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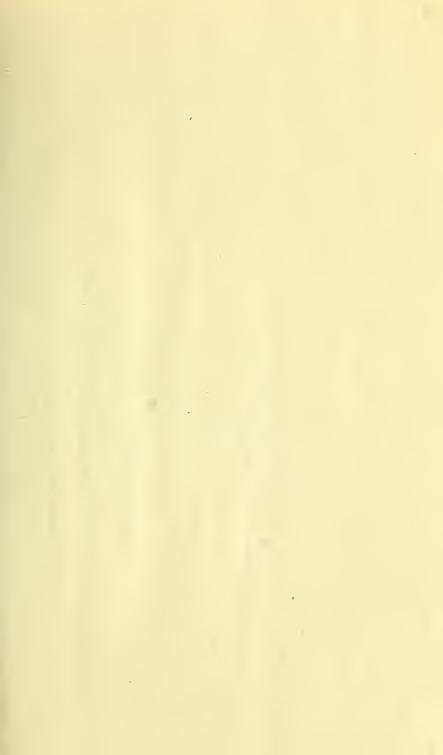


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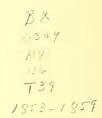
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OF THE

#### SECOND SESSION OF THE

## TAYLORSVILLE ASSOCIATION,

#### CONVENED AT FISHING CREEK MEETING HOUSE;

#### WILKES COUNTY, N. C.

On Saturday before the 3rd Lord's-Day in September, 1853.

SALEM, N. C. BLUM & SON, PRINTENS, 1853.



#### MINUTES.

1st. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder R. L. STEELE, from Joel, 2nd chapter 1st verse: "Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain; let all the inhabitants of the land tremble."

2nd. After a few minutes intermission, Delegates convened in the meeting-house; the letters were read, and the delegates' names enrolled by the Clerk; after which the Association was organized by electing Elder SMITH FURGESON, Moderator, and S. P. SMITH, Clerk.

The Constitution of the Association was then read.

3rd. Then invited Corresponding Messengers : when brother Wm. Johnson appeared as a messenger from the Beaulah Association, and after receiving the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator, took a seat with us.

4th. Invited transient ministers to seats with us: Z. B. Adams accepted a seat with us, and aided us in council.

5th. The Association then opened a door for the reception of newly constituted churches, and received three into our body, to wit: Mount Airy, Concord, and Liberty Grove. The delegates received the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator, and took seats in the Association.

6th. On motion, R. L. Steele, Wm. Church and R. Gentry, together with the Moderator and Clerk, were appointed a Committee of Arrangement.

7th. Appointed H. M. Stokes and A. M. Foster, a Committee of Finance.

8th. Appointed the delegates of Fishing Creek Church, a committee to supply the stand with Ministers during the Association, who made the following appointments for Sabbath :

1st. I. Oxford to open the services of the day at 10 o'clock, by singing and prayer. Elders S. Ferguson and R. Gentry are then to preach; and after a short intermission, J. J. Watts will preach, and close the services of the day.

Then adjourned to Monday morning, 9 o'clock. Prayer by R. Gentry.

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Met a large and respectable congregation; and after singing and prayer by I. Oxford, S. Ferguson preached the first sermon, and R. Gentry the second; and after an hour's intermission, J. J. Watts, preached a <u>missionary sermon</u>, at the close of which a public collection was made amounting to \$21 60 cents, for the purpose of aiding the Taylorsville Association in her missionary operations.

#### MONDAY MORNING.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by the Moderator.

The delegates' names were called over, and the rules of decorum read. The Clerk then read over the proceedings of Saturday, when transient ministers were again invited, and Elder J. B. Green accepted a seat with us.

1st. The Association called on the Committee of Arrangement to report: They did so; the report was received, and committee discharged.

2nd. Took up the first item of the Report, which was to consider the propriety of continuing the minister's and deacon's meeting in our bounds: The Association agreed to dispense with them entirely.

3rd. Item of report. Granted a protracted meeting at Pleasant Grove Church, to commence on the 3rd Saturday in November next. Elders S. P. Smith, R. Gentry, J. J. Watts, H. West and I. Oxford promise to attend said meeting.

<sup>9</sup> 4th. Called on our correspondents to report : Elder Z. B. Adams reported that he attended the Beaulah Association, and was kindly received to a seat amongst them. Elder S. P. Smith failed, on account of sickness. The brethren unanimously excused him.

5th. Agreed to continue the correspondence with the Beaulah Association, and appointed as our correspondents, Elders J. Jones, J. J. Watts, Z. B. Adams, and br. H. M. Stokes. Should any one of them be providentially hindered, they are authorized to appoint some other brother in place.

6th. Agreed to propose the opening of a correspondence with the Holston Association, and for that purpose appointed Elder R. Gentry and Aaron Johnson, as our messengers to attend said Association. 7th. Appointed S. P. Smith, R. Gentry, S. Ferguson, R. L. Steele and Wm. Church, a Presbytery for the purpose of ordaining Ministers of our faith and order,—any three of them being present, are authorized to go into this work.

