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OF THE  
SALINE  
REGULAR BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE  
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

AT  
HOT SPRINGS, GARLAND COUNTY,  
ARKANSAS,

ON THE  
2d, 3d and 4th DAYS OF OCTOBER, A. D. 1886.

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### FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY, October 2, 1886.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder R. M. Thrasher, on Saturday, October 2, A. D. 1886, at 11 o'clock a.m., from 1 Cor. xv: 58, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

The Association was called to order by the former Moderator, Elder W. A. Clark, D. D.

The Moderator appointed a Committee of <sup>four</sup> ~~three~~ members, to wit: C. T. Glenn, A. Files, and the deacons and clerk of the Church.

The Association then took a recess till 2:30, whereupon Mt. letters which

Benediction by R. M. Thrasher.



## AFTERNOON SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 2, 2:30 p.m.

The Association met promptly after the recess. The Moderator read the 90th Psalm, and led in prayer.

The letters from the churches were read and delegates' names enrolled. See table of statistics.

W. A. Clark, D. D., was elected Moderator for the ensuing year; R. M. Thrasher, Clerk, and Bro. C. T. Glenn, Treasurer.

On motion, agreed to appoint a Committee on State Missions, also a Committee on Woman's Work.

Called for correspondents from sister Associations, whereupon Caddo River Association responded by letter and messengers, to-wit: J. A. Chitwood, F. W. Mullins and Elder A. Nelson; and Red River Association: Elder Hawes H. Coleman; Pine Bluff Association: Frank White, D. D.

Elder M. D. Early, Evangelist and Financial Secretary of the Arkansas Baptist Convention, was invited to a seat in the Association; also Elder Isom P. Langley of the Second Baptist Church of Little Rock.

The Moderator bade the messengers and brethren welcome and extended the right hand of fellowship.

Called for petitionary letters, whereupon Friendship Church, Hot Spring county, applied for membership in this Association by letter and delegates.

After examination, being found regularly organized and in the faith of the gospel, the said church was admitted to fellowship, and the Moderator gave the right hand of fellowship to the delegates whose names were enrolled. See

The Moderator announced the arrangements for preaching to-morrow, for the various churches to-morrow, the Lord's day, and the Lord's day on preaching.

The following Committees were appointed, to-wit :

*On Foreign Missions:* Elder I. P. Langley, J. M. Power, G. D. Cate.

*On Ministerial Education:* Elder R. M. Thrasher, Elder H. H. Coleman, W. W. Prothro.

*On Sunday-schools:* Elder B. N. Hultsman, Elder J. H. Howard, Geo. F. Rowe.

*On Prayer Meetings:* Elder D. K. McVay, Geo. W. Smith\* Hansford Deer.

*On Religious Literature:* Elder J. C. Henderson, Elder E. W. Gentry, Elder B. M. Phillips.

*On Finance:* Wm. Fowler, B. C. Fitzhugh, John C. Ross.

*On Documents:* Elder J. J. Adams, W. H. Rigsby, J. B. Nance.

*On Home Missions:* Elder J. L. Hales, Elder B. N. Hultsman, Elder J. J. Greer.

*On State Missions:* J. T. Jelks, M. D., Elder M. D. Early, Z. T. McVay.

*On Woman's Work:* I. A. Epps, Elder Frank White, J. M. Crawford.

The Association then adjourned to 8 o'clock a.m., Monday, October 4, 1886.

Prayer by Elder J. L. Hales.

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## SECOND DAY.

MONDAY, October 4, 8 a.m.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder E. W. Gentry.

Renewed the call for letters from churches, whereupon Mt. Pleasant and Cedar Glades churches presented letters which were read and delegates enrolled. See table.

The minutes of Saturday were read and approved.

Called the roll of churches and marked absentees \* See table.

Called for reports of Committees. The following reports were submitted, to-wit:

1. *On Religious Literature:* Read, and after remarks by Early, Thrasher and Clark, was adopted without opposition. See "A."

2. *On Foreign Missions:* The report was read, and after speeches by Brethren Langley, White and Early, was adopted, and a cash collection was taken, amounting to \$13.40, for Foreign Missions. See "B."

3. *On Sunday-schools:* The report was read, and after discussion by Bros. White, Clark, Hultsman and Z. T. McVay, on motion of J. J. Greer it was amended, by striking out the recommendation to employ a Sunday-school missionary, and then adopted. See "C."

4. *On Prayer Meetings:* Read, and after interesting talks by Brethren White, Early and others, the report was adopted. See "D."

5. *On Ministerial Education:* The report was read and speeches were made by Clark, Langley and Early. Pending the discussion the Association adjourned to 1:30 o'clock p.m., Bro. Early having the floor.

Benediction by Elder J. J. Greer.

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## AFTERNOON SESSION.

MONDAY, October 4, 1:30 p.m.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

The Moderator being absent, on motion, Elder J. J. Greer was called to the chair.



Bro. Early resumed his speech on the report on Ministerial Education.

Bros. White, Clark and Thrasher participated in the discussion. The report was adopted. See "E."

Dr. Clark resumed the chair.

