

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	COUNTIES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	CLERGY P. OFFICE	DELEGATES.	Baptised,....	Rec by Lett	Restored,...	Dis. by Lett.	Excommu'd	Dead.....	Total No. Commu'ts.	Meetings,...
Greenwood,....	Jackson.....	W. B. Lacy,.....	C. N. Hartsfield,....	Greenwood,.....	W. B. Lacy, A. J. Sims, A. Davis, T. Barnes, Wm. So-	8	9	9	2	1	1	142	1
Orange Hill,....	Washington,....	G. W. Underwood,....	W. P. L. Horne,....	Orange Hill,....	J. M. P. Allen, C. N. Hartsfield,....	4	4	4	1	1	1	53	1
Campbellton,....	Jackson.....	W. B. Lacy,.....	James Drummond,....	Campbellton,....	J. M. P. Allen, C. N. Hartsfield,....	4	4	4	1	1	1	53	1
Sardinia,....	Jackson.....	William Borum,....	J. Byrd,.....	Chattahoochee,....	J. A. Collier, R. T. Barkley, J. W. Hall,....	1	1	1	1	1	1	40	3
Salom,....	Jackson.....	E. C. B. Lawrence,....	W. A. Bell,.....	Marianna,....	R. C. B. Lawrence, H. Sellers,....	1	1	1	1	1	1	40	4
New Hope,....	Jackson.....	William Borum,....	A. Sellers,....	Marianna,....	A. Sellers, S. Arnold, D. Brown, R. Bennett,....	1	1	1	1	1	1	40	4
Apalachicola,....	Franklin,....	L. R. Sims,....	E. N. Hyatt,....	Marianna,....	E. N. Hyatt,....	12	12	12	1	1	1	51	1
Fellowship,....	Holmes,....	G. W. Underwood,....	D. Neel,....	Ponce DeLeon,....	Daniel Neel,....	3	3	3	1	1	1	51	1
Holmes' Valley,....	Holmes,....	Z. Nix,....	B. F. Hatton,....	Greenwood,....	J. Nelson,....	4	4	4	1	1	1	51	1
Friendship,....	Walton,....	L. R. Sims,....	S. J. Hatton,....	Greenwood,....	T. E. Mercer, S. J. Hatton, J. R. Bell,....	12	12	12	1	1	1	51	1
New Hope,....	Walton,....	L. R. Sims,....	J. W. Motts,....	Uchicola,....	L. R. Sims, J. Mabburn,....	12	12	12	1	1	1	51	1
Camp Creek,....	Walton,....	L. R. Sims,....	J. S. Sycox,....	Uchicola,....	John Sycox,....	12	12	12	1	1	1	51	1
Pilgrim's Rest,....	Alabama,....	L. R. Sims,....	Wm. Barteldale,....	Milwood,....	Moses Parker, Nathan Whidden, A. Blackwell,....	5	5	5	1	1	1	18	2
Limestone,....	Holmes,....	L. R. Sims,....	C. C. Broxon,....	Vernon,....	No Delegation,....	17	17	17	1	1	1	27	2
Pine Barren,....	Jackson,....	G. W. Underwood,....	E. H. Still,....	Orange Hill,....	E. H. Still, Aaron Underwood, T. L. Still,....	1	1	1	1	1	1	27	2
Antioch,....	Gadsden,....	G. W. Underwood,....	E. H. Still,....	Orange Hill,....	No Delegation,....	1	1	1	1	1	1	27	2
Econohatchee,....	Washington,....	G. W. Underwood,....	E. H. Still,....	Orange Hill,....	No Delegation,....	1	1	1	1	1	1	27	2

Recapitulation.—17 Churches, 10 Ordained Ministers, 1 Licentiate, 679 Communicants, Baptised during the year 91, Received by Letter 69, Restored 11, Dismissed by Letter 29, Excommunicated 14, Died 3. Whole amount sent up by the Churches \$258 90; Collected on Sabbath for Missions \$66—besides other amounts raised by private contributions for special purposes.—CLERK.

MINUTES

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JOHN B. STETSON UNIVERSITY
DeLAND, FLORIDA
OF THE

Fourteenth Annual Session

OF THE WEST FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CAMPBELLTON CHURCH,—JACKSON Co.,
FLORIDA;

On the 27th, 29th and 30th Oct., 1860.

Minutes

MARIANNA, FLORIDA:

"WEST FLORIDA ENTERPRISE" JOB-OFFICE PRINT.

John B. Stetson

MINUTES.

1. The Congregation assembled in the Church, and brother D. P. Everett preached the Introductory Sermon from 1st Sam'l, 7th Chapter and 12th Verse. "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

2. After one hours intermission and suitable refreshment, the Delegates convened in the Church, and the Association was organized by singing and prayer. - Brother Webb led in prayer.

