
 Byrd, R. L., Tolarsville.
 Byrd, W. F., Trap Hill.

 Caines, G. C., Orton.
 Caldwell, W. R., Robbinsville.
 Caldwell, Jno. W., Loreta.
 Cale, D., Potecasi.
 Callahan, N. A., White Hall.
 Calhoun, C. L., Medlin.
 Calhoun, T. J., Medlin.
 Calloway, J. M., Jefferson.
 Camp, T. C., Tusquitee.
 Campbell, A. N., Buies Creek.
 Campbell, J. A., Buies Creek.
 Campbell, Neal, Thaxton.
 Carroll, R. D., Smyrna.
 Carroll, S. T., Stony Fork.
 Carroll, L. R., Warsaw.
 Carrick, Thomas, High Point.
 Carlton, W. F., Reddies River.
 Carswell, Z., Enola.
 Carter, I. M., Bernice.
 Carter, Henry, Garland.
 Carter, T. S., Palestine.
 Cashwell, C. S., Shelby.

 Cashwell, J., Bladeuboro.
 Cassiday, W. A., Trail Branch.
 Caudle, A. B., Wingate.
 Caudle, R. T., Rockingham.
 Caudle, J. J., Dockery.
 Chafin, M. S., Calahan.
 Chambers, S. A., Waynesville.
 Chappell, W. Y., Flint.
 Chappell, L. N., Milton.
 Cheek, F. B., Whitehead.
 Church, G. H., Burlington.
 Church, J. W., Reedy Branch.
 Clark, D. J., Register.
 Clark, F. P., Dogwood.
 Clark, M. L., Morganton.
 Clark, N. L., Chambers.
 Clarke, J. D., St. Paul's.
 Clayton, Clubb, Sexton.
 Clement, A. B., Bushness.
 Clenny, L. M., Silver.
 Cleavland, F. L., Chapel Hill.
 Cobb, N. B., Harrell's Store.
 Cobb, J. W., Lumber Bridge.
 Coleman, A., Murphy.
 Coley, W. J., Northside.
 Collie, D. S., Bryson City.
 Collins, J. W., Polk.
 Comer, J. O., Hamptonville.
 Comer, W. T., Lovelace.
 Compton, M. C., Clyde.
 Conner, W. E., Quallatown.
 Conrad, S. F., Charlotte.
 Conway, W. W., Baton.
 Cook, H. B., Medlin.
 Cook, J. H., Lark.
 Coppedge, G. W., Wakefield.
 Corn, A. J., Grange.
 Corn, Noah, Little Creek.
 Corpeuing, J. S., Washington.
 Cothren, Grant, Trap Hill.
 Cowan, G. N., Edenton.
 Craig, B., Tarboro.
 Cree, A., Littleton.
 Cree, A. C., So. Bap. Theo. Seminary.
 Creech, Worley, Micro.
 Crews, R. W., Germanton.
 Crisp, J. F., Lenoir.
 Crisp, E. D., Upton.
 Crisp, R. H., Dorsey.
 Croom, H. M., Pearl.
 Cross, R. D., Ahoskie.
 Croxton, A. M., Monroe.
 Crumpler, J. C., Hope Mills.
 Cullom, W. R., Wake Forest.
 Cunningham, H. A., Swain.
 Current, J. M., Buck Shoal.
 Curtis, L. M., Aulander.

 Daitz, T. F., Barker.

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FINANCIAL STATISTICS, 1899.

