# MINUTES

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## THIRTY-SEVENTH SESSION

- OF THE-

# Baptist Association

-HELD WITH-

## ANTIOCH CHURCH,

White County, Ark.,

OCTOBER 8-10, 1892.

#### OFFICERS:

W. P. FLETCHER, Moderator, Lonoke, W. F. BLACKWOOD, Clerk, Little Rock, B. C. BLACK, Treasurer, Searcy,

Next Session to be held with Pleasant Hill Church, on Saturday before the Second Sunday in October, 1898.

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### RULES OF DECORUM.

- 1. The daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.
- All exceptions to the decision of the Moderator shall be by appeal to the body, whose decision, as expressed by a majority of the vote, viva voce given, shall be final.
- 3. In all cases of a tie vote, the Moderator shall give the casting vote, and he shall not be allowed to vote in any other case.
- 4. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speaking as other members, but when rising to speak shall call some other member to the chair.
- 5. No member shall speak but once on the same subject, nor more than twenty minutes at a time, except by leave of the Association, provided the mover shall have the privilege of opening and closing the debate on his motion or resolution.
- 6. But one member shall speak at a time, and if more than one rise to speak at the same time, the Moderator shall decide who is entitled to the floor.
- 7. Any member desiring to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, and in speaking shall confine bimself to the subject under discussion, and no one shall use any disrespectful or discourteous language, calculated to wound the feelings of any member, or to disturb the harmony of the body, and the appellation of "Brother" shall be used in every reference to a member of the Association.
- 8. No member of the Association shall absent himself without leave of the Chair, and the Chair shall grant no such leave except for reasonable cause.
- 9. It shall be the duty of the Cierk to make and present faithful records of the proceedings of the Association, and to procure and supervise the printing and distribution of the same among the churches.
- 10. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys accruing to the Association, to pay out the same upon the order of the Clerk, or, if Home Mission fund, upon the order of the Secretary of Home Missions, and to report his receipts and disbursements. But the Clerk shall draw no order upon the Treasurer except for appropriations previously made by the Association.
- 11. Committees shall be appointed by the Chair, unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

# MINUTES.

Antioch, White County, Ark., October 8, 1892.

Caroline Baptist Association met with Antioch church at 10 o'clock a. m. Present and presiding, W. P. Fletcher, Moderator; W. F. Blackwood, Clerk.

Devotional services, led by Elder J. S. Thomas, of Judsonia.

Elder J. A. Chamblee, pastor of Antioch church, then delivered an address of welcome to the Association, which was replied to by the Moderator, Bro. W. P. Fletcher.

Motion carried to take recess until 10:55 a. m.

Association called to order by the Moderator, when the introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. G. Doyle. Text: Numbers 3:16.

Motion carried that we request a copy of the introductory sermon for publication in the Arkansa's Baptist.

Motion carried to take recess until 1:30 p. m.

1:30 p. m. Association called to order by the Moderator. Letters called for, when the following answered by letter

with the following named messengers:

Antioch—Brother O. M. Quattlebaum, Elder J. A. Chamblee and Brother W. P. Jones.

Austin-Brothers W. F. Gibson and T. J. Young.

Bald Knob-Elders B. F. Holdford and J. M. Davis.

Baker's Bayou-By letter only.

Beebe-Brother Grant Taylor, Elder M. T. Webb and Brother R. C. Walker.

Brownsville-Brother J. O. Watson.

Cabot—Elder R. J. Coleman, Brothers R. A. Stovall and F. Campbell.

Carlisle-Brother J. S. Woods.

Cypress Valley—Elder P. L. Butler and Brother Grandison Apple.

Center Hill—Brothers J. D. Pettus, J. P. English and D. C. Woodson.

Des Arc—Elder Thomas Hudson and Sister Lizzie Perry. El Passo—Brothers T. H. Midgett, J. H. Brooks, John Glover and Thomas Anderson. First, Argenta—Elder J. G. Doyle, Brothers R. L. Lee and J. L. Lee.

Friendship—Brothers R. N. Wilkins, J. T. Lucas and C. M. Granberry.

Garner-Brothers J. S. Hodges and H. J. Watson.

Greenwood-Elder G. R. Cravens, Brothers J. E. Burten and W. M. Thurman.

Harmony-Elder D. R. Roberson.

Hickory Plains-Brothers C. C. Burton, W. I. Speight and J. A. Rooker.

Higgenson-Brother T. H. Beard.

Indian Bayou-Not represented.

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Judsonia-Elder J. S. Thomas, Brothers R. R. Lewis and W. P. Winn.

Kensett-By letter only.

