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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Arkansas Baptist State Convention

HELD WITH THE

BAPTIST CHURCH IN MONTICELLO, ARK.,

November 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, A. D. 1871.

OFFICERS:

ELDER M. Y. MORAN,	- - -	PRESIDENT.
ELDER J. B. SEARCY,	- - -	SECRETARY.

MEMPHIS:

GOODWYN & CO., PRINTERS, BINDERS AND BOOKSELLERS
1871.

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The Arkansas Baptist State Convention convened pursuant to adjournment, with the Baptist Church in Monticello, Arkansas, at 10½ o'clock a. m., November 2d, 1871.

The brother elected to preach the introductory sermon being absent, the sermon was preached by the alternate, Eld. M. Green, from Heb. xiii. 1. "Let brotherly love continue."

After which the Convention was called to order by the President, Eld. A. Yates, and, on motion, adjourned till 2 o'clock p.m.

Benediction by the President.

2 o'clock p. m.—Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Eld. J. O. Browning.

The Constitution and Rules of Decorum were read; after which the credentials from the different associations and churches were read and delegates' names enrolled. See appendix A.

On motion, proceeded to ballot for the officers of the present session, which resulted in the choice of Eld. J. B. Searcy, Secretary; when the question was sprung, viz: Whether a plurality or a majority vote constitutes an election. After a little discussion, it was decided that a majority vote was necessary to election; whereupon the Convention proceeded to ballot again for President, which resulted in the choice of Eld. M. Y. Moran.

On motion, the Secretary was elected Treasurer by acclamation.

The following committees were appointed:

ON NOMINATIONS.—Elds. R. M. Thrasher, J. P. Everett and Bro. A. C. Jones.

ON PREACHING.—Elds. M. Green, H. Simms and Bro. J. L. Brooks.

ON DOCUMENTS.—Elds. S. Gardner, S. C. Buckingham and J. S. Wood.

ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS.—Elds. B. C. Hyatt, J. Overton and Wm. Borum.

ON EDUCATION.—Elds. W. D. Mayfield, J. B. Searcy and P. B. Smith.

ON PUBLICATIONS.—Elds. A. Yates, J. F. Griffin and J. T. Craig.

ON FINANCE.—Bro. S. T. W. Meek, Eld. T. C. Meridith and W. B. Johnson.

ON MINISTERS' NAMES AND POSTOFFICES.—Elds. R. M. Thrasher, T. B. Espy and J. M. Hart.

ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.—Elds. A. J. Causler, J. H. Howard and J. O. Browning.

A resolution providing for the order of the day was adopted. See resolution 1.

On motion, adjourned till to-morrow, 8½ o'clock a.m.

Prayer by Eld. A. Yates.

7 O'CLOCK P.M.—Eld. G. J. Johnson, D. D., of St. Louis, preached from Luke xv. 7. Theme: Christian encouragement, in view of heavenly sympathy, in the salvation of sinners. Bro. W. D. Mayfield followed in a lively exhortation.

FRIDAY, 8½ O'CLOCK A.M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Minutes of yesterday read and adopted.

Called the roll of delegates; after which the Convention spent half an hour in devotional exercises, conducted by the President.

Resumed business, and on motion Eld. G. J. Johnson, of the American Baptist Publication Society, was received and invited to address the body at a subsequent hour, in the interest of his mission.

Bro. A. Dyson was received as a delegate from the Louisiana Baptist State Convention, and Bro. W. T. Everett from Texas.

On motion, a standing committee on Foreign Missions, consisting of Elds. J. B. Searcy, T. B. Espy and R. M. Thrasher, was appointed, and a collection taken up for that work amounting to sixty-five dollars, twenty-five of which were for the Rome mission.

On motion, Dr. Johnson, of St. Louis, addressed the Convention in the interest of the American Baptist Publication Society; after which Eld. W. D. Mayfield followed in a lively speech, showing the relation which he thought Northern and Southern Baptists should sustain to each other.

On motion, adjourned till 2 o'clock p.m.

Prayer by Eld. P. R. Smith.

2 O'CLOCK P.M.—Met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Eld. J. M. King.

Appointed a Committee on Obituaries, consisting of Elds. Wm. Borum, P. R. Smith and J. M. King.

The report of the Board of Domestic Missions was read, and after some discussion was adopted. See report B.

The Treasurer read his report, which was adopted. See report N.

