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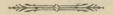
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ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- 1. Introductory Sermon.
- 2. Reading letters and enrolling names of messengers.
 - 3. Election of officers.
 - 4. Petitioning letters.
 - 5. Invite and return correspondents.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES-DIVINE SERVICE.

- 1. On Local or Home Missions.
- 2. On Education.
- 3. On Religious Literature.
- 4. On Sunday Schools.
- 5. On Temperance.
- 6. On Finance.
- 7. On State Missions.
- 8. On Foreign Missions.
- 9. On Aged Minister's Relief.
- 10. On Nominations.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

- a. Hearing Treasurer's Report.
- b. Hearing Report of Executive Board.
- c. Hearing Report of Committees in their Order.
- d. Miscellaneous Business.

RULES OF DECORUM,

- 1. Every person desiring to speak shall rise to his feet and address the Moderator, and shall not be interrupted while speaking unless he departs from the subject or indulges in personal reflections; in either case the Moderator shall call him to order, and no one shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice without leave of the Moderator or Association.
- 2. No delegate shall absent himself from the Association without permission of the Moderator or Association.
- 3. All business shall be introduced by motion and second, or in form of a resolution, and decided by a majority, except in anything touching fellowship, in which unanimity shall be required.
 - 4. A call shall be made for motions and resolutions.
- 5. These rules may be amended at any regular meeting by a vote of a majority of the Association.

PROCEEDINGS,

FIRST DAY.

Red River Associations met with the Baptist church at Detroit, Texas, on October 10th, 1890, at 7:30 p. m.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder A. B. Kirk, appointee, from Eph. 2d and 8th.

The Moderator not being present, the Clerk called the Association to order, and Elder A. B. Kirk was requested to act as Moderator pro tem.

Pending the appointment of the committees, the Association adjourned until 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

MORNING SESSION, OCTOBER 11.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Eld. A. B. Veteto.

The Moderator pro tem being absent, Bro. T. A. Carter was called to the chair and letters from the churches was called for.

The Moderator pro tem came in at this time and took his seat. Bros. J. L. Wright, J. M. Nix, T. C. Holt and Eld. Whitson were appointed reading clerks.

Letters were presented from the several churches which were read, and the following delegates enrolled:

Antioch-J. L. Wright and W. Perkins.

Concord—T. J. Richardson, E. R. Hodges.

Clarksville-H. H. Lennox, T. A. Carter.

Bethany-B. Killmer, W. H. Mays.

Detroit-J. M. Nix, T. S. Lennox and Sister E. Smith.

Enon-J. W. Clifton, J. A. Smith.

Hopewell-T. B. Alford, B. F. Neal.

Kelsedonia—Bros. Lane, Martin and Turner. Liberty—John Harris, L. C. Taylor, J. G. Fippo.

Macedonia—S. E. Hanon, W. H. Dodd. Mt. Pleasant—W. H. Lee, J. W. Ray, W. P. Beadle.

Midway—S. F. Cagle, C. Burge, Eld. Hoover. New Hope—B. M. Garrett, J. E. Spoggs.

Providence, No. 1—R. J. Dillon, A. V. Melton and W. H. Spegle.

Providence, No. 2—Eld. J. E. Horner, S. J. Francis and T. E. Roach.

Pilgrim's Rest—I. H. Lawson, P. H. Senter. Savannah Springs—D. P. Mace, T. N. Honycut. Shannock—Eld. A. B. Kirk, J. C. Acree, L. W. Catonhead, F. W. Stringer.

Salem—H. C. Hill, Sister S. M. Bryant. White Oak—Eld. C. A. Worly, John Dickson.

The Association proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing associational year, and N. B. Terry was elected Moderator, Tom A. Carter, Clerk, and W. B, Terry, Treasurer.

The following churches presented petitionary letters asking admittance into this Association, and their Messengers were received and invited to seeds with us, the Moderator extending to them the hand of fellowship:

Hopewell No. 2, W. T. McGregor, T. A. Stephen; Bethleham, N. C. Hinson, J. W. Rodgers; Bethel, Eld. W. J. Calfee, Y. S. Keen; Prairie Grove, G. H. Campter, W. H. Dodd.

