# MINUTES

OF THE

# Twenty-first Annual Session

OF THE

# North Concord Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE

# SHARON CHURCH,

Logan County, Arkansas

September 26, 27, and 28, 1891.

The next session will be held with Jenny Lynn Church, commencing Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1892.

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Moderator, T. H. B. McALISTER, Greenwood, Ark. Clerk, C. C. STALCUP, Enterprise, Ark. Treasurer, J. T. WAYFIELD, Dahoma, Ark.

Introductory Sermon, P. C. Mays; Alternate Sermon, G. T. Mathews; Missionary Sermon, A. J. Kinkaid; Alternate Sermon, A. H. Autry; Temperance Sermon, J. T. Watson.

## YOUNG PEOPLES UNION.

(Formerly Young People at Work.)

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The Young Peoples Union is published solely in the interests of Baptist young people. Its single and constant aim is to help all Baptist young people in their afforts to become Bible Christians, intelligent Baptists, and efficient workers in the cause of Christ. This paper is published specially for young people, and for them only.

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## PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY, September 26, 1891.

The North Concord Association met in its 21st annual session with Sharon Church, Logan Co., Ark., according to previous appointment, at it o'clock; A. M., and opened with prayer by Bro. J. T. Watson; after which Bro. T. H. B. McAlister preached the introductory Sermon from Matt. I, 23: "God with us." After services, in absence of Moderator, the Clerk called for temporary organization.

On motion Bro. T. H. B. McAlister was elected temporary Moderator:

then, on motion, adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

Promptly at 2 o'clock the Association was convened by Moderator, read-

ing Scripture lesson and prayer by Bro. Autry.

Letters were then presented by the following Churches and read by Brethren C. H. Howe, A. H. Autry and J. T. Watson, as reading clerks, viz: CHURCHES.

DELEGATES.

DELEGIATES. J T Evans, J W Knowles. l'auline. Oaly Bower, J W Mashburn, H G Johnson, J A Clark. Mt. Zion, A P Scott. Mt. Vlope, H F Mosloy. Shardu. J T Heilton, A J Smith. Greenwood, CII Howe, G W Allen. Grand Prairie, J N Rowlet, G W Tignor. Bleomer. N B Dearmore, II II Pope. JW Nobles, W F Rainey. Center Valley, A H Autry, J N Pennington. Booneville, Oak Valley, J'N Hopkins, A L Brown, J A Winford. J M Powell, W G McBee, W H Cary, H La Newman. Pine Mountain. Hackett City, D C Yeargin. T If B McAlister, Frank Stewart, T A Rippy. Sulphur Springs, Mill Creck, A J Heuson, F A Valandingham, A L Lawrence. Jno Nesbitt, T J Moulton, W J Teaver. Veta, H L Been, J M Needham, L Been. Oak Grove, S W Franks, C II Franks, L Acuff. Union Grove, W II Hearn, A J Williams, J T Watson. Planter, Prairie View, R D Boydston, G W Hill, L D Davis. Judson, W J Ming. New Harmony, C Brewer. G T Staton Oak Bend, Mt. Nebo, Z L Wright. W M Crow, J C White. Providence, Prairie Grove, Jno O'Neal, J II Flynn. Then went into an election of officers, which resulted as follows: T. H. B. McAlister, Moderator. C. C. Stalenp, Clerk.

Enterprise,
National Springs,
Harmony,
Huntington,
Jenny Lind,

Mazzard,

J. T. Mayfield, Treasurer. Called for Petitionary Letters.

> J N Lambert, L M Loving. C W Woodruff, J W Plunkett. J A Finny, M E Finny. E W Bruton, W B Herndon. Not represented.

C C Stalcup Joel, Gunter, Henry Crowsey.

On motion, Bro. Herndon was allowed to make a statement in regard to Jenny Lind Church, on which statement said Church was received.

Moderator appointed Brethren J. W. Mashburn, J. A. Finny and J. T.

Mayfield, l'inance committee.

Pastor and deacons of this Church, with Bros. Brewer and Needham,

appointed committee on Divine Service.