8th. Called on the Committee of Finance to report, who reported \$18 05<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> received from the churches; which, after taking out \$3 12, which was due the Clerk, left a balance of \$14 93 belonging to the Association. The report was received and the committee discharged.

9th. Elected Elder J. J. Watts our missionary to travel and preach 6 months in the bounds of Taylorsville Association, allowing him \$25 per month for the time he labors; the delegates agreeing to exert themselves to raise the funds amongst their churches. The Clerk is directed to pay over to Elder Wattsthe \$21 60 which was collected on Sabbath and left in his hands. Also, the Clerk is appointed Treasurer to hold the missionary funds that may be paid in before the Association of 1854, and report the same to the Association.

10th. Appointed R. Gentry and Aaron Johnson, to write a short report on Temperance; R. L. Steele and Jno. W. Jones to write on Home Missions; S. P. Smith and Z. B. Adams to write on Foreign Missions,—all of which is to be printed with our Minutes of next year.

11th. Took into consideration that part of Fishing Creek church letter, which brought to the notice of the Association the importance of a school of high character at some point in the bounds of the Association; whereupon Elder J. Jones and some others of the brethren from the neighborhood of Taylorsville, made it appear that they had already commenced operating for a male school of a denominational character, to be located in the town of Taylorsville, when S. P. Smith thought those brethren had acted prematurely in the getting up of this school, and contended that the start of a school of that character should be inthe Association, and that it should be under the control of the Taylorsville Association ; and after a short discussion, the Association passed the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That we highly approve the effort making to establish a High School in the town of Taylorsville. Alexander County, N. C., to be under the control of the Baptist Denomination, and that we will heartily co-operate in the establishment of said Institution.

12th. Appointed the next Association in the town of Jefferson, Ashe County, N. C., to commence on Saturday before the third Lord's Day in October, 1854: J. B. Green to preach the Introductory sermon, Juo. Jones his alternate.

13th. It is ordered that the Clerk superintend the printing of the minutes, and have 300 copies struck and distributed among the Churches, and be allowed \$4 for his trouble.

*Resolved*, That this Association hereby tender a tribute of respect to the memory of brother Samuel Courtice, a prominent member of the Church at Fishing Creek, who has deceased since our last Association, having lived to a good old age, a bold soldier of the cross of Christ.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the brethren and citizens around Fishing Creek for their kindness and hospitality to the members of this Association, visiting brethren and strangers.

Thus ended the business of the Association. On motion, adjourned to the time and place of our next Association.

Prayer by Elder J. W. Jones.

SMITH FERGUSON, Moderator.

S. P. SMITH, Clerk.

N. B. The Association closed their business on Monday evening; and the meeting continued till the next Sunday evening, during which time 21 persons professed to be happily converted, mostly the youths of the neighborhood. On Sabbath 12 were baptized by Elders Jones and Adams.

To God be all the glory. Amen.

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## MINUTES

#### OF THE

#### FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

#### OF THE

# **Taylorsbille Baptist Association**

#### CONVENED WITH

#### Mount Gilead Church,

#### ALEXANDER COUNTY, N. C.,

On Saturday before the third Lord's Day in October, A. D. 1856.

### SALEM:

L. V. BLUM, PRINTER... 1856.



#### MINUTER.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18th:

1st. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder Z. B. ADAMS, from John, 5th chapter and 12th verse.

2nd. Elder S. P. Smith prayed at the commencement of business.

3rd. Read letters and minuted the accounts transmitted.

4th. The Association was organized by electing Elder SMITH FURGUSON, *Moderator*, and R. L. STEELE, *Clerk*.

5th. Called for correspondents: From the Catawba Association, a letter and parcel of minutes, by the hands of Elder Thomas Carlton and brn. D. C. Cockerham, F. J. Hamilton and H. E. Lollar, who were invited and took seats with us.

6th. Invited transient ministers of our faith, to seat with us, Elder Wm. Martin accepted the invitation.

7th. Appointed A. B. Oxford and B. P. Martin, a Committee of Finance, to report on Monday.

8th. Appointed Elders S. P. Smith, Z. B. Adams and Isaac Oxford, with the Moderator and Clerk, a Committee of Arrangement. Correspondents invited to sit with them.

9th. Appointed the delegates of Mt. Gilead church, a Committee to arrange preaching during the meeting, who made the following appointments: Saturday Night, Elder J. H. West; Sabbath, 1st, Elder Thomas Carlton,—2nd, S. P. Smith, to preach a missionary sermon,—3rd, Z. B. Adams. Monday, R. Gentrey, Wm. Martin and J. H West.

10th. On motion, adjourned until Monday morning, 9 o'clock, a. m. Prayer by the Moderator.