3. The letters from the Churches were then handed in and read.

4. Brother Mercer, our former Moderator, expressing a wish to retire from the Moderatorship, brother W. B. Lacy was elected Moderator and brother Stephen Rowe Clerk.

5. Brother Mercer, in taking his leave as Moderator, delivered a short, but interesting address, and on motion a committee was appointed to draft Resolutions expressive of our gratitude for his former services and to report on Monday morning.

Committee, D. P. Everett, J. A. Collier and A. Bevis.

6. Appointed the following Committees, viz:

On Preaching.—F. T. Allen, J. Hinson and J. Bird, with the Delegates from the Campbellton Church.

On Business.—D. P. Everett, W. W. Boykin, R. C. B. Lawrence.

On Finance.—Thos Barnes, J. P. Collier, E. N. Hyatt.

On Publications.—G. W. Underwood, E. V. Barnes, Moses Parker.

On Documents.—F. T. Allen, J. C. Collier, L. B. Meyer.

On Sabbath Schools.—L. R. Sims, Wm. Sorey, T. S. Dew.

On Missions.—D. P. Everett, J. Mercer, J. A. Collier.

On Nominations.—A. J. Sims, B. T. Barkley, H. Sewell.

On Deceased Ministers.—D. P. Everett, J. R. Bell, J. Bird.

To Write the Corresponding Letter.—S. Rowe.

7. Brother E. Cody is appointed to preach at the Stand this afternoon.

8. Called for Correspondence from Sister Associations, and received from the Judson E. Co ly, M. Jones, H. McMath, I. Mendheim, E. J. Hays and K. R. Harrell From the Florida, G. W. Bostwick. From the Salem, J. T. S. Park, J. P. Nall E. Thompson, A. N. Verdery and Thos. Logan. From the Eufaula, H. H. Moreland. From the Bethel, W. L. Crawford, R. Webb, Wm. D. Cowdrey, Columbus Smith and Hiram Powell.

9. On motion, Invited Ministers of our faith and order and not of this body, to seats with us. Present brethren Wm M. Verdery from Georgia; J. M. L. Burnett, from East Tennessee, and G. C. Conner from Nashville,

10. The Committee on preaching appointed brother W. L. Crawford to preach to-night and brother Brooks to close—The Missionary Sermon at 10 o'clock to-morrow, and brother Conner at 2, and

brother Webb to close. Brother Powell to preach to the Blacks to-night, and brother Brooks to-morrow.

11. A Letter was presented by brother Everett from the Holme's Valley Church, which was received and read. There being no Delegation. A verbal report was also made by brother L. R. Sims from the Churches at Camp Creek and Limestone, with some Contributions.

12. The report of the committee to prepare a Decorum, and to revise the Scripture proof of our Articles of faith was called for and read, and a motion was made to have it printed in our Minutes for our adoption or rejection at our next Session, and while the subject was pending, on motion adjourned to 9 o'clock Monday morning. Prayer by brother Park.

SABBATH, October 28th,

The congregation with the Sabbath School children convened in the house at 9 o'clock, a m, and brothe: G. C. Conner, Agent of the Southern Baptist Sabbath School Union, delivered an interesting Lecture on the subject of Sabbath Schools.

At the request of brother W. B. Lacy the appointee, brother Columbus Smith preached the Missionary Sermon to a large and attentive congregation, from the 1st Chapter of the Gospel of John, and 16th verse: "And of his fullness have all we received, and grace for grace."* Brother Lacy followed in exhortation. There was collected for missions from the white congregation \$43 05 cts.; from the colored people \$2 65 cts. Total \$45 70 cts.

Brother Brooks preached to the colored people in the forenoon.— Brother G. C. Conner preached at 2 o'clock, and brother R. C. B. Lawrence to the colored people. Brother Wm. M. Verdery from Georgia preached at night. May God bless the labors of the day and make them as bread cast upon the waters which shall be found after many days,

MONDAY, October 29th.

Met at 8 o'clock and heard a Lecture again on Sabbath Schools by brother Conner.

At 9 o'clock the Association convened and came to order for business. Prayer by brother Bostwick.

1. Called for report of Committee on Business which was read and adopted.

2. Called and corrected the Roll.

3. Read and corrected the Minutes of the two past days.

4. Took up the unfinished business of Saturday and called for the report of Committee on the former Moderatorship which was read and adopted and which is as follows, viz:

WHEREAS, Our venerable and beloved brother, Elder Joshua Mercer

has served us faithfully and efficiently as Moderator ever since our Association was organized. And whereas, under his administration the Lord has greatly blessed us with harmony and prosperity. And whereas he feels called upon by his advanced age and increasing infirmities, to resign the position he has so long occupied—Therefore

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered to our venerable brother for his patient and arduous and satisfactory services.

