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FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

FORENOON SESSION.

As the delegates to the Transylvania County Baptist Association assembled in Zion Baptist church this morning the congregation sang "I gave my life for thee," after which Elder F. M. Jordan read the third chapter of I. Corinthians. A. J. Manley then led in prayer, and the choir sang "How firm a foundation." Bro. Jordan then preached a most excellent sermon on the subject: "A Gospel Church the Building of God." Text: "Ye are God's building."—I. Cor., 3:9.) At the close of the sermon the Association was led in prayer by T. C. Henderson. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" was sung, and at 1 p. m. the Association adjourned one hour for dinner. A. J. Manley pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 o'clock the Association reassembled, and after singing, A. O. Allison led in prayer. The Moderator of the previous session being absent, A. J. Manley was elected Moderator pro tem. He appointed A. M. Paxton and C. C. Duckworth reading clerks. The roll of the churches was then called, the letters from the various churches read and the following names of delegates enrolled:

BLUE RIDGE—Not represented.

Boilston-W. E. Taylor, Robt. Mackey.

BREVARD-H. H. Penney, J. M. Hamlin.

CARRS HILL-H. A. Orr, W. P. Wilson.

CARSON CREEK—O. M. Cassell, Leon Hubbard, Mitchell Cassell, Joseph H. Bagwell.

CATHEYS CREEK-W. C. McCall, Jno. L. Waldrop, F. Osteen, C. C. Duckworth.

DUNNS CREEK-J. W. Hamet.

EAST FORK—Dee Gillespie, G. G. Ballard, R. A. Garren.

ENON-G. T. Lyday, W. L. Talley, A. J. Beck,

GLADY BRANCH-G. T. Glazener, G. H. Tinsley, E. P. Galloway. GLADY FORK-Not represented.

LAUREL CREEK-Not represented.

LITTLE RIVER-H. P. Moore, E. M. Allison, M. L. Hamilton, W. F. Merrell, W. J. McCrary.

ASSOCIATION MINUTES

MACEDONIA-J. R. Rykard, W. E. Hall.

Mr. Moriah-There was no letter from this church, but W. A. Whitmire and Frank Morgan were enrolled as delegates.

NEW PROSPECT-Edgar Reid, Walter Reid.

OAK GROVE-R. O. Thomas, R. G. Smith, T. C. Henderson, A. N. Collins, M. A. Whitmire.

PINE GROVE-Not represented.

PLEASANT HILL-W. C. Aiken, J. M. Powell.

ROCKY HILL-R. W. Lee, J. R. Bishop, J. S. Heath.

SHOAL CREEK-H. S. McCall.

Toxaway-J. C. Chappell, John Chapman, B. S. Chapman.

TURKEY CREEK-Not represented.

Zion-Lee R. Fisher, E. M. Whitmire, L. R. Staton, W. N. Gillespie.

After the completion of the roll of churches Lee R. Fisher and Sylvester McCall were appointed tellers, and the Association proceeded to the election of officers. Rev. A. J. Manley was elected Moderator and T. C. Henderson, Clerk.

The Moderator appointed committees as follows:

Periodicals-J. S. Heath, W. C. McCall.

State of Religion-C. C. Duckworth, W. E. Hall.

Orphanage-G. T. Glazener, W. N. Gillespie.

Temperance-R. W. Lee, E. M. Allison.

Home Missions-H. H. Penney, G. H. Tinsley.

Education-Lee R. Fisher, R. O. Thomas.

State Missions-W. E. Taylor, R. E. Mackey.

Foreign Missions-F. M. Jordan, E. P. Galloway.

Ministerial Education-Ino. W. Briggs, R. A. Garren.

Sunday Schools-J. R. Owen, G. T. Lyday.

Nomination of Executive Committee-J. R. Bishop, A. N. Collins.

Time, Place and Preaching-J. M. Powell, H. P. Moore.

Finance-G. G. Ballard, C. C. Duckworth.

Preaching-Pastor and deacons of Zion church.

After the committees were appointed the congregation sang "Stand up for Jesus," and the Association adjourned until 9:30 to-morrow. Bro. Jordan pronounced the benediction.

