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TEMPERANCE -	-	-	- J. E. SMITH, Clear Fork

These Chairmen of Committees should come to the Association in 1899 with written reports. If not able to come, they ought certainly to send their reports.—MODERATOR.

### NEXT SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION:

PLACE: - Enon Church, six miles Southeast of Limestone.

TIME: - Tuesday before the second Sunday in August, 1899.

Associational Sermon by Rev. A. L. Davis, Jonesboro, Tenn. Alternate. Rev. J. H. Moore, May Day.

Address JAMES E. DEAKINS, Church Clerk,

Clarkson, Tenn.

### Holston Baptist Association

### 113TH ANNIVERSARY

### PROCEEDINGS.

### Thursday-Opening Session.

At 10 a. m., August 11th, 1898, Rev. J. J. Burnett conducts the devotional exercises.

Opening Song-"Amazing grace how sweet the sound."

Opening Prayer, led by Rev. A. J. Watkins.

Scripture reading — parts of Leviticus 24th and Matthew 5th.

Prayer for the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, led by Rev. W. A. Keen.

Song-"Nearer my God to Thee."

11 a.m., Rev. J. H. Moore, Moderator, occupies the chair and directs the Clerk to call the roll of churches and enroll the delegates recommended.

R. R. Bayless moves to elect Geo. P. Crouch, of Johnson City Baptist Church, Clerk pro tem. in the absence of R. H. Dungan. Carried.

### Enrollment of Delegates.

ANTIOCH—Letter but no delegate.

BETHANY-J. L. Grimsley.

BETHEL-L. M. McLyea, J. S. McFall.

BLOUNTVILLE—N. J. Phillips.

BLUFF CITY—A. W. Edwards, W. D. Lyon, Wm. Upchurch.

Boons Creek—Clyde Crouch.
BUFFALO RIDGE—Rev. W. A. Keen, Rev. T. L. Hale, W.
B. Mills

BULAH—Rev. E. K. Cox, E. D. Doan.
CHEROKEE—Letter but no delegate.
CHINQUEPIN GROVE—E. H. Glover, E. C. Hicks.
CLEAR BRANCH—J. N. Tompkins.
CLEAR FORK—J. E. Smith.
COFFEE RIDGE—W. H. Hensley.
DOUBLE SPRINGS—Jacob Lady, N. J. Jackson.
ENON—Dr. Wm. Smith.
ERWIN—Letter but no delegate.
FALL BRANCH—C. C. Dillow, S. M. Riggs.
FALL CREEK—Neither letter nor delegate.
FORDTOWN—W. E. Maiden, W. A. Hall.

GLENWOOD—G. C. Shipley, B. W. Dickson. GREENEVILLE 1st—Rev. E. Lee Smith.

GREENEVILLE 2d-Letter but no delegate.

HALE'S CHAPEL—Rev. J. R. Cox.

HARMONY-Rev. A. J. Watkins, J. W. Brown.

Holston-W. E. Jones, Charles Thomas.

HOLSTON VALLEY-Neither letter nor delegate.

Johnson City—Geo. P. Crouch, A. R. Johnson, Dr. W. B. Price.

Jonesboro-E. H. Bachman, C. L. Bachman, J. B. Cox, Rev. A. L. Davis.

LIMESTONE—R. M. K. Deakins, J. J. Deakins, E. J. Hunt, W. F. Furgerson.

LOVELACE—B. D. White, N. C. Moody, E. S. Pierce.

MUNDAL CREEK Noither letter nor delegate,

MUDDY CREEK—Neither letter nor delegate. NEW HOPE—Neither letter nor delegate.

New Lebanon—Two letters. Referred to committee.

New Salem-S. P. Hyder, A. L. Harmon.

Oak Dale-Melvin Whitaker.

PHILADELPHIA—R. C. Smith.

RIVER BEND-A. O. Morton.

ROARING SPRING-Neither letter nor delegate.

SHALLOW FORD-P..P. Erwin.

SHILOH—Neither letter nor delegate.

SNOW CHAPEL—R. R. Bayless.

SOLOMON'S TEMPLE—Thos. Crawford, A. J. Crawford.

SOUTH BRISTOL—Letter but no delegate.

STONEY POINT—W. P. Hyder, J. E. Marvin.

SUSONG'S MEMORIAL—T. J. Hinkle.

UNION—Rev. G. W. Edens, D. Correthers, J. White.

WALKER'S FORK—Neither letter nor delegate.

WATAUGA—C. M. COX.

### Organization.

The Moderator requests Rev. J. J. Burnett and G. R. Walters to act as tellers for the election of Moderator; Elbert Cox and A. F. Martin for clerk.

Song-"Sweet Bye and Bye."

Tellers announce Rev. J. H. Moore, Cherokee Church, Moderator. No election for Clerk.

Moderator requests J. J. Burnett and G. R. Walters to act as tellers for the election of Treasurer.

Tellers announce Geo. P. Crouch, Johnson City Church, Clerk. E. H. Bachman, Jonesboro Church, Treasurer.

The Moderator elect says:

I want to say a few words for the confidence and honor that you have bestowed on me; and I ask your aid and your prayers that we may work together in harmony for the upbuilding of the Kingdom of Christ in the world, and the glory of God and the promotion of His cause.

By request Rev. Peter Guinn, of Bethel Association, was given an opportunity to present the claims of the Nelson Merry College (colored) located at Mossy Creek, Tennessee.

Brother Guinn says:

I am proud to meet with this body again, and to have this opportunity to present the claims of the institution which I am representing.

There are some things about the negro that you want to know. The negro is naturally a Baptist, and when you find one that is anything else, you may know that some white man has been at work to lead him wrong and away from the paths of right.

Motion to adjourn prevails. Benediction by Rev. Peter Guinn,

Afternoon Session-1 p. m.

At the ringing of the bell the body reassembled. Song: "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?"

Prayer by Rev. N. G. W. Baxter.

Song: "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

New Churches.

Watauga, from Sullivan county, three miles northeast of Boons Creek Church, offers petition for membership. Was organized January 29, 1898, at Deerlick Schoolhouse, with six members. Adopted Hiscock's Confession of Faith and the Covenant used by other Missionary Baptist Churches.

On motion of E. D. Cox the church is accorded membership in the Association. The Moderator welcomes her messenger to a seat with the body, and extends the hand of fellowship to the church through him.

Correspondents and Visitors.

Dr. M. E. Broaddus, Lebanon Association, representing South West Virginia Institute and Pastor of First Baptist Church, Bristol, Tenn.

Rev. E. E. Folk, Editor of *The Baptist and Reflector*, Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. A. J. Holt, Secretary of Home Mission Board, of Nashville, Tenn.

Prof. J. T. Henderson, President of Carson and Newman College.

Rev. E. H. Hicks, Watauga Association.

Rev. J. J. Burnett, Nola Chuckey Association, in the interest of *The Baptist and Reflector*.

Rev. W. C. Bayless, Mossy Creek, representing the interests of the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev. Peter Guinn, of the Nelson Merry College (color-

When I was north soliciting aid from our friends to help us in the completion of our College for the education of the negroes, they told me they were willing to give us all the aid we needed on certain conditions. I asked what were those terms; you must deed your property over into our hands. I said no sirs; before I would do that I would go home and raise the money from our own impoverished people and hold the property as our own independently. This is the only institution in the south that is held and controlled by the colored race.