#### SABBATH.

The preachers appointed filled the hours allotted to each, and preached to a large and well ordered congregation. After the missionary sermon, a collection was taken for missionary purposes, amounting to about \$30 00. And at the close of the services Elder R. Gentry presented the claims of the United Baptist Institute, when one hundred and ninety dollars were immediately subscribed.

#### MONDAY MORNING.

The Association was opened with singing and prayer, by Elder R. Gentrey.

1st. Called the roll of delegates and read the Constitution.

2nd. The Committee of Arrangement reported and was discharged.

3rd. Called on correspondents of last year, to report: Elders Isaac Oxford and J. H. West reported they attended the Catawba River Association, and were kindly received. The rest all failed to attend, but were excused.

4th. Appointed correspondents for next year: To the Catawba River Association, Elders J. H. West, I. Oxford, R. L. Steele, Smith Furguson, J. B. Green and Z. B. Adams. This Association meets at Providence Meeting-House, Catawba county, N. C., 9 miles East from Newton, on Friday before the 2nd Lord's-Day in October, 1857.

5th. The Committee of Finance report \$17 57, received from the churches; \$2 15 in the hands of the Treasurer, making \$19 72 When the following allowance was made: paid J. H. West and I. Oxford, \$3 00 each; allowed the Clerk \$4 00 for his services, and left the balance in the hands of the Clerk to defray the expenses of printing minutes.

6th. Appointed Elders Isaac Oxford, J. B. Green and R. L. Steele, delegates to the Western Convention, which will meet at Berea Meeting-House, Buncombe county N. C., 9 miles East from Asheville, commencing Friday before the 1st Sabbath in September, 1857.

7th. The Missionary Board made the following report :---

The Board failed to meet at the time appointed at H. Curtis', in May, 1856, but met at Brier Creek, on the 2nd Saturday in August, and renewed the appointment of Missionaries, as they were classed by the Board at the last Association. Missionaries reported as follows: Elder Isaac Oxford traveled 14 days, 146 miles, preached 12 sermons, constituted one Sabbath School, collected \$4 13. R. Gentrey, traveled 35 days, 400 miles, preached 23 sermons. Wm. Martin traveled 23 days, 288 miles, preached 18 sermons. P. Grimes traveled 14 days, 179 miles, preached 13 sermons.

#### FUNDS.

In hands of Treasurer, Received from Brier Creek "Center churc "Jefferson chu Collected by I. Oxford,	ch,	1,	$\frac{1}{2}$	85 00 21 00 13		
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" I. Oxford,	-	-	-		5	96
" P. Grimes,	-	-	-		5	97
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All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. B. OXFORD, Secretary.

8th. Appointed Elders R. Gentrey, A. Johnston, S. P. Smith, Z. B. Adams, I. Oxford and J. H. West, a presbytery to ordain ministers next year.

9th. Ordered by the Association that the Book Board hold a night session, make out a full report of their operations, and that said report appear in these minutes.

#### REPORT.

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he has received in cas	sh -	-	-	-	\$78 00
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Brother R. L. Steele resigned as treasurer of the board. Appointed H. Curtis, Treasurer; and he received the above amount of \$42 92 to account for to the Board.

#### R. GENTREY, Secretary.

#### October 20, 1856.

10th. Elected Elder Z. B. Adams our missionary to travel in the bounds of this Association three months, and agree to pay him \$25 00 per month; and should there be funds procured, he is to travel as long as he can be supported. He is also to act as Colporteur and sell books for the Association.

11th. Appointed our next Association to be held at the new School House, near Antioch Meeting-House, Wilkes county, N. C., 9 miles East from Wilkesborough, to meet on Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in October, 1857. Elder R. L. Steele to preach the introductory sermon; Smith Furgeson his alternate.

12th. Appointed the Clerk to superintend the printing of the minutes, and that he have 300 copies struck and divide them as usual.

13th. Appointed a protracted meeting with the Jefferson church, Ashe county, N. C., to commence on the 2nd Saturday in August, next; Elders I. Oxford, Z. B. Adams, J. B. Green, S. P. Smith and Smith Furgeson to attend. One at Temperance Hill, to commence on the 3rd Saturday in July, 1857; Elders R. Gentrey, I. Oxford, Z. B. Adams, William Martin, J. B. Green and J. H. West to attend.

#### **RESOLUTIONS.**

Whereas we believe it to be the duty as well as the privilege of all christians to contribute to the cause of Missions,

1st. Resolved, Therefore, that we recommend that each church give 10 cents per member, for Home Missions, and 5 cents per member for Foreign Missions, to be raised by equality of ability, and send up the same to the next Association, by their delegates.

Whereas we are pleased to see the flourishing condition of the United Baptist Institute, at Taylorsville, Alexander county, N.C.,

2nd. *Resolved*, That we will give it our heartiest support, and recommend it to the patronage of our brethren and the public in general.

3rd. Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered to the Secretary of the Western Convention, (Elder R. H. Moody,) for a package of their minutes, sent to us.

4th. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the inhabitants of this vicinity for their hospitality shown to us during this meeting.