Eld. James Nelson was received as a delegate from the Mississippi Baptist State Convention, and Eld. A. D. Brooks, of Mississippi, as a visiting minister.

On motion, the Convention went into the election of two Vice Presidents of the body, as provided for in the Constitution, which resulted in the choice of Eld. W. D. Mayfield and Bro. S. C. Buckingham.

On motion, the Convention was addressed by Eld. W. D. Mayfield, in the interest of the Baptist church at Helena, whose house of worship was destroyed by wind, and a collection taken up to build a new church house, amounting (mostly in cash) to more than one hundred dollars.

On motion, adjourned till 8½ o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

Prayer by Eld. W. D. Mayfield.

SATURDAY, 8½ O'CLOCK A.M., November 4.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Spent half an hour in devotion, conducted by Eld. A. Yates.

Resumed business. The minutes of yesterday were read and adopted. The roll of delegates was also called.

The Committee on Domestic Missions read their report, which was discussed and recommitted to the former committee, together with Elds. W. D. Mayfield, J. P. Everett and Bro. O. Lamar.

The Board of Ministerial Education read their report, which, after discussion, was adopted. See report P.

The Committee on Education read their report. While pending, the Convention adjourned till 2 o'clock p.m.

Prayer by Eld. W. M. Lea.

2 O'CLOCK P.M.—Met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Eld. J. F. Griffin.

The report on Education was resumed, and, after a lively discussion, adopted. See report C.

On motion, a committee to nominate our quota of the trustees of Mississippi College was appointed, consisting of Brethren M. S. Kennard, A. C. Jones and Eld. M. Green.

The Committee on Publications read their report, which was amended and adopted. See report D.

On motion, adjourned till Monday, 8½ o'clock a.m.

Prayer by the President.

SABBATH EXERCISES.

Eld. W. D. Mayfield preached at the Baptist church at 10½ o'clock, Eld. James Nelson at the Methodist church, Eld. A. J. Causler at the Presbyterian church, Eld. G. B. Eager at the Associate Reformed church, and Eld. W. M. Lea at the colored church. Eld. Lea was assisted by Elds. J. O. Browning and H. Simms.

At 2 o'clock p.m., a mass meeting was held at the Baptist church, where Elds. W. D. Mayfield, G. B. Eager and James Nelson made lively speeches upon the subject of ministerial education; after which a collection was taken up, amounting to \$1,214.70. See subscriptions in appendix.

At night, Eld. T. B. Espy preached at the Methodist church, and Eld. J. R. Graves, of Memphis, at the Baptist church. These brethren preached well; and at the conclusion of the services by Bro. Graves, at his suggestion, a host of brethren and sisters took the hand of Bro. Graves and each other, in covenant that they would try, the next Conventional year, to discharge their duty more faithfully and live nearer to God than they had done heretofore. The congregations were large and orderly. May God sanctify the services of the day to the good of all who heard, and to His praise be all the glory.

MONDAY, 8½ o'clock, A. M., November 6th.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Spent half an hour in devotion, conducted by Eld. J. O. Browning.

The minutes of Saturday and Sunday were read and adopted.

Eld. Wm. Borum was added to the committee to nominate Trustees of Mississippi College.

On motion, Eld. J. R. Graves, L.L. D., President of the Southern Baptist Publication Society, was received and invited to address the Convention in the interest of that Society, which address was made the special order for 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Committee on Nominations made their report, which was adopted. See report E.

On motion, Eld. W. D. Mayfield was chosen Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education for the next Conventional year, and allowed a salary of \$200 for his services.

The Committee on Sunday-schools read their report, which was amended and adopted. See report F.

The Committee on Obituaries read their report, which was adopted. See report G.

The Committee on Finance read their report, which was adopted. See report H.

The Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education read his Financial Report, which was submitted to an Auditing Committee, consisting of Bros. Warsen, Brooks and Kennard.

The Committee on Domestic Missions again read their report, which was adopted. See report I.

The Auditing Committee read their report, which was adopted. See report K.

The financial report of the Secretary of Ministerial Education was adopted. See report L.

The Committee on Documents read their report, which was adopted. See report M.

The Committee to nominate Trustees of Mississippi College read their report, which was amended and adopted. See report O.

On motion, adjourned till 2 o'clock P. M.

Prayer by Eld. A. J. Causler.