The Association received the following telegram from Bro. J. W. Conger, President of Ouachita College, at Arkadelphia, Clark county, Arkansas:

"The State Baptist College sends greetings to Saline Association. May the cause of our blessed Master be enhanced; and may Christian education receive your hearty support. We have enrolled one hundred and fifty-five pupils; forty-six boarders. Sorry we cannot be with you."

On motion of Bro. Thrasher, the following answer was returned:

"By the grace of God, we'll stand by you."

6. *On State Missions:* The report was read, and after an interesting speech by Bro. Early, urging co-operation with the State Convention in this work, it was adopted. See "F."

7. *On Documents:* Read and adopted. See "G."

8. *On Finance:* Read and adopted, with the understanding that the Clerk place in the statistics the contributions mentioned in the letter from Ebenezer church. See "H."

9. *On Home Missions:* Read, and amended the report, referring that part relative to the appointment of a missionary to the Executive Board. It was then adopted. See "I."

10. The report of the Executive Board was submitted, and after raising by cash contributions from the brethren present \$30.55, the amount necessary to pay our missionary for services rendered, the report was adopted. See "J."

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to drop from our minutes the names of all ministers who are not reported in the letters from the churches, unless the delegates give the names



of ministers belonging to their respective churches, or the clerk knows them to be in good standing.

A petition from Saline church was presented by Bro. W. R. H. Mills in regard to the election of Pastor. It was decided that the Association has no jurisdiction in the matter.

Appointed correspondents as follows:

To Caddo River Association—Elder J. J. Adams.

To Red River Association—Elder R. M. Thrasher.

To Pine Bluff Association—Elder B. N. Hultsman, Elder J. J. Greer, Bro. G. W. Smith.

To Baptist State Convention—Elders B. N. Hultsman, W. A. Clark, D. D., J. J. Greer, R. M. Thrasher and John C. Henderson.

The Association then adjourned to 7 o'clock p.m.

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## EVENING SESSION.

MONDAY, October 4, 7 p.m.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Bro. J. B. Wood.

On motion, took under consideration the question of appointing Elder B. N. Hultsman missionary for the ensuing year. The vote was taken by churches and Elder Hultsman was elected missionary for the ensuing year, at fifty dollars per month, and pledges were made for his support amounting to three hundred dollars. See list "K."

The following brethren were appointed an Executive Board:

W. A. Clark, D. D., C. T. Glenn, J. L. Hales, J. B. Wood, and J. T. Jelks, M. D.

11. The Treasurer made his report which was adopted, See "L."

12. The report of Committee on Woman's Work was read and adopted. See "M."

The Association ordered the Clerk to have 1000 minutes printed, and to distribute the same among the churches, and that he receive \$20 for his services.

Adopted the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to the Baptists and friends of Hot Springs for their courtesies in entertaining us during this session.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Association be tendered Col. J. N. Conger, Superintendent of the Hot Springs Railroad, for his liberality in returning delegates over his excellent road to Malvern free of charge.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this body be given to the Moderator for the able and courteous manner in which he has presided over its sessions; also to the Clerk for the faithful record of business done.

The minutes were then read and approved.

After singing and taking the parting hand, the Moderator led in prayer, and the Association then adjourned to meet with Smith Creek Church, on Saturday before the first Sunday in October, at 11 o'clock a.m., 1887.

W. A. CLARK, *Moderator*.

R. M. THRASHER, *Clerk*.

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## SEMI-CENTENNIAL MEETING.

Fifty years ago the Saline Regular Baptist Association was organized at the residence of Bro. David Dodd in Saline county, Arkansas, on Saturday before the first Lord's day in October, A. D. 1836.

During the present meeting interesting talks were made by Elders John C. Henderson, M. D. Early, H. H. Coleman, R.

M. Thrasher and W. A. Clark, giving reminiscences, practical thoughts and suggestions; concerning the work of the Association during the past fifty years.

This Association, composed of five little churches in 1836, with a total of seventy-eight members, has made wonderful progress. Eight or ten Associations and about 15,000 members now occupy the territory once occupied by this Association. This Association now has 52 churches and over 2000 members.

CLERK.

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## APPENDIX.

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### A.

#### RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Religious Literature offer the following as their report:

We know that there are many religions in the world. Some are false and should be entirely discarded—should be shunned as we would shun deadly poison. Some are more or less false, and others are more or less true. But there is but one true religion, one true faith, and that is contained in the Bible. The Bible, then, above all other books, demands our most careful and diligent study.

While the simple story of the Cross, heard and believed, saves the sinner from eternal death, there is a system of faith, or doctrine, revealed in the Bible which all of the Lord's people should observe. The misconstruction or perversion of the Holy Scriptures has caused much confusion and strife among those who claim to love the Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus says: "If a man loves Me, he will keep My words." It is the desire and purpose of every true Christian to obey

the Master. But, Paul says: "Now, I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned, and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the simple." Romans xvi, 17, 18. And there is no doubt that many good people have, in many particulars, been led away from the truth. It behooves the disciples of Christ to search continually for the old paths—the true paths of obedience—and walk therein.

