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WILMINGTON, N. C., October 29th, 1873.

The Synod of North Carolina met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. A. W. Miller, D. D., Moderator, from Heb. 12th chap: 28th and 29th verses.

The Synod was then constituted with prayer.

The roll of Ministers and churches was called and the following members were found to be present:

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Jacob Doll, A. Currie, J. M. Atkinson, P. H. Dalton, J. Henry Smith, D. D., F. H. Johnston, D. E. Jordan, J. C. Alexander, L. C. Vass, P. Tinsley Penick, J. W. Primrose and C. M. Payne.

Ruling Elders—J. C. Cannon, Wm. H. Crow, Jesse H. Lindsay and W. H. Anderson.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—E. F. Rockwell, J. Rumple, William W. Pharr, William A. Wood, J. B. Mack, R. M. Tuttle and S. Taylor Martin.

Ruling Elders—John R. Wilson, D. F. Cannon, William Murdock, A. Leazer and E. A. Perkins.

FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—Hector McLean, James P. McPherson, A. McMillan, A. Baker, H. G. Hill, M. McNair, A. N. Ferguson, K. M. McIntyre and Joseph Evans.

Ruling Elders—H. H. Hodgin, N. A. Currie, A. S. Baker, J. A. McAlister, A. McKay, W. J. Currie, E. Kelly, A. McKethan and Evander McGilvary.

PRESENTERY OF WILMINGTON.

Ministers—D. B. Black, Colin Shaw, James Kelly, H. B. Burr, Alexander Kirkland, J. M. Sprunt, A. McFadyen, S. H. Isler and T. C. Johnston.

Ruling Elders—S. T. Buie, J. L. Corbett, N. Graham, G. S. Carr, W. K. Cromartie, George Chadbourn, R. W. Moore, J. T. Player, Robert McDougal, John D. Currie and John Colville.

PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

Ministers—James E. Morrison, John Douglas, N. Shotwell, Walter W. Pharr, A. W. Miller, D. D., and W. H. Davis.

Ruling Elders—Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, R. D. Collins, C. N. Hutchinson, John N. Sample and A. T. Summey.

ABSENT-PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—George W. Ferrill, Edward Harris, S. A. Stanfield, Thomas U. Faucett, D. Lacy, D. D., C. N. Morrow, C. Phillips, D. D., C. H. Wiley, W. B. Tidball, H. B. Pratt, E. H. Harding and Robert Burwell.

ABSENT-CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—Jesse Rankin, Daniel Lindley, Thos. P. Johnston, Thomas N. Paxton, G. M. Gibbs, S. C. Millen, B. L. Beall, A. E. Chandler, L. McKinnon and John M. Davis.

ABSENT-FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—Neill McKay, D. D., D. McBryde, M. McQueen, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen, John H. Coble, D. Fairley, T. L. DeVeaux and W. S. Lacy.

ABSENT-WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—B. Marable, H. A. Monroe, N. Z. Graves and A. F. Dickson.

ABSENT-MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—R. H. Morrison, D. D., J. D. Hall, W. N. Morrison, D. McNeill Turner, D. D., R. H. Chapman, D. D., William Graves, Thomas E. Davis, J. C. Williams, Jacob Hood, W. B. Corbett, G. D. Parks, D. T. Towles, R. Z. Johnston, R. B. Anderson, William McDonald, J. E. Kenedy and S. C. Alexander.

Rev. James M. Sprunt, of Wilmington Presbytery was elected Moderator, and Rev. Messrs. L. C. Vass and J. B.

Mack were chosen temporary clerks.

On motion, it was resolved to spend the first half hour of each morning's session in devotional exercises.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Thursday Morning, Oct. 30, 1873.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and spent half an hour in devotional exercises.

The roll was called and the following Ministers and Ruling Elders appeared, gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness and were enrolled, viz: Rev. Messrs. Neill McKay, D. D., Martin McQueen, D. Fairley, James McQueen, William S. Lacy, T. L. DeVeaux and D. D. McBryde, with Ruling Elders A. McKethan and Evander McGilvary of Fayetteville Presbytery, and Rev. H. A. Monroe, of Wilmington Presbytery.

The following ministers being present were invited to sit as corresponding members, viz: Rev. Mr. Burnheim of the Lutheran church, Rev. Richard McIlwaine and Rev. James H. Fitzgerald of the Synod of Virginia, Rev. Daniel McGilvary of the Synod of Albany, and the Rev. J. C. Hiden of the Baptist church, of Wilmington.

The report of the Agent of Sustentation was made the order of the day for 11 o'clock, A. M., and Rev. Richard McIlwaine, Secretary of the General Assembly's Committee of Sustentation and Foreign Missions, was invited to address the Synod at that time on each of these subjects.

The following absentees from the last meeting of Synod presented satisfactory excuses for their absence, viz:

Rev. John W. Primrose, of Orange Presbytery; Rev. Messrs. N. McKay, D. D., D. D. McBryde, James McQueen and M. McNair, of Fayetteville Presbytery; Rev. Messrs. D. B. Black, H. A. Monroe, Colin Shaw, James Kelly, H. B. Burr, A. McFadyen and Alexander Kirkland, of Wilmington Presbytery, and Rev. James E. Morrison. of Mecklenburg Presbytery.

The Statistical reports from the Presbyteries were read and are as follows:

THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange report to the Synod of North Carolina that they consist of 24 Ministers, and have under their care 51 churches, one Licentiate and eleven candidates for the Ministry; that on the 10th day of October, 1872 they received Rev. Robert Burwell from the Presbytery of Mecklenburg; that on the 4th day of April, 1873 they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. P. H. Dalton and Washington Church; that on the 8th day of April, 1873, they licensed Mr. William G. Baird as a candidate for the Ministry; that on the 17th day of April, 1873 they ordained Charles Montgomery Payne, M. D., to the full work of the Ministry, and installed him Pastor of Wentworth church; that on the 15th day of June 1873, they installed Rev. Chas. M. Payne, Pastor of the Church of Madison; that on the same day they lost by death Rev. Anderson G. Hughes; that on the 9th day of October, 1873 they dismissed at his own request, the Rev. William C. Smith, to the Presbytery of South Carolina and that their next stated meeting will be held in Greensboro', N. C., on Wednesday before the 4th Sabbath in April, 1874, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

