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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
SIXTIETH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
BAPTIST
STATE CONVENTION

OF ALABAMA,

1883,

HELD WITH THE

MARION BAPTIST CHURCH,

JULY 11-15, 1883.

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Selma, Ala.

BENJ. B. DAVIS, SECRETARY,

Montgomery, Ala.

The next session of the Convention will be held with the Tuskaloosa Baptist Church, Tuskaloosa, Ala., on Friday before the third Sabbath in July, 1884.

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BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF ALABAMA.

HON. JON. HARALSON, *President*, Selma, Alabama.

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Ministerial Education Board—E. B. Teague, Chairman; W. P. Welch, E. J. Forrester, Jno. L. West, E. T. Winkler.

STANDING COMMITTEES TO REPORT NEXT YEAR.

Sabbath Schools—E. W. North, Chairman; W. G. Robertson, C. A. Gunn, H. G. B. Ray, Porter King, I. R. Eskew.

Evangelization of Colored Race—J. H. Curry, Chairman; J. H. Foster, A. J. Slaughter, J. M. Simpson.

Foreign Missions—W. O. Bailey, Chairman; D. P. Goodhue, T. W. Hart, J. E. Welch, D. D. McDavid.

Home Missions—T. H. Stout, Chairman; W. G. Curry, J. L. Thompson, A. M. Perry, Ira R. Foster.

Education—R. Frazer, Chairman; M. M. Wamboldt, W. M. Blackwelder, A. J. Brooks, W. D. Fonville.

Temperance—I. W. Lawler, Chairman; W. B. Crumpton, J. H. Fendley, A. R. Scarborough, C. S. Johnson, J. G. McCaskey.

To Prepare Programme for Next Convention—A. B. Woodfin, Chairman; B. B. Davis, W. B. Davidson, T. L. Jones, T. M. Bailey.

MINUTES
OF THE
SIXTIETH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF ALABAMA.

1. The Baptist State Convention of Alabama assembled in its Sixtieth Annual Session, with the Siloam Baptist Church, at Marion, Ala., commencing on Wednesday, the 11th day of July, 1883, and at 10 o'clock, A. M., was called to order by the President, Jonathan Haralson, of Selma, Benj. B. Davis, of Montgomery, Secretary.

2. After singing the hymn,
" I love Thy kingdom, Lord,"

and reading selections of Scripture from 67th Psalm, 12th Romans, I. Cor., 13th, the Convention was led in prayer by A. W. Chambliss, of Missouri.

3. After the President had called attention to the basis of representation,

4. In response to the invitation of the President, the following were seated as delegates :

FROM ASSOCIATIONS :

Alabama—E. F. Baber, J. M. Fortune, L. G. Skipper, H. W. Caffey.

Arbacoochee—No representation.

Bethel—J. W. Dickinson, W. A. Parker, J. H. Creighton, J. H. Fendley, P. C. Drew, L. M. Bradley, R. M. Hunter, F. M. Dunaway, J. B. Perkins, L. S. Fox.

Bethlehem—J. E. Bell. — 1, 3

Big Bear Creek—No representation.

Bigbee—A. R. Scarborough, J. D. Cook, A. D. Fortner, J. R. Larkin, J. G. Harris, W. T. Simmons, J. E. White, W. H. Lewis, P. B. Brown.

Boiling Spring—No representation.

Cahaba—A. J. Ivey. — 2

Cahaba Valley—J. A. Glenn, J. S. E. Robinson.

Canaan—No representation. ✓ /

Carey—No representation.

Cedar Bluff—Jas. F. Edens.

Centennial—J. O. Hixson, A. J. Slaughter, Wm. O'Neill, J. S. Dill.

Central—No representation.

Cherokee—No representation.

Clear Creek—No representation.

Coosa River—S. Henderson, W. Wilkes, J. C. Wright, E. T. Smyth, W. S. Griffin.

Elim—H. G. B. Ray, J. G. McCaskey, D. D. McDavid.

Eufaula—J. O. Hixson, Isaac P. Cheney, J. A. B. Besson, W. S. Rogers,

Seth Mabry.

East Harmony—Not represented.

West Harmony—Not represented.

Indian Creek—Not represented.

Judson—Not represented.

Liberty (East)—C. S. Johnson, W. M. Blackwelder.

Liberty (North)—Not represented.

Liberty (South-west)—Not represented.

Macedonia—Not represented.

Mount Carmel—Ira R. Foster, Jno. M. Simpson.

Montgomery—Not represented. — ✓

Mud Creek—Not represented.

Mobile Baptist Union—G. B. Eager.

Mulberry—Not represented.

Muscle Shoals—Jos. Shackelford, J. I. Stockton, C. W. Hare, J. E. Her-ring.

New River—J. H. Huckabee, F. M. Caine. — 4

Newton—Not represented.

North River—J. W. Rogers, J. W. Stewart.

Pea River—Not represented.

Pine Barren—W. G. Curry, Jno. Purifoy, D. D. Jones, J. B. McWilliams, C. J. Knight, D. W. Ramsey, J. W. Purifoy.

Rock Mill—Not represented.

Salem—W. M. Wamboldt, Jno. P. Hubbard, T. H. Stout, J. M. Green.

Sandy Creek—Not represented.

Shelby—E. B. Teague, C. W. O'Hara, E. W. North.

South-Eastern—Not represented.

Sulphur Springs—Not represented.

Tallahpoosa River—Not represented.

Tallahatchee and Ten Island—Not represented.

Tennessee River—A. F. Dix.

Tuscaloosa—T. M. Barbour, J. M. Phillips, A. K. Yancey, J. G. Lowry, J. H. Foster, J. T. Yerby, J. S. Yerby.

Tuskegee—G. D. Benton, T. W. Hart.

Union—J. H. Curry, Jno. C. Foster, W. G. Robertson, N. Cobb.

Unity—J. Falkner, W. N. Huckabee, H. W. Watson, A. J. Brooks.

Warrior River—Not represented.

Yellow Creek—Not represented.

Zion—J. F. Jones.

FROM CHURCHES :

Alpine—J. E. Welch, S. Henderson.

Bethel (Marengo Co.)—P. C. Drew.

Bethel (Lowndes)—F. C. Plaister, D. P. Goodhue, C. A. Gunn.

Bethel (Bibb)—N. H. Thompson, J. D. James, J. P. Harris.

Bethany—A. Edwards.

- Bethabara*—J. W. Stewart.
Birmingham, First—W. O. Bailey, C. T. Hardman, G. G. Miles, A. B. Green, B. Manly Lide.
Centre Ridge—J. M. McIver.
Christian Valley—J. R. Larkin.
Clayton—T. H. Stout, Seth Mabry.
Concord (Dallas)—J. T. Caine, J. R. Caine, J. M. Thomas.
Concord (Perry)—Jno. S. Bolling, J. M. Waters.
Deep Creek—W. H. DeWitt, W. N. Nichols, C. J. Miles.
Eufaula—J. A. B. Besson, J. E. Chambliss.
Evergreen—B. F. Riley, C. S. Rabb, W. R. Sawyer.
Fellowship—W. L. Fagan, B. F. Gray, J. T. Carroll, W. A. Bishop.
Gainesville—F. M. Hendon.
Glennville—Isaac P. Cheney.
Georgiana—J. E. Bell.
Jephzibah (Perry)—H. F. Haggard.
Livingston—A. D. Fortner, J. G. Harris, P. B. Brown, J. J. Altman.
Midway (Montgomery)—Wm. O'Neill.
Midway (Bullock)—W. S. Rogers.
Montgomery, First—A. B. Woodfin, B. B. Davis.
Mountain Creek—J. Falkner.
Mobile, St. Francis Street—G. B. Eager.
Mount Moriah—A. Rolen, A. A. Hogan, Jno. Goodson, Wm. Goodson.
Mt. Gilead—A. M. Perry.
Mt. Pisgah—J. E. Herring.
Mt. Zion—J. O. Hixson.
Montevallo—W. C. Cleveland, E. W. North.
Neobern—J. W. Edmonds.
Opelika—Z. D. Roby.
Oxford—J. C. Wright, E. T. Smyth.
Pisgah—W. W. Smith.
Plantersville—W. N. Huckabee.
Providence—W. B. Crumpton, B. F. Ellis, F. D. Dulbose, J. F. Averyt.
Ramer—Jas. L. Sampey, Jno. R. Sampey.
Ruhama—R. W. Beck, W. H. Smith.
Rehoboth—J. D. Cook.
Siloam—R. Frazer, J. T. Murfee, T. J. Dill, W. H. Lovelace, T. M. Bailey.
Selma—H. A. Haralson, H. S. D. Mallory, I. R. Eskew, J. W. Stillwell, E. J. Forrester.
Scale—J. A. Howard.
Sardis—Jno. G. Lowry.
Shiloh—W. E. Clark.
Steep Creek—W. P. Bullock.
Tuskaloosa—A. K. Yancey, W. D. Fonville, Jno. W. Craddock.
Troy—M. M. Wamboldt, Jno. P. Hubbard.
Tuskegee—T. W. Hart.
Tallulega—L. W. Lawler.
Town Creek—J. M. Fortune.
Union Springs—A. J. Slaughter, S. B. Foster, J. M. Dill, J. S. Dill.
Union (Elmore)—J. L. Thompson.
Union (Hale)—R. D. Redding, H. T. Stringfellow.
Verbena—A. J. Brooks.
Ann Hasseltine Society—W. T. McAllister.

LADIES' AID SOCIETIES :

Bethany (Lowndes)—E. F. Baber.
Evergreen—B. H. Crumpton.
Montevallo—W. C. Cleveland.
Town Creek—J. M. Fortune.
Selma—W. C. Ward.

5. LIFE MEMBERS.

T. M. BAILEY,	J. B. DAVIS,	S. H. FOWLKES,
E. FAGAN,	J. FALKNER,	J. C. FOSTER,
JON. HARALSON,	S. HENDERSON,	D. S. HOGUE,
R. C. KEEDLE,	PORTER KING,	J. H. LEE,
L. W. LAWLER,	J. B. LOVELACE,	E. B. TEAGUE,
H. W. WATSON,	W. WILKES,	E. T. WINKLER,
A. B. WOODFIN,	W. C. CLEVELAND,	

6. An election by ballot was then had, J. M. Fortune and J. A. B. Besson acting as tellers, when Jonathan Haralson, of Selma, was re-elected President, and Benj. B. Davis, of Montgomery, was re-elected Secretary; and on motion, the following brethren having received a majority of the ballots cast, were unanimously elected: W. C. Cleveland, First Vice President; E. T. Winkler, Second Vice President.

7. The President thanked the Convention for the compliment of re-election for the ninth time.

8. E. F. Baber was then appointed Assistant Secretary.

9. E. T. Winkler, the Pastor of Marion Church, welcomed the Convention, to which, at the request of the President,

10. S. Henderson made response.

11. The following were received as correspondents from other bodies:

From the Baptist State Convention of Tennessee—T. C. Teasdale.
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary—B. Manly.
Georgia Baptist Convention—M. H. Lane.
Mississippi Baptist State Convention—D. I. Purser.
Missouri Baptist State Convention—A. W. Chambliss.
Home Mission Board Southern Baptist Convention—I. T. Tichenor.

12. Correspondents appointed:

To Georgia Baptist Convention—T. H. Stout, J. F. Edens, B. B. Davis, E. B. Teague, J. L. Thompson, S. Henderson, J. O. Hixson.
Mississippi Baptist Convention, next year—B. H. Crumpton, B. F. Riley, A. K. Yancey.
Tennessee Baptist Convention—Jos. Shackelford, J. M. Simpson, J. I. Stockton, W. S. Simpson, Ira R. Foster, J. M. Phillips.

13. The Eighth Annual Report of the State Mission Board, as also their *Financial Report*, and the *Associational Financial Report*, were severally read by T. M. Bailey, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, and severally referred to a committee consisting of G. B. Eager, E. F. Baber, J. B. Huckabee, B. F. Ellis and J. F. Edens.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE MISSION BOARD.

With grateful acknowledgments to Almighty God for His abundant mercies, the State Mission Board submit their Annual Report :

During the Conventional year death has claimed as his prey one of our most faithful missionaries.

REV. Z. A. OWENS,

Missionary Pastor at Pensacola, fell at his post last October, a victim to yellow fever. He was a faithful minister of Jesus Christ. He now rests from his labors, and his works do follow him.

DIFFUSION OF MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

Early in the Conventional year, 2000 copies of an address containing missionary facts and setting forth the aims of the Board, were scattered widely among our people. Thousands of missionary tracts and leaflets, and 20,000 pages of tracts on giving to the cause of Christ, have been sent forth on their mission. In addition to the above, 2,100 copies of the Foreign Journal have been sent gratuitously to pastors and others. If these printed messengers have been read, our people must be acquainted with the missionary operations of the denomination. The good seed sown is already bearing fruit.

HOME AND FOREIGN BOARDS.

As your Board is the agent of these Boards, it is very gratifying to be able to report increased contributions to both. The increase to the Home Board over the year of last year is 150 per cent, and to the Foreign Board 25 per cent. More churches have contributed to the work committed to these Boards than ever before, and yet nineteen of our district Associations gave nothing to Foreign Missions during the year, and thirty nothing to Home Missions.

Brethren were appointed last fall to represent these Boards at our Associations, and were furnished with facts in reference to their work.

STATE MISSIONS.

This work has been prosecuted during the year to the fullest extent of our ability, and the means we have been enabled to gather up from the churches. At your last annual meeting we reported forty-one men in the employ of the Board; for the year just closed we report forty-eight who have been in your service for the whole or a part of the year.

Some of these brethren have labored, as missionary pastors, with weak churches located at central points which it is important to build up; some of them as evangelists in Associations where evangelistic work is demanded, whilst others have bestowed their labors in destitute regions. Fifteen of them have been engaged in colportage work, in connection with preaching the gospel.

In thirty towns and villages, and in one hundred and fifteen country places in forty-two of our counties, your missionaries have preached regularly during the year.

Nor have their labors been in vain. The organization of twenty-one churches, and the baptism of two hundred and sixty-two persons, show that the Divine favor has rested upon them and upon their work. In no year since the organization of the Board have the results of the energies put forth been so grand.

SUMMARY OF WORK.

Number of Missionaries.....	48
Days of actual service.....	7,160
Miles traveled.....	55,197
Sermons delivered.....	3,127
Addresses delivered.....	892
Churches constituted.....	21
Baptized.....	262
Baptized by others in connection with the labors of the missionaries..	340
Received by letter.....	349
Restored.....	50
Sunday Schools organized.....	62
Sunday School addresses delivered.....	207
Ladies' Missionary Societies organized.....	7
Pages of Tracts distributed.....	30,074
Visits to Churches.....	516
Preaching Stations without Churches.....	115
Visits to Preaching Stations.....	1,101
Subscribers to ALABAMA BAPTIST secured.....	130
Religious visits made.....	6,923
Prayer meetings held.....	670
Letters written by the missionaries in the interest of the work.....	421

While these figures exhibit the most gratifying results, yet figures fail to tell the amount of good accomplished. Eternity alone can reveal that.

BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE WORK.

We are glad to be able to report that decided progress has been made in this department of labor. Efforts were made during the year to secure permanent funds, of \$100 00 each, to be named after some faithful servant of God, who has passed away, or after some one who still abides with us, and to be used as a capital to operate with. Fifteen such funds have been raised in cash and subscriptions. All of them are not yet paid up, but the balances due will be forthcoming in the fall. Fifteen of our brethren have been engaged in the colportage work, in connection with preaching the gospel. Their labors have extended into forty counties. They have sold during the year 4,923 books, valued at \$1,844 42; 1,151 hymn books, valued at \$199 65; 506 Bibles, valued at \$683 12, and 785 Testaments, valued at \$115 05. They have given away to poor families 120 Bibles, valued at \$30 00, and 565 Testaments, valued at \$38 18. Total of sales and grants 7,950 books and pamphlets, valued at \$2,910 42.