The Bible first, the Bible last, the Bible all the time, should be the motto of every one who loves the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity and truth. It should be our daily companion.

There are many helps to Bible study which cannot be discarded without loss of much valuable time. Every Bible student should have a Concordance and a Bible Dictionary. Without these, Bible study will be difficult, and the progress slow.

There are many books and papers published on various religious subjects and questions of doctrine. Of these we should be cautious in the selection, taking those only which reflect the truth.

We recommend to our brethren the publications of the American Baptist Publication Society, and especially the Sunday-school helps. Send to Lewis E. Kline, 1109 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo.

We also recommend that our brethren take the *Arkansas Baptist*, published at Little Rock by Bro. W. A. Forbes, \$2 per annum. This paper is the medium of communication for Arkansas Baptists, and no one who wishes to be posted in regard to our work in Arkansas can afford to do without it.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. HENDERSON, *Chm'n.*  
E. W. GENTRY.'



## B.

## FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions submit the following as their report :

The work of our Missionaries in foreign fields has been very successful during the last year. God has blessed their labors among the untaught of other tribes and nations. We recognize the importance of these outposts, and the duty of responding to the cry : "Come over and help us!"

We, therefore, recommend to the churches composing this Association, that a collection be taken by them at some time during the coming year for this important work, and that the amount raised be sent to H. A. Tupper, Secretary of Foreign Board, of the Southern Baptist Convention, Richmond, Va., to be used by them in carrying on the good work of saving souls in foreign lands.

I. P. LANGLEY,  
J. M. POWER,  
G. D. CATE.

## C.

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday-Schools find that the interest in Sunday-school work is increasing among our people; and, therefore, our Churches seem to be prospering more than usual. Still, we find that a large majority of our Churches are without Sunday-schools. Hence we recommend that every member of this Association will insist in his Church upon the organization of a Sunday-school, that we may teach our children the sweet wonders of the Cross. We further recommend the use of the

International Series of Sunday-school literature, published by the American Baptist Publication Society.

Respectfully submitted,

B. N. HULTSMAN,

G. F. ROWE,

J. H. HOWARD.

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## D.

### PRAYER MEETINGS.

Your Committee on Prayer Meetings submit the following report:

After hearing the letters from the churches read, we notice that a few churches report that they are in a lukewarm condition; but a large majority report a prosperous state. We observe also that the churches which keep up their prayer meetings are the prosperous churches. We therefore recommend pastors to urge their churches to keep up prayer meetings, at least weekly. And we do earnestly entreat our brethren to maintain family worship, and that they pray fervently for the salvation of their own children, and their neighbors' children, that they may come to Jesus and be saved. The Bible teaches us to pray at home as well as at church. May God help us to pray and labor for the salvation of men; and to Him be all the praise.

D. K. McVAY,

G. W. SMITH,

HANSFORD DEER.

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## E.

### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Ministerial Education offer the following report:

The minister of the Gospel of the grace of God—the Gospel of Jesus Christ—occupies a position more solemnly interesting and more intensely responsible than any vocation or profession known among men. In fact, it is the embodiment of all noble, praiseworthy and useful vocations. He must be familiar with the shepherd, watching over his flocks and leading them forth to pasturage and watering, as David, the shepherd king. He must stand meditatively beside the herdsman taking the oversight of his cattle, as Jacob, Laban's herdsman, or as Moses, Jethro's "cow-boy" and Israel's law-giver. He must go with the florist into the fields and gather roses of Sharon, or lilies of the field. He must be sailor, study the art of navigation and the mysteries of the seas; stand by the Savior as He says to the troubled waves, "peace, be still;" or kneel with Paul amidst the hurricane's sweep and ocean's roar, and hear the timbers crash when the vessel strikes Melita; or sleep, like Jonah, and awake to a sense of his danger, only to be cast overboard and go down into the depths of the sea. He must labor with the husbandman as he sows the seed, reaps the golden harvest, threshes it, drives the chaff away, and gathers the grain in his garner.

A fisherman, he must mend his nets, man his boat, and cast the net into the sea and haul ashore the fishes, and gather the good into vessels, and cast the bad away. Laboring in the vineyard, he must dress the vines, gather the grapes for the vintage, and tread the wine-press—though not alone. As a scientist he must fathom the depths of ocean, tell earth's formation, scan the starry-decked heavens, and tell of Orion and Pleiades. Anatomist, poet, rhetorician, mathematician, linguist, lawyer, physician, moulder, engraver, blacksmith, silversmith, merchant, jeweler, miner—of all these must he have knowledge. History, kingdoms, countries, peoples, government, ethics, domestic and political economy, music, art, pantomime, visions, dreams—all these, and more than these, are to be found in that wonderful book, the Bible. And the minister of this Word is commanded to "study to show himself approved unto God, a



workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth."

As a soldier he must learn to command and obey, taking upon him the whole armor of God, having his feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of Peace, his loins girt about with Truth, putting on the breastplate of righteousness and the helmet of salvation, taking the shield of faith and the sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God, he must march forth to the conflict with principalities and powers, and spiritual wickedness in high places, heeding the commands of the Great Captain of Salvation. He must endure hardness as a good soldier of Christ, with the assurance that the contest is not doubtful, that he shall be partaker of the triumph and glory which are to follow upon the sufferings of Christ.