Kentucky Valley-Brothers D. W. Holiman and J. R. Belew.

Lee Grove-Not represented.

Liberty-Brothers N. B. Allen and J. R. Walker.

Lonoke—Elder J. B. Perminter, Brothers W. P. Fletcher, J. D. Pearce, W. H. Rorie, W. H. Eagle and Sister Maggie Beard.

Mt. Pleasant-Elder J. G. Melton and Wm. Herron.

Mt. Vernon-Brothers J. B. Traylor, D. W. Hendrickson and W. C. Newell.

Mt. Zion-Brothers F. Henry, B. C. Acklin and J. W. Bearden.

New Hope—Brothers W. F. Ross and J. T. Long.

Orion-Dissolved.

Oak Grove—Brothers R. H. Wallace, J. E. Moran and C. W. Plummer.

Pecan Grove—Brothers S. C. Cobb, J. D. Cobb and Wm. Gelzer.

Plateau—Brothers J. H. McDermon and J. M. Hacker. Pleasant Hill—Elder G. W. Thomasson.

Prospect-Elder R. W. Cozort.

Panola-Brother W. E. McNew.

Richwoods-Brothers J. J. Jones and D. B. Fry.

Rose Bud-Brothers J. B. Pearsons, George Hall and C. W. Martin.

Searcy—Elder J. R. Hughes, Brothers G. W. Bailey, J. J. Crow and J. G. Holland.

Second, Little Rock—Brothers M. F. Locke, W. F. Blackwood, W. H. Buckley, John Barrow, M. B. Hill and Sister Mattie Beasley.

Sharon—Brothers J. A. Champlin, E. N. Davis and S. H. Davis.

Shiloh-Brothers S. P. McKown, J. A. Balantine and A. T. Rodman.

Walnut Plains—Brothers L. W. Hutson and J. T. Smith. Wattensas—Elder O. U. Owens, Brothers J. D. Smiley and R. A. Martin.

West Point-Not represented.

Zion Hill-By letter only.

Elon—Cain Creek, Bethlehem and Wake Forest reported as dead and dissolved.

White River-Not represented.

Sardis-Not represented.

The Association then went into the election of officers, which resulted as follows: W. P. Fletcher, Moderator; W. F. Blackwood, Clerk; B. C. Black, Treasurer.

Petitionary letters were then called for, when the following churches responded by letter and messengers:

Third, Little Rock—J. G. Nunn, Russell, Elders W. J. Sowell, R. M. Moore and Brother E. M. Barnes.

The above churches were then received into the Association, and the right hand of fellowship extended by the Moderator.

The Moderator then announced the following as a Committee on Devotional Exercises: Elder J. A. Chamblee, Brothers B. C. Black and J. B. Armstrong.

Corresponding messengers were then called for and the following responded:

Green Brier Association-Brother D. N. Brown.

Grand Prairie Association-Elder W. D. Hargrave.

Little Red River Association—Brother J. A. Pate and Elder W. J. Kirtland.

Central Baptist College, of Conway, Arkansas-Elder J. W. Harriss.

Visitors Recognized—Elder M. C. Irvin, of Hopkinsville, Kentucky; and Elders D. W. Chumley and A. M. Clare, of McRae, Arkansas.

Motion carried that no visitors be enrolled who live within the bounds of the Association.

Committee on Devotional Exercises made the following report: Elder G. W. Thomasson to preach to-night at 7

o'clock, and Elder J. S. Thomas to hold Sunday school services to-morrow at 9:30 o'clock.

Adjourned until 7 o'clock p. m.

7 o'clock p. m. Congregation assembled at the church, when Elder G. W. Thomasson preached. Text: Heb. 23:10.

The Association was then called to order by the Moderator, when he announced the following

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

Associational Missions—Elders O. U. Owens, M. T. Webb and Thomas Hudson, Brothers J. O. Watson, R. L. Lee and — Martin.

State Missions—Brother M. F. Locke, Elder J. G. Doyle, Brothers W. P. Jones, R. A. Stovall and Elder B. F. Holford.

Home Missions—Elder R. J. Coleman, Brothers W. F. Gibson, J. S. Wood, Elders P. L. Butler, W. R. Cozort and T. J. Young.

Foreign Missions—Elders J. R. Hughes, D. R. Roberson, Brothers G. Apple and J. D. Pettus.

Colleges and Schools—Elders J. B. Perminter, G. W. Thomasson, Brothers W. H. Buckley, E. N. Davis and A. T. Rodman.

Publications and Religious Literature—Bros. M. B. Hill, J. A. Balantine, L. W. Hutson, J. D. Smiley and J. S. McDermon.