On motion, adjourned to the time and place appointed. Closing prayer by Elder Z. B. Adams.

SMITH FURGESON, Moderator.

R. L. STEELE, Clerk.



STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

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## MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

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CONVENED WITH

OAK GROVE CHURCH,

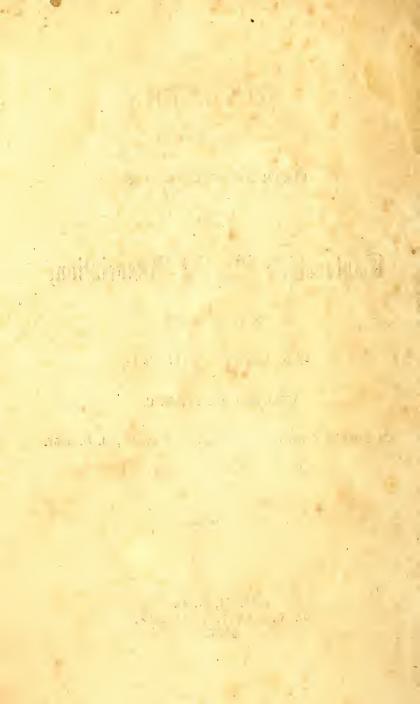
WILKES COUNTY, N. C.,

On Saturday before the 3rd Lord's-Day in October, A. D. 1857. word stars

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#### HAN DINNELLE BELOND

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1857.

1st. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder ELIAS DODSON, from Acts, 14th chapter and 23rd verse.

2nd. Read letters and minuted the accounts transmitted from 14 churches.

3rd. Elected Elders SMITH FURGESON, Moderator, and R. L. STEELE, Clerk.

4th. Opened a door for the reception of new churches, when Center was received.

5th. Called for correspondents from the Catawba Association: A letter and package of minutes by the hands of H. Lollar and L. W. Cockerham, who were invited and took seats with us.

6th. Invited transient ministers of our faith, to seat with us : Elder Elias Dodson accepted the invitation.

7th. Appointed Elder H. M. Stokes and B. P. Martin, a Committee of Finance, to report on Monday.

Sth. Appointed the delegates of Brier Creek and Fishing Creek Churches, a Committee to supply the stand during this meeting, who made the following arrangements: For Lord's Day, Elders R. L. Steele, 1st; Elias Dodson, 2nd; Richard Jacks, 3rd. Monday, Elders J. B. Green and Wm. Martin.

9th. Appointed Elders R. Gentry, Isaac Oxford, and brother J. H. Foot, with the Moderator and Clerk, a Committee of Arrangement, and invited correspondents to sit with them.

10th. On motion, adjourned until Monday morning 9 o'clock. Prayer by Elder Wm. Church.

#### SABBATH.

The preachers appointed filled the hours allotted to each, and preached to a large and well ordered congregation. After the second sermon, a collection was taken for Missionary purposes, amounting to \$28 00.

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1857.

1st. The Association met according to adjournment. Prayer by the Moderator.

2nd. Called the roll of Delegates, and read the Constitution.

3rd. Appointed Elders Richard Gentry, Richard Jacks, and Wm. Martin, a Committee to prepare Rules of Decorum for this body, and report to the next Association.

4th. The Committee of Arrangement reported and was discharged.

5th. Called on Correspondents for last year: Elders Isaac Oxford and R. L. Steele reported they attended the Catawba Association and were kindly received. The others appointed were excused.

"Elders J. B. Green and Isaac Oxford reported they attended the Western Convention, and were kindly received.

6th. Appointed Elders Isaac Oxford, James Reed and R. L. Steele, Correspondents to the Catawba Association, next year,

7th. Appointed Elders S. P. Smith and R. Jacks, a Committee on Resolutions in regard to Elder Z. B. Adams and brother Joseph Creel.

Sth. Took into consideration a message received from the Lewis Fork Association, when the following Resolution was adopted. (See Resolutions.)

9th. The Committee of Finance made the following report:— Received from the Churches for printing Minutes, \$17 60. In hands of Treasurer, 77 cents, making \$18 37, which was disposed of as follows: Placed in the hands of the Clerk for printing Minutes, \$11 00; his compensation, \$4 00. The balance was divided between our Correspondents as follows: Isaac Oxford \$1 68, R. L. Steele \$1 68. Received for Home Missions \$17 93, which was disposed of as follows: Paid Isaac Oxford for attending the Western Convention, \$5 25; J. B. Green, **\$9 23; the balance with \$8** 65 received for Foreign Missions, paid over to the Treasurer of the Missionary Board and the Agent for the Western Convention.

10th. On motion, adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock. Prayer by Elder R. Jacks.

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1857.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by Elder Isaac Oxford.

1st. Called the roll of delegates, and corrected Minutes of yesterday.