We are profoundly thankful to God for what has been accomplished in this department of the work committed to us. But the work must be extended into every county in our State. This can be done by increased contributions to State Missions, and by enlarging our permanent colportage fund to \$3,000 00. Experience shows that missionary and colportage work can be carried on successfully together.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Every missionary of the Board is instructed to give particular attention to the encouragement of this work, and to labor for the establishment of Baptist Sunday Schools wherever it is practicable. That they are not unmindful of these

instructions is evidenced by the fact that they have delivered, during the year, two hundred and seven Sunday School addresses, and organized sixty-two schools. But whilst this work is not being neglected by our people, and whilst scores of schools are being organized every year, yet we doubt if there is that sacred, prayerful enthusiasm in this work that should characterize the training of our children and youths for God's service. It is an alarming fact, which your Board feels, that whilst we must have over one thousand Baptist Sunday Schools in Alabama, yet only twenty-four of them have sent contributions to the Board, during the year, for benevolent purposes. Only \$315 25 from all our schools, and over one-half this amount from two schools, Selma and Marion. Only this small amount from the thousands of children and youths who are gathered, every Lord's day, into our Sunday Schools, and from whom we are, by the grace of God, to draw our future church members! Can it be, that these thousands of youths who sit every Lord's day under Christian instruction, are not trained to give something to the cause of God; or, if taught to give, have their gifts been returned to them in books and papers? If we would have the future members of our church to be liberal in the things of Christ, more heed must be given to the cultivation of the spirit of benevolence in our Sunday Schools.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

With the awakening of our churches to greater earnestness in the Master's cause, there is a corresponding demand for an intelligent ministry. The question of godly, cultivated men to fill our many vacant pulpits, and occupy inviting mission fields, stares us in the face as never before. The supply we can procure from other States is by no means equal to the demand. There are scores of young men in our State who, in answer to the prayers of God's people for more laborers to be sent into the harvest, are ready to say: "Here am I, send me." Are we doing our duty to these young men? We fear not. Apart from what was given for the endowment of our Theological Seminary, we find only \$837 74 given for ministerial education during the year. The denomination should see to it, that every young man who gives satisfactory evidence that he is called of God to preach the gospel, is aided in securing an education *from that point beyond which he is unable to help himself.*

EVANGELIZATION OF THE COLORED PEOPLE.

Nothing has been done in this vast and important field during the year. The results of the past efforts of the Board were not such as would induce our people to make contributions for the work. Your Board, however, feels that there is an increasing desire on the part of our colored brethren that we should labor among them. At our quarterly meeting, in April, a committee of the State Mission Board of their Convention met with us, with a view to securing co-operation with them in their work. They ask us to assume the support of their Corresponding Secretary. We think that either this should be done, or that we should undertake the support of a suitable white brother, to hold institutes for the instruction of their preachers, deacons and Sunday School teachers.

CHURCH BUILDINGS.

At Anniston a very neat and substantial house of worship has been erected, under the direction of our missionary, Rev. E. T. Smyth. About \$250 00 is sorely needed, to lift a debt resting on it.

At Decatur, the house of worship gotten under way by our missionary, Dr. David, has been finished, and, a few days ago, was dedicated to the service of God.

At Goodwater, through the untiring efforts of our missionary, Rev. R. A. J. Cumbie, a house of worship is about completed.

At St. Stephens, Washington county, the young church under the care of Rev. G. M. Parker, missionary pastor, has just entered its new house.

At Linden, Marengo county, Rev. F. H. McGill is pushing forward towards completion a new church building.

At a station in Mobile county, occupied by our missionary, Rev. L. Norris, a church is being erected.

At Pensacola Junction, through the untiring labors of a noble Christian woman, Mrs. Clifton, a house of worship was built; but, alas, it was leveled to the ground by a storm a few weeks ago.

At many of our mission stations the cause of our Master is hindered in its progress by the want of suitable church buildings.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Your Board continued the same "Central Committee on Woman's Work" as was in office last year, with Mrs. E. J. Forrester as chairman.

The Committee reports as follows: "Last fall the Central Committee, besides pursuing its previous course of direct addresses to ladies who were members of churches in which there existed no Missionary Society. Wherever the names of such ladies could be secured, attempted to secure in each Association some sister who would undertake to prosecute the work of the Committee in her Association. In a very few Associations the work was thus undertaken, and in a few other Associations committees of ladies were appointed by the Associations themselves. The result of our much labor has apparently been very small. Only forty-five Societies have, up to date, reported to us. This shows an increase of eleven for the year just closed. There are doubtless other Societies organized that have not reported to the Central Committee."

Of the above Societies thirty-six have sent contributions to the Board for missions amounting to \$594 10.

FINANCIAL OUTLOOK.

At the opening of the Conventional year your Board, in its annual circular, asked the denomination for \$12,000, for State Missions. This circular was extensively circulated among the Associations, and the suggestions it contained were endorsed by a majority of them. We have spared no efforts to realize this amount, and yet we have fallen short of it. This embarrasses the Board; for although it contracts no debts, yet the uncertainty of its income prevents it from making definite contracts with its employees, which is to be greatly deplored. If the work were put on a cash basis the good results would soon be apparent. A special contribution of \$1500 above what the churches are now giving, would accomplish this desirable end; and it would enable the Board to secure the services of ministerial students during their vacation, the tendency of which would be to settle them as pastors in our own State, when their school days were over. Cannot this \$1500 be raised, by a special effort? It is for the Convention to determine whether or not, it can.

If the work is to be extended, enlarged contributions must be forthcoming. Forty Associations have contributed, during the year, to the work of the Board, leaving thirteen that have made no contributions.

CONCLUSION.

Eight years ago, at the meeting of this Convention in Huntsville, your State Mission Board was organized. At that time the missionary spirit in our churches was low. A large number of them were giving nothing for the extension of Christ's kingdom in the world. To arouse our people from this sinful lethargy was no easy task. It called for an amount of labor and self-denial of which but few have any conception.

Whilst we deeply regret that more has not been done, during these eight years, for the Master's cause, yet we are thankful that He has not withheld his blessing. Forty of our Associations are now in active co-operation with the Board. More pastors are preaching about missions, and more of our people are giving to missions than ever before.

It may be well to give a summary of what has been accomplished by this Board during the last eight years:

There has been 36,629 days of actual service, equal to the labor of one man for 98 years; 18,230 sermons and addresses delivered; 2,549 baptisms; 776 received by letter; 148 restored; 76 churches constituted; 1,006 Sunday Schools organized; 27 Ladies' Missionary Societies organized; 18,357 religious visits made; 2,120 subscribers to THE ALABAMA BAPTIST secured; 38,649 pages of tracts distributed; 251,201 miles traveled; 13,127 books sold, valued at \$6,770 47. The work done has cost the denomination \$63,113 32.

For what has been accomplished we would "thank God and take courage." At the same time let us remember that we have only made a beginning in this great work. There are many centres of influence in our State where the churches are weak, and they must be helped. There are towns springing up along our railroads in which churches must be planted. There are thirteen Associations that are contributing nothing for missions, and they must be labored with. The masses of our people in the rural districts must not be overlooked. As one has well said, "These country fields grow the preaching timber."

The State Mission work is the basis of all our work. Let it be properly fostered, in its natural relations to all our other enterprises, and another eight years' history will make our cause to rejoice and blossom as the rose. A Baptist church in every town and in every neighborhood of our State, expending its energies in bringing the world to Christ, is that for which your Board labors. Brethren, let Christ's love in our hearts cause us to arise and possess this land, for we are able.

Your Board suggests that we raise, next Conventional year, the following amounts:

For State Missions.....	\$12,000 00
For Home Missions.....	5,000 00
For Foreign Missions.....	5,000 00
For Evangelization of the Colored People.....	1,000 00
For Ministerial Education.....	2,500 00

The following resolution was passed at the last meeting of the Board, and ordered to be incorporated in the annual report:

"Inasmuch as confusion and embarrassment have resulted to the Board, in some instances, in some of the Associations, by paying money over to missionaries at the annual meetings of Associations, and not through this Board, we beg to call attention to the matter, and to urge that funds be sent directly to the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, as without it we are unable to prosecute the work satisfactorily, and with that system and order so essential to effectiveness.

T. M. BAILEY,

Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

Financial Report of the State Mission Board for the Conventional Year of 1882-83.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR STATE MISSIONS.

To amount received from all sources.....	\$8,854 35
By cash to T. M. Bailey, Corresponding Secretary, balance of last year's salary	\$ 300 27
By cash paid missionaries.....	6,436 16
" pro rata for Convention Minutes.....	54 65

By cash for printing.....	16	85	
" loss on mutilated coin.....	1	04	
" cash for stationery.....	7	14	
" exp. on money received.....	1	40	
" exchange.....	20	50	
" postage.....	52	76	
" telegrams.....	1	65	
" office rent, fuel, etc.....	50	75	
" traveling expenses of Corresponding Secretary.....	287	75	
" salary of Corresponding Secretary.....	1,500	00	
" cash in hand.....	114	43	8,854 35

To balance.....\$ 114 43

HOME MISSIONS.

To amount received from all sources.....		\$2,442	00
By cash to the Corresponding Secretary.....	\$2,410	40	
" " in hand.....	31	60	\$2,442 00
To balance.....	\$	31	60

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To amount received from all sources.....		\$2,497	24
By cash to Dr. Tupper.....	\$2,474	99	
" " in hand.....	22	25	\$2,497 24
To balance.....	\$	22	25

BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE WORK.

To books on hand last Convention.....	\$	451	81
" due bill of Rev. K. Taylor.....		26	94
" cash on hand.....		19	10
" contributions from churches.....		67	00
" books donated by Am. Baptist Pub. Society...		150	00
" amount for books for Ministers.....		41	44

PERMANENT FUNDS—

From Sunday School First Church, Montgomery..	100	00	
S. Henderson fund.....	75	00	
Mountain Creek Church fund.....	100	00	
Bigbee Association.....	63	50	
J. H. Foster.....	55	00	
J. F. Bledsoe.....	55	50	
W. J. Parker.....	56	50	
D. Lee.....	75	50	
Alex. Travis.....	67	00	
W. S. Lloyd.....	79	90	
P. H. Lundy.....	83	25	
J. S. Paullin.....	100	10	
Matt. P. Smith.....	67	55	
Jno. Dennis.....	37	10	
A. J. Waldrop.....	27	00	
S. W. Liberty Associat'n.....	80	00	\$1,889 19

By books in hands of Colporteurs.....	\$	1,190	93
" " Corresponding Secretary.....		239	25
" due bill of Rev. K. Taylor.....		26	94
" cash to Rev. P. Armstrong.....		20	00

By " for Convention Minutes.....	4 80	
" " to Dr. Tupper for books	50 00	
" boxes, wrapping paper, etc.	7 40	
" freight, drayage and express.....	71 72	
" exchange	2 94	
" printing.....	2 50	
" loss on books returned.....	4 65	
" books to three ministers.....	41 44	
" Bibles and Testaments given away.....	63 58	
" cash on hand to meet bills.....	163 04	\$1,889 19

CHURCH BUILDING FUNDS.

To amount received from all sources.....		\$1,869 87
By cash to W. N. Chaudoin, Florida	\$ 10 00	
" " B. F. Riley, for Opelika.....	78 50	
" " J. H. Whitfield, Mississippi.....	7 66	
" " F. C. David, for Decatur.....	25 00	
" " W. Upshaw, for Eclectic.....	2 00	
" " Mrs. N. A. Bailey, Florida.....	4 00	
" " for mission station in Mobile County.....	500 00	
" " to J. M. Phillips, Tuscaloosa.....	10 00	
" " Bro. Tyree, Amhurst, Va.....	25 00	
" " for Goodwater.....	235 85	
" " to N. F. Miles, Birmingham.....	28 00	
" " Dr. Teasdale, for Decatur.....	212 86	
" " E. T. Smyth, for Anniston.....	478 65	
" " F. H. McGill, for Linden.....	232 00	
" " E. T. Smyth, Anniston.....	5 15	
" " Dr. Shackelford, Decatur.....	50	
" " Dr. Teasdale, for Decatur.....	10 20	
" " N. F. Miles, for Birmingham.....	4 50	\$1,869 87.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

To amount received from all sources.....		\$ 2,312 51
By cash to Midway Academy for E. W. Smith, ministerial student	\$ 148 00	
By cash sent to Theological Seminary.....	1,294 47	
" " to students of Howard College.....	95 54	
" " to Prof. T. J. Dill, Treas. of Faculty.....	379 80	
" " to P. C. Drew for Brethren Bradley and Hunter, ministerial students.....	170 00	
" " to Dr. Shackelford.....	81 00	
" " <i>Pro rata</i> for Convention Minutes	7 40	
" " to J. B. Lovelace on endowment fund of Howard College.....	22 00	
" " in hand subject to the call of the Executive Committee of Eufaula Association.....	99 30	
" " in hand.....	15 00	\$2,312 51
To balance.....	\$ 114 30	

INDIGENT MINISTERS.

To amount received from all sources.....		\$ 196 88
By cash to Dr. Brown's family.....	\$ 62 40	
" " L. B. Harbin.....	24 00	
" " A. J. Hardin.....	5 25	
" " James Allen.....	2 00	

By " J. G. Harris for.....	5 00	
" " Bro.	10 00	
" " paid in New River Association.....	20 25	
" " Bro.	5 00	
" " in hand.....	62 98	\$ 196 88

To balance.....\$ 62 98

MONTEREY (MEXICO) CHURCH BUILDING.

To amount received.....		\$ 20 00
By cash in hand.....	\$ 20 00	20 00

YELLOW FEVER SUFFERERS.

To amount received from all sources.....		\$ 102 95
By cash to Z. A. Owens, Pensacola.....	\$ 37 50	
" " W. S. Brown, ".....	65 45	102 95

COLORED SCHOOL, SELMA.

To amount received.....		\$ 9 00
By cash to W. R. Pettiford.....	\$ 9 00	9 00

EVANGELIZATION OF COLORED PEOPLE.

To balance on hand last Convention.....	\$ 34 02	
" contributions received.....	6 81	\$ 40 83
By cash to C. O. Booth.....	\$ 34 02	
" " in hand.....	6 81	40 83

AMERICAN AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

To amount received.....		\$ 34 15
By cash to Dr. Teasdale.....	\$ 34 15	34 15

RECAPITULATION.

To amount for State Missions.....	\$ 8,854 35
" " Home Missions.....	2,442 00
" " Foreign Missions.....	2,497 24
" " Bible and colportage work.....	1,889 19
" " Church Buildings.....	1,869 87
" " Ministerial Education.....	2,312 51
" " Indigent Ministers.....	196 88
" " Monterey (Mexico) church building.....	20 00
" " Yellow Fever sufferers.....	102 95
" " Colored school, Selma.....	9 00
" " Evangelization of colored people.....	40 83
" " American and Foreign Bible Society.....	34 15

\$20,268 97

T. M. BAILEY,

Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

This is to certify, that I have this day examined the foregoing accounts of T. M. Bailey, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer of the State Mission Board of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, and find the same correct, and supported by proper vouchers.

A. J. GOODWIN, *Auditor.*

SELMA, ALA., July 3, 1883.

ASSOCIATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE STATE MISSION BOARD, FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR 1882-1883.

Associations are numbered according to Contributions per capita, beginning with the highest.