As an ambassador for Christ, he must go forth with the word of reconciliation, bearing the message of pardon and peace to lost souls in rebellion against Heaven's King. Knowing the terror of the Lord, at His coming, to evil doers, he must plead with them earnestly and persuade them to flee the wrath to come.

Ah! well may he ask with the Apostle Paul: "Who is sufficient for these things?" The novice, vainly imagining that no preparation is necessary for this stupendous work, strikes out boldly, but blindly, and soon falls into the snare and condemnation of the devil. But he who is called of God to this important work and realizes the magnitude of its responsibility, must and will spend days and nights, months and years, in prayer, in meditation, in patient study of the Word of God, with all the helps at his command, to acquaint himself with the varied and arduous duties of this office.

He needs all the heart training and the mind training, requiring the work of a lifetime, possible to obtain, to make him eminently successful in ministerial work.

As long as the minister preaches, he must study. To enter upon this life-work, he should, if possible, obtain, before com-



mencing, at least a common school education. With the aid afforded by the State there is no excuse for any of our young brethren growing up without this.

Again, our denomination has good High Schools and Colleges, giving young ministers tuition free. Among them is the Ouachita College, located at Arkadelphia, Clark County, Arkansas. We recommend all of our young ministers to avail themselves of the opportunity of improving their education. But if any of our young brethren find it impossible, or impracticable, to go to school, they must study at home, obtaining such help, from time to time, as they may be able to secure.

Whether he can go to school or not, the minister should understand that "the education of every man must be chiefly his own work." Let him, therefore, under the direction of some brother of experience, mark out for himself a course of study and pursue it diligently and faithfully, and thus he may educate himself for his high vocation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. THRASHER, *Chm'n.*

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## F.

### STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee on State Missions would report the following :

We are happy to say that this department of our work is in a more prosperous condition than in former years. During the past year we have had in the employ of the State Board *fourteen* missionaries, and we rejoice that their labors have been greatly blessed. Another year the Board hopes to be able to put twenty-five men on the field, and then they will not have supplied half the places now calling for help. To do this, brethren, they need men and means. It is the earnest desire of the

State Convention that each Association in the state co-operate in giving the Gospel to the perishing thousands in our state.

We, therefore, recommend that the pastors and churches do all within their power to secure the small sum of twenty-five cents per member during the next year for missions within the bounds of our state.

We further recommend, that all funds thus raised be paid or reported to the Executive Board of this Association, so that the churches may know the amount contributed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. JELKS,  
*Chairman.*

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## G.

### DOCUMENTS.

Your Committee on Documents submit the following as their report:

We have examined the Letters from the Churches, and find that peace, harmony and prosperity, prevail throughout the bounds of the Association. We find that a number of the churches report prayer meetings and Sunday-schools, and that those churches are the most prosperous.

We find that one church only asks for the next Session of this Association. We, therefore, recommend that the Session of this Association for 1887 be held with Smith Creek Church, Garland county, sixteen miles east of Hot Springs.

Dear brethren, let us, as your committee, recommend that the churches of this Association have more prayer meetings and Sunday-schools, and that pastors of churches recommend the same.

We also recommend that Elder B. N. Hultsman preach the introductory sermon; Elder J. L. Hales, alternate.

J. J. ADAMS,  
WM. H. RIGSBY,  
J. B. NANCE.

## H.

## FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, submit the following report :

We find the following funds sent up by the different churches :

Amount sent for Minutes .....	\$55 40	
Amount sent for Home Missions .....	18 40	
Public collected on Sunday, Home Missions .....	8 02	
		\$ 81 82
Amount collected on pledges, Home Missions .....		
Antioch Church, Saline County.....	5 00	
Fair Play Church, Saline County.....	5 00	
Marble Church, Garland County.....	5 00	
Malvern Church, Hot Spring County.....	12 00	
Malvern Sunday School, Hot Spring County.....	6 00	
Reyburn Creek Sunday School, Hot Spring County .....	1 00	
Smith Creek Sunday School, Garland County.....	1 00	
Shady Grove Sunday School, Garland County.....	1 00	
Ten Mile Sunday School, Garland County .....	2 00	
		\$ 38 00
Total .....		\$119 82

Which is now ready to be turned over to the Treasurer.

WM. FOWLER,  
JOHN C. ROSS,  
B. C. FITZHUGH.

The Clerk has received the following sums since the adjournment: Ebenezer Church, 50 cents for Minutes; Kentucky Church, \$2 for Minutes; total, \$2.50.

For Home Missions, Kentucky Church .....	\$ 5 00	
E. W. Gentry .....	2 00	
		\$ 7 00

## I.

## REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

After Elder R. M. Thrasher declined to labor as Missionary according to the appointment of the Association, we failed

to obtain any Missionary until the last of May. On the 31st of May we met at Magnet Cove, and employed Elder B. N. Hultsman four months at fifty dollars per month.

