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—OF—

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FIFTY-SIXTH SESSION,

HELD WITH

CAMP HILL CHURCH, CAMP HILL, ALA.,

SEPTEMBER 23, 24 AND 25, 1891.

OFFICERS.

REV. J. P. SHAFFER, MODERATOR.....Dadeville, Ala.

REV. W. C. BLEDSOE, SECRETARY.....LaFayette, Ala.

The next session will be held at LaFayette, Ala., beginning on Tuesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1892, Rev. A. S. Smith to preach the Introductory Sermon; Rev. J. W. Hamner, alternate.

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PROCEEDINGS.

CAMP HILL, ALA.,
Sept. 23, 1891. }

1. The East Liberty Baptist Association assembled in fifty-sixth annual session in the meeting house of the Camp Hill Baptist church on Wednesday, Sept. 24, 1891.

2. At 11 o'clock a. m. Rev. W. C. Bledsoe, D. D., of LaFayette, preached the introductory sermon from Gal. vi 9: "Be not weary in well doing; for in due season ye shall reap if ye faint not."

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

3. Rev. Jno. P. Shaffer, the Moderator, called the Association to order at 2 o'clock.

4. After reading the 23rd Psalm, a hymn was sung by the congregation and prayer was offered by Rev. D. I. Purser, D. D., of Birmingham.

5. The letters from the churches were read by Rev. C. S. Johnson and W. L. Hood.

6. The Secretary enrolled the following delegates from the churches

1. Antioch—J. T. Hood, T. J. Gilliland, S. R. Woody, T. R. Jones, J. S. Woody.

2. Beulah—A. C. Bennett, G. W. Hunt.

3. Bethlehem—H. W. Oliver, J. R. Bradfield, F. P. Bradfield.

4. Bethel (Lee)—A. B. Graves.

5. Bethel (Chambers)—J. C. Smith, M. L. Cook.

6. Cusseta—Geo. W. Shealey, T. T. Meadors.

7. County Line—I. T. Talbot, L. L. TeBow, H. C. Woody, W. W. Crouch, J. M. Langley.

8. Camp Hill—J. P. Seroyer, W. R. Dawson, T. J. Gann, B. F. Fargason.

9. Dadeville—R. T. Parker, Jos. H. Johnson, W. H. Payne, W. S. Herren, Jas. Johnson.

10. Eagle Creek—J. T. Coker, J. H. Morgan, J. R. Harris.

11. Farmville—R. Neighbors, R. N. Botsford, Paul Bedell, W. W. Bradley.

12. Fellowship—W. H. Shepherd, E. Sanders, J. C. Morgan.

13. Five Points—J. W. Ramsay.

14. High Pine—J. J. Greene, E. L. Pool.

15. Hickory Flat—J. G. Cline.

16. Lystra—F. M. Pepper, J. D. Smith.

17. Liberty—F. M. Handley.

18. LaFayette—W. L. Hood, J. D. Norman, J. E. Scarbrough, T. H. Grimmett, J. T. Jones.

19. Lebanon—B. J. Vines, W. D. Smith, Z. F. East, W. B. O'Brian, W. Y. Harison.

20. Milltown—J. E. Smith, W. G. Jarrell, Jas. Denney, M. S. Session, T. G. Sessions.

21. New Hope—T. G. Crowder, J. M. Veazy, B. F. Anderson, W. P. Co-field, J. F. Cumbee.
22. Providence—I. T. Morgan, W. C. Dorman, J. L. B. Barron.
23. Pleasant Ridge—W. Patterson, H. M. Wilson.
24. Roanoke—H. M. Mickle, J. T. Nelson, W. Stewart, W. Cook, A. J. Langley.
25. Rock Springs (Chambers)—G. W. Newman, W. Webb, W. W. Still, W. T. Johnson, S. H. Newman.
26. Rock Springs (Tallapoosa)—J. R. Pritchett, J. W. Berry.
27. Shiloh—W. T. Moore, T. J. Finley.
28. Sandy Creek—J. T. Fargarson, T. D. Lunceford, J. F. Reynolds, H. Reynolds.
29. Tallapoosa—C. Henderson, J. A. Upshaw, H. W. Craddock.
30. Waverly—W. E. Shealey, J. T. Hester.

Total number of churches, 30; number of delegates, 93.

7. Rev. Jno. P. Shaffer was re-elected Moderator; Rev. W. C. Bledsoe was re-elected Secretary and Treasurer.

8. Upon the call for petitionary letters, the following named churches presented letters petitioning for membership in the body: High Pine, Randolph County, Ala., and Five Points, Chambers county, Ala., and the same were on motion received, the Moderator extending the hand of fellowship to the delegates on behalf of the association.

9. Correspondents from other associations were called for, and the following enrolled and given welcome:

- From Harris—Rev. G. E. Brewer.
- From Tuskegee—E. W. Solomons, S. B. Fears, Rev. H. W. Garlington.
- From Carey—Rev. J. J. Motley.
- From Central—Revs. C. S. Johnson, R. A. J. Cumbee, E. J. Bryant.
- From Coosa River—Rev. W. Wilkes, D. D.

10. The following named brethren, representing the various denominational interests, were cordially received: Rev. D. I. Purser, D. D., Financial Agent of Howard College; Rev. B. F. Riley, D. D., President of Howard College; Rev. I. T. Tichenor, D. D., Corresponding Secretary Home Mission Board; Rev. W. C. Bledsoe, D. D., Vice President Foreign Mission Board for Alabama; Rev. Geo. E. Brewer, Agent for A. B. P. Society; Rev. W. B. Crumpton, Corresponding Secretary State Mission Board; S. W. Averett, LL. D., President of Judson Female Institute; Rev. C. W. Hare, Editor Alabama Baptist.

11. The Moderator announced the following committees to report at the present session:

- On Finance—W. R. Dawson, Chairman; F. M. Handley, J. E. Scarbrough.
- On Nominations—J. B. Barron, Chairman; I. T. Morgan, G. W. Shealey.
- On Divine Services—Pastor and delegates of Camp Hill church.

12. Rev. W. B. Crumpton was granted the floor to present the claims of the State Mission Quarterly; and the same courtesy was extended to Rev. I. T. Tichenor to present claims of the "Home Field," and to Rev. D. I. Purser to present claims of the "Kind Words," and to Rev. W. C. Bledsoe to present claims of the "Foreign Mission Journal."