2nd. Appointed Elders S. Furgeson, R. Jacks, R. Gentry, Isaac Oxford, Wm. Church, S. P. Smith, and J. H. West, delegates to the Western Convention, which will convene at Taylorsville, Alexander County, N. C., on Thursday before the 4th Lord's-Day in August, 1858.

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3rd. Called on the Missionary Board, who made the following report: Z. B. Adams reports that he travelled 96 days, preached 54 sermons, collected nothing.

96 days at \$25 00 per month, \$80 00 Cash in the hands of the Treasurer on last \$28 75 settlement,  $28 \ 75$ 

\$51 25 Borrowed from the Book Board \$51 25, to pay Elder Z. B. Adams. Leaving the Missionary Board \$51 25 indebted to the Book Board, without means to pay.

4th. Called on the Book Board who made the following report: 1856.-Cash in hands of Treasurer, \$42 92 52 91 Books on hand, Profit on books, 11 40

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Cash on hand,

R. GENTRY, Secretary.

5th. Appointed "Elders R. Gentry, R. Jacks, Wm. Martin, S. P. Smith, Wm. Church and J. B. Green, a Presbytery for next year to ordain Ministers.

6th. Acknowledged the appointment by the Western Convention, of Elder Isaac Oxford, a Missionary to travel in the bounds of this Association.

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H. CURTIS, Chairman.

7th. Directed the Clerk to procure a good well bound book and transcribe the proceedings of this body from its organization. 8th. Appointed Protracted Meetings, as follows:

1st. At Taylorsville, to commence on Saturday before the 3rd Lord's-Day in November next; Elders Richard Gentry and Richard Jacks with their pastor, to attend.

2nd. At Jefferson, to commence on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in August next; Elders S. P. Smith and R. L. Steele to attend.

3rd. At Wilkesboro', to commence on Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in August next; Elders Smith Furgeson and Richard Gentry to attend.

.4th. At Bethel, Ashe County, to commence on the 2nd Saturday in May next; Elders J. B. Green and J. H. West, with their pastor, to attend.

5th. At Pleasant Grove, Wilkes County, to commence on Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in November next; Elders J. H. West and A. Johnston, with their pastor, to attend.

9th. The Members of the Book and Missionary Boards resigned. Appointed Elder H. M. Stokes and brothers A. H. Martin and M. A. Parks, to constitute the Book Board. A H. Martin, Chairman; M. A. Parks, Treasurer; and H.M.Stokes, Secretary, to whom the books and cash on hand was paid over.

10th. Appointed the next Association to be held with the Union Church, Caldwell County, N. C., 9 miles East from Lenoir, to commence on Saturday before the 3rd Lord's-Day in October, 1858. Elder Smith Furgeson to preach the introductory sermon; Elder R. Jacks his alternate.

11th. Appointed the Clerk to superinted the printing of the Minutes, and that he have 400 copies struck, and distribute them as usual.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1st. WHEREAS we have been officially informed by Elders James McNeal and Wm. Pool, that the Lewis Fork Association, at its last session, rescinded the act of 1851, making the joining the Order of the Sons of Temperance a bar of fellowship, therefore,

Resolved, That this Association highly appreciate their noble act and christian spirit.

Resolved 2nd, That we appoint three messengers, viz: Elder Smith Furgeson and brethren J. H. Foot and A. H. Martin to attend the next session of the Lewis Fork Association, and propose a correspondence with her. 2nd. Resolved, That this Association is desirous of iffecting a union and communion with all her sister Associations so sock as all embarassing difficulties can be removed. 3rd. Resolved, That we are pleased to learn of the highly

3rd. Resolved, That we are pleased to lcarn of the highly flourishing condition of the United Baptist Institute, at Taylorsville, and recommend that some steps be taken to enlarge the accomodations, as the necessitics of the case now require.

4th. *Resolved*, That we recommend our churches to raise 50 cents per member in support of the United Baptist Institute at Taylorsville.

oth. Resolved, That we recommend all our churches to have Sabbath Schools, comencing 1st of April and close last of October, each year.

6th. Resolved, That we recommend each church to raise the means and send one or more delegates to the next Western Convention.

7th. WHEREAS we have learned that our beloved brother, Elder Z. B. Adams, has left us to remove to the State of Missouri,

Resolved, That we deeply deplore the loss of so bright and shining a light in this time of our great need, when there is so much need of Missionary and Temperance preaching in our Young Association. But we feel to submit, and do recommend him 'as a worthy, pious and able preacher of the Gospel of Christ, of the Missionary and Temperance Baptists, in whatever part of the world his lot may fall, praying that God may continue his usefulness in a strange land.

8th. Resolved, As it has pleased God to take from our midst by the ruthless hand of death, our beloved brother, Joseph Creel, who was a licensed preacher of the Taylorsville Church, and a young man of high promise. But God has blasted our future prospects in him, and his labors are done on earth: Therefore we bow humbly to His hand, that doeth all things well, believing that our loss is brother Creel's infinite gain.