October 30, 1873

CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Concord report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 17 Ministers, and have under their care 34 churches, 2 licentiates and 9 candidates; that on the 18th day of October, 1872 they licensed John W. Davis to preach the Gospel as a probationer; that on the same day they ordained R. M. Tuttle, a Licentiate, to the full work of the Ministry, and on the same day installed him Pastor of the Prospect church; that on the 17th day of April, 1873 they transferred J. W. Rosebro, a Licentiate, at his own request, to the care of Lexington Presbytery, Va.; that on the 18th day of March, 1873, they organized the church of "Gibbs' Mission," at Hickory Station, Catawba county; that on the 28th day of May, 1873, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. S. C. Pharr, D. D., and Thyatira church and declared said church vacant; that on the same day they ordained John W. Davis, a Licentiate, to the full work of the Gospel Ministry as an Evangelist; that on the 29th day of May, 1873, they elected Rev. J. B. Mack as an Evangelist, on a salary of \$1,500 per annum, to labor in our churches, which he has accepted for the term of six months; that on the same day they received the Rev. S. Taylor Martin on certificate from West Hanover Presbytery, Va.; that on the 9th day of July, 1873 they recived Rev. A. E. Chandler on certificate from Knoxville Presbytery, Tenn.; that on the 27th day of July, 1873, they organized Zion church, in Cabarrus county; that the 19th day of August, 1873, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. D. A. Penick and Poplar Tent church, and dismissed him to Lexington Presbytery, Virginia; that on the 23rd day of August, 1873, they suspended indefinitely the Rev. S. C. Pharr, D. D., from the exercise of the functions of the Ministry, and declared the church of Franklin, of which he

was pastor, vacant; that they have employed a colporteur to distribute the Books of our Committee of Publication among our churches; and that our next semi-annual meeting will be held at Prospect church, on Thursday before the 3rd Sabbath in April, 1874.

WILLIAM W. PHARR, Stated Clerk.

THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that, at present, they consist of 19 Ministers and have under their care 2 Licentiates, 47 churches and 7 candidates for the ministry; that on the 12th day of April, 1873, they licensed Mr. James Albert Smith to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy ministry; that on the 10th day of July. 1873, they received Rev. Archibald Baker by letter from the Presbytery of Florida, that on the same day they received Rev. T. L. DeVeaux, by letter from the same Presbytery; that on the same day they received Rev. William S. I acy by letter from the Presbytery of Abingdon; that on the 11th day of July, 1873. they licensed Mr. David S McAlister to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy ministry: that on the 12th day of July, 1873, they installed Rev. Archibald Baker pastor of Centre Church; that on the 9th day of October, 1873 they dismissed Mr. John McAden Rose, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of East Hanover; that on the 10th day of October, 1873, they received under their care the recently organized Church of Flat Branch, and on the same day, they dismissed Mr. Lauchlin W. Currie, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Montgomery; and that the next meeting of our Presbytery will be held at Ashpole Church, Robeson county, N. C., on Wednesday before the third Sabbath in April, 1874, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Oct. 11th, 1873.

J. P. McPHERSON, STATED CLERK.

THE PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they number 13 ministers and have under their care 28 churches, 4 Licentiates and 3 candidates; that on the 11th day of October, 1872, they licensed S. Henry Bell as a probationer; that on the 30th day of December they received W. H. Groves under their care as a candidate; that on the 20th day of March, 1873, they dismissed at his own request, J. A. Woodburn, a licentiate to the care of the Presbytery of Central Texas; that on the 21st day of March they licensed G. W. McMillan as a probationer, and on the same day received J. J. Hines as a candidate: that on the 22d day of March they dismissed Rev. 8. C. Alexander, at his own request to join the Presbytery of Mecklenburg : and on the same day licensed J. J. Hines as a probationer; that on the 25th day of June they licensed W. II. Groves as a probationer, and on the same day dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. A. F. Dickson and the First Church, Wilmington; that on the 2d day of October, they dismissed, at his own request. S. Henry Bell, a licentiate, to the care of the Presbytery of Savannah, Ga.; that on the 3rd day of October they received under their care T. C. Johnston, a licentiate from the Presbytery of New Orleans, and on the following day ordained him to the full work of the Ministry vs an Evangelist, and that their next

stated meeting will be held in the First Church, Wilmington on Wednesday before the first Sabbath in April next.

By order of Presbytery,

JAMES M. SPRUNT, Stated Clerk.

Beth-Car Church, October 4th, 1873.

THE PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg report to the Synod of North Carolina,

- 1. That they consist of 23 Ministers and have under their care 41 churches and 6 candidates.
- 2. That on the 23rd day of April, 1873, they received the Rev. S. C. Alexander from the Presbytery of Wilmington.
- 3rd. That on the 24th day of October, 1873, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. N. Shotwell and the church of Little Brittain, and on the 10th day of October, 1872, they dissolved the Pastoral relation between Rev. R. Z. Johnston and the church of Sharon.
- 4th. That on the 20th day of May, 1873, they licensed Mr. John F. Cannon, and dismissed him to the Presbytery of Chesapeake, and they dismissed Mr. George Summey, a licentiate, to the Presbytery of Memphis on the of —, 1873, and they dismissed to the Presbytery of Bethel their licentiate Mr. James Walter Query, on the 25th April, 1873.
- 5th. That on the 16th March they organized a church in Lincoln county, and called it the Paper Mill church, and on the day of —, 1873, they organized Sand Hill church, in Buncombe county, N. C.
- 6th. That their next meeting will be held at Hopewell church, Mecklenburg county, on Wednesday before the 3rd Sabbath of April, 1874.

Respectfully submitted,

R. Z. JOHNSTON, Stated Clerk.

October 28th, 1873.

The Narratives from all the Presbyteries were read and referred to the committee appointed to prepare an address to the churches on the State of Religion.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, Rev. H. G. Hill, Synodical Agent of Sustentation, read his report, which was, on motion, received.

The following resolution was, on motion, adopted:

Resolved. That the Synod will hold a Foreign Missionary Meeting in the First Presbyterian Church to morrow evening (Friday) at 7½ o'clock, and that the Rev Daniel McGilvary is hereby invited to address the Synod at that time.