13. On motion, the report on Education was made the special order for 7 o'clock p. m.
14. After various announcements, the Association, on motion adjourned to 7 o'clock p. m.
15. Prayer by Rev. W. Wilkes.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

7 O'CLOCK.

16. The Association was called to order and after brief devotional exercises the Moderator called for the report on Education, which was the special order for the hour.
17. The report was read as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION:

The committee charged with the consideration of the matter of education, ask leave to report:

Never in the history of our country was there such a spirit of education as to-day pervades the masses of the American people. Not only is there a profounder interest than ever before, but greater efforts are now being made to secure the education of the youth of the country than at any former period in its history.

Never before were there so many young men and young women engaged in the work of fitting themselves for the rough encounters of the world, through the facilities offered by our institutions of learning.

In response to this demonstration, on the part of the people at large, assiduous efforts are being made to afford the most abundant means to meet the demands. Large private schools are created and maintained alike in the growing centers of population and in the interior rural districts. The State is diligent in the creation and maintenance, through the taxation of the masses of schools in which our youth may be equipped for future usefulness in the different spheres of life. Denominations feeling that the education of boys and girls should not be intrusted to such influences as those created by the State, and recognizing the school as one of the chief factors, both directly and indirectly, for evangelizing the people, have, during all the century past, been earnestly enlisted in the establishment of schools under Christian influences.

Not to take a broader view of the last named branch of this important subject, your committee beg leave to call attention specially to the institutions with which this Association stands most vitally connected, and to emphasize the importance of such.

At Marion we have had for more than half a century a college for Baptist girls. Through all the eventful periods through which our country has passed, it has held on its way successfully. To-day the Judson Female Institute, at Marion, is the peer of any college for girls in the South, and is the superior of most schools of this character. Only the most skilled educators and Christian men and women are suffered to enter this college to give mould and shape to the characters of our girls. Last year was a prosperous one with this institution, there having been enrolled nearly 200 pupils, 137 of whom were boarders. The appointments of the school are such as to afford the most eminent satisfaction to its friends and patrons.

Howard College, located at East Lake, is in a most flourishing condition. After a struggle of two or three years with adverse circumstances, it has come to the front as one of the leading schools of the South, with a prospect unequalled, perhaps, by that of any similar institution of learning. Its location, accessibility, healthfulness and surroundings warrant the belief that a few years more will place it far in advance of many schools that are now its equal. Last session was a year of signal prosperity to the Howard.

Its grand building was completed, together with two brick dormitories, and its attendance exceeded the expectations of its most sanguine friends. Two hundred and six students were enrolled, and the work and order were such as to evoke expressions of gratitude from the Board of Trustees.

It has already entered upon another prosperous session. Stringent as the times are, the attendance up to this time is excellent, and the authorities of the college are appealing to the denomination for quarters, comely and comfortable, for the students.

With these it can be made self-sustaining for several years to come. The situation is just such as to appeal earnestly to our people for help.

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville—the school of the prophets of Southern Baptists—is the largest theological seminary owned by our people, in the world. It was quite largely attended last year, and will be more largely patronized next session. It is worthy of our prayers, our gifts and our patronage.

J. T. MORGAN, Chairman.

18. Dr. B. F. Riley, President of Howard College, addressed the body. The report was also discussed by Dr. Tichenor, and then Dr. Purser made an address and closed by asking for subscriptions to dormitory buildings, which were much needed by Howard College. He proposed to name one of the dormitories "The Liberty" if \$1,500.00 would be raised by the Association. Of that amount \$1,025.00 was received, and great hopes entertained that the whole amount would soon be raised.

19. Adjourned to 8:30 to-morrow morning.

20. Prayer by Rev. R. A. J. Cumbee.

THURSDAY MORNING.

8:30 O'CLOCK.

21. The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and after devotional exercises, the report on Education was taken up as unfinished business of preceding session, and Rev. W. B. Crumpton made a speech on the report.

22. The report was adopted.

23. The report on Religious Literature was read as follows:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

A wholesome Religious Literature is like unto a great silent reservoir of pure living water, with numerous aqueducts, pipes and hydrants propelling its life-giving and invigorating qualities to every part of a great and growing city. And as this pure limpid water permeates the whole town and cleanses the same, the while cooling the parched tongue of the way-worn traveler, giving drink to the citizens, people and rulers in authority, as well as the tired beast of burden, so a wholesome, well-selected religious literature, read and understood, permeates the whole body politic, carrying joy and light and love to every home.

It has been said that as the heart and lungs throw out into every part of the system pure blood, and as it courses its way through the arteries to all parts of the body, carrying nourishment to every organ, thereat, so does good literature, read and masticated, give strength and vigor to our moral sensibilities, and as the body is developed by the nourishment received, so may our spiritual natures grow up into perfect, symmetrical, well-rounded character, when fed on sound literature. But, alas! how sad it is that there

is not, cannot be, a great fountain of truth to which all impure, irreligious literature may be brought and purified, as does the heart and lungs purify all impure blood when conveyed through the veins thereto, and which, when done, is set out again on its mission of rejuvenation.

Your committee are of the opinion that in this age of hurry and progress, there is less intelligent reading of our denominational literature than heretofore. We fear, also, that our people do not cultivate, as they ought, an instructive comprehension of our distinctive principles. It may be that many of our people know why we celebrate the Lord's Supper, only as Baptists do, and practice other doctrines peculiar to our church, but your committee are inclined to the belief that in many sections our people read less and make more concessions than they formerly did on these subjects. We hear it frequently said that all denominations are constantly drifting closer together. This may be true, and it may be a consummation devoutly hoped for, but if so, are not the doors of the Baptist church now sufficiently open to receive any or all who may seek admittance, upon the conditions of our church? Certainly, no intelligent Baptist could confess that we hold not the truth as taught in the Book of all books, and whatever may be the demands of some of the would-be homogeneous consolidation advocates, it will be a sad day for us when we drift away from the landmarks of the fathers. The Bible is the great bulwark of our faith and practice, and a more intelligent and comprehensive reading and understanding of its teachings are vastly important to our people.