Temperance—Elder G. W. Thomasson, Brothers B. C. Acklin, John Barrow, W. F. Ross and R. H. Wallace.

Sunday Schools—Elder J. S. Thomas, Brothers J. G. Holland, J. J. Jones, C. W. Martin and J. T. Smith.

Obituraries—Elders J. A. Chamblee, J. M. Davis, Brothers J. P. English, S. C. Cobb, W. E. McNew, T. H. Midgett and Elder G. R. Cravens.

Woman's Work-Brothers C. M. Granberry, J. S. Hodges,

J. E. Burton, Misses Mattie Beasley and Maggie Beard.

Correspondence—Brothers C. C. Burton, T. H. Beard, N. B. Allen, J. R. Belew and D. W. Holliman.

Finance—Brothers J. J. Crow, O. M. Quattlebaum, W. P. Winn, W. H. Eagle and J. D. Cobb.

Nominations—Elder J. G. Melton, J. B. Traylor, W. C. Newell, R. M. Moore, J. G. Nunn and D. W. Hendrixson.

Motion carried that Pleasant Hill church, of Lonoke, be selected for the place of the next meeting of this Association.

Motion carried that we hold a special order to consider a State Missionary mass meeting at 3 o'clock p. m. to-morrow. Motion carried that we now adjourn to meet with the Sunday school meeting to-morrow at 9:30 o'clock a. m.

SUNDAY, October 9, 1892.

9:30 o'clock a. m. Association met in Sunday school mass meeting, conducted by Elder J. S. Thomas, who after conducting a Sunday school in a very impressive manner, assisted by Elders J. B. Perminter, J. R. Hughes, Sister W. P. Winn and Brother J. G. Holland, Elder J. S. Thomas then gave some of the many Scriptural texts contained in the Old and New Testament for the authority for Sunday schools, and the call of teachers as teachers.

Following are the texts: Deut. 4:10; 6:7; 11:19. Rom. 12:7. Eph. 4:11. 1 Cor. 12:27-29.

Recess ten minutes.

The Association called to order for preaching.

The Missionary Sermon was preached by Elder J. B. Perminter. Text: John 6:14.

A collection was then taken up for Missions, which amounted to \$33.71.

Motion carried to adjourn until 3 o'clock p. m.

3 o'clock p, m. The Association called to order in special session to consider the question of State Missions.

Brother M. F. Locke, Chairman of the Committee on State Missions, then submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on State Missions beg leave to submit the following report:

That the present conventional year has been one of the most trying in the history of our State Mission work. Not because we rejoice to know that less work for the Master has been done, but we rejoice in a knowledge of the fact that great and lasting good has been, in many of our Arkansas Zions, accomplished.

But for the reason that, encouraged by the liberality of our brethren of the State in the past, supplemented by the munificent donations of the Home Mission Board at Atlanta, your State Board like our first missionary, William Carey, had learned to ask God for great things and to expect large things from God. And while we would not intimate that the great God has disappointed us, we do confess that we have met with more trouble and had to overcome more difficulties than were anticipated, in order to accomplish the work done.

The State Mission Board has had regularly in the destitute fields of our State about twenty-two missionaries, and was encouraged to do so large a work as intimated by the encouragement furnished in the past few years, as also by a renewal of the promise on the part of the Home Board to act the same liberal part this as last year. But as the brethren of the Home Mission Board entirely failed on their part at the close of

first quarter, and the State Mission Board was forced to either let the missionaries in the field go without their promised salaries, or quit this all-important work under God of saving immortal souls.

Our Board called upon a few of the strongest liberal churches to make up this five to six hundred dollars, and the missionaries have been kept at work ever since, while the State Mission Board has had from time to time net with nearly the same treatment on part of the Home Board and other serious difficulties too numerous to name in this report. They feel to thank God and take courage that many souls are enabled to rejoice now in a Savior's love, who were last year outcasts from his favor and kingdom.

And your committee would fail of its duty not to mention that but for the liberality of several of our kind hearted, noble brethren this work would have stopped, in a measure, and those who sit in the regions and shadows of death in the destitute parts of our State would have been left utterly without the precious bread of life.

But the most important point, as your committee believes in this report is to follow, and is this: Our State Board has with hard work, sacrifices and self-denials on their own part, and that of a part of the brotherhood, been able to pay off the salaries of our missionaries to the date of the beginning of this quarter. But it is now estimated that at the end of this quarter, on the first of next month, we will require some \$300 above the amount provided for, and for which amount the Board will be compelled to call upon the brotherhood at large, as to go to the brethren who have so often aided us would be like threshing straw which had been thrice already thrashed and could furnish, but little grain.