SECOND DAY-MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9:30 this morning. Sang "How firm a foundation," and was led in prayer by J. W. Briggs, after which the congregation sang "Jesus, lover of my

soul." The minutes of yesterday were read and adopted.

The order of business of last year was adopted for the present session, with the provision that the roll of delegates be called each day and the names of those who do not attend the Association be not entered in the minutes.

Bro. W. R. Bradshaw, evangelist of the Baptist State Convention, was welcomed by the Moderator to a seat with us and asked to feel free to take part in the deliberations of the body.

The report on Periodicals was called for, but as the committee did not have the report ready it was deferred until this afternoon.

The report on State of Religion was next called for and was read by C. C. Duckworth. A very interesting discussicn followed the reading of this report, talks being made by C. C. Duckworth, H. H. Penney, F. M. Jordan, H. P. Moore, T. C. Henderson, Lee R. Fisher, J. W. Briggs, J. R. Owen and W. R. Bradshaw. T. C. Henderson offered an amendment to the first sentence in the report. The amendment was adopted and then the report was adopted as follows:

STATE OF RELIGION.

Dear Brethern: We feel that the lives of a large number of our church people show that they have fallen far short of their duty toward God and his cause, and the letters sent to this Association will bear us out in making this assertion. The small number of messengers present from the large number appointed by the different churches to represent them in this body speaks loudly the lukewarm condition of the churches. Read Matt. 14:18-19 and you will get their excuses for not being present. Our church letters read in the Association seem to be void of the Holy Spirit. The finance report seems to call our giving niggardly; in fact we believe the Christians of this county are trying to serve two masters, and Jesus plainly says it is impossible to do so. Ye must serve God or mammon, for if we try to hold to both we will love the one and hate the other. The majority of our church members appear to be as worldly-minded as sinners—they disregard the Sabbath; their conversation is filthy and their every-day life ungodly. Our statistics show we have over 2,000 Baptists in this county; our financial report shows we give a little over \$2,000 to God's cause—an average of a dollar per year to each member. And, brethren, we know full well many of the members never give anything, and we who think we give, if we would keep books for God would see plainly we are stealing his due rents. Yes, brethren, we have submitted to the baptism of repentance, but search the scriptures and see if the members of this body and the churches they represent are not in need of the baptism of the Holy Ghost-the one that prepares us for service. And we firmly believe God's Word teaches it takes the two baptisms to inherit the Kingdom of God, and if we fail to get both undoubtedly our chances to spend eternity with God stand with the foolish virgins, the man that received one talent, and may we not say the goats on the left. Praying that the members of this body may commit themselves to the will of God and be more faithful in His vineyard is the prayers of your humble servants.

C. C. DUCKWORTH, Committee.

The congregation sang "Am I a soldier of the cross," after which W. N. Gillespie read the report on Orphanage. The report was adopted after addresses by W. N. Gillespie, F. M. Jordan, J. W. Briggs, T. C. Henderson and W. R. Bradshaw.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We, your committe on Orphanage, submit the following:

Christ says the first and great commandment is to love God with all the heart, soul, mind and strength, and the second is to love thy neighbor as thyself. The true definition of neighbor is not the one nearest

our home, but any one whom we can help.

In no way can our loyalty to our Great Commander be shown better than by helping those who cannot help themselves. To accomplish such a noble work the Baptists of North Carolina established an Orphanage at Thomasville where there are now about 400 orphan children who are provided with food, clothing and Christian training. Many from this institution have already gone out to bless the world. While at the Orphanage they are dependent on the voluntary contributions of the Baptists. Let us be faithful in the performance of our duty and improving this great opportunity which God has given us.

G. T. GLAZENER, Committee.

The congregation stood and sang "I am resolved no longer to linger," and adjourned an hour for dinner, being dismissed by prayer by H. H. Penney.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reassembled, and after singing "There's a beautiful land" prayer was offered by J. R. Owen, and "Must Jesus bear the cross alone" was sung.