The Moderator appointed the Pastor and deacons of Detroit effurch as Committee on Divine Service?

Annona church was represented by K L Keen; Clairmont by G. M. Bell.

Reports called for in their order.

On Education; read and adopted.

On Beligious Literature; discussed and adopted.

Sunday Schools; adopted.

Aged Ministers' Relief; adopted.

Adjourned until 1 p. m.

THIRD DAY-1 O'CLOCK P. M.

The association met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder Whitson.

Bro. T. S. Lennox presented the report on finance, which was read and adopted.

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted. Report on Colored population was adopted.

Moved that the clerk be authorized to have 500 copies of the minutes printed and that he be allowed \$10.00 for his services; adopted.

Motion to reconsider the motion for the time for holding the next meeting of the association was passed and the time set for Friday before the 1st full moon in October. next, at 10 o'clock a.m., with Pilgrim's Rest church at Annona, Red River county Texas.

Report on Ministerial support was amended and adopted.

The committee report of Executive Board was read and adopted as follows:

EXECUTIVE BOARD—T. A. Carter, H. H. Lennox, C. A. Worley, T. A. Honeycutt and T. S. Lennox.

We, the committee recommend that the Board be located at Clarksville and that three members shall constitute a quorum and shall reside in or near the city, provided that every member bringing a contribution from a church shall be considered a member of the board for that session.

Received from Finance Committee, now on hand. Oct. 13th, 1890. W. B. Tebry.

Moved that an opportunity be allowed for Master B. C. Council to raise a collection for the benefit of Buckner's Orphans' Home and a recess was taken for that purpose. The collection resulted in a contribution of \$18.80 cash.

Collection was taken up for foreign missions, amounting to cash \$16.65 and pledges by the churches and members as follows:

/ Clairmont, \$2.50.

Clarksville, \$5.00, T. A. Carter.

Fenos, 2.50, J. W. Clifton.

✓ Liberty, \$2.50, Taylor & Harris.

/Midway, \$5.00.

/Salem, \$2.75.

/Savannah Springs, \$2.50.

Praughn's Chapel, \$5.00.

▶ Bethel, \$2.50.

✔ New Hope \$2.50.

Total in cash and pledges, \$49.40.

Resolved that the clerk be authorized to have printed in the minutes a blank associational letter, also the rules of decorum and order of business as adopted.

The clerk was authorized to prepare a letter of dismissal for Red Oak church and send to Elder J. N. Stone, Blossom, Texas.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That we tender a vote of thanks to the church at Detroit and also to the citizens of Detroit and

friends in the vicinity for their hospitality and kindness in their entertainment of the fraternal messengers dur ing the session of the association, and also to the Methodist church for the use of their house of worship.

Resolved, That the following be added to our Articles of Faith.

ART. 19. We believe in the immortality of the soul and the conscious existence of the disembodied spirit of man between death and resurrection.

Special report was read and adopted.

Resolved that we tender our Moderator and clerk our sincere thanks for their faithful performance of . official duties.

The following resolution was received from the special committee and adopted:

Resolved, That we urge the circulation of Baptist literature and to that end we recommend the appointment by onr board, of a Sunday School colporture who shall have the two-fold position of Sunday School colporture with the object of circulating Baptist literature and organizing schools and a Sunday school institute within the bounds of our association as well as evangelist.

Resolved, That a higher degree of education is needful in order to successfully combat the various errors which are being disseminated through our county. We urge all our people and especially our ministers to a diligent study of the Word of God and our young people to attend our Baptist schools.

Elder F. M. McConnell was appointed to preach the introductory sermon and Elder George B. Ferguson as

alternate.

Corresponding messengers were appointed as follows to Texarkana association which meets at Dekalb, Texas. Elder C. A. Worley, P. H. Senter and Elder A. B. Kirk.

On motion the association adjourned to meet at the next annual meeting which convenes on Friday before the full moon in October 1891, at 10 o'clock a. m. at Pilgrim's Rest church, Annona, Tex. The parting hand was extended to each other during the singing of the closing hymn.