2 O'clock, P. M.—Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Eld. R. M. Thrasher.

An address of Eld. G. J. Johnson, of the American Baptist Publication Society, requesting two pages of advertisements of that Society in these minutes, with the understanding that he pay the amount of \$20 for the same in the publications of that Society or the Sunday-School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, was read and the request granted. See advertisements.

On motion, according to previous arrangement, Eld. J. R. Graves, L.L. D., President of the Southern Baptist Publication Society, addressed the Convention at some length in the interest of that

Society, showing that said Society is an absolute necessity and a brilliant success. At the close of the Doctor's speech, twenty shares of stock were taken in the Society.

On motion, Drs. Johnson of St. Louis, and Graves, of Memphis, were both allowed to make short speeches respecting the demerits of some of the publications of the American Baptist Publication Society, which resulted in a very amicable understanding, and the avowed determination of all to expunge error from all their publications when and wherever discovered.

On motion, it was decided to hold the next session of the Convention with the Baptist Church at Austin, Arkansas.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to ballot for some brother to preach the introductory sermon at the next session of the Convention, which resulted in the choice of Eld. J. M. Hart, and Eld. W. A. Lea alternate.

A series of resolutions were adopted. See resolutions in the order of their number.

Adjourned till 9 o'clock P. M.

Benediction by the President.

9 o'clock, P. M.—Met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion, returned correspondence to the Louisiana Baptist State Convention, Breth. B. W. M. Warren, S. T. W. Meek, and Elds. G. B. Eager, J. M. Hart, J. B. Searcy, J. P. Everett, T. B. Espy and W. M. Lea. Mississippi Baptist State Convention, Elds. W. M. Lea, J. H. Howard. J. B. Searcy, S. C. Buckingham and W. D. Mayfield. Southern Baptist Convention, Elds. M. Y. Moran, W. M. Lea, W. D. Mayfield, and G. B. Eager.

The Secretary was instructed to advertise Mississippi College, Central Female College, the Southern Baptist Publication Society, together with such other advertisements as in his judgment would be to the interest of the Convention. See advertisements.

On motion, adjourned to meet with the Baptist Church at Austin, Arkansas, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on Thursday, November 7, 1872.

The brethren engaged in singing "one of the songs of Zion," and extended to each other the parting hand, while tears of affection flowed freely, and all could testify that "brotherly love had continued," and still continues. Thus closed the 24th anniversary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

M. Y. MORAN, President.

J. B. SEARCY, Sec'y.

APPENDIX.

[A.]

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

- LIBERTY ASSOCIATION—G. Norsworthy, B. W. M. Warren, H. J. P. Williams and Eld. J. P. Everett.
- COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION—Elds. G. G. Wise, A. J. Cansler, T. C. Meredith, C. G. Lasiter.
- BARTHOLOMEW ASSOCIATION—Elds. J. S. Wood, J. B. Searcy, J. D. Raspberry, B. C. Hyatt, J. B. Edwards.
- COROMINE ASSOCIATION—Elds. T. B. Espy, J. W. King.
- MT. VERNON ASSOCIATION—Eld. W. D. Mayfield.
- RED RIVER ASSOCIATION—Elds. J. O. Browning, Wm. Borum, M. D. Early.
- JUDSON ASSOCIATION—Elds. J. T. Craig, S. Gardner, J. P. Copeland.
- SALINE ASSOCIATION—Elds. B. M. Thrasher, J. H. Howard.
- PINE BLUFF ASSOCIATION—Eld. W. M. Lea and W. B. Rock.
- BETHLEHEM CHURCH—Eld. M. Y. Moran, J. H. Grumbles, W. B. Johnson.
- SPRING HILL CHURCH—G. W. McVay.
- JUDSON CHURCH—M. L. Deal, M. A. Rice.
- TRINITY CHURCH—A. C. Jones, S. C. Buckingham, C. C. Ganaway, M. S. Kennard.
- MINERAL SPRINGS CHURCH—Eld. Wm. Borum.
- OAK RIDGE CHURCH—Eld. B. C. Hyatt, J. F. Stedman, E. Rogers.
- SMYRNA CHURCH—Eld. J. D. Raspberry, S. T. W. Meek.
- HARMONY CHURCH—W. H. Taylor, H. B. Holeman.
- FRIENDSHIP CHURCH—Charles Case, Z. L. Crawford, Lee Webb.
- MT. OLIVE CHURCH—Elds. H. Allen, W. C. Kimbro.
- MONTICELLO CHURCH—Elds. P. R. Smith, M. Green, and J. L. Brooks.
- ZION HILL CHURCH—Eld. A. J. Cansler, T. C. Meredith, C. G. Lasiter.
- PROMISE LAND CHURCH—Wm. Bell, W. B. Stell, G. W. Smith.
- HAMBURG CHURCH—Eld. H. Simmons, J. H. White, A. W. Files.
- SPRING HILL (LA.) CHURCH—Eld. J. P. Everett.
- ELDORADO CHURCH—Eld. J. M. Hart, O. Lamar.
- FLAT CREEK CHURCH—Elds. J. S. Mears, A. T. Hempson.
- ALABAMA CHURCH—Eld. J. S. Copeland.
- CORNERSVILLE CHURCH—Eld. J. F. Griffin, L. J. Owen.
- NEW HOPE CHURCH—Eld. A. Yates.
- ZION CHURCH—Eld. J. Overton.
- GRAVEL HILL CHURCH—J. Richey, W. T. Rogers.
- FELLOWSHIP CHURCH—R. H. Andrews.
- NEW PROSPECT CHURCH—Eld. J. V. B. Waldroup.