Resolved, That while we thus render honor to whom honor is due, we give unto God the glory for the blessing He has made our brother unto us.

Resolved, That every recollection of brother Mercer should quicken the sympathies of this body in his behalf, and lead us to pray that God may take care of his well-fare and continue his usefulness according to His sovereign pleasure.

5. Called up the motion of Saturday relative to the report of the Committee to prepare a Decorum and to revise the Scripture proofs of our Articles of Faith, which was carried:

6. Renewed call for correspondence and received from the Zion, brother Middleton Brooks.

7. Renewed invitation to visiting Ministers.

8. Renewed call for Petitionary letters.

9. On motion brother G. C. Conner from Nashville, was recognized as Agent of the Southern Baptist Sabbath School Union, and also bro. J. Mercer as agent for the Revision of the English Scriptures.

10. Appointed correspondence as follows, (viz:)
To the Tuskegee at Concord church, Friday before the 3rd Sabbath in September, brethren D.P. Everett, J. Mercer, and J.A. Collier.

The Eufaula Bethlehem Church, Louisville, Saturday before the 4th Sabbath in September, J. Mercer, E. N. Hyatt.

The Salem, Syloam Church, Saturday before the 1st Sabbath in October, J. Mercer, L.B. Meyers, W.B. Lacy, L.R. Sims, J.A. Collier.

The Judson, Judson Church, Saturday before the 1st Sabbath in October, T.S. Dew, B.T. Barkley, D.P. Everett, S.J. Hatton, Moses Parker, E.V. Barnes, S. Rowe, F. T. Allen.

The Bethel, Cuthbert, Saturday before the 1st Sabbath in November, J. Mercer, F. T. Allen.

The Florida, _____ Friday before the 3rd Sabbath in October, B. T. Barkley.

The Zion, Yellow River Church, Saturday before the 1st Sabbath in November, L.R. Sims, T. S. Dew.

11. The report on Sabbath Schools was called for and read, and after an address by brother J. Mercer, it was adopted, (See Appendix Letter A.)

12. Invited Agents for Religious Enterprises to address the body when brother G.C. Conner delivered an address in behalf of the Southern Baptist Sabbath School Union.

13. On motion adjourned to 2 o'clock, to hear preaching.

14. After the sermon by brother Powell and suitable refreshments, resumed business and heard an address by brother Mercer in behalf of the revision of the English Scriptures. Brother D.P. Everett also presented the claims of the "Landmark, Banner & Cherokee Baptist."

15. Brother G W Bostick is appointed to preach this afternoon and brother Park to-night.

16. On motion the order of business was suspended and petitionary letters called for, when a letter was presented and read from the newly constituted Church at Prplar Spring, and the Church was received into fellowship with this body. The delegates being absent.

17. The report on missions was read and adopted, (Letter B) and on motion a committee was appointed to report on the subject of getting up missionary meetings in the different parts of our Association during the ensuing year. Committee : G.W. Underwood, D.P. Everett, S. Rowe and R.C.B. Lawrence.

18. The report of Committee on Publications was read and adopted. (Letter C.)

19. The report of committee on Documents was read and adopted. (Letter D.)

20. On motion and by a vote of the body, the next session of the Association is appointed to be held with Greenwood Church.

21. Took into consideration the petition of some of the Churches requesting assistance, and on motion referred the matter to the Executive committee.

22. The report of the committee on Deceased Ministers was read and adopted. (Letter E.)

23. The report of the Executive Committee was read and adopted. (Letter F.)

24. On motion adjourned to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Benediction by the Moderator.

TUESDAY, October 30th.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by brother Dew.

1. Called for the report of the Agent of the Wombwell fund, who being absent and not having sent up any report; On motion the following resolution was adopted, (namely :)

Resolved, That we regret the absence of the Agent of the Wombwell fund and request him to report to the Executive Committee in time for it to be inserted in our present Minutes.

2. The following brethren were elected Executive Committee and Treasurer (namely :) W.B. Lacy, D.P. Everett, J. A. Collier, A. J. Sims, T. Barnes, C. N. Hartsfield, F. T. Allen, William Sorey Treasurer.

3. On motion suspended the order of business and called for volunteers to the Florida Baptist State Convention, and agreed to defray the expenses of three Delegates out of the Treasury. The following brethren volunteered (namely :) E. V. Barnes, W. B. Lacy, and F. T. Allen.

4. Called for the report of the Financial Committee which was read and adopted. (Letter G)

5. The Treasurer's report was read and adopted. (Letter H)

6. The report of committee on Missionary meetings was read, and on motion was recommitted, with the addition T Barnes and J. A. Collier to the committee.

7. On motion a committee was appointed to search for the constitution of this body, and if not found, to prepare one and report at our next session. Committee : G. W. Underwood, D.P. Everett and T. Barnes.