T. A. CARTER, Clerk. N. B. TERRY, Moderator.



REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to report that the work of Foreign Missions should engage the attention and receive the hearty support of every Chrtstian. The work is a vast one and of the most vital importance. Therefore we recommend that every pastor in our bounds be requested to present this matter to their respective churches and congregations as often as twice in each year, that they take public collection for this work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. HORNER, W. B. TERRY, I. H. LAWSON.

LOCAL MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Local Missions beg leave to submit the following report: We find upon close investigation and careful inquiry that there is a wide-spread desire to advance the cause of truth as received by the Baptist in our Association, and also that the difficulties in the way of such a work is very great. In view of these facts your committee would recommend: 1. That we employ a good and efficient man to labor as colporture among our churches in co-operation with the pastors until about the 1st of March, 1891. 2d. That our board secure the co-operation of the Sunday school and colportage convention and secure therefrom as large a contribution for the work in the way of books and tracts. 3. That churches be requested to liberate their pastor for the month of July and half the month of August, 1891, and they, with all the other preachers in the Association go two and two to every place of destitution and weak churches in our bounds, and hold meetings and organize churches where such is found expedient.

A. B. KIRK.

C. A. Worley, G. B. Ferguson.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on State Missions, would suggest that as an Association we should encourage and to the best of our ability support the State work. We find that there are within our midst more than 750,000 foreigners. These, to say nothing of the many hundreds and thousands of our native unconverted population need the gospel. Then in Christ's name let us give unto them the "Bread of lite." During the last year there were employed 108 missionaries. Days of labor performed, 18,633; stations supplied, 550; miles traveled; 166,584; sermons preached, 10,281; exhortations and other addresses, 4,520; total religious addresses, 14,812; paptized, 1,291; received by letter, 1,553; total received, 2,844; professed conversions, 2,244; churches organized 90; prayer meetings organized, 211; prayer meetings led. 2,777; elders ordained, 43; deacons ordained, 85; church houses built, 31; cost of same, \$12,041. Bibles distributed, 858; cost, \$632.28. Tracts, 240,649; religious visits, 23,208. You see from the above statement that the work done is encouraging. This should lead us to greater

exertions in the future. May the Lord help us in this and every other good work. Respectfully submitted,
THOS. C. HOLT, Chairman.

T. S. LENOX, TOM A. CARTER.

EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education submits the following report:

"Knowledge is power," and the minister of the gospel is required to study to show himself approved of God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed. We therefore urge the great importance of the education of the masses and especially the ministry. We, as a denomination, have religious errors to correct, which, if not corrected by Baptists will not be corrected at all. Education is one great factor in correcting these errors. We recommend the support of high schools, colleges and seminaries as great help to the study of the Bible.

P. H. SENTER, Chairman. C. A. WORLEY.

TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report the following: WHEREAS, Drunkenness is an offense against the laws of Christ, and is a crime punished by fine under the law of the land, and that drunkenness is classed wilh the worst crimes of the word of God; and

WHEREAS, The saloon business, the selling of whisky and other intoxicants, and making drunkards, is disreputable and a great crime against God and man

That it is the sense of the word of God, and this Association as the professed followers of Christ; that no church holding members who sell whisky, drinks whisky as a beverage or gets drunk shall be regarded as in good standing in this Association. Thos. C. Holt, Chairman.

T. A. CONEYCUTT, J. F. CAGLE.

Adopted as amended.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee submits that from what we can learn from the Tellers and Messengers from this body, coupled with our observation that Sunday schools in the bounds of this Association under Baptist influence and with Baptist literature are few and very imperfectly organized, and if Baptists continue to patronize and manage mission Sunday schools the day is not far distant when Baptist Sunday schools and literature will be comparatively a thing of the past in the bounds of We therefore recommend that some steps be taken by this body in regard to the matter. We recommend that each Baptist church organize a Sunday school of its own, teaching the Bible, using Baptist literature as its help.

K. L. KEEN, T. S. KEEN, J. M. Nix.

OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF.