On motion rules were suspended and Bro. Autry offered a new constitution, which was referred to Bros. Evans, Allen, Pennington, Nesbitt and Henson as committee.

Bro. Buckner was then allowed the privilege of presenting the claims of

Buckner College.

Committee on Divine Service reported as follows:

Bro. Cox, of Clear Creek Association will preach at this place tonight: Bro. Buckner at Prairie View; Bro. Mays at Caulksville, and Bro. H. L. Been at Chismville.

Sunday-school mass meeting ordered for Sunday morning at 9:30. a. m.

Adjourned until 8 o'clock Monday morning.

SUNDAY, Sept. 27.

At 9:30, a. m., the congregation assembled in the grove for mass meeting with the Moderator presiding. Short speeches were made by several of the brethren and a collection taken for the benefit of the Sunday-school at this place, and \$5.00 in cash realized.

At 11 o'clock Bro, Yeargin preached the Missionary Sermon.

tion, \$25.70.

Committee on Divine Service report—Bro. Evans will preach here at 3 o'clock, p. m.; Bro. Henson at National Springs; Bro. Herndon at Chismville: Bro. Mays at Caulksville; Bro. Mathews at Prairie. View; Bro. Young, of the Dardanelle Association here to-night, and Bro. Autry at 11 Monday.

MONDAY, Sept. 28.

The Association was convened by singing and prayer by A. L. Brown. Moderator then read lesson from I Peter, II chapt,, and prayer by Bro. Allen.

On motion Bro. Watson, of Planter, and Sister Finny, of Huntington.

were admitted to seats in lieu of messengers who had failed to come.

A letter was then read from Mazzard Church.

On motion Brethren Juo. Young and J. R. Rapier from Dardanelle, and J. E. Cox of Clear Creek, A. A. Speiler from South Concord, and A. R. Hill of Dardauelle Association were admitted to seats.

A motion that any member of this body visiting any sister Association be

recognized as a messenger from this body was carried.

Bros. Yeargin, Neal, Johnson, Herndon and Autry were appointed

messengers to the State Convention.

Bro: Autry appointed to S. B. Convention, Bro. Neal alternate.

# ©OMMITTEES.謎

\*Committee on Foreign Missions reported, and report discussed. Motion to recommit was lost. Motion to amend by asking churches to take up corlection twice each year and forward to Bro. J. B. Searcy carried and report then adopted as read.

## APPENDICES.

Report on Ministerial Education/read, discussed and further discussion suspended until after preaching.

Preaching by Bro. Autry.

At 1:30 again convened. Prayer by Bro. Johnson.

On motion the report on Ministerial Education was adopted.

A motion that all speeches be limited to five minutes duration, except that of the mover, who shall be allowed ten minutes, was carried.

Report on Home Missions read, discussed and adopted.

Report on Religious Literature read and ado pted.

D.

Report on Obituaries read and adopted.

Special committee on Constitution report, discussed and adopted.

Committee on Divine Service report—Bro. Allen to preach here; Bro. Autry at Chismville, Bro. Nobles at National Springs.
Report of committee on Ministerial Support read and adopted.

Report of committee on Temperance read and adopted.

Report on Woman's work road and adopted.

On motion Bro. G. T. Staton was excused.
Finance committee made report which was received.

Report of Treasurer approved.

Report on Sunday-schools read and adopted.

Report of Executive Board adopted.

M.

Bro. J. T. Evans excused.

Report of Missionary read and after amendment adopted.

Committee on Nominations made report which was adopted.

Motion that the amount of Association mission funds be turned over to the Missionary was lost. Motion that the present Executive Board be allowed to draw said fund and settle with the Missionary was carried

Bro. Autry excused.

On motion the Clerk was allowed \$15.00 for his services and the resider of the minutes funds to be expended are tritle for minutes.

mainder of the minutes funds to be expended pro rata for minutes.

On motion the Articles of Faith and the Constitution were ordered to

be printed in the minutes.

The following resolution was then passed, viz:

Resolved; That we tender our sincere thanks to the brethren and sisters of Sharon Church and community for their brotherly love, kindness and hospitality manifested to us while here in the organization of the North Concord Association.