Associations.	Pastor's Salary	Incidentals	The Poor.	Repairs.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Ministerial Relief.	Minute Fund.	Total
Alexander	\$320	\$160			\$19	\$6	\$37		\$23		\$20	\$14	\$635
Alleghany and Grayson	86			\$440	1	1	2					8	541
Ashe	271			28	29	4	1		3			21	356
Atlantic	5,455	1,336	\$233		593	521	304	\$100	77	\$2,369	33	33	11,109
Beulah	1,276	67	29	26	181	70	73	47	45		15	17	1,869
Bladen	741	85	5	122	75	42	71	22	15	40	3	9	1,251
Brier Creek	750	75	100	250	4		38		11		11	13	1,246
Brushy Mountain	621				77	47	151	39	112			14	1,200
Buncombe	4,433	676	71	4,152	215	114	273		174	169		27	11,301
Caldwell	800	413	26		20	12	132	4	69	122	70	21	1,639
Cape Fear and Columbus	2,018	300	44	63	103	37	89	15	55	24	17	37	2,855
Carolina	434		15	11		116	25		39			18	653
Catawba River	1,077	326		81			212		150	108		10	1,855
Cedar Creek	980	486			77	84	73	9	83		16	15	1,876
Central	4,890	999	252	789	1,119	420	698	173	309	860	42	36	10,586
Chowan	8,528	1,083	202	1,142	446	223	345	151	219	720	11	68	13,148
Eastern	6,291	559	94	885	300	134	208	123	113	266	59	42	9,895
Elkin	713			225	8	5	6		21		20	11	1,191
Flat River	4,445	646	146		243	213	398	59	182	4,412	57	38	10,546
French Broad	359				178		29		33			24	623
Green River	2,803	140	26	535	259	108	319	8	35	2,744		33	7,199
Haywood	1,334		32	783	49	81	92	8	47	9			2,435
Kings Mountain	3,390				237	135	206	61	78	1,051	36	35	5,229
Liberty	1,731	130	20		165	97	100	83	261	690	36	26	3,425
Liberty and Ducktown	242					36			18			18	296
Little River	1,331	55		450	179	50	53	24	78		100	21	2,084
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus	4,072				169	109	196	59	264		97	18	5,264
Mitchell	500		31			1	17		6	381		20	1,053
Montgomery	630			252	46	20	47	5	45	25	2	12	1,297
Mount Zion	7,187	1,409	316	469	740	293	477	151	358	393	118	50	12,414
New Found	311	16					42					19	389

Pee Dee	4,800	492	100	199	253	252	238	163	256	766	1,071	32	24	6,809
Piedmont	3,067	843	105	1,050	371	344	124	160	124	158	1,071	33	20	6,883
Pilot Mountain	3,426	2,514		4,462	530	188	164	264	308	766	603		28	13,333
Robeson	4,074	2,171	50	1,896	504	189	90	328	459	766	7,540	64	16	14,485
Raleigh	5,170	1,312	316	1,986	607	294	64	289	402	766	1,740	48	45	12,918
Sandy Creek	2,033	99		869	182	139	119	192	223	766	1,776	32	26	4,090
Sandy Run	1,643	183			127	160	44	68	198	766	343		27	2,975
South Fork	2,985	490		975	222	83	21	154	86	766	31	34	21	5,624
South River	2,294	171		749	379	35	18	55	140	766	453	15	23	4,332
South Yadkin	2,596	632		89	57	384	163	54	72	766	209	941	34	5,625
Stanly	878	220		273	81	38	15	76	44	766			14	1,639
Stone Mountain					104				2			3	10	136
Stony Fork								6	158				10	174
Tar River	10,356	2,004	354	1,375	1,429	370	182	766	497	1,775		78	62	19,716
Tennessee River	579					39		19	51				16	704
Three Forks	759	48	49	157	35	42		26	140		34	7	31	1,386
Transylvania	782	55	18			14	2	10	41		11		10	943
Tuckaseegee	1,569			141	50	25	15	35	43		60		26	1,984
Union	1,851	263	31	285	148	163	30	97	200		304	8	40	3,384
West Chowan	7,248		340	1,590	691	309	341	395	720		82	55	60	12,819
Western North Carolina	299	126			6	16		15	13				15	490
Yadkin	1,054	132			28	24	5	66	38		1,522		19	2,888
Yancey	190				13	1		4	5		2		14	229
Total	123,672	20,941	3,005	24,603	11,341	6,018	2,794	6,055	9,235	29,592	2,113	1,335	243,031	

NUMERICAL STATISTICS.