When I was in the Southern Baptist Convention that met in Wilmington, N. C., I heard the expression made "I love the negro, and their interest and our interest are the same in the great work of lifting up and leading them to a Savior." This we can do by the education of the negro, and we are all interested alike. Lift up the negro by educating him and preparing him for the great battles of life, to elevate the race and prepare him for the grand work of leading the colored people to Jesus Christ. We are needing money to complete our house. We have it well advanced, and I have come to ask of the brethren of the Holston Baptist Association a liberal donation.

A collection was taken amounting to \$10 and turned over to Brother Guinn.

Moderator announces committee on arrangements: Rev. E. Lee Smith, E. D. Doan, J. R. Cox.

J. D. Smith moves an adjournment for one hour.

Dr. Folk begs to present the claims of the *Baptist and Reflector*. He presents the paper to the delegates and says:

I want all the renewals and new subscribers I can secure. The paper keeps in touch with the work in all fields and contains a sermon every week from our best ministers of the denomination. We are now publishing Dr. Hawthorne's sermons nearly every week. Dr. Hawthorne is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Nashville, one of the ablest divines in the South. To increase the circulation of our paper we give to each subscriber a self-pronouncing Bible (worth four dollars) and the paper one year for only three dollars. You may ask how we can do it? Well we buy the Bibles by wholesale and we get them very cheap and give our patrons all the benefits. We only want to increase our circulation. The paper is \$1.50 to ministers and \$2.00 to subscribers. The paper is being improved almost weekly and to-day it is one best papers in the South, full of news from all points of interest to the Baptist Denomination and should be in every family.

ed) at Mossy Creek, Tenn., representing the interests of the College.

Rev. Geo. R. Waters, of the Holston Valley Association.

### Order of Business:

1st. We recommend that this body meet at 8.30 a. m., adjourn at 11.45 a. m., meet again at 1 p. m., and adjourn again at 4 p. m., each day (governed by the Moderator's time).

2d. The following reports are to be made in the following order:

- 1. S. S. and Colportage.
- 2. Orphanage.
- 3. Pastoral Support.
- 4. Education.
- 5. Temperance.

- 6. Foreign Missions.
- 7. Home Missions,
- 8. State Missions.
- 9. Miscellaneous,
- 10. Books and Periodicals.

Motion by R. R. Bayless to adopt. Motion carried.

Committee, (E. LEE SMITH, Chairman, J. R. COX.

The Moderator announces Committees as follows: Nominations—R. R. Bayless, T. L. Hale.

Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of this Church.

Resolutions-R. M. K. Deakins, J. E. Smith.

Digest of Letters—E. K. Cox, G. W. Edens. Finance—J. J. Deakins, R. C. Smith.

Obituaries-Wm. Smith, J. N. Tompkins.

### Orphans' Home.

### Rev. A. J. Watkins reads:

The origin of the Baptist Orphans' Home in Nashville is not very remote; but it has already done, and is still doing, a good work. While it has been cherished and supported in a charitable and benevolent way, yet it has not received by far the consideration it deserves, especially by our Association.

By reference to minutes of '96, I find \$47.12 for its support. This is about one cent per member; but '97 shows \$24.56, or ½ cent per

member. That's going up like water into a sink hole. The amount this year is

It makes me feel very sad to have to make such a report to the Association. It seems that it would be proper to recommend that we do something or quit, and not make a mock of the matter any longer.

But we should be glad that the work is moving forward. The home is about 6 years of age. It has cared for about 100 orphans. The usual number at one time is from 20 to 30. Very few have died. The home is nearly, if not altogether, out of debt, but it still needs support.

Churches of the State contributing in '97	-	-		-	312
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Let us do more for the work in the future.

It is a noble work. The Lord is in it. It is carrying out the will of him who said, "suffer little children to come unto me." It rescues little ones from poverty, prison, death, and hell. No humbler act of obedience in Christian work could possibly be rendered. A great teacher of all time wrote "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their afflictions." The work is "pure religion." A vast deal more of such work is needed. Let saved people think religion, talk religion, act religion, do religion. Work out the salvation that God works in them.

The work is training up the child in the way he should go. A wise man said, "when he is old, he will not depart from it." Blessed consolation. Paul commanded that they be brought up in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord,"

Let us to the work. Cannot every church in the Association do something next year? Let each member do something if ever so little

May we submit to the Holy Spirit in that work.

Fraternally,

A. J. WATKINS.

Motion to adopt.

Rev. A. J. Watkins says:

At this time there are twenty-five inmates in the Orphans' Home, and since the beginning of the institution there have been over 100 poor orphans cared for and furnished homes in the best families in the State. All that I have talked with about this institution say it is a grand and glorious work; they believe in the work this institution is doing. The friends of this grand and noble institution are praying for its success.

The poor, friendless orphans are taken into this home, which is surrounded by all the advantages calculated to prepare them for the duties of life, to lift them above the slums and pitfalls and degradation if left to the cold, heartless world to care for them, as they would otherwise be. In this home they are cared for by being fed properly, and clothed and trained for Heaven. They are educated in the best schools, thrown under religious influences, and trained by the mother of this noble institution, one of the grandest women of this land.

While we have responded to the demands of this great work in sustaining the Orphans' Home, yet there is grander and more glorious work to be done in caring for the homeless and friendless all over our land in training them for the different stations in life; and for God and Heaven.

Robert Bates says:

Brother Watkins asked why the contributions have gone from one to one half, says it is because of the opposition that is always set up against the good, an under-current that is set afloat to oppose anything to elevate the human race. Sin and its influence are abroad all over this land to check every effort put forth for good.

Dr. Holt says:

He is glad to hear the Association talking about the Orphans' Home. That the reports that have been in circulation against the institution over the state are false. There is not a single officer connected with the institution that receives one cent salary for the work done by him; they do it all gratuitously. The only one connected with the Home that receives any remuneration for services done is the poor old widowed mother, Mrs. Sanders, who is giving her entire time looking after the little ones in nursing them in sickness, caring for their wants, training them as a real mother trains her own dear ones. She receives the sum of Ten Dollars per month. You see this Home is not burdened with high salaried officers.

If ANY ONE has any objection to the Orphans' Home and the management of it, let him now make his greivances known or forever after hold his peace.

This Orphans' Home is a God-sent institution, and belongs to the Baptists of this great commonwealth, and we should be proud of it from one end of the State to the other. It is the duty of every Baptist in this State to stand by it with his means and his prayers, to uphold and support it by every means he can. It is not a prison surrounded by prison walls with all their gloominess—a place to be shunned—but it is a home which every inmate loves; a home full of life and joy and every inmate is perfectly happy.

When a home is secured for any of the inmates they actually refuse to go, but want to remain. The children want me to bring them a

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baby when I come. There has not been a single death in the home since it was started,

Song-"Jesus keep me near the Cross."

Dr. Holt introduces to the Association Bro. A. L. Davis, Pastor of the Jonesboro Church, formerly of the Ebenezer Association.

### Education.

C. B. Waller, Chairman, being absent, the Moderator requested Dr. Folk, of Nashville to read the report.—Reads:

A legitimate education is made a necessity by the existence of these facts, viz: the development of the human race, the perfection of character, and the glorification of God.

The possession of knowledge and skill, with the proper appliances, has saved many human lives, increased happiness, dethroned false theories, and established the truth. These temporal advantages are only a part of the many good results obtained from the promotion of legitimate education.