9th. Resolved, That we co-opcrate with our sister Associations in establishing a Baptist Female College, in the bounds of the Western Baptist Convention, and appoint Elder J. B. Green, Isaac Oxford, and brother C. W. Howell, a Committee for that purpose.

10th. Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the brethren and citizens of this vicinity for their kindness and hospitality to the members of this Association, visitingbrethren and strangers.

SMITH FURGESON, Moderator. R. L. STEELE, Clerk.

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## MINUTES /

#### OF THE

## SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

# TAYLORSVILLE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

CONVENED WITH

UNION CHURCH, CALDWELL COUNTY, N. C.,

October 16---18, 1858.

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## PROCEEDINGS.

#### SATURDAY, Oct. 16, 1858.

The Introductory sermon was delivered according to appointment, by Elder Smith Ferguson, from Acts, 20th chapter and 28th verse.

Read letters and minuted the accounts transmitted from twelve churches.

Elected Elders Smith Ferguson Moderator, and R. S. Steele, Clerk.

Called for correspondents, when the following were received: From the Catawba Association, Elder Thos. Carlton, and Brethren D. C. Cockerham, J. H. Spainhower, with a letter and parcel of their Minutes. From the Lewis Fork, Elders J. G. Bryan, Wm. Pool, James McNeal, with a letter, who were invited and took seats with us. Also a letter from the Brier Creek, and message by Elder Huston Holsclaw from the Lower Creek, which was referred to the committee of arrangement.

Invited transient Ministers to seats with us, when Elders H. Holsclaw and Stephen Metlock accepted the invitation.

Appointed Alfred Foster and A. B. Oxford, a committee of Finance.

Appointed the delegates of Union Church, a committee to arrange preaching during the meeting, who report for Sabbath—Jas. McNeal 1st, Richard Jacks 2d, and S. P. Smith 3d. For Monday— Richard Gentry 1st, Thomas Carlton 2d, Wm. Church 3d.

Called on the committee appointed last year to prepare Rules for the government of this body, who reported. The Report was received and adopted.

Appointed Elders R. Gentry, S. P. Smith and brother J. H. Foot, with the Moderator and the Clerk, a committee of arrangement. Correspondents invited to sit with them.

The Book ordered last year was presented by the Clerk, which was received and ordered to be paid for, with his services for transscribing the Minutes.

On motion, adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.— Prayer by Elder R. Jacks.

SABBATH, Oct. 17.

The preachers appointed filled the hours allotted to each. After the second sermon a collection was taken up for Missionary purposes, amounting to \$18 00.

#### MONDAY, Oct. 18.

The Association met according to adjournment. Prayer by the Moderator.

Called the Roll of Delegates. Read the Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

The Committee of Arrangement reported and was discharged.

Called on correspondents for last year. Elders Isaac Oxcord, James Reed and R. S. Steele, reported that they attended the Catawba Association, and were kindly received. Also, Elder Smith Ferguson, reported that himself and brethren J. H. Foote and A. H. Martin, attended the Lewis Fork Association, and were kindly received. Also, Elders Isaac Oxford, J. B. Green, S. P. Smith, J. H. West and W. Church, reported that they attended the Western Convention, and were received by that body. The other delegates that failed to attend, made their reports and was excused.

Appointed Elders S. P. Smith, Richard Jacks and Isaac Oxford, correspondents to the Catawba Association ; Elders Smith Ferguson, J. H. West, James Reed and R. S. Steele, correspondents to the Lewis Fork Association ; Elders Isaac Oxford and S. P. Smith, correspondents to the King's Mountain Association; Elders Richard Jacks, S. P. Smith, Isaac Oxford and brethren M. A. Parks, A. H. Martin and J. H. Foot delegates to the Western Convention.

Took into consideration the letter from the Brier Creek Association, when a resolution was adopted. [See resolution.]

Took into consideration the message from the Lower Creek Association, when a resolution was adopted. [See resolution.]

Called on the Treasurer, who reported satisfactorily.

Called on the Missionary and Book Board, who made the following

#### **REPORT**:

Your Missionary and Book Board beg leave to make the following Report. During the last Associational year, we have not been able to do anything more than to dispose of the Books that were on hand at the last Association.

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## The committee of Finance made the following

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Received a letter from Temperance Hill Church, informing us of their dissolution.

Directed the Treasurer of the Book Board to make arrangements with brother J. H. Foot to lay out all the money belonging to said Board in Spurgeon's Sermons, Theodosia Ernest and Grace Truman, and have them distributed in the best way he can, in the bounds of this Association.

Appointed Elders Richard Gentry, Richard Jacks, James Reed, S. P. Smith, W. Church and J. B. Green, a presbytery for next year.

Directed the Clerk to prepare these Minutes for the press; and that he have our Constitution, Abstract of Principles, and Rules of Decorum printed; and that he have 500 copies of the Minutes printed, and distribute as usual.