The Rev. Richard McIlwaine then addressed the Synod on the subject of Sustentation.

The Moderator announced the following standing committees, viz:

1. ON BILLS AND OVERTURES—Rev. A. W. Miller, P. D., Rev. N. Shotwell, Rev. Walter W. Pharr, Mr. N. Grier and Dr. E. Nye, Hutchison.

- 2. On the Judicial Committee—Rev. F. H. Johnston, Rev. H. B. Burr, Rev. Joseph Evans, Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay and Mr. John R. Wilson.
- 3. ON THE RECORDS OF ORANGE PRESBYTERY—Rev. Alexander Kirkland, Rev. Wm, A. Wood and Mr. A. S. Baker.
- 4. ON THE RECORDS OF CONCORD PRESBYTERY-Rev. A. Baker, Rev. P. T. Penick and Mr. N. Graham.
- 5. ON THE RECORDS OF FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY—Rev. J. Rumple, Rev. S. H. Isler and Mr. D. F. Cannon,
- 6. ON THE RECORDS OF WILMINGTON PRESENTERY-Rev. John Douglas, Rev. A. N. Ferguson and Mr. W. H. Crow.
- 7. ON THE RECORDS OF MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY—Rev. Neill McKay, D. D., Rev. A. Currie and Mr. A. Lenzar.
- 8 TO PREPARE AN ADDRESS TO THE CHURCHES ON THE STATE OF RELIGION WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF THE SYNOD—Rev. D. E. Johnson, Rev. M. Tuttle and Mr. E. F. Buie.
 - 9. ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES—Rev. Colin Shaw and Mr. George Chadbourn.
- 10. On the Treasurer's Account—Rev. J. Rumple, Mr. A. T. Summey and Mr. W. H. Crow.
- 11. ON THE MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY—Rev. Jas. P. McPherson, Rev. S. Taylor Martin and Mr. John N. Sample,
- 12. ON UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY-Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., Rev. William S. Lacy and Mr. E. A. Perkins.
- 13. ON THE REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF SYNOD-Rev. H. G. Hill, Mr. J. C. Cannon and Mr. A. McKay.
- 14. On Leave of Absence—Rev. E. F. Rockwell, Rev. C. M. Payne and Mr. G. S. Carr.

Letters were read from Rev. Messrs. S. A. Stanfield, T. N. Paxton, R. H. Chapman, D. D., and R. Z. Johnston, giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present sessions of Synod.

The unfinished business was then taken up, viz: the consideration of the resolutions appended to the Report of the Agent of Sustentation.

The first, second and third resolutions were adopted and are as follows:

- 1. Resolved, That the Synod recommend to its Presbyteries to take such steps as they may deem wise, to unite as far as possible, their feeble churches into self-sustaining pastorates,
- 2. Resolved, That the Synod urge all our ministers to instruct their congregations annually in the duty of consecrating their property to God, and of worshipping Him with the first fruits of their increase.
- 3. Resolved, That the Synod recommend the worshipping of God by religious contributions in all our churches on every Sabbath when they have service, and the adoption of some plan of giving, designed to reach every church member.

The fourth resolution appended to the report of the Agent

of Sustentation was, on motion, laid on the table, to be taken up at the next meeting of the Synod.

On motion, the report of the committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg, adopted at the last meeting of the Synod, (see page 13, printed Minutes of 1872.) was re-considered.

On motion, the above mentioned report was laid on the table.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at $9\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Friday Morning, October 31, 1873.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and spent the first half hour in devotional exercises.

The Minutes were then read, corrected and, on motion, approved.

The order of the day, viz: the report of the Judicial Committee on the complaint of Rev. Walter W. Pharrand others against the Presbytery of Mecklenburg was, on motion, suspended.

Rev. S. C. Alexander, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Mr. J. W. Colvin, a Ruling Elder, from the Presbytery of Wilmington, appeared in Synod and his name was enrolled.

The Stated Clerk of Orange Presbytery reported that Rev. James H. Fitzgerald had been received as a member of that Presbytery, from the Presbytery of West Hanover, whereupon his name was enrolled as a member of Synod.

The Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary was read, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Seminary.

Also certain resolutions of the Board of Directors were read and referred to the same committee.

The report of the Trustees of Synod was read and, on

motion, referred to the committee on that subject.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was read, and referred to the committee on the Treasurer's account.

The report of the Agent of Publication was made the order of the day for 11 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

The report of the Agent of Education was made the first order of the day for this afternoon.

The report of the Agent of Sabbath Schools was made the second order of the day for this afternoon.

On motion, the order of the day was then taken up, viz: the report of the Judicial Committee on the complaint of Rev. Walter W. Pharr and others against the action of Mecklenburg Presbytery.

First—The complaint was read, and is as follows:

August 31, 1872.

To the Synod of North Carolina-

We whose names are found in connection with this paper. would with kind feelings and in respectful language complain to your venerable body of a resolution adopted by our Presbytery in the town of Asheville, August 31, 1872.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg in previously defining its relations to the Theological Seminaries of the Church, as though bound to neither, but free to support both, did not design to include in said support the payment of the expenses of its members who may be directors of those in stitutions.

We complain of this action:

1st Because the Presbytery re-affirms a position which your Synod said at the meeting in Raleigh, she had no right to take, (see printed minutes, page 12, for the year 1870)

2d By this resolution the Presbytery set aside what is regarded as an order of Synod, to meet the expenses of Directors to the Seminary appointed by your body.

We earnestly desire the Synod to take this matter into serious and prayerful consideration; and give such a deliverance upon this subject as shall be for the peace of the Church and the glory of God. (Signed.)

WALTER W. PHARR. D. T. TOWLES. E. NYE HUTCHISON, JOHN KIRK, BURNETT MCBESE.

Secondly—The record of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg in the case was read, and is as follows:

"The Presbytery of Mecklenburg, in previously defining its relations to the Theological Seminaries of the Church, as though bound to neither, yet free to support both, did not design to include in said support the payment of the expenses of its members who may be directors of these Institutions"

The Rev. W. W. Pharr was then heard in support of the complaint.

And Rev. A. W. Miller, D. D., and Rev. John Douglas were heard in behalf of The Presbytery.

The roll was then called, and the members of the other Presbyteries were called upon for their opinions.