Associations.	Baptized	Restored to Membership.	Excluded from Churches.	Deaths.	Total Membership of Churches.	No. of Churches in Associations.	No. of Ordained Preachers	No. of Churches not Reporting to Association.	Reporting no Baptisms	Reporting Nothing for Missions.	Churches not Reporting a S. S.
Alexander	167		16	13	2,328	17	12		6	4	8
Alleghany and Grayson	3	1	10		373	12	5		11	11	11
Ashe County	64	41	24	9	1,234	28	17	1	9	14	29
Atlantic	199	14	40	31	2,762	44	13		4		
Beulah	36	4	11	7	816	10					3
Bladen	36	19	18	18	1,851	33	16	10	24	14	12
Brier Creek	167	13	25	26	3,304	32	23	1	8	16	18
Brushy Mountain	54	7	33	16	1,448	18	9		4	1	5
Buncombe	221	18	62	33	3,306	26	24		9	9	4
Caldwell	165	23	26	22	2,038	26	16		2	12	6
Cape Fear and Columbus	183	32	48	37	3,089	59	21	11	26	15	28
Carolina	104	67	57	22	2,784	33	31	6	16	22	19
Catawba River	60	9	41	8	1,557	39	10	11	16	15	21
Cedar Creek	77	10	31	13	1,780	15	5		6		7
Central	254	59	65	32	3,326	26	21	1	2	3	3
Chowan	162	24	80	50	7,765	53	19	5	39	11	14
Eastern	176	37	181	70	6,122	61	25	4	29	4	19
Elkin	57	5	9	17	1,231	18	15		7	11	27
Flat River	243	32	64	50	3,566	34	19	1	11	4	6
French Broad	243	14	97	3	3,225	26	22	2	7	11	7
Green River	158	29	48	43	3,977	38	15	4	16	4	7
Haywood	114	15	22	9	1,780	17	11	5	2	10	7
Kings Mountain	260	22			5,278	33	16	2	9	3	7
Liberty	100	9	27	32	2,244	24	16	1	9	1	8
Liberty and Ducktown	153	15	13	20	1,618	23	16		6	17	3
Little River	39	5	71	22	2,183	24	13	2	14	2	4
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus	138	18	46	24	2,130	22	13	2	10	6	7
Mitchell	172	53	67	19	2,407	27	29		6	22	12
Montgomery	72		8	10	837	15	6	1	7	3	7
Mt. Zion	361	23	110	65	5,247	42	16	4	13	2	13
New Found	81	10	44	16	1,420	21	21	1	7		13
Pee Dee	59	11	33	22	2,397	28	14	1	10	1	1
Piedmont	67	5	25	12	1,557	17	16		4		1
Pilot Mountain	237		60	39	3,902	41	15	1	9	1	6
Robeson	175	32	77	37	4,285	40	20	2	14	2	7
Raleigh	318	32	105	53	5,156	50	14	4	14	7	11
Sandy Creek	108		30	30	3,149	37	13	1	14	8	18
Sandy Run	192	13	36	40	4,005	24	15		2	3	4
South Fork	272	23	49	30	3,143	35	14	5	10	7	17
South River	94	10	80	39	2,171	31	14		16	1	17
South Yadkin	114	24	73	29	2,092	29	8	3	7	3	9
Stanly	79	6	31	20	1,608	19	13		7		8
Stone Mountain	28	1	4	2	698	11	11		7	6	3
Stony Fork	40	5	38	8	942	14	11	1	6	10	7
Tar River	522	41	68	68	7,711	78	32	12	26	6	7
Tennessee River	262	32	47	13	1,866	35	42	5	10	27	8
Three Forks	152	25	104	29	2,728	32	30		8	10	5
Transylvania	86	14	24	28	1,491	15	9		1	7	10
Tuckasegee	323	21	53	41	3,898	41	36		12	12	9
Union	157	17	72	32	3,130	30	12	1	7	5	5
West Chowan	520	103	128	85	9,415	47	18	1	10	1	6
Western North Carolina	98	12	27	17	1,753	22	20	1	12	12	5
Yadkin	226	19	51	32	3,020	34	31		5	10	11
Yancey	73	13	28	25	2,366	23	8	9	8	15	23
Total	8,521	1,087	2,637	1,506	154,811	1,605	904	124	539	412	542

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS, 1899.