1. Churches Mobile Baptist Union—Contributions per capita, \$1 92.

State Missions.....	\$603 20	Home Missions.....	\$ 370 50
Foreign Missions.....	245 50	Church building.....	540 00
		Total.....	\$1,759 20

2. Eufaula—Per capita, 95c.

State Missions.....	\$392 06	Home Missions.....	\$ 84 50
Foreign Missions.....	97 55	Theological Seminary.....	0 00
Ministerial education, Howard College and other schools...	507 00	Colportage work.....	107 95
Indigent Ministers.....	36 20	Church buildings.....	103 75
		Colored schools.....	9 00
		Total.....	\$1,347 01

3. Centennial—Per capita, 94.3c.

State Missions.....	\$285 94	Home Missions.....	\$101 33
Foreign Missions.....	105 83	Colportage work.....	5 00
Church buildings.....	5 00	Indigent Ministers.....	32 00
Monterey (Mex.) church.....	15 00		
		Total.....	\$550 10

4. Tuskegee—Per capita, 56c.

State Missions.....	\$740 60	Home Missions.....	\$ 36 47
Foreign Missions.....	57 75	Theological Seminary.....	10 50
Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....	20 00	Colportage work.....	70 00
Indigent Ministers.....	14 30	Church buildings.....	15 10
		Yellow fever sufferers.....	65 45
		Total.....	\$1,038 92

5. Cahaba—Per capita, 43c.

State Missions.....	\$606 04	Home Missions.....	\$ 85 91
Foreign Missions.....	257 28	Ministerial ed'n, Howard C. and other schools.....	2 50
Colportage work.....	57 10		
Church buildings.....	75 21		
		Total.....	\$1,114 94

6. Liberty (East)—Per capita, 40c.

State Missions.....	\$435 70	Home Missions.....	\$ 274 30
Foreign Missions.....	183 90	Ministerial ed'n, Howard C. and other schools.....	38 00
Colportage work.....	55 50		
Yellow fever sufferers.....	37 50		
		Total.....	\$1,024 90

7. Montgomery—Per capita, 39c.

State Missions.....	\$159 60	Home Missions.....	\$130 17
Foreign Missions.....	144 30	Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....	6 65
Colportage work.....	83 25	Indigent Ministers.....	1 00
Church buildings.....	29 25		
		Total.....	\$584 22

8. Bigbee—Per capita, 34c.

State Missions.....	\$221 85	Home Missions.....	\$ 61 08
Foreign Missions.....	50 28	Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....	29 10
Colportage work.....	64 00	Evangelization col'd people...	4 00
Indigent Ministers.....	10 33		
A. & F. Bible Society.....	12 00		
		Total.....	\$452 64

9. Bethel—Per capita, 32.3c.

State Missions.....	\$242 96	Home Missions.....	\$ 75 14
Foreign Missions.....	86 90	Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....	170 00
Colportage work.....	70 65	Indigent Ministers.....	5 00
Church buildings.....	211 90		
Evangelization col'd people...	1 45		
		Total.....	\$364 00

10. Pine Barren—Per capita, 32c.

State Missions.....	\$254 40	Home Missions.....	\$ 95 40
Foreign Missions.....	123 45	Colportage work.....	20 00
Indigent Ministers.....	2 45		
		Total.....	\$495 70

11. Alabama—Per capita, 31c.

State Missions.....	\$277 60	Home Missions.....	\$129 25
Foreign Missions.....	145 20	Theological Seminary.....	5 00
Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....	50 70	Endowment Howard College.	22 00
Church buildings.....	16 85	Colportage work.....	75 50
		Indigent Ministers.....	17 75
		Total.....	\$739 85

12. Tuscaloosa—Per capita, 28c.

State Missions.....	\$226 78	Home Missions.....	\$ 66 11
Foreign Missions.....	90 56	Colportage work.....	55 00
Church buildings.....	7 00	Indigent Ministers.....	24 00
		Total.....	\$469 45

13. Unity—Per capita, 27c.

State Missions.....	\$233 65	Home Missions.....	\$ 49 05
Foreign Missions.....	23 55	Colportage work.....	100 00
Church buildings.....	10 00		
		Total.....	\$416 25

14. Union—Per capita, 26c.

State Missions.....	\$171 85	Home Missions.....	\$104 53
Foreign Missions.....	65 97	Theological Seminary.....	50
Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....	16 00	Colportage work.....	67 55
		Total.....	\$426 40

15. Liberty (Southwest)—Per capita, 24c.

State Missions.....	\$241 50	Foreign Missions.....	\$ 21 02
Colportage work.....	80 00		
		Total.....	\$342 52

16. Elim—Per capita, 22c.

State Missions.....	\$239 55	Total.....	\$239 55
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17. Canaan—Per capita, 21c.

State Missions.....	\$135 90	Home Missions.....	\$ 24 20
Foreign Missions.....	27 55	Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....	49 04
Colportage work.....	27 00	Evangalization col'd people...	1 36
Church buildings.....	33 00		
A. & F. Bible Society.....	4 00		
		Total	\$302 05

18. Muscle Shoals—Per capita, 18c.

State Missions.....	\$393 95	Home Missions.....	\$ 35 92
Foreign Missions.....	42 53	Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....	81 00
Church buildings.....	5 00		
Indigent Ministers.....	8 50		
		Total.....	\$566 90

19. Salem—Per capita, 17.9c.

State Missions.....	\$144 55	Home Missions.....	\$ 66 77
Foreign Missions.....	72 08	Church buildings.....	17 26
Indigent Ministers.....	4 00		
		Total.....	\$304 66

20. Bethlehem—Per capita, 17c.

State Missions.....	\$220 55	Home Missions.....	\$ 30 20
Foreign Missions.....	53 10	Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....	1 00
Colportage work.....	67 00		
Indigent Ministers.....	10 10		
		Total.....	\$381 95

21. Coosa River—Per capita, 16.6c.

State Missions.....	\$163 70	Home Missions.....	\$147 50
Foreign Missions.....	108 00	Church buildings.....	67 50
		Total.....	\$486 70

22. Zion—Per capita, 16c.

State Missions.....	\$225 30	Total.....	\$225 30
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23. Judson—Per capita, 15c.

State Missions.....	\$293 16	Home Missions.....	\$ 50
Foreign Missions.....	6 50	Indigent Ministers.....	10 00
		Total.....	\$310 16

24. Tennessee River—Per capita, 12.93c.

State Missions.....	\$179 90	Foreign Missions.....	\$ 9 55
Church Buildings.....	4 20		
		Total.....	\$193 65

25. New River—Per capita, 12.56c.

State Missions.....	\$137 50	Indigent Ministers.....	\$ 20 25
		Total.....	\$157 75

26. Liberty (North)—Per capita, 12.4c.

State Missions.....	\$130 75	Foreign Missions.....	\$ 14 87
Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....	15 05	Church buildings.....	52 00
		A. & F. Bible Society.....	10 00
		Total.....	\$222 67

27. Warrior River—Per capita, 12c.

State Missions.....	\$150 70	Foreign Missions.....	\$ 6 00
Church Buildings.....	2 00		
		Total.....	\$158 75

28. Sulphur Springs—Per capita, 11.7c.		
State Missions.....	\$140 00	Total.....\$140 00
29. Tallapoosa River—Per capita, 06.7c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 55 00	Total.....\$ 55 00
30. Shelby—Per capita, 06.4c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 10 00	Ministerial ed'n, Howard Col. and other schools.....
Foreign Missions.....	32 75	
		Total.....\$ 52 75
31. Mt. Carmel—Per capita, 06c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 50 80	Foreign Missions.....\$ 5 00
		Total.....\$ 55 80
32. Newton—Per capita, 04.26c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 50 50	Foreign Missions.....\$ 20 35
		Total.....\$ 70 85
33. Cahaba Valley—Per capita, 04.22c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 70 50	Foreign Missions.....\$ 19 00
		Total.....\$ 89 50
34. Cedar Bluff—Per capita, 03.9c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 15 00	Home Missions.....\$ 8 75
Foreign Missions.....	14 99	A. & F. Bible Society..... 7 65
		Total.....\$ 46 30
35. Carey—Per capita, 03.5c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 12 60	Home Missions.....\$ 6 85
Foreign Missions.....	46 95	Total.....\$ 66 40
36. Central—Per capita, 03.2		
State Missions.....	\$ 5 00	Home Missions.....\$ 27 00
Foreign Missions.....	40 30	Total.....\$ 72 30
37. North River—Per capita, 03c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 13 75	Home Missions.....\$ 5 25
Foreign Missions.....	27 00	Total.....\$ 46 00
38. Harmony (West)—Per capita, 02c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 8 40	Total.....\$ 8 40
39. Mulberry—Per capita, 01.9c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 18 40	Foreign Missions.....\$ 12 00
		Total.....\$ 30 40
40. Tallaschatchee and Ten Island—Per capita, 01.9c.		
Home Missions.....	\$ 2 00	Foreign Missions.....\$ 30 95
		Total.....\$ 32 95
41. Sandy Creek—Per capita, 00.7c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 3 00	Total.....\$ 3 00

42. Arbacnoche—Per capita, 00.5c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 4 78	Foreign Missions.....\$ 77
		Total.....\$ 9 55
43. Cherokee—Per capita, 00.25c.		
State Missions.....	\$ 4 00	Total.....\$ 4 00
44. Big Bear Creek—No receipts.		
45. Clear Creek—No receipts.		
46. Harmony (East)—No receipts.		
47. Indian Creek—No receipts.		
48. Macedonia—No receipts.		
49. Mud Creek—No receipts.		
50. Pea River—No receipts.		
51. Rock Mills—No receipts.		
52. South-Eastern—No receipts.		
53. Yellow Creek—No receipts.		

T. M. BAILEY,

Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer S. M. B.

14. W. W. Wilkerson, President of the Board of Trustees of Howard College, read their report, which was, on motion, referred to a meeting of the Board of Trustees, to be held to-night.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HOWARD COLLEGE.

For more than a decade the material and financial condition of Howard College has steadily improved. The high grade of scholarship, close discipline, and rigid economy then inaugurated by your Board, have been persistently maintained. The financial results are, that the heavy indebtedness has been removed, the property been largely added to, thoroughly repaired, and all the buildings painted. While this was being accomplished, the internal administration of the College has been such as to develop an order of mental and moral culture that has caused our students to take the first positions in whatever vocations of life they have addressed themselves to.

There were one hundred and eighteen students in attendance during the past session. Of this number ten were Theological.

The Faculty are all Christian gentlemen, and have been faithful and untiring in their discharge of duty. They have all been retained for the ensuing year, with the exception of Prof. Lake, of the Preparatory Department, who has resigned. His position has been filled by the election of Prof. A. W. Van Hoose, who is a graduate of distinction from the University of Georgia, and has the highest recommendations from Chancellor Mell. He is now, and has been teaching in one of the State Institutions of Georgia with credit and success. We feel fortunate in securing his services.

The Military Department is growing in popularity and efficiency under the admirable administration of Col. A. F. Reidd. It not only serves to develop the physical strength and dignity of bearing of the young men, but is of vital interest to the internal administration of the College. One hour every day, after the scholastic duties are over, is devoted to drill. Notwithstanding it is optional with students in entering the military, nearly all of them join it.

The Theological Department has the warmest sympathy of your Board, and of the Faculty. Free tuition has always been tendered to Theological students, although the Convention, during its session at Troy, recommended that the churches and Associations should supply the tuition for ministerial students sent by them to the Institution, in order that the Faculty might be sustained in carrying on this important and necessary work. In addition to the regular curriculum, special instruction (outside of College hours) in the preparation of sermons, and other needed information to fit them for their high calling in life, has been given by Dr. Murfee. This Department should, and doubtless will, receive your careful consideration. It is a grand work, now being supported in the main by the Faculty of Howard College, who are, perhaps, the hardest worked corps of instructors in the State. By extra labor they have been able to teach all that have come, and none have been turned away. But should the number have increased beyond what has been the proportion to pay students, and had the same personal attention been given to all students (which has constituted our endowment), an additional Professor would have been needed, without the funds to have paid him. The needs of our denomination demand that this work should be enlarged. But it should not be done at the expense of a hard worked and inadequately paid Faculty. Nor by giving them more to do than can be done well, and thus subvert the fundamental structure on which our Institution rests. This would be unbecoming in a great Christian denomination, such as we are, and not in keeping with that magnanimous spirit displayed by our Fathers when, through their prayers and alms, they laid the broad foundations of this Institution and bequeathed it to us as a memorial to virtue, truth and liberality. While the denomination may not now be able to furnish the needed endowment to her College, we believe that our people can, and will, cheerfully (if properly organized) support, without burdening their Institution, all young men of our State who may feel called to the work of the Master. With this relief from the denomination, an able and satisfied Faculty can be sustained, and Howard College maintained, a power in the land for Christian influence, and continue to be an honor to the State and denomination.

The term of office of one Division of your Board expires with this session of the Convention, and you have one vacancy to fill, created by the resignation of Bro. J. G. Apsey. Respectfully submitted,

WM. W. WILKERSON, President.

15. The Report of the Board of Trustees of the Judson Female Institute was read by the President, Porter King, and referred to the Committee on Education.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE JUDSON FEMALE INSTITUTE.

SESSION 1882-83.

The forty-fifth session of the Judson Female Institute closed on the 14th day of June, 1883.

The number of pupils registered during the session was one hundred and forty-three.

To give instructions in the various Departments, twelve teachers have been employed, who have done their work with commendable diligence, and with more than ordinary skill.

The health of the School has been unusually good, there not having been a case of serious sickness during the entire session. With profound gratitude to God we make this announcement.

At your last meeting, in Huntsville, you were informed that Mr. Robert Frazer, a graduate of the University of Virginia, and late President of Fauquier

Female Institute, had been elected President of this Institution. *Then* your Board could only speak of the high qualifications and eminent fitness of Mr. Frazer for this position, upon the testimony of *others*; *now*, from their personal knowledge of his skill and ability as a teacher and executive officer, they do most confidently assure their brethren that he possesses, in a pre-eminent degree, those qualifications which fit him to preside over a college of young ladies.

The Board has been fortunate in securing, for the next session, a corps of teachers of experience, skill and ability, in their respective Departments, to assist the President.

The satisfaction expressed, with earnestness and cordiality, by both patrons and pupils, at the close of the session, together with the numerous applications for rooms already made by new pupils, enables your Board to express the confident opinion that the patronage next session will be enlarged. The outlook for the Judson is good.

From the income of the Judson for the past year, in addition to paying necessary current expenses, we paid the sum of \$2,603 87 on the debt existing on the 1st of July, 1882, leaving an indebtedness of \$5,630 00, as follows, viz.: \$5,000 00 in bonds falling due 15th October, 1886, and bearing interest at 8 per cent., payable semi-annually; also, \$630 00 in tuition bonds, payable in three semi-annual installments, the last payment falling due on 1st October, 1884. From the assets now in hand, we hope to realize the sum of \$1,800 or \$2,000, which, being deducted from the present liabilities, leaves a balance of \$3,830, which can be liquidated from the income of the Institute, at maturity, should there even be no increase in the patronage over that of last session.

The removal from the State of Rev. W. H. McIntosh caused him to tender his resignation as a member of this Board. It is with feelings of painful regret that we part with this brother, who, for more than a quarter of a century, has labored so faithfully and efficiently, and watched so prayerfully over the interests of the School. It will be difficult to supply his place. The terms of four other members of this Board, Porter King, J. H. Lee, L. A. Wyatt and Wm. T. McAllister, expire with the present meeting of your body.

At the annual meeting, in June, the Board appointed a special committee to examine into the condition of the property, and to submit a report to your body, to which report your favorable consideration is respectfully invited.

PORTER KING, President.

WM. T. McALLISTER, Secretary.

16. A special communication from the Board of Trustees of the Judson Female Institute was read by R. C. Keeble and referred to a special committee, consisting of E. B. Teague, A. B. Woodfin, B. F. Ellis, J. Purifoy and H. W. Watson.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REPAIRS TO BUILDINGS, JUDSON FEMALE INSTITUTE.

The committee appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Judson Female Institute, to inspect the buildings of the School, and report their condition, beg leave to report that they find them in need of extensive and immediate repairs. These repairs are essential to the preservation of the buildings; and unless they are made at an early day, serious detriment must ensue.

The completion of the Music Hall, which was begun some ten years ago by the ladies of the Society of Alumnae of the School, is also a thing of pressing importance.

We have had the whole matter examined by an experienced architect and builder; and, according to his estimate, some ten thousand dollars will be needed to make the necessary repairs and finish the Music Hall.

The importance of this work can not be overstated. We see but one way to accomplish it ; and that is to call upon the brethren throughout the State, to whom, and to whom only, the property belongs, to contribute the fund.

Brethren, in making the first appeal that has ever been made to you in behalf of the Judson, we plead the record of her past, and the promise of her future ; and with these pleas we now ask you to do that which the wisest economy dictates.

PORTER KING,
J. B. LOVELACE,
WM. T. McALLISTER,
R. C. KEEBLE,
H. A. HARALSON,

Committee.

17. Prof. A. K. Yancey read the report of the Alabama Female College, which was referred to the Committee on Education:

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ALABAMA CENTRAL FEMALE COLLEGE.

The session just closed has in every way been in the highest degree encouraging. One hundred and thirty-five pupils were enrolled. The senior class numbered twenty-five, of whom twelve succeeded in passing the examinations, and were awarded diplomas as full graduates. The subjoined announcement by the Trustees states so concisely and so pointedly the present status of the College, that I beg leave to embody it in my report :

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE TRUSTEES.

At the close of another scholastic year, the Board of Trustees of the Alabama Central Female College have the gratification of being able to announce to the friends and patrons of the school a commendable and steady advance in all that constitutes true success and real prosperity. The capacious buildings having been thoroughly repaired and elegantly re-furnished by the President, Prof. A. K. Yancey, and the Musical Department having been fully supplied with new and valuable instruments, there is an air of attractiveness about the premises, without and within, inspired by only a small proportion of similar Institutions. The organization of the College, its admirable corps of instructors, its firm and gentle discipline, its refining and elevating influence, together with the progressive and harmonious development of character evinced by the pupils, all inspire satisfaction with the past and assurance of future success, and warrant us in recommending the Institution as in every way of the fullest confidence.