And we, therefore, most respectfully recommend that all who can do so come to the help of this bleeding cause.

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. LOCKE, J. G. DOYLE, W. P. JONES, R. A. STOVALL, B; F. HOLFORD.

Pledges were then taken by Brother J. J. Crow as follows, to be paid by the meeting of the State Convention: Elder R. J. Coleman, for Cabot church, \$5; Brother B. C. Black, (paid), \$5.

Elder B. F. Holford then addressed the meeting, when the pledges were continued as follows: Brother J. J. Crow, \$5; Des Arc church, \$2; Brother S. B. Cannon, (paid), \$5; First, Argenta, \$5; First, Argenta, by Bro. M. F. Locke, \$5; Judsonia church, \$10; D. W. Hendrixson, (paid \$1), \$6; Mt. Pleasant church, \$2; Pecan Grove church, \$5; W. H. Buckley, \$5; M. F. Locke, \$5; M. B. Hill, \$2.50. Total, \$67.50.

A cash collection was then taken, amounting to \$9.98. Total, \$77.48.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises then reported that Elder J. W. Harriss would preach here to-night, and

that A. I. Marler would preach at the Methodist church, at Bartlet Springs, at the same hour.

Motion carried that we do now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 8:30 o'clock.

7 o'clock p. m. Preaching by Elder J. W. Harriss. Subject: "Whether it is Best to be a Christian or a Sinner."

It was shown by him conclusively that it was best to be a Christian.

Elder A. I. Marlar preached according to appointment. Text: Rom. 5:1-2,

After a short address by Elder G. W. Thomasson, a collection was taken up for Elder A. I. Marlar, on account of long and continued sickness. Amount collected, \$6.10.

Monday, October 10, 1892.

8:30 o'clock a. m. The Association called to order by the Moderator. Prayer led by Elder J. J. Sawyer.

Minutes read and approved.

Letters called for when the following churches responded: New Hope, Garner and England. Messenger from England church, S. B. Cannon.

Executive Board of the Association then submitted the following report, which on motion, after being discussed, was adopted:

The Executive Board of Caroline Association to the Association, which convened with Antioch church, October 8, 1892:

DEAR BRETHREN: As soon after our last Associational meeting as was convenient, we met and organized by electing W. P. Fletcher, President, W. H. Sanders, Treasurer, and J. B. Perminter, Secretary.

After discussing the work and the money before us, we decided that it was impossible, for want of money, to put a missionary in the field for all the time.

We, therefore, met from time to time and employed missionary pastors as follows:

Elder G. W. Thomasson, at Baker's Bayou, and Lee Grove			-
church, at \$25 each \$	50	00	
Elder Thomas Hudson, at Des Arc.		00	
Elder A. I. Marlar, at Adam's school house and Hull's school			
house	25	00	
Elder R. J. Coleman, at Higginson	20	00	
Elder S. F. Taylor, at Indian Bayou	20	00	
Elder Wiley Cozort, New Hope and Royal Hill	20	00	
Total	18=	~	

We have paid the missionaries as follows:

G. W. Thomasson\$	50 00
A. I. Marlar	25 00
R. J. Coleman	10 00
L. F. Taylor	10 00
Thomas Hudson	10 00
and the state of t	-\$105 00
We now owe	\$ 80 00

The reports of these missionaries show an aggregate of work as follows:

Number of conversions
Number of baptisms
Number added by letter
Number added by restoration
Amount of money collected

Regarding Augusta, as an important field, we proposed to them that if they would get a man suited to their work, we would help them to the amount of five dollars per month. They failed to do so, and hence the field has not been occupied.

It was our desire to have a man travel two months during the summer as an Evangelist, to assist the missionary pastors and others in meetings, and we employed two different men, but were disappointed of their services as they failed to work.

In the spirit of a plan agreed upon two years ago in the Association, Elder J. B. Perminter has been preaching to two pastorless churches, Brownsville and Panola, in the afternoon, one Sunday in the month. He has done good work, baptizing fourteen at Panola and nine at Brownsville.

We would urge the churches to send pledges to the Association for each ensuing year, in order that the Board may be the better able to determine, early in the year, what can be done.

We would recommend a continuation of the same plan of operation that has been pursued by the board the last two years.

While the immediate results of these missionaries' labors have not been large, but we are convinced that in most of the work, good foundations have been laid by the missionary pastors, and if continued, will result in fine work in the future.