The roll was again called, and the vote taken which resulted as follows:

To sustain the complaint 33 votes.

To sustain in part 3 "

Whole number votes given 36

Rev. John Douglas gave notice in behalf of Rev. A. W. Miller, D. D., who was absent by permission, that he (Dr. Miller) would complain against this decision of the Synod to the General Assembly.

On motion the Stated Clerk was authorized to appoint some member or members of the Synod to represent the Synod in the General Assembly in reference to this complaint.

Rev. Dr. Moran, of the M. E. Church, and Rev. Dr. Closs, Presiding Elder of the M. E. Church, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

The committee on the Records of Orange Presbytery made a report recommending their approval. This report was adopted.

The committee on the Records of Wilmington Presbytery made a report, recommending their approval. This report was adopted.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, Rev. Neill McKay, D. D., Synodical Agent of Education read his report, which was accepted, and two resolutions appended to the report, were adopted, and are as follows:

Resolved, 1. That the Presbyteries composing this Synod are respectfully and

earnestly urged to carry out the resolution of the last and previous assemblies: That all funds contributed to the cause of Education be forwarded to the Treasurer of the executive committee.

Resolved, 2. That the churches are reminded of the annual concert of prayer on the last Thursday of February for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all our churches, our Seminaries, our Institutions of learning, and especially upon the young, and for God's blessing on the cause of education.

The Rev. P. H. Dalton, Agent of Davidson College, by invitation, presented the claims of that Institution before the Synod.

The Committee on the Records of Concord Presbytery made a report, recommending their approval. This report was adopted.

The Rev. L. C. Vass, Synodical Agent of Sabbath Schools, made his report, which was accepted and filed.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Synod spent a short time in devotional exercises.

After which the subject of Foreign Missions was taken up, when Rev. Daniel McGilvary made an interesting address upon Mission work in Siam, and especially among the Laos people.

After remarks by several members of Synod a collection was taken up for this cause.

Rev. F. H. Johnston was elected temporary clerk in the place of Rev. L. C. Vass, who had received leave of absence after this night's session.

Letters were read from Rev. Messrs. Edward Hines and Robert Burwell, giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting of Synod.

The town of Concord was chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the third Sabbath of October, 1874, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., as the time, for the next meeting of the Synod.

On motion the Synod then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

SATURDAY MOBRING, Nov. 1, 1873.

The Synod met according to adjournment, and spent half an hour in devotional exercises.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod would make the following report:

Synod commends the efforts recently made by the Trustees, to secure the claims held upon individuals mentioned in their report, and to prevent the further loss of property. It also instructs its Trustees to use all diligence in endeavoring to collect the individual notes in their hands, amounting to \$116.18, and to make such compromises with these debtors, in securing a speedy settlement as the Trustees may deem wise

Synod furthermore directs its Trustees to pay over premptly any money realized from these notes, to Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D., Synodical Agent for Publication and Colportage, to be employed by him according to the action of Synodiat Newbern, in 1867.

The committee on the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery made a report, recommending that they be approved from page 741 to page 794. This report was adopted.

The committee on the report of the Board of Trustees of Union Theological Seminary made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Trustees of Union Theological Seminary would submit the following report:

That in the prosperous condition and public confidence and favor to which our Seminary has attained, the Synod gratefully recognizes continued and increasing cause for thankfulness to God and rejoicing.

The number of students have been sixty-two, (62)—coming from twelve States and Canada and from twenty-seven Presbyteries. Of the unusually large class that graduated, having stood their final examination and received certificates of that fact, seven were from our State—more indeed than from any other State represented by its students in the Senior class. In the facts the Synod recognizes cause of humble and thankful joy. In the diligence and proficiency of the students, and the thorough and successful manner in which our professors there perform their work the Synod rejoices.

We thank God for the Missionary spirit specially manifested, and that another of our young men has been added to the corps of goreign Missionaries, and has already, perhaps, landed in Chins.

The large addition to the library of over seven hundred volumes, the safe condition of the finances, the health of the students and professors, and the additions and generous donations of friends to the institution, in New York, Kentucky and elsewhere;—for these and other tokens of the Divine favor which the Head of the Church has bestowed upon our Seminary, the Synod would make humble and thankful mention, and invoke upon it, its students, its instructors, its trustees and guardians, and upon all its interests, the continued

guidance and blessing of God. The Synod approves of the action of the Trus tees at their meeting, May 7th, 1873, directing the professors to keep a record of the attendance, &c, of the students on the recitations and looking generally to and enjoining a closer supervision and direction by the faculty there of the students' studies while at the Seminary, whether licensed or not.

We reccommend that the fourth class of Directors whose term of office expires at this meeting of the Synod be reappointed, to serve for four years, except that Mr. Evander McGilvary be appointed in the place of Dr. C. T. Murphy. The class will then consist of Rev. F. H. Johnston, Rev. Joseph M. At kinson and Evander McGilvary, Ruling Elder.

We recommend that in the place of Rev. A. F. Dickson, who is no longer living within the bounds of this Synod, the Rev. Colin Shaw be appointed as one of the third class, whose term of office expires at the next meeting of the Synod.

We recommend that Rev. F. H. Johnston and Mr. A. T. Summey, who were absent at the last meeting of the Trustees, be now called upon by Synod for their excuses.

Rev. F. H. Johnston and Mr. A. T. Summey, Ruling Elder, then rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

The Stated Clerk presented the following statistical report of the Synod to the General Assembly, which was, on motion, approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

THE REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF N. CAROLINA TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN UNITED STATES.

The Syuod of North Carolina respectfully reports to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, that it consists of five Presbyteries, and these Presbyteries consist in whole of 96 Ministers, having under their care 201 churches, 9 Licentiates and 36 candidates, viz:

| Presbyteries. | Ministers. | Churches. | Licentiates. | Candidates |
|---------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|------------|
| Orange, | 24 | 51 | 1 | 11 |
| Concord, Favetteville, | 17 | 34 47 | . 2 | (1 |
| Wilmington, | 1:3 | 28 | 4 | 5 |
| Mecklenburg, | 23 | 41 | | G |
| Total. | 96 | 201 | 9 | 36 |

The Synod further reports that its next meeting will be held in the town of Concord, Cabarrus county, N. C., on Wednesday, the 14th day of October, 1874, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Wilmington, N. C., November 1, 1873.