C. H. Howe.

The minutes were then read and approved, and, after singing, extending parting hand and prayer, then adjourned.

T. H. B. MCALISTER,

C. C. STALCUP, Clerk. Moderator.

Whereas; The missionary spirit is the moving spirit of the Gospel, and Whereas; The expressed and positive command of our Divine Master is to go and feed all nature on the bread of life;

Therefore; we do urgently impress upon this body the vital importance of instituting means whereby the missionary interest of the Church may be more thoroughly developed and more systematically materialized. We recommend that each church take up a collection at least twice each year and forward to Bro. J. B. Searcy.

J. T. Watson.

" (The complete lists of the different committees were not given the

elerk, hence the names of committeemen do not appear.) CLE

Your committee on Ministerial Education beg leave to submit the fol-

lowing report;

1st. Believing the Christian ministry to be the grandest and highest calling, we therefore believe that it is too sacred an office and of such vast importance to the salvation of our fellow-beings that it should not be chosen as a profession but that those who discharge its duties must be called of God, and as the work of the ministry consists chiefly of teaching, the better educated our ministers are, the more effective will be their teaching.

2. We therefore urge our churches to see that our young ministers be encouraged to avail themselves of the provisious made by our denomination to educate themselves for the ministry, and we would recommend to them Ouachita college, Arkadelphia, Ark., and Buckner college, Witcherville, Ark.

Respectfully submitted, . C. H. Howk, Chairman.

Home Missions.

We, your committee on Home Missions, would report that, so far as our knowledge extetend, our home mission fields are in a prosperous condition. Bro. A. J. Diaz is doing a grand work in Cuba, attended by the power of the Holy Spirit. They need our prayers and help. Bro. W. D. Powell and his faithful helpers are also acquitting themselves voritably for the Master in Mexico. Surely this mission which has emerged from three hundred years, of foreign oppression is entitled to our most arduous sympathy and aid.

Allen H. Autry, Chairman.

Religious Literature.

We, your committee on Religious Literature, would recommend, first of all, that our people strive to become more familiar with their Bibles, that every man may be able to give a reason for the hope that is within him.

Second, that all of our pastors urge upon our people the necessity of

taking our state paper and reading and paying for the same.

Third, that Baptists pull out from all Union Sunday-schools, and as far as possible use only Baptist literature in our Sunday-schools.

Respectfully submitted, G. W. ALLEN, Chairman.

Obituaries. We, your committee on Obituaries, would report after examining the letters from the churches of North Concord Association we find that fourteen of our brethren and sisters have fallen asleep in Jesus. Bro. R. H. Mc-Connell, a member of Oak Grove church, whom we all knew, for lie has been Moderator of this Association and a life-long member of the same, departed this life March 21st, 1891, in full triumph of a living faith; Sister Luvina Laugston, a member of Center Valley church, who departed this life January 27th, 1891, also died in the full triumph of faith; Sister II. M. Head, a member of Bloomer church, departed Sept. 22nd, 1891, in full triumphs of faith. We find that two have fallen asleep in Christ from Judson, Sister Morrow and Rucker. Dro. Richard Morgan of Prairie View church has de parted this life since last we met. Bros. White and Henson, of Caulksville church, have also passed away since our last meeting. Sister Annie Gunter, of Euterprise church, departed this life May 20th, 1891. Sister Sarah Honeyman, of Oak Bower church, died Sept. 6th, 1891. Bro. Emory Measles, of the same church, Jan. 14th, 1891. Sister Laura A. Crossno, of Mt. Hope Church (1991) church, June, 1891. We regret that we do not find from the letters the names and dates of the others who have departed and would recommend

that each church of this Association send names and dates of death in their

lutters to the Association, of their deceased members.

Higher eulogies on their Christian virtues we know not to pronounce than that expressed by the Revelator: "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord; that they may rest from their labor and their works do follow them." Let us who remain, who look for the second coming of Christ, work while it is called today; buoyed with the consolation that when this carthly house of this tabernacle is dissolved we have a building of God, a house not made with hands eternal in the heavens. Resp'y, FRANK STEWART.