The Alabama Baptist is doing well. It might be made better, but it cannot be improved without the earnest co-operation of the Brotherhood throughout the State. The committee do not see how any Baptist family in Alabama can get along without its weekly visits. The paper is always fraught with good, pure, elevating, wholesome thought, and sound denominational truth and information. It is a very sad commentary on Baptist enterprise, that only one in twenty of our people take our denominational organ.

The Foreign Mission Journal, published by the Foreign Mission Board, at Richmond, Va., the Home Field, published by the Home Mission Board, at Atlanta, Ga., and the State Mission Quarterly, published by Bro. Crumpton, of the State Mission Board, are valuable papers, and deserve our patronage and support. We don't see how any Baptist, who would keep posted on the work and progress of the denomination, can do without these papers.

Kind Words is now equal to the very best series of Sunday School literature. At the last session of the Southern Baptist convention a Sunday School Board was created, and is now located at Nashville, Tenn. Dr. J. M. Frost, formerly of Selma, Ala., is the Secretary of said Board. The Board was organized by the convention of which we are constituent parts. We participated in the creation of said Board. It is our enterprise. The convention, of which we are a part, recommended the series to the churches. We recognize the fact that individual churches have the unqualified right to choose for themselves; but is it loyal for us to create an enterprise of recognized ability and usefulness, and then fail or refuse to support and foster said enterprise, at least, as long as it is properly executing the work for which it was created? If State pride and a kind of self interest would prompt us to take the Alabama Baptist rather than the Western Recorder, conceding that both papers are of equal merit, would not the same reasoning, if considered, actuate us to patronize Kind Words? Believing it to be equal to the best, and recognizing its just claims upon us, we most heartily recommend the series to all of our churches and Sunday Schools.

W. L. HOOD, Chairman.

24. The report was discussed by Rev. D. I. Purser and Rev. G. E. Brewer.

25. The report was adopted.

26. On motion the reports on State, Home and Foreign Missions, and on Bible and Colportage, were read and discussed as a whole.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Alabama paid for State Missions last conventional year \$8,795.16. Of this amount East Liberty Association paid \$597.03. An average of nearly nineteen (19 cts.) cents per member.

From the best information your committee can get, the indications are that less will be given this year than last year.

Last year the board had 48 missionaries in its employ. They reported 279 baptisms, 15 churches constituted, 39 Sunday-schools organized, 54 prayer meetings organized; besides, a great deal of other work done by them.

Secretary Crumpton is calling loudly for more money with which to prosecute the work of the board. Enough has not been received this year to carry on the work of the board.

Brethren, we are not sufficiently enthusiastic in the Lord's work. A great necessity is upon us. Without the gospel, and without it now, Alabama is going to ruin. God will hold us responsible for our stewardship. Let us awake from our lethargic slumbers, put our hands deep down into our pockets, give of our money till we feel it, asking the Lord to save Alabama. The State Board asks East Liberty for eight hundred and fifty (\$850.00) dollars.

J. W. HAMNER, Ch'n.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The report of the Home Mission Board for the last conventional year sets forth that the needs of the board were never more urgent than now. The widening of the field, the very rapid building up of new towns and cities within its borders, the rapid influx of foreigners, the pressing needs of the brother in black, the growing interest among the Indians, and the very encouraging outlook in Cuba, all inviting and demanding the heralds of the cross, with an open Bible and a pure gospel, bearing the vessels of the Lord with the true bread of life.

During the last year the board has made some progress in the enlargement of its work. The number of workers was 406 against 371 of the previous year, and the results show a corresponding increase. The baptisms of the year were 5,349, a gain of 872; the total additions to the mission churches for 1890 were 8,098, this year 9,987; churches constituted last year 267, this year 244; Sunday-schools organized last year 336, this year 424; houses of worship built last year 84, this year 143; the sum expended in their erection last year \$37,324.85, this year \$60,473.00. In addition to the foregoing there are reported weeks of labor, 9,590; churches and stations, 1,231; sermons and addresses, 43,453; prayer meetings, 10,527; teachers and pupils in Sunday-school, 13,200; Bibles and Testaments, 6,000. These figures are encouraging, yet you must bear in mind that there are a great many things that cannot be estimated in figures and dollars and cents. During the year the board has made freer use of the press than ever before. The *Home Field*, the organ of the board, must be the chief reliance in reaching the people with information about the work, and inducing the churches to supply the funds to do it. It ought to be in every Baptist home.

The board has missionaries among the foreign population, chiefly among the Germans in Louisville, Ky., St. Louis, Kansas City, and in less populous places in Missouri and Texas. The Germans and Swiss are by far the most desirable immigrants. Your committee is impressed with the necessity of our government placing upon our statute books more stringent regulations as to the class of emigrants—limiting emigration to the better class and forever excluding the pauper and criminal class. They have no regard for our Sabbath and but little respect for our laws. The majority of them are anarchists and socialists, have been run out of their own country because they are lawless and in many cases criminals. The problem of evangelizing the foreign masses finds its solution greatly affected by the character of the people who come to our shores. No doubt but that the lowest and most ignorant need the gospel; yet in order that our beloved country may continue to be the light to all the world, we are moved to hope that our government may see to

it that only the higher and better class of foreigners are allowed to make their homes with us.

The work of the board among the Indians is confined to the Indian Territory. The Baptists of the South have been engaged in mission work among them for half a century. The success attending their evangelization has been very remarkable.

There are to-day in the five civilized tribes as many baptized believers and as many churches and native preachers, in proportion to numbers, as in any people on the globe. The country has been advised of the breaking off of the relations hitherto existing between the Indian Department and the Roman Catholic Bureau at Washington. Commissioner Morgan is a Baptist and we believe the whole country, and more especially the Baptists, will sustain Gen. Morgan in the attitude he has assumed towards the Catholic Bureau.

The Levering School will be no longer under the control of the Home Board. The Creek nation have wisely resolved to terminate all existing educational contracts with all mission boards and assume the entire responsibility of educating their own children.

The colored brother is with us and that to stay. The race is more or less confiding and dependent. It will cling to and rely on somebody or something. The average negro preacher is quite or wholly unfit for leadership. When he became a free man the Christian people of the South, for good and sufficient cause, left him to work out his own destiny, and they have but little confidence now in his Christianity. Thousands of them are Baptists, and we owe it to them to lend a helping hand whenever we find them in doubt and difficulty; and in their wanderings amidst designing political demagogues direct them in the ways of truth, happiness and prosperity and to disseminate among them God's blessed Word.