8. The report of the committee on Missionary meetings, as amended was read and adopted (Letter I,) and ministering brethren from other associations were invited to meet with us and aid us in carrying out those meetings. The report of committee on nominations was read and adopted. (J)

9. On motion appointed the brother Moderator as chairman of a committee to report on the subject of missions at our next session and authorized him to choose the balance of the committee.

10. On motion the Clerk is instructed to have 500 copies of our Minutes printed and distributed, and that he have thirty dollars for his services.

11. On motion adopted the following Resolutions, (namely :) In view of the present condition of our country, and our acknowledged dependence upon God for security against threatening dangers,

Resolved, That we recommend to the churches composing the West Florida Association, to observe Friday before the 1st Sabbath in November, as a day of fasting and prayer to Almighty God, that He may avert the dangers which threaten our nation.

Resolved, That in view of the affliction with which our Heavenly Father has visited our beloved Sister, A. G. Hall, that this body spend a short season in prayer in her behalf ere it adjourns.

In compliance with the above resolution brother Wm. M. Verdery led in prayer.

Resolved, That our most hearty thanks are hereby tendered to the citizens of Campbellton for their hospitality to the members of this body during the session.

12. On motion suspended business to hear the farewell sermon.

13. After a sermon by brother Verdery an appropriate hymn was sung, and the parting hand taken, and prayer by brother Verdery.— The Association was adjourned to meet again with the churches at Greenwood on Saturday before the 4th Sabbath in October, 1861.

STEPHEN ROWE Clerk

W. B. LACY, Moderator.

Corresponding Letter.

The West Florida Association to the Sister Associations with whom she corresponds, sends Christian Salutations.

DEAR BRETHREN : Through the abundant mercy of our Heavenly

Father, we have again been permitted to meet in an Associate capacity. Our churches have been mostly well represented, and from their reports, we are happy to say that God has blessed us during the past Associational year. Several of our churches have been favored with refreshing seasons and have received some additions to their number. We have been cheered and encouraged by the presence and kind labors of our visiting brethren from sister Associations. May God bless them and the Associations which they represent. Finally, dear brethren, May the Lord enable us to be faithful laborers together in his vineyard, and when our work upon Earth is done, may He call us home to the enjoyment of that everlasting Rest that remains for the People of God.

Our next session will be held with the Church at Greenwood Saturday before the 4th Sabbath in October, 1861.

STEHEN ROWE, Clerk.

W. B. LACY, Moderator

Articles of Faith of

The West Florida Association.

ART. 1. We believe in the existence of one only true and living God, and that He has made himself known to his people, under the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, the same in essence, and equal in divine perfection, Exodus 20, 3; Isa. 9, 6 & 46, 9; Matt. 28, 19; Mark 12, 32; Jno. 1, 1-4; & 5, 23 & 10, 30; 1 Jno. 5, 7.

ART. 2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice. 2 Sam. 23, 2; Acts 1, 16; 2 Tim. 3, 16, 17; 2 Pet. 1, 21.

ART. 3. We believe in the doctrine of election; that God chose his people in Christ before the foundation of the world; that they should be holy and without blame before him in love; having predestinated them to the adoption of children, by Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will. Matt. 20, 16, & 24, 32; Jno. 13, 18 & 15, 16, -19; Acts 13, 48; Rom. 8, 28, 29 & 9, 10-16 & 11, 5; Eph. 1, 4; 11; 1 Thess. 1, 4; 2 Thess. 2, 13; 1 Pet. 1, 2.

ART. 4. We believe in the doctrine of Original Sin. Gen. 6, 5; Ps. 5, 9; Eccl. 8, 11; Rom. 6, 20 & 7, 18 & 8, 8; 1 Cor. 2, 14; 2 Cor. 5, 14; Eph. 2, 1-3; Col. 2, 13.

ART. 5. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen State he is in by nature, by his own will and ability, Jno. 6, 44; 45; Rom. 11, 6; Eph. 2, 8, 9.

ART. 6. We believe sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the imputed righteousness of Christ. Isa. 57, 8; Acts 4, 11, 12; Rom. 3, 21-26 & 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 21.

ART. 7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost. Jno. 6, 63 & 16, 13, 14; 1 Cor. 2, 10-12; 2 Cor. 1, 10-12; Eph. 2, 1-10; 2 Tim. 1, 9; Tit. 3, 4-7.

ART. 8. We believe that nothing can separate the true believers from the love of God, but that they will be kept by the powers of God through faith unto salvation. Jno. 6, 37; 10, 28-30; 13, 1; 17, 23; Phil. 1, 6; Heb. 6, 17, 18; 1 Pet. 1, 5;

ART. 9. We believe that baptism and the Lord's supper, are ordina-

ces of Jesus Christ, that true believers are the only subjects of these ordinances, and that immersion only is Baptism. Matt. 3, 5-12; Mark 1, 5; Luke 3, 7; Acts 2, 38-42; Jno. 3, 23; Rom. 6, 3, 4; Col. 2, 12; 1 Pet. 3, 21; Acts 18, 8.