J. M. Hamlin read the report of Historian as follows:

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

The 28th annual session of Transylvania County Baptist Association was held with the Macedonia church, and was supported with unstinted hospitality by its members and the good citizens of the surrounding community. While this session was harmonious, there was no manifestation of such enthusiasm or inspiration in the various objects of Associational work as to give an impetus to the succeeding year's opera-tions. Taking a bird's-eye view as the churches moved along we see but little advance in fhe support of and interest in Missions, the Ministry, Education or Sunday schools,

This last session of the Association formulated a plan by which it was thought in placing the general Sunday school work in the hands of a large committee and surrendering to it one whole day of each union meeting for deliberation would improve the working efficiency of our schools. But a quorum was never secured and the plan proved a failure.

The Corresponding Secretary of the State Sunday School Board appointed J. M. Hamlin to co-operate with him in doing Sunday school work in this Association and this appointment was endorsed by the union meeting at Little River in May last. But the work done is so meager it is deemed of no historic importance.

Two new features were added to the get-up of the minutes of the last Association. First-Cuts of newly-built meeting houses were printed. This is commendable, but to do so entails an extra cost which should be sustained by the church pictured. All our beautiful church houses should adorn a page of our annuals with a picture. The other-The exterior pages of our last annual displayed local business advertisements which some of the brethren deprecate. If the money-changers and the sellers of doves have come within the temple enclosures, they could be ejected by the churches furnishing the Clerk with ample funds to do the work required of him. Our last annual surpassed in neatness and subject matter anything we have ever had.

OBITUARY.

Death has been abroad in our land, visiting well nigh every church,

leaving in his wake bleeding hearts.

John C. Whitmire, of Mt. Moriah, was born February 16, 1841, and died December 22, 1909, age about 65 years. J. C. Whitmire was a synonym for honesty, thrift, progress, broadness.

/ Judith Owen died March 10, 1910. She was the mother of Eld. S. C.

Owen of Candler, N. C., and Eld. J. R. Owen. She expressed herself as tired of earth. Oh! happy thought—there is rest for the weary.

Mrs. J. K. Henderson of Oak Grove church, died February 23, 1919, age 36 years. Not only her church but the general Sunday school cause lost a support that will never be replaced. "Truly has one of earth's most queenly and saintly spirits gone back to the Father who gave it."-R. A. McFarland.

William, Harrison Nicholson of Glady Branch was born July 12, 1828, and died May -, 1910. He was the son of John Nicholson, in whose home Catheys Creek church often worshipped, not having a house of

its own. He was true to the faith of his father.

Washington Earl Galloway of Zion church was born January 26, 1851, and died July 5, 1910. "He was well known throughout the country as one of its upright citilens. He died a member of the Board of County Commissioners."

Mrs. Susan Allison of Enon church died July 6, 1910, age 71 years 7

mrs. Susan Amson of Enon church died July 6, 1910, age 71 years 7 mos. and 3 days. "She was a woman of great industry and always had something to give to support the gospel."

S. Walter Hogsed of Dunns Creek church was born in 1856 and died October, 1909. He was an energetic worker in building up his church. Rebecca Paxton of East Fork church was born in 1829 and was found dead with an open Bible by her side Nov. 28, 1909. She was a granddaughter of Eld. Robt. Jordan, perhaps the first resident Baptist minister in what is now Transylvania county.

Ann Z. Garren, nee Orr, of East Fork, was born Nov. 5, 1827, and died

Nov. 21, 1909. "She was a faithful wife and mother."

J. H. Bagwell of Carson Creek died Dec. 17, 1909. "Judging from the tears shed at his funeral he had a warm place in the hearts of the people."

J. R. Raines, also of Carson Creek, died Dec. 28, 1909. "When he was

able to go to church he was always present."

Eli Smith Hamlin, Glady Branch, was born Dec. 7, 1826, and died July 31, 1910. He was a quiet, unpretending citizen. He had a disgust for shams, No church record shows him as the accuser or accused, nor court docket as plaintiff or defendant. Never testified as witness in court but once in this long life.

Samuel Hogsed of Dunns Creek died Oct. 8, 1910, age about 83 years.