We herewith submit his report:

He has labored four months .....	\$200 00
He has collected on field.....	\$56 55
He has received from Treasurer .....	49 50
There is cash in Treasury.....	63 40
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	\$169 50
Balance unprovided .....	<hr/>
	\$ 30 55

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. CLARK,  
J. L. HALES,  
C. T. GLENN.

#### REPORT OF MISSIONARY TO EXECUTIVE BOARD.

BRETHREN:—I entered upon the work assigned me June 1st, 1886. While I have labored to do what I could for Jesus in our bounds, I have greatly failed to meet the wants of need of being taught practical godliness. Many of them are without Sunday-schools, prayer meetings, and some without Pastors.

I have traveled 360 miles, preached 135 sermons, organized 2 Sunday-schools, organized 6 Prayer Meetings, baptized 88 believers, 25 have been restored to fellowship, 27 received by letter, and there have been 125 conversions connected with my work. I have labored four (4) months, and have collected on the field \$55.00; received from Treasurer, \$112.90; balance due me, \$30.55.

Respectfully submitted,

B. N. HULTSMAN,  
*Missionary*

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## J.

## HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions submit the following:

We feel greatly encouraged by the reports coming up from the Churches. Our ranks have been greatly enlarged, and many of our churches have been built up in the faith of the gospel. Unto God be all the glory. But, brethren, our hearts are made sad in hearing the Macedonian cry coming up from every quarter. Therefore, we recommend that this Association appoint Elder B. N. Hultsman to travel in the bounds of this Association and preach during the ensuing year, and that he commence immediately after the adjournment of this Association. We trust that this recommendation will meet the approval of all who are acquainted with the needs of the great territory in our bounds. Brethren, we need to send him—our children need him—our neighbors need him. Let us send him, for we are fully able, and the Lord will bless us in the appointment.

J. L. HALES, *Chairman*.

J. J. GREER.

## K.

## MISSIONARY PLEDGES.

For B. N. Hultsman, Missionary:

Antioch Church, Saline county, Bro. Roberts.....	\$ 1 50
Bethel, No. 1, Perry county, J. M. Crawford .....	1 00
Big Creek Church, three delegates, \$5 each .....	15 00
Brush Creek, Bro. H. Deer .....	5 00
Corinth, Sister Rowe .....	5 00
Ebenezer, Bro. Gentry, 1; Bro. McVay, \$5 .....	6 00
Smith Creek, W. H. Rigsby .....	10 00
Shady Grove, Bro. Snodgrass .....	5 00

Ten-mile Creek, three delegates, \$5 each.....	15 00
Union, Bro. Henderson .....	5 00
Friendship, Bro. Whitten (for wife) .....	5 00
Oak Grove Church, Z. T. McVay.....	5 00
Oak Grove Church, Sister D. K. McVay.....	5 00
Ouachita, Bro. Selph .....	5 00
Pleasant Hill Church, Bro. Goodman.....	10 00
Pleasant Grove Church, Bro. Prothro.....	5 00
Rock Springs Church, Bro. Adams .....	5 00
Reyburn Creek, Bro. Fitzhugh .....	10 00
Saline Church, W. F. Rose .....	5 00
Hot Springs Church, Bro. Jelks.....	55 00
Marble Church, C. T. Glenn.....	5 00
Malvern Church, delegates.....	50 00
Magnet Cove, I. A. Epps .....	10 00
Mountain Valley Church, A. J. Ritter .....	5 00
New Hope Church, J. S. Young .....	5 00
Sister Jessie B. Adams .....	5 00
Hot Springs Sunday-school, E. C. Ellis .....	5 00
Hot Springs Ladies Aid Society .....	5 00
Malvern Sunday-school, Bro. Hales .....	5 00
Malvern Ladies Aid Society .....	5 00
Bethel Church No. 3, delegate.....	1 50
J. D. Houpt, Smith Creek .....	5 00
Hot Springs Church, delegates .....	15 00
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	\$300 00

## L.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

C. T. Glenn, in account with Saline Regular Baptist Association, September 2, 1886:

## DR.

To amount collected by Committee on Finance last year.....	\$128 40
To amount pledged and paid for Home Missions last Association.....	22 50
Total amount collected.....	<hr/> \$150 90

## CR.

By amount paid Elder R. M. Thrasher for printing Minutes, Clerk's fee and Postage.....	\$ 57 50
By amount paid Elders McVay and McGoveran, Missionaries, for year 1885.....	38 85
By amount paid Elder Hultsman, Missionary.....	49 50
By balance due Treasurer last year.....	4 90
	<u>\$150 75</u>
Balance on hand.....	15

C. T. Glenn, in account with Saline Regular Baptist Association, September 4, 1886:

## DR.

To amount on hand last year.....	\$ 15
" " collected on Sunday, Home Missions.....	8 02
" " " " " State ".....	12 52
" " " " " Foreign ".....	13 40
" " " " pledges at last Association.....	38 00
" " sent by Churches for Home Missions.....	18 40
" " sent by Churches for Minutes.....	57 90
" " of collection on Monday, Home Missions.....	30 45
Total amount on hand.....	<u>\$178 84</u>