ART. 10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment. Job. 19, 26, 27; Dan. 12, 2; Hos. 13, 14; Mark 12, 24-27; 1 Cor. 15 chap.; 2 Cor. 5, 10.

ART. 11. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous will be eternal. Matt. 25, 46; 2 Thess. 1, 9; Dan. 12, 2; Mark 9, 43, 44; Luke 3, 17; 16, 26; Jno. 3, 36; 2 Th. 1, 7-9; Rev. 14, 9-11.

ART. 12. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances, unless he is called of God, and come under the imposition of hands by a presbytery, and is in fellowship in the church of which he is a member. Isa. 62, 6; Mal. 2, 7 - Acts 14, 23; Rom. 12, 6, 7; 1 Cor. 1, 1; 2 Cor. 5, 18; Col. 4, 17; 1 Tim. 1, 12; Eph. 4, 11-13.

DECORUM.

1. Every query sent up to the Association, by any church in this union, shall be read, and put to vote, by the moderator, whether it shall be debated or not, and if there be a majority for it, shall be taken up and investigated; but if not it shall be withdrawn, provided always that those be first considered which effect the union of the churches.

2. Every motion made and seconded, shall come under the observation of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

3. Every person who speaks in debate, shall rise from his seat and address the moderator, and shall not be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject in debate, or use indecorous language.

4. No person shall speak more than three times upon the same subject, without leave of the body.

5. No member shall abruptly break off, or absent himself without leave of the body; and if he so does, he shall be marked as an absentee.

6. The names of the members of the association, shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called over as often as the body may require.

7. The moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as any other member, provided the chair be filled, but he shall not vote except the body be equally divided.

8. It shall be the duty of the moderator to see that these rules are strictly observed by the body.

9. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular record of the proceedings of the body.

10. The minutes of the association shall be read, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk, before the body rises.

11. Amendments may be made to this form of government by two-thirds of the members in session. Respectfully submitted.

W. B. LACY, Chairman

Decorum

W. B. Lacy, Chairman

Deacons

MS. 205

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

CITIES.	COUNTIES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS,	CLERK'S P.O.	DELEGATES. Names of Ordained Ministers in SMALL CAPITALS; Licentiates in Italics.	Baptized	Rec by Let	Restored	Dis by Let	Excomm'd	Dead	Total No. Comm'ts.	Meetings...
Poplar Springs, Greenwood.	Jackson,	R.C. B. Lawrence, W. B. Lacy,	A. Dykes, C. N. Hartsfield,	Marianna Greenwood,	BRINSON HOLLIS, Allen Dykes, W. B. LACY, T. Barnes, F. T. Allen, A. Bovey, Wm. Sorey, E. V. Barnes, W. W. Boykin, J. MERCER, G. W. UNDERWOOD, D. P. EVERETT, W. P. L. Horne,	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	1
Orange Hill,	Washington	G. W. Underwood	W. P. L. Horne,	Orange Hill,	H. Sewell, L. B. Meyer, J. A. Collier, E. Bird, R. Harrell, S. Rowe,	0	0	0	0	0	0	160	2
Campbellton,	Jackson,	W. B. Lacy,	J. P. Collier,	Campbellton,	Barkley, J. P. Collier, J. C. Collier,	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	3
Sardia,	Jackson,	S. Rowe,	J. Bird,	Chattahoochee	J. Bird, R. Harrell, S. Rowe,	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	3
Salmon,	Jackson,	R.C. B. Lawrence, S. Rowe,	J. Hinson E. N. Hyatt, Daniel Neal	Marianna Bellevue, Apalachicola.	R. C. B. LAWRENCE, Wm. A. Bell, T. M. Striblin, J. Hinson,	1	0	0	0	0	0	53	3
North Hope,	Jackson,	S. Rowe,	E. N. Hyatt, Daniel Neal	Bellevue, Apalachicola.	F. N. Hyatt, G. Hall,	5	0	0	0	0	0	38	4
Apalachicola,	Franklin.	L. R. Sims	Daniel Neal	Ponce D'Leon	D. Neel, B. Hollis,	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	4
Sandy Creek,	Holmes,	G. W. Underwood	B. F. Hatton,	Vernon	No Delegation.	4	1	0	0	0	0	85	4
Holmes' Valley,	Holmes,	R.C. B. Lawrence, L. R. Sims,	S. J. Hatton, J. W. Moates,	Greenwood, Ucheanna,	P. Taylor, W. L. Hatton, S. J. Hatton, T. S. Dew, L. R. Sims, W. Williamson,	4	1	0	0	0	0	64	1
Friendship,	Jackson,	L. R. Sims,	J. W. Moates,	Ucheanna,	No Delegation. From last year.	12	4	1	0	0	0	32	1
Ucheanna,	Walton,	R.C. B. Lawrence, L. R. Sims,	W. Barksdale	Open Pond, Vernon	No Delegation.	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	1
Camp Creek,	Walton,	L. R. Sims,	W. Barksdale	Open Pond,	Moses Parker	2	6	0	0	0	0	50	1
Pilgrim's Rest,	Henry,	R.C. B. Lawrence, L. R. Sims,	J. B. Talley,	Open Pond, Vernon	No Delegation.	12	15	0	0	0	0	21	1
Limestone,	Holmes,	L. R. Sims,	J. B. Talley,	Orange Hill,	No Delegation.	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	1
Pine Barren	Jackson,	G. W. Underwood	J. B. Talley,	Orange Hill, Aspalage,	A. Underwood, C. German, Thomas Still, J. Talley,	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	1
Antioch,	Gadsden				No Delegation.	1	0	0	0	0	0	15	1
Econfins,	Washington.				No Delegation.	1	0	0	0	0	0	15	1

Recapitulation. No. of Churches 18, Ordained Ministers 12, Licentiates 1, Baptized 83, Received by Letter 50, Restored 2, Dismissed 24, Excommunicated 18, Dead 8. Total number 774.

APPENDIX,

Ordained Ministers With their P. O. Address.

Joshua Mercier,	Open Pond.
Zacheus Nix,	" "
D. P. Everett,	Orange Hill.
G. W. Underwood	" "
L. R. Sims,	Ucheana.
T. S. Dew,	" "
R. C. B. Lawrence	Marianna.
Brinson Hollis,	" "
W. B. Lacy,	Greenwood.
Green Hartsfield,	" "
Wm Borum,	Bellevue,
Stephen Rowe,	Ocheseec.
Thomas Mercer,	Greenwood.

LICENTIATE.

APPENDIX.
(A.)

Sabbath Schools:

Your Committee deplore the fact that but two churches in this Association report Sabbath Schools within their bounds. All who recognise the importance of training up children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord must unite with us in the expression of regret.

The Sabbath School institution is time honored among our brethren. In the dark ages of the past, Baptists, through fear of the sword of civil power, assembled the children periodically in dens and caves, and there instructed their young minds out of the researches of Divine truth. In the course of time, through the Providence of our God, civil and religious liberties have been granted—our fathers came forth from their hiding places and publicly on the Sabbath perpetuate the custom. Let it not be supposed then the Sabbath School enterprise is a new thing.

Your Committee sincerely hope and pray that as soon as possible, each church will organize under its jurisdiction a Baptist Sabbath School, making the word of God the great text, book, and aided through using such books as teach the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

Your Committee are also of the opinion that it would be a matter of great interest to our brethren to be informed from time to time of the progress of the Sabbath School within their midst. To this end they believe that the statistics of every Sabbath School should be sent up in the church letter, and that said statistics be published in the minutes of this body.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

1st. Resolved, That we will return to our churches and advocate to the best of our ability the organization of Sabbath Schools under their jurisdiction.

2d. Resolved, That we will advocate the use of the So. Bap. S. S. Union; as the best aids to Baptists in the training of Children.

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3d. Resolved, That the Churches be requested to furnish statistics as per annexed blanks :

Post Office,
No. of Scholars,
" Teachers,
" Volumes in Library.
S. S. papers.

Superintendent.
County.

Respectfully Sub.,
L. R. SIMS. Chairman.

Report on Missions.

(B.)

While we acknowledge the claims of universal benevolence and feel it to be our high duty and great privilege to do all that we can in the dissemination of Gospel light and the Truth as it is in Jesus all over the world, and would call upon the entire membership of this Association to pray more and do more for the subjugation of the nations of the earth unto Christ, your committee beg leave in this Report, to dwell particularly upon the moral condition of our Assⁿ bounds, and endeavor to incite a greater interest, stronger faith, more earnest prayer, and increased effort in relation to the destitution in our midst

The extent of Territory embraced in our Association is very large. Beginning from Henry county, Alabama, it reaches to Apalachicola, 150 miles; and from the extreme East to West it is not less than 100 miles.

The population in this scope of country is scattering, and the few churches yet organized are widely separated. Several of these churches are entirely destitute of preaching, and but two within our bounds have ministerial service even semi-monthly. In the large town of Marianna we have not even a House of Worship, and there are other important points altogether unoccupied.

We have one Minister supported by two churches ; two or three more are serving churches able to contribute but little to their support, and for two years, by the aid of the Board at Marion, we have been sustaining an Associational Missionary. What are we to do? You see how disproportionate are the means to the end of sowing the seed of truth in, and cultivating the extensive field which has in God's Providence fallen to our lot.

Shall we falter? Shall we surrender because of the odds against us? The response from every faithful heart is no! The Lord hath helped us hitherto and unto Him will we look, and upon Him we will still depend! Then let us with pious resolve increase our efforts, and in the strength of God go forth into the work He has assigned us. There is work here, work to the utmost extent of our ability for every member of all our churches. Not one may be idle. The prayers and the alms—the works of faith and labors of love of every member of Christ's body must be engaged—energetically and unceasingly engaged for the spreading of the Gospel throughout the

spacious bounds of this Association.

Do we need more ministers? Let us first more adequately sustain the few that the blessed God has graciously given us.

Do we desire to see them coming amongst us from a distance? Let us pray and watch for such gifts raised up in our midst—the first is a proper object of desire, but it is to be feared we have overlooked the latter. We commend this report to the reflections of more favored brethren at a distance ; but though we get no help from such a source, let us pray and labor amongst ourselves till by the power of God, by the means of His divine pleasure, this vast moral wilderness shall blossom as the rose and the knowledge of the Lord, and the truth of Jesus shall cover the land He has given unto us to possess.

Submitted in humility and in prayer, and with personal consecration.

D. P. EVERETT. Ch'm.

(C.)

The Committee on publications present the following as their report :

Your Committee feel that they cannot too strongly recommend the circulation and reading of the following publications, (to wit): The Landmark Banner and Cherokee Baptist. We would reiterate the resolution of the Committee of last year, in reference to the paper published at Atlanta Ga., of which our Brother Everett is the Florida Editor, and sincerely hope that it will receive the hearty support of the Association. The Tennessee Baptist, the Southern Baptist Review, The Children's Friend, and Baptist Correspondent. The publications of the S. W. publishing house at Nashville, Ten., and the publications of the S. B. S. S. Union, published by the Executive Committee at Nashville, Ten., as the best religious literature of the day; not forcing or shunning to declare the whole counsel of God, we believe they should have a wide circulation in our bounds.

Respectfully Submitted,

G. W. UNDERWOOD,

Chairman.

(D.)

The Committee on Documents beg leave to Report :
That we find two petitions for the next Session of the Association. One from the Ladies and the other from Greenwood. The Churches at Apalachicola and Antioch, complain of great destitution of preaching, petition for aid.

Respectfully Submitted.

F. T. ALLEN,

Ch'm.

(E.)

Committee on Deceased Ministers very greatly Report :

That during the last Ass'l. year the Lord has not called any minister away from us by death. While we bless God for thus preserving the lives of the brethren who labor for us in word and Doctrine, we submit the great necessity of continual prayer for the increased efficiency of the very few we have, earnest entreaty and watching for the raising up of others in our midst, and devout supplication of an increased number to be conducted by Divine Providence to this part of His Vineyard from places where they are not so greatly needed.

D. P. EVERETT,
Chairman.

(F.)

The Executive Committee present the following report, (viz:)

Immediately after the close of the last session, your Committee held a meeting at Orange Hill, and employed Elder L. R. Sims to continue our Missionary work west of Choctawhatchie river; believing it the better policy to sustain those churches already established in that mission, and supply what other destitute points our missionary may find in his work on that mission, until the church may become self sustaining. No missionary labor has, therefore, been bestowed within your bounds east of Choctawhatchie river; though your Committee have to regret the great destitution in many parts of that unoccupied portion of your Territory, and hope the day is not distant when we shall be able to occupy the entire destitution included in your bounds. Your committee think we have great reason to be encouraged at the Success of our present missionary efforts. The labors of our brother Sims have been abundantly blessed this year, as will appear from his report, herewith communicated, viz:

Distance traveled, 1,685 miles. Sermons preached, 190. Number Baptized, 44. Received into churches by letter, 13. Besides much other missionary labor performed; in exhortations, prayers, visiting families &c. &c.

Your Committee agreed to pay brother Sims for his labors as missionary for your body, the sum of \$200; relying on the Domestic Mission board at Marion to contribute \$200 as formerly; and also allowing him what contributions the churches and individuals in his fields of labor may make.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. N. HARTSFIELD,
Chairman.

(G.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

CHURCHES.	MINUTES,	ASCN. MISSION.	TOTAL	
1 Antioch;	50		50	
2 Greenwood,	3 00	53 05	56 05	
3 Holmes' Valley,	1 50	10 35	11 85	
4 Orange Hill,	2 00	18 00	20 00	
5 Friendship,	1 60	2 75	4 35	
6 Apalachicola, White, }	50	3 10	3 60	
" " Black, }	50	8 00	8 50	
7 Campbellton,	2 00	25 50	27 50	
8 Pilgrim's Rest,	1 50	3 60	5 10	
9 Sardis,	1 50	10 00	11 50	
10 New Hope,	1 00	6 70	7 70	
11 Salem,	1 50	2 50	4 00	
12 Sandy Ceeek,	2 00	2 75	4 75	
13 Lime Stone,	1 00		1 00	
14 Ucheanna,	2 00	7 25	9 25	
15 Camp Creek,	1 00		1 00	
16 Pine Barren,	1 60	1 25	2 85	
17 Poplar Springs,	40		40	
Sent up from the Churches,		\$25 10	\$185 80	\$179 90
Sabbath Collection from Whites, \$43 05				
" " " Blacks, 2 65			\$45 70	\$45 70
		\$25 10	\$200 50	\$225 60

Recapitulation—

Am't sent by the churches for Minutes.	\$ 25 10
" " " " Asn. Mis.	154 80
Collected on Sabbath for " " "	45 70
	\$225 60

All of which was paid over to the Treasurer.
Respectfully submitted, T. BARNES, Chair'n.

(H.)

Treasurer's Report for 1860.—Dr.

To Balance on hand, Oct. 24th, 1859
" amount returned by clerk,

\$148.62
7.50

" " received from finance committee,	225,60
" cash paid for missions next year,	5,50
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Cr.	\$387,32
By amount paid clerk in 1859,	\$30,00
" " for minutes,	35,00
" " " missionary,	200,00
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	\$265,00
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Balance on hand, Oct. 1860.	\$122,32

Respectfully Submitted,

WM. SOREY,
Treasurer.

Lime Stone,
Sandy Creek,
Eucheeana,
Mushy Bend,
Camp Creek,
4 Mile Landing,
Aliqua,
Knox Hill,
Holmes Valley,
Econfina,
Orange Hill,
Salem,
Pine Barren,
Campbellton,
Greenwood,
Friendship,
Pilgrims Rest,
New Hope,
Sardis,
Antioch,
Chattahoochee,
Marianna,

(I.)

1st Sab. in May.
Monday.
Tuesday.
Wednesday.
Thursday.
Friday.
Saturday.
2d Sabbath.
Monday.
Tuesday.
Wednesday.
Thursday.
Friday.
Saturday.
3d Sabbath.
Monday.
Tuesday.
Wednesday.
Thursday.
Friday.
Saturday & 4th Sabbath.
5th Sabbath in Sept.

The Committee on nominations beg leave to report:
We have appointed Brother W. B. Lacy to preach the next Introductory Sermon, and Brother G. W. Underwood his Alternate; and Brother L. R. Sims to preach the next Missionary Sermon, and Brother D. P. Everett his A ternate.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. J. SIMS,
Chairman.

Report of Agent appointed to raise funds to educate the orphan children of Elder J. Wombwell.

Your Agent regrets having to report that he has been unable to collect anything for the object for which he was appointed. Notice of my appointment was published in the Baptist and Banner, and the Marianna Patriot copied said notice several times free of charge; but after all, I have failed to collect a cent.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. N. HARTSFIELD, Agent &c.

Pledges for Associational purposes, viz:

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Wm. Sorey \$25; J. A. Collier \$25; D. P. Everett \$30; F. T. Allen \$20; J. C. Collier \$10; L. B. Meyer \$10; John Godwin \$5; E. Q. Barnes \$10; J. T. S. Park \$10; G. C. Conner \$10; Wm. Collier \$2,50; B. T. Barkley \$5; A. Bevis \$5; C. Smith paid, \$5; J. Mercer paid, 50c.; Tho's. Barnes \$20; J. Mercer \$5; W. B. Lacy \$5; W. W. Boykin \$5; T. S. Dew \$5; C. N. Hartsfield \$20; Mrs. H. Pope \$10; G. W. Underwood \$5; S. Rowe \$5; J. P. Collier \$10; P. J. Roebuck \$5; T. M. Stribling \$10; Jno. D. Brantley \$5.

FOR APALACHICOLA CHURCH.

W. B. Lacy \$10; Tho's. Barnes \$10; D. P. Everett \$10; C. N. Hartsfield \$10; Sarah Barnes \$10; Wm. Butler \$10; F. T. Allen \$10; J. A. Callier \$10; Wm. Sorey \$10; A. Bevis \$2; W. P. L. Horn \$10; A. J. Sims \$10; Wm. M. Davis, paid, \$5.

FOR ANTIOCH CHURCH.

G. C. Conner, paid \$5; J. A. Collier \$5; J. P. Noll, paid, \$10; T. Barnes \$5; E. Cody \$5; D. P. Everett \$10; W. W. Boykin \$5; E. Q. Barnes \$5; F. S. Allen \$5.

RECAPILATION.—The Association made up by subscription for benevolent and Missionary purposes the followeing amounts, namely:

For the Southern Baptist School Union,	\$375.
For the Western Mission,	283.
For the Apalachicola Church,	117.
For the Antioch Church,	55.

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