The perfection of character is to be wisely considered. A man wants to be able to subordinate his physical appetites to the good of his moral nature. He wants to be able to exercise his intellectual faculties without sign of fatigue and with a genuine love for truth.

The denominational feature of our schools is made the most important by the necessity of the development of the highest endowment of human being—his moral and religious nature. Man is far from becoming what he ought through physical and intellectual training, necessary as these are. Develope the moral and religious nature, with physical and intellectual training no less broadened, and you have a man fitted to fill the commanding stations of life with honor. On account of the liberalism of the charters of our State schools, we are forced to seek such training in our denominational schools.

For such training we heartily recommend Carson and Newman College. This great school continues to grow. It had an enrollment of 257 in the literary department last session. It had 35 preachers, 5 of whom were from this Association. Its advantages for the development of the moral and religious nature are unsurpassed,

Also, Southwest Virginia Institute is so near our borders that she seems our own. The facilities for the education of girls in this great school are unsurpassed in this part of the South. Commodious buildings, handsomely arranged and elegantly equipped.

Brethren, let us support our denominational schools and thus add efficiency to our forces, and honor to our cause.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. WALLER, Ch'm.

There are just two or three things I want to say. A child when it starts out to walk will timidly get on its feet. After many trials and many efforts it will learn, gradually, to make the first step, then the second and so on. After many disappointments and failures it learns to walk, step by step, until soon it walks with ease and without any trouble or embarrassment. So it is in learning to ride the bicycle. I will give you my own experience learning to ride the wheel. My neighbor had one that he rode so skillfully and apparently with such perfect ease that I concluded I could ride one just as easily. So I decided I must have one. I bought one and now my success was assured in my own mind. So I mounted it and started, but no sooner had I started than I found myself dumped in the ditch. I soon learned that I did not understand handling it and that I would have to educate myself in that line before I could handle it with any possibility of success in becoming an expert, or even an ordinary rider. After many trials and failures I learned the art of managing it with some degree of success.

You have to be educated to fulfill the duties of life. Without education you are a failure. There is no subject that commands the attention of this body more than that of education. It is the training of the mind and the hungry soul for God. We have all the facilities for the education of our boys and girls at our own doors and and on nearly every hill top. Then we have Carson-Newman College at Mossy Creek for all our children, and Southwest Va. Institute at Bristol for our girls. God grant 10 put it into the hearts of every Baptist in E. Tenn. and S. W. Va. to stand by these noble institutions with their boys and girls, with their money and with their prayers. Send your boys and girls to them and thus discharge the duty you owe them and prepare them for the duties of life, and for God.

### Rev. J. J. Burnett, amongst other things, says:

We are responsible for what our children believe. The child believes what it is taught, and that impression is almost indelible upon its mind. So it behooves us as parents to make impressions, that are for good, upon our children's minds in early life. When you send your children to Mossy Creek College they are surrounded by such influences as are calculated to lift them up. They are surrounded by such influences as the Church, Sunday School, and the society of Godly men and women, and are under the influence of Baptist principles and Baptist teaching, training their minds and hearts for the more responsible duties to their fellow beings, and for their responsibilities to God and the upbuilding of his cause in the world. We want to do all we can for Mossy Creek College that she may educate our children for God and his glory in the world.

### N. J. Phillips says:

The same is true of our teachers in our schools—Carson and Newman, Jackson, etc. They should be prepared to give proper instruction. We owe it to our schools as well as to our denomination. We must have first-class schools in every respect. Then when we run around to find a cheaper school than our own, that we should foster with our means and our prayers and by educating our children in it, we are the losers, to ourselves, our children and all of our denominational interests in the end.—I believe that more attention should be given to the young man who reveals a talent for teaching, by encouraging such in the work. Hold them up by your prayers and by every means you have at your command. You cannot encourage a young man to a more noble work in life than to engage in proclaiming the glad tidings of salvation to lost men and women. Let us look to these matters and do our duty and God will bless us.

### Dr. Holt, with many other good things, says:

We are living in the blazing light of the nineteenth century, and the masses of the people demand at our hands that our young ministers be educated up to the demands that are required to combat with the trained and finely educated man, that he may be able to stand the attacks of the enemies of truth and the right at any and every point of attack. The uneducated and unskilled minister cannot, with any degree of success, proclaim a truth he does not know himself. We must be educated in order to educate the masses intelligently You show me a man that is called of God and is prepared to intelligently • stand before his congregation and I will show you a man whose influence is not circumscribed to the inside of his congregation, but his influence will spread and enlarge until he becomes a power for good throughout the country, and that influence will spread and grow until it is carried to the other shores. Not only his own influence is going out, but the influence of his congregation is enlarging. They are educating those with whom they mix and mingle, and the work of education is rapidly enlarging, and the power of the spirit is being used to the salvation of lost men and women through this man's power and his knowing how to use it.

### Bro. A. R. Johnson continues the discussion by saying he wants to speak just a moment. He says:

Do you know that your son and my son are being made hewers of wood and drawers of water because of our failure to educate them properly. By a little effort on our parts I believe we can prepare our boys to be the equals of any who stand in the front ranks to-day.—Will we do it? This is the question that we have to decide. How how shall we decide this question?

If my minister was to try to uphold ignorance of the Bible I would disannul him entirely. I would rather take my wife and children and go to the woods and listen to the warbling notes of the forest birds, and the humming of the humming bird, than to have him teach things he does not know himself. What is the world to the human race if we fail to educate and place the rising generation on planes of higher standing, and educate them properly for God and his work. Educate our children for the responsibilities of life. Educate them for God and Heaven. When we do this we have have done our duty to them and our God.

### Bro. R. M. K. Deakins:

We have a good Methodist sister in my community who says to her pastor that when we have one of the old-f. shioned camp meetings some one always says some good thing that lifts us up and we are made stronger and better and are strengthened for the battles of life that are just in the near-by future. So it is with education. It prepares us for the battles of life, We are bettered and are encouraged to bring this education to others and enable them to make their burdens lighter. I believe in the education of the masses. We have the opportunities at our doors. Why not use them and foster our noble institutions by all the aid we can give them?

The report on education adopted.

Motion by N. J. Phillips that the Associational Sermon be preached Friday at 11 a.m., adopted.

On motion the body adjourned until 8:30 a. m., Friday. Benediction by Bro. A. J. Holt.

### Friday Morning Session, 8.30.

Praise service led by the Moderator.

Song—"Jesus, lover of my soul," led by Rev. A. J. Watkins.

Prayer by Rev. A. L. Davis.

Song-"Nearer my God to Thee."

Prayer by Prof. J. T. Henderson.

9 a. m. Moderator calls for the reading of the minutes by the Clerk.

After reading and correcting minutes, Moderator makes announcement that Rev. J. J. Burnett is writing a sketch of the life of Elder Rees Bayless, for 22 years Moderator of this Association, and wanted \$2.25 from the Association

to make a cut for the sketch, which amount was raised and turned over to Bro. Burnett.

Moderator appoints the following chairmen to read the reports on the following subjects: Dr. Holt on Home Missions, Dr. Folk on Foreign Missions, Bro. A. R. Johnson on Pastoral Support, Rev. A. L. Davis on Temperance, the chairmen appointed at the last session of this body being absent.

On motion Rev. W. A. Keen was, by a rising vote, unanimously requested to preach the Associational Sermon.