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J.M. HAMMIN-

He was always afflicted in body, but stalwart in the faith.

J. M. HAMLIN, Historian.

J. M. Hamlin and C. C. Duckworth discussed the report after which it was adopted.

On motion of J. M. Hamlin the services beginning at 8 o'clock this evening are to be devoted to memorial exercises in commemoration of our members who have died during the past associational year.

J. S. Heath read the report on Periodicals, and after discussions by Brethren Heath, Owen and Bradshaw the report was adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The Bible is the greatest of all books, and without the Bible the Christian would have nothing upon which to found his hope. The great Moody once said, "When I pray I am talking to God; when I read the Bible God is talking to me." Parents should teach their children to read and reverence the Bible.

We would recommend any religious literature that would assist us in understanding the Bible. Every Bible reader should have a concordance and Bible dictionary to assist him in his reading and studying the

We can recommend no better periodicals than those heretofore recommended. These are the Biblical Recorder, our denominational organ; Charity and Children, an orphanage paper published at Thomasville, N. C.; The Foreign Mission Journal, published at Richmond, Va., and The Home Field, published by the Home Mission Board at Atlanta.

All the above we earnestly recommend as helps in studying the Bible. Respectfully submitted. J. S. HEATH, W. C. McCall, Committee.

R. W. Lee read the report on Temperance. After being discussed by a number of brethren the report was recommitted to the committee with the request that investigation be made in regard to the accuracy or inaccuracy of certain statements made in the report.

The report on Home Missions was read by H. H. Penney,

HOME MISSIONS.

The work of Home Missions is a work to which no true Christian can find objection. It would be well first to call attention to the work of the Home Mission Board. We first notice the work among the Indians. When this country was discovered we found the Indian a worshiper of strange gods. We drove him to the far west, arousing in him a spirit of enmity towards us. Have we conducted ourselves toward him as becometh Christians? We must confess that in many ways we have onot. The work of the Board in this department is largely an effort to reconcile the Indian to us and to God.

The work among the negroes also deserves notice. It is useless for us to spend thousands of dollars iu sending the Gospel to Africa and then ignore the negro in our midst. Mr. Moody once asked an old negro why so many of them were Baptists, and he said, "Why, bless you, 'cause we haven't sense enough to 'splain away the Scriptures." The negro admires the simplicity of Baptist principles,

Our foreign immigration also offers a goodly field for the Home Board. It is estimated that over 1,000,000 immigrants come to this country annually, They are largely Romanists, and it is a well known fact that Romanism is directly opposed to the Baptist principle of civil and religious liberty. Moral decay has been the downfall of nations in the past, so we know that we must Christianize these immigrants and help them to a higher and nobler life on their influence will have a tendency to bring us down.

From the days of Roger Williams to the present day Baptist principles have largely shaped the policies of our government. Our work in Cuba and Panama deserves special notice. The Baptists are practically the only evangelical denomination in Cuba, and our work there has

been greatly blessed. Panama offers an inviting field. Porto Rico has been greatly been added to our republic. Can we afford to ignore her?

In the face of this crying need what is our inevitable duty? Let us be up and doing. The day is far spent and the night cometh when no man can work.

H. H. PENNEY, Committee.

The report on Home Missions was adopted after being discussed by H. H. Penney, C. C. Duckworth, L. W. Duncan and others.

The following pledges were taken for Home Missions: Boilston \$5, Brevard \$5, Catheys Creek \$5, Enon \$5, Glady Branch \$2, Little River \$5, Macedonia—a collection, New Prospect \$3, Oak Grove \$5, Zion \$10.

The congregation sang "Leaning on the everlasting arms," and, with benediction by W. R. Bradshaw, the Association adjourned.

MEMORIAL SERVICES-FRIDAY EVENING.

At 8 o'clock this evening a large congregation assembled in Zion church to hear and take part in the memorial services which were held in commemoration of quite a number of our beloved brethren and sisters who "have completed their earthly labors and have entered upon the saintly everlasting rest."