Associations.	Number of Schools Reported.	Officers and Teachers	Number of Scholars.	Total.	Contributions.	Expenses.	Number of Quartermen
Alexander.....	7	13	463	476		\$16.00	
Alleghany and Grayson*							
Ashe*							
Atlantic.....	27	253	1,989	2,242	\$834.00		2,172
Beulah.....	8	47	278	325		43.00	169
Bladen.....	9	50	553	603	29.00	23.00	280
Brier Creek.....	13	78	677	755	75.00		370
Buncombe.....	15	110	1,816	1,926	1,389.00	296.00	
Caldwell.....	11	63	644	716	6.00	61.00	552
Cape Fear and Columbus.....	32	256	1,716	1,960	17.00	16.00	994
Carolina.....	22		1,222	1,222			
Catawba River.....	8	47	542	589	65.00	74.00	434
Cedar Creek.....	20	193	1,987	2,180	734.00	658.00	2,483
Chowan.....	45	575	4,235	4,810	159.00	728.00	4,264
Eastern.....	42	165	1,509	1,674	301.00	327.00	
Elkin.....							
Flat River.....	27	192	1,845	2,037	793.00	215.00	1,527
French Broad.....							
Green River.....	32	211	1,629	1,840		185.00	2,328
Haywood.....	8	67	1,106	1,173	164.50		
Kings Mountain.....	28	217	2,371	2,588	174.00		2,060
Liberty.....	16	102	1,114	1,216		100.00	1,310
Liberty and Ducktown.....	14		619	619		24.00	
Little River.....	19	129	986	1,105		68.00	672
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus.....	16	153	1,253	1,106		373.00	2,990
Mitchell.....	14	78	799	867	6.00	119.00	
Montgomery.....	8	46	390	438	39.00	66.00	
Mt. Zion.....	29	298	2,755	3,051		815.00	3,946
New Found.....	8						
Pee Dee.....	26	177	1,575	1,752		320.00	1,894
Piedmont.....	17	137	1,594	1,731	287.00	380.00	925
Pilot Mountain.....	33	292	3,597	3,889	1,650.00		3,574
Robeson.....	38	177	1,222	1,399			
Raleigh.....	25	243	2,485	2,728	840.00	2,382.00	
Sandy Creek.....	10	77	449	526	41.00	62.00	
Sandy Run.....	22	155	1,123	1,278	33.00		3,229
South Fork.....	18	152	1,429	1,582			
South River.....	25	148	1,781	1,939		193.00	
South Yadkin.....	17	135	1,204	1,339	41.00	152.00	1,021
Stanly.....	12	88	658	746		42.00	1,059
Stone Mountain.....	8	51	418	469			
Stony Fork.....	7		441	441		6.00	
Tar River.....	72	553	4,903	5,456	763.00	1,140.00	5,844
Tennessee River.....	20		900	900			
Three Forks.....	27	71	1,496	1,567	9.00	70.00	1,038
Transylvania.....	11	62	715	777	28.00		
Tuckasegee.....	35	169	2,383	2,552	4.00	168.00	
Union.....	26	158	1,529	1,682		264.00	1,312
West Chowan.....	42	442	3,325	3,767			3,805
Western N C.....	13	34	399	433	32.00		
Yadkin.....	22	147	1,548	1,695	120.00		819
Yancey.....							
	990	6,808	67,243	73,720	8,609.00	9,575.00	55,071