By order of the Trustees.

JOSHUA H. FOSTER, President.

This report would be incomplete if it did not emphasize the inestimable advantage which the College enjoys in a Faculty not only trained for every department of work, but so devoted to duty that each member would sooner be led to the stake than betray a sacred trust. Under such influences, it is not surprising that a number of our girls, under the faithful preaching of Brother Purser, and the ministry of our pastor, were led to base their hopes on the "Rock of Ages ;" and nine of the boarders were hurried with Christ in baptism. Early in the session, a girls' prayer meeting was instituted by the governess. All the girls attended this, and those who are professors of religion took active part in the exercises. Such was the deep and continued interest in this meeting that I feel now that no other exercise of the College has been so fruitful of good

results. In this quiet but effectual way, the girls are constantly impressed with the great value of that wisdom which is more precious than rubies. To those who know our Faculty, nothing can be more pleasing than the statement that the entire corps of teachers, with a single exception, will continue in the College.

Respectfully submitted,

A. K. VANCEY, President.

18. On motion, the order of exercises was modified so as to fix the hour of assembling for this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Adjourned, with prayer by J. M. Fortune, until 3 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 3:30 o'clock.

After opening exercises by J. L. Sampey,

19. J. G. Harris presented the report of the Committee on Aged and Infirm Ministers, which was discussed by J. G. Harris, S. Henderson, H. W. Watson, A. R. Scarborough, Wm. O'Neill and Ira R. Foster, and on motion, adopted:

REPORT ON AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS.

Your committee, to whom was referred the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Relief Fund, beg leave to submit the following report:

We deem it a work of supererogation to present further argument in support of this enterprise. It has been fully discussed in your annual meetings, Associations, and our denominational organ; and we conclude that it is universally conceded to be right and expedient, and therefore ought to be entered upon the record with other enterprises fostered by the Baptists of the State. The only question to be disposed of at this meeting, we suppose, is, what plan shall be adopted, in order to bear equally upon all? While we may not be able to submit a systematic plan that will meet the views of every one, we do think that the following is the most feasible, and most judicious and appropriate for the present.

Let a column, headed Aged and Infirm Ministers' Relief Fund (or a heading similar to that), be added to the annual list of appropriations, that are sent out to the different Associations by the State Board. In that column, let the Board equalize the amount needed from each Association to supply the actual wants of the beneficiaries. Let the State Board take charge of the entire matter, find out, through any source they can, who are entitled to aid out of this fund, where they live, the church and Association to which they belong, and their condition. Let a register be kept, and in that register let all the names of the beneficiaries be entered, and a short sketch of each be kept, so that easy reference can be had. Let the State Board be empowered with the right to say who shall receive aid and how much; and also to adopt such rules as they may deem best in reference to this fund and the recipients of the same.

This plan has been decided upon by your committee after consulting with the special committee appointed by the Convention at its last meeting. Believing that the Convention is ready to adopt this plan, and having full faith and confidence in the ability and noble-heartedness of the members composing the State Board, we see no further need of presenting any other reasons why we come unanimously to the above conclusions.

Your committee trusts that this Convention will settle this matter in the way suggested, and that in the future our preachers may have tangible evidence of the fact, should they ever become dependent, financially, that their brethren stand pledged to administer to their necessities. But let these brethren in the ministry know one fact, that to secure this assistance they must merit the same, by faithful work done in their calling.

It is the purpose of your committee, in this report, to place the widows and orphans of deceased ministers on the same footing as that of aged and infirm ministers.

J. G. HARRIS, Chairman.

20. E. J. Forrester presented the report of the Committee on Temperance. Jos. Shackelford, H. W. Watson, T. M. Barbour, S. Henderson, E. B. Teague, E. T. Smyth, T. H. Stout, D. I. Purser and W. B. Crumpton discussed it, and it was adopted :

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

To the Alabama Baptist State Convention :

An immense amount of work has been done, during the past year, by the friends of Temperance ; and a great deal has been done by the friends of the liquor traffic. The forces on both sides are fast ranging themselves for the final struggle. We are not doubtful about the issue of that struggle. The time is coming, we believe, and during the life-time of the present generation, too, when the Temperance army will sweep the field, when the liquor traffic will be driven from the face of all this broad, fair land of ours. Before that result is reached, there will probably be many assaults and counter-assaults, many advances and retreats ; but, finally, in the near future, the Temperance banner will float in glorious triumph over our country.

This subject of Temperance is now forced upon the attention of the United States Congress. On the 31st of last July, a bill to provide for a National Commission of Inquiry concerning the liquor traffic was reached in the House of Representatives, at Washington, but failed to be considered, four Congressmen making objection, which, under the rules, sent the bill to the calendar without consideration. This bill had been passed four times by the Senate. Two joint resolutions were introduced into the Senate during the first session of the 47th Congress, proposing prohibitory amendments to the Constitution of the United States, and were, at a late date in the closing session, referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, of which Senator Blair, of New Hampshire, who introduced one of the resolutions, is chairman.

This subject is having a very large share of the attention of State Legislatures. Every Legislature which has been in session the past year, has had under serious consideration questions relating to the regulation or prohibition of the traffic in intoxicating beverages. In Iowa, a constitutional prohibitory amendment, proposed by the Legislature and accepted by the people, has been declared by the Supreme Court null and void because of certain technical omissions on the part of the Legislature. The victory for Temperance principles is not affected by these technicalities. The triumph in Iowa was a signal one. In Maine, a similar constitutional amendment has been proposed by the Legislature, and is to be voted upon in September, 1854. All efforts in Kansas to modify the prohibitory law have failed. In Florida, a law has been passed requiring any man who desires to engage in the liquor business to secure a majority of the registered voters in the election district where the saloon is located, and then to make affidavit that these names were signed in the presence of "two credible witnesses," and finally to publish the names at his own expense. All this must be done before he can procure his license. The result is that the saloons are fast closing up. The Legislatures of Vermont, Michigan and Minnesota have ordered that the public schools teach the effects of alcoholic drinks on the human system.

Religious bodies—assemblies, synods, conferences and conventions—have been giving marked attention to this great and vital subject. See, for example, what was enacted by the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, at its

An interesting, important subject

last meeting, held in Nashville: "Our members shall truly abstain from manufacturing, buying, selling, or using as a beverage, malt, distilled, or alcoholic liquors." Then they go on to declare that any member who violates these directions shall be deemed guilty of immoral conduct, and "shall be dealt with as the Word of God and the law of the church provide."

We repeat that we do not regard the final issue of the struggle as at all doubtful. But the question which now confronts us, and which wants to see no cowardice or carelessness in our answer, is this: (What part must we take in the struggle?) What is the proper line of action for us? Your committee beg permission, in answer to this question, to say that they believe this Convention, as a body of *Christian men who are citizens of the State of Alabama*, ought to commit themselves to labor for Constitutional Prohibition as a *final* aim, and to labor for anything now which may be best in our respective sections, and which looks to State and United States Constitutional Prohibition.

E. J. FORRESTER, *Chairman Com.*

21. S. H. Fowlkes, Treasurer, reported that as all funds had been paid to and reported by the State Mission Board he had no other report to make.

22. On motion, Z. D. Roby, J. M. Fortune and W. S. Rogers were appointed a committee to recommend the time and place for next meeting of the Convention.

23. On motion, resolved that the session for to-morrow afternoon be held in the Howard College chapel.

24. The following committees were announced by the President:

On Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Siloam church, T. M. Bailey, J. B. McWilliams, W. O'Neill.

On Finance—B. F. Ellis, J. A. B. Besson, J. M. Simpson, A. J. Slaughter, A. J. Brooks.

To Nominate the Remaining Officers of the Convention—A. K. Yancey, J. S. Dill, I. P. Cheney, J. O. Hixson, P. C. Drew.

To Nominate the State Mission Board—B. F. Riley, C. P. Fountain, J. E. Bell, J. P. Hubbard, E. W. North.

25. Adjourned, after prayer by A. B. Woodfin.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, 8:30 O'CLOCK.

26. Owing to the absence of the regular appointees, W. O. Bailey, of Birmingham, preached the Convention sermon, from Matt. 7:20: "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."

THURSDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

After devotional exercises, conducted by G. D. Benton, the regular order of business was resumed.

27. W. C. Cleveland presented the Supplemental Report of the Board of Trustees of Howard College, at last night's session,

which, after discussion by W. C. Cleveland, E. B. Teague, J. O. Hixson, and S. Henderson, was laid on the table until this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HOWARD COLLEGE, AT THE STATE CONVENTION.

JULY 11, 1883.

Members Present—Dr. W. W. Wilkerson, Judge Jon. Haralson, Gen. L. W. Lawler, Rev. Sam'l Henderson, Rev. W. C. Cleveland, Rev. T. M. Bailey, J. H. Lee, P. King, C. C. Huckabee, W. T. Hendon, W. C. Ward, Rev. E. B. Teague, Rev. E. T. Winkler, Rev. Jos. Shackelford, J. B. Lovelace, and J. L. Wyatt.

Prayer by Rev. E. B. Teague. Minutes of annual meeting read and approved.

Brother W. C. Cleveland moved that we now consider the resolution which was tabled at the annual meeting. "to recommend to the Convention the necessity of creating a Ministerial Board of Education."

After quite a lengthy and interesting discussion, the resolution was adopted, to read as follows:

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Howard College recommend to the Convention the necessity of creating a Board of Ministerial Education, consisting of five, to be appointed by the Convention, and that the means which may be contributed to aid in the education of indigent young men who are seeking to prepare themselves for the ministry shall be expended by said Board in aid of those who may be most worthy and necessitous, and that the number of beneficiaries in the College, to receive free tuition, shall not at any time be so large as to endanger the support of the Faculty, as may be determined by the Board of Trustees.

On motion, the following brethren were recommended to the Convention to constitute the Board: Rev. E. B. Teague, Chairman; W. P. Welch, Rev. E. J. Forrester, Rev. J. L. West and Rev. E. T. Winkler.

The Board also recommended that any traveling expenses incurred by the committee be paid from the funds collected by them.

On motion, adjourned.

J. L. WYATT.

Secretary Board of Trustees Howard College.

28. On motion, a committee was appointed to consider the communication from C. C. Bitting, Secretary of Bible work, American Baptist Publication Society.

Committee—E. T. Winkler, W. C. Cleveland, J. H. Foster, Z. D. Roby, S. Henderson.

29. E. T. Winkler read a tender made by the pastors thereof, of the buildings of the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches of the city, for the use of the Convention; whereupon, on motion, E. T. Winkler was requested to present the thanks of the Convention to the said churches.

30. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Convention be requested to publish in future, with the Minutes, the names of all

ordained ministers of the State, who are in connection, as far as possible.

31. G. B. Eager presented the report of the committee to whom was referred the several reports of the State Mission Board, which, after discussion by G. B. Eager, J. F. Edens, B. H. Crumpton, J. M. Phillips, J. Falkner, L. W. Lawler, W. C. Cleveland, I. T. Tichenor, J. B. Huckabee, T. M. Bailey and B. Manly, was adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your committee, to whom was referred the Eighth Annual Report of the State Mission Board, submit the following:—

1. We note, with gratitude to God, the indications therein given of an *advance all along the line*. Our Board has never been able to make so good a showing as to workers in the field, results accomplished and moneys secured. The increase in *contributions* to missions is marked; to Home Missions an advance of 150 per cent., and to Foreign Missions an advance of 25 per cent., over last year. The aggregate of contributions to all purposes is over \$20,000, an advance of nearly \$4,000 over last year. The increase in *missionaries*, too, is considerable; whereas there were in the field last year only forty-one men, there were this year forty-eight. New churches and new Associations have been enlisted in the work, and the outlook is more hopeful than ever.

2. The effort to secure *permanent colportage funds* of \$100 each has resulted in raising fifteen such funds, and commends itself afresh to our sympathies and encouragement. It is certainly no mean work which has been accomplished the past year by the fifteen colporteurs appointed by the Board—7,950 books and pamphlets sold, valued at nearly \$3,000, to say nothing of 785 Bibles and Testaments given away, or of other results achieved. The Board desires to enlarge the permanent fund to \$3,000, and we earnestly recommend that this be done.

3. The report calls special attention to the *ministerial destitution* which prevails throughout the State. The question of fit men to supply vacant pulpits and occupy inviting mission-fields presses upon us as never before. The supply at command is sadly inadequate. Yet the report assures us that there are scores of young men in the State who, in answer to God's call, are ready to say, "Here am I, send me." But they need a little more education to fit them for the work required. In the face of these things the Baptists of Alabama have given to Ministerial Education only about \$800. Well may the Board ask, "Are we doing our duty in this matter?"

4. The report invites attention also to the new phase which the question of *the evangelization of the colored people* has assumed for us, and recommends that this Convention either assume the support of the Corresponding Secretary of the Colored State Board, as they request, or undertake to sustain a suitable white brother, to hold institutes, etc., among them. This question makes a new demand upon our attention.

5. The *work which remains to be done* is great and difficult. Whole Associations within our territory remain unreached and indifferent, not to say hostile, to our efforts. Thirteen gave nothing, last year, to State Missions, nineteen nothing to Foreign Missions, and thirty nothing to Home Missions. Such facts faintly indicate the destitution and deadness that prevail in large districts of our beloved State. From the Mountains and from the Coast, from the Black Belt and from the Pine Barrens the cry comes up, not in articulate speech, but in the very vision of desolation that presents itself to our gaze: "Come over and help us!"

Brethren, what shall be our response? Shall it not be increase of confidence in the Board, of contributions to the work, and of prayers to the Lord of the harvest to "send forth laborers into His harvest?"

In view of the facts set forth by the Board, which have been alluded to in this report, we recommend:—

1. That we make an effort to increase our contributions for ministerial education to \$2,500. This sum not to include bonds made to the Seminary.
2. We call attention to the small amount (\$315) contributed by the Sabbath Schools of the State, and recommend that pastors and superintendents be urged to train their schools to enlarged liberality, by instructing them and taking collections.
3. We urge upon the attention of all contributors the oft-repeated request that their contributions to any and all of our enterprises be forwarded directly to the Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board.
4. We recommend that a suitable man be sent to each of the non-affiliating and indifferent Associations for three or six months, or such time as they may be secured for, to invite and encourage said Associations to co-operate with us.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. B. EAGER, Chairman.

32. The Committee on Bible Work, through their Chairman, E. T. Winkler, read their report, which, on motion, was made the special order for this afternoon, after the report on State Mission Report has been disposed of.

33. On motion, E. T. Winkler, T. W. Hart and W. G. Curry were appointed to prepare suitable memorial resolutions on the death of Z. A. Owens, who was the Assistant Secretary of the Convention.

Adjourned, after prayer by W. G. Curry.

AFTERNOON SESSION, THURSDAY, 4 O'CLOCK.

According to adjournment the session of the Convention was held in the chapel of Howard College. Opened with prayer by D. W. Ramsey.

34. The special order was the consideration of the Supplemental Report of the Board of Trustees of Howard College, which, after addresses by B. Manly, W. C. Cleveland, L. W. Lawler, W. B. Crumpton, E. F. Baber, S. Henderson and E. T. Winkler, was adopted. (See item No. 27.)