The opening exercises were conducted by W. R. Bradshaw. The singing was conducted by Mrs. J. R. Owen. Appropriate remarks and short addresses were made by several of the brethren on the lives and life work of those who have gained the victory over death and have passed from their earthly homes to the reward of the faithful. "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."

THIRD DAY --- MORNING SESSION.

At 9:30 this morning the Association assembled while singing "Jesus, lover of my soul." H. H. Penney led in prayer and the congregation sang "How firm a foundation." The proceedings of Friday were read and approved. The roll was then called and absent delegates noted.

Lee R. Fisher read the report on Education. Some very interesting talks were made on the report by Lee R. Fisher, who emphasized the importance of Christian teachers; W. R. Bradshaw, who vividly portrayed the difficulties experienced by school children of years ago, and emphasized the moral influence of proper environment; H. P. Moore, who spoke on the importance of training in the principles of agriculture, and R. T. Teague, who emphasized the importance of Christian education.

On motion of J. W. Briggs the report was amended by striking out a reference made to the duties of the county Board of Education and incorporating in the report a recommendation of Fruitland Institute, Mars Hill College, Wake Forest College and Meredith College. The report was then adopted as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Dear Brethren: Your committee on Education beg leave to report that the condition of our churches, in our opinion, are such as to demand a forward movement along both spiritual and intellectual lines. Therefore our children should have as their teachers only Christian men and women, that while they are receiving intellectual instruction they may also be instructed in their eternal welfare; for it is the intellect, the immortal mind, which pre-eminently distinguishes man from the countless forms of animated nature around him. It is this which not only gives him domain over them all, but raises him to an alliance with angels and through grace to converse with God. Who can measure the capacity or set the bounds to the progress of knowledge? At birth all are without knowledge, without education. The rich and the poor alike have everything to learn. All parents should look carefully to the training of their children and also help those who are destitute of parents that they, too, may have an opportunity to become men and women of culture and renown.

We would emphasize the importance of giving to every child the advantage of Christian education. In order that the boys and girls in the bounds of our Association may secure such training, it behooves us to patronize only such institutions as have an established record of moral environment and Christian influence. Therefore we would recommend Fruitland Institute and Mars Hill College for those prepared for high school work, and Wake Forest College for young men and Meredith College for young women who are prepared to enter college.

LEE R. FISHER, Committee.

The following report on State Missions was read by W. E. Taylor:

STATE MISSIONS.

He who thinks that the State Mission Board has completed its work does not know the needs of his state. For the next decade or two State Missions will be, as it has been in the past, the most important of all

our work. The great work before our people just now is to evangelize North Carolina. After eighty years of work there is still great destitution in our state. The factory towns with their more than 200,000 population must have the gospel preached to them. They are poor, but it will be a sad day if we fail to give the gospel to the poor. In Western North Carolina we are letting fields once held by Baptists slip from our grasp. Our young people are growing fast, and where they are not given an opportunity to express their gratitude to God for His benefits to them, turn to those who will let them. Here we have a vast field ready to produce a great harvest if we will only do some intense mission work. Let us from this session begin in earnest to give the gospel to North Carolinians with the Baptist interpretation and emphasis.

W. E. TAYLOR, Committee.

The report was put before the Association for adoption and was discussed by W. E. Taylor and W. R. Bradshaw, and was then adopted.

After the adoption of the report a collection for State Missions was taken, amounting to \$11.22. Pledges for State Missions were taken as follows: Boilston church \$5, Brevard \$10, Catheys Creek \$25, Dunns Creek \$5 and a collection, East Fork a collection, Enon \$10, Glady Branch \$2, Little River \$15, Macedonia a collection, New Prospect \$2, Oak Grove \$10, Zion \$20, J. S. Heath \$5.

On motion of Jno. W. Briggs the delegates were asked to bring the matter of the pressing needs of State Missions before their churches at their November meeting and take a collection for that purpose.

The Association adjourned until 1:30 p.m. with benediction by J. R. Owen.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reassembled while the congregation sang "Alas and did my Savior bleed," and was led in prayer by Mark R. Osborne.