#### New Constitution.

DEAR BRETHREN; After a careful consideration of the subject matter assigned us, we have concluded that by adding the term "North" to the first article of the old constitution it is good enough.

Respectfully submitted. J. T. Evans, Chairman.

Ministerial Support.

We, your committee on Ministerial Support, beg leave to report that we believe there has been some advancement made in this work as a result of ministers' teaching and churches informing themselves on this subject.

We recommend, therefore, that the good work continue that all may understand that they that preach the gospel shall live of the gospel. Respectfully.

Temperance.

Your committee ou Temperance make the following report:

We believe the use of ardept spirits a great barrier to National prosperity. It destroys human happiness. It causes the innocent to suffer, and the guilty to go unpunished in many instances. We believe it to be one of the greatest evils with which the human family has to contend.

Therefore we recommend that our churches deal promptly with all members who use it as a beverage. Prov. xx, 1:-Wive is a mocker; strong

drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

Look, therefore, not thou upon the wine when it is red, for at the last it Resp'y submitted. D. C. YEARGIN, Chm. biteth like an adder.

#### Woman's Work.

Your committee on Woman's Work report as follows:

lu the Divine economy of God, woman was created as an helpmeet for man, not to be above his heat or beneath his feet, but to walk side by side with him in all the relations of life, to enjoy the blessings and the privileges

as well as to help him to bear his burdens.

And whereas the sisters in our denomination have greatly helped forward the grand work of the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ, we therefore recommend that the sisters of each church of this association who have not, to take steps at once to organize themselves into societies for the more efficient work for the Master. We further recommend that pastors aid in W. B. HERNDON, Chm. carrying out the spirit of this report.

Finance.

To the Brethren composing the North Concord Association:

We, your committee on Finance, beg leave to report the finances of the (Nore-For an itemized statement of the funds of association as follows. different kinds see the table of churches .- Clerk.

Amount for praiting minutes, \$41.55; for home missions, \$65.40; for for-

eign missions, \$14.30; for ministerial education, \$9.40; total, \$130.65.

We also state further, that we find that Sulphur Springs church paid to Bro: Herudon sixteen dollars (\$16.00) for services rendered by him; also that Mazzard church paid him seven dollars and seventy-five cents (\$7.75), and that Enterprise church has paid him twelve dollars (\$12.00), and Jenny Lind church has paid him ten dollars and sixty cents (\$10.60), making a total of missionary services paid to Bro. Herndon \$46.35.

All of which we humbly submit for your consideration. J. W. MASHURN, Chairman. J. A. FINNY, of the court front J. T. MAYFIELD.

Treasurer.

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#### Sahbath-Schools.

We flud from the best information that we can gather from the various churches that the Sunday-school work is badly neglected in the most of our churches, there being but few of our churches that have a Baptist Sunday-This is a sad fact when we consider the obligation resting upon us us parents and as Christians and the importance of teaching the truth to our children, which is able to make them wise unto salvation, and that there is no better place to teach the truth than in the Sunday-school.

We therefore recommend that pastors of the various churches attend to this matter and urge immediate organization of Sunday-schools where they do not now exist, and give the same their encouragement and report the R. D. BOYDSTON, Chairman.

to each session of this body.

#### Executive Board.

Your board at its meeting Saturday before the 5th Sunday in May. 1891. authorized Bro. Herndon to labor as missionary in the destitute portion of the northwest boundaries of this association and he has labored as follows:

W. B. Herndon's Report as Missionary for June, July, August and September.

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HERNDON, Missionary.	Prayer meetings held 30
	Addresses delivered

T. H. B. McALISTER, Chairman Executive Boards

#### Nominations.

Your committee on nominations recommend Eld. Mays to preach the introductory sermon, Eld. Mathews, alternate; Eld. Kincaid to preach the missionary sermon on Sunday at 11 o'clock, Eld. Autry, alternate; Eld. Watson to preach on temperance at 3 o'clock on Sunday.

Executive Board-Bros. Mashburn, Long, Howe, Nobles and Watson. We find that Union Grove church, Logan county, and Jenny Lind church, of Schästian county, ask for the next session of this body and recommend Jenny Lind. G. W. HILL, Chairman.

#### CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This Association shall be known as the North Concord

Association of Western Arkansas.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of messengers from Baptist Churches known to be in good standing. Each church with fifty members or less shall be entitled to three messengers. Each additional fifty members shall entitle the church to one additional messenger.

Art. 8. The officers shall be a Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall be chosen by ballot at each annual session and shall continue in office

till their successors are chosen

Art. 4. Sec, 1. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside over

the body according to parliamentary usage.

Sec. 2. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings, attend to the publication and distribution of the minutes, keep a regular file of the printed minutes of the body, and deliver the same to his successor in office.

Sec. 3. The Treasurer shall take charge of the funds of the Association, holding them subject to an order from the Association or its executive committee, render an account of the same to the annual session of this body.

Art. 5. The objection of this Association shall be to promote fellowship among the churches; to secure unanimity of faith; to encourage concert in operation and especially to culcivate the pidty of the churches and to aid in this last object several days of each session shall spent in devetional exercises.

Art. 6. Sec. 1. This Association shall in no case interfere with the internal regulations of the churches, but will act as an advisory council whenev-

er it shall be necessary.

It however, claims authority over its own members, the messengers from the churches and will withdraw from and disown all churches that depart from the principles of this compact, by becoming heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice.

Art. 7. Newly organized churches or churches dismissed from other Associations may be admitted into this body upon application by letter, and messengers at our annual meeting, and subscribing by their messengers to

the abstract of principles herewith published.

Art. 8. Churches may be dismissed from the Association, upon application at an annual meeting, for the purpose of joining a new association, but any church departing from aus without being regularly dismissed shall be regarded as disorderly.

Art. 9. Scc. 1. There shall be an excutive committee consisting, of the officers of this body with five members chosen by the association at each

annual meeting.

The duty of this committee shall be to superintend the missionary operations of the associations and represent it in all matters requiring the attention,

when the association is not in session.

This committee shall report annually at each meeting to this association; Three members of said committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business upon the appointment of saids committee, they shall come together and arrange their meeting and take such other steps as (may be step the interest of the cause of Christ.

The regular committees of this association shall be a committee on associational missions who shall report the mission work of the mission aries of this body and make such suggestions pertaining thereto as they

deem appropriate.

processor upl by modern A committee on foreign missions to make such report and suggestion as may further the cause of foreign missions. A committee on documents to rem port any request etc. presented tothis association. A committee ou religous literature to recommend such literature as may best promote the commend such literature as may best promote the commend such literature as truth. A committee on ministerial support to suggest means and plans for the support of the Gespel Ministry. A committee on Sundays-chools to Fan port the Sabbath school work of the churches, and make suggestions for the tutherance of the Sabbath school interest. A committee on ministerial education, to report what may have been done, and suggest means for the education of our young ministers. A committee on nominations, to nominate brethren to preach the Introductory and missionary sermous, and recommend a place for the succeeding meeting of the association. A committee on temperance, to report on same. A committee on obituaries. A committee on Queries, to report on queires presented to this association. A committee on fluance, to look after the finance of the association and report the same to the association.

Art. 10. It shall be the privilege of the association, in addition to its power already granted, to conduct missionary operations within its limits, and for this purpose to choose a missionary or missionaries as means may allow and designate the fields of labor and pay them quarterly through their treasurer, out of any funds to be sent up along with the funds for publishing

the minutes to every annual meeting.

Art. 11. The annual meeting of the association shall embraced the Lord's-day, and shall begin at 10, o'clock, a. m., on Saturday before the second Lord's-day in October at which time the introductory sermon shall be preached. On each succeeding day the association shall adjourn at 11 o'clock a: m., for preaching.

Art. 12. This Constitution may be altered or amended, except as to Art. 6. see. 1. at any regular meeting of the Association, by the two thirds vote of

the members who are in attendance.

- AMENDMENT 1. Art. 13. No person shall serve as moderator of this body more than two terms in succession: amended, 1882.

#### RULES OF DECORUM

1. The association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. An Introductory and missionary sermon shall be preached by ministers, chosen by ballot at the preceding association. In case of absence or failure, the sermon on either to be preached by an alternate chosen at the same time, and in same way. Some brother shall also be chosen to deliver a temperance address.