Respectfully submitted by the Board,

J. B. PERMINTER, Secretary.

The Treasurer has received from Treasurer of Association\$	100	47
From churches		
Total\$	159	77
Paid to missionaries\$105 00		
Amount on hand \$	54	77

J. B. PERMINTER, for W. H. SANDERS, Treasurer.

Committee on Associational Missions submitted the following report, which was discussed, and on motion adopted:

We, your Committee on Associational Missions, beg leave to submit the following:

BROTHER MODERATOR AND FRIENDS: We find there is considerable destitution in our bounds, commencing at Conway and extending to Argenta; from Argenta down the Arkansas River to Pine Bluff, thence to Stuttgart, in Arkansas county. A skip of fine country of about one hundred miles in length and from twenty to forty miles in width, embracing a large district of the finest farming lands in the State; traversed by a railroad, on which there is quite a a number of beautiful towns and villages that have no churches or preaching, and all of said country being thickly settled.

Therefore, we recommend that the Board be continued, and that they be authorized to employ some person at as early a period as possible. Some experienced person to traverse and map out said territory and locate prominent points in said territory for missionary stations, or such points as it would be expedient to organize churches at, and report

same to said Board.

And that said person be authorized to take pledges at said point or stations from persons located thereabouts, to assist said Board in employing missionaries to preach at said points during the ensuing year.

And that the Board be authorized to employ a missionary to preach at said stations, commencing the first of 1893, and continue until the

next meeting of this body.

We further recommend that circulars be sent by the Board to each church of the Association, recommending to take, if possible, a deeper interest in supplying every destitute place with the gospel, and have a special day on which a collection shall be taken up for this object. All of which we respectively submit.

O. U. OWENS,

F. Hudson, R. L. Lee.

Committee on Home Misssons submitted the following report, which was discussed, and on motion adopted:

Your Committee on Home Missions report the following:

We regard the Home Mission work a very important one from the following considerations:

Firstly. Because of the large territory embraced. It extends to the Southern States and Cuba. Also the Indian Territory, in which there is still much destitution, and loud Macedonian cries to come over and help us.

Secondly. That Board has accomplished a vast amount of good already. Our own State has been one of its beneficiaries to the amount of many thousands of dollars. It helped us when we were not able to help ourselves. And while there is great need of help, it is but just, since we are well nigh able to help ourselves, that we aid that Board to the extent of our ability, and thus prove our appreciation of favors received.

Respectfully submitted,

R. I. COLEMAN,

P. L. BUTLER, J. S. WOOD, R. M. COZORT.

Committee on Foreign Missions submitted the following report, and during the discussion a collection was taken up, amounting to \$9.19, for Foreign Missions. On motion the report was adopted.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions report as follows:

There is no feature of the Mission work that occupies so important and so conspicuous a position before the religious world today as the great work of Foreign Missions. When we consider the sad fact that about two-thirds of the population of the world, numbering possibly 1,000,000,000 (ten hundred millions) of people, are in heathen darkness, and without a knowledge of the true and the living God, we see at once the magnitude and importance of the Foreign Mission work. Since God has so honored Baptists in making them the leaders in the world's evangelization, and has so blessed them in their efforts to give the Gospel to the perishing millions, there is special reason why we should be interested in this great cause. While the reports of our missionaries in foreign lands are encouraging, the whitening fields of immortal souls perishing for the bread of life, and the embarrassed condition of our Foreign Mission Board, appeal to us for immediate help that we cannot afford to treat with indifference. It is a well known fact that the Baptists throughout the world are celebrating the centennial of modern missions during the present year, 1892, and grand efforts are being made to enlarge the work by increased contributions, and by sending more missionaries in the field. Our own Southern Baptist Convention has undertaken to raise \$125,000 in addition to what is already necessary to carry on the work, and to send out 100 new missionaries during the present year. In order to do this it will require larger contributions than ever before in the history of missions.

In view of the above considerations we, your committee, urge that the pastors and messengers of this Association present distribute missionary literature to their churches as early as possible, the claims of the Foreign Mission work, and take collections for the same during the present conventional year ending April 30, 1893.

J. R. Hughes, Chairman, D. R. Robinson, G. Apple, J. D. Pettus.

On motion the rules were then suspended, and the following resolution was introduced and on motion adopted:

Resolved, That hereafter, owing to the shortness of time, all speeches shall hereafter be limited to five minutes.