35. When an opportunity was given, the following pledges were made towards the fund suggested by the Report of the Board of Trustees of Howard College:

Mobile (G. B. Eager).....	\$ 200 00	Shiloh church.....	\$ 10 00
Selma church.....	200 00	Bethany church.....	10 00
Tuskegee church.....	50 00	Eufaula church.....	100 00
Providence church.....	50 00	Bethabara church.....	10 00
Talladega church.....	100 00	Ira R. Foster.....	25 00

Centennial Association.....	50 00	Tuskaloosa church.....	25 00
Siloam church.....	100 00	Jacksonville church.....	25 00
Randolph ch. (H. W. W.)...	10 00	W. A. Parker, for Pisgah, Ca-	
Mount Zion ch. " " " " " "	10 00	naan, Spring Hill and	
Union Association.....	100 00	Hill's churches.....	25 00
W. G. Curry's Field.....	50 00	J. H. Creighton.....	10 00
Harpersville church.....	20 00	Deep Creek church.....	25 00
Columbiana church.....	10 00	Hoboken church.....	10 00
Montevallo church.....	20 00	Forest Spring church.....	10 00
Mt. Pisgah church.....	10 00	Nanafalia church.....	5 00
E. F. Baber's Field.....	15 00	J. L. Thompson.....	10 00
Macon church.....	25 00	Livingston church.....	10 00
Opelika church.....	25 00	K. C. Keeble.....	25 00
Evergreen church.....	10 00	J. Purifoy.....	25 00
J. A. Howard.....	25 00	B. F. Ellis.....	25 00
Ruhama church.....	25 00	J. H. Fendley.....	5 00
Auburn church.....	25 00	N. H. Thompson.....	2 50
Mount Willing church.....	8 00	J. M. Fortune.....	10 00
Concord church (Dallas)....	30 00	C. E. Johnson (Beulah)....	20 00
Bethany (Marengo).....	25 00	J. B. Huckabee, paid.....	20 00
J. W. Dickinson.....	40 00	C. W. Hare.....	10 00
W. H. Lewis.....	10 00	L. T. Tichenor, paid.....	5 00
Newbern church.....	10 00	New Bethel.....	5 00
Uniontown church.....	10 00	Ala. Central Female College.	92 00

Total.....\$1807 50

36. After which, E. T. Winkler said the special order for this hour (Bible Work) was so nearly akin to the subject for tonight that he moved, and it was carried, that both should be considered together.

REPORT ON BIBLE WORK.

Having been assured by the incoming Secretary of the Bible Work of the American Baptist Publication Society that, in this new department of the Society's operations, undertaken at the recent Saratoga Convention, the missionaries and fields of our State Mission Board will be aided to the extent of ability to provide, and upon the same fraternally impartial and equitable terms as any Board, anywhere, i. e., without discriminations against us; and, further, that our State and Associational Boards and missionaries will be similarly treated and assisted, we recommend to our State Board, to which this work has been committed, to cultivate fraternal relations with the Society, and, as far as practicable, procure their supplies of Bibles and Testaments from this source.

We also recommend that the brethren of this Convention co-operate cordially with our State Board in the conduct of their Bible work.

E. T. WINKLER, Chairman.

Closed with prayer by B. Manly.

THURSDAY EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK.

The opening exercises were led by J. T. Yerby.

37. The special order, discussion of the assigned subjects, "Denominational Literature and its Distribution," and "The Report on Bible Work," was taken up, when addresses were made by E. T. Winkler and E. B. Teague, and the report was adopted.

38. At the suggestion of T. M. Bailey the following subscriptions were made to form a Basil Manly Permanent Colportage Fund :

FOR BASIL MANLY COLPORTAGE FUND.

T. M. Bailey.....	\$ 5 00	Jon. Haralson.....	\$ 5 00
E. J. Forrester, paid.....	5 00	L. W. Lawler, paid.....	5 00
G. B. Eager.....	5 00	J. M. Fortune.....	5 00
A. K. Yancey.....	5 00	M. M. Wamboldt.....	5 00
W. G. Robertson, paid.....	5 00	J. B. Lovelace.....	5 00
R. W. Beck.....	5 00	A. W. Chambliss, paid.....	5 00
S. Henderson, paid.....	5 00	W. O. Bailey, paid.....	5 00
R. C. Keeble.....	10 00	M. H. Lane.....	5 00
T. H. Stout.....	5 00	Mrs. M. H. Lane.....	5 00
Mrs. A. J. Brooks.....	5 00	H. W. Watson, paid.....	1 00
J. W. Stewart, paid.....	1 00	J. C. Foster, paid.....	1 00
A. J. Brooks.....	8 00		
		Total.....	\$111 00

39. The Committee on Religious Exercises reported as follows for services on Sabbath :

AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH.

- 11 A. M.—A. B. Woodfin ; the Missionary Sermon.
 4 P. M.—A. W. Chambliss.
 8 P. M.—M. M. Wamboldt.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

- 11 A. M.—T. C. Teasdale.
 8 P. M.—E. B. Teague.

METHODIST CHURCH.

- 11 A. M.—Jos. Shackelford.
 8 P. M.—B. H. Crumpton.

COLORED BAPTIST CHURCH.

- D. P. Goodhue, Sabbath School.
 3:30 P. M.—W. G. Curry.
 8:30 P. M.—I. P. Cheney.

COLORED METHODIST CHURCH.

- 3:30 P. M.—J. C. Wright.
 8:30 P. M.—E. T. Smyth.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

- 11 A. M.—L. G. Skipper.

Adjourned, after prayer by T. W. Hart.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The opening exercises were conducted by D. W. Ramsey.

Then business was resumed.

40. The Committee to Report on the Time and Place for the next session of the Convention made their report, which, after

discussion by A. K. Yancey, W. O'Neill, J. M. Phillips, T. W. Hart, Z. D. Roby and J. T. Yerby, was amended and adopted so as to read :

Resolved, That the next Annual Session of the Convention shall be held with the church at Tuscaloosa, commencing on Friday next preceding the third Sabbath in July, 1884.

NOTE.—The date first selected was Wednesday, but it was changed, by the vote of the Convention, to Friday. To prevent confusion I have entered date subsequently agreed upon. See item 60.—SECRETARY.

41. The Committee to Nominate the State Mission Board reported as follows, which was adopted :

STATE MISSION BOARD.

President—W. C. Cleveland.

Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer—T. M. Bailey.

Statistical Secretary—B. B. Davis.

Jon. Haralson, W. P. Welch, W. C. Ward, R. C. Keeble, H. A. Haralson, H. S. D. Mallory, Abner Williams, E. T. Winkler, A. B. Woodfin, E. J. Forrester, W. G. Curry, T. S. Bowen, and W. B. Crompton.

42. The following report of the Committee to Nominate the Remaining Officers was read and adopted :

REMAINING OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION.

Your Committee to Nominate the Remaining Officers of the Convention submit the following :

To Preach Introductory Sermon—W. G. Curry ; alternate, J. A. Howard.

To Preach Missionary Sermon—W. C. Cleveland ; alternate, J. M. Phillips.

Treasurer—S. H. Fowlkes.

Auditor—J. B. Lovelace.

Board of Directors—President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, *ex-officio* members ; E. T. Winkler, J. H. Lee, W. W. Wilkerson, Porter King, W. H. Fiquet, J. T. Murfee, Rob't Frazer, J. B. Lovelace, J. G. Apsey.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF JUDSON.

The term of office of the following brethren expiring with the present year, we recommend their re-election, viz. : Porter King, W. T. McAllister, J. H. Lee, and L. Wyatt. We also recommend the election of T. M. Bailey to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. W. H. McIntosh.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HOWARD COLLEGE.

The term of office of the following brethren expiring we recommend their re-election, viz. :

Hon. M. W. Hand, J. B. Lovelace, Esq., Col. C. C. Huckabee, Rev. W. Wilkes, Dr. W. W. Wilkerson, Col. J. W. Crenshaw, Judge J. W. Inzer, and Rev. E. B. Teague.

We also recommend the appointment of W. F. Davis to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of J. G. Apsey from the division extending from 1881 to 1887.

43. E. T. Winkler read the report on Home Missions, which was adopted, after discussion by I. T. Tichenor, and after the following pledges had been made for Church Extension Fund of Home Mission Board at New Orleans :

B. F. Riley.....	\$ 5 00	W. B. Crumpton, paid.....	\$ 5 00
J. P. Hubbard.....	10 00	E. J. Forrester.....	25 00
J. F. Jones.....	5 00	Ladies' Aid Society of Provi-	
Ladies' Mission Society of		dence church.....	10 00
Union Springs.....	10 00	Decatur church.....	10 00
Ira K. Foster.....	100 00	Ladies' Mission Society, Green-	
J. I. Stockton, for Round Isl'd		ville church.....	25 00
church.....	5 00	Liberty.....	2 50
Harmony.....	2 50	Mt. Gilead ch. (Perry).....	5 00
Ladies' Society of Workers, of			
Birmingham.....	10 00	Total.....	\$230 00

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following report :

Under the blessings of Almighty God, the Home Mission Board, in its new location, in Atlanta, Ga., has been enabled to enlarge its work and prosecute with earnest zeal the important interests entrusted to its care. The laborers in its employment have been increased to ninety-five, and the income of the Board to \$45,000. In the recent report made by this Board to the Southern Baptist Convention its showing for the past year was most encouraging, and its outlook for the future brightening. The Board is prosecuting with vigor every department of its work. The mission in New Orleans is in a more flourishing condition than for many years, and is prosecuted by Brethren Landrum and Cole and Mrs. Nelson. Recently, a new house of worship has been purchased for the First Church, and also a lot for a new house of worship.

Brother Blake has succeeded the lamented Buckner among the Indians, and Brother S. Lambright has been appointed a missionary to the Chickasaw tribes. In the Levering School J. G. Vose has been appointed Superintendent.

The Church Building Fund Department, recommended to be established by the Waco Convention, will be of immense advantage, and opens to the Board a new and important field of usefulness. The Board will soon have proper men in the field for the prosecution of this part of its work.

The State of Alabama contributed to this work during the past year \$2,400, an advance of 150 per cent. on the contributions of the previous year. For the present year, in the apportionment of amounts to meet the new demands of the Board, \$5,000 is expected from this Convention. This will require a little more than double the contributions of the past year. But with enlarged views of the importance of this work, if the pastors of the State will but fairly present the cause to their churches, the amount can be easily raised. Your committee earnestly recommend that every effort be used to raise the amount expected at our hands.

This work is taking a fresh hold upon the Baptists of the South, and each State is yearly enlarging its gifts. Let Alabama do faithfully her part, also, and the God of love will bless us with the outpouring of His Spirit.

E. T. WINKLER, }
 B. F. RILEY, } *Com.*
 J. S. DILL. }

44. The report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools was read, discussed by H. S. D. Mallory, S. Henderson, T. H. Stout, T. M. Bailey, B. Manly, and J. T. Verby, and adopted.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The importance of the Sunday School work is almost universally admitted, at least by intelligent Christians; but this *admission*, on the part of a great many, is all the encouragement they ever give to the cause. Recognizing the *importance* of a work, and engaging earnestly in well directed efforts to advance the interests of that work, are two very different propositions. That this Convention may not only *admit* its importance, but be stirred up to more earnest, persistent, consecrated efforts in this grand work, is the object of this report. We rejoice that so much has been accomplished by the Baptist workers in our State, yet we know that much more can and should be done. How, then, can the interests of this work be advanced?

1st. The pastors, the leaders in every good word and work, must be the leaders in this department of church work also. If not an actual worker as teacher in his school, the pastor should be the real leader, seeing that the school is well officered and equipped, the teachers are competent and faithful. By all means, he should be well posted on the Sunday School lessons, and, whenever possible, he should have a weekly teachers' meeting for the study of the lesson, himself conducting, or having some one who is competent to do so. Then, by instruction and appeal, in public and in private, he should endeavor to enlist the entire membership of his church in the work, either as teachers or scholars.

2d. Parents must feel the responsibility upon them to say to their children, not "Go to Sunday School," but "Come, let us go." This may be impracticable in some families, but very seldom is it the case that both parents are obliged to remain at home. When parents generally thus act, there will be no more complaints of girls and boys leaving the school as soon as they begin to feel grown up.

3d. Teachers must give more time to the study of the lessons—more time to the study of the individual members of the class, their spiritual needs—more time to prayer in secret for each scholar, and for Heavenly guidance in the work.

May the day soon dawn when every pastor shall be a "Sunday School man", every church member a member of the Sunday School, and every teacher a thoroughly consecrated worker for Jesus!

GEO. A. PEARCE, *Chairman.*

45. The report of the Committee on such portion of the report of the Board of Trustees of Judson Institute as relates to repairs of the buildings, etc., was read by A. B. Woodfin, and discussed by him and E. T. Winkler, S. Henderson, W. C. Cleveland, Z. D. Roby, R. Frazer and G. B. Eager, and adopted.

The committee to whom was referred that portion of the report of the Trustees of Judson Institute which relates to repairing the buildings and completing the music hall, have given the matter careful consideration, and we find it one of no ordinary importance. We are fully sensible of the weight of the claims that, just now, are calling for our contributions and our sacrifices, but we cannot resist the conclusion that this is second to none of them. What we owe, as a denomination, to the thousands of noble Christian women who have gone forth from this School to illustrate our civilization, and bless our land, can never be known on earth. If we would transmit to our children the blessings which such an influence as theirs brings, we must cherish in our hearts, and support with our hands, this source of their power.

We, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

I. That the Trustees be instructed to set on foot, at once, such measures as they deem wisest and best adapted for raising the money for the work proposed.

II. That they be further instructed to begin the work as soon as the amount raised shall justify it.

III. That the pastors of the churches, and our brethren and sisters in all parts of the State be urged to unite their cordial efforts in bringing to an early completion this important work.

E. B. TEAGUE, *Chairman.*

46. The following was presented and read by J. B. Lovelace, and adopted by the Convention :

WHEREAS, The Rev. A. J. Battle is indebted to this Convention in the sum of one hundred dollars, with interest thereon, as reported to your body last year ; and

WHEREAS, To secure a release of the dower interest of Mrs. A. J. Battle in and to certain lands owned by the Alumnae Society of the Judson Female Institute, the said Society assumed the payment of the same ; and

WHEREAS, It is the purpose of said Society to place at the disposal of the Board of Trustees of the Judson the plantation on which the dower interest has been released ; therefore

Resolved, That the custodian of the Greensboro church fund be and is hereby instructed to cancel and turn over said note of Dr. A. J. Battle to the said Alumnae Society.

47. On motion of E. J. Forrester :

Resolved, That the Board of Ministerial Education shall not be regarded as proper receivers of funds for their work, but shall check upon the Treasury of the State Mission Board, to which the collection of funds has been committed by the Convention.

48. On motion of E. F. Baber :

Resolved, That applicants for the benefit of the Ministerial Education fund shall not only be recommended by their churches, but shall also undergo an examination by the Board of Ministerial Education, relating to their conversion and call to the ministry ; and no applicant shall be accepted who does not, in the judgment of the Board, give satisfactory evidence of his conversion and call ; nor shall one be accepted whom the Board may, for any other reason, believe to be an improper person to receive the benefit of said fund. But this shall not be understood as assuming any right to pass upon the qualifications of young ministers whose education shall be entirely provided for by their churches or Associations.

49. On motion, W. C. Cleveland was made a life member, because of long and eminent services.

Adjourned, after prayer by B. H. Crumpton.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

FRIDAY, 4 O'CLOCK.

Opened with prayer by J. M. Simpson.

50. R. C. Keeble presented the report of the Committee on the Evangelization of the Colored Race, which, after addresses by J. S. Dill, Ira R. Foster, (and by invitation of the Convention, A. F. Owen, Corresponding Secretary of the Colored Mission Board,)

E. F. Baber, J. Shackelford, and T. M. Bailey, was adopted, after the following pledges had been made :

PLEDGES FOR EVANGELIZATION OF COLORED RACE.

Jos. Shackelford, M. S. Ass'n.	\$ 25 00	Ira R. Foster.....	\$ 25 00
Bethel church.....	5 00	Eufaula Association.....	25 00
Selma church.....	25 00	Tuskaloosa Association.....	25 00
Higbee Association.....	25 00	Salem Association.....	10 00
Zion Association.....	10 00	Bethel Association.....	25 00
Will-be-Ass'n, Baber and T..	25 00		
		Total.....	\$225 00

EVANGELIZATION OF THE COLORED PEOPLE.

The presence of these people among us should not fail to awaken in the minds and hearts of the thoughtful and pious the most intense solicitude. They are so intimately connected with the material, intellectual and moral condition of the country, and their destiny is so closely interwoven with our own that we cannot shut our eyes to the perils and possibilities of the future; and without any attempt upon the part of your committee to theorize and to urge upon this Convention the importance of prosecuting a work so imperative and so much needed (particularly when the outlook for helpful co-operation, we are rejoiced to know, was never so bright and encouraging), we would respectfully submit the following recommendations:—

1. That the Board of this Convention request the Home Board, of Atlanta, to employ and pay all or a part of the salary of a suitable man, for the purpose of holding institutes with the colored ministers and deacons of this State, as they have been doing in Georgia, the past year, with very gratifying results.