CANAAN CHURCH—W. M. Hines.
 BEULAH CHURCH—M. A. Binns.
 PLEASANT HILL CHURCH—Eld. T. B. O'Neal.
 LAKE VILLAGE CHURCH—Eld. G. B. Eager.
 NEW HOPE (LINCOLN COUNTY) CHURCH—J. W. Wharton.
 MACEDONIA CHURCH—W. D. Wardlow.

[B.]

REPORT OF THE DOMESTIC MISSION BOARD.

The Domestic Mission Board would offer the following as their report:

Your Board has sought, in the best way known to them, to carry out the wishes of the Convention respecting Domestic Missions in the State, but are sorry to be compelled to state that but little has been done. We appealed for men and money through the paper, but received neither. It is true that a number of ministers from other States corresponded with us respecting the work, signifying their willingness to travel as missionaries here, if the pay was *ample and sure*, but being destitute of means, we could give them no such guarantees; hence they did not take the work. Some brethren of our own State proposed to take the work upon such terms as we could comply with, and we have recently commissioned Bro. J. M. Brundige as Missionary in the White River country. He labors upon the self-sustaining plan. We have received contributions, in cash, amounting to \$48.75, and pledges amounting to \$15.50, which we still have on hand. The Bartholomew Association has resolved to do her missionary work in concert with this Board, and raised, at its last session, \$388.00 for the promotion of said work; and the Domestic Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, at Marion, Ala., proposes, if we will do our missionary work in concert with them, to pay whoever we appoint as much as we do. Your Board hopes that this arrangement will be made, and although we have accomplished so little, we are not discouraged. Trusting in God, we yet believe that the waste places in Zion will be built up. Respectfully submitted.

J. B. SEARCY, Secretary.

M. Y. MORAN, Chairman.

[C.]

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education would report, that as education is an acknowledged element of strength, without which we can hope to achieve nothing great, we cannot afford to neglect or ignore it. Our sons and daughters must be educated, if we would keep pace with the progress of enlightened civilization. Every Baptist who fails in this matter neglects one of his highest duties to posterity. Our ministers, our children, all the people, must be educated. This is a part of our glorious mission to which our hearts and hands should be given. Mississippi College has been adopted by this Convention. The institution is one of high order, and we earnestly recommend that our brethren in the State not only give their sympathy but their material aid,* above all their sons, to make this school second to none. Our hope for the future is lodged in the question of education. We hope Baptists appreciate this fact, and will do what they can to push forward the good work. Respectfully submitted.

W. D. MAYFIELD.

[*While the above Report was pending, I stated to the Convention that at the last session of the Mississippi Convention I pledged \$400.00 in behalf of our State, to half liquidate the college debt, and was able, through other agencies, to redeem \$100.00 of that pledge; whereupon the remaining \$300.00 was immediately subscribed. See list.—SEC.]

[D.]

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

The Committee on Publications respectfully submit the following:

The Press is a powerful engine in the land, whether for good or evil. Were we to follow precedents, we would have to recommend certain publications, and ask you as a body to adopt them. We hesitate to do that, because we have no Publication Society in which we have unbounded confidence. We recommend *The Baptist* as our organ. We regard the *Christian Repository* as a valuable family magazine, and *Kind Words* as a valuable Sunday-school organ. *But we cannot be too careful in the selection of our religious literature.* Test all you buy by the Word of God. Sound Biblical literature may be obtained of Goodwyn & Co., Memphis, Tenn., at St. Louis or Philadelphia. We also recommend the *Home and Foreign Journal*.