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported that they found nothing in those Minutes requiring the action of the Synod. This report was accepted and approved.

The Judicial committee reported that no business had been placed in their hands and asked to be discharged.

This report was accepted and the committee discharged. On motion, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That this Synod has heard, with deep interest, Rev. Daniel Mc-Gilvary, a native of this State, and formerly a member of this Synod, now a missionary to Siam, under the care of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

Resolved, 2. That this Synod record their gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for that tender and gracious care, in the midst of privation and danger, which has been vouchsafed our beloved brother, and for the marks of divine favor and blessing that have attended his labors; and pray that still further the hand of the Lord may guide him in his work and crown him with abundant success.

Rev. Messrs. A. Currie and P. T. Penick with Mr. Geo. White, Ruling Elder, were appointed a committee to prepare a minute on the death of Rev. A. G. Hughes a member of this Synod, for adoption at the present meeting.

The same committee was directed to prepare a sketch of the life of Mr. Hughes, and report at the next meeting of the Synod.

- Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., Synodical Agent of Publication, read his report, which was accepted and the resolutions appended to the report were adopted, and are as follows:
- 1. That in accordance with the Minutes of the General Assembly, this Synod, should it so happen that any of its Presbyteries has failed to take such action as was directed by the Assembly, does earnestly urge upon all its ministers and sessions to afford to their people an opportunity on the 1st Sabbath of December of the current year, or as near thereto as practicable, to contribute to this special object, viz: the purchase of a publishing house.
- 2. That Synod recommends to our ministers and people to patronize our Book and Publishing house in Richmond, Va., for the supply of our churches, Sabbath Schools, Ministers and people with a choice and select religious literature adapted to our present and pressing wants, and furnished on at least as favorable terms as elsewhere.
- 3. That the Synod hereby declares its convictions of the vast importance of this cause and this agency in conducting the work of the Church; that it has

been most judiciously and economically managed; that in a financial point of view our Committee's success is surprising and calls for thankfulness to God, and to those who have managed so well; and that the interests of our Publication are vital to the extension of our Church and demand and deserve increased and ample support.

The Committee on the standing rules of the Synod made a report, which was, on motion, approved, and the Committee continued, with instruction to revise and amend the Rules as may be necessary.

The Committee on leave of absence made the following report, which was accepted and approved:

The Committee on leave of absence beg leave to report, that for various reasons deemed sufficient, they granted permission to return home to the following members, viz:

To Ruling Elders, Messrs. McAuley, W. J. Currie, S. T. Buie and Dr. E. Nye Hutchison, on Friday morning.

To Rev. Messrs. A. W. Miller, D. D., A. Kirkland, Malcom McNair, P. T. Penick, A. McFadyen, James Kelly, A. N. Ferguson, S. H. Isler, H. McLean, N. McKay, D. D., L. C. Vass, A. McMillan, A. Baker, J. C. Alexander, T. C. Johnston, with Ruling Elders, W. K. Cromartie, J. L. Corbett, J. C. McAllister, W. H. Crow, J. C. Cannon, Jesse H. Lindsay, Dr. N. Graham, Robert Moore, A. S. Baker, Alexander McKethan and H. H. Hodgin, on Saturday morning.

To Rev. Messrs. K. M. McIntyre, C. Shaw, J. B. Mack, M. McQueen, H. A. Monroe and James McQueen, with Ruling Elder E. Kelly, after the morning session on Saturday.

Absentees at the calling of the roll at the time of the adjournment of the last meeting of the Synod were called upon for excuses. To which there was no response, as none of them were present.

Reports on Systematic Benevolence from all the Presbyteries were read, accepted, and ordered to be printed in the appendix to the Minutes.

The Stated Clerk was directed to have one thousand copies of the Minutes printed in pamphlet form, for the use of Ministers and Churches.

The committee to prepare an address to the churches made a report, which was accepted, and ordered to be published in the Appendix to the Minutes, and read from the pulpit by all our Pastors, Stated supplies, and Ruling Elders in unsupplied churches.

On motion, it was ordered that so much of the report of the Agent of Publication as contains notices of Books published by our committee, be submitted for publication in the North Carolina Presbyterian.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod regards the "North Carolina Presbyterian" as a most important means of Evangelization within its bounds, that it rejoices in its increasing circulation and prosperity, and that it urges all its Ministers, church officers and members to vigorous efforts for augmenting the number of its subscribers and its enlarged usefulness.

On motion, it was ordered that this resolution should be read from the pulpit in connection with the address to the churches.

Rev. D. E. Jordan, by invitation, addressed the Synod on behalf of the Orphan Asylum, at Oxford, N. C.

The following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod are due, and are hereby tendered, to the members of this church and to the citizens of this city, for their kindness and hospitality to the members of this body, during the present meeting; to the churches of other denominations who have opened their houses of worship to the members of this Synod; and to the Rail Road companies and Steam Boat lines that have passed our members for one fare.

And the papers of this city are respectfully requested to publish this resolution.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That the rule of this Synod requiring that each Presbytery be enjoined to make provision for the payment of the travelling expenses necessarily incurred by those directors of the Union Theological Seminary who have been appointed within its own bounds, be rescinded.

Resolved, 2. That hereafter those members of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary, elected by the Synod of North Carolina be directed to call on the Treasurer of the Synod for the payment of their necessary travelling oxpenses.

Resolved, 3. That the assessments on the Presbyteries be increased so as to be sufficiently large to defray the ordinary expenses of the Synod, together with the travelling expenses of all the members of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary, appointed by this Synod.

The Committee on the Treasurer's Account made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee appointed to examine the report of the Treasurer of the Synod report, that they have made the examination and find the accounts correctly kept, and disbursements sustained by proper vouches.

We recommend that the Treasurer be directed to collect the arrearages as soon as practicable. We further recommend that the former assessments be doubled for the ensuing year, viz:

| Concord Presbytery | \$75 00 |
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| Fayetteville Presbytery | |
| Mecklenburg Presbytery | |
| Grange Presbytery | 130 00 |
| Wilmington Presbytery | 50 00 |
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| | \$410 00 |

Wilmington, N. C., October 31, 1873.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of the Presbyteries be directed to send a copy of the annual reports to the General Assembly on Sabbath Schools to the Synodical Agent of Sabbath Schools.