### Report of Sunday School and Colportage.

### Bro. B. D. White reads;

Our statistics show that we had 21 colporteurs at work in our State last year, to whom we paid \$3,173.89, or an average of \$151.13. These colporteurs occupied 13 city stations, 21 county sites, 28 village stations, 154 ueighborhood stations, and 53 colored stations. Of these, 82 East Tenn. stations, 71 Middle Tenn. stations, and 63 West Tenn. stations. Work done by these devoted men: 3,615 Bibles and Testaments sold, 3,924 other books sold, 872 Bibles and Testaments donated, 8,411 good religious books placed in needy homes, 304,524 religious tracts distributed. These books and tracts, distributed in our most destitute regions, will bring forth fruit in days to come.

Our colporteurs made 30,000 religious visits last year, prayed with 5,000 families and preached over 5,000 sermons in out of the way places. We need this year 500 colporteurs in the state; 90,000 destitute homes need the Bible; 150,000 children need to be brought into the Sunday Schools. We need \$20,000 given to this work. The U. S. census for the year 1890 gives Tenn. 1,610,000 people over eleven years of age. The same census gives the total membership of all churches of all creeds at less than 600,000. This leaves over a million and ten thousand people in Tenn. who belong to no denomination and, generally speaking, make no profession of religion. As nearly as we can estimate, there are at least a million of lost people in Tenn. Herein lies our obligation and our opportunity to give these lost ones the everlasting Gospel of the Living God.

Your committee, after carefully scanning the field of Sunday School work of our denomination, would most heartily recommend to the Sunday Schools and Churches of our Association the books, periodicals, tracts, and class literature of the Southern Baptist Convention Board, located in Nashville, Tenn., which is a power in the land for the religious instruction of our membership and the enlightenment of

the light, trashy books that are flooding our homes and displacing the very books that should be there.

We are selling many books all over this country. We are not doing it for the large profits that are in the sales made. We are selling a good family bible for \$1.90 that cannot be bought for less than \$4.00 anywhere else. We are not in this work for the pleasure and the profits that arise from these sales, but for the good we can do to others all over this country. It devolves upon us, as the children of God, to furnish the destitute ones with the bible and good literature that they may be enlightened.

What is the Holston Association doing to supply this great demand that is at her own doors and within her own borders? I fail to see that this Association is discharging her duty in this respect, yet she is the oldest and strongest in the State. Will you stand before the judgment bar of God guiltless?

I know one Baptist church in the State of Tennessee that has given the use of its house of worship to the Mormons to hold a protracted meeting in. That church has need of light and should be taught more perfectly.

The report on S. S. and Colportage adopted, after which the body rose and sang "Sweet bye and bye."

### Pastoral Support.

### A. R. Johnson, Chairman, reads:

The absence of the standing committee and the want of time and data at hand make it impossible to give an accurate report, or to impress, as might otherwise be done, the Association with the sad fact that interest in this department of our work seems to be diminishing.

The record for 1896 shows that the amount paid pastors for that year was about \$4,000.00; amount paid old ministers \$50.00; average amount for all pastors about \$110.00 per year; average amount paid pastors, leaving out Johnson City, Jonesboro and Greeneville, about \$60.00 per year.

The amount paid pastors for the year 1897 is reported to be \$3,478, with an average salary of \$94.00. This includes all reported paying churches. The average amount paid by the churches, other than Johnson City, Jonesboro and Greeneville, for 1897, is about \$56.00, being four dollars less than for the year 1896.

It is honestly believed that the decrease in amount, as shown, as well as the poor support generally, is attributable to want of system in collections. It is therefore earnestly recommended that some plan or system of collections be adopted by the churches.

destitute portions of our State. We also recommend the friendly relations which we have had with the American Baptist Publication Society to be continued, as it is the strongest force in the world for the spread of Baptist principles in our churches, and also for the spread of the gospel among our people, and for carrying these principles among the heathen of other countries and the destitution in the United States. The religious books, Sunday School libraries, the arrangements for furnishing God's word and the quality and cheapness of the literature of these two great boards and societies, recommend themselves to all of our Churches and Sunday Schools, in preference to any other publications of the world. Therefore we earnestly ask you to patronize our own denomination's productions.

Respectfully submitted,

B. D. WHITE.

Bro. B. D. White says:

There are about one million of unsaved people in our State, and it behooves us as Baptists of the Holston Association to organize Sunday Schools in every Church and to carry the glad tidings of good news into every household. The work is unlimited, and the harvesters are few. There are fifty thousand families in this State without bibles in their homes. What is to be done to bring these people to Christ? What are you willing to do to save the lost?

Rev. W. C. Bayless continues the remarks on this subject and says:

I am a colporteur in the employ of the American Baptist Publication Society. They were the first to send out the colporteur in this country. The house to house work is a great work and much good is being accomplished by this plan, and much is being done all over this land.

In March last I found, in a large Baptist community, thirty families without the bible in their homes. In Union county Baptists will not, as a general thing, buy anything but a bible.

I go into some Baptist churches that do not know anything about the doctrine and discipline of the church. This shows a great lack of information upon the part of the membership of many of our Baptist churches. The question is how are such people to be informed when they refuse to read our own literature. Our people should read Hiscock's Manual, or any other book that will give them light and information upon the great truths revealed in the bible on the great plan of salvation and the doctrines therein to be found.

Our people are not reading as much, either the bible or good literature, as they should; they are not prepared to give the reason for the faith they hold. They are, as a rule, well posted on the news of the day. Our young people are well versed upon all the novels and all

Bro. Johnson says:

We see from this report, it is presumed that a minister of the gospel can support his family on a salary of sixty dollars per annum, or that he must live on some side issue. When a man is called of God, and set apart by the Church to preach the everlasting gospel of glad tidings to a lost and ruined world, it becomes his imperative duty to feed the children of God on spiritual food. Yet upon the other hand there is a duty to be performed by the church, and that is to give of their temporal goods for his support. We claim all that God has so graciously given into our hands, as his stewards, as our own, and we are withholding that which is not ours and starving the servants of God by giving them the pitiful sum of sixty dollars to feed and clothe wife and children. What a wrong we are committing. It is the duty of every member to give to the support of the gospel and thus enable the minister to fill the call, effectually, that God has given him, for "They that preach the gospel shall live of the gospel." A man who spends his life for the love of souls is entitled to a living the same as the Levites of old. The man who does not give to the support of the ministry, when he goes into the church, as a general thing, takes a back seat, but the man who gives to the support of God's cause comes to the front with smiles and a radiant light on his face, and is ready and willing to give to every cause that is calculated to advance the kingdom of God in the world.

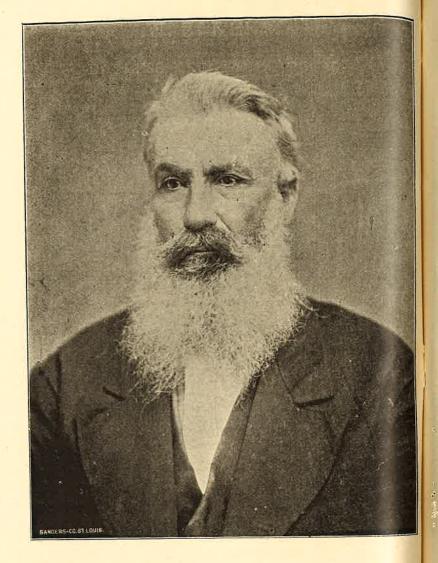
Bro. W. C. Bayless says:

I have a system and that is to organize and have the deacons to open an account with every member of the church, and have them feel they are responsible. I was called to a very poor church, at twentyfive dollars, and when they settled up they did not owe me a single cent on my salary. System is what we want, to succeed.