3. A committee of arrangements consisting of five members besides the moderator and clerk, who shall be members ex-officio, shall be appointed by

the moderator, to arrange and report the order of business.

4. Visiting brethern who are in good standing may be invited to scats but not to vote.

5. A member not satisfied with any decision of the moderator may make

an appeal to the association on the same day, but at no other time.

6. But one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise, address the moderator, and upon obtaining leave shall then proceed.

7. No member shall be interrupted while speaking, unless he departs from the subject, or uses words of personal reflection, and then by the moderator.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the association, unless withdrawn by him who made it. Every case taken up shall be decided or withdrawn before another is introduced.

9, When a question is taken up, after allowing time for debate, the moderator shall take the voice of the association by yeas and mays or otherwise.

10. A member wishing to retire shall obtain permission of the moderator.

11. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject with-

out the permission of the association.

12. The appellation of 'brother' shall be used in the association, by the members in their addresses one to another. Letters that are unknown to the scriptures, such as 'Rev.,' 'Parson' and the like shall not be employed or appear upon the minutes.

18. The names of members shall be called as often as the association

may direct.

14. The moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as any other member, provided he appoint another to his seat during the time, but shall not vote on any question unless the association is equally diveded.

15. Any member violating these rules may be reproved by the modera-

tor, at discretion, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

16. These rules may be amended or altered at any regular meeting of this association by a majority vote of the members present.

#### ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe there is one, and only one, true and living God, Jehova, and that in the unity of the Godhead there are three persons—the Father, the Sou and the Holy Spirit.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, constituting the only and all-sufficient standard of faith,

doctrine, discipline and practice.

3. We believe that election is the sovereign exercise of that Eternal Love by which God hath, according to his infinite wisdom, chosen his people in Christ before the world was, and hath predest nated them unto the adoption of children through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth, and doth keep them by his power through faith unto salvation.

4. We believe that man was created holy, but by wilful violation of the law of his Maker he fell into a state of sinfulness and brought death upon his race, who being by natural decent in the unholy image of Adam and children of wrath by nature and without natural or spiritual power to live

a holy life or attain to a happy state.

5. We believe that sinners are saved by grade, through faith in Jesus

Christ and in no other way.

6. We believe that, in order to be saved, sinners must be regenerated, or born again; that regeneration is effected by the power of the Holy Spirit in connection with divine truth, and the proper evidences thereof are repentance, faith and obedience unto God.

7. We believe that such only are believers as endure unto the end in holiness of life and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

8. We believe the Scripture teaches that repentance and faith are sacred duties, and also inseparable graces wrought in our souls by the regenerating spirit of God.

9. A Christian church is a congregation of immersed believers who meet statedly, and have covenanted together to maintain the ordinauces of Christ, discharge the duties and enjoy the privileges in the New Testament appertaining to the church of Jesus Christ.

10. The only proper officers of a Christian churches are bishops or pas-

tors and deacons.

11. Christian Babtism is the immersion of a believer in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit by a regular ordained Babtist minister in good order.

12. The Lord's Supper is a positive commemoration of dinance of Jesus Christ to be observed in the church as such, in rememberance of Christ, and to show forth his death till the comes.

13. The first day of the week is the Lord's day and should be observed as a day of rest from common labor, and all worldy business and devoted to religious duties.

14. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgement and that the felicity of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

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# Order of Business.

1. Call of Association to order by former Moderator, or, if absent, by the Clerk or Moderator pro tem.

Reading church letters and enrolling messengers.

3. Election of Officers, by ballot.

4. Call for petitionary letters.

5. Appointment of committees on divine service.

6. Oall for letters and messengers from corresponding Associations.

7. Visiting brethren invited to seats.

8. Appointment of committees.

9. Appointment of corresponding messengers.

10. Miscellaneous.

11. Calling the roll.

12. Call for the reports of committees.

13. New business.

14. Appointment of place for next meeting.

15. Reading the minutes,

16. Valedictory, by Moderator; prayer and parting hymn.

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