2. That our State Board be instructed to continue co-operation with the Colored State Mission Board of our State, and that they attempt to raise at least one thousand dollars, the coming year, for the purpose of aiding our colored brethren in their work.

3. That our State Board require of its missionaries, whenever practicable, to preach to them, and to do all in their power (consistent with the faithful discharge of their duties to our own people,) for their evangelization.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. KEEBLE, *Chairman.*

Adjourned, with prayer by J. C. Foster.

FRIDAY EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK.

The session was opened with prayer by C. E. Johnson.

51. G. B. Eager read the report on Foreign Missions, which was discussed by C. P. Fountain and adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To the Alabama Baptist State Convention :

The report of the Foreign Mission Board, for the year ending May 9, 1883, greets us with cheering news. Seven more new missionaries were sent to foreign fields, and, notwithstanding the extra expense thus incurred, the Board closed the year without debt and with \$6,000 in the treasury. Of this amount \$819 33 was received as a legacy from the estate of Mrs. M. G. Harley, of South Carolina; the rest was made up from the gifts of the churches.

The total receipts of the Board were \$56,804 56, being an increase over

the amount received last year of more than \$7,500, and over that of the year before of nearly \$13,000. This, coupled with the fact that, notwithstanding the surplus in the treasury, over \$5,000 were readily subscribed at Waco to build churches in Mexico, is regarded as full of encouragement. In such facts we see some of many indications of a revival of interest in Foreign Missions.

The Mexican Mission is attracting unusual attention and winning enthusiastic supporters, especially among our Texas brethren, by the actual results it has already achieved, and the splendid promise it holds out for the future. One energetic young missionary, Rev. W. D. Powell, has proved himself the man for the place, and is steadily gaining confidence and winning souls. He has lately bought a lot for the church in Saltillo, and drawn on the Board for \$1,300 to pay for it. The late visit of the 250 excursionists of the Waco Convention to Mexico seems to have done good in two ways: first, by giving encouragement to the little band of workers there; and, second, by enabling the excursionists to carry back with them, to every part of the country, the reports of 'eye-witnesses concerning the field and the work.

The new Brazilian Mission, too, is doing well; not that it reports any great ingathering, but that it is slowly but surely laying the foundation for a great work in the future.

Of the old fields—in China, Africa and Sunny Italy—there is nothing new or special to report. Not that there has been little or nothing done; the work goes noiselessly but steadily on. Truth forms in human souls, as the crystal in Nature's laboratory, by slow accretions. It effects great changes in public sentiment, as the unseen but majestic Gulf stream affects the climate. As yet, nations are not "born in a day." But the Gospel, like leaven, is at work in all these lands. The mining and sapping goes on, though we do not hear the blows; and one day its results will be seen in the crash of hoary systems which stand now like impregnable Gibraltar. But what part are *we* playing in this great work? The masses of our vaunted hosts are looking idly on, or are absolutely ignorant of the part actually performed by the heroic few in the field. The thousands of white Baptists in the State have never given one-fiftieth as much in any one year for sending the Gospel to the perishing millions of heathendom as they have spent for their tobacco and whiskey. Single congregations have raised more in a year for building a fine church than the whole denomination has given to Foreign Missions. The heroic Yates once sadly said, as he contemplated the fact that, of \$50,000 given to Foreign Missions one year by Southern Baptists, *one-half* went to build a chapel in Rome: "I can't get money for my work among the heathen, but I could get \$50,000 to build a church steeple at home!" Who can fail to see the significance of such facts? Southern Baptists are not alive to the importance of Foreign Missions. Making due allowance for our poverty, the fact remains, we are not doing a tithe of what we might do toward carrying out the imperial order of our Master, "Go, disciple all nations!"

Alabama Baptists, too, must own their share of the disgrace and guilt thus incurred. Last year your Committee on Foreign Missions reported that, while Southern Baptists in general had increased their gifts \$5,000, Alabama was at a stand-still. This year but little more can be said for the State. We would repeat and emphasize what was said by that committee, in view of this state of things: "Alabama must not be allowed to stand where she is; she must be moved, stirred, aroused!" The question still recurs for solution, how is this to be done? We venture some practical suggestions:—

1. That during the session, reports from the churches be called for as to the methods in use among our people for raising money for Foreign Missions—said reports to be followed by discussions as to the *best* method to be adopted.
2. That the churches be again urged to look out from among them at least two young men and one young woman, to be appointed by the Board to the foreign field and supported by the Baptists of this State.

3. That the pastors and delegates here present be asked to pledge themselves to do what they can to see that the Baptists of Alabama raise for Foreign Missions, this year, at least as much as \$5,000, the sum apportioned to them by the Board:

GEO. B. EAGER, *Ch'n*,
 J. C. WRIGHT,
 J. S. DILL, } *Com.*

52. The President announced the following standing committees, to report next year :

Sabbath Schools—E. W. North, Chairman ; W. G. Robertson, C. A. Gunn, H. G. B. Ray, Porter King and I. R. Eskew.

Evangelization of Colored Race—J. H. Curry, Chairman ; J. H. Foster, A. J. Slaughter and J. M. Simpson.

Foreign Missions—W. O. Bailey, Chairman ; D. P. Goodhue, T. W. Hart, J. E. Welch, D. D. McDavid.

Home Missions—T. H. Stout, Chairman ; W. G. Curry, J. L. Thompson, A. M. Perry, Ira R. Foster.

Education—R. Frazer, Chairman ; M. M. Wamboldt, W. M. Blackwelder, A. J. Brooks, W. D. Fonville.

Temperance—L. W. Lawler, Chairman ; W. B. Crumpton, J. H. Fendley, A. R. Scarborough, C. S. Johnson, J. G. McCaskey.

To Prepare Programme for Next Convention—A. B. Woodfin, Chairman ; B. B. Davis, W. B. Davidson, T. L. Jones, T. M. Bailey.

53. An opportunity having been given for the purpose, statements were made by the following brethren as to manner of raising mission funds in their churches and Sabbath schools : G. B. Eager, Z. D. Roby, Judge King, B. H. Crumpton, W. R. Sawyer, and others.

54. The Finance Committee was relieved of further duty by transferring funds to T. M. Bailey, Financial Secretary.

Adjourned, after prayer by C. P. Fountain.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

The opening exercises were conducted by J. L. Sampey.

The Convention continued work.

55. On motion, the Committee on Programme for the Next Session of the Convention were instructed to limit opening addresses to thirty minutes, and subsequent addresses to ten minutes.

56. The Committee on Education made their report, through their chairman, Joshua H. Foster. It was discussed by J. E. Chambliss, W. Wilkes, R. Frazer, A. K. Yancey and B. H. Crumpton, and adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education respectfully submit the following report :

Each succeeding year brings its harvest of accumulating contributions to the progress of education among our people. Broader and juster views, and fuller appreciation of it by the masses mark the successive generations. Numerous causes are constantly conspiring to these legitimate results. The achievements of the Physical Sciences, and their application to the Arts, both useful and ornamental, have multiplied the facilities of intercommunication and the means of domestic comfort, and brought within the reach of the poor the appliances of æsthetical culture. The marvels of engineering skill in railroad and architectural structures, in subterranean and sub-marine tunnels and other excavations—the publication of all these, and favorable comments on them in the secular and religious newspapers that are scattered broad-cast over the land—all these have wrested from the less-favored the acknowledgment of the superiority of the educated. These and other causes have combined their forces into one mighty engine, which, in its ceaseless action, has well-nigh battered down the wall of prejudice that, a generation ago, seemed impregnable. The middle wall of partition that separated the classes has been pierced, and our people, with an approximation to unanimity never known before, are clamoring for the advantages of education. Who shall supply this increasing demand? The general Congress and the State Legislatures have laid down their offerings on the altar of learning. Philanthropists have, singly or together, come forward to the help of struggling aspirants. The great Christian denominations have brought up their contributions. The reactionary influence has been salutary, and everywhere the educated have made commendable efforts to meet these expanding and pressing wants. Despite our inauspicious surroundings, these labors have not been in vain. Though some of our institutions have been swept away, and others paralyzed in the pitiless storm that has beaten upon us, we have come, with what remained of our enfeebled strength, and our reduced appliances, around those that survived, and, by persistent efforts, have infused into them new life and strength and sent them forward, alongside of new ones that have sprung up, on their mission to bless the generations; and the present general outlook is full of the inspiration of hope.

Now, it is obvious that the denomination that would keep abreast with the swelling wave of advancing culture, must put forth increasing efforts that shall maintain their full proportion to those relied on by the people at large to carry them forward. "Excelsior" is the world's motto now. "Higher, and yet higher," must be the watch-word of the church, if she would even keep on a level with her progressive cotemporaries, and so preserve her self-respect, and command the respect of others. She needs to do more than this, if she would fulfill her high mission. She needs the power to lead popular thought, and to mould public sentiment—to repel the subtlest attacks of infidelity and extricate from the meshes of false philosophy the victim ensnared thereby—to strip error of her gilded garb and expose her hideous nakedness in the light of unveiled truth. How shall she acquire and maintain this power? By training up men and women who, Divinely guided, and walking in the paths of holiness, shall also stand in the fore-front of the great and true thinkers of their generation. No better means of attaining these great ends, under the Divine blessing, has been devised than the maintenance of denominational schools of the best character. Such schools the Baptists of Alabama have, and if anything is wanting to make them all they ought to be, these Baptists can and should supply the want. In their behalf the prayers of McCraw, and Hartwell, and Manly, and Chilton, and Curtis, and hosts of holy men and women, ascended to the throne of Heavenly Grace; and here, under the influence of good precept and example, and the efforts of devout men and women to lead them to Christ, we may hope for the conversion of our sons and our daughters. Kept under the gentle re-

straints of piety during the years of their greatest susceptibility to moral influences, while they are undergoing those processes of mental training that establish them in habits of correct and logical thought, we may hope that when they go out in search of higher knowledge, and come in contact with the great men who would array science against revelation, they will possess both the inclination and the power to expose the sophistry and escape its influence.

The reports of the three denominational Schools referred to your committee represent those Institutions in very successful operation and prosperous condition. In view of the great good accomplished by them in the past, and their prospective usefulness in the future, your committee respectfully suggest to this Convention that we cannot too earnestly recommend to the generous support and patronage of the denomination the Howard College, the Judson Female Institute and the Alabama Central Female College.

We can not close this report without a word for the great and cherished Institution of Southern Baptists—the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. This Seminary, which has been for years scattering its blessings over our land, and other lands, is now securely endowed, and hopes soon to own the buildings necessary for its work. We recommend that our young ministers be in every way encouraged and helped to go to the Seminary to seek full preparation for their high and holy calling.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSHUA H. FOSTER, *Chairman.*

57. On motion, *Resolved*, That to the Board of Directors shall be hereafter assigned the duty of appointing the delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention.

58. *Resolved*, That the number constituting the State Mission Board be increased to fifteen, and that the report be recommitted to the committee to add the additional names.

59. The following communication from the Ann Hasseltine Society was read :

REPORT OF THE ANN HASSELTINE SOCIETY OF JUDSON INSTITUTE.

To the Baptist State Convention of Alabama :

The Ann Hasseltine Society presents its annual report to your Convention, and sends Dr. Wm. T. McAllister as its representative.

The Society has kept up regular meetings during the past session, and a lively interest has been maintained in its work of raising funds and disseminating missionary intelligence. This interest has been quickened by the stirring words of counsel and instruction which we have had the good fortune to receive from Mrs. M. A. Crawford, of the Chinese Mission, and the Burman, Sau Ah Brah, who vividly set before us the situation of Missionary affairs in China and in India.

The receipts of the year amounted to fifty dollars ; of which sum five dollars have been applied to the State Mission Board ; five dollars to the Home Mission Board ; fifteen dollars to the cause represented by Sau Ah Brah, and twenty-five dollars to the support of a Bible Union, under the supervision of Miss Whilden, in China.

ANNIE HARRIS, *President.*

MAUD FOSTER, *Secretary.*

60. On motion, the action of the Convention fixing the time

for holding the next session of the Convention was reconsidered, and the time was fixed for the Friday next preceding the third Sabbath in July (18th), 1884.

Adjourned, after prayer by J. H. Curry.

SATURDAY EVENING, 8:30 O'CLOCK.

Session opened with prayer by Dr. Raymond.

61. The Committee to Prepare Resolutions Commemorative of the late Assistant Secretary, Z. A. Owens, were allowed to prepare their report during recess and have it printed with the minutes.

REV. ZEAL A. OWENS.

Born February 12th, 1848.

Died October 6th, 1882.

Our lamented brother was a native of Kentucky. His early life, spent in that State, was singularly full of hardships. Left an orphan in childhood, he grew up well-nigh homeless and neglected. At sixteen, however, he was taken in charge by a good Baptist deacon, who proved a noble foster-father. Entering the army a mere youth, he served faithfully through the war. It was while in a hospital, in Alabama, that he received from a devoted Christian woman the New Testament which led him to Christ. He was baptized, after the war, by Rev. Cleon C. Keys, of Kentucky, who was his first pastor, and his life-long friend. Called of God to preach, he spent several years as a student at Georgetown College, and as an inmate of the home of the genial and scholarly Dr. McDonald, now of Atlanta. Dr. McDonald says of him: "A purer man I have never known than Zeal A. Owens. I loved him like a brother."

Leaving College, he pursued his theological studies at Greenville and Chicago. Coming South for his health, his life as a pastor was spent chiefly in Mobile and Pensacola. Palmetto Street Church, Mobile, can never forget him. As their pastor, from Sept. 1st, 1876, to Feb. 12th, 1882, he did invaluable service, passing through the epidemic of '78 like a Christian hero. His work at Pensacola, as missionary pastor, from February to October, 1882, was signally blessed. When the fever broke out in the summer of '82 he was away on a vacation, but returned at once and threw himself, with heroic self-abnegation, into work among the sick, the sorrowing and the dying. So implicit was the confidence imposed in him that people of all creeds and classes sent for him, even a Romish priest calling for him to pray at his bedside. At last, exhausted by incessant labors, he fell a victim to the fever, and died October 6th, 1882, a Christian martyr.

Let who will, fixing on that life the clear, cold gaze of prudence, condemn the decision which seemed to precipitate its close, saying, "Why was this waste?" surely the Master recognizes in such a pouring out of a precious life in His service a beauty and grandeur of heroism which shall serve as an everlasting memorial, and receive its own exceeding great reward.

"BEING DEAD, HE YET SPEAKETH."

E. T. WINKLER, }
T. W. HART, } *Com.*
W. G. CURRY, }

62. The Committee to Nominate the State Mission Board reported the additional names, as requested. (See item number 4i.)

63. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be extended to the various railroads which have given us reduced rates of travel, and for other courtesies; also, to the members of the Siloam Church, and the citizens of Marion, for their boundless hospitality.

64. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to Walter Fowlkes and Ripley Beasley, for services rendered the Convention, as Pages, with the prayer that in the Providence of God they may, at some early day, be brought to the Savior.

65. On motion, W. T. Smith and J. H. Marbury, of Mountain Creek, were elected life members of this Convention, on account of contributions severally made by them.

66. The closing exercises of the Convention were conducted by G. B. Eager, and participated in by many brethren.

When the Convention adjourned, after singing and prayer by J. Falkner, to meet with the Tuskaloosa Church, at Tuskaloosa, on Friday next preceding the third Sabbath in July (18th), 1884.

JON. HARALSON, *President*,

BENJ. B. DAVIS, *Secretary*,

Selma, Ala.

Montgomery, Ala.

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*List of Ordained Ministers in Connection with the Baptist State
Convention of Alabama; Compiled from the Minutes.*

[The Secretary would be thankful to the brethren throughout the State if they would suggest additions or corrections, and thus enable him to make this list more correct than he knows it now to be.]