Bro. W. D. Lyon says:

I am not a preacher nor a deacon and never expect to be either. I want to throw rocks at preachers. We have had the envelope system and it or we failed to raise the salary of the pastor. It has not worked well for us. The preachers are to blame to a very large extent, because they do not do their duty in many respects. Let the pastor visit amongst the members of their respective churches and teach his members their duty, in private and from the pulpit, as to the support of the gospel for the advancement of God's work in the world. It takes work and system to make a success at any business. We have a system in our church—not the envelope system. We open an account with our members, every one, and when the pastor's salary day comes around we are never behind with him.

The report is adopted.



W. A. KEEN.

BAYLESS, KEEN, AND ROUTH.

From "Pioneer Preachers," by J. J. Burnett.

### HOLSTON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION. 19

11 a. m. After devotional services, Rev. W. A. Keen preached from Rom. 5-19, "For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous." At the conclusion of the sermon the body sang "What wondrous love, oh my soul," while the hand of fellowship was given.

Bro. Keen, Moderator, said that R. M. K. Deakins would make an announcement.

R. M. K. Deakins made an appeal in behalf of Bro. Keen for a token of the appreciation of this Association, for his long life of faithfulness, by a contribution, which was responded to by the brethren and friends to the amount of \$10.60.

Announcements: Rev. A. L. Davis presents the Home and Field Journal, devoted to the mission cause, and asks for the patronage of the Association.

Bro. W. C. Bayless, for the American Baptist Publication Society, calls attention to the merits of his house, as being one of the first, largest and best in the country, and especially to the line of Bibles they are publishing.

Dr. Folk calls attention to the extraordinary premium he is offering to every subscriber to the Baptist Reflector a nice Oxford Bible for Teachers.

Prof. J. T. Henderson wants to meet those who are interested in education.

The Association stood adjourned. Benediction by Dr. Holt.

Friday Afternoon Session, 1 p. m.

Service of song, led by Bro. A. J. Watkins. Prayer by Dr. Broaddus.

Moderator resumes the chair.

Dr. Broaddus, from the Lebanon Association, and representing the interests of Southwest Va. Institute, in the absence of Prof. Tharp, the President, claims this institution as the best in the South for the education of girls. He said he would not say much about other schools as Prof. Henderson was too near.

Bro. R. D. White made a motion to have a special re-

port on Books and Periodicals. Motion carried, and the Moderator appointed Rev. J. J. Burnett and Rev. W. C. Bayless to prepare the report.

Prof. Henderson, after reading over a long list of donations from the churches of this Association, gave an encouraging report of the financial standing of Carson and Newman College and said he is now thinking of making additions in the near future.

Song-"Am I a soldier of the cross?"

State Missions.

Dr. Holt reads:

Your committee on State Missions begs leave to report as follows: By State Missions we mean the work that is conducted by the State Board, located at Nashville. This Board employed last year fifty missionaries and twenty-one colporteurs. These missionaries supplied 250 stations, preached about 5,000 sermons, baptised over 500 people, and did a great deal more work in this line, the record of which is on other books than ours. In times past this Board has given great aid to Holston Association, aiding in building such churches as Johnson City, Jonesboro, Greeneville, Erwin, and many others, besides the general work throughout the Association.

It is the duty of this Board to seek out the fields of destitution in the State and, with the co-operation of the churches and associations to seek to supply, as far as the means furnished them will allow, all this destitution. There are yet about a million people of accountable age in Tennessee that are unsaved. Several whole counties have as yet no Baptist Church and no resident Baptist minister. Over a hundred towns and twice a hundred communities in Tennessee have not the opportunity of hearing the Gospel.

If the 140,000 white Baptists of the State would stand shoulder to shoulder and be willing to bear a fair and just proportion of this burden, all this destitution could be supplied. It will be an unmeasured blessing to the Baptist churches of Tennessee when they shall all agree to work together, and each bear a fair part of this general burden.

To this end your committee recommends that the Association resolves to try to raise, for all missionary and benevolent purposes during this year, the sum of \$1,000, and that the Executive Board of this Association be instructed to apportion this amount among the churches composing the Association as fairly and equitably as possible, requesting each church to try and raise this apportionment, in order that the work of the Lord shall not lack support at the hands of the Holston Association. Respectfully submitted,

A, J. HOLT, Chairman.

Motion by N. J. Phillips to amend the report on State Missions by adding:

We further recommend that each church appoint a mission secretary and adopt a systematic plan of contributing its mission fund.

Motion adopted.

Motion by E. H. Bachman to adopt the report.

Home Missions.

N. J. Phillips reads:

The field of our Home Mission Board is now vastly larger, and its work greatly more important, than when the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1845. It takes in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, New Mexico, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, District of Columbia, Indian Territory, Oklahoma Territory, and the island of Cuba.

The management of its business is in the hands of twenty of the most prominent Baptists of Atlanta, Ga., appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention each year. At present it consists of four pastors, one editor, two secretaries, three physicians, three lawyers, two educators, and five other prominent and successful business men.

During the past year 467 missionaries were employed, an increase of 95 upon the previous year.

These missionaries reported 4739 baptisms; 103 churches constituted; 4668 Bibles and Testaments distributed, and 9509 additions to the churches.

Total amount raised and expended on the field the past year for mission work and building houses of worship is \$110,636.50, an increse of more than \$13,000 over the previous year.

There have been 45 houses of worship built, 68 improved, and the last payment made on the First Church in New Orleans, which is now worth \$18,000.00.

The work that has been done is very gratifying, and calls for devout thanks to the Great Head of the Church; but the Baptists, within this vast territory, should know that the Home Board is unable to meet more than a fractional part of the appeals that come to it for assistance in weak and destitute and worthy fields from all over our Southern territory, from Oklahoma, Indian Territory, the frontier of Arkansas, and from Cuba; from weak states, from cities and centers of population, from our vast mountain regions, from the rapidly increasing foreign population, and from the negroes who look to us for help and guidance.

And what shall be said of the new state of things now ushered in

by the Spanish-American war. Does it not look as if the Lord is opening a way for the gospel to the Isles of the Sea? Think of Cuba, Porto Rico, the Sandwich Islands and the Phillippines, and still others with their rich and beautiful lands and teaming millions of half civilized people about to fall into the hands of the United States,-to become Americanized! Are we equal to the task of occupying these new fields, and christianizing them? May the spirit of God help us to solve the problem and to do our whole duty.

In conclusion, let every Baptist who desires to inform himself as to the work that is doing and to be done within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, subscribe for and carefully read "Our Home Field," the organ of the Board, published monthly at Atlanta, Ga., at 10c. a year, or 5c. in clubs of 50.

Respectfully submitted,

N. J. PHILLIPS,

Committee appointed one year ago,

Motion by J. E. Smith to adopt.

Foreign Missions.