The report on Temperance was again presented by the committee and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

From our own knowledge and information on this subject we find that among our churches the cause of Temperance is far below what it should be, the church members practicing acts of intemperance towards one another in church and every day work that almost or quite equals the injury done the cause by the practice of dram-drinking and liquor-making which a number of the churches tolerate. As a remedy we urge that we, as individuals and as an Association, adopt the gospel plan of action toward each other and endorse the prohibition movement in our churches and state, The statements set forth in this report are found to be accurate but too long since to be incorporated in this report.

Be it resolved by this Association, that the churches be earnestly urged to act with regard to these faults of their members during the

next year in order to be constituent members of this body at its next session.

R. W. Lee, E. M. Allison Committee.

J. R. Owen then read the report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our Foreign Mission Board, located in Richmond, Va., is making steady progress in the great work of world evangelization. Thirty-two new missionaries have already been appointed this year to the foreign field. Two hundred thousand dollars was given last year and the work was laid out this year on the basis of six hundred thousand. Yet what is this among so many? *Nine hundred millions, or two-thirds of the world's population, are yet without the gospel. These cannot be saved if they would because they do not know how to be saved. This has been called, and rightly so, the colossal crime of Christianity—this criminal neglect of a lost world. Our Association was asked last year for \$135, or about 6½ cents per member for this great work. But we gave orly \$124.11. Brethren, how can we pray "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth"—the whole earth—and thus lock our doors against the Master! Lift up your eyes and behold the fields white unto harvest! Listen to the voice of the Saviour, His last message to His friends: "Go ye; go ye."

J. R. ÓWEN, F. M. JORDAN, E. P. GALLOWAY.

The report was discussed by J. R. Owen and H. H. Penney and then adopted. The following pledges were taken for foreign missions: Boilston \$5, Brevard \$5, Catheys Creek \$10, Enon \$5, Glady Branch \$2, Little River \$5, Macedonia a collection, New Prospect \$2, Oak Grove \$5, Zion \$15. On motion of H. P. Moore a collection was taken for Bro. F. M. Jordan amounting to \$4.06. On motion of Jno. W. Briggs the Moderator appointed a committee to apportion among the churches of the Association, according to their financial ability, the remainder of the State, Home and Foreign Missions, which this Association is expected to pay during the year. Those appointed as the committee are T. C. Henderson, A. M. Paxton and H. H. Penney.

The following report on Ministerial Education was presented and read by Jno. W. Briggs, who discussed the report. It was then adopted with the provision that the name of J. W. Briggs be added to the committee:

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Dr. Forsyth, in his great book, said, "With its preaching Christianity will stand or fall." Then with its preaching the denomination will stand or fall. We recognize God's call to the ministry as the highest possible call to man. To this high and sacred sphere God seems generally to call the country boy of meagre means, who feels unable to meet the expenses of a college or seminary course which he considers necessary to greatest efficiency in the calling. Hearing the call he

stands in the presence of God at the parting of the way. Two ways appear open to him: First, to enter the work with meagre equipment and strive to answer the call as best he may; and, second, to shirk from the mighty task and evade the call. It is the noble work of the Board of Education to enable this young man to enter the work prepared to meet the great responsibilities of the calling. Last year this Board aided at Wake Forest College 65 young men. Of the large graduating class 20 were preachers and one a medical missionary. The need for this Board today is greater than ever before, because the demands of the preacher are greater. Your committee would suggest, therefore, that, in response to the urgent appeal of the Board every Sunday school take a special collection once a year for this object.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. BRIGGS, Committee.

The report on Sunday schools was read by J. R. Owen, and on motion made a special order for 10;30 tomorrow.

A. N. Collins read the report on Nomination of Executive Committee which was adopted without discussion as follows:

We, your committee on Nomination of Executive Committee, beg to report the names of J. M. Hamlin, C. C. Duckworth and H. H. Penney as Executive Committee for the Transylvania Association for the ensuing year.

J. R. Bishop, A. N. Collins, Committee.

The report of the committee on Time, Place and Preaching was read by H. P. Moore and adopted as follows:

Time—Beginning Thursday before the third Sunday in October, 1911, at 11 a.m. Place—Enon Baptist church. To preach introductory sermon, Eld. J. W. Briggs; alternate, F. M. Jordan.