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| Abney, Jno., Woodville. | Barnett, S. W., Savannah. |
| Adams, N. F., Collinsville. | Barrett, J. M., Kentuck. |
| Adams, S. R. C., Danville. | Bayles, J. T., Bell's Landing. |
| Adams, W. Y., Gum Springs. | Beavers, A. E., Cuba Station. |
| Adams, H., Pine Hill. | Beavers, J. M., Oregonia. |
| Adams, S. M., Ocmulgee. | Beavers, J., Northport. |
| Adams, W. H., Brundidge. | Bedell, W. H., Waverly. |
| Adamson, S. M., Louina. | Beeson, J. J., Pisgah. |
| Adkins, R., Fayette. | Bell, E., Partridge. |
| Agce, W. A., Town Creek. | Bell, J. E., Georgiana. |
| Akins, E. T., Ballard. | Bell, E. R., Arkadelphia. |
| Albritton, J. E., Geneva. | Belsher, L. L., Butler. |
| Alexander, W. R., Allshoro. | Bennett, B. C., Pea River. |
| Alford, W. H., Geneva. | Benson, J. F., Eastman, Miss. |
| Alford, J. Q. A., Warrenton. | Benton, G. D., Crawford. |
| Allen, A. F., Oxford. | Best, C., Mt. Polk. |
| Allen, Asa, Oxford. | Best, L. A., Gadsden. |
| Allen, D. C., Brundidge. | Bevers, A., Hurricane Creek. |
| Allen, Jas., Jemison. | Bice, Isaac, Verbena. |
| Almon, W. V., Wheelerville. | Billingsly, C. C., Verbena. |
| Anders, J. H. M., Romulus. | Bishop, M., Fort Deposit. |
| Anderson, G. S., Newbern. | Bishop, W. A., Carthage. |
| Andrews, A., Burnsville. | Black, A., Troy. |
| Andrews, J. M., Romulus. | Blackman, W., Camp Hill. |
| Andrews, D. W., Fayette. | Blackmon, W., Dudleyville. |
| Appleton, J. B., Collinsville. | Blackwelder, W. M., Dudleyville. |
| Archer, S., Clintonville. | Blann, Robert, China Grove. |
| Armstrong, Aris, Newlin. | Bledsoe, J. F., Jackson's Gap. |
| Armstrong, W. W., Wilsonville. | Bledsoe, W. C., Lafayette. |
| Arnold, R. B., Skipperville. | Blizzard, A. L., Plantersville. |
| Ashurst, A. P., Columbia. | Bloodworth, C. C., York Station. |
| Askew, M., Athens. | Bond, J. D., Opelika. |
| Atkins, R., Jasper. | Bone, W. J., Marble Valley. |
| Autry, H. R., Livingston. | Borders, A. H., Clayton. |
| Avant, W. C., Honoraville. | Bounds, R. D., Millry. |
| Averitt, Jas. B., Pine Hill. | Bracken, M., Brackin. |
| Baber, E. F., Collirene. | Bradford, I. F., Avoca. |
| Bagwell, E., Sidney. | Bradley, H., Providence. |
| Bailey, James, Collier Creek. | Bradley, L. M., McKinley. |
| Bailey, T. M., D. D., Marion. | Brashier, I. L., Sterrett. |
| Bain, J. Y., Guntersville. | Breedwell, A., Collinsville. |
| Bain, C. H., Millry. | Brewer, G. E., Lafayette. |
| Baker, W. G., Handy. | Bridges, H. H., Dry Cove. |
| Baker, J. W., Notasulga. | Brindley, G. L., Cullman. |
| Baldwin, Jos., Houston. | Brooks, E. M., Troy. |
| Ball, T. H., Coffeeville. | Brooks, E. M., Brundidge. |
| Band, W. J., Weogufka. | Brooks, J. T., Montgomery. |
| Barbour, T. M., Tuskalooza. | Brooks, R. W., Williams' Station. |

ORDAINED MINISTERS—Continued.

- Brooks, H. E., Eufaula.
 Brooks, M., Elba.
 Brooks, R. R., Pierceville.
 Brooks, W. C., Ashland.
 Brooks, M., Victoria.
 Bounds, R. D., Buckatunna, Miss.
 Bowlin, Jno. W., Oleander.
 Brown, L. R., Cerro Gordo.
 Brown, P., Fackler.
 Brown, L. K., Wayland Springs.
 Brown, J. W., Vienna.
 Browning, W. V., Eureka.
 Bruce, B., Brandon Station.
 Bruner, J. F., Monterey.
 Bruner, Wm., Columbia.
 Brunson, K., Elba.
 Bryan, W. H., Tusculmbia.
 Bryan, W. P., Daleville.
 Bryars, J. L., Bluff Springs, Fla.
 Buck, C. W., Crawford.
 Bugg, W. R., Louina.
 Bulger, P. D., Green Bay.
 Bullard, J. W., Dalesville.
 Burden, C. I., Hickory Flat.
 Burroughs, E. P., South Hill.
 Burns, C. A., Bangor.
 Burson, G. W., Franklin, Ga.
 Burton, W. H., Forney.
 Caldwell, J. R., Melton's Mill.
 Callaway, P. M., Newton.
 Campbell, F. M., Chulafinnee.
 Campbell, G. S., Fayetteville, Tenn.
 Campbell, W. J., Chulafinnee.
 Camp, C. D., Wedowee.
 Camp, F. A., Wedowee.
 Canfield, J. W., Sterling.
 Carden, J. H. R., Weldon.
 Carmichael, H., Hickory Flat.
 Carmichael, G. W., New Market.
 Carpenter, J., Palmetto.
 Carrington, A. C., Chickasabogue.
 Carter, W. B., Flint.
 Casey, W. L., Sidney.
 Castleberry, P., Eden.
 Catlett, J. F., Cross Plains.
 Causey, J. L., Milly.
 Chambers, B. B., Blountville.
 Chambliss, J. E., D. D., Eufaula.
 Chambliss, J. T., Miller's Stand.
 Chandler, J. E., Coffey's Store.
 Chandler, J. W., Oxford.
 Chandler, W. N., Gadsden.
 Chappelle, H. B., Carrollton.
 Cheatham, W. H., Greenville.
 Cheney, I. P., Glennville.
 Chism, J. M., Cave Springs.
 Clark, U. H., Franklin, Ga.
 Cleveland, W. C., D. D., Selma.
 Clines, E., Bellville.
 Cloud, J. J., La Place.
 Cobb, A. P., Greenport.
 Cobill, F., Harpersville.
 Cohron, J. A., Forest Home.
 Colburn, R., Spencer.
 Cole, W. R., Houston.
 Coleman, J. C., Geneva.
 Coleman, J. T., Chulafinnee.
 Coleman, W. W., Davisville.
 Colley, J. H., Equality.
 Collier, S. T., Delta.
 Collins, C. C., Clear Creek Falls.
 Collins, D. S., Larkin's Fork.
 Collins, C. C., Lucky.
 Cone, G. W., Bremen.
 Cook, J. D., Pushmataha.
 Cooper, Benj., _____
 Copeland, R. P., Brundidge.
 Corbett, E., Vernon.
 Corbin, J. M., Houston.
 Corley, P. J., Warrenton.
 Corley, W. B., Democrat.
 Corn, J. M., Scottsborough.
 Cornelius, M. A., Gadsden.
 Cottingham, O. J., Six Mile.
 Covin, S., Fayette.
 Cox, J. E., Jasper.
 Crawford, W. L., Langston.
 Crawley, C., Indian Branch.
 Cree, P. J., Buena Vista.
 Creighton, J. H., Grove Hill.
 Crumpton, B. H., Evergreen.
 Crumpton, W. B., Shields' Mill.
 Culberson, H. R., Gadsden.
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 Cumbie, Jno., Hickory Flat.
 Cumbie, R. A. J., Dadeville.
 Cumbie, W. B., Rocky Head.
 Cumbie, D., Skipperville.
 Cumbie, J., Mt. Hilliard.
 Cumbie, J. T., Mt. Hilliard.
 Cumbie, W. A., Troy.
 Curry, J. H., Picken'sville.
 Curry, W. G., Snow Hill.
 Dagg, J. L., D. D., Hayneville.
 Damons, J. T., Mosley.
 Daniel, L. T., Fernland.
 Daniel, M. N., Warrior Station.
 David, F. C., Huntsville.
 Davidson, J. T., Honoraville.
 Davis, D. H., Houston.
 Davis, W. W., Larissa.
 Davis, Gales, Buckatunna, Miss.
 Davis, W. T., Lineville.
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 Deal, R. C., Echo.
 Deal, R., Echo.
 Dean, V. H., Gadsden.
 Dean, W. H., Letohatchee.

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- Deer, J. G., Brewton.
 Derrick, W. P., Bellefonte.
 DeWitt, R. J. W., Jackson.
 DeWitt, L. L., Choctaw Corner.
 DeWitt, W. H., Hoboken.
 Dickinson, T. N., Russellville.
 Dickinson, J. W., Grove Hill.
 Dill, J. S., Union Springs.
 Dison, T. B., Montevallo.
 Dix, A. F., Stephenson.
 Dolbs, O. N., Shelby Iron Works.
 Dodd, D. J., Oakfuskee.
 Dorman, A., Balm.
 Draughon, R. L., Perdue Hill.
 Drew, P. C., McKinley.
 Drew, Wm., Collinsville.
 Draper, J., Vernon.
 Driver, M. M., Hillabee.
 Duffey, D. S., Salem.
 Dunaway, J. W., Clifton.
 Dunn, J. W., Oleander.
 Dyer, N. J., Wayside.
 Eager, G. B., D. D., Mobile.
 Eddins, J. L., Perdue Hill.
 Edwards, J. M., Woodville.
 Edwards, Wm., Bluff Springs, Fla.
 Elam, T. J., Randolph.
 Elev, M. N., Union Springs.
 Elkins, C. W., Moulton.
 Ellis, P. J., Little Warrior.
 Evans, J. T., Sidney.
 Evans, A. P., Cuba Station.
 Faggard, R. D., Birmingham.
 Falkner, J., Mountain Creek.
 Fargason, T. B., Dadeville.
 Fendley, J. H., Grove Hill.
 Ferguson, J. A., Handy.
 Ferguson, J. B., Bucksport.
 Fields, J., Brooksville.
 Fields, Jos., Blountsville.
 Filingim, J. T., Bluff Springs, Fla.
 Finch, T. S., Nelsonville.
 Finley, J. H., Bashi.
 Finney, M., Newburg.
 Ford, J. S., Akron.
 Forrester, E. J., Selma.
 Fortune, J. M., Pleasant Hill.
 Foster, J. F. G., Robin's X Roads.
 Foster, J. C., Foster's.
 Foster, J. H., D. D., Tuskalooza.
 Fountain, C. P., Greenville.
 Fox, L. S., McKinley.
 Franklin, D. B., Pratt Mines.
 Freeman, F. A., Butler.
 Friar, Jas., Vienna.
 Fugatt, W., Valley Head.
 Fulmer, W. R., Handy's Mill.
 Fulmer, J. W., Mount Olive.
 Gaut, E. D., Green Hill.
 Garrett, J., Hatchett's Creek.
 Garrett, C. W., Rawhide.
 Garrett, M., De Armanville.
 Gilbert, W. W., Belmont, Miss.
 Gilbert, J. I., Hayes.
 Gilbert, A. W., Chickasaw.
 Gilder, J. L., Eldridge.
 Glazner, J. H., Broomtown.
 Glenn, J. A., Steel's Depot.
 Going, T. B., Walnut Grove.
 Goldsmith, A. F., Fort Deposit.
 Gordon, W., Mountain Mellow.
 Gordon, E. C., Boyd's Switch.
 Goss, W. T., Wynnville.
 Goss, J. G., Rock Mills, Ga.
 Gravelee, G. W., Newtonville.
 Green, J. M., Brundidge.
 Gregory, G. W., Walnut Hill.
 Gregory, C. W., Dingler.
 Gregory, W. G., Jones' X Roads.
 Griffin, W. S., Alexandria.
 Gunn, J., Trinity.
 Gunn, G. W., Opelika.
 Guttery, J., Jasper.
 Guttery, J., Sr., Holly Grove.
 Guyton, J. W., Reform.
 Gwin, T. P., Oxford.
 Hagler, J. H., Scottsville.
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 Hall, R. B., Helena.
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 Hall, J. B., Collinsville.
 Hall, R. D., Brock's Gap.
 Hanna, E. B., Maple Grove.
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 Harris, H. E., Greensport.
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 Hearn, A. J., Pickens' Landing.
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 Henderson, J. M., Cedar Bluff.
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 Hendon, B. F., Trussville.
 Hendon, C., Pikeville.
 Hendon, J. H., Palo.
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 Hinson, J., Geneva.
 Hixson, J. O., Union Springs.
 Hobson, F. M., Clements.
 Hodges, S. H., Gadsden.
 Hodgins, W. J., Whiton.
 Hogan, Jas., Bibbville.
 Holcombe, T. D., Blount Springs.
 Holcombe, T. P., Columbiana.
 Holley, Jno., Cokerville.
 Hollis, D., Haw Ridge.
 Holly, J., Ireland.
 Holmes, I., Sylacauga.
 Honeycutt, R. M., Randolph.
 Hopper, W. C., Athens.
 Horsley, H. M., Dudleyville.
 Horton, J. H., Greenwood.
 Horton, H. H., Princeton.
 Hosmer, J. W., Northport.
 Houston, S. P., Edwardsville.
 Howard, J. A., Seale.
 Howell, E., Loosapalila.
 Howell, C., Holly Tree.
 Howle, T. H., Delta.
 Huckabee, W. N., Plantersville.
 Huckabee, G. E., Light, Tenn.
 Hudgens, M., White Cloud.
 Hudson, F. T., Notasulga.
 Hudson, J. D., Choctaw Corner.
 Huggins, A. J., Cerro Gordo, Fla.
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 Hunter, R. M., Jackson.
 Hurley, J. T., Russellville.
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 Inzer, J. D., Eden.
 Inzer, H. W., Eden.
 Isbell, J. W., Larkinsville.
 Isbell, M., Boyd's Switch.
 Jackson, B. A., Ramer.
 Jackson, F. A., Brundidge.
 Jackson, A. F., Fairfield.
 Jackson, E. J., Brundidge.
 Jackson, F. M., Frankfort.
 James, D. L., Blount Springs.
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 Johnson, G. D., Ashville.
 Johnson, J. F., Sterling.
 Johnson, J. M., Sand Tuck.
 Johnson, C. S., Beulah.
 Johnson, J. W., Wood's Station.
 Johnson, J. P., Gaylesville.
 Johnson, C. S., Lafayette.
 Joiner, P. H., Greenville.
 Joiner, W. H., Georgiana.
 Jolly, A. A., Porterville.
 Jones, B. T., Newton.
 Jones, K. S., Randolph.
 Jones, H., Rockford.
 Jones, S. W., Williams' Station.
 Jordan, J. D., Delta.
 Judd, E. P. H., Mobile.
 Kelly, J. W., Waynesboro.
 Kelly, T. A., Rockford.
 Kennedy, E., New Market.
 Kennedy, S., Larkin's Fork.
 Kennington, J. W., Haw Ridge.
 Kenum, J., Vernon.
 Key, D. A., Kent.
 Key, H. A., Jasper.
 Kidd, W. W., Harpersville.
 Kierce, G. W., Fairfield.
 Kierce, W. J., Natural Bridge.
 Kinerd, A. J., Marion.
 Kinnebrew, J. H., Gadsden.
 Kirby, H. H., Maban.
 Kirk, W. J., Palo.
 Kirkland, R. C., Columbia.
 Knight, H. C., Blake's Ferry.
 Knight, G. W., Isney.
 Knight, H. C., Christiana.
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 Knowles, J. W., Idaho.
 Knowles, J. W., Ashland.
 Knowles, S. J., Headland.
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 Lee, J. P., Pickensville.
 Lee, R. B., Enfaula.
 Lee, D., Mt. Willing.
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 Little, A. R., Avoca.
 Little, E. R., Newburg.
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 McCain, Wm. F., Lincoln.
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 McCandless, T. J., New Market.
 McCaskey, J. G., Georgiana.
 McClanahan, J. D., Hartsell.
 McClellan, C. W., Apple Grove.
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 McCrary, W. J., Partridge.
 McCrary, W. L., Pratt Mines.
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 McLaughlin, W. C., Cedar Grove.
 McLendon, G. G., Henderson.
 McLendon, J. C., Marion.
 McLeod, J. F., Pinckneyville.
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 McQueen, G. W., Hayneville.
 McWilliams, J., Monroeville.
 Macon, J. J., Troy.
 Malone, J. W., Hilliardsville.
 Manasco, D., Jasper.
 Mann, J. D., Moulton.
 Maples, E. N., Vienna.
 Martin, B., Cypress, Tenn.
 Martin, A. L., Abbeville.
 Martin, D. S., Equality.
 Martin, B., Pleasant Valley.
 Martin, T. M., Larissa.
 Martin, W. F., Green Bay.
 Martin, J. D., Columbia.
 Markham, A., Pikeville.
 Mason, H. C., Escatawpa.
 Mathews, C. L., Crittenden's Mill.
 Mathias, M. R., Robbin's X Roads.
 Mayfield, R. J., Gordo.
 Mays, J. T., Halesville.
 Mays, D., Summit.
 Melton, S. W., Weogufka.
 Miles, T. J., Montgomery.
 Miles, C. J., Hoboken.
 Miller, E., Oaklone.
 Miller, W. J., North River.
 Miller, J., Oakfuskee.
 Mills, G. W., Jones' Switch.
 Mills, Jno. D., Montevallo.
 Mince, A. N., Lebanon.
 Mitchell, J. C., Ponce de Leon, Fla.
 Mitchell, J. A., Gordo.
 Mitchell, B. S., Collinsville.
 Mitchell, E. P., Murphree's Valley.
 Montgomery, P. S., Ashville.
 Moore, E. M., Lineville.
 Moore, J. A., Cottondale.
 Moore, S., Forest Home.
 Moore, N., _____
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 Moore, H. R., High Shoal.
 Moon, W. H., Piano.
 Moon, D. S., Milltown.
 Morgan, T. E., Honoraville.
 Moring, G. A., Hayes' Store.
 Morris, M., New River.
 Morris, J. C., Oak Level.
 Morris, G. W., Chisenhall's.
 Moseley, P. L., Conecuh River.
 Moseley, W. C. T., Rutledge.
 Moss, F. H., Dudleyville.
 Motley, J. C., Daviston.
 Motley, T. C., Dadeville.
 Mountain, W. E., Forney.
 Muburn, A., Trout Creek.
 Mullins, J. A., Clanton.
 Mundine, J. G., Kelley's Creek.
 Muse, Asa, Rawhide.
 Musgrove, P. M., Cullman.
 Myers, D. S., Whistler.
 Mynatt, G., Lincoln.
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 Nall, J. G., Kentuck.
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 Nelson, J. T., Stewartsville.
 Nelson, I. A. J., Hillabee.
 Nesmith, J. R., Avoca.
 Newell, J. R., St. Elmo.
 Norris, L., Mobile.
 Norton, J. H., Notasulga.
 Norwood, R. W., Moulton.
 Norwood, S. A., Gravelly Spring.
 Norwood, T. A., Wetona.
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 Oden, J., Sidney.
 Olive, G. P., Verbena.
 Oliver, P., Equality.
 Orme, J. W., Pugh.
 Overton, J. H., Wedowee.
 Owens, C. A., Brundidge.
 Owen, C. A., Cullman.
 Pace, J. O. A., Russellville.
 Parker, A. J., Hazel Green.
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 Parker, G. M., Coffeeville.
 Parker, W. A., Camden.
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 Perry, A. M., Pinetucky.
 Peters, J. W., Vernon.
 Phillips, Jas., Warrenton.
 Phillips, J. M., Tuskaloosa.
 Pickard, H. A., Energy.
 Pierce, J. H., Brewton.
 Pike, C. J., Broken Arrow.
 Pinkerton, R. A., Greenwood.
 Pitts, J. S., Aberfoil.
 Plaister, F. C., Ft. Deposit.
 Poiner, J. M., Newton.
 Pomeroy, C., Rogersville.
 Pond, W. F., Kinterbish.
 Poole, J. B., Havana.
 Posey, O., Equality.
 Posey, F. G., Elk River Mills.
 Potter, J. F., White Plains.
 Powe, W. T., Bladen Springs.
 Powell, G. B., Partridge.
 Preston, W. H., Rocky Mount.
 Prince, C. H., Coatsville, Miss.
 Pritchett, Wm., Aberfoil.
 Purcell, I., Cropwell.
 Purser, D. I., Birmingham.
 Quarles, J. D., Coleta.
 Quarles, T. I., Shell Mound, Tenn.
 Rabb, W. M., Evergreen.
 Rains, A. G., Proctor.
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 Ramsey, D. W., Pine Apple.
 Ramsey, R. H., Trussville.
 Randolph, Wm., Dent.
 Ray, H. G. B., Canoe Station.
 Ray, J. H., Deatsville.
 Ray, S. O. V., Nicholson's Store.
 Ray, J. I., Hickman.
 Read, E. T., Jacksonville.
 Redd, G. W., Hanceville.
 Reed, W. C., Greenwood.
 Reeves, W. N., D. D., Eufaula.
 Reeves, J. A., Greenwood.
 Reid, W. C., Summit.
 Renfro, J. J. D., D. D., Talladega.
 Revel, J. I., Crawford.
 Rhodes, J. V., Chocologoco.
 Richey, P., Greensport.
 Riggins, W. G., Strasburg.
 Rigney, F. J., Berkley.
 Riley, B. F., Evergreen.
 Roach, C. B., Scottsboro.
 Roberts, J. C., Newberg.
 Roberts, J. M., Moulton.
 Roberts, Jno., Valley Head.
 Robertson, J. G., Lineville.
 Robinson, J. S. E., Ashville.
 Robson, J., Clayton.
 Roby, Z. D., D. D., Opelika.
 Roe, T., Elba.
 Rogers, D., Shorterville.
 Rogers, W. S., Midway.
 Rogers, J. W., Toledo.
 Ross, W. A., Dadeville.
 Rowe, E. W., Elba.
 Rowe, J. P., Emuckfaw.
 Rowe, J. M., Elba.
 Rowe, Thos., Troy.
 Ruddick, W. J., Randolph.
 Ryan, J. K., Vantley Creek.
 Sampy, J. R., Kamer.
 Sarter, J. R., York.
 Scarborough, A. R., Livingston.
 Scarborough, W. M., Melon Valley.
 Schramm, H. R., Eufaula.
 Scott, J. A., Davisville.
 Scott, J. E., Pushmataha.
 Scott, J. W., Wehoga.
 Scott, W. A., Lineville.
 Seward, F. L., Leighton.
 Shackelford, J., D. D., Trinity.
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 Shaffer, J. P., Roanoke.
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 Shumach, ———, Alsboro.
 Skinner, B. J., Burnt Corn.
 Skipper, J. C., Headland.
 Skipper, L. G., Mt. Willing.
 Simms, C. P., Fafayette.
 Simpson, Jno. M., Somerville.
 Sims, A. A., Forest Home.
 Sims, A. T., Forest Home.
 Sisson, C. P., Milltown.
 Smith, A. A., Eldridge.
 Smith, Cat., Rockford.
 Smith, C., Haw Ridge.
 Smith, H. G., Birmingham.
 Smith, W. P., Houston.
 Smith, J. A., Henderson.
 Smith, W. H., Wood's Station.
 Smoke, J. M., Benton.
 Smyth, E. T., DeArmanville.
 Spain, J., Courtland.
 Sparkman, J. C., Waynesboro.
 Sparkman, T., Waynesboro.
 Spear, J., Avoca.
 Spear, P. W., Pugh.
 Spence, D., Gravella.
 Spence, L., Evergreen.
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 Stamps, T. H., Danville.
 Stamps, J. J., Perote.
 Steel, K. S., Hokes' Bluff.