The very rapid changes going on in the South greatly affect the native population. In many Baptist rural districts once strong in numbers and wealth have been reduced to poverty and weakness by the removals to the towns and cities. Hence the great necessity of the home missionary to be in the new town or city to receive and so organize them into churches, that their working force will not be lost to the denomination. Our boys are growing up and will naturally drift into that current where the money and the trade lead. The native population of the South can and must be reached by the Baptists. We should remember that American Christians must evangelize America. Other countries do not help us. We ought and must look to the interest of our own Southern land as never before.

The report of the Home Board to the Convention, on the work in Cuba, states that the work continues with unabated interest. The titles to the house of worship in Havana was consummated on the 8th of December, and the house dedicated in February last. It was an occasion of great interest, and gives our work in that city a great and mighty impulse for the future. The imprisonment of our Bro. Diaz and two other missionaries have turned out to the furtherance of the gospel. Some figures from Bro. Diaz's summary: Weeks of labor, 970; churches supplied, 6; other stations, 17; sermons and addresses, 1,325; baptisms, 210; total membership, 1,917; money collected, \$2,000.00; Sunday-schools, 7; Sunday-school pupils, about 2,000; pupils converted, 35; church buildings, 3; churches organized, 7.

Besides the school among the Indians, those in New Orleans and in Cuba, the board has aided in the support of the principal of the Hiawassee school in North Georgia. Your committee doubt the propriety of the board engaging in any school enterprise in this home country. It might be allowed in New Orleans, but we have serious fears of the propriety of the board engaging in any school enterprise at any point—save, perhaps, in Cuba.

In the report of the Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, we gather the following facts: Two new lines of work recommended by the Home Board, to-wit: Boxes of supplies to frontier and other needy missionaries, and a girl school in Cuba. These have met with cordial responses. Alabama is credited with \$2,287.54 contributed by Woman's Missionary Societies last year to the Home Board. During the nine years the board has been in Atlanta it has employed 2,086 missionaries; constituted 1,421 churches, built 483 houses of worship, gathered 50,232 con-

verts and expended over \$700,000.00. Much has been done, yet the demand for home mission work is now greater than ever. Four times the amount now received annually could be wisely expended on the destitute fields of the South.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. B. FARGUSON, Ch'n.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The 1,240,000 Southern Baptists have 102 missionaries employed in foreign fields. These missionaries are assisted in their work by 76 native, unordained helpers, making our entire foreign force number 178. We thus see that Southern Baptists support one foreign missionary to about every 7,000 of their number at home. Their missionaries and their helpers are earnestly at work in China, Africa, Italy, Brazil, Mexico and Japan. In the countries named we now have 67 organized churches, with an aggregate of 2,377 members, of whom 361 were baptized during the last year. The receipts of our Foreign Mission Board, from all sources, all told, last conventional year, amounted to something over \$113,000. These last figures, compared with those in the first line of this report, are broadly suggestive; but your committee modestly begs to be excused from pointing out and considering any such suggestion.

We turn now from this general survey of what Southern Baptists are doing to see what the Baptists of Alabama are doing for the evangelization of the world. With her 72 associations, composed of 1,535 churches, whose aggregated membership numbers 98,000, including 900 ordained preachers, Alabama Baptists contributed, during the last conventional year, to foreign missions, \$7,753. This is about 1-15 of the whole amount received by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and shows that the Baptists of our own State gave to this world-wide work an average of nearly 7 2-3 cents each. But this report is concerned more particularly with the East Liberty Association. According to last year's report, there were 29 churches with something over 3,100 members in this Association and their contributions amounted to \$442 for Foreign Missions, an average for this one branch of our missionary work of more than 14 cents each. So we see that this Association gave to Foreign Missions last year about 1-17 the amount raised in the whole State. When our brethren throughout the State learn to do even as well as we are now doing Alabama will give \$16,000 every year to Foreign Missions. And, when our brethren throughout all these Southern States shall come up to our present low level the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention will get annually \$175,000. Do we boast of what this Association is doing? God forbid! We are doing only the merest fraction of what our ability, our opportunity and a perishing world all alike demand of us. But as we have grown in this grace, we expect to continue to grow; and we shall expect and hope and pray that all our brethren may grow also.

This Association is asked, by our State Mission Board, to give for Foreign Missions during the incoming Associational year, \$561.60. We feel quite confident that more—much more—than this will be given.

We call special attention to "the Missionary Centennial," about which so much is being said and written just now. Your committee beg leave to read from the September number of the *Foreign Mission Journal* the following as part of this report:

THE FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL.

THE MISSIONARY CENTENNIAL.

At the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at Richmond, in 1888, a committee was appointed to "confer with the various missionary organizations of the world with reference to the proper celebration of the Centennial of missionary work among the heathen in modern times." This committee made no report in 1889; but in 1890, at Fort Worth, a report was presented, from which we quote: "As it is of Divine precedent to pre-

serve the memory of great events by proper memorial services, your committee would recommend:

"1. That the Baptists of the world should have in 1892 a suitable commemoration of the missionary movement which was organized by the Baptists at Kettering (England) in 1792."

Then follow some recommendations as to co-operation with other bodies of Baptists, in this country and Europe. We may say just here that it has been found impracticable to secure such co-operation, and so each body is preparing to celebrate this great event in its own way and at its own time; but all are to celebrate it.

The fifth recommendation reads: "That as a suitable and wise memorial, the Baptists of the South, among other objects of religious effort, should, during the Centennial year, strive to put one hundred missionaries in the foreign field—one missionary for each year of this missionary era—and to increase correspondingly every department of missionary work."

At the Convention in Birmingham, in 1891, the committee appointed at Fort Worth reported, recommending the carrying out of the suggestions above mentioned and providing for the appointment of a Centennial Committee in each State, to be composed of the Vice-Presidents of the Home and Foreign Boards in the State, together with one other brother to be appointed by the Convention. To these committees is committed the carrying out of the purpose of the Convention, and they in turn are to appoint committees in the local Associations. A general Centennial Committee was also appointed to assist local committees and to give such general direction to the movement as their wisdom might suggest. It was this general committee which met at Lookout Mountain in July and issued the address which has appeared in all our denominational papers.

Thus it will be seen that this movement on the part of Southern Baptists is a part of a general movement among the Baptists of the world, to commemorate the important part God gave to their fathers of one hundred years ago in the inauguration of the great organized missionary movement of modern times.

OBJECT.

- I. *To commemorate—*
 1. The part God gave Baptists to perform in the inauguration of the work of modern missions.
 2. The blessings he has bestowed on that work in the past one hundred years.
 3. The special favor he has shown to workers of our faith in all these years.
- II. *To educate—*
 1. By the study of this past work.
 2. By examination into the present condition of the world, from a missionary standpoint.
 3. By study of the present prospects and future hopes with respect to this work, not only in the light of prophecy and promise, but of achievement as well.
- III. *To stimulate—*
 1. To deeper interest in missions.
 2. To more earnest prayer for missions.
 3. To larger doing in missions: (1) By the going forth of more men and women; and (2) By the consecration of their substance to this work by those who stay at home.

PLAN.

To have special discussion of missionary topics in regularly constituted meetings. It is hoped that each District Association will devote at least half a day to such special discussion, with some speakers specially assigned to this work by the State or associational committees. And the same may be said of fifth Sunday meetings.

To see to it that the subject of missions is freely and fully discussed in all our denominational papers, not only by editors, but other brethren as well.

To sow down the country with missionary literature in the form of tracts freely circulated, and as well, to suggest to brethren the books they will need for information and the places at which they may be procured.

But, as the power of our denomination lies in an aggregate of independent churches, each under its own independent pastor, one supremely important part of the plan, and one indispensable to the success of the movement, is the inducing of the pastors to study and preach on the subject of missions. Missions should be the theme of the pulpit from now until May, 1893, when the Centennial year closes.

We may add, in general, that the raising of the money to send out and support the hundred new missionaries who, it is hoped, will offer themselves, must receive the careful and prayerful attention of all our people. It is suggested that one hundred of our stronger churches be induced to pledge the salaries of these one hundred missionaries for a period of five years, while the rest of the churches so increase their gifts as to provide for all the many expenses that are involved in the support of missionaries over and above their actual salary—such as house rent, teachers, traveling expenses, etc., etc.

In addition, the Centennial Committee proposed, at its meeting in July, "that we undertake to raise \$250,000 as a special Centennial fund. That \$125,000 of this be for a permanent church-building fund for the Home Mission Board and \$125,000 for a permanent fund for the Foreign Mission Board. This last to be used for chapel building in foreign fields, Scripture translation and other permanent investment. This fund to be raised as far as possible without interfering with regular collections."

Respectfully submitted,

Z. D. ROBY.

REPORT ON BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE WORK.

Your committee on Bible and Colportage Work beg leave to submit the following:

This Board is the youngest in our State Convention; it was organized on January 1st, 1890, having been appointed by the convention in November preceding. The work of 1890 amounted to \$3,682.96; this year, up to September 1st, nine months, the work done amounts to \$4,637.75, being a net gain per month over last year, of \$100.48.

Contributions from churches, associations, etc., have amounted to only \$327.99. There are at present employed in different parts of the State, 12 colporters, who are all doing fairly well in selling and circulating books, tracts, etc.

What are 12 colporters among all the people of our great State? We need and urgently need not less than 50. But the Board has done and is doing all it can with the very meagre means furnished by the churches.

The publishers of Sunday-school literature give the Board 15 per cent. on all the sales made by the Board. If all the Sunday-schools would order their literature through the Board, it would aid materially in advancing the work. The contributions thus far have been from the churches nearest the home of the Board. We urge the importance of the Board's work upon the churches at large, and beg their co-operation and assistance in this grand work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. STODGILL, Chairman.

The following is a summary of Bro. Fargason's work:

Days of service, 301; miles traveled, 2,744; families visited, 825; churches visited, 48; sermons preached, 59; addresses made, 16; Sunday-schools addressed, 7; number of books sold, 670; value of books sold, \$439.24; families without the Bible, 53; prayer meetings held, 7; pages of tracts distributed, 2,622; churches constituted, 1; Sunday schools organized, 2; assisted in ordaining preachers, 1; Bibles donated, 6; Testaments donated, 9; value of Bibles and Testaments donated, \$2.50; collected for State Missions, \$22.65; subscribers to Foreign Mission Journal, 9.

27. The remaining time of the morning session was consumed in the discussion of the reports by Dr. Tichenor.
 28. On motion adjourned to 2 o'clock p. m.
 29. Prayer by Rev. J. P. Hunter.
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THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2 O'CLOCK.

30. Met promptly, and after religious service the reports were further discussed by Crumpton, Shaffer, Bledsoe.
 31. The reports were adopted.
 32. On motion the report on Temperance was made the special order for 7 p. m.
 33. Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. G. E. Brewer.
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THURSDAY EVENING.

7 O'CLOCK.

34. After the usual opening exercises the report on Temperance was read, as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

beams over the portals of a saved nation. All this is to be secured by the union of all good forces. The Christian church ought to lead in this great reform. In our own association, prohibition has gained one glorious victory, since its last session, in that of prohibiting the public sale of whisky in the town of LaFayette. The good it has accomplished for LaFayette and surrounding country is incalculable. Men who came to town in the time of saloons and went home drunk, now go home sober; and the money that then went for whisky, now goes for the good wife and children, something to make glad their hearts. Our merchants say their trade is better now than when they had bar-rooms. The number of boarding pupils, above any year in the history of the college, shows that our people appreciate the privilege of sending their children to a school where there are no saloons

nor drunkenness. The books of the mayor show the number of arrests to be 35, against 95 during the same time under bar-room law.

The churches at Camp Hill and Dadeville are all the churches in the old East Liberty Association that are now cursed by the public sale of whisky at their doors, and we would say to these churches, Arise in your manhood in God's name, and never cease your crusade against the saloon until you drive them away, "and then your sons and your daughters shall prophesy" of good times, "and your young men shall see visions" of prosperity, "and your old men shall dream dreams" of pleasure and satisfaction about their sons.

Let us all continue to wage war upon the whisky traffic until it will be classified as a felon and listed in the category of arson, theft, burglary and gambling, for there is where it belongs, and at the head of the list, for it is the meanest of all crimes.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. BURDEN, Chairman.

35. The discussion of the report was participated in by Burden, Norman, Wilkes, Crumpton and Hare.

36. The report was adopted.

37. Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. C. J. Burden.

FRIDAY MORNING.

8:30 O'CLOCK.

38. Met according to adjournment, and after singing and prayer, proceeded to business.

39. The report on deceased ministers was read and adopted, as follows:

40. The report on Sundays-schools was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It appears from the letters of the different churches that most of them have Sunday-schools, and that there has been some improvement all along the line. But when we consider the importance of the Sunday-school work it is to be hoped that the churches, with their pastors, will put forth greater efforts in this important work during the next associational year, than ever before.

The Sunday-school Convention of the East Liberty Association was organized on the 14th day of August, convening with the church at Roanoke. The session was very prosperous, and the foundation laid for a permanent and profitable convention. A programme had been arranged and the discussions were of an instructive and spiritual nature.

The convention will convene next year on Wednesday, before the 4th Sunday in May with the church at Dadeville and the session will embrace Friday and Saturday. Geo. W. Stewart was re-elected President, and W. L. Hood, Secretary. N. D. Denson, F. M. Handley, Geo. W. Shealey and J. H. Johnson were elected Vice Presidents of the convention.

The committee appointed by the convention arranged a programme for the next session of the convention, which they herewith present, and request that the same be published in the back of the minutes of the Association.

Let every church in the association have at least two delegates at the next session. This is the number provided for by the convention.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. BRANAN, Chairman.

41. Report on State of Religion was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

The object of this report is to discuss, as intelligently as information will warrant, the religious condition of the churches within our bounds, and to make some suggestions looking to a better state of things.

A church is in good condition that is making progress along right lines of development. All church progress depends upon individual consecration of church members. Your committee having in view the making of this report, has been for some months past on the alert, prosecuting somewhat extended inquiries in order to ascertain how much growth, if any, in the way of personal consecration was being manifested among the members of our churches. For the most part these inquiries have brought encouraging responses. To-day there are, in proportion to membership, a larger number of men and women into whose hearts has come the spirit of consecration, than ever before in our history. In every department of Christian service there is more interest manifested and better work accomplished. The salvation of the lost, both at home and abroad, is the subject of increasing thought and prayer on the part of brethren and sisters to whom such exercise is a new and blessed experience. There certainly exists to day a more intelligent conception of the individual duties, responsibilities and privileges of discipleship than has hitherto been manifested. These facts are full of cheer and are worthy of some inquiry as to the special causes which have produced them. We note

1. A more consecrated, a less secularized ministry. All of our pastors and preachers, without exception, perhaps, who have found it under the providence of God, possible to do so, are giving all their time to the work; and those who are not doing so are anxious for the time to come when they can do so. This fact is to be credited with no small per cent of the increasing improvement in the religious condition of the church. Public sentiment usually gives the preachers the discredit when the churches languish and spiritual progress goes backwards; and, by parity of reasoning, to them, in some degree, is to be accredited the upbuilding and forward movements of the cause.

2. A more extended reading of our denominational papers and other denominational literature has done much for the better religious state of the churches. God blessed these means to the awakening of the people and as intelligence increases responsibilities grow and the conscientious disciple sets about the Master's business.

In view of these two statements above made, your committee would earnestly recommend to the churches that they leave nothing undone to so support their pastors that they may devote themselves wholly to the work.

And, also, to interest themselves more than ever before to the increased circulation of our papers and denominational literature; for, while progress is noted, for which all hearts are thankful, yet there is great room for improvement. We have barely started upon the work which the Master has laid out for us to do. We need to have every member of our churches personally consecrated to the Lord's work—every heart earnestly asking, "What wilt Thou have me to do?"

W. C. BLEDSOE, Ch'n.

42. The following delegates were appointed to the Alabama Baptist State Convention to meet at Eufaula, Ala., November 5th, 1891: Z. D. Roby, J. P. Shaffer, W. C. Bledsoe, C. J. Burden, J. P. Hunter, G. L. Bell, J. A. McCarley, W. A. Robinson, G. L. Gregory and T. B. Fargarson—10.

43. W. C. Bledsoe was appointed to represent the Association in the Southern Baptist Convention which meets in Atlanta, Ga., May 13th, 1892.

44. The Executive Committee made report which was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee beg to report to you that we recommended to the State Board and Bible and Colportage Board the appointment of Rev. T. B. Fargarson to act as Evangelist and Colporteur in our Association, asking the State Board to pay \$300 towards his salary, and asked the Bible and Colportage Board to furnish the Evangelist with books and literature. Both of the Boards granted our request and Bro. Fargarson was appointed to the work.

We also requested the State Board to lend aid to the Waverly church to help sustain their pastor, and we mentioned \$200 as the amount. The Board granted our request, and Rev. Z. D. Roby was appointed to do the work.

J. P. SHAFFER, Ch'n.

45. The committee on Nominations made report as follows:

Rev. A. S. Smith to preach the next introductory sermon; Rev. J. W. Hamner, alternate

Executive Committee—Rev. W. C. Bledsoe, chairman; Rev. J. C. Burden, W. L. Hood, N. D. Denson, J. D. Norman, J. T. Jones and Lum Duke.

J. B. BARRON, Ch'n.

46. The Ministers' and Deacons' Institutes were appointed as follows:

1. Beginning on Friday before fifth Sunday in November, 1891, at Pleasant Ridge.

2. Beginning on Friday before fifth Sunday in January, 1892, at Five Points.

3. Beginning on Friday before fifth Sunday in April, 1892, at Providence.

4. Beginning on Friday before fifth Sunday in July, 1892, at Milltown.

[Every church in the Association is expected to send delegates to these meetings. The pastors of the churches where the meetings are held will prepare and publish programs].

47. The Finance Committee made report, which was adopted. (See close of Minutes.)

48. On motion, the time of meeting was changed to Tuesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1892, and LaFayette was selected as place of meeting.

49. The following resolutions were adopted:

1. That the Secretary and Treasurer be allowed \$25.00 out of the Minute fund for his services.
2. That any brother in good standing with his church is authorized to represent this Association in the meeting of any other Association he may attend.
3. That the sincere thanks of the Association are tendered the people of Camp Hill and vicinity for their generous hospitality.

50. All business having been finished, Dr. Tichenor was invited to address the Association on the "Centennial Movement." This he did with much eloquence, filling all hearts with a desire to do more for Missions than ever before. After his address this resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association hereby pledges to the State Mission Board and to the committee for Alabama appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention, hearty co-operation in all things pertaining to the "Missionary Centennial," and will endeavor during the coming year to largely increase contributions to the great cause of Missions.

51. The Association then sang a hymn and extended the hand of parting, after which adjourned to meet with the LaFayette Baptist church on Tuesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1892.

52. Prayer by Dr. Tichenor.

W. C. BLEDSOE,
Secretary.

JNO. P. SHAFFER,
Moderator.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The churches have sent up to this Association as follows:

For Home Missions.....	\$ 236 53
Foreign Missions.....	465 17
State Missions.....	552 66
Bible and Colportage.....	245 52
Ministerial Education.....	121 12
Aged and infirm ministers	21 47
Howard College building.....	371 38
Minutes.....	69 75
Total.....	\$ 2 083 60

See financial statement for division of the above into vouchers and cash.

We have examined your Treasurer's report and vouchers, and find them correct.

W. R. DAWSON, Chairman.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Burden, C. J.....	LaFayette, Ala.
Bledsoe, W. C.....	" "
Brannan, A. S.....	Jackson's Gap, "
Bell, G. L.....	" "
Bedell, W. H.....	Waverly, "
Cline, J. H.....	Hickory Flat, "
Cumbee, J.....	Stroud, "
Duffey, D. S.....	Denver, "
Fargarson, T. B.....	Dadeville, "

Gregory, J L.....	Jackson's Gap, Ala.
Hunter, J P.....	LaFayette, "
Hammer, J W.....	Fredonia, "
McCarley, J A.....	LaFayette, "
Moon, D S.....	Milltown, "
Robinson, W A.....	Dadeville, "
Roby, Z D.....	Opelika, "
Shaffer, J P.....	Dadeville, "
Smith, A S.....	Milltown, "
Stodghill, J R.....	Five Points, "

LICENSED MINISTERS.

Geo. S. Newman.....	Troy, Ala.
L. B. Stroud.....	Chappel Hill, "

STANDING COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT SESSION OF 1892.

State Missions—Rev. Z. D. Roby, Chairman; J. T. Hood, A. C. Bennett.
Home Missions—Rev. C. J. Burden, Chairman; H. W. Oliver, A. B. Graves.
Foreign Missions—Rev. W. C. Bledsoe, Chairman; G. W. Shealey, L. L. TeBow.
Bible and Colportage—Rev. J. W. Hamner, Chairman; T. J. Game, W. H. Pavne.
Sunday Schools—Jos. H. Johnson, Chairman; R. Neighbors, P. Bedell.
Temperance—Rev. G. L. Bell, Chairman; J. G. Cline, J. D. Norman.
State of Religion—Rev. J. P. Hunter, Chairman; W. G. Jarrell, B. F. Anderson.
Religious Literature—Rev. J. L. Gregory, Chairman; I. F. Morgan, G. W. Newman.
Deceased Ministers—Rev. T. B. Fargarson, Chairman; J. W. Berry, W. Stewart.
Education—B. H. Walker, Chairman; W. L. Hood, S. H. Newman.

PLEDGES FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

Antioch.....	\$ 75 00	Beulah.....	\$ 40 00
Bethlehem.....	60 00	Bethel (C).....	25 00
Bethel(L).....	20 00	Cusseta.....	125 00
County Line.....	100 00	Camp Hill.....	150 00
Dadeville.....	200 00	Eagle Creek.....no pledge...	
Farmville.....	30 00	Fellowship.....	20 00
Five Points.....	15 00	Hickory Flat.....	10 00
High Pine.....	15 00	LaFayette.....	200 00
Lystra.....no pledge...		Liberty.....	20 00
Lebanon.....	30 00	Milltown.....	50 00
Mt. Zion.....no pledge...		New Hope.....	60 00
Providence.....	50 00	Pleasant Ridge.....	25 00
Roanoke.....	200 00	Rock Springs (C).....	50 00
Rock Springs (T).....	15 00	Shiloh.....no pledge...	
Sandy Creek.....	25 00	Tallapoosa.....	25 00
Waverly.....	40 00		
		Total.....	\$1,475 00

EAST LIBERTY SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION,

Dadeville, Ala., Friday and Saturday, May 20 and 21, 1892.

PROGRAMME.

FRIDAY MORNING.

9 Devotional Exercises, conducted by J. R. Stodghill; alternate, Joe Barron.

9:30. Enrollment of delegates.

10. Welcome address by G. J. Sorrell; alternate, C. C. Davis.

10:15. Response by Lum Duke; alternate, W. G. Jarrell.

10:30 Short reports from Superintendents; (1) showing enrollment; (2) number of officers and teachers; (3) average attendance; (4) literature used; (5) amount contributed for Missions; (6) number of months in session during the year.

11. Do parents know what doctrines are taught their children in Sunday schools? (1) Should they know? (2) Is it sinful not to know? (3) How may they know? J. H. Johnson; alternate, H. M. Mickle.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30. If parents know their children are properly taught in Sunday school, are they excusable if the children do not attend church? B. H. Walker; alternate, J. D. Norman.

2. Do pastors know how and what doctrines are taught in the Sunday schools of their churches? (1) Should they know? (2) Are they excusable for not knowing? N. D. Denson; alternate, B. F. Anderson.

3. A model Sunday-school. Geo. W. Stevens; alternate, S. Henderson.

4. How should teachers be selected, and how may competent teachers be selected? Geo. W. Newman; alternate, J. C. Lunceford.

8. Convention address, by J. G. Harris; alternate, Jno. W. Bishop.

SATURDAY MORNING.

8:30. Devotional exercises; A. S. Brannan; alternate, G. L. Bell.

9 What are the evidences, and how may we know that children are regenerated? Geo. W. Shealey; alternate, B. Hunt.

10. The convention organized into a large Sunday school class, and the lesson for the 4th Sunday in May, 1892, taught. W. L. Hood; alternate, J. B. Duke.

10:30. Experience meeting. (1) What do you suggest to better the work on the field? (2) How do you get young and old to attend Sunday school? (3) What do you think of this convention? (4) Are there any in your community who do not attend Sunday-school? Three to five minutes talks.

11:15. Miscellaneous business. (1) Election of officers. (2) Fixing time and place for next session. (3) Anything for the good of the convention.

After each subject there will be general discussion by the alternate and members of the convention.

Music by Dadeville choir.

Every Sunday-school entitled to two delegates.

J. H. JOHNSON,
Geo. W. HILL,
W. L. HOOD,
Committee.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Bible and Colportage.	Ministerial Education.	Aged and Infirm Ministers.	Howard College.	Minutes.	Vouchers.	Cash	Totals.
Antioch.....	\$ 7 00	\$ 11 10	\$ 20 00		\$ 3 00			\$ 2 50	\$ 18 85	\$ 24 75	\$ 43 60
Beulah.....	6 50	9 52	13 00	\$ 5 76	5 77	\$ 1 47		3 00	24 53	20 49	45 02
Bethlehem.....	5 38	16 14	34 53	10 00	4 67			3 00	38 56	35 16	73 72
Bethel (C).....	2 50	10 00	5 00	2 00				2 00		19 50	19 50
Bethel (L).....	5 08	4 00	5 00		3 00	2 50		1 50		23 00	25 00
Cusseta.....	53 30	67 38	34 50					2 50	120 68	37 00	157 68
County Line.....	15 00	50 00	34 00	6 20	15 00	5 00	\$ 42 75	4 25	59 95	112 25	172 20
Camp Hill.....		5 00	85 43	5 00	4 57		68 75	3 00	154 18	17 57	171 75
Dadeville.....	23 00	34 70	60 00	35 86	20 00	4 00	50 00	3 00	190 16	40 40	230 56
Eagle Creek.....	2 00	2 00	9 80					1 00		14 80	14 80
Farmville.....	4 60	11 30	12 60		6 10			2 50	22 40	14 70	37 10
Five Points.....	1 75		2 50					75		5 00	5 00
Fellowship.....	3 00	8 00	2 20	5 00				2 00	5 00	15 20	20 20
Hickory Flat.....		6 00				1 00		80		7 80	7 80
High Pine.....	2 00	2 00	2 00					1 00		7 00	7 00
LaFayette.....	38 10	94 45	41 85	55 19	25 00		72 50	4 00	206 54	124 55	331 09
Lystra.....			5 00					1 15		6 15	6 15
Liberty.....	1 00	5 00	4 00	1 00	1 26	1 00	6 25	2 00	6 25	15 26	21 51
Lebanon.....		9 50	7 50	2 50	2 00	2 00	9 00	2 00	9 00	25 50	34 50
Milltown.....	2 00	20 00	15 00	5 00	5 00		56 75	3 00	56 75	50 00	106 75
Mt. Zion.....		50						1 80		2 30	2 30
New Hope.....	20 00	12 85	15 18	5 00	2 50	2 50		3 00	14 95	46 08	61 03
Providence.....	6 75	15 00	15 00	2 65	6 25			2 00	8 40	39 25	47 65
Pleasant Ridge.....	3 75	6 25	13 75	1 00	2 00	2 00		1 50	6 80	23 45	30 25
Roanoke.....	14 65	18 00	60 00	58 36	10 00		45 00	5 00	170 01	41 00	211 01
Rock Spring (C).....	2 25	21 09	9 25	20 20	5 00		10 00	4 00	35 45	36 34	71 79
Rock Spring (T).....		7 00	5 00				4 13	1 00	4 13	13 00	17 13
Shiloh.....								1 50		1 50	1 50
Sandy Creek.....		7 00	10 00	8 00				1 50	2 41	24 09	26 50
Tallapoosa.....	10 00	5 00	5 85	9 10				2 00	9 10	22 85	31 95
Waverly.....	7 00	6 39	24 72	7 70			6 25	1 50	38 74	14 89	53 56
Total.....	\$236 53	\$465 17	\$552 66	\$245 52	\$121 12	\$21 47	\$371 38	\$69 75	\$1202 77	\$880 83	\$2083 60

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STATISTICS OF EAST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

CLERK'S POST-OFFICE.	Increase by			Decrease by			Total Membership.	S. S. Officers and Teachers.	S. S. Scholars.
	Baptism.	Restoration.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Dead.	Letter.			
LaFayette, Ala.....	4	2	17	1	2	17	178	9	56
Beulah, Ala.....	5	5	5	2	1	1	120	4	30
River View, Ala.....	1	4	4	1	1	1	111	8	38
We sb, Ala.....	3	2	8	1	1	1	96	1	35
Waverly, Ala.....	6	1	1	1	1	1	5	3	88
Cusseta, Ala.....	1	3	1	3	1	3	81	7	38
Blackman, Ala.....	27	7	9	2	5	2	274	7	50
Camp Hill, Ala.....	8	44	2	2	1	1	108	5	108
Dadeville, Ala.....	7	18	6	1	1	1	120	12	85
Tohopeka, Ala.....	9	4	7	7	1	1	125	4	...
Arbourn, Ala.....	10	2	4	7	1	1	104	4	31
Five Points, Ala.....	2	2	4	7	1	1	91	4	30
Battston, Ala.....	3	3	11	2	1	1	109	4	25
Hickory Flat, Ala.....	4	3	3	1	1	1	81	6	35
Happy Land, Ala.....	7	3	4	1	1	1	97	1	...
LaFayette, Ala.....	9	10	15	1	1	1	173	19	125
Five Points, Ala.....	1	1	19	1	2	38	54	4	42
Louisa, Ala.....	3	14	9	8	1	1	127	4	25
Easton, Ala.....	3	14	7	1	1	1	159	5	50
Milltown, Ala.....	8	5	5	1	1	1	76	1	...
Denver, Ala.....	1	5	7	4	1	1	161	9	87
Predonia, Ala.....	14	6	7	1	1	1	74	5	30
West Point, Ga.....	2	1	11	3	8	74	30	6	42
Dadeville, Ala.....	2	8	6	1	1	1	73	6	42
Roanoke, Ala.....	16	20	1	22	1	1	189	15	147
LaFayette, Ala.....	13	9	2	2	2	2	245	5	60
Jackson's Gap, Ala.....	12	3	1	4	4	2	55	4	36
Wise, Ala.....	4	1	6	1	1	1	40	1	40
Judson, Ala.....	14	3	1	6	2	2	109	4	65
Jackson's Gap, Ala.....	4	1	22	3	4	4	95	7	61
Waverly, Ala.....	...	4	85	3	4	4	48	4	50
.....	182	198	20	261	33	33	333,3290	170	1416

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