The committee appointed to prepare a Minute in reference to the death of Rev. A. G. Hughes made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

Rescolved, That the Synod recognizes the fact, that since its last meeting the God and Head of the Church has removed one of its members by death, Rev. Anderson G. Hughes, a brother beloved by us as a co-worker for thirty years, and beloved also for his christian worth. In this providence Synod recognizes a Father's voice saying: Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of Man cometh.

The committee on the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery made a report, which was accepted and adopted.

[Note.—This report was not placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk with the other papers of Synod]

The committee on Bills and Overtures reported that no business had been brought before them, and asked to be discharged.

On motion, this report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The roll was called, when it was found that the following members were absent without permission, viz:

From the Presbytery of Orange, Rev. John W. Primrose. From the Presbytery of Concord, Mr. T. A. Perkins. Ruling Elder. From the Presbytery of Fayetteville, Mr. A. McKay, Ruling Elder. From the Presbytery of Wilmington, Rev. H. B. Burr, with Mr. Robert McDougal, John D. Currie and J. W. Colvin, Ruling Elders.

On motion, the Synod then adjourned, to meet in the town of Concord, Cabarrus County, N. C., on Wednesday, the 14th day of October, 1874, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the Apostolic benediction.

JACOB DOLL.

Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

ADDRESS OF THE SYNOD

OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE CHURCHES UNDER ITS OVERSIGHT AND CARE.

The Synod of North Carolina, to the Churches under its care,—Grace and Peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

DEAR BRETHREN:-It gives us great joy to learn that the blessed Spirit of God has been with some of our churches, reviving the children of God and bringing nigh them that were far off. But there has been no general revival, and we fear, indeed, that in very many of our churches a sad state of coldness and indifference prevails. Of this we are sure, that many of our churches have received but few, if any, additions to their list of communicants during the year, a ed that the hearts of earnest christians are sad for the state of things that they have seen. To these churches we desire to say in fai hfulness and love; it ought to be a matter of solemn, prayerful inquiry among you whether this is through any fault of yours. We remember that through the mouth of His prophet Isaiah, the Lord said once to His chosen people, the Lord's hand is not shortened that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy that it can not hear, but your iniquities have separated between you and your God and your sins have hid His face from you that he will not hear. Now, brethren, is there any sin, of neglect or of any other kind, that thus hinders the blessing of God? We urge you to diligent self-examination, and let every one that nameth the name of the Lord depart from iniquity.

We urge upon you a hearty consecration of yourselves to the Lord; and we counsel a watchful and diligent use of all the means of grace which the Holy Ghost has authorized. And in particular we urge upon you to be diligent and faithful in secret prayer. We fear that it is much neglectel, and we believe that this neglect lies at the root of much of the shallow experience which prevails so largely at the present day among the followers of Christ. We are sure that there is no way by which an efficient and happy Christian life can be maintained without faithful, frequent use of this important means of grace.

BELOVED—These are times of appalling defection. The number and former standing of those who have fallen away, shows the power of the temptations that are brought to bear, and that there is no class of men that is out of danger. There is no way of safety but in living near the Lord, and in taking heed to your ways according to His word. And in this connection we urge upon church sessions to be faithful in administering the discipline of the House of God. It is put into your hands as a means of grace; to reclaim the erring, and to vindicate the honor of the church from the reproach brought upon it by the un-

stable and unruly.

To Sustentation

" Education

To Sustentation

" Education

" Foreign Missions

Let brotherly love provail, and let it be seen in your daily life. Seek to know the members of your own congregations and to sympathize with each other in joy and in sorrow. Let all who enter one of our churches feel that they have found a home in which the love of Him, in whom the whole family in Heaven and earth are one, makes every one to rejoice in communion with all the rest. Especially we counsel you to seek out the poorer members and study to make them feel at home among you.

We call your attention to the need of an enlarged christian liberality. All our enterprises are calling for large gifts to the treasury. And by His providence as well as by His Word, the Lord calls you to prove Him and see if He will not pour you out a blessing.

And now, brethren, with thankfulness and prayer to God, on your account, we commend you to Him and to the word of His grace. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

JAMES M. SPRUNT, Moderator.

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REPORT OF ORANGE PRESBYTERY ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Orange reports to the Synod of North Carolina the following results of their benevolent contributions for the year ending April, 1873.

21 of our churches have contributed to all five of the objects, viz:

" Publication 253 00 " Invalid Fund 223 00 Eight churches have contributed to the four following objects, viz: To Sustentation \$157 00 " Foreign Missions, 124 00 " Education 100 00 " Publication 64 00 One church has contributed to the four following objects viz: To Sustentation 52 00 " Foreign Missions 13 00 " Publication 3 00 " Invalid Fund 11 00 One church contributed to the two following objects, viz: To Sustentation 4 00 " Invalid Fund 12 00 One church has contributed to the two following objects: To Sustentation 2 00 " Publication 2 00

One church has contributed to the two following objects:

Three churches have contributed to Sustentation alone

has contributed to Foreign Missions alone

Thirteen churches have reported no contributions to any of these objects. It ought to be added, however, that of these thirteen churches several have but little more than a nominal existence. Your committee also report, that under the head of Sustentation is included all the money collected for the Evangelistic fund.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB DOLL, Stated Clerk.

October, 1873.

SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

REPORT OF CONCORD PRESBYTERY TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully submits to the Synod of North Carolina the following report of their Benevolent contributions for the year ending April, 1873:

| 15 c | hurches | contri buted | to the | Invalid fund | \$590 | c_{9} |
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| 22 | " | 61 | 67 | Education | 1219 | 99 |
| 28 | " | ** | | Sustentation | 819 | 65 |
| 22 | 4.6 | " | " | Publication | 522 | 01 |
| 21 | 44 | ** | 6.6 | Foreign Missions | 725 | 60 |
| 22 | * * | " | " | Miscellaneous | 1635 | 77 |
| | | Tot | al | | \$4314 | 91 |

13 of our churches have contributed to all the 5 objects ordered by the General Assembly; 7 have contributed to 4 of them; 1 to three of them; 4 to two of them; 3 to one of them, and five to none of them, so far as reported.