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 Steenson, S. M., South Florence.
 Stephens, J. W., Delta.
 Stephens, S., Lusk.
 Stephens, C. J., Eufaula.
 Stephenson, E. D., Danville.
 Stevens, W. O., Flinn's Mill.
 Stevens, Benj., Scottsville.
 Stewart, J. M., Summit.
 Stewart, J. J., Newtonville.
 Stewart, J. W., Marion.
 Stockton, J. L., Trinity Station.
 Stockton, J. S., Belgreen.
 Stone, J. D., Meridian, Miss.
 Stone, M. F., Broken Arrow.
 Stout, T. H., Clayton.
 Stover, J. M., Cottonville.
 Stringer, A. J., Coffeeville.
 Stringer, J. V., Jackson.
 Sturgis, H. H., Minter.
 Summers, W. C., Russellville.
 Sumner, M. T., D. D., Verbena.
 Swyndell, O. C., Good Hope.
 Taul, H. C., Deatsville.
 Taylor, C. A., Houston.
 Taylor, H. L., Andalusia.
 Taylor, J., Millville.
 Taylor, I. L., Milton, Fla.
 Taylor, K., Opelika.
 Taylor, T. E., Auburn.
 Taylor, W. D., Centre.
 Teague, E. B., D. D., Wilsonville.
 Teague, J. J., Arbacoochee.
 Teague, W. M., Summit.
 Tennyson, P. R., Summit.
 Therrell, C. A., Montgomery.
 Thomasson, L. M., Andalusia.
 Thomasson, T. F., Calera.
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 Thompson, J. L., Tallassee.
 Thompson, J. M., Bulger's Mill.
 Thompson, W. H. H., Hartsell's.
 Thornton, J. G., Union.
 Threadgill, F. A., Troy.
 Todd, A., Moccasin.
 Tribble, A. K., Parr.
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 Trotter, T. K., Peck's Hill.
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 Tucker, A. O., Dadeville.
 Tucker, G. E., Insey.
 Tucker, T. E., Silas.
 Tucker, W. H., Shiloh.
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 Underwood, W. C., Ozark.
 Upshaw, W., Eclectic.
 Upshaw, W. J. D., Bulger's Mill.
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 Vaughan, C. C., Cuba Station.
 Vines, F. M., Clanton.
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 Waldrop, A. J., Wood's Station.
 Waldrop, B. M., Porter.
 Waldrop, E. B., Wood's Station.
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 Walker, Isaac, Montevallo.
 Walraven, E., Pyburn's Bluff.
 Wamboldt, M. M., Troy.
 Ward, D., Scottsville.
 Ware, R. T., Mount Hope.
 Watson, J. F., Chulafinnee.
 Watson, L., Cuba.
 Watson, H. W., Randolph.
 Watts, J. B. F., Evergreen.
 Wear, K. T., Russellville.
 Weatherly, J. H., Birmingham.
 Weaver, J. E., Lawrence Cove.
 Weaver, J. S., Lineville.
 Weaver, Z. T., Batesville.
 Webb, W. H., Clintonville.
 West, Jno. L., Selma.
 Whaley, W., Hanceville.
 Whidden, D., Abbeville.
 Whipple, W. A., Lively.
 Whipple, W. A., Troy.
 Whitaker, Wm., Boyd's Landing.
 White, A., Toadvine.
 White, J. E., Clinton.
 White, Wm. F., Pleasant Site.
 Whitlock, W. M., Mountain Mills.
 Wilbanks, J. B., South Hill.
 Wilcox, G. W., Cedar Springs.
 Wilhite, C. B., Cullman.
 Wilkes, I. U., Montevallo.
 Wilkes, J. W., Perote.
 Wilkes, W., Sylacauga.
 Wilkins, R. B., Reform.
 Williams, C. S., Milton, Fla.
 Williams, H. A., Cross Plains.
 Williams, L., Boldo.
 Williams, N. H., Vance's.
 Williams, T. E., Pleasant Hill.
 Williams, T. J., Greenville.
 Williams, W. D., Euchee Anna, Fla.
 Williamson, S. J., Oaky Streak.
 Willie, W. J. N., Gravelly Springs.
 Wilson, E., Centre.
 Wilson, W. M., Centre.
 Winkler, E. T., D. D., Marion.
 Woodfin, A. B., D. D., Montgomery.
 Wood, J. M., Pyburn's Bluff.
 Wood, J. M., Jayvilla.
 Wood, J. W., Columbiana.
 Wood, M. M., Morrow.
 Wood, N. M., Morris Station.
 Woodall, W., Mt. Folk.
 Woods, W. C., Vernon.
 Woodward, T. B., Gaston.

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Wooten, J. S., Providence.
Worley, Z., Stevenson.
Worthy, A. N., Troy.
Worthy, W. M., Mellow Valley.
Wortley, W. M., Mellow Valley.
Wright, J. C., Oxford.
Wright, Wm., Attala.
Wynne, J. A., Antioch.
Yarbrough, J. S., Orion.
Yeager, F. M., Somerville.
Yerby, J. T., Northport.
Youngblood, J. L., Troy.
Allen, H., Bell's Mills.
Camp, T. A., Lamar.

Camel, Wm., Arbocoochee.
Dodd, D. J., Oakafuskee.
Davis, W. T., Wedowee.
Garrett, C. A., Bowden, Ga.
Hill, Martin, Bowden, Ga.
Knight, D. W., Lamar.
Knight, H. C., Rockdale.
Laten, T. J., Lamar.
Mitchell, A. B., Bowden, Ga.
Miller, J., Oakafuskee.
Noles, A. J., Graham.
Preston, W. H., Rockdale.
Teague, J. J., Arbocoochee.
Whitley, J. H., Graham.

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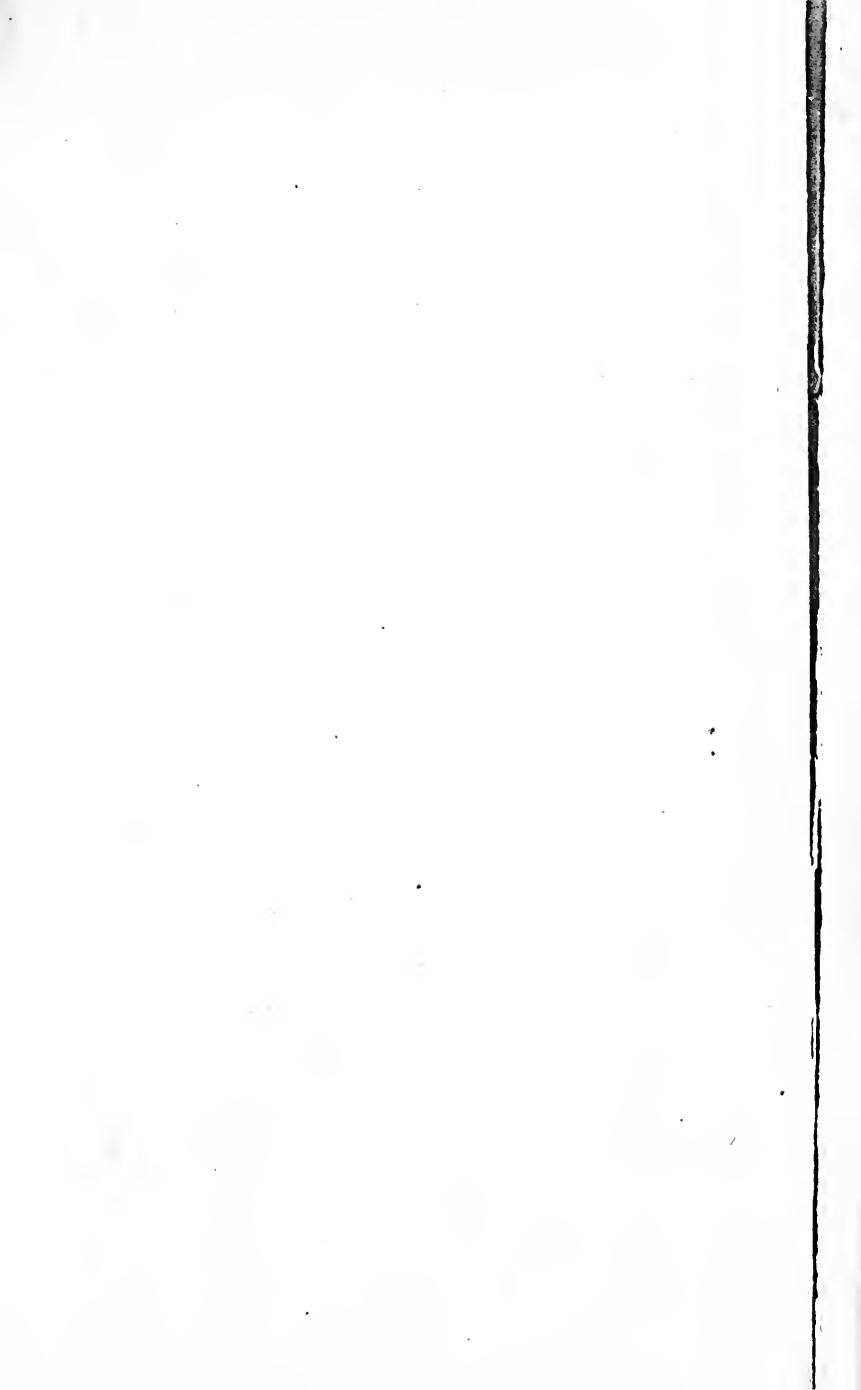
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