## CR.

By amount paid to Elder M. D. Early, Financial Secretary of State Convention.....	\$ 12 52
By amount paid R. M. Thrasher for Foreign Missions.....	13 40
By amount paid Elder B. N. Hultsman.....	93 85
By amount paid Elder R. M. Thrasher for expense of Minutes for 1886....	59 10
	<u>\$178 87</u>

There remains nothing in the Treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

C. T. GLENN,  
Treasurer.

## M.

## WOMAN'S WORK.

Your Committee to whom was assigned Woman's Work submit the following as their report:

We, as an Association, realize the vital importance of "Woman's Work" in building up our cause in Arkansas; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we heartily indorse the plans and specifications of our "Ladies Central Committee;" and, be it further

*Resolved*, That we will do all in our power to organize regular Ladies Societies within the bounds of each church, which shall be auxiliary societies, and make their reports as provided for in the constitution and regulations of the Ladies State Central Committee.

I. A. EPPS, *Chairman*.

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## N.

### PREACHING.

Elder R. M. Thrasher preached the introductory sermon on Saturday, October 2d, at 11 o'clock a. m., at First Baptist Church.

Rev. Frank White, D. D., preached at the First Baptist Church on Friday night. Rev. H. H. Coleman at the same Church on Saturday night. The choir, assisted by local talent, rendered excellent music at all the services.

Sunday, services were held at the First Baptist Church. W. A. Clark, D. D., preached on the text, "In the name of our God we will set up our Banner," at 11 a. m. Sunday-school mass-meeting at 3 p. m. Spicy addresses by Rev. M. D. Early, J. J. Sumpter and Dr. Frank White. Rev. M. D. Early preached a fine discourse at 7:30 p. m.

Dr. White preached at the Presbyterian Church at 11 a. m. Elder B. N. Hultsman supplied them at night.

Rev. M. D. Early preached at the M. E. Church at 11 a. m., and Dr. White at 7:30 p. m.



Elder J. L. Hales preached at the Second Baptist Church at 11 a. m., and Elder D. K. McVay at 7:30 p. m.

Rev. R. M. Thrasher preached at First Baptist Church (colored) at 3 p. m.

Rev. J. H. Howard preached at Second Baptist Church (colored) at 11 o'clock a. m.

CLERK.

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## O.

### ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

Elder H. M. Harvey, Grassy Flat, Pulaski county, Ark.

Elder W. A. Clark, D. D., Hot Springs, Garland county, Ark.

Elder J. J. Greer, Hot Springs, Garland county, Ark.

Elder J. M. Haycraft, Hot Springs, Garland county, Ark.

Elder J. L. Hales, Malvern, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder S. F. Funk, Malvern, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder J. E. McGoveran, Perryville, Perry county, Ark.

Elder J. H. Howard, Malvern, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder R. M. Thrasher, Malvern, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder J. T. Thornton, Magnet, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder B. M. Phillips, Bismarck, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder D. K. McVay, Social Hill, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder B. S. Taylor, Donaldson, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder E. W. Gentry, Maddry, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder David Logan, Blocker, Saline county, Ark.

Elder A. D. E. Williams, Blocker, Saline county, Ark.

Elder John R. Holcomb, Point Cedar, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder T. M. Estelle, Bismarck, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder John Simms, Bismarck, Hot Spring county, Ark.

Elder H. D. Belloat, Cedar Glades, Montgomery county, Ark.

Elder J. E. M. Lanier, Cedar Glades, Montgomery county, Ark.

Elder J. C. Henderson, Benton, Saline county, Ark.

Elder C. F. Moore, Benton, Saline county, Ark.

Elder J. C. C. Evans, Whittington, Garland county, Ark.  
Elder W. J. Neighbors, Hot Springs, Garland county, Ark.  
Elder J. W. Rodgers, Perryville, Perry county, Ark.  
Elder H. R. Cheek, Perryville, Perry county, Ark.  
Elder A. H. Armstrong, Onyx, Yell county, Ark.  
Elder J. J. Adams, Cedar Glades, Montgomery county, Ark.  
Elder Joseph Taylor, Brasil, Saline county, Ark.  
Elder I. N. Dunnahoo, Benton, Saline county, Ark.

#### LICENTIATES AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

J. M. Power, Magnet, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
W. B. Kemp, Social Hill, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
J. W. Dorris, Malvern, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
S. D. Houston, Bismarck, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
W. P. Mann, De Roche, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
W. T. Lumpkins, De Roche, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
W. J. Hardin, De Roche, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
J. E. Hand, Owensville, Saline county, Ark.  
Silas N. Rucker, Traskwood, Saline county, Ark.  
G. F. Rowe, Hot Springs, Garland county, Ark.  
J. H. Hammons, Aplin, Perry county, Ark.  
B. F. Gullett, Social Hill, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
David Hall, Social Hill, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
John H. Rowland, Donaldson, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
J. E. Williams, Brasil, Saline county, Ark.  
W. A. Brantly, Little Rock, Pulaski county, Ark.  
J. J. Cook, Perryville, Perry county, Ark.  
J. M. White, Buckville, Montgomery county, Ark.  
W. M. Henry, Social Hill, Hot Spring county, Ark.  
W. C. Gamble, Cedar Glades, Montgomery county, Ark.  
M. C. Melton, Cedar Glades, Montgomery county, Ark.  
W. A. Neighbors, Hot Springs, Garland county, Ark.