*Churches reporting no Schools—Alleghany and Grayson, 12; Ashe, 28

Year	Place of Meeting.	President.	Recording Secretaries.
1830	Greenville, Pitt County	Patrick W. Dowd	R. S. Blount
1831	Rogers' X Roads, Wake County	do	N. G. Smith
1832	Reeve's Chapel, Chatham County	Wm. P. Biddle	A. J. Battle
1833	Cartledge's Creek, Richmond Co.	do	Amos J. Battle
1834	Cashie, Bertie County	Alfred Dockery	do
1835	Union Camp Ground, Rowan Co.	do	James McDaniel
1836	County Line, Caswell County	do	do
1837	May's Chapel, Chatham County	do	do
1838	Brown's, Sampson County	do	do
1839	Grassy Creek, Granville County	do	do
1840	Johnston Liberty, Johnston Co.	do	do
1841	do	do	do
1842	Meherrin, Hertford County	Thomas Meredith	J. J. Finch
1843	Boiling Springs, Henderson Co.	do	do
1844	Raleigh	Alfred Dockery	John B. White
1845	do	Thomas Meredith	J. J. Finch
1846	do	do	do
1847	Friendship, Cumberland County	Alfred Dockery	N. J. Palmer
1848	Rockford, Surry County	do	do
1849	Oxford	James McDaniel	do
1850	Louisburg	do	do
1851	Wilmington	do	do
1852	Smithfield	do	do
1853	New Bern	do	do
1854	Fayetteville	do	A. McDowell
1855	Warrenton	do	George W. Johnston
1856	Raleigh	do	J. B. Solomon
1857	Hertford	do	do
1858	Raleigh	do	do
1859	Charlotte	do	do
1860	Goldsboro	do	W. T. Brooks
1861	Raleigh	do	do
1862	Wake Forest	do	J. D. Hufham
1863	Raleigh	do	do T. J. Knapp Ass't Sec
1864	Warrenton	do	do
1865	Forestville	do	do C. E. Dunn, Assistant
1866	Raleigh	do	do W. J. Palmer
1867	Wilmington	do	do T. M. Hughes
1867	Goldsboro	do	J. L. Carroll, G. W. Sanderlin
1866	Hillsboro	Samuel G. Mason	do do
1869	New Bern	W. T. Brooks	do do
1870	Raleigh	do	do do
1871	Charlotte	do	N. B. Cobb, N. B. Broughton
1872	Fayetteville	do	do do
1873	Warrenton	do	do C. M. Cooke
1874	Wilmington	J. M. Heck	do F. R. Underwood
1875	Shelby	John Kerr	J. D. Hufham, F. R. Underwood
1876	Raleigh	C. M. Cooke	do do
1877	Durham	John Kerr	do Wm. Biggs
1878	Charlotte	Wm. A. Graham, Jr.	Wm. Biggs, George W. Greene
1879	Oxford	Needham B. Cobb	do N. L. Shaw
1880	Goldsboro	do	do N. B. Broughton
1881	Winston	do	do W. L. Wright
1882	Warrenton	J. C. Scarborough	N. B. Broughton, N. L. Shaw
1883	Edenton	do	do do
1884	Raleigh	do	do do
1885	Reidsville	C. T. Bailey	do G. W. Greene
1886	Wilmington	do	do do
1887	Durham	W. H. P. ce	do do
1888	Greensboro	do	do do
1889	Henderson	L. L. Polk	do do
1890	Shelby	do	do do
1891	Goldsboro	R. H. Marsh	do N. B. Cobb
1892	Raieigh	do	do do
1893	Elizabeth City	do	do do
1894	Charlotte	do	do do
1895	Greensboro	do	do do
1896	Morganton	do	do H. C. Moore
1897	Oxford	do	do do
1898	Greenville	do	do do
1899	Asheville	do	do do

TABLE.