Appointed the next Association to meet with the Bethel Church, in Ashe County, N. C., eight miles South of Jefferson, to commence on Thursday before the 3d Sabbath in September, 1859. Elder Richard Jacks to preach the Introductory Sermon, Elder James Reed alternate.

SMITH FERGUSON, Moderator.

R. S. STEELE, Clerk.

#### CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1.—This Association shall be called the Taylorsville Association.

ART. 2.—This Association shall be composed of not more than three delegates from each church within the district aforesaid, who shall produce letters from the churches certifying their appointments, in which letters shall be stated the numerical standing of the Churches, showing their additions, losses and change of membership since the last annual Association.

ART. 3.—The Association shall be held at least once a year, at such time and place as they may appoint, and shall be opened and closed by prayer.

ART. 4.—The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer. The two last offices, however, may be held by the same individual, should such be the pleasure of the Association.

ART. 5.—The officers aforesaid shall be chosen at each annual session, by ballot or nomination, as may be the *i* leasure of a ma jority of the members, and the Clerk shall continue in office until another is appointed, and shall at all times perform the duties of Treasurer, unless another individual be appointed.

ART. 6.—This Association shall have no right to interfere with the internal regulations of the churches, but may tender to them advice, and in case any of them should become corrupt, in doctrine or practice, exclude such from fellowship; and shall also have power to adopt such measures as may be deemed proper to promote the interest of the Redeemer's kingdom.

ART. 7.—All committees shall be appointed by the Mederator, unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

ART. 8.—There shall be a committee of Arrangements, consisting of five, appointed at each annual Meeting, whose duty it shall be to arrange all letters addressed to the Association for advice, and all other business in order, and report the same when called for by the Association.

ART. 9.—It shall be the duty of the Association to deliberate on the matter proposed by the committee, whether queries or propositions from the churches, or suggestions from the committee, and to make such responses, and offer such counsel as may be deemed fit and proper.

ART. 10.—The Association may invite Baptist Ministers friendly to the benevolent institutions of the day, to a seat, who shall be admitted to the privilege of counsel and debate only.

ART. 11.—The power of appointing Presbyteries for the ordination of Ministers, and constitution of Churches within this district, shall be vested in this Association.

ART. 12.—This Association agrees to use her utmost influence

to promote the cause of Missions, and that of Temperance. Also declares herself a Missionary and Temperance body, but does not claim the power to compel any of the churches to engage in them against their will, but does enjoin submission; and any Church who is found unfellowshipping any member on account of his Mission or Temperance principles alone, shall be read out of the fellowship of this body as a disturber of the peace of the brethren.

ART. 13.—Any church shall be received into this body who shall adopt the Constitution of the Churches already composing this body, by sending up letters and delegates.

ART. 14.—It shall be the duty of the members of this Association to give, as God may have prospered them, of their worldly effects, to defray the contingent expenses of this Association.

ART. 15.—This Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual Meeting, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

#### ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1st. We believe in only one true and living God—and that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We beleive that the old and new Testaments are the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from the fallen state which he is in by his own ability.

4th. We believe that salvation is by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, and should be practiced by all true believers.

6th. We believe the only true mode is by immersion, and that true believers are the only subjects.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment.

9th. We believe that the happiness of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked, will both be eternal.

#### RULES OF DECORUM.

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2nd. The letters from the churches shall then be read, and the names of the delegates enrolled.

3rd. Only one member shall speak at the same time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator, and while speaking shall not be interrupted by any member except the Moderator.

4th. The member speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and use no words calculated to irritate.

5th. No member shall abruptly break off, or absent himself without leave of the Association.

6th. No member shall speak more than three times on one subject without leave of the Association.

7th. No member shall have the liberty of laughing or whispering during the time the Association is on business.

8th. No member of the Association shall address another by any other appellation but that of brother.

9th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit from speaking, until he gives his light on the subject, unless he breaks this decorum.

10th. The names of the delegates, or members of the Association, shall be called by the Clerk, as often as the Association requires.

11th. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege as another member, provided his seat be filled, but he shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.

12th. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

13th. Any member who shall wilfully and knowingly break any of these rules, shall be reproved by the Association, as they may think proper.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

*Resolved*,—That we appoint Elders Smith Ferguson, James Reed and Isaac Oxford to attend the next meeting of the Lower Creek Association, and propose a correspondence with them.

a correspondence with them. Resolved,—That we advise our churches where divisions have hitherto existed between the Lewis Fork, Lower Creek, Brier Creek and Three Fork Associations, and the Taylorsville Association, to use all necessary means to adjust said difficulties, and become as one body.

said difficulties, and become as one body. <u>Resolved</u>—That we recommend our churches to observe Friday before the 1st Sabbath in June, 1859, as a day of fasting and prayer, and that they have public worship in each church.

Resolved,—That the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered to the brethren and friends of this vicinity for the very kind manner in which they have entertained this Association.

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# MINUTES

# OF THE EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE

# TAYLORSVILLE ASSOCIATION,

CONVENED WITH

# BETHEL CHURCH, ASHE CO., N. C.,

Thursday, September the 15th, 1859, and days following.