O. U. OWENS.

Committee on Colleges and Schools submitted the following, which after being discussed was on motion adopted:

DEAR BRETHREN: Recognizing as we do the necessity of thorough literary training, we hail with joy the coming of Christian institutions of learning with devout men of God at their head. It is the observation of men of long experience that nine-tenths of the students who attend our denominational schools become Christians, and this of itself ought to be sufficient to secure to them the patronage of all Christian parents. We have two first-class colleges in the State under the direct control of the State Convention. Ouachita College, located at Arkadelphia, a co-education school with property worth not less than \$55,000. Already large results are seen from the work of this school, graduates having gone out from there to fill all positions and professions of life. Some

of our best preachers have been educated there, and the original design of this school was for the education of young ministers. Then we have Central Baptist College, for the education of young ladies and girls, located at Conway, with a property, when completed, worth not less than \$40,000. This is said to have the most handsome college buildings in the State. It is a donation to the Baptists of Arkansas by the town of Conway. We also have a co-education college at Mountain Home, fostered by Rocky Bayou Association. This school has opened with fair prospects. We recommend all Baptists to educate their sons and daughters at our Baptist colleges in Arkansas.

Respectfully, J. B. PERMINTER, Chairman.

Motion to take recess until called together by singing. Carried.

I o'clock p. m. Association called to order by the Moderator.

On motion the rules were suspended and the following resolution was introduced and on motion was adopted:

Resolved, That a Standing Committee for Ministerial Education be appointed and that the order of business be so revised that this shall become a part.

J. R. Hughes.

Whereupon the Moderator appointed as such committee, Elders J. B. Perminter, J. R. Hughes and O. U. Owens.

Committee on Sunday Schools presented the following report, which after being discussed was on motion adopted:

Your Committee on Sunday Schools submit the following:

The importance of teaching the children of the country the way of life is self evident and needs no discussion. We recommend that each church organize and maintain for as long a time as practicable each year a Sunday school wherein the Scriptures shall be taught in purity; also that the Bible be recognized as the book of the school and not subordinated to any literature or lesson helps; but we recommend the judiciousness of the lesson helps prepared by our denominational publishing houses. We recommend that the executive board of this Association be authorized to organize a county Sunday school convention in all the counties embraced in its territory, and that a suitable man be appointed in each county to secure such results. One hundred and ninety-one dollars and four cents has been expended in organizing Sunday schools and distributing Scriptures and Sunday school literature in co-operation with the American Baptist Publication Society of Philadelphia, Pa. Ninety-four Sunday schools have been organized in this State and two in the Indian Territory as a result of the work.

J. S. THOMAS, JOHN G. HOLLAND, J. T. SMITH, C. W. MARTIN, J. J. JONES.

Committee on Publications and Religious Literature submitted the following report, which after being discussed was on motion adopted:

Your Committee on Publications would respectfully submit the following report:

We feel that too great stress can not be placed upon the importance of reading the Holy Scriptures, the divine injunction being to "Search the Scriptures," and we would recommend a daily reading of the Word of God. And while we have many excellent denominational papers published in various States, we think that fidelity to our own State enterprises, as a denomination, demand that we give our hearty support to the Arkansas Baptist, so ably edited by Elder W. A. Clark, of Little Rock, and also recommend the Arkansas Baptist Book House as being worthy of our support and patronage, furnishing as it does good, sound literature. We further recommend the use of Kind Words, Sunday School publications by the Southern Baptist Convention and the literature of the American Baptist Publication Society, and also the Baptist Young People's Union, published in Chicago, which we think a good educational paper for our young Baptists. We also feel that too much can not be said against the light, trashy literature of the day, which is flooding the country, believing as we do that it has a tendency to poison the minds of the young and lead them to acquire a distaste for sound reading matter, even to the neglect of reading and studying God's Word. We especially denounce the general reading of the so-called " progressive " religious publications of the day, and would recommend that Baptist parents closely guard the doctrinal teachings of their children. Respectfully submitted, M. B. HILL,

J. A. BALANTINE, L. W. HUTSON, J. D. SMILEY, J. S. McDearmon, Committee.

Committee on Temperance submitted the following report which was adopted:

We, your Committee on Temperance, would submit the following report for your prayerful consideration:

God has commanded us to be temperate in all things. It is our indispensable duty to contend earnestly and faithfully for temperance, and to preach boldly and fearlessly against the evils of intemperance, enjoining it upon the members of our churches that they abstain from the use and sale of all intoxicating drinks as a beverage. In harmony with the scriptures add to knowledge, temperance.

Respectfully, G. W. Thomasson.