Corresponding Secretary.	Treasurer.	Preacher of Introductory Sermon.
an Armstrong	Henry Austin	Samuel Wait.
do	do	John Armstrong.
do	do	Wm. P. Biddle.
do	Charles McAnster	David S. Williams.
do	do	(Minutes mutilated.)
do	William Roles	John Kerr.
do	Amos J. Battle	John Armstrong.
do	do	
n. Hill Jordan	do	James S. Mims
do	do	John Armstrong.
do	do	J. J. Finch,
do	do	Wm. Hill Jordan.
do	do	J. J. Finch.
do	James S. Purefoy	Eli Phillips.
do	do	K. McNabb.
do	do	G. M. Thompson.
do	do	W. T. Brooks.
do	do	J. S. Purefoy.
do	do	David S. Williams
do	do	C. R. Hendrickson.
do	do	John B. White
do	do	Wm. Hooper.
do	do	James McDaniel.
do	do	R. I. Devin.
do	do	A. McDowell.
do	do	T. W. Tobey.
do	do	(President reviewed history of Convention.)
do	do	T. E. Skinner.
do	do	T. H. Pritchard
do	do	J. S. Walthall.
do	S. S. Biddle	H. Petty
do	James S. Purefoy	John Mitchell.
do	do	N. B. Cobb
do	do	(No record.)
do	do	
do	do	A. McDowell
do	do	J. B. Hardwick.
do	do	Jas. P. Boyce of S. Carolina.
do	do	J. L. Carroll.
do	do	John Mitchell.
do	do	J. L. Carroll
do	do	William Royall.
do	do	W. M. Wingate.
do	do	J. C. Hiden
do	do	R. H. Marsh.
do	do	C. T. Bailey
do	do	H. A. Brown.
do	do	T. W. Babb.
do	do	(No record)
do	N. B. Broughton	J. A. Mundy.
do	Jordan Womble, Jr	R. H. Griffith.
do	B. F. Montague	do
do	do	F. H. Jones.
do	do	T. E. Skinner.
do	do	H. A. Brown.
do	do	A. G. McManaway.
do	do	C. A. Jenkins.
do	John T. Pullen	J. M. McManaway.
do	do	R. T. Vann.
do	T. H. Briggs	H. W. Battle.
do	Fabius H. Briggs	B. Cade.
do	W. S. Grandy	J. S. Dill.
do	J. D. Boushall	T. H. Pritchard.
do	do	Thomas Hume.
do	do	J. S. Hardaway.
do	do	J. W. Carter.
do	do	T. J. Taylor.
do	do	A. M. Simms.
do	do	J. B. Richardson.
do	do	A. C. Barron.
do	do	W. S. Penick.
do	do	R. T. Vann.

ASSOCIATIONAL TABLE.

Association.	Place of Meeting.	Date
Alexander		Sept. 27.
Alleghany and Grayson	New Hope	Sept. 6.
Ashe	Buffalo	Oct. 9.
Atlantic	Morehead City	Oct. 18.
Beulah	Clement	Aug. 7.
Bladen		Nov. 8.
Brier Creek		Oct. 11.
Brushy Mountain	Zion Hill	Aug. 23.
Buncombe	Big Ivy	Aug. 14.
Caldwell	Union, No 1	Sept. 20.
Cape Fear-Columbus	Spring Branch	Oct. 25.
Carolina		Oct. 11.
Catawba River	Mull's Chapel	Oct. 11.
Cedar Creek	Sharon	Oct. 11.
Central	New Hope	Oct. 9.
Chowan	Elizabeth City	May 22.
Eastern	Mount Olive	Oct. 9.
Elkin		Sept. 25.
Flat River	Roxboro	July 10.
French Broad		Aug. 22.
Green River	Dysartsville	Oct. 4.
Haywood		Aug. 22.
Kings Mountain	Double Spring	Sept. 20.
Liberty	Reed's Cross Roads	Aug. 21.
Liberty-Ducktown		Sept. 25.
Little River	Benson	Nov. 1.
Mecklenburg and Cabarrus	12th Street Church, Charlotte	Aug. 21.
Mitchell	Bakersville	Sept. 13.
Montgomery		Oct. 18.
Mount Zion	Graham	Oct. 9.
Neuse	Antioch	Oct. 23.
New Found		Aug. 9.
Pee Dee	Rockingham	Oct. 25.
Piedmont	Cherry Street, Greensboro	Aug. 30.
Pilot Mountain	Leaksville	Aug. 2.
Raleigh	Baptist Centre	Nov. 1.
Robeson		Oct. 16.
Sandy Creek		Oct. 11.
Sandy Run		Oct. 11.
South Fork	Bethel	Oct. 25.
South River	Macedonia	Oct. 24.
South Yadkin	Eaton's	Aug. 30.
Stanly	Locust Level	Nov. 8.
Stone Mountain	New Light	Sept. 20.
Tar River	Spring Hope	Oct. 16.
Tennessee River	Bryson City	Aug. 23.
Three Forks	Laurel Springs	Aug. 28.
Transylvania	Brevard	Oct. 18.
Tuckaseigee	Head of Tennessee	Aug. 16.
Union	Monroe	Oct. 11.
Western North Carolina		Aug. 28.
West Chowan	Potocasi	Oct. 30.
Yadkin		Aug. 16.
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STATISTICS BY STATES OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