A. YATES, Chairman.

[E.]

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Your Committee on Nominations beg leave to report the following Boards:
 BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—Bro. J. H. Hicks, President; Eld. W. D. Mayfield, Secretary; A. G. Garman, Wm. Porter, Eld. J. K. Murphy, Russell Myrick, J. M. Jacks, Thomas Oldham, W. H. Crawford.

BOARD OF STATE MISSIONS—Eld. M. Y. Moran, President; Eld. J. B. Searcy, Secretary; J. T. Craig, B. B. Martin, Benj. Davis.

TRUSTEES OF ARKANSAS STATE BAPTIST CONVENTION (Domiciled at Princeton)—R. K. Dawson, E. Woods, A. Yates, D. C. Hall, E. H. Moses, S. Gardner, T. A. Heard, R. M. Thrasher, S. Stephenson, B. C. Hyatt, J. K. Murphy, M. Green.

Respectfully submitted.

R. M. THRASHER.

[F.]

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday-schools beg leave to report, that it is a lamentable fact that our denomination has not taken that interest in schools of this kind which the emergency of the times demands. We recommend that this Body urge upon the delegates of the Churches and Associations composing this Convention to more earnestly engage in this great enterprise, which will cause to be taught more perfectly the truths contained in the Bible. Respectfully submitted.

A. J. CANSLER, Chairman.

[G.]

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

Your Committee on Obituaries make the following Report. We are made sad to learn of the death of three of our ministers:

Eld. Samuel Harris, of Macedonia Church, in the Columbia Association, died some time in April last, at an advanced age of life. He was industrious, zealous and laborious in the ministry, loved and honored in life, and deeply lamented in death, by his brethren and friends among whom he toiled.

Eld. W. B. Jones, of Pine Bluff, departed this life in March last. He was good and useful in life, and left behind him living evidences of a glorious immortality beyond the grave.

Eld. S. C. Deschamp, pastor of the Fellowship Church, Sebastian county, is no more. We are pained to know that he fell in the work, faithful at his post, by the hand of a fellow creature. He was eminent in usefulness, and had great influence for good, and his loss is a calamity to the church and the world. We regard Bro. Deschamps as a martyr to the faith and practices of the gospel of Christ.

We are sorry that we know so little of those brethren, that the notices of them are so limited and do not express what the worthiness of their lives and ministerial labors demand. But we have reason for the most profound gratitude to our Heavenly Father, that so few of the ministry have been called from their labor on earth to their rest in heaven, during the year.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM BORUM, Chairman.

J. M. KING, Clerk.

[H.]

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to make the following report:
 Amount sent up by Associations and Churches for printing minutes.....\$145 00
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 Total.....\$149 00

Respectfully submitted,

S. T. W. MEEK, Chairman.

[I.]

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

The Committee on Domestic Missions submit this as their report:
 They believe the importance of Missions has taken hold of the great Baptist mind throughout the State and its importance recognized, and we are happy to observe that in this age of improvement there is among us an onward and upward movement in respect to gospel missions. The injunction to "go and preach the gospel to every creature" is meeting a hearty response in almost every Baptist heart, although from the report of the Board of Domestic Missions we are truly sorry to see so meager a work as that report exhibits, and shows a want of something on the part of your body. The great object of your body, we think, should be to carry forward the great work of missions in the State. All her energies, both of body and talent, should be concentrated in trying to save the lost of Arkansas. Your money and talent are fully adequate to the work. You have in the State about 30,000 Baptists, good and true if properly taught. They could furnish the money to send the gospel to every destitute place in the State. This should be the great object of your convocations, and if it is not the "commission" will be disregarded you can effect all that could be desired if the people were properly instructed upon this subject. The great fault is in our ministry, not in our members; the laxity of the ministry in teaching the churches their duty inspires them with lethargy; the members will do right in this matter if properly taught. The destitution of this State is beyond our knowledge, but as a spirit of missions is so strongly manifested by our associations, we hope that but a short time will elapse before we will occupy every destitute section in the State. Submitted,

B. C. HYATT, Chairman

[K.]