Churches not represented and total membership when last reported :

Antioch, 13 ; Bethel No. 2, 27 ; Blue Point, 16 ; Franceway, 45 ; Friendship, 18 ; Gravel Hill, 17 ; Hickory Grove, 24 ; Lone Hill, dissolved ; Liberty Grove, 28 ; North Fork, 41 ; Philadelphia, 25 ; Shiloh, 9 ; White Plain, 13 ; Walnut, 7.

Total not represented, 285 ; total represented, 1778 ; aggregate, 2063.



# STATISTICAL TABLE.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	NAMES OF COUNTIES.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	RECEIVED.				Dis- missed.			Total in Fellowship.	Sabbath of Meeting.	CONTRIBU- TIONS.		NAME OF PASTOR.	NAME OF CLERK.	POSTOFFICE.
			By Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Recommended.	By Letter.	Excluded.	Died.			Minutes.	Home Missions.			
Antioch.....	Saline.....	D. L. Milliner,* J. L. Tillery, T. J. Roberts.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	4	\$ 75	.....	David Logan.....	J. L. Tillery.....	Blocker.
Bethel, No. 1.	Yell.....	J. A. Crawford, J. M. Crawford, J. F. Crawford.....	.....	2	.....	.....	5	2	.....	10	1	1 00	.....	J. J. Adams.....	J. A. Crawford.....	Onyx.
Bethel, No. 3.	Perry.....	J. W. Rogers,* G. D. Cate, R. Brasil,*.....	5	1	3	.....	2	2	.....	29	4	1 00	.....	J. W. Rogers.....	G. D. Cate.....	Perryville.
Bethlehem.....	Garland.....	Letter—no delegates.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	2	7	19	4	1 00	.....	John W. Ward.....	John W. Ward.....	Mount'n Valley
Big Creek.....	Hot Spring.....	G. W. Smith, E. S. Warrington, W. S. Boyd.....	12	3	1	2	3	3	.....	67	2	1 35	.....	D. K. McVay.....	G. W. Smith.....	Malvern.
Brush Creek.....	Grant.....	T. B. Rhodes, Hans Deer, J. T. Stiles*.....	6	1	.....	.....	3	1	.....	81	3	2 50	.....	Sidney Funk.....	Jas. N. Page.....	Lono.
Corinth.....	Garland.....	Geo. T. Rowe, Wm. Farrar, A. C. Files.....	.....	2	1	.....	4	1	.....	28	2	1 75	.....	J. R. Holcomb.....	Wm. Farr.....	Hot Springs.
Concord.....	Yell.....	C. A. Collum.....	2	3	.....	.....	1	2	.....	11	4	90	.....	A. H. Armstrong.....	W. P. Robertson.....	Aly.
Gedar Glades.....	Montgomery.....	Letter—no delegates.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	31	3	1 00	.....	N. H. Harley.....	F. M. Housley.....	Cedar Glades.
Damascus.....	Hot Spring.....	Letter—no delegates.....	1	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	23	4	1 50	.....	S. F. Funk.....	A. H. Yates.....	Lono.
De Roche.....	Hot Spring.....	B. M. Phillips, E. S. Hardage, S. D. Houston*.....	6	1	.....	.....	5	1	1	91	.....	2 00	.....	B. S. Taylor.....	S. D. Houston.....	Bismarck.
Ebenezer.....	Hot Spring.....	E. W. Gentry, Wm. Henry,* B. Hodges*.....	3	1	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	35	1	50	.....	D. K. McVay.....	F. J. Wiggins.....	Social Hill.
Fair Play.....	Saline.....	B. N. Hultsman, John C. Ross, Wm. Newcomb.....	7	5	5	.....	4	3	.....	94	3	2 00	\$ 5 00	D. K. McVay.....	John Newcomb.....	Traskwood.
Friendship.....	Hot Spring.....	E. A. Fowler, W. F. Whitten, R. F. Russell.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	3	1 05	.....	E. H. P. H. n.....	W. T. Whitten.....	Donaldson.
Hickory Grove.....	Hot Spring.....	W. R. Thornton, A. B. Thornton*, O. M. Thornton*.....	3	.....	.....	.....	1	3	.....	41	2	45	.....	J. M. Simms.....	W. R. Thornton.....	De Roche.
Hot Springs.....	Garland.....	W. A. Clark, J. T. Jelks, J. J. Greer.....	3	7	1	.....	14	.....	.....	134	all	3 00	.....	W. A. Clark.....	H. Haythornwhite.....	Hot Springs.
Harmony.....	Perry.....	J. H. Graves, J. H. Brasil.....	1	.....	1	.....	4	.....	.....	19	.....	1 00	.....	H. M. Harvey.....	J. H. Graves.....	Long Creek.
Kentucky.....	Saline.....	Letter—no delegates.....	12	5	4	.....	2	1	1	58	1	2 00	5 00	C. F. Moore.....	H. G. Laster.....	Benton.
Marble.....	Garland.....	C. I. Glenn, D. H. Smith, Peter Glenn*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	50	3	1 50	.....	David Logan.....	C. T. Glenn.....	White's Mill.
Mt. Pleasant.....	Garland.....	J. A. Muse, J. W. Shaw,* C. H. Muse.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	2	1 25	.....	Charles Harvey.....	Samuel J. Speer.....	Cedar Glades.
Mt. Tabor.....	Garland.....	G. C. Knowles, M. C. Melton, Geo. McGill.....	11	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51	4	1 00	.....	J. J. Adams.....	F. M. Ratliff.....	Cedar Glades.
Malvern.....	Hot Spring.....	R. M. Thrasher, J. L. Hales, J. H. Howard.....	21	13	1	.....	3	1	.....	75	.....	2 50	.....	B. S. Taylor.....	J. H. Howard.....	Malvern.
Magnet Cove.....	Hot Spring.....	J. M. Power, I. A. Epps, G. W. Pearson.....	7	8	2	.....	3	1	1	56	2	2 00	.....	R. M. Thrasher.....	J. R. Stinson.....	Magnet.
Mount'n Valley.....	Garland.....	Wm. Fowler, A. J. Ritter, C. F. Guerin.....	2	5	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	17	2	2 25	5 00	W. J. Neighbors.....	C. F. Guerin.....	Mount'n Valley
New Hope.....	Hot Spring.....	John S. Young, J. G. Giles,* W. Elliott*.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	55	.....	2 00	.....	Sidney F. Funk.....	J. O. Brannon.....	Lono.
Oak Grove.....	Hot Spring.....	Z. I. McVay, W. Kemp, D. K. McVay.....	13	19	1	.....	4	1	.....	69	4	2 50	2 75	D. K. McVay.....	J. H. Hardy.....	Social Hill.