STATE.	Associations.	Churches.	INCREASE BY—			DECREASE BY—			Total Membership.	Colored Membership.	Aggregate Membership.			
			Baptism	Letter.	State-ment.	Resto-ration.	Letter	Exclu-sion.				Era-sure.	Death.	
Alabama	78	1,757	6,170	5,512	210	583	5,922	1,531	488	1,056	127,949	176,238	304,187	
Arkansas	47	1,354	2,599	2,446	31	427	3,206	1,283	668	71,223	55,128	126,351		
District of Columbia	1	14	175	197	---	22	120	68	---	5,068	13,536	18,604		
Florida	22	480	1,291	1,155	47	233	1,086	523	171	238	25,067	27,970	53,037	
Georgia	76	1,986	9,244	8,616	25	847	9,188	2,213	152	1,816	183,268	218,149	401,417	
Indian Territory and Oklahoma *	12	280	671	921	---	70	677	210	---	38	8,333	---	8,333	
Kentucky	64	1,572	8,917	4,354	301	779	4,841	2,160	336	1,875	180,179	72,955	253,134	
Louisiana	28	535	1,563	1,140	5	286	1,439	588	2	229	33,972	71,845	105,817	
Maryland	3	59	442	210	---	50	192	287	---	103	10,266	5,513	15,899	
Mississippi	53	1,265	3,794	2,880	17	475	3,003	1,115	214	788	95,967	199,027	294,994	
Missouri	76	1,873	8,206	4,909	668	624	5,734	2,558	731	1,532	147,606	32,033	179,639	
North Carolina	55	1,658	8,097	4,626	---	918	5,190	2,729	---	1,482	165,754	131,858	297,612	
South Carolina	35	910	4,028	3,040	---	457	3,164	1,016	---	860	95,561	140,784	236,345	
Tennessee	48	1,457	6,323	3,358	212	524	3,928	2,034	195	1,349	129,737	53,153	182,890	
Texas	99	2,762	9,520	11,580	412	1,021	11,993	3,752	346	1,391	187,886	132,556	320,442	
Virginia	24	932	6,203	2,006	565	622	2,738	1,487	1,143	1,311	118,823	237,255	349,078	
Other States (Am. Bap. Year Book, 1899)	721	18,873	77,243	57,550	2,493	7,938	62,421	23,514	3,778	14,831	1,586,709	1,561,030	3,147,739	
Total United States	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1,006,682
Other countries (Eng Bap H'd B'k, 1899)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	4,154,421
Baptist membership in the world.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	786,701
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* Cooperating with Southern Baptist Convention.
Colored membership taken from Am. Bap. Year Book, 1899; doubtless an overestimate in several States.



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