Your committee to whom was assigned the duty to report upon the above, submit the following: This work was begun by our State Convention about four years ago. They have a regular board for the management of its matters with an efficient secretary, Rev. H. M. Burrows, of Waco, Texas. They are now aiding about thirty-five benefices, who are either the old infirm ministers or their widows. These men bore the heat of and burdens of to-day doing faithful work

for Christ in Texas until they became so feeble that they could work no longer, but who in their life of labor had not looked to worldly matters and as old age drew on found themselves without anything for support. Our object is to aid them now for work long since performed. In our judgment there is nothing that has strouger claims upon us than these old veterans Shall we see them suffer or shall we show our appreciation of their work by a regular divide of our means that their last days may not be passed in squallid misery. Brethren let us be faithful and and them. We recommend a contract system between churches and pastors in this association.

Respectfully submitted,

I. H. LAWSON, C. W. PINSON, Committee.

SPECIAL REPORT.

In view of the fact that there is pledged by nearly every church composing this association means for the support of both home and foreign missions. Therefore, be it

kesolved, That the clerk of this association be and is hereby authorized through his own agents to be appointed by himself, one from each church, to proceed to collect said pledges during the present associational year, and pay over to the treasurer of said association all moneys so collected and take his receipt for the same and report to the next meeting of the association the amount of

moneys so collected and paid over.

Resolved 2nd, That the treasurer of this association be and is instructed to forward from time to time to Bro Crandfield all moneys paid over to him for home missions, and he is hereby further instructed to forward all moneys paid over to him by the clerk for foreign missions to Bro. J. M. Carroll, Lampassas, Texas, the general agent of all foreign missions.

G. B. Dean.

A. B. KIRK,

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE,

We, your committee on Religious Literature beg leave to submit the following:

The Christian press is one of the grand avennes through which the grand truths of the Gospel may be presented to the people, and believing there is a want of that interest in our denominational literature and a want of the information therein contained respecting our missionary work both home and foreign, we therefore recommend that as far as possible that our people of this association subscribe 1st for the Texas Baptist Herald published at Dallas, Texas, our Home Field, published at Atlanta, Ga, under control of the Mission Board, and especially our Foreign Mission Journal, published at Richmond, Va., under the control of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Respectfully Submitted.

W. H. LEE, Chairman,

COLORED POPULATION.

We, your committee on Colored Population beg leave to report:

That we should not consider it our duty but a great privilege under God to render them every available help in the propagation of a pure gospel among them. Therefore would recommend that every preacher within the bounds of this association, whenever expedient, tender them such aid as would be of benefit and advance them in the cause.

Respectfutly Submitted.

J. W. CLIFTON. Chairman. D. P. MACE, W. S. GOODMAN.

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

We your committee on Ministerial Support beg leave to report:

That it is the duty of the church to support their postor, to look to their temporal wants while they look after the spiritual welfare of the church. The scripture teaches us that those who preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel; also that the laborer is worth; of his hire. We recommend that the pastors of this association impress more fully this duty upon the minds of their congregations.

Respectfully Sulmitted,

J. F. CAGLET T. M. GARRETT, W. P. BEADLE.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Amt, in hands of Treasurer S. M	\$16.15
Total amt. for S. M	26.45
Received from Bro. Carter for F. M Received from churches	
Total from churches	37.10
Received for minutes	31.85
Total amt, of pledges for S. M	2.50
Total amt, pledges for Orphans' Home	