Committee on Obituraries submitted the following report. The report was spoken to by Elders R. J. Coleman, J. B. Perminter and O. U. Owens, in a feeling and impressive manner, which brought tears to many eyes, and on motion the report was unanimously adopted:

We, your Committee on Obituraries, report the following:

Elder J. M. King, our beloved and highly esteemed brother, passed away last November, 1891, in his seventy-fourth year. He was a man of renown. He had filled, with honor to himself and profit to others, many offices. He had filled the office of Sheriff of his county for many years, and filled the office of County Judge; also represented

his county in the Legislature. But far above all these things he was a Christian, and a good one. He became a Baptist in 1852, and was a constituant member of Pleasant Hill church and also of the Caroline Association. He died a member of Lone Oak church. He was ordained to the gospel ministry in December, 1867, by the call of his church. He preached regularly from that time up to his death. Eternity only will reveal the amount of good accomplished through his instrumentality. Hundreds and perhaps thousands of souls were converted under his ministry. He went through thick and thin, heat and cold. He preached mostly to the destitute, while he was pastor of a number of churches. He was beloved by all who knew him. In short, we had no other man that was more useful, both in his country and denomination, than our beloved brother. Peace to his ashes. Let us, dear brethren, imitate his examples, and may his memory long be cherished in the J. A. CHAMBLEE, Caroline Association. Respectfully submitted,

J. M. Davis,
J. P. English,
S. C. Cobb,
W. E. McNew,
T. H. Midgett,
G. R. Craven.

Committee on Woman's Work submitted the following report, which was discussed, and on motion was adopted:

We, your Committee on Woman's Work, report as follows:

When we look out over the vast field now ripe unto harvest and consider the amount and importance of the work that should be done, and the efficiency of women in this great work for the Master, and knowing as we do, that a grand and glorious work has been done by the faithful and devoted Christian women in our churches, Sunday schools and mission fields, we still believe that greater and grander results are possible. And we would therefore recommend that the brethren, as well as the pastors of churches in the bounds of this Association, encourage and aid them in their grand work for the Master in every way possible.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. Granberry,

J. S. HODGES, J. E. BURTON, MAGGIE BEARD, MATTIE BEASLEY.

Committee on Ministerial Education submitted the following report, which was discussed, and on motion adopted:

Report of Committee on Ministerial Education:

Resolved, That this body appoint a Board on Ministerial Education, to be known as the Educational Board of Caroline Association. The duty of which Board will be to take charge of all funds for this purpose and expend the same in the education of our young ministers in Ouachita College, as directed by the Association. We also recommend that the Association adopt Elder G. W. Thomasson as its beneficiary, and that immediate steps be taken to put him into Ouachita College.

Respectfully submitted, J. B. PERMINTER, Chairman.

Pledges were then taken for the support of Elder G. W. Thomasson at Ouachita College, and resulted as follows: Elder J. B. Perminter, one-half month's board; Brother D. W.

Hendrixson, one-half month's board; Lonoke church, \$10; O. U. Owens, \$5; Beebe church, \$2.50; Cabot church, \$5; Elder W. D. Hargraves, \$5; Sister V. A. D. Chamblee, \$5; Elder A. I. Marlar, \$2.50; W. F. Blackwood, \$5. Total cash pledges, \$39.50.

Committee on Finance then submitted the following report, which on motion was adopted:

We, your Finance Committee, beg to make the following report. The following contributions have been made:

Minute Fund
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Respectfully submitted, J. J. Crow, W. H. Eagle, O. M. Quattlebaum.

Treasurer submitted the following report, which was on motion adopted:

B. C. Black as Treasurer, in account with Caroline Association, ending October 8, 1892:

1891.	RECEIPTS.		
October 12.	Minute fund	\$ 63	95
October 12.	Missions for Association	249	97
October 12.	State Missions		92
October 12.	Home Missions		30
October 12.	Foreign Missions	21	75
October 12.	Ouachita College	3	00
Total		\$265	80

OCTOBEL 12.	Outcome Contraction		Į.
Total		\$365	
1891.	DISBURSEMENTS.		
October 12.	Dr. Miller, Home Missions\$	15 30	
October 12.	Brother Blackwood, Clerk	15 00	
October 12.	Brother Thomasson, missionary	30 00	
October 12.	Brother Blackwood, minutes	63 95	
October 12.	Brother Taylor, missionary	39 00	
October 12.	Brother Coleman, missionary	23 50	
October 12.	Brother Owen, missionary	32 00	
October 17.	Brother King, missionary, for Mission		
	Boards	10 00	
Nov'ber 19.	Brother Searcy, Ouachita College	3 00	
Nov'ber 19.	Brother Searcy, Foreign Missions	21 75	

Mar. 25, '92. Mission Boards, order 100 47 1

Committee on Nominations submitted the following report, which on motion was adopted:

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to submit the following report and recommendations:

First-That the next meeting of the Association be held with the Pleasant Hill church, five miles south of Cabot, in Lonoke county.