Dr. E. E. Folk reads:

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"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." So said the Master. He said it to his disciples nearly 1900 years ago. The command has gathered strength as it has come down through the ages, and rings with redoubled intensity in our ears to-day. Has the command been fulfilled? The first part of it has practically been fulfilled. Nearly every country on the face of the globe is now open to the missionary of the Cross. We have gone into all the world but we have not preached the gospel to every creature, as shown by the fact that there are now in the world about eight hundred and thirtyeight millions of heathen. Evidently there is still more to be done before the commission is perfectly fulfilled. What are Southern Baptists doing to carry out the commission? We have missionaries in Mexico, Brazil, Italy, Africa, China and Japan. There are 149 missionaries and native assistants laboring in 102 churches and 92 out stations in these countries. Last year there were 701 baptisms in these stations. Southern Baptists gave last year \$118,484.70 to their Foreign Mission Board, an average of about 8 cents apiece. For the Holston Association the contributions for froreign missions in 1897 were 114.46, an average of about 21/2 cents a member. And this is the way we go.

Let us read more about missions, preach more about missions, talk more about missions, pray more for missions, give more to missions and go more as missionaries, either in purse or in person.

EDGAR E, FOLK, Chairman.

Motion by Dr. W. R. Price to adopt.

Motion by A. L. Davis that all three topics on missions be discussed as one. Carried.

Dr. Folk made a most excellent and touching talk on the subject of foreign missions. He spoke of the number of the unsaved, of the invasions into the heathen fields, as he pointed them out so distinctly on the large map furnished the Association by Bro. Davis, of Jonesboro.-After saying many good things he quoted the great command, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," and said:

The first part of this divine command, to wit: "Go ye into all the world," has been obeyed, but much of the preaching of the gospel to every creature is yet to be done. The doors of every land are open to the missionary as never before. He who gave the command has opened the doors, and it now remains for God's people to enter in and take the countries for Christ and his Kingdom. It is now possible for all creatures to hear the glad tidings of salvation. Christ is now waiting to be obeyed in this respect.

Baptists are responsible now, as never before, because of the greater opportunities offered. The late war with Spain has opened the doors of the stronghold of Catholocism in Cuba, the West Indies, and other countries, and they are looking to us for this great gospel. American armies are freeing thousands from political thralldom. Will Christ's armies allow themselves to be used to make these thousands spiritually free? The Spirit is now ready to lead the soldiers of King Emanuel against Catholocism if they will only follow.

There are over eight millions of these unsaved souls in these dark and benighted countries. Shall we as Baptists enable them to take up that grand old anthem that stirs the hearts of God's children as nothing else will do, and sing from the depths of their hearts, "All hail the power of Jesus' name."

Dr. Holt says:

The subject of missions is the main thing that draws and holds us together as Baptists.

I am glad that the three topics are to be discussed as one and together. Go ye into all the word and preach the gospel was the great command given by the Lord and Master to his deciples. Anti-missionaries claim that this command was fulfilled in the days of the apostles and upon this ground they get rid of it. Look at that man which represents the whole world that Christ said go into. There are fields that have not yet heard the glad tidings of salvation. What pastor in the Holston Association has his church drilled so as to tell where the Home and Foreign Mission Field lies upon that map, and

what countries they occupy? Brethren, what we need all over this land of ours is information as to the needs and the demands of the mission work upon the fields. And if the pastors of this Association would intelligently inform themselves, so as to be able to tell their congregations in an intelligent manner, and in a way to enthuse a spirit of missions into their hearts, we would do a grand work for God in the world. We should and must have a perfect organization of our forces. Every man must know his duty and then be ready and willing to do it. Then it will be that a grand and glorious work will be done. It would be a beauty to behold every member of any Baptist church working in unison in all the departments of the church, each bearing his burden and doing his whole duty. What a power

Song-"All hail the power of Jesus' name."

for the Master would such a church be in the land.

Announcement: The ministers will hold a meeting for all the ministers of the Holston Association in this house to night. Every one cordially invited to come out.

Benediction by Rev. E. H. Hicks.

Saturday Morning Session, 8:30.

Song-"Oh for a closer walk with God."

Prayer by Rev. E. E. Folk.

9:30 a. m. Moderator requests the Clerk to read the minutes of the previous day, call the roll of delegates and correct the same. Minutes approved.

N. J. Phillips was invited to continue the discussion on missions. His report on Home Missions was one of the best in all its details, showing that he was well prepared to interest and instruct an audience. He said:

I will not consume the time of the Association on this subject. Some other brother may have my time who can make a more interesting talk. I don't know that I can add any more that would be of interest than I have already stated in my report on this subject.

B. D. White moved that Dr. Holt be allowed to speak five minutes on Home Missions. Carried. Dr. Holt says:

What is the work of the Home Mission Board? It is to carry the gospel to the destitute places in our southland and especially to the large cities. In Memphis alone we have fifteen thousand people who never hear preaching. Also we have many in the cities all over our southern country who are entirely destitute of the gospel of salvation, and it is the duty of the Home Board to send the good news to these destitute places and put the word of life into their hands. These des

titute places must be looked after by the Home Board sending the gospel to them.

Prof. J. T. Henderson next spoke a few words and was glad these three topics were discussed under one head, as they should be.

All three reports adopted.

Song-"Take the name of Jesus with you."

Temperance.

Rev. A. L. Davis reads:

The subject of this report demands our most serious consideration. Its importance is too great to receive only a passing notice. This lies in the fact that intemperance is abroad in the land. Its forces and allies are organized and aggressive. Its evil influences and damning effects are propagated and condoned with a daring boldness that defies God and intimidates man. It puts a premium upon immorality, vice, and crime, and scorns virtue, truth, and religion. As Christians and as citizens we stand face to face with this deadly foe equipped for the conflict with a two-edged sword.

As christians let every church member stand for temperance against every form of intemperance both by his voice and by his conduct. Let every pastor preach on temperance. Let every church exercise strict discipline against intemperance. As christian citizens let every man refuse to support by his ballot, or otherwise, any man in any political party for office in district, county, state or nation who is not kimself strictly temperate and unqualifiedly committed to temperance legislation.

A. L. DAVIS.

Motion by Rev. E. L. Smith to adopt. Rev. A. L. Davis says:

I think it useless to print a great long report in our minutes and then go home and say or do nothing until we return to the Association. Such work is no good. As christian citizens we belong to the class of the intemperate or to the temperate. We cannot stand on neutral ground. We must and do take one or the other side. The minute a christian man enters a saloon that minute he gives himself to the Devil to be influenced, and some are bound and ready to be delivered. And us preachers are tied down because we are afraid that we will wound the feelings of some one who is a patronizer or in favor of the liquor trafic. We are afraid to vote for a good citizen of sober habits. We fear that we would be criticised by our own political party, or our friends. Let us decide first to do our duty to God, ourselves, and to mankind, and stand up boldly for the right under any and all circumstance, asking God's help to sustain us.

Dr. Holt says:

The difficulty is, we come to these associations and agree on this terrible evil and its disastrous results to the human race and then we return to our homes, forgetting all that we have done and said, and our good resolutions are laid aside. I would as soon tie a licence on a lion's tail and turn him loose to destroy and devour whom he may as to set a saloon in a neighborhood. Brethren, let us be valiant soldiers in this great struggle.

The report adopted.

Song-"There is a land that is fairer than day."

Books and Periodicals.

### Rev. J. J. Burnett, Clfairman, reads:

Your Committee on Books and Periodicals, realizing the importance to our home and church life of a good and wholesome literature, and recognizing the superior excellence of our own publications, and believing their circulation and wise use to be vital to our denominational prosperity and growth, earnestly recommend:

1. That we place supreme emphasis upon the Bible, the book of all books, as the only infallible rule of faith and practice, not only for Baptists but for all others.