By order of Presbytery,

W. W. PHARR, Stated Clerk.

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, on the subject of Systematic Benevolence, that from Sept. 1st, 1872, to April 5th, 1873,

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| 16 c | hurches | contributed | to | Foreign Misslons | \$226 | 01 |
| 30 | 4 | " | " | Education | 339 | 91 |
| 16 | " | " | " | Publication | 140 | 66 |
| 26 | " | 16 | " | Sustentation | 284 | 97 |
| 9 | " | " | cı | Disabled Ministers, &c., | 116 | 02 |
| 10 | " | " | " | Evangelist Fund " | 82 | 80 |
| 10 | a | " | " | Colportage, " | 63 | 31 |
| | | | | Total | \$1253 | 68 |
| From | April 5th | 1, 1873, to O | cto | ober 1st, 1873, | | |
| 30 c | hurches | contributed | to | Foreign Missions | \$375 | 67 |
| 12 | " | " | " | Education | 98 | 18 |
| 18 | " | " | "! | Sustentation | 178 | 53 |
| 20 | " | " | • • | Publication | 177 | 43 |
| | | | | | | |

| 19 | 6.6 | * * | " Disabled Ministers, &c. | 148 14 |
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| 5 | 44 | 44 | " General Evangelist Fund, &c. | 23 23 |
| 6 | 44 | 4.6 | " Special to same Fund | 53 63 |
| | | | Total | \$954 86 |
| | | | Total for the year | \$2,208 49 |

Respectfully submitted.

By order of Presbytery,

J. P. McPHERSON Stated Clerk.

Laurinburgh, N. C., Oct. 11th, 1873.

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully reports to the Synod of North Carolina, the following contributions for the year ending April, 1873:

| Objects. | Congregations contributing. | Amounts. |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Relief Fund for Disabled Education | Ministers 13 15 | \$174 96 364 93 |
| Sustentation Publication | 18 17 | $\begin{array}{c} 202 & 81 \\ 99 & 72 \end{array}$ |
| Foreign Missions | 20 | 189 74 |
| | Total | \$1055 S3 |

9 Congregations have contributed to all the five objects ordered by the G. As'y,

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" failed to report,

By order of Presbytery, Beth-Car Church, 4th October, 1873. JAS. M. SPRUNT,

Stated Clerk.

TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg submits the following Report on Systematic Benevolence, for the year ending April, 1873:

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| Relief Fund for Disabled Ministers | 4 | churches | \$148 85 |
| Education | 23 | • 6 | 451 49 |
| Sustentation | 24 | 44 | 2,429 06 |
| Publication | 12 | 4.5 | 221 00 |
| Foreign Missions | 25 | 44 | 793 00 |
| Miscellaneous | | | 470 12 |
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| | | | \$4,551 73 |

Four churches contributed to all the objects; 8 churches to four of them; 9 churches to three of them; 5 churches to two of them; 2 churches to one of them, and one church to none of them—because recently organized.

Some of the churches contribute on the days appointed by the Assembly, and therefore this report does not show all that has been raised, inasmuch as some of the objects are not presented until after the meeting of Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted.

By order of Presbytery. R. Z. JOHNSTON,
Oct., 1873. Stated Clerk.

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY VA.

Annual Report to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church and to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia, made 7th May, 1873.

The Trustees, in pursuance of the Constitution, submit to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States and to the Synods of North Carolina and Virginia, this their annual

REPORT:

At the close of the forty ninth year, in the history of the Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, the Trustees are prepared to report to the Assembly and Synods, under whose care this institution is placed by the Church, that the Seminary is still doing the work for which it was established, in a thorough and successful manner. A full corps of Professors, able and experienced in their work, are constantly at their posts and about as large a number of students as have ever been before in attendance, have sought instruction during the year ending the 6th May, 1873.

The number of students for this year has been sixty-two. They come from twelve States and Canada, and from twenty-seven Presbyteries. Washington and Lee University, Hamden Sidney and Davidson Colleges furnish the greater number of students.

Of the Senior Class of twenty-two, the following stood their final examinations, and the usual certificates of that fact, were awarded to them; to wit:

W. G. Baird, North Carolina; J. F. Caunon, North Carolina; W. S. Cockrane, Tennessee; J. W. Davis, North Carolina; J. P. Gammon, Tennessee; J. A. Graves, Virginia; A. H. Hamilton, North Carolina; P. H. Hensley, W. Va.; R. P. Kerr, Tennessee; A. F. Laird, Virginia; F. McCutchan, Virginia; G. W. Painter, Virginia; J. D. Pinkerton, Virginia; J. M. Rose, North Carolina; J. W. Rosebro, North Carolina; G. Summey, North Carolina; and to the following gentlemen who did not remain to the examination but on satisfactory excuses were absent, J. M. Rawlings, Virginia; L. D. Turnbull, Baltimore. Four others having left the Seminary, without rendering sufficient reasons, did not receive this usual testimonial.

The Trustees take pleasure in reporting that a majority of the students have made commendable proficiency in their studies, and that their services as ministers have been eagerly sought by the churches, and that most of the Senior Class have already been engaged before their term of study expired.

God has also been pleased to pour a missionary spirit upon the young men of the Seminary. Several of our recent graduates have been laboring in China and South America, under the appointment of the Committee of Foreign Missions, and several others have been accepted by the Committee, and are awaiting their orders, thus honoring and obeying the great command—"Go ye unto all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Since the report of 1872, seven hundred and seventeen volumes have been added to the library. The total number of volumes is 9,075. The Trustees propose to erect a library building; the value of the funds for that purpose being between twelve and fifteen thousand dollars. The remaining sum necessary for building will no doubt be obtained.

The finances of the Seminary are in a safe and healthy condition, \$5,600 in good securities have been purchased in the year, and \$5,000 in Railroad bonds have been temporarily placed at the disposal of the Seminary by Mr. Henry Young of New York, the valued friend of the Institution. The Rebecca Park Scholarship of \$1,000 has been received from the estate of the late Mrs. Rebecca Campbell Park, of Richwood church, in Ebenezer Presbytery in Kentucky.