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the report of the financial operations of the Board of Ministerial Education, report that we find vouchers for all moneys disbursed, except such as are provided for by the order of this body.

B. W. M. WARREN, Chairman.

[L.]

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Ministerial Education has had no agent in the field and has depended for its support in the liberality of generous friends and churches. The Secretary has given what labor he could to the work, and, without further comment, we herewith submit a tabular statement of the finances of the Board:

DEBIT.

Balance on hand last Convention.....	\$675 45
Feb. 6, W. M. Lea.....	14 00
" 11, Mt. Vernon Association.....	10 00
" " W. M. Lea.....	13 00
April 3, W. M. Lea.....	37 00
" 8, W. M. Lea.....	42 00
May 25, R. M. Thrasher.....	75 00
June 8, J. V. McCulloch.....	10 00
July 11, W. M. Lea.....	137 00
Aug. 22, W. M. Lea.....	37 25
Oct 2, Mt. Vernon Association.....	42 00
Collection at Convention.....	183 20
	\$1275 90
Amount credits.....	705 00
Balance in Treasury.....	\$570 90

CREDIT.

J. R. Graves, for lectures.....	\$ 50 00
J. B. Espy.....	5 00
W. D. Mayfield, for lectures.....	25 00
Nelson, for Coleman.....	10 00
June 4, Levi Coleman.....	25 00
Feb. 11, Students.....	60 00
M'ch 11, ".....	60 00
April 11, ".....	60 00
May 11, ".....	60 00
June 11, ".....	60 00
Sept. 20, ".....	90 00
Secretary's salary.....	200 00
	\$705 00

W. D. MAYFIELD, Treasurer.

[M.]

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DOCUMENTS.

Your Committee on Documents would report that there are but few documents in our hands which require the attention of the Convention. We have an appeal from Eld. E. C. Eager, District Corresponding Secretary of the Home and Indian Mission Board, of the Southern Baptist Convention, which we hope will be read entire, and such action taken thereon as the wisdom of the Convention, prompted by love to God and man, may think best; also, an appeal to this Convention by Bro. E. A. Warren, calling for help to establish the Baptist cause at Camden, which appeal we hope will be read. The churches at Eldorado, Union county, and Mineral Springs, Hempstead county, each request the next session of this Convention to be holden with them. Respectfully submitted,

SOL. GARDNER, Chairman.

[N.]

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DEBIT.

Your Treasurer would respectfully make the following report:

Paid for printing minutes.....	\$116 25
" freight on minutes.....	1 50
" postage.....	4 00
" Secretary's salary.....	25 00
" balance due Treasurer last year.....	5 76
Total.....	\$152 51

CREDIT

Received of Finance Committee.....	\$122 00
" " Bro. Hillsman, for advertising Central Female Institute....	5 00
" " Southwestern Publishing Company as per error last year...	10 00
" for tracts from Bro. G. J. Johnson, which he paid for advertisements.....	10 00
Total.....	\$147 00
Balance due Treasurer.....	5 51

J. B. SEARCY, Treasurer.

[O.]

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee to nominate our quota of the Trustees of the Mississippi College would nominate the names of Elders J. B. Searcy, W. D. Mayfield, Wm. Lea and B. C. Hyatt.

M. S. KENNARD, Chairman.

[P.]

REPORT OF BOARD OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

To the Baptist State Convention of Arkansas:

DEAR BRETHREN—Your Board has prosecuted the work with which it was charged to the best of its ability. Bro. Thrasher, the agent appointed by your body at its last meeting, declined to accept the position. This left us without an agent, and the Board thought it best to appoint no other agent. It believed that the work might be distributed among our ministers in the State, and the

end in view be reached more easily than by the appointment of an agent. We have had enough money to meet all the expenses of the Board up to this time. Brethren J. D. Fletcher, Levi W. Coleman, J. D. Jameson and E. H. Owens were all supported at the Mississippi College during the last term. Brethren Owens and Fletcher have returned this session. Bro. Coleman expects to do so. Bro. Jameson has been relieved from his obligations to the Board, and is now supported by his Association. Since Bro. Jameson's application to be relieved from his obligations to the Board, we have learned from brethren in his own Association that he was laboring under a misapprehension, and that there was no intention of establishing a new and independent Board, but one which should be tributary to the State Board. We rejoice to learn this, for we are satisfied that churches and associations will fail in this work. Bro. Venable, a young man of promise, has been adopted this term, and is now in school. In short, the work is going forward. Our young men are advancing rapidly in their studies. The brethren in the State give us their sympathy and money, and thus God seems to stamp the work with his divine approval. The future is full of promise. To God be all the praise.