2. That as ministers and members of the churches we encourage the circulation of our abmirable State paper, the Baptist and Reflector; also the Foreign and Home Mission Journal, and the various publications of the American Baptist Publication Society, at Philadelphia.

3. We recommend that our pastors and teachers more thoroughly equip themselves with the best Baptist books and papers, that they may better indoctrinate the churches in Baptist belief and Baptist enterprise.

4. We also suggest that the churches, in order to secure a more efficient ministry, aid their pastors in procuring the books and papers they really need and are not able, without great sacrifice, to purchase for themselves.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. BURNETT, W. C. BAYLESS.

On motion of Rev. A. L. Davis the report was amended by adding the following:

We also recommend the publications of the Southern Baptist Convention,

Motion by B. D. White to adopt.

Rev. J. J. Burnett says:

The Baptist and Reflector is the most important work we have. It

is the best medium through which to carry the news from all the avenues of the world. After the Bible and the Hymn Book, the Baptist and Reflector stands next, full of Baptist teachings and doctrines, pointing out the way of eternal life. It is a newspaper full of religious news from all the fields of missionary labor, with the leading events that are transpiring in all sections of the globe, besides many other features combined that goes to make it the best paper published in the south.

### Rev. W. C. Bayless:

I came here as the representative of the American Baptist Publication Society, of Philadelphia, Pa. It belongs to every Baptist in this land of ours. It was organized in 1824 and since that time has done an immense amount of work, and its work has grown until to-day its influence has reached to all parts of the world. This house is prepared to do any work and almost in any language in the known world. When you want any book or books send to this society for them. It has the charge of the revised version, and is now working on a new translation that is claimed to be one of the best that was ever published.

The report as amended was adopted.

Song-"Amazing grace how sweet the sound."

Announcements: Dr. E. E. Folk will preach at the stand at 11 a. m., and Dr. Broaddus in this house at 11 a. m.

• The Moderator requests the delegates to remain in the house to transact the business of the Association. Says he has no power to release any one; it must be done by the Association.

### Nominations.

### R. R. Bayless, Chairman, reads:

We your Committee submit the following:

Executive Board: J. K. P. Hall, E. H. Bachman, A. R. Johnson, R. R. Bayless, N. J. Phillips, C. A. H. McAdams, J. H. Moore, E. S. Brumit, A. J. Watkins, A. W. Edwards, Wm. Smith, A. L. Davis, Geo, P. Crouch, E. D. Doan, R. M. K. Deakins.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention: Rev. A. L. Davis. State Convention: J. H. Moore, A. L. Davis, E. Lee. Smith, J. K. P. Hall, A. R. Johnson, and Wm. Smith.

Holston Valley Association: N. W. G. Baxter, A. J. Watkins, Nola Chucky Association: E. K. Cox, E. L. Smith, J. H. Moore, Watauga Association: E. H. Glover, G. W. Edens, T. L. Hale.

For Preacher of Annual Sermon, and time and place for next Association, see second page.

Any brother who is present at other associations may represent this body,

Respectfully submitted,

R. R. BAYLESS, T. L. HALE.

J. E. Smith moves to adopt.

Dr. Smith moves to amend by inserting Enon instead of Johnson City. Short speeches were made by Dr. Smith, N. J. Phillips, E. Lee Smith and B. D. White. Motion to amend carried by a rising vote.

The report, with the amendment, adopted

Prof. Henderson requests as many as can be in attendance on the State Convention at Athens to do so.

The Moderator requests a meeting of the Executive Committee at the stand just after dinner.

Motion by A. J. Watkins that Dr. Broaddus preach at this time. Carried.

After devotional services, Dr. Broaddus preached from Matthew 21-17 a very able sermon.

Song-"Alas and did my Savior bleed."

A motion to adjourn one hour prevailed. Benediction by Rev. E. J. Smith.

Saturday Afternoon Session, 1 o'clock.

After devotional services the Moderator leads in prayer.

### Resolutions.

### J. E. Smith, Chairman, reads:

Resolved, 1st, That we extend to this church and community our sincere thanks for their hospitality in entertaining the Association.

Resolved, 2nd, That we note the presence and efficiency of our visiting brethren in our deliberations.

Resolved, 3rd, That we note with pleasure the increasing demand of our churches for a more efficient ministry.

Resolved, 4th, That we note with regret the absence of Bro. R. H. Dungan who has so faithfully served us as clerk for 26 years.

Resolved, 5th, That the Clerk superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes and that he be allowed \$15.00 for his services.

J. E. SMITH, Chairman.

Bro. J. F. Henderson moved to amend the resolutions by adding:

Resolved, 6th, That it is the sense of this Association that the Baptists of East Tennessee should organize an Educational Society to unify and foster the educational interests of our denomination in this section, and that \$5 00 shall be the basis of representation.

Motion to amend carried.

Motion by B. D. White that the report be adopted as amended.

The report adopted.

Report of Committee on Finance.

Your Committee have examined the report of the Treasurer and find it correct,

J. J. DEAKINS. R. C. SMITH.

Motion by Robert Bates that the report be adopted. Carried.

### Obituaries.

Dr. Smith reads:

From the reports of the different churches we find that it has pleased God to call from the labors and trials of this life to their reward fifty-flive members of this Association, and, while we feel sure they have changed a life of toil for one of peace and happiness, our hearts are made sad to lose them from our number. But we can only say, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away, blessed be the name of the Lord." As we have been unable to learn of the death of any of our ministers, we infer that none have died. So let us praise God that he has been so good as to spare the lives of those noble men who are laboring so earnestly in his vineyard.

Respectfully submitted.

J. N. TOMPKINS, WM. SMITH.

Report adopted.

Digest of Letters.

E. K. Cox reads:

We find from the letters of the various churches the following state of affairs: Eight churches, namely: Clear Fork, Muddy Creek, Shiloh Holston Valley, Mountain View, New Hope, Roaring Springs, and

Walker's Eork, sent no letters, which made the compiling of statistics very difficult. The number of members reported to the Association, from churches sending letters, is 3986. Adding the membership which the seven reported last year gives us 4491, an increase of 129. These reported \$414.76 for missions, an average of a fraction over ten cents per capita. Five churches report nothing for missions, Two churches, reported as having pastors, report no salary. Watauga church sends a letter requesting admission into the Association. Coffee Ridge asks for a letter of dismission from the Association. Neither of the two letters from New Lebanon church were considered by the committee. Twenty-two Sunday Schools and seven prayer meetings were reported by the churches. Four churches report women's missionary societies.

> E. K. COX, G. W. EDENS,

Report adopted.

Motion by J. E. Smith that the Coffee Ridge Church be granted a letter of dismission from the Holston Baptist Association to Yancy County, N. C. Letter granted (and sent by the Clerk).

Bro. J. B. White said, among other things, with reference to the trouble existing in the New Lebanon Church, that the trouble could be settled in three minutes. The Moderator said that this was not a question to be settled by this body; that it had no power-not as much as the least church in the Association.

Motion by B. D. White that the Moderator appoint a committee of three to look into the legality of either faction and report to this body as soon as possible.

Brother Holt said that he was a member of one committee two years ago and that no committee can have an intelligent understanding in two or three days.

Motion adopted.