H. P. MOORE, J. M. POWELL, Committee,

G. G. Ballard read the report on Finance, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON PINANCE.

We, your committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report:

CHURCHES	Minute Fund	Home Missions	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage
Boilston	\$ 1 00	\$	\$	\$	\$
Brevard	2 00				
Carrs Hill	1 00				
Carson Creek	1 00				
Catheys Creek	1 50	1 50			
Dunns Creek	91	A			1 00
East Fork	1 00	5 00	<		
Enon	2 10	- 			
Glady Branch	1 20		1 00		
Little River	1.45		3 35		
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On motion of H. H. Penney the Association requested that no advertisements be put in the minutes.** On motion of J. W. Briggs the Clerk was allowed \$5.00 from the minute fund for his services and requested to secure the printing of as many minutes as possible with the remaining funds and distribute them among the churches in proportion to the amount contributed by each church.

On motion of J. R. Owen the Moderator appointed committees to prepare reports for the next Association as follows: Periodicals, G. T. Lyday. State of Religion, E. M. Allison. Orphanage, H. P. Moore. Home Missions, Mark R. Osborne. Education, T. C. Henderson. State Missions, Jno. W. Briggs. Foreign Missions, W. H. Duckworth. Ministerial Education, F. M. Jordan. Sunday Schools, J. M. Hamlin.

The following resolution prepared by the Clerk was unanimously adopted by the body:

WHEREAS, The present session has been an inspiring gathering of brethren in the Lord, and whereas our gatherings have been characterized by harmony and brotherly love, and whereas the church and community have shown us the kindest hospitality, therefore

Resolved, That we hereby tender our thanks to Almighty God for his goodness to us during the session.

Resolved, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the members of Zion church, and to the citizens of the community for the thoughtful, courteous, kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained this body during its session, and we leave them with an earnest invocation of God's richest blessings on them and us.

The committee on Preaching reported preaching tomorrow at 11 o'clock by W. R. Bradshaw,

The business of the Association being completed with the exception of the Sunday school report, which was left over for tomorrow, the body adjourned to meet at the time and place fixed by the committee. Sang "Sweet by and by" and was dismissed by Bro. Bradshaw.

SUNDAY MORNING.

At 10:30 a. m. today, after Prof. R. T. Teague had read and commented on the Sunday school lesson of today, J. R. Owen, Lee R. Fisher and C. C. Duckworth discussed the Sunday school report, and it was adopted as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

The Sunday school work of our Association is yet in its infancy. Some general progress has been made by way of enlargement of plan and purpose of work. The union meeting at Little River endorsed Bro. J. M. Hamlin as general superintendent of the Sunday school work of the Association. Bro. E. L. Middleton, our Sunday School Secretary, has asked Brother Hamlin to assist him in this work in our Association. Brother Hamlin has set on foot a somewhat new plan of operationthat of grouping the schools and holding institutes and bringing these groups together in a general convention. Your committee commends the wisdom and zeal of Brother Hamlin in this work. The needs of the Sunday school work of our Association briefly outlined are: 1. Increased attendance. 2. Better trained teachers. 3. Better equipment. By faithful, persistent effort these may be gradually attained. Respectfully submitted, J. R. OWEN, Committee. G. T. LYDAY,

The Association, on motion, heartily endorsed J. M. Hamlin as General Superintendent of the Sunday school work in the bounds of the Association.

At 11 a. m. W. R. Bradshaw read the 21st chapter of John and then led in prayer.

Mrs. J. R. Owen sang "Sweet Peace, the Gift of God's Love" as a solo, after which the congregation sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee."

Bro. Bradshaw then preached a gospel sermon of great power from the text: "So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto Him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs."—John 21:15.

After the sermon the congregation sang "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" and was dismissed by W. R. Bradshaw,

We feel that this has been one of the most successful sessions of our Association; that brotherly kindness and unity of action have been promoted; that our spiritual strength has been enlarged and God glorified.

A. J. MANLEY, Moderator.

T. C. HENDERSON, Clerk,

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