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			By Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Recommended	By Letter.	Excluded	Died			Minutes.	Home Missions			
Onachita.....	Hot Spring...	J. A. Marsh, John Selph, W. W. Selph.....	2	...	...	...	2	3	...	46	4	\$ 1 50	\$ 2 75	R. M. Thrasher..	J. A. Marsh.....	Donaldson.
Pleasant Hill...	Hot Spring...	W. B. Goodman, J. B. Rowland*, M. P. Goodman	5	9	...	...	9	...	1	70	2	2 60	5 00	R. M. Lindsey..	E. A. Davis.....	Malvern.
Pleasant Grove.	Pulaski.....	W. W. Prothro, J. B. Henderson.....	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	44	2	1 50	...	J. C. Henderson..	H. Prothro.....	North Point.
Rock Spring...	Garland.....	J. J. Adams, Samuel Adams, Lewis Murders ...	12	2	1	1	8	3	...	39	2	1 00	1 20	J. J. Adams.....	S. M. Adams.....	Cedar Glades.
Reyburn Creek	Hot Spring...	R. C. Fitzhugh, A. Horn,* C. L. Horn.....	12	7	1	...	5	1	...	67	1	1 50	10 15	I. L. Hales.....	B. C. Fitzhugh....	Malvern.
Salem.....	Saline.....	H. B. Brooks, W. F. Rose, John W. Hickman*.	5	...	...	...	2	...	2	48	1	90	...	A. D. E. Williams	J. W. Hickman....	Blocker.
Smith Creek...	Garland.....	B. Smith, W. H. Rigsby, D. C. Shell*.....	29	7	1	3	6	1	...	76	1	2 75	2 80	A. D. E. Williams	D. C. Shell.....	Owensville.
South Fork...	Garland.....	W. K. Medlock,* W. A. Neighbors, B. T. Zeigler	4	...	...	...	3	...	1	48	...	1 00	2 20	W. J. Neighbors.	Jeff Neighbors....	Hot Springs.
Shady Grove...	Saline.....	J. B. Wilso, E. J. Snodgrass.....	5	3	...	1	...	...	...	28	4	1 00	1 00	S. P. Davis.....	E. J. Snodgrass...	Bryant.
Saline.....	Saline.....	W. R. H. Mills, Geo. W. Edgins, W. A. Ellison*	4	4	6	...	...	...	...	36	4	1 00	...	I. N. Dunnahoo..	I. R. Edgin.....	Benton.
Ten Mile Creek.	Saline.....	J. B. Nance, J. H. Warford, J. O. Cruse....	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	18	2	1 50	...	D. K. McVay....	R. S. Phillips.....	Bu ks.
Union.....	Saline.....	J. C. Henderson, C. B. Henderson*, C. C. Warnock*	18	1	1	...	4	...	...	55	1	2 60	...	J. C. Henderson..	C. B. Henderson..	Blands.
Absentees marked *			217	128	22	16	108	25	26	1778		\$58 35	\$42 85			

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