Moderator appointed W. K. Cox, A. L. Davis and W. D. Lyon and instructed them to investigate and report as soon as possible.

Treasurer's Report.		
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Rev. M. E. Broaddus made a strong appeal to the Association to raise the amount due the Missionary and pay this indebtedness up. Everybody will feel better and the Missionary's wife will thank you and she will be so happy.

The following churches were pledged for the amounts named: Bethany, 1.00; Blountville, 5.00; Bluff City, 2.00; Beulah, 1.00; Cherokee, 4.00; Chinquepin Grove, 1.00; Clear Branch, 2.00; Clear Fork, 2.00; Double Springs 1.00; Enon, 3.00; Fall Branch, 5.00; Fordtown, 4.00; Glenwood, 3.00; Greeneville, 10.00; Harmony, 2.00; Johnson City, 10.00; Jonesboro, 10.00; Lovelace, 3.00; New Lebanon, 2.00; New Lebanon, 2.00; Philadelphia, 2.00; Shallow Ford, 1.00; Snow Chapel, 2.00; Stoney Point, 2.00; Susong's Memorial, 1.00; Union, 2.00; Cherry Grove, 1.00; Cash, 2.00; Total, 86.00.

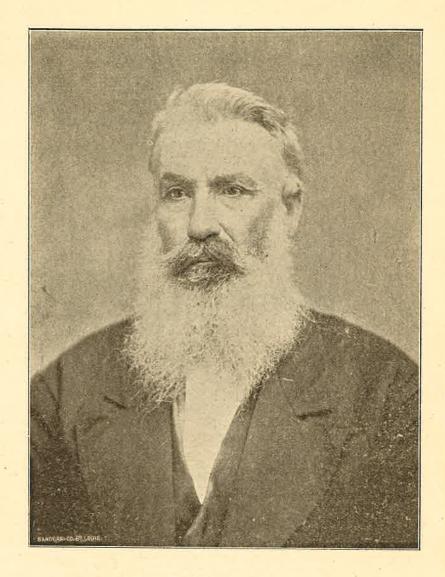
N.J. Phillips moves final adjournment. Motion prevails.
Announcements: Rev. E. H. Hicks preaches in the
Mothodist Church to morrow; Dr. Holt in this house at
11 a.m. Rev. H. B. McLain will preach in this house tonight. Song—"How firm a foundation."

During the singing the parting hand shake was extended to each other. Benediction by Rev. W. A. Keen.

REV. J. H. MOORE,

GEO. P. CROUCH, Clerk.

Moderator.



W. A. KEEN.

BAYLESS, KEEN, AND ROUTH.

From "Pioneer Preachers," by J. J. Burnett.

### APPENDIX.

### MISSIONARY DIRECTORY.

STATE MISSIONS.

Rev. A. J. Holt, Missionary Secretary, Nashville, Tenn. W. M. Woodcock, Treasurer, Nashville, Tenn.

HOME MISSIONS,

Rev. I. T. Tichenor. D. D., Corresponding Secretary, Atlanta. Ga. Rev. M. D. Jeffries, Vice-President, Knoxville, Tenn.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

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Rev. J. H. Snow, Vice-President, Knoxville, Tenn.

HOLSTON ASSOCIATION.

E. H. Bachman, Cor. Secretary and Treasurer, Jonesboro, Tenn. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Carson and Newman College, J. T. Henderson, Pres., Mossy Creek, Tenn. ORPHANS' HOME.

A. J. Wheeler, Treasurer, Nashville, Tenn.

Supplies, C. T. Cheek, Nashville, Tenn, All supplies should be prepaid.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

PROCEEDINGS.

Fifth Sunday Meeting-The Board decides to hold and encourage Fifth Sunday Meetings as last year.

First Division-R. R. Bayless, Johnson City, Superintendent. Churches of 1st Division-Johnson City, Snow Chapel, Union, Boon's Creek, Buffalo Ridge, Fordtown, Double Springs, Glenwood. New Hope, Beulah, Blountville, Muddy Creek, Fall Creek, Shiloh, Bethel, Holston, Chinquapin Grove, Bluff City, River Bend, South Bristol, Holston Valley, Walker's Fork, Solomon's Temple, Watauga.

Second Division-Rev. J. H. Moore, May Day, Superintendent. Churches of 2d Division-Antioch, Jonesboro, Hales Chapel, Philadelphia, Limestone, Bethany, Harmony, Fall Branch, Lovelace. Oak Dale, Clear Fork, New Lebanon, Stoney Point, Roaring Springs, Greeneville 1st, Greeneville 2d. Mt. View, Susong's Memorial, New Salem, Enon, Cherokee, Erwin.

### FIRST FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING FOR 1898.

First and Second Divisions, Johnson City, October 27, 28, and 29. Also Ministers' Conference meets same time and place.

Meetings of the Executive Board on Friday before the fifth Sunday Meeting

at Johnson City. Afterward, first Thursday after each fifth Sunday Meeting, in Jonesboro.

To the Deacons and Preachers: It is desired that every one come to these meetings. Praying for the blessings of God to be with us,

### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF 1898.

Report of Work done by the Leader: Books and leaflets distributed, 181: jetters and postals written, 17; boxes of clothing distributed, 1: visits made, 25; miles traveled, 72; funds received and expended by Societies reported, \$186, Words of encouragement were sent in by several of our leading Societies.

Committees are appointed as follows for the ensuing year: On enrollment, Mrs. J. S. Miller, Miss Mattie Smith; on nominations, Miss Corn Morgan, Miss Lena Dodd; on resolutions, Miss Sallie Thomas. Miss Bertie Eden. Mrs. A. Whitlock.

Let us labor in earnest the ensuing year, and endeavor to accomplish more than ever in the past. "Be not weary in well doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

The General meeting will be held in 1889, at Enon Church on Thursday before the 2d Sunday in August. Prepare delegates and a full report of work done. MRS. E. LEE SMITH, Leader.

Greeneville, Tenn.

### APPENDIX

### MINISTERIAL DIRECTORY.

NAME.	Churches to which each Belongs.	Post Office Addresses
D.U. T. D.	1 - 2	Lost Mountain
Ball, L. B	New Lebanon	Bluff City
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Cox, J. R.		Meadow Brook
Cox, L. E.	Fordtown	Wahoo
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Cox, E. K	New Hope	Lella
Cross, R. B.	Jonesboro.	Jonesboro
Depew, L. W	Jonesboro	Jonesboro
Davis, A. L Farner, J. S	Clear Branch	Kittyton
Glass, Daniel	Union	Flourville
Glenn, D. A	Johnson City	Johnson City
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Hunt, D. J.	Limestone	White Pine
Keen, W. A.	Buffalo Ridge.	Morning Star
Kincannon, J. T.	Johnon City	Bedford City, Va
Kingsley, W. E.	Greeneville	Greeneville
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Lewis, J. M.	Bethel.	Watauga
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Smith, E. L.	Greeneville	Greeneville
Smith, J. A	Fall Branch	Fall Branch
Smith, J. E.	Clear Fork	Cedar Lane
Taylor, A. W	Greeneville	Greeneville
Tompkins, J. N	Coffee Ridge	Loganton
Upchurch, M. B.	Bluff City.	Bluff City
Waller, C. B	Jonesboro	Jonesboro
Watson, A. J	Harmony	Harmony
Watson, J. W	Chinquapin Grove	Bluff City.
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