Fraternally submitted,

W. D. MAYFIELD, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

[1.]

Resolved, That this body meet at 8½ o'clock a. m., and spend half an hour in devotion. Resume business and adjourn at 12 o'clock m., and meet at 2 o'clock p. m., and adjourn at 4 o'clock p. m., each day of the session.

A. YATES.

[2.]

1st. *Resolved*, That we recommend a general missionary agent for the State, whose duty it shall be to visit the destitute places in the State, ascertain their wants and endeavor to stimulate the brethren to supply such destitution; said agent to be in the employ and subject to the instructions of the Domestic Mission Board of the State.

2d. *Resolved*, That we recommend Eld. G. B. Eager as such general agent.

B. C. HYATT.

[3.]

1st. *Resolved*, That a standing committee of five be appointed to gather statistics, and to advise in reference to the Sunday-school work in the State; also, that a half day of next session of this Convention be devoted to hearing this committee, and considering the Sunday-school work.

2d. *Resolved*, That we request all churches and associations of the State to co-operate with the above committee by sending to them statistics of the Sunday-schools within their bounds.

J. B. SEARCY.

[4.]

Resolved, That we recommend to all the associations in the State to publish in their minutes a correct list of all the ordained ministers in their bounds, together with their postoffices and forward a copy of their minutes to the Secretary of this Convention at Bradley, Ark.

J. M. HART.

[5.]

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Convention be and he is hereby authorized to pay the balance due the Treasurer for last year.

W. D. MAYFIELD.

[6.]

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to have published and distributed 1000 copies of the minutes of this session and receive for his services the sum of \$30.

J. F. GRIFFIN.

[7.]

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the brethren and citizens of Monticello and vicinity for their kind and hospitable entertainment of this Convention, and also the Presbyterians, Methodists and A. R. Presbyterians for their houses of worship during the session.

R. H. ANDREWS.

[8.]

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered the President for the able and kind manner in which he presided.

SEARCY.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—Elds. J. B. Searcy, T. B. Espy and R. M. Thrasher.
 SUNDAY-SCHOOLS—Elds. A. Yates, B. M. Trasher, W. M. Lea, W. B. Rock and T. A. Heard.
 MINISTERS' NAMES AND POSTOFFICES—Elds. J. M. Hart, R. M. Thrasher and T. B. Espy.

List of Subscriptions to Mississippi College.

J. D. Wood.....	\$25 00	J. H. Howard.....	\$10 00
R. M. Thrasher.....	25 00	T. B. Espy.....	25 00
L. J. Owen.....	10 00	Unknown (paid).....	1 00
Liberty Asso'n, by O. Lamar...	40 00	J. T. Craig.....	10 00
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J. M. King.....	10 00	Miss Molly Hyatt.....	5 00
B. C. Hyatt.....	29 00		
Total.....			\$300 00

List of Subscriptions to Ministerial Education.

W. M. Lee.....	\$150 00	M. D. Early.....	\$ 25 00
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J. O. Browning.....	25 00	Miss Thompson (paid).....	50
A. P. Bledsoe.....	10 00		
Total.....			\$1214 70

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Adams, J. R. G. W. N.	Dardanelle.	Bledsoe, J. G.	Lewisburg.
Baker, R. L.	Pea Ridge.	Browning, J. O.	Arkadelphia.
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Barnett, D. G.	Little Rock.	Beavers, W. B.	Hickory Plains.
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Bell, M. D.	Graves.	Borum, Wm.	Paraclifta.
Blakely, W. M.	St. Paul.	Box, Robert	Okalona.
Britt, H. T.	Lisbon.	Box, S.	Beach Creek.
Bryant, H.	Lamartine.	Brown, A.	Bentonville.
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Everett, J. P.	Union X Roads, La.	Fielding, J.,	Dallas.
Files, A.,	Eagle Creek.	Fuller, S. J.,	Wolder.
Ferguson, T. R.,	Evansville.	Forbes, W. B.,	Washington.
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Howard, J. H.,	Hot Springs.	Hart, J. M.,	Eldorado.
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Respectfully submitted,

J. M. HART, *Chairman.*

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