The Legislature of Virginia continues to pay the full interest on the certificates of debt due from the State at the time of the passage of the Act, authorizing the payment of such interest on Virginia bonds held by Colleges and other Seminaries of learning. Before the war, this institution made investments in Virginia bonds in preference to others. After the war, when values had greatly changed, and our Seminaries of learning were greatly embarrassed, the Legislature of Virginia determined to pay their interest, and still continues to do so. The Trustees deem it but an act of justice to acknowledge their obligations for this wise and patriotic legislation.

In conclusion, the Trustees would invite the General Assembly and Synods to unite with them in devout thanksgiving to God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon this Seminary of sound learning, and in earnest prayer that He may continue to uphold and prosper this institution, that He would guard and defend it from all evil, and guide its Professors and pupils in all truth, to the glory of His great name, henceforth and forever.

By order of the Trustees,

WM, BROWN, President.

OFFICERS, &C.

Rev. Wm. Brown, D. D., President; Rev. J. Rumple and A. G. McIlwaine, Esq., Vice Presidents; F. N. Watkins, (Farmville, Va.,) Secretary and Treasurer; Rev. Dr. B. M. Smith, Librarian; Rev. Dr. T. E. Peck, Intendant; Rev. Dr. R. L. Dabney, Clerk to the Faculty. The Faculty consists of the following gentlemen:

Rev. B. M. Smith, D. D., Professor of Oriental Literature.

Rev. R. L. Dabney, D. D., Professor of Systematic and Pastoral Theology.

Rev. Thomas E. Peck, Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Polity.

Rev. H. C. Alexander, D. D., Professor of Biblical Literature and Interpretation of the New Testament.

Correspondents will note that the Post Office address of the Professors and students is "Hampden Sidney, Prince Edward county, Va.;" that of the Treasurer and Secretary is "Farmville, Va."

The legal title of the corporation is "The Trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia."

F. N. WATKINS, Secretay.

Farmville, Va., May 7, 1873.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SYNOD

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Fayetteville and Wilmington Presbyteries have not paid the assessment for 1873—the first of \$40.00 and the last \$25.00.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE H. LINDSAY, Tresurer.

Greensboro', N. C., Oct. 28, 1873.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

TO THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA, AT WILMINGTON, OCTOBER, 1873.

After consultation with Mr. Brown, one of the Trustees, we agreed to make the following report:

The Trustees hold a note on the Treasurer of Concord Female College. (R. F. Simonton.) dated October 12, 1869, for \$1468.34. The College has since been sold to satisfy a debt due Davidson College, and said R. F. Simonton is now the owner of the College, and we may say that this amount is entirely lost.

We hold two small notes on Mr. J. H. Stophenson, one \$2981, the other \$17.87, both bearing interest. He has taken the homestead several years back, but is trying to pay his old debts.

We also hold two notes on J. Lyons, one for \$45.50, with a credit of \$22.50, leaving a balance of \$23.00, and one for \$45.50. We still believe these notes will be paid, but cannot press them without danger of loss. Had we power to compromise it might be of advantage.

THOMAS A. ALLISON, Chairman.

STATED CLERKS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

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DOCKET

Of the Sixty-first Session of the Synod of North Carolina, to be held in Concord, N. C., on Wednesday the 14th day of October, 1874.

- 1. Prayer.
- 2. Roll called.
- 3. Moderator chosen.
- 4. Temporary Clerks chosen.
- 5. Minutes read.

6. Absentees from the last meeting of the Synod :

FROM ORANGE PRESETERY—Rev. Messrs. G. W. Ferrill, Thos. U. Faucott, D. Lacy, D. D., C. N. Morrow, C. Phillips, D. D., C. H. Wiley, W. B. Tidball, H. B. Pratt and E. H. Harding.

FROM CONCORD PRESBYTERY—Rev. Messrs. Jesse Rankin, D. Lindley, T. P. Johnston, G. M. Gibbs, S. C. Millin, B. L. Beall, A. E. Chandler, L. McKinnon and John M. Davis.

FROM FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.—Rev. Messrs, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen and John H. Coble.

From Wilmington Presbytery.—Rev. Messrs, B. F. Marable, N. Z. Graves and A. F. Dickson.

FROM MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.—Rev. Messrs. R. H. Morrison, D. D., J. D. Hall, W. N. Morrison, D. McNeill Turner, D. D., William Graves, Thomas E. Davis, J. C. Williams, Jacob Hood, W. B. Corbett, G. D. Parks, D. T. Towles, R. B. Anderson, William McDonald and J. J. Kennedy.

- 7. Read the Statistical Reports of Orange, [Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg Presbyteries.
 - 8. Appoint the following standing Committees:
 - 1. On Bills and Overtures.
 - 2. Judicial Committee.
 - 3. On the Records of Orange Presbytery.
 - 4. On the Records of Concord Presbytery.
 - 5. On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery.
 - 6. On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery.
 - 7. On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery.
- 8. To prepare an address to the churches on the State of Religion within the bounds of the Syuod.
 - 9. On devotional exercises.
 - 10. On the Treasurer's Account.
 - 11. On the Minutes of the General Assembly.
 - 12. On Union Theological Seminary,
 - 13. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod.
 - 14. On leave of Absence.
- Read the Narratives on the State of Religion respectively from the Presbyteries of Orange, Concord, Faretteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg.
 - 10. Read the Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary.
- 11. The term of effice of the 4th class of Directors of Union Thological Seminary expires at this meeting of the Synod, viz: Rev. Colin Shaw, Rev. J. Rumple and M. A. T. Summey.
- 12. Take up the 4th Resolution appended to Mr. Hill's report on Sustentation which was laid on the table at the last meeting of the Synod.
 - 13. Report of the Committee to prepare a sketch of the life of Mr. Hughes.
 - 14. Hear the report of the committee on the Standing Rules.
- 15. Absences at the calling of the roll at the close of the last session of Synod. (See Minutes of 60th Session.)
- Read reports on Systematic Benevolence, respectively from the Presbytories of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg.

- Read the report of the Trustees of Synod. 17.
- 18. Read the report of the Treasurer of Synod.
- 19. Read the report of the Agent of Sustentation.
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- 24. Shall the Minutes of Synod be printed, and how many copies
- Statistical Report of the Synod to the General Assembly 25.
- Time and place of the next meeting of Synod. 26.
- Minutes to be read and approved 27.
- Call the roll at the close of the Session. 28.
- Close with singing, prayer and the Apostolic benediction 29.

