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THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

— OF THE —

Bigbee Baptist Association

— HELD WITH —

LIVINGSTON BAPTIST CHURCH,
LIVINGSTON, SUMTER COUNTY, ALA.,

September 5th, 6th and 7th, 1883.

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ELD. T. D. COOK, CLERK, Pushmataha, Ala.
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ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1—*Reading of Letters and Enrolling of Delegates.*
- 2—*Election of Officers.*
- 3—*Appointment of Committees on Preaching.*
- 4—*Admission of New Churches.*
- 5—*Correspondence from other Bodies.*
- 6—*Invitation of Ministers to Seats.*
- 7—*Report of Standing Committees.*
- 8—*Appointment of Standing Committees—to Report at Next Session.*
- 9—*Report of Committees of Present Session*
- 10—*Motions and Resolutions.*
- 11—*Miscellaneous Business.*
- 12—*Appointment of Time and Place for Next Session.*

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BIGBEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

| NAMES | POST-OFFICE | COUNTY |
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| H. R. AUTREY | Livingston | Sumter |
| A. E. BEAVERS | Cuba Station | Sumter |
| C. C. BLUDWORTH | York Station | Sumter |
| J. D. COOK | Pushmataha | Choctaw |
| F. A. FREEMAN | Butler | Choctaw |
| W. F. FOND | Klinterbish | Sumter |
| J. K. RYAN | Yantley Creek | Choctaw |
| A. R. SCARBOROUGH | Livingston | Sumter |
| C. C. VAUGHAN | Cuba Station | Sumter |
| J. E. WHITE | Clinton | Greene |
| T. B. WOODWARD | Gaston | Sumter |

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| L. L. BELSHER | Butler | Choctaw |
| A. P. EVANS | Rosser | Sumter |

MINUTES.

The Thirty-first Annual Session of the Bigbee Baptist Association met with Livingston Baptist Church at 11 A. M. on Wednesday, before the second Sabbath in September, 1883.

The Association was called to order at the appointed hour, and the Moderator requested A. R. Scarborough to read the Scriptures. Read a part of the 8th chapter of Romans. Sang "Blest be the tie that binds." Prayer by A. R. Scarborough.

Words of cordial welcome were extended by the pastor to the body and visitors.

Timely remarks were made by the Moderator upon the object which has called us together, and the duties which devolves upon us as members of Christ's Kingdom on earth.

The appointee being absent, on motion, the Introductory Sermon was deferred until night, and B. F. Riley requested to preach it.

In response to the call for representation, the letters from the churches were delivered, and read by W. H. Smith and L. C. Brown.

Messengers from the churches were enrolled as follows:

Beulah—W. F. Pond, J. B. Pond, J. A. May and E. M. Flowers.

Center—Not represented.

Christian Valley—J. R. Larkin and B. B. Seale.

Clinton—N. M. Carpenter.

Concord—D. W. Brock, J. R. Phillips, C. W. Powell, L. A. Brock and H. P. Wilson.

Cuba—R. A. Clay, J. A. Waddell, W. H. Lewis and R. W. Shaw.

Demopolis—Pastor of the church.

Eutaw—Leter. No delegation.

Fellowship—R. I. Simmons, W. M. Simmons and W. F. Simmons.

Friendship—D. S. Brassfield and J. W. Holcroft.

Galnesville—F. M. Hendon and Z. W. Woodruff.

Hickory Hill—T. B. Woodward.

Hopewell, Choctaw Co.—J. G. Allen.

Hopewell, Sumter Co.—E. Arrington.

Livingston—W. H. Smith, A. D. Fortner, J. J. Altman, P. B.

Brown, J. G. Harris, I. C. Brown and R. M. Brassfield.

Mt. Hermon—B. F. Brown and J. M. Swain.

Mt. Moriah—E. M. Shaw.

Mt. Sterling—J. B. Turner.

New Prospect—W. P. Brewer, L. A. McLain and A. R. Scarborough.

Rehoboth—Ed. McCall, J. W. Cook and J. D. Cook.

Siloam—E. Woods, James Stallings, James T. Tate, G. W. Green and Edgar Donald.

Stonewall—Not represented.

Sumterville—D. C. White, W. P. Kelly, J. R. Jackson and O. C. Thomas.

York—R. B. Hightower.

Zion—J. A. Ryan, A. P. Evans, G. E. Brunson, H. T. Ellis and T. M. Brunson.

The Association then went into a permanent organization by the election of officers for the ensuing year. On motion, the same officers were re-elected by acclamation: J. K. Ryan, Moderator; J. D. Cook, Clerk; I. C. Brown, Treasurer.

The Order of Business of last year was adopted.

Received correspondence as follows:

Tuscaloosa Association—J. B. Eddins, J. M. Phillips and J. T. Yerby.

Bethel Association—J. W. Jones, A. J. Hearn and E. B. Hearn.

Cor. Sec. of S. M. