

1893 FBC annual

The report on deceased ministers was read and adopted after being spoken to by Brethren Geiger, Porter, Hull, Rennolds, Sr., Dye, Sheffield, MacGregor, Chaudoin and Hillman.

ON DECEASED MINISTERS.

During the past year, six of our ministers have died: S. T. Stanaland and H. H. Ballard, of Marion county; Geo. W. Miller, of Escambia county and Paul Willis, of Levy county.

Elders Stanaland, Ballard and Miller were old men and had served their Master long and faithfully. Rev Paul Willis was in his 40th year, and was one of the most useful ministers in the State.

While we mourn the loss of these brethren beloved, and especially the last, as he was just in the flower of his manhood and usefulness, yet we bow to the Divine Providence which has removed them to a higher sphere of service, rejoice in the hope of meeting them again in the "sweet and bye and bye."

We respectfully recommend that a page of the minutes of this Convention be dedicated to their memory.

Rev. A. Robertson, of Parish, Fla., also closed a long and useful life during the year, but we have been unable to learn any of the particulars of his life or the time of his death.

Rev. W. D. Hires also died at DeLand, Fla., July 22d, 1892, 80 years of age. He was a good pastor, a good preacher, and a sheaf fully ripe for harvest.

L. D. GEIGER, Ch'm.

The order for preaching at 7 p. m. this evening was revoked, in order to finish the business of the Convention.

After prayer by P. W. Corr, the Convention adjourned.