Second -That Elder M. T. Webb preach the Introductory sermon;

with Elder O. U. Owens as alternate.

Third—That Elder J. P. Eagle preach the Missionary sermon; with Elder J. G. Doyle as alternate.

Fourth—That Brother W. P. Fletcher, Elder O. U. Owens and J. D. Pearce, constitute the Associational Mission Board.

Fifth—That Elder J. R. Hughes, Brothers J. J. Crow, B. C. Black and John G. Holland, constitute our Board of Ministerial Education.

J. G. METTON,
W. C. NEWELL,
J. B. TRAYLOR,
J. G. WINN,
D. W. HENDRIXSON. Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Correspondence submitted the following report, which on motion was adopted:

We, your Committee on Correspondence, beg leave to report as follows:

Having learned from the reading of God's word that this medium was the means of accomplishing great good among the brethren, we recommend, as a body, that we keep up our usual Associational correspondence; also with State and Southern Baptist Convention, using this as a means of bringing us nearer together as children of God, and showing to the brotherhood the beauty of being of the same accord and speaking the same thing. Also of awakening us to a greater interest in the evangelizing of the world, which is the mission field of the Baptist.

C. C. BURTON, T. H. BEARD, Respectfully submitted, N. B. ALLEN, J. R. BALLEW, D. W. HOLLIMAN. Committee.

Pledges for Missions were then taken as follows for ensuing Associational year:

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New Hope church \$	5	00
Beebe church		00
Austin church	10	00
Cabot church	10	00
Center Hill church	5	00
Des Arc church	3	00
El Passo church	10	00
Hickory Plains church	5	00
Judsonia church	10	00
Lonoke church	25	00
Mt. Pleasant church	5	00
Pleasant Hill church	10	00
Searcy church	10	00
Walnut Plains church	5	00
Wattensas church	5	00
Third Church, Little Rock	3	00
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Total pledges\$	126	00

The following resolutions were then introduced by Brother R. R. Lewis, which were on motion adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be and are hereby tendered to the kind and generous people of this church and com-munity for the kind, liberal and hospitable manner in which they have entertained the messengers and visitors during this session.

R. R. LEWIS.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are hereby extended to our Moderator for the faithful, impartial and courteous manner in which he has presided over this body during the present session.

R. R. Lewis.

The following resolution was then introduced by Elder R. J. Coleman, which was on motion adopted:

Resolved, That the treasurer of this body be ordered to pay such orders drawn on him by the Missionary Board for the amount due the missionaries for the past year, and for the missionaries employed for the ensuing year.

R. J. COLEMAN.

The following resolution was then introduced by Elder J. B. Perminter, and on motion was adopted:

Resolved, That our Clerk be ordered to have a necessary number of minutes printed and send them out to the Clerks of churches, and that fifteen dollars (\$15) be paid him for his services. Also that a vote of thanks be tendered him for the efficient manner in which he has kept our records, and that he be allowed to draw on the treasurer to pay all the above expenses.

J. B. Perminter.

The following resolution was then presented by Brother B. C. Black, which was duly adopted:

Resolved, That we request Elder J. S. Thomas to send to the Arkansas Baptist for publication, the Scriptural authority for Sunday schools and Sunday school teachers, as presented by him at the mass meeting Sunday morning.

B. C. Black.

The following resolution was then submitted by Elder J. A. Chamblee, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association request Elder J. W. Harriss to prepare his sermon, preached last night, for publication and send it to the Arkansas Baptist.

J. A. CHAMBLEE.

The following corresponding messengers were appointed by the Moderator:

Southern Baptist Convention-Elder J. B. Perminter.

Arkansas Baptist Convention—Elders R. J. Coleman, W. F. Blackwood, A. I. Marlar, J. P. Eagle and Thomas Hudson.

Grand Prairie Association—Elder O. U. Owens, Brothers W. P. Fletcher and C. C. Burton.

Little Red River Association—Elders M. T. Webb, C. W. Martin, O. U. Owens and W. P. Fletcher.

Central Association—Elder J. R. Hughes and J. C. Mc-Dermon.

Green Brier Association—C. M. Granberry, Elders R. W. Cozort, J. A. Chamblee and A. I. Marlar.

Pine Bluff Association—Elder L. F. Taylor and Brother John Barrow.

Motion carried that we do now adjourn, to meet with Pleasant Hill church, in Lonoke county, on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1893. Singing the hymn, "God be with us till we meet again," extending the parting hand, and our prayers led by Elder R. J. Coleman.

W. P. FLETCHER, Moderator.

W. F. BLACKWOOD, Clerk.