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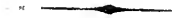
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GREENSBORO, N. C., October 13th, 1875.

The Synod of North Carolina met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by Rev. J. Rumple, Moderator, from John, 10th chapter, 16th verse.

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*—Edward Hines, Jacob Doll, P. H. Dalton, Thos. U. Faucette, J. Henry Smith, D. D., F. H. Johnston, D. E. Jordan, W. B. Tidball, L. C. Vass, P. T. Penick, John W. Primrose, J. H. Fitzgerald, E. M. Green and H. T. Darnall.

*Ruling-Elders*—S. H. Denry, Dr. W. R. Wilson, W. B. Carter, J. H. Lindsay, M. Shaw and Lemuel Lynch.

## PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

*Ministers*—T. P. Johnston, E. F. Rockwell, T. N. Paxton, B. L. Beall, J. Rumple, W. A. Wood, J. B. Mack, L. McKinnon, R. M. Tuttle and James H. Thornwell.

*Ruling-Elders*—E. M. Stevenson, S. C. Rankin, D. A. Davis, E. B. Stimpson, J. O. McLelland, A. C. Alexander, C. R. White, E. A. Perkins, J. A. Garvin, J. S. Beaty, W. J. Martin and E. W. Faucette.

## PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

*Ministers*—J. P. McPherson, M. McQueen, H. G. Hill and William S. Lacy.

*Ruling-Elders*—R. M. Buie and E. Kelly.

## PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

*Minister*—Joseph R. Wilson, D. D.

## PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

*Ministers*—John Douglas, R. H. Chapman, D. D., Walter W. Pharr, S. C. Alexander, W. B. Corbett, E. H. Harding, H. H. Banks and A. J. Morrison.

*Ruling-Elders*—J. C. Todd, B. H. Garrison, C. N. Hutchison and C. L. Hunter.

## ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

*Ministers*—George W. Ferrill, A. Currie, J. M. Atkinson, Drury Lacy, D. D., J. C. Alexander, C. N. Morrow, Charles Phillips, D. D., C. H. Wiley, H. B. Pratt, Robert Burwell, Wm. G. Baird and William A. Shaw.

## ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

*Ministers*—Jesse Rankin, Daniel Lindley, G. M. Gibbs, A. L. Crawford, A. E. Chandler, Wm. W. Pharr, S. Taylor Martin, R. B. Anderson, R. W. Boyd and John W. Davis.

## ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

*Ministers*—Hector McLean, Neill McKay, D. D., A. McMillan, A. Baker, D. D. McBryde, Joseph Evans, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen, J. H. Coble, D. Fairley, T. L. DeVeaux, A. N. Ferguson and K. M. McIntyre.

## ABSENT.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

*Ministers*—Duncan B. Black, Colin Shaw, James M. Sprunt, B. F. Marable, S. H. Isler, James Kelly, N. Z. Graves, Archibald McFadyen, Alexander Kirkland, C. M. Payne, George W. McMillan and R. A. Miller.

## ABSENT.—PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

*Ministers*—R. H. Morrison, D. D., J. E. Morrison, Jas. D. Hall, Wm. N. Morrison, Leland R. McAboy, D. D., Wm. Graves, Thomas E. Davis, A. W. Miller, D. D., D. T. Towles, G. D. Parks, R. Z. Johnston, Wm. McDonald,

J. J. Kenneday, Wm. H. Davis, Wm. E. McIlwaine and E. E. Ervin.

Rev. P. H. Dalton was elected Moderator, and Rev. B. L. Beall and Rev. Wm. S. Lacy, Temporary Clerks.

On motion the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING, October 14th, 1875.

The Synod met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Messrs. B. G. Worth and A. R. Hicks, Ruling Elders in Wilmington Presbytery appeared in Synod and assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Rev. Thomas U. Fancette of Orange Presbytery, Rev. W. A. Wood of Concord Presbytery and Rev. Wm. B. Corbett of Mecklenburg Presbytery, were excused for absence from the last sessions of Synod.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees, viz :

1. *On Bills and Overtures*.—Rev. J. Rumble, Rev. R. H. Chapman, D. D., Rev. S. C. Alexander, Mr. D. A. Davis and Mr. W. B. Carter.

2. *Judicial Committee*.—Rev. J. H. Fitzgerald, Rev. Jos. R. Wilson, D. D., and Rev. Martin McQueen with Messrs. W. J. Martin and C. L. Hunter.

3. *On the Records of Orange Presbytery*.—Rev. E. H. Harding, Rev. W. B. Corbett and Mr. J. C. Todd.

4. *On the Records of Concord Presbytery*.—Rev. H. H. Banks, Rev. Walter W. Pharr and Dr. W. R. Wilson.

5. *On the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery*.—Rev. T. N. Paxton, Rev. E. Hines and Mr. L. Lynch.

6. *On the Records of Wilmington Presbytery*.—Rev. F. H. Johnston, Rev. J. Douglass and Mr. E. B. Stinson.

7. *On the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery.*—Rev. L. McKinnon, Rev. R. M. Tuttle and Mr. R. N. Buie.

8. *To prepare an address to the Churches on the state of Religion within the bounds of the Synod.*—Rev. D. E. Jordan, Rev. J. B. Mack and Mr. C. N. Hutchison.

9. *On Devotional Exercises.*—Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D., and Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay.

10. *On the Treasurer's Account.*—Rev. H. G. Hill, Messrs. M. Shaw and E. W. Faucette.

11. *On the Minutes of the General Assembly.*—Rev. E. M. Green, Rev. P. T. Penick and Col. W. J. Martin.

12. *On Union Theological Seminary.*—Rev. L. C. Vass, Rev. Wm. A. Wood, Rev. J. P. McPherson, Mr. E. Kelley and Mr. S. C. Rankin.

13. *On the Report of the Trustees of Synod.*—Rev. J. C. Alexander and Mr. J. H. Lindsay.

14. *On Leave of Absence.*—Rev. John W. Primrose, Mr. E. A. Perkins and Mr. J. S. Beaty.

Rev. J. C. Alexander of Orange Presbytery appeared in Synod and assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Dr. Robert J. Hicks, Ruling Elder in Orange Presbytery appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved,* That the Parliamentary Rules adopted by the General Assembly of 1866 and since that time observed by them, be the Rules for the guidance of this body.

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

#### PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange report to the Synod of North Carolina that they consist of 26 ministers, and have under their care 53 churches, 3 licentiates and 12 candidates for the Ministry ; that on the 22d day of April, 1875, they dismissed at his own request Rev. A. D. Hepburn to join the Presbytery of Concord ; that on the 15th day of January, 1875, they organized the Church of Reidsville, in the town' of Reidsville, Rockingham county, N. C. ; that on the 23rd day of April, 1875, they received Rev. Wm. A. Shaw, M. D., from the Presbytery of Brazos ; that on the 24th day of April, 1875, they re-appointed Rev. John W. Primrose, Evangelist for the Eastern field and at the same time re-appointed Rev. William G. Baird, Evangelist for the Western field of



this Presbytery; that on the same day they licensed Mr. James L. Currie and Mr. Elias F. Pritchett, as probationers for the Gospel Ministry; that on the 13th day of May, 1875, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. Joseph M. Atkinson and the church of Raleigh; that on the 8th day of October, 1875, they dismissed, at his own request, Mr. Elias F. Pritchett, a licentiate, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Arkansas; that on the 9th day of October, 1875, they received Rev. H. T. Darnall on certificate from the Presbytery of East Hanover; that on the 11th day of October, 1875, they received under their care Mr. Cornelius Miller, a licentiate on certificate from West Hanover Presbytery, and that the next stated meeting of the Presbytery will be held at Nutbush church, Granville county, N. C., on Wednesday the 12th day of April, 1876, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

JACOB DOLL,

Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 14th, 1875.

*Stated Clerk.*

#### PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord report to the Synod of North Carolina that they consist of 21 ministers and have under their care 34 churches, 3 licentiates and 5 candidates; that on the 20th day of January, 1875, they received Rev. A. L. Crawford from the Presbytery of Ouachita, Arkansas; that on the 16th day of April, 1875, they received Mr. P. P. Winn, a licentiate from Bethel Presbytery; that on the 17th day of April, 1875, they licensed Mr. T. J. Allison as a probationer for the Gospel Ministry; that on the 8th day of September, 1875, they received Rev. Andrew D. Hepburn from Orange Presbytery; that on the 12th day of June they installed Rev. R. B. Anderson, Pastor of the Morganton church; that on the 9th day of September they transferred Mr. T. J. Allison, at his own request, to the care of Orange Presbytery, and that their next stated meeting will be held at Mocksville, on Friday before the 4th Sabbath in April, 1876, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

WILLIAM W. PHARR,

*Stated Clerk.*

#### PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 18 ministers and have under their care 48 churches, 1 licentiate and 7 candidates for the Ministry; that on the 24th day of April, 1875, they licensed Mr. Daniel A. McRae to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry; that on the 29th day of May, 1875, they installed Rev. A. N. Ferguson, Pastor of Laurel Hill Church; that on the 7th day of August, 1875, they installed Rev. Archibald McQueen, Pastor of Iona Church; that on the 25th day of September, 1875, they dismissed at his own request Mr. Kenneth

McDonald, a licentiate to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Wilmington, and that the next regular meeting of Presbytery will be held at Centre church, Robeson county, N. C., on Wednesday before the 4th Sabbath in April, 1876, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Respectfully submitted, by order of Presbytery,

JAMES P. McPHERSON,

Euphronia Church, Sept. 27, 1875.

*Stated Clerk.*

#### 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 31 churches, 5 licentiates and 1 candidate; that on the 15th day of October, 1874, they received Rev. C. M. Payne from Orange Presbytery; that on the 25th October they installed Rev. N. Z. Graves Pastor of the Church at Goldsboro'; that on the same day they lost by death Rev. H. A. Munroe; that on the 1st November they installed Rev. Joseph R. Wilson, D. D., Pastor of the 1st Church Wilmington, and Rev. C. M. Payne, Pastor of the 2nd Church Wilmington; that on the 16th April, 1875, they received under their care Mr. R. A. Miller, a licentiate from Bethel Presbytery; that on the 17th April they licensed Mr. J. S. Black as a Probationer; and on the next day, ordained Mr. G. W. McMillan to the full work of the ministry as an Evangelist; that on the 30th September they dismissed Rev. T. C. Johnson, at his own request, to the Presbytery of North Mississippi; and received under their care Mr. K. McDonald, a licentiate, from the Presbytery of Fayetteville; that on the 1st October they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. N. Z. Graves and the Church of Goldsboro'; that on the next day they ordained Mr. R. A. Miller to the full work of the Ministry; and that their next stated meeting will be held at Goldsboro', on Thurs-day before the third Sabbath in March, 1876, at 12 o'clock, M.

By order of the Presbytery.

JAMES M. SPRUNT,

Whiteville, 2d Oct. 1875.

*Stated Clerk.*

#### PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg respectfully reports to the Synod of North Carolina:

1. That it consists of 24 ministers and 43 churches and has under its care 1 licentiate and 7 candidates.

2. That Rev. E. H. Harding was received from the Presbytery of Orange on the 15th of October, 1874, and Mr. E. E. Erwin, licentiate, was received from the Presbytery of Harmony on the 15th of April,

1875, and Mr. J. A. Woodburn, licentiate, was received from the Presbytery of Central Texas on the 11th of September, 1875, and Rev. D. McNeill Turner, D. D., was dismissed at his own request to the Presbytery of Brazos on the 19th of March, 1875.

3. That the Rev. J. C. Williams departed this life on the 22d of October, 1874.

4. That Mr. Alfred J. Morrison was ordained and commissioned to labor as Evangelist in the Mountain country on the 15th of April, 1875, and Mr. William E. McIlwaine was ordained and installed Pastor of Hopewell Church on the 18th of June, 1875, and Mr. E. E. Ervin was ordained and installed Pastor (half his time) of Little Britain Church on the 15th of September, 1875.

5. That 13 of our churches have Pastors, some all their time and some a part of their time. Two churches have Pastors elect and the rest are supplied.

Respectfully submitted, by order of Presbytery,

R. Z. JOHNSTON,

Mills River Church, Sept. 11, 1875.

*Stated Clerk.*

Mr. H. D. Lott, Ruling Elder in Orange Presbytery, Rev. Messrs. R. Z. Johnston, W. E. McIlwaine, E. E. Ervin and R. A. Yandle, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, and Rev. S. H. Isler appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Rev. Martin McQueen of Fayetteville Presbytery, appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness and for absence from the last meeting of Synod.

Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D., and Rev. M. H. Houston of the Synod of Virginia, being present were invited to sit as corresponding members.

On motion it was made the order of the day at 11 this forenoon to hear Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D., on the subject of Sustentation ; and on the subject of Foreign Missions at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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 within the bounds of Synod.

A letter was read from Rev. R. B. Anderson of Concord

Presbytery, assigning satisfactory reasons for absence from the present sessions of Synod.

Rev. Neill McKay, D. D., of Fayetteville Presbytery assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness and also for absence from the last meeting of Synod.

It was made the order of the day at 10:45 o'clock to-day to hear the report of the Synod's Agent of Sustentation.

The report of the Trustees of Union Theological Seminary was read and referred to the Committee on the Seminary with instructions to nominate members to fill vacancies in the Board of Directors of the Seminary.

It was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M., to hear the Business Agent of the *North Carolina Presbyterian*.

It was made the 2nd order of the day for to-morrow, to consider the resolutions touching the giving of the tithe to pious objects.

It was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to hear the report of the Agent of Foreign Missions.

Satisfactory excuses for absence from last meeting of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary were assigned by Rev. J. P. McPherson and Ruling Elder Dr. R. L. Beall.

Rev. John Douglas and Rev. R. Z. Johnston, with Ruling Elder Wm. J. Martin were appointed a Committee to prepare a minute touching the death of Rev. J. C. Williams.

Rev. James H. Thornwell gave satisfactory reasons for not answering to the call of the roll at the final adjournment of the last meeting of Synod.

Rev. John E. Brown, Ruling Elder of Mecklenburg Presbytery appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

It was made the first of the day for Saturday morning, to hear the reports of the Agent of Publication and of Sabbath

Schools, and the second order of the day to hear memorials of deceased brethren, the vote thereon to be taken by standing and to be followed by prayer.

Fayetteville, N. C., was chosen as the place and the Wednesday before the 4th Sabbath of October, 1876, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., as the time for the next meeting of the Synod.

Rev. S. H. Isler, Rev. Joseph R. Wilson, D. D., and Ruling Elder B. G. Worth, were appointed a Committee to prepare a minute on the death of Rev. H. A. Munroe of Wilmington Presbytery.

The Standing Committee on the report of the Trustees of Synod were instructed to reorganize said Board of Trustees.

The Stated Clerk of Synod was directed to have one thousand copies of the Minutes of the present Sessions of Synod printed.

The first order of the day was taken up and the Agent of Sustentation presented his report. In connection with which the Synod was addressed by Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.

Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, D. D., and Rev. W. H. Bobbitt, of the M. E. Church being present were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Rev. J. J. Kenneday of Mecklenburg Presbytery, Rev. A. Baker and Roderick McCaskill, Ruling Elder of Fayetteville Presbytery; Rev. S. Taylor Martin and Ruling Elder J. R. McNealy of Concord Presbytery and Ruling Elder J. A. Pritchett of Orange Presbytery, appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

A letter was read from Rev. Wm. W. Pharr, assigning satisfactory reasons for absence from the present Sessions of Synod.

Mr. John A. Womack, Ruling Elder in Orange Presbytery appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived the Synod was addressed by the Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D., on the subject of Foreign Missions.

On motion the following resolutions were adopted.

*Resolved 1,* That we have listened with great pleasure to the addresses of Rev. R. McIlwaine, on Sustentation and Foreign Missions.

*Resolved 2,* That we hereby declare our increasing interest in these fields of labor for Christ, and our fixed resolve to endeavor to bring up all our churches to fuller labors in these vital departments of our churches work.

Rev. A. Martin, D. D., of the Synod of Virginia being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved,* That a Committee be appointed whose duty it shall be to take into consideration the subject of beneficiary Education and report to Synod during the present Sessions.

This Committee consists of Rev. L. McKinnon, S. Taylor Martin and D. E. Jordan, with Ruling Elder W. J. Martin.

On motion the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

FRIDAY MORNING, October 15th, 1875.

The Synod met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

It was made the first order of the day for this afternoon to hear the report of the Agent of Education.

Rev. Charles Phillips, D. D., of Orange Presbytery appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Rev. Thomas E. Peck, D. D., of the Synod of Virginia, being present was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Rev. R. A. Miller of Wilmington, Rev. Jos. M. Atkinson of Orange and William B. Wright, Ruling Elder of

Fayetteville Presbytery appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The unfinished business was taken up and the report of the Agent of Sustentation was approved. The Stated Clerk was directed to publish the Statistical parts of the report in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

The following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the whole subject of the absolute and relative aggressiveness of the Presbyterian Church in North Carolina be referred to a Committee with instructions to consider it, and if it be found that our whole duty has not been performed, said Committee shall indicate the causes of said delinquency and point out the remedy. The Committee to report at the next meeting of the Synod.

The Committee called for by this resolution consists of

Rev. J. Rumble of Concord Presbytery.

Rev. B. F. Marable of Wilmington Presbytery.

Rev. R. Z. Johnston of Mecklenburg Presbytery.

Ruling Elder Daniel H. Morrison of Fayetteville Presbytery.

Ruling Elder George Allen of Orange Presbytery.

The order of the day was then taken up and Synod addressed by Mr. John McLaurin, the Business Agent of the *N. C. Presbyterian*. After which the following resolutions were on motion adopted.

*Resolved*, That this Synod have heard with pleasure the Business Agent of the *North Carolina Presbyterian*, and rejoice in the assured success and prospects of this Synodical Journal.

*Resolved*, That this Synod heartily commend the *North Carolina Presbyterian* to the patronage of our people and urge upon those interested in its success to extend its circulation and increase its Capital Stock.

Rev. George Allen appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Rev. C. H. Wiley of Orange Presbytery appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

A letter was received from Rev. R. Burwell of Orange Presbytery giving satisfactory reasons for absence from this meeting. A letter was also received from Rev. A. Kirkland of Wilmington Presbytery giving satisfactory

reasons for absence from the last and present meeting of Synod.

The Committee on the Records of Wilmington Presbytery made the following report which was adopted, viz :

The Committee to examine the Records of the Presbytery of Wilmington beg leave to report that they have attended to that duty and find them neatly kept and recommend their approval with this exception, viz :

1. That the Presbytery appear to have licensed a candidate as probationer for the Holy Ministry without examining him on the subjects of Church Government and the Sacraments, as required in the Form of Government. Chapter XIV., Sec. IV.

2. That therefore the action of the Presbytery postponing his examination on these subjects to the time of his ordination was irregular. (See Records page 375.)

The Committee on the Records of Concord Presbytery, reported recommending their approval.

This report was adopted.

The second order of the day was then taken up, viz: the consideration of the resolution of Rev. H. G. Hill, touching the giving the title of the yearly increase to pious objects. Pending the discussion on this subject Synod took recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

Aster recess the Synod met.

The Committee on the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery reported recommending their approval.

This report was adopted.

The Committee on the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery reported recommending their approval.

This report was adopted.

The unfinished business was then taken up, viz: the consideration of the resolution pertaining to the "title."

On motion, the discussion on this subject was suspended to take up the order of the day, viz: the report of the Agent of Education.

Rev. Neill McKay, D. D., Agent of Education then presented his report.



This report was, on motion, received and placed on the Docket.

Rev. C. H. Wiley, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society in North Carolina, by invitation addressed the Synod on the work in which he is engaged.

The Committee on devotional exercises made a report, which was on motion approved.

Mr. William K. Davis, Ruling Elder of Orange Presbytery, appeared in Synod and assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The Committee on Union Theological Seminary made a report which was accepted, adopted and is as follows :

#### REPORT ON UNION SEMINARY.

The Committee to whom was referred the report of the Trustees of Union Theological Seminary submit to the Synod the following report:

It is cause of thanksgiving to Almighty God, that he has vouchsafed to our beloved Seminary such signal prosperity in all its operations during the past year.

The report shows a steady and healthful growth in the Seminary. Last year there were thirty-three matriculates and seventy-seven students in all. This is the largest number of students attending in one year. We have also learned from an authentic source that twenty-five or more new students have entered the Seminary this session, and have fully filled up the gap made by the graduating class, and that there are already about seventy students present.

Very few of the students left the Seminary before the close of the session whose action was not approved by the Faculty.

Nothing in relation to the funds of the institution calls for especial attention, except that we learn with gratitude to God and to the donors, that T. M. Niven, Esq., of New York, contributed one thousand dollars, and Mr. Joseph B. Wilson, of Virginia, donated three thousand and five hundred dollars to aid in founding scholarships.

More than three hundred volumes have been added to the Library during the year and it now numbers nearly ten thousand volumes.

Last year the Synod directed its Treasurer to forward to the Treasurer of the Seminary a sum sufficient to pay the expenses of the Directors from this Synod; and the amount necessary to be raised for this purpose, was distributed among the several Presbyteries. Only two Presbyteries, viz: Orange and Wilmington have paid in their quotas, and consequently the funds have not been sent by our Treas-

urer. We recommend that the Synod urge upon the Presbyteries to forward their quotas promptly so that the amount needed for our directors may be forwarded annually before the 1st of April, to the Treasurer of the Seminary.

The term of the 4th Class of the Directors expires at this Session of Synod. We recommend that this class be constituted and appointed as follows: Rev. J. P. Metherson, Rev. Walter W. Pharr and Ruling Elder D. A. Davis.

We express our continued satisfaction in reviewing the affairs of this institution and our hope and belief that under the blessing of our covenant God, it will go onward and upward in enlarged usefulness.

We recommend that the report of the Trustees be published in the appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

The Committee appointed to prepare a Synodical Map, made the following report which was received and the Committee continued:

Your Committee would respectfully report: The first effort of the Committee was to gather and arrange the facts essential to perfect such a Map as the Synod should have. Brethren in different parts of the Synod were solicited to collect data for the Committee, in some instances almost importuned, but the replies have been so partial, the facts so meagre, that the Committee was left without the material necessary for the construction of a map. For the Presbyteries of Orange, Wilmington and Fayetteville the Committee have quite full and accurate returns. And from some of the counties of the West we have received very satisfactory and substantial assistance. But the Committee is unable to present to Synod a digest of the material collected owing to the lateness at which these returns were rendered.

The second effort of the Committee was to ascertain the cost of the publication of such a map. Here there was considerable delay because we could not state accurately the amount of additional matter required to be put into a map of the State. At length an estimate of what might be desired was made and correspondence entered into with various parties. The first attempt was to ascertain the cost of the rent or purchase of some existing Stone on which might be engraved the additional facts necessary for our purpose. In this we failed, as none of the holders of stones would consent as the stone would be useless to them afterwards.

The latest and perhaps the best Map of the State, (Pearce's) published by Mr. Williams of Raleigh, proving upon examination so inaccurate for our purposes in many particulars, the cost of engraving a new stone was inquired of the same publishers. From them, at present the

largest Map publishers in the United States, we learn, that the cost of preparing, engraving and printing on sheets a Synodical Map 40 inches wide, (scale 13 miles to the inch), with leading geographical facts, and the additional data required for our use would probably be \$400 per thousand, or not more than \$500. This would leave under the Western part, space for explanatory and statistical matter.

The additional cost for the binding cheaply or mounting on cloth would be \$40 per hundred. This would make the cost of each map from 80 to 90 cents. We think additional inquiry might lead to more satisfactory information, and that what we wish might be secured for half that amount.

It is believed that perhaps the cheapest and simplest method of supplying the Synod with a Synodical Map would be to purchase some impressions (not in colors) already made, and having the additional facts written by a clever draughtman in colors upon these printed impressions.

This would show at a glance the status of the Presbyterian Church in the State.

The Committee appointed to prepare an address to the Churches within the bounds of Synod made the following report which was accepted and approved :

*The Synod of North Carolina to the Churches under its care :*

Grace be unto you, and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. We give thanks unto God for you all brethren, making mention of you in our prayers; while we rejoice in your steadfastness in the Gospel.

Our hearts are with you and our prayers arise in your behalf both day and night. We trust that you also are praying for us that the blessing of God may follow our deliberations.

We are glad and thankful to God to be able to say to you, that the preaching of the Gospel during the past year has been owned and blessed by the Great Head of the Church. Every one of our Presbyteries reports encouraging additions to the membership of the Churches.

In some congregations extensive revivals are reported.

But while we rejoice over those who are thus blessed, we sorrow with deep and unfeigned sadness over the many among whom no such tokens of divine favor have been seen. In the large majority of our congregations the word of God seems to have fallen among thorns. The cares of the world have choked the word and rendered it unfruitful. Brethren of these unawakened congregations we urge upon you to consider the question, Why is it thus? Is it in any sense your fault? There is such a thing as the coming of sin between us and the Lord,

so that his ear is closed and his arm shortened that he will neither hear nor help. Is it so with you?

We call your attention to the subject of family religion. Those of you who are heads of families are put by the Lord into a position of peculiar responsibility, privilege and influence. If pastors of churches watch for souls as those who must give account, much more should they do so who are bound by such intimate and tender ties to them who are committed to their care.

Brethren are you bringing them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord? Have you consecrated them to the Lord as it is your privilege to do? Are you teaching and training them in reliance upon God's covenant grace? If you are not then we feel it our duty to tell you very plainly and clearly, that you are putting to risk the souls of your children. If you are, then we rejoice in the grace given you to do your duty, and we assure you that you may confidently rely upon the promise of the Lord and commit your children to Him.

In this connection we would mention with grave disapproval and rebuke, the too common unfaithfulness of fathers of families. In too many households the whole teaching and training of children for Christ is left to the mother, and she, unsupported by the father, is left and permitted, nay even constrained by conscience to take up and bear their whole duty and responsibility. To those praying, toiling, patient and faithful mothers, we say be not weary in well doing, in due season ye shall reap if ye faint not. The blessing of our covenant keeping God is promised and will rest upon your labors. Faithful is he that promised.

The failure of many to do their duty in training their children suggests and forces upon us another question. Have the Lord's people forgotten that they are not their own, that they belong to Him who bought them and paid for them with his own precious blood, and are bound with no common bond to glorify him with their bodies and spirits which are His? Brethren what is the measure of your personal consecration to your Lord? Do you remember that they who would serve Him must serve Him in singleness of heart?

Are your hearts thus engaged, and are you giving diligence to make to make your calling and election sure? There is danger dear brethren that many, who now call themselves christians will claim at the last that they have eaten and drank in the Lord's presence, only to hear Him say I never knew you. We entreat you to make sure in this matter.

What are you doing with your substance? Are you holding it and using it for the glory of God and for His service, or are you using it for your own service and to further your own ends? He claims it as His and in theory you allow the claim. But what is your practice? Alas,

the straitened condition of the Foreign and of the Home work alike, speaks too plainly to admit a doubt as to what the answer to this question must be.

Now beloved the Lord's claim is that you consecrate to Him, yourselves, your children and your estate. Whenever this shall be done we may be well assured that the salvation of the world is drawing nigh. Now if this be true, it may be said that it is true in an important sense, that the glorious kingdom of our Saviour is delayed and waits for the faithfulness of His own people. How long shall it be delayed? How long shall we bear this responsibility? How long 'till we all shall be found, looking for and hastening unto that day and watching the coming of the Lord?

Brethren we commend you to God. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

P. H. DALTON,

*Moderator.*

On motion the Moderator added to the Committee on leave of absence, the Rev. Messrs. J. P. McPherson, R. M. Tuttle and Ruling Elder J. R. McNeely.

After devotional exercises the Synod took up the order of the day : the hearing of the report of the Agent of Foreign Missions. This report was read, accepted and ordered to be placed in the hands of the Editor of the *North Carolina Presbyterian* for publication at his discretion. The resolutions appended to this report were adopted and are as follows :

*Resolved 1.* That each Presbytery be instructed to call on every Minister and Session to report what efforts they have made, and what success they have had in raising funds for this cause during the year, and that this matter be attended to during the conference on Foreign Missions, when the Agents make their reports to the Presbyteries respectively.

*Resolved 2.* That Synod hereby expresses its gratified acknowledgment of the help rendered in this cause by the Sabbath Schools and Women's Missionary Associations in the bounds of our churches, and bids them God speed in the good work and urges the formation of such associations in all the churches.

*Resolved 3.* That a collection be taken up at the close of this conference for the cause of Foreign Missions.

The following resolutions were adopted :

*Resolved 1.* That this Synod have heard with profoundest interest

the Rev. M. H. Houston, a Missionary of our Church in China, and rejoice at the success and hopefulness of our work in that vast field.

*Resolved*, That this Synod specially commend this Mission and our beloved brother, to the sympathy and prayers and aid of our people, and invoke the sovereign protection and abundant blessing of the Great Head of the Church upon him and his work.

On motion the Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

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SATURDAY MORNING, October 16th, 1875.

The Synod met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The reports on Systematic Benevolence from Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg Presbyteries were read, received, and ordered to be printed in the appendix to the Minutes.

On motion it was resolved that the reports of the Presbyteries on Systematic Benevolence to the Synod, extend from April 1st to April 1st of each year.

On motion the Committee on Systematic Benevolence was made one of the Standing Committees of Synod.

The report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on that subject.

A letter was read from Rev. C. N. Morrow of Orange Presbytery giving satisfactory reasons for absence from this meeting.

On motion the resolution pertaining to the Relief Scheme was laid on the table.

The unfinished business touching the "tithes" was taken up and the following preamble and resolution was adopted, viz:

WHEREAS, The Synod of North Carolina has considered the subject

of "the law of the tithe," without being able to reach a satisfactory conclusion,

*Therefore be it resolved,* That this Synod overture the General Assembly to this effect, viz: "Is the law of the "tithe" binding during this dispensation."

The hour for the order of the day<sup>o</sup> having arrived, the Agent of Publication presented his report, which was approved and the statistical part thereof was ordered to be published in the appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., offered his resignation of the office of the Agent of Publication. This resignation was accepted; and the thanks of the Synod were tendered to Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., for his fidelity.

On motion Rev. F. H. Johnston of Orange Presbytery was appointed as Agent of Publication.

Rev. L. C. Vass, Agent of Sabbath Schools presented a report which was received, approved, and Statistical part of the report was ordered to be printed in the appendix to the Minutes.

The Committees appointed thereto, presented the following minutes on the death of deceased members of this body, which was approved and followed by appropriate remarks and prayer.

#### ON THE DEATH OF REV. J. C. WILLIAMS.

The Committee appointed to prepare a minute relative to the death of the Rev. John C. Williams, Pastor of Hopewell Church, Mecklenburg Presbytery, whose death has already been announced through the report of that body as having occurred on the 22d October, 1874, present the following:

While we bow with profound submission to His will who death all things wisely, "we are dumb because Thou did't it." This Synod in view of the death of Rev. John C. Williams, would record its gratitude for the counsel and labors of such a faithful servant, even for the brief period he was permitted to live and labor among us—it likewise expresses its high appreciation of his worth, of his private social qualities, his faithful pastoral labors and punctuality in attending upon the meetings of the Courts of the Lord's House, a brother much beloved in life and greatly lamented in death, and his memory is still as ointment poured forth.

## ON THE DEATH OF REV. H. A. MUNROE.

WHEREAS, God in his providence has suddenly removed from our midst by death, Rev. H. A. Munroe, therefore this Synod is called on to make this minute of his death.

*Resolved 1.* That in the death of Rev. H. A. Munroe, we have lost an honored Minister, a faithful presbyter, and a wise counsellor in things pertaining to the Kingdom of God.

*Resolved 2.* That we hereby tender our sympathies to the bereaved widow and children of the deceased, and pray that God may take them under His heavenly care.

The special Committee on Beneficiary Education, presented a report which was amended, adopted, and is as follows :

The Committee appointed to prepare a paper on the subject of Beneficiary Education beg leave to present the following :

Your Committee is persuaded that in the peculiar condition of Southern society at the close of the late war, private resources generally being very much reduced, and many young men who were looking forward to the Gospel Ministry, greatly retarded in their course of preparation, that the system of Beneficiary Education seemed to be a necessity. Under the exigencies of the times this system seemed to be the only expedient, which promised to furnish an immediate and adequate supply of Ministers for our churches.

It was then wise in our beloved church, appreciating her necessities, to do what she could to supply these necessities, and to this end, to extend material as well as moral encouragement to her young men who felt called of God to preach His word.

But as our circumstances, as a church, are now different from what they then were, it may be that what was then a necessity is no longer such, and that it is now both unwise and dangerous to prosecute the same system without important modifications.

Your Committee would therefore respectfully present for the consideration of Synod, the following recommendations :

*Resolved 1.* That this Synod recommends to its several Presbyteries, to examine carefully into the propriety of their assuming entire control of the education of their candidates for the Gospel Ministry.

*Resolved 2.* That the Synod recommends to its several Presbyteries, to consider the propriety of modifying their system of aiding their candidates, so as to put such assistance in the form of a loan rather than a donation.

*Resolved 3.* That the Synod recommends to its Presbyteries the propriety of rendering their assistance to candidates for the Ministry, only at the last stage of their course of preparation, except in peculiar cases.



The following report was accepted and adopted :

The Committee to whom was referred the report of the trustees of Synod beg leave to recommend the following :

1. That the Synod so change the mode of electing its Trustees as to choose them every four years, beginning with the present meeting of Synod, and the following named Trustees be chosen now to serve until the meeting of the Synod in the year 1879, viz: Col. Jno. E. Brown, Chairman, Col. J. B. Rankin, Mr. J. L. Brown, and Mr. T. H. Brown of Charlotte, N. C., Mr. J. H. Welborne of Lexington, N. C., and Mr. D. F. Cannon of Concord, N. C.

2. That the Trustees be authorized to make such a compromise as in their judgement they may deem best, with Mr. J. H. Stephenson and with Mr. J. Lyons, the two parties indebted to the Synod.

The Committee on the Records of Orange Presbytery, reported, recommending that they be approved.

This report was accepted and adopted.

The following report was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on the Treasurer's account report that they have examined the account and vouchers, find them correct and recommend their approval. They also recommend that the Treasurer be instructed to remind the delinquent Presbyteries of their indebtedness, and to forward to Mr. F. N. Watkins, Treasurer of Union Seminary, the amount advanced by him for the expenses of North Carolina Directors, last April, as soon as possible.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures, and the Judicial Committee reported that no business had come into their hands and were discharged.

The report of the Agent of Education was taken from the Docket, and after some further consideration it was on motion laid on the table.

The following resolutions were then adopted :

*Resolved* 1. That in the judgment of this Synod it is the duty of the church to pray unceasingly to her Head for a large increase of Candidates for the Gospel Ministry.

*Resolved* 2. That it is the judgment of Synod that contributions to the cause of Education ought to be made for the benefit of candidates as such, without regard to the real or supposed pecuniary condition of any class—and subject to distribution at the option of the church.

The Rev. Neill McKay, D. D., tendered his resignation as Agent of Education.

His resignation was accepted and the thanks of the Synod tendered to Dr. McKay for his faithful discharge of duty.

The Rev. L. McKinnon was then appointed Agent of Education in the place of Dr. McKay.

The following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Synod be cordially extended to the good people of this city for their kindness and hospitality to its members during the present Sessions, to the Ministers and Officers of the Methodist and Baptist Churches; to the Officers of the Colored Presbyterian Church for the uses of their houses of worship; to the President and Officers of the Rail Roads which have passed our members on one fare; that this resolution be read from the pulpit by the Pastor to-night, and the Editors of the city be requested to publish the same in their papers.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported that they had examined said Minutes and find nothing claiming the attention of Synod, and were discharged.

The Stated Clerk was directed to make the following report to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, viz:

The Synod 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 102 Ministers, having under their care 200 Churches, 13 Licentiates, and 32 Candidates, viz:

PRESBYTERIES.	MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	LICENTIATES.	CANDIDATES.
Orange,	26	53	3	12
Concord,	21	34	3	5
Fayetteville,	18	48	1	7
Wilmington,	13	31	5	1
Mecklenburg,	24	43	1	7
Total,	102	209	13	32

The Synod further reports that its next meeting will be held in Fayetteville, N. C., on Wednesday the 18th day of October, 1876, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

JACOB DOLL,

Greensboro, N. C., October 15, 1875.

*Stated Clerk.*

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

Your Committee beg leave respectfully to report that they have given leave of absence :

To Rev. Messrs. J. H. Fitzgerald and Thos. U. Faucette after the 14th inst.

To Rev. W. B. Corbett after the 15th inst.

To Mr. E. W. Faucette, Dr. C. L. Hunter, Dr. W. R. Wilson, Capt. E. A. Perkins, Col. Jno. E. Brown, Rev. A. J. Morrison, Rev. E. E. Ervin, Messrs. E. B. Stimson and J. R. McNeely, Rev. J. M. Atkinson, Rev. John W. Primrose and Mr. T. F. Beattie after 1 P. M., 15th inst.

To Rev. H. H. Banks, Rev. L. C. Vass, Mr. Samuel H. Denny, Mr. A. R. Hicks, Rev. L. McKinnon, Mr. J. O. McLelland, Mr. A. C. Alexander after 1 o'clock on Saturday the 16th inst.

To Mr. M. Shaw after the morning Sessions on Saturday.

To Mr. D. A. Davis and Rev. E. F. Rockwell after 4 P. M. on Saturday the 16th inst.

To Mr. R. N. Buie and Rev. H. T. Darnall after Friday the 15th inst.

To Rev. J. Rumble, Mr. J. B. Pritchett, Rev. F. H. Johnston, Rev. J. J. Kenneday, Mr. H. D. Lott and Mr. W. B. Carter after 1 P. M. on Saturday the 16th inst.

To Mr. J. C. Todd, Rev. S. T. Martin, Prof. W. J. Martin and J. A. Garvin after 4 P. M. on Saturday the 16th inst.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

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

*From the Presbytery of Orange.*—Rev. C. H. Wiley, Ruling Elders Lemuel Lynch, Dr. Robert J. Hicks and George Allen.

*From the Presbytery of Fayetteville.*—Ruling Elder Wm. B. Wright.

*From the Presbytery of Mecklenburg,*—Rev. S. C. Alexander and Mr. B. H. Garrison.

On motion the Synod adjourned to meet in Fayetteville, N. C., on Wednesday, the 18th day October, 1876, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

JACOB DOLL,  
*Stated Clerk.*

# APPENDIX.

## Reports of the Presbyteries on Systematic Benevolence :

### ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Orange respectfully presents to the Synod of North Carolina the following annual report on Systematic Benevolence :

Of our 53 Churches,

43	have	contributed	to	Sustentation.....	\$	498 00	
42	"	"	"	Evangelist Fund.....		887 00	
38	"	"	"	Foreign Missions .....		664 00	
31	"	"	"	Invalid Fund.....		243 00	
36	"	"	"	Education.....		1,579 00	
33	"	"	"	Publication.....		311 00	
37	"	"	"	Miscellaneous.....		6,699 00	
Total.....							\$10,881 00

The number of contributing churches has increased in every scheme of benevolence, but the amount contributed is \$994 less than it was last year. Only seven of our churches failed to send up a report, and they have but a nominal existence; their names being kept on our rolls for legal reasons.

Twenty-five churches have contributed to all the objects ordered by our Assembly; six to five them; six to four of them; three to three of them; five to two of them; and one to one of them.

By order of the Presbytery,

JACOB DOLL,  
*Stated Clerk.*

### CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Concord would report to the Synod of North Carolina that for the year ending April, 1875, the following contributions have been made for Systematic Benevolence :

23	Churches	have	contributed	to	\$	413 00	
22	"	"	"	Sustentation.....		464 00	
21	"	"	"	Evangelistic.....		275 70	
24	"	"	"	Invalid Fund.....		747 77	
20	"	"	"	Foreign Missions .....		2,628 35	
21	"	"	"	Education.....		228 03	
21	"	"	"	Publication .....		296 00	
24	"	"	"	Presbyterial.....		9,900 00	
20	"	"	"	Pastor's salaries paid.....		4,778 00	
13	"	"	"	Congregational.....		399 91	
Total, 28 churches.....							\$20,132 82

Fifteen churches have contributed to all the six objects ordered by

General Assembly; seventeen to five of them; four to four of them; one to three of them; three to two of them; one to one of them; and five to none of them.

WILLIAM W. PHARR,

*Stated Clerk.*

FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, on Systematic Benevolence, to the Synod of North Carolina, for the year ending April, 1875:

34 Churches have contributed to Disabled Ministers.....	\$	251	68
36 " " " Education.....		479	31
40 " " " Sustentation.....		362	68
25 " " " Publication.....		178	85
42 " " " Foreign Missions.....		586	00
		163	48
Total.....		\$1,925	94

Owing to the extreme scarcity of money our churches have not contributed so largely as in former years, though an opportunity has been regularly afforded to our people to worship God with their substance.

These collections are regularly made, as in former years, but the amounts received from Sabbath to Sabbath are from one-third to one-half less.

It is also due to our churches to state, that some of them, at least, have not yet reported the amounts collected during the past Summer.

By order of the Presbytery,

JAMES P. McPHERSON,

October, 1875.

*Stated Clerk.*

MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Meeklenburg reports to the Synod of North Carolina, that according to the last returns from the Church Sessions, (March last), we find that the following is a true statement in regard to Benevolence proper:

24 Churches have contributed to Sustentation.....	\$3,789	00
21 " " " Evangelistic Fund.....	486	00
15 " " " Invalid Fund.....	164	00
21 " " " Foreign Missions.....	695	00
19 " " " Education.....	469	00
14 " " " Publication.....	158	00
Total.....		\$5,761 00

We report an increase of \$1,841 in the aggregate, while the number of contributing churches is less than last year, except in case of the Invalid Fund, to which object two more churches contributed than did last year.

Seven churches gave to all the objects of Benevolence; seven to five of them; four to four of them; two to three of them; two to two of them;

four to one of them; fifteen to none of them; and fourteen sessions made no returns.

As to Ministerial support, the churches have paid more by \$1,179 to Ministers than they did the year before, the average salary being \$641.

By order of Presbytery,

R. Z. JOHNSTON,

Mills River Church, Sept. 19, 1875.

*Stated Clerk.*

#### WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully submits to the Synod of North Carolina the following report on Systematic Benevolence for the year ending April 1st, 1875.

17	Churches have contributed to Sustentation.....	\$ 568 00
17	“ “ Evangelization.....	516 00
11	“ “ Foreign Missions.....	209 00
8	“ “ Education.....	195 60
8	“ “ Publication.....	45 00
8	“ “ Disabled Ministers.....	71 00
9	“ “ Miscellaneous.....	2,422 00
Total.....		\$4,026 00

Seven churches have contributed to all the objects ordered by the General Assembly; one to four of them; two to three of them; seven to two of them; three to one of them, three to none of them; and eight have failed to report.

By order of the Presbytery,

JAMES M. SPRUNT,

Whiteville, N. C., 2d Oct. 1875.

*Stated Clerk.*

The following statistics are taken from the report of the Agent of Sustentation and are published by order of the Synod.

#### MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

The average salary promised laboring Ministers in the several Presbyteries comprising this Synod is as follows: In Concord Presbytery \$768. In Fayetteville Presbytery \$850. In Mecklenburg Presbytery \$900. In Orange Presbytery \$675. In Wilmington Presbytery \$940. The average salary paid Ministers in the Synod is about \$673.

#### SUSTENTATION.

The Presbyteries contributed and received as follows, the cents being disregarded:

Concord contributed \$425; \$377 to its Presbyterial Fund and \$48 to the Assembly's Fund. It received nothing from the latter.

Fayetteville contributed \$439 and received nothing from the General Fund.

Mecklenburg contributed \$465, and received \$450.

Orange contributed \$452, and received \$275.

Wilmington contributed to its Presbyterial, Sustentation and Evangelistic Fund combined, an amount to be hereafter mentioned under the head of Evangelistic Work, and received nothing from the General Fund.

Total amount contributed \$1,781: Received \$625.

#### EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Concord Presbytery acts independently of the Assembly's Committee, has employed since the 1st of December, 1874, as Evangelist for his whole time, Rev. A. L. Crawford on a salary of \$1,200 per annum, and has paid him to October 1st, 1875, \$709. It has also contributed to the Assembly's Fund \$21.

Fayetteville Presbytery co-operates with the Assembly's Committee, has had no Evangelist during the year, has contributed to the General Fund \$179, and received from it nothing.

Mecklenburg Presbytery works independently of the Assembly's Committee, but has contributed to the Assembly's Evangelistic Fund \$26. It has employed as Evangelists for their whole time, Rev. S. C. Alexander and Rev. A. J. Morrison, on salaries of \$1,000 each, and reports as contributed for one of them by the churches of the Presbytery \$474.

Orange Presbytery acts independently of the Assembly's Committee, and has two Evangelists on salaries amounting in the aggregate to \$1,800. It contributed to the General Evangelistic Fund \$23, drawing nothing from it.

Wilmington Presbytery conducts its own Evangelistic work without aid from the Assembly's Committee. It has had several Evangelists employed for the whole or a part of the year. One on a salary of \$1,200, two on a salary of \$400 each, one on a salary of \$350, and with no salary promised by the Presbyterial Committee. Amount contributed during the year for Sustentation and Evangelistic Work \$1,309.

#### INVALID FUND.

Concord Presbytery contributed \$126, and expended a like sum (\$126) in its own bounds.

Fayetteville contributed \$200 and received \$100.

Mecklenburg contributed \$200 and received \$425.

Orange contributed \$352 and received \$200.

Wilmington contributed \$52 and received nothing.

Total contributions \$930 and receipts \$851.

#### PUBLICATION.

The following statistics were taken from the report of the Agent of Publication:

Mecklenburg Presbytery reports 14 churches contributing and 29 giving nothing.

Wilmington Presbytery reports 7 churches contributing and 19 giving nothing.

Fayetteville Presbytery reports 28 churches contributing and 29 giving nothing.

Concord Presbytery reports 22 churches contributing and 12 giving nothing.

Orange Presbytery reports 33 churches contributing and 15 giving nothing.

#### COLPORTAGE.

As to Colportage Work in the several Presbyteries, the Synodical Agent has no very definite information.

It appears that Concord and Mecklenburg Presbyteries are operating together in Colportage.

Orange Presbytery has decided to engage in this work and expects to commence next Spring.

#### REPORT OF THE SYNODICAL AGENT OF SABBATH SCHOOLS.

*To the Synod of North Carolina:*

Your Synodical Agent of Sabbath Schools respectfully presents the following report for the year ending April 1st, 1875:

Orange Presbytery—37 schools, 258 teachers, 1,680 scholars; average attendance, 206 teachers, 1,144 scholars; increase, 10 teachers, 89 scholars; decrease, 30 teachers, 209 scholars; number added to the church, 12 teachers, 49 scholars; amount contributed to school, \$484; amount for benevolent purposes, \$216.

Concord Presbytery—22 schools, 198 teachers, 1,393 scholars; average attendance, 147 teachers, 869 scholars; increase, 11 teachers, 92 scholars; decrease, 6 teachers, 14 scholars; number added to the church, 16 teachers, 103 scholars; amount contributed to school, \$243; amount for benevolent purposes, \$76.

Mecklenburg Presbytery—20 schools, 1,458 scholars; average attendance, 868 scholars; number added to the church, 2 teachers, 102 scholars; amount contributed to school, \$317; amount for benevolent purposes, \$160.

Fayetteville Presbytery—23 schools, 208 teachers, 1,599 scholars; average attendance, 137 teachers, 895 scholars; increase, 22 teachers, 96 scholars; decrease, 6 teachers, 7 scholars; number added to the church, 4 teachers, 122 scholars; amount contributed to school, \$184; amount for benevolent purposes, \$54.

Wilmington Presbytery—11 schools, 547 scholars; average attendance, 350 scholars.

Total—113 schools, 664 teachers, 6,677 scholars; average attendance, 490 teachers, 4,126 scholars; increase, 43 teachers, 277 scholars; decrease,



42 teachers, 230 scholars; number added to the church, 34 teachers, 376 scholars; amount contributed to schools, \$1,228; amount for benevolent purposes, \$506.

Our 209 churches report 113 schools. This is an advance of 32 schools over the number reported last year. Wilmington Presbytery sends no report, and your Agent can get from the the Minutes of the General Assembly only the number of schools and scholars. Mecklenburg Presbytery does not report the number of teachers. There appears to be a decrease in both teachers and scholars.

The schools are generally under Sessional control. There is no regular system of preaching to children apart from the congregation.

The *Earnest Worker* and *Children's Friend* have not been generally taken. A great variety of instruction books have been used, and the Scriptures are generally memorized to some extent. The catechisms are usually taught.

While in some Presbyteries deep interest is shown in this great work, and Sabbath School Conventions have been organized, there is not such attention given to the cause throughout the Synod as its importance deserves.

Respectfully submitted by your Agent,

Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 16, 1875.

L. C. VASS.

## UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, VA., 1874-'75.

*Annual Report of the Trustees of Union Theological Seminary, in Virginia, to the Synod of North Carolina and Virginia, and to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, for the year ending 14th April, 1875.*

The trustees respectfully submit this their Annual Report.

Seventy-seven students have been in attendance during the past Seminary year, forty-four of whom were former students and thirty three were *new* matriculates. This is an advance of seventeen, upon the number enrolled in 1873-'74, and is the largest number attending in any one year of the history of the institution. This fact is specially significant and gratifying, as an evidence, not of spasmodic or exceptional growth, but of the increasing hold, which the Seminary is obtaining upon the confidence and esteem of the Church. It seems to be simply in the line of that steady growth, which has marked its history for a number of years past.

From time to time, the Trustees have been able to report the health of the professors and students as uniformly good, and the same report might be made for the present year, but for the fact, that during the winter, there was no exemption here from an epidemic influenza, which was prevalent throughout the country at large.

With the customary exceptions, in so large a number, the proficiency and deportment of the students have afforded gratifying indications of fidelity to the obligations assumed by them.

The Senior class numbered twenty-five, to twenty of whom was awarded, by the Trustees, the usual *certificate* of having completed the prescribed course of instruction, to wit: S. R. Booker, Virginia; P. F. Brown, Virginia; W. C. Clark, Georgia; J. L. Currie, N. C.; W. A. Dabney, Georgia; A. S. Doak, Tennessee; W. T. Howison, Missouri; C. W. Humphreys, West Virginia; J. S. L. Jeyre, West Virginia; F. W. Lewis, Virginia; C. L. Lingumfelter, West Virginia; T. M. McConnell, Virginia; A. S. Moffet, Virginia; J. McCallough, Kentucky; K. McDonald, N. C.; E. F. Pritchett, N. C.; I. V. Scott, Virginia; N. K. Smith, Tennessee; J. E. Triplett, Virginia; E. D. Washburn, Georgia. Certificates of probity and theological attainment, were also granted to J. A. Armstrong, Virginia; S. H. Chester, S. C.; and P. D. Stephenson, Missouri; who were constrained, by ill health and other causes, to leave the Seminary before the end of the term.

In all, thirteen students left the Seminary before the close of the term. In a majority of these cases, the action was with the approval of the faculty, as the circumstances were such as made it necessary.

The library has received an increase of more than three hundred volumes, making the whole number 9,937.

There has been no material change in the financial condition of the institution during the year. The State of Virginia, with a commendable spirit of liberality and statesmanship, pays the interest due on her bonds to her Seminaries of learning, and the other incomes, from public securities, have enabled the Treasurer to meet the salaries and current expenses. The Seminary owes no debt. During the financial year, ending 1st April, 1875, T. M. Niven, Esq., of New York, contributed one thousand dollars to found a scholarship. During the annual meeting of the corporation (April, 1875,) Mr. Jos. B. Wilson, of Rockbridge, Va., made a donation of thirty-five hundred dollars to found a scholarship. These liberal gentlemen merit and receive the recorded thanks of the Trustees. The usual financial exhibit is hereto appended.

The Trustees desire to express their deep sense of the seals of Divine favor which Union Theological Seminary, in Virginia, has received. They would give their humble and hearty thanks to the Head of the Church, for his marked and generous care of an agency, which they hope and believe He intends to make yet more efficient to extend the interests and the blessings of His kingdom in the world.

By order of the Trustees,

F. N. WATKINS,  
*Secretary.*

April 14th, 1875.

## APPENDIX.

The officers of the CORPORATION are the Rev. J. Rumple, of Salisbury, N. C., *President*; Rev. Prof. J. L. Kirkpatrick, D. D., of Washington and Lee University, Va., and A. G. McIlwaine, Esq., of Petersburg, Va., *Vice Presidents*; F. N. Watkins, of Farmville, Va., *Secretary and Treasurer*. The legal title of the corporation is "*The Trustees of Union Theological Seminary, in Virginia.*"

The *Professors* are as follows:

1. Rev. R. L. Dabney, D. D., L. L. D., Professor of Systematic and Pastoral Theology, and Clerk of Faculty.
2. Rev. B. M. Smith, D. D., Professor of Oriental Literature, and Librarian.
3. Rev. T. E. Peck, D. D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Polity, and Intendant.
4. Rev. H. C. Alexander, D. D., Professor of Biblical Literature, and Interpretation of New Testament.

The next term begins 11th August, 1875, and ends 15th April 1876.

The Post Office address of the Professors and Students is "Hampden Sydney, Va."

*Farmville*, on the Atlantic, Mississippi & Ohio Railroad, is the station from and to which daily stages transport passengers and mails, in connection with the Hampden Sydney village. Farmville is the Post Office address of the Treasurer and Secretary.

The following constitute the investments as at 1st April, 1875, of the funds of the Institution:

1. State of Virginia, (registered and coupon bonds),.....	\$135,195 00
2. State of Georgia.....	12,000 00
3. State of North Carolina.....	4,147 00
4. State of North Carolina (in suit).....	15,000 00
5. Des Moines Valley Railroad.....	1,000 00
6. Orange, Manassas Gap Railroad.....	5,200 00
7. Richmond & Danville Railroad.....	10,100 00
8. Clover Hill Railroad.....	5,000 00
9. South Side Railroad.....	5,000 00
10. Virginia Central Railroad.....	6,000 00
11. St. Louis & Iron Mountain Railroad.....	1,000 00
12. City of Nashville, Tenn.....	1,000 00
13. City of Richmond, Va.....	8,000 00
14. City of Montgomery, Ala.....	1,000 00
15. Long Island Bank.....	350 00
16. Individual Bonds.....	30,250 00
	\$240,242 00

The sum of \$240,242, of the above investments is held for the use of the scholarships.

By order of the Trustees,

F. N. WATKINS,

*Treasurer.*

Farmville, Va., April 16th, 1875.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF SYNOD, for one year, from October 1874 to October 1875.

### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand as per last report, October 1874.....	\$ 5 47
Received from Mecklenburg Presbytery, assessment of 1874.....	75 00
“ “ Fayetteville “ “ “ .....	80 00
“ “ Wilmington “ “ 1875.....	50 00
“ “ Orange “ “ “ .....	130 00
	\$340 47

### DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to:

Rev. Jacob Doll, salary and account as Stated Clerk for 1876.....	\$ 75 64
“ F. H. Johnston, Director to Union Seminary, April 1875...	15 00
“ J. Henry Smith, “ “ “ “ “ .....	11 35
“ J. P. McPherson, “ “ “ “ “ .....	20 00
“ H. G. Hill, “ “ “ “ “ .....	20 00
Balance in Treasury, October 1875.....	198 48
	\$340 47

There is due to the Synod from :

Concord Presbytery.....	\$ 75 00
Mecklenburg Presbytery.....	75 00
Fayetteville “ .....	80 00
	\$230 00

assessments for 1875.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE H. LINDSAY,

*Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

*To the Synod of North Carolina, at Greensboro, October 1875 :*

The Trustees of Synod respectfully report, that they have been unable to collect any of the funds due the Synod, for the reason set forth in their report to the Session of Synod, held at Wilmington, October 1873.

The notes set forth in that report are still held by the Trustees, and if the Synod will authorize a compromise to be made, some settlement may be effected.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. BROWN,

D. A. DAVIS,

*For the Trustees.*

## STATED CLERKS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman.	1855. Rev. Archibald Baker.
1818. Rev. Colin McIver.	1859. Rev. Jacob Doll.
1849. Rev. Drury Lacy.	

## MODERATORS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1813. Rev. Robert H. Chapman.....	Alamance Church.
1814. Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell.....	Thyatira Church.
1815. Rev. William McPheeters.....	Fayetteville.
1816. Rev. John Robinson.....	Raleigh.
1817. No meeting—no quorum present.....	Rocky River.
1818. Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D. D.....	Fayetteville.
1819. Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, M. D.....	Raleigh.
1820. Rev. William Paisley.....	Poplar Tent.
1821. Rev. John M. Wilson.....	Salisbury.
1822. Rev. John Robinson.....	Hillsboro'.
1823. Rev. John Witherspoon.....	Fayetteville.
1824. Rev. Colin McIver.....	Statesville.
1825. Rev. John B. Davis.....	Greensboro'.
1826. Rev. William McPheeters, D. D.....	Fayetteville.
1827. Rev. R. H. Morrison, D. D.....	Salisbury.
The Stated Clerk has no record of this and the two succeeding meetings.	
1828. Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch.....	Raleigh.
1829. Rev. John Williamson.....	Fayetteville.
1830. Rev. Samuel L. Graham.....	Hopewell.
1831. Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich.....	Hillsboro'.
1832. Rev. Samuel Williamson.....	Salisbury.
1833. Rev. Henry A. Rowland.....	Wilmington.
1834. Rev. James W. Douglas.....	Oxford.
1835. Rev. Henry N. Pharr.....	Salisbury.
1836. Rev. Jos-ph Brown.....	Fayetteville.
1837. Rev. N. H. Harding.....	Shiloh.
1838. Rev. Stephen Frontis.....	Third Creek Church
1839. Rev. Daniel A. Penick.....	Lincolnton.
1840. Rev. Alexander Wilson, D. D.....	Danville, Va.
1841. Rev. William N. Peacock.....	Fayetteville.
1842. Rev. Walter W. Pharr.....	Poplar Tent.
1843. Rev. James Phillips.....	Raleigh.
1844. Rev. Simeon Colton.....	Fayetteville.
1845. Rev. Samuel Williamson.....	Charlotte.
1846. Rev. Drury Lacy.....	Greensboro'.
1847. Rev. Evander McNair.....	Fayetteville.
1848. Rev. Cyrus Johnston.....	Salisbury.
1849. Rev. John A. Gretter.....	Hillsboro'.
1850. Rev. Adam Gilchrist.....	Centre.
1851. Rev. Archibald Baker.....	Rocky River.
1852. Rev. William N. Mebane.....	Danville, Va.
1853. Rev. Hector McLean.....	Wilmington.
1854. Rev. A. L. Watts.....	Concord.
1855. Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D. D.....	Greensboro'.
1856. Rev. Neill McKay.....	Fayetteville.
1857. Rev. Walter W. Pharr.....	Charlotte.
1858. Rev. Jacob Doll.....	Newbern.
1859. Rev. F. K. Nash.....	Wilmington.
1860. Rev. R. H. Lafferty.....	Statesville.
1861. Rev. Edward Hines.....	Raleigh.
1862. Rev. John M. Sherwood.....	Goldsboro'.
1863. Rev. R. N. Davis.....	Salisbury.
1864. Rev. A. G. Hughes.....	Greensboro'.
1865. Rev. Colin Shay.....	Fayetteville.
1866. Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D. D.....	Charlotte.

1867.	Rev. Archibald Currie.....	Newbern.
1868.	Rev. D. D. McBryde ...	Wilmington.
1869.	Rev. Jesse Rankin.....	Morganton.
1870.	Rev. S. A. Stanfield.....	Raleigh.
1871.	Rev. J. P. McPherson.....	Fayetteville.
1872.	Rev. Arnold W. Miller, D. D.....	Charlotte.
1873.	Rev. James M. Sprunt.....	Wilmington.
1874.	Rev. J. Rumble.....	Concord.
1875.	Rev. P. H. Dalton.....	Greensboro.

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## UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IN NORTH CAROLINA.

### FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

Rev. J. P. McPherson,	Mr. D. A. Davis, Ruling Elder,
Rev. Walter W. Pherr,	To go out in 1879.

### SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

Rev. J. Rumble,	Mr. R. J. McDowell, Ruling Elder,
Rev. B. F. Marable,	To go out in 1878.

### THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

Rev. F. H. Johnston,	Mr. Evander McGilvary, R. E.
Rev. Jos. M. Atkinson,	To go out in 1877.

### FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D.,	Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, R. E.
Rev. H. G. Hill,	To go out in 1876.

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## TRUSTEES OF SYNOD—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

Col. John E. Brown, Chairman.....	Charlotte, N. C.
Col. J. B. Rankin.....	“ “
Mr. J. L. Brown.....	“ “
Mr. T. H. Brem.....	“ “
Mr. J. H. Welborne.....	Lexington, “
Mr. D. F. Cannon.....	Concord, “
To go out in 1879.	

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## AGENTS OF SYNOD.

Rev. R. Z. Johnston.....	Agent of Foreign Missions,
Rev. H. G. Hill.....	Agent of Sustentation.
Rev. L. McKinnon.....	Agent of Education.
Rev. F. H. Johnston.....	Agent of Publication.
Rev. L. C. Vass.....	Agent of Sabbath Schools.

## TREASURER OF SYNOD.

Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay.....Greensboro, N. C.

ROLL OF THE MINISTERS IN THE SYNOD OF  
NORTH CAROLINA.

## ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
1. George W. Ferrill.....	Tally Ho.
2. Edward Hines.....	Sassafras Fork.
3. Jacob Doll.....	Reidsville.
4. A. Currie.....	Graham.
5. Thomas U. Faucette.....	Sassafras Fork.
6. Joseph M. Atkinson.....	Raleigh.
7. P. H. Dalton.....	High Point.
8. J. H. Smith, D. D.....	Greensboro.
9. F. H. Johnston.....	Lexington.
10. D. E. Jordan.....	Oxford.
11. Drury Lacy, D. D.....	Raleigh.
12. James C. Alexander.....	Greensboro.
13. C. N. Morrow.....	Mebaneville.
14. C. Phillips, D. D.....	Chapel Hill.
15. C. H. Wiley.....	Winston.
16. Wm. B. Tidball.....	Greensboro.
17. L. C. Vass.....	Newbern.
18. H. B. Pratt.....	Socorro, S. A.
19. P. T. Penick.....	Mebaneville.
20. John W. Primrose.....	Manson.
21. Robert Burwell.....	Raleigh.
22. James H. Fitzgerald.....	Hillsboro.
23. William G. Baird.....	Mount Airy.
24. E. M. Green.....	Washington.
25. William A. Shaw.....	Raleigh.
26. H. T. Darnall.....	Milton.
27. C. Miller.....	Madison.
28. T. J. Allison.....	Tarboro.

## CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
1. Jesse Rankin.....	Lenoir.
2. Daniel Lindley.....	
3. T. P. Johnston.....	Morganton.
4. E. F. Rockwell.....	Cool Springs.
5. T. N. Paxton.....	Marion.
6. G. M. Gibbs.....	Hickory Station.
7. B. L. Beall.....	Lenoir.
• 8. A. L. Crawford.....	Statesville.
9. A. E. Chandler.....	Mt. Ulla.
10. J. Rumble.....	Salisbury.
11. William W. Pharr.....	Mt. Mourne.
12. A. D. Hepburn.....	Davidson College.
13. W. A. Wood.....	Statesville.
14. J. B. Mack.....	In trans.

15. L. McKinnon.....	Concord.
16. S. Taylor Martin.....	Charlotte.
17. R. B. Anderson.....	Morganton.
18. R. M. Tuttle.....	Mooreville.
19. R. W. Boyd.....	Woodleaf.
20. J. W. Davis.....	Soochow, China.
21. James H. Thornwell.....	Concord.

## FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
1. Hector McLean.....	Melrose.
2. J. P. McPherson.....	Laurinburg.
3. Neill McKay, D. D.....	Summerville.
4. Andrew McMillan.....	Rockingham.
5. Archibald Baker.....	Shoe Heel.
6. D. D. McBryde.....	Little River Academy.
7. Martin McQueen.....	Carthage.
8. Joseph Evans.....	St. Paul's.
9. James McQueen.....	Swan's Station.
10. N. T. Bowden.....	Morven.
11. Archibald McQueen.....	Morrosonia.
12. John H. Coble.....	Laurinburg.
13. H. G. Hill.....	Fayetteville.
14. David Fairley.....	Manchester.
15. T. L. DeVeaux.....	Wilmington.
16. A. N. Ferguson.....	Laurinburg.
17. K. M. McIntyre.....	Butler's Ford.
18. William S. Lacy.....	Jonesboro.

## WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
1. Duncan B. Black.....	Burgaw.
2. Colin Shaw.....	Black River Chapel.
3. James M. Sprunt.....	Kenansville.
4. B. F. Marable.....	Clinton.
5. S. H. Isler.....	Newport.
6. James Kelly.....	Dalton.
7. N. Z. Graves.....	Goldsboro.
8. Archibald McFadyen.....	Elizabethtown.
9. Alexander Kirkland.....	Teachey's.
10. Joseph R. Wilson, D. D.....	Wilmington.
11. C. M. Payne.....	"
12. Geo. W. McMillan.....	Whitehall.
13. R. A. Miller.....	Burgaw.

## MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Post Office.</i>
1. R. H. Morrison, D. D.....	Cottage Home.
2. James E. Morrison.....	Wadesboro.
3. James D. Hall.....	Woodlawn.
4. John Douglas.....	Charlotte.
5. William N. Morrison.....	Asheville.
6. Leland R. McAbey, D. D.....	Columbus.
7. R. H. Chapman, D. D.....	Charlotte.
8. William Graves.....	Mills River.
9. Walter W. Pharr.....	Alexandriana.
10. Thomas E. Davis.....	Pleasant Ridge.



11. A. W. Miller, D. D.....	Charlotte.
12. Samuel C. Alexander.....	Wadesboro.
13. D. T. Towles.....	Forks of Pigeon.
14. William B. Corbett.....	Asheville.
15. G. D. Parks.....	Charlotte.
16. E. H. Harding.....	“
17. R. Z. Johnston.....	Lincolnton.
18. William McDonald.....	Charlotte.
19. H. H. Banks.....	Statesville.
20. J. J. Kennedy.....	Gastonia.
21. William H. Davis.....	Charlotte.
22. A. J. Morrison.....	Franklin.
23. William E. McIlwaine.....	Huntersville.
24. E. E. Ervin.....	Rutherfordton.

## DOCKET

Of the Sixty-Third Session of the Synod of North Carolina,  
to be held in Fayetteville, N. C., on Wednesday the 18th  
day of October 1876, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

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 Presbytery.*—Rev. Messrs. G. W. Ferrill, A. Currie, Drury Lacy, D. D., H. B. Pratt, W. G. Baird, and Dr. William A. Shaw.

*From Concord Presbytery.*—Rev. Messrs. Jesse Rankin, Daniel Lindley, G. M. Gibbs, A. L. Crawford, A. E. Chandler, R. W. Boyd and John W. Davis.

*From Fayetteville Presbytery.*—Rev. Messrs. Hector McLean, A. McMillan, D. D. McBryde, Joseph Evans, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen, James McQueen, J. H. Coble, D. Fairley, T. L. DeVeaux, A. N. Ferguson and K. M. McIntyre.

*From Wilmington Presbytery.*—Rev. Messrs. Duncan B. Black, Colin Shaw, James M. Sprunt, B. F. Marable, James Kelly, N. Z. Graves, A. McFadyen, C. M. Payne and G. W. McMillan.

*From Mecklenburg Presbytery.*—Rev. Messrs. R. H. Morrison D. D., J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, Wm. N. Morrison, L. R. McAboy, D. D., Wm. Graves, T. E. Davis, A. W. Miller, D. D., D. T. Towles, G. D. Parks, William McDonald and William H. Davis.

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 Synod.
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 Reports of the Trustees of Synod.
  14. On Systematic Benevolence.
  15. On Leave of Absence.
9. Read the Narratives on the state of religion respectively from the Presbyteries of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg.
10. Read the Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary.
11. The term of office of the fourth class of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary, expires at this meeting of the Synod, viz: Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D., H. G. Hill and Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, Ruling Elder.
12. Report of the Committee on the absolute and relative aggressiveness of the Presbyterian Church in North Carolina.
13. Report of the Committee on the Synodical Map.
14. Absentees at the calling of the Roll at the close of the last Session of Synod. (See Minutes of 1875.)
15. Read reports on Systematic Benevolence, respectively, from the Presbyteries of Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Mecklenburg.
16. Read the Report of the Trustees of Synod.
17. " " " " Treasurer of Synod.
18. " " " " Agent of Sustentation.
19. " " " " Agent of Education.
20. " " " " Agent of Foreign Missions.
21. " " " " Agent of Publication.
22. " " " " Agent of Sabbath School.
23. How many copies of the Minutes shall be published?
24. Read the Statistical Report of the Synod to the General Assembly.
25. Time and place of the next meeting of the Synod.
26. Minutes to be read and approved.
27. Call the Roll at the close of the Sessions.
28. Close with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.