BETHEL, SEPTEMBER 15th, 1859.

1st. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder JAMES REED, the alternate.

2nd. After which the delegates assembled and read letters from thirteen churches.

3rd. Appointed Elders SMITH FURGESON, Moderator, and R. L. STEELE, Clerk.

4th. Invited transient ministers to seats with us, when James McNeal and H. B. Brown accepted.

5th. Appointed brethren A. H. Martin, and E. B. Salmon, a Committee of Finance.

6th. Appointed Elders S. P. Smith, H. M. Stokes, and James Reed, with the Moderator and Clerk, a Committee of Arrangements, and invited transients to seat with them.

7th. Appointed the delegates of Bethel Church, a Committee to fill the stand during this meeting, who report, for Friday, Elders H. M. Stokes, J. B. Green, and P. Grimes; for Saturday, Isaac Oxford, James McNeal, James Reed. Lords-Day, R. L. Steele, S. P. Smith, S. Ferguson, J. H. West.

Adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock. Prayer by Elder J. B. Green.

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th, 1859,

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by Elder I. Oxford, 1st. Called the roll of Delegates.

2nd. Read Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

3rd. Called on Committee of Arrangements, who reported satisfactorily, and committee discharged.

4th. Called on correspondents for last year: When Elders I, Oxford, J. Reed, and R. L. Steele, reported they attended the Catawba Association, and were kindly received. Also I. Oxford attended the King's Mountain, and was kindly received. S. P. Smith and I. Oxford attended the Western Convention as our delegates. All the rest appointed failed to attend.

Received Minutes from Lewis Fork, Catawba, and King's Mountain Associations. No messengers.

5th. Appointed Elders R. Gentry, S. Furgeson, J. H. West, J. Reed, H. M. Stokes, I. Oxford, and brethren J. H. Foot and A. H. Martin, Correspondents to the Lewis Fork Association. Elders R. Jacks, S. P. Smith, and Isaac Oxford, to the Catawba Association. Elders S. Furgeson, I. Oxford, and James Reed to attend the Lower Creek Association. Elders S. P. Smith and I. Oxford to the King's Mountain Association.

6th. Appointed Elders J. B. Green, S. P. Smith, Isaac Oxford, James Reed and R. L. Steele, Delegates to the Western Convention.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock. Prayer by J. Reed.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th, 1859.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by the Moderator. 1st. Appointed Elders R. Jacks, R. Gentry, J. Reed, S. P. Smith, Wm. Church, and J. B. Green, a Presbytery for next year.

2nd. On motion, ordered that the funds belonging to the Book Board now in the hands of J. H. Foot, be expended by him in the purchase of the following books, in equal quantities: Grace Truman, Theadocia Earnest, and the Baptist Psalmody.

3rd. The Committee of Finance made the following report: Received from the churches \$18 30, for printing Minutes.
From Oak Forest Church for Home Missions \$13 00. Foreign Missions \$7 26. Education \$6 78. When the following allowance was made: due the Clerk for money paid out last year, \$3 15; his services this year, \$5 00; \$10 15 for printing Minutes. "The money for Missions and Education, paid to I. Oxford, Agent for the Western Convention.

4th. Appointed the next Association to be held with the Concord Church, Alexander County, N. C., 7 miles South from Taylorsyille, to commence on Friday before the third Lord's-Day in October, 1860. Elder Richard Gentry to preach the Introductory Sermon; Elder J. H. West, his alternate.

5th. Appointed the Clerk to superintend the printing of the Minutes, and that he have 500 copies printed, and distribute them as usual.

6th. On motion, adjourned until time and place appointed. Prayer by Elder S. P. Smith.

#### SMITH FURGESON, Moderator.

R. L. STEELE, Clerk.

### SABBATH, SEPTEMBER 18th, 1859.

The preachers appointed filled the hours allotted to each.— After the second sermon, a collection was taken up for Missionary purposes, amounting to \$7 05, which was paid over to our delegates to the Convention last year, viz : Elder S. P. Smith \$4 30; I. Oxford \$2 75.

## RESOLUTIONS.

1st. Believing as we do, that christian love and unity contribute more than any other cause to the prosperity of Zion, and that large bodies of christians exercise a greater influence upon the world at large than small ones can,—Therefore be it

Resolved, That we propose to the Lewis Fork and Lower Creek Associations to advise their Churches (as this body does theirs) to send three delegates from each Church to meet in Convention at such time and place as shall be appointed by the Lewis Fork Association, to consider the propriety of uniting the said Associations in one body, on such basis as may be acceptable to the Churches composing the same.

2nd. Resolved, That this Association continue to urge upon the Churches to use every effort to keep up Sabbath Schools in every Church, and that they be requested to send up reports annually of their progress.

3rd. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this body be tendered to the citizens of this vicinity for their hospitality during this meeting.

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