T. S. LENNOX, JOHN DICKSON, JOHN HARRIS,



Write J. a. Carter = Clarksville

TABLE OF STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	POST OFFICE.	PASTOR.	CLERK.	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	By Relations	Restored	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died	Total Membership	Amt. for Minntes	For Home Missi'n	State Missions	Foreign	Orphans' Home	Ag'd Minist'r Relief
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Annona											17						
Brewster Prairied			N B Terry L	7	8			1	I		43.	1.30	.30		2.00		
\Bethany !			HH Hutchison								41.				2.00		
Bethlehem No. 2			J W Rodgers 1	9	6			2		I		1.00					
Bethel	English,	K L Keen		II			7					1.50					
Concord.		N B Terry	J M Sivley	30	10	6			8	1	150						
Clarksville		F M McConnell	T A Carter	6	13	2		14		I		2.00					
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Midway		C Hoover V	C Burge L	12		1		0		I	.25	.75					
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Dean's Chaple Enon.		D P Mace	I W Clifton	6	7	2		6	2	2	29	1.00					
		I N Franks	T B Alford	14	1	1	1	8	0	-	35 54	1.10					
Hopewell No 2.4	L vdia	D P Mace	M S McGregor	5	2	1		0	9	3	17	11.10					
Kelseponia.		W P Beadle	G F Brown	2	2			2	77		76	50				1	
Liberty			L C Taylor	4	9	1	2	12	2		86	1.50				1	
Macedonia.1		C A Worley	I R Vickers	4	I	1	I	I	-		33	1.30					
Newhope	Woodland	TR Wharton	I A Wallace	2	6	1	7	2	1		40	1.50				1	
Providence No I		R Blanchard	B J Crowel	8	6	2			7.		-	1				1	
Providence No. 2.1.		G B Ferguson		II	II			4		I	69	1.00	5.00		1		
	Annona	J B Lumly	W W Lawson		3	1		7		1		1.50	1	-			
Prairie Grove.				1		1									1		
Shamfock	Bagwells,	C Hoover	G W Thompson	3	I	I	I	II		1	58	1.35				1	
Salem.	Box Elder,	C A Worley	J B Upchurch		4	I	T	I			45	2.25					
Savannah Springs		D P Mace	T A Honeycutts	2	4	1	-	13	4	1	34 86	*50			1		
White Oak	Cuthand,	N B Terry	C W Bruce.	9	I	3	3	I		1	86	1.00	1		1		

IN MEMORIAM.

T. W. ANDERSON.

Whereas, Since our last association, in the providence of God, our venerable and beloved father in the Gospel, has died and his seat now for the second time in thirty-nine years not filled in this body and his counsel and advice is no more with us, therefore be it

Resolved, That we extend our sympathy and heartfelt condolence to the widow and family of our beloved

brother Anderson.

Bro. Anderson was born in Cape Girardeau county, Mo., and then at an early age he professed faith in Christ, united himself to the church, in which he spent the remainder of a long and useful life. He came to Texas in 1851, and settled in Red River county, and at once identified himself with the Baptists of Texas, and was pastor of Concord and Salem churches, and others in Red River county, and that he rendered faithful and efficient labor in the cause of Christ and the church he loved, until his death. And now as he is no more with us let us emulate his many virtues, his earnest and faithful labor, his untiring zeal and devotion to Christ, until we meet him in that peaceful home, where he rests from his labor. C. A. WORLEY.

T. C. HOLT, A. B. KIRK.

J. W. SCOGGIN.

Deacon, J. W. Scoggin, was born Feb. 17, A. D. 1847, and departed this life Feb. 9, 1890. Bro. Scoggin was a member of the Baptist church for sixteen years, and was a faithful deacon four years. He left this world in the triumphs of faith, saving he was ready to go. He was a good citizen, neighbor and friend, a faithful husband, affectionate father, and loved by his brethren. His funeral was preached at the grave by Elder Thomas C. Holt, to a large audience of relatives, neighbors and and friends. We sorrow not as those who have no hope. He was a member of the Enan Baptist Church of Christ.

W. T. CHAPPELL.

W. T. Chappell was born Aug. 28, 1857, departed this life April 1, 1890, Born again at the age of sixteen years, and joined the Baptist church. He died as he lived, in Christ. He said to his wife all was well. He had been a Licentiate about ten years. He was one of God's poor, rich in faith, and now is an heir of the Kingdom. His funeral was preached by Elder Thomas C. Holt first Sunday in May, in Enan Baptist Church, of which he was a member.

* THE BAPTIST CHURCH OF CHRIST *
To the Red River Association, when convened with the
sendeth greeting:
DEAR BRETHREN.
We send to sit with you in your deliberations our
peloved brethren
as alternates.
Our statistics are as follows:
Received by baptism.
Received by letter
Received by restoration
Received by relation
Dismissed by letter
Excluded
Died
Cotal Membership
We have paid for Associational Mission during year
" " Home Missions
" " Foreign Missions
" " " Orphans' Home
" " Aged Ministers
We send for Minutes
We pay our pastor
Our days of meeting are Sunday and Saturday
before
teachers and pupils.
Pastor's address
Clerk's address May the Great Head of the Church guide your de-
iberations.
Done in Church Conference
Mod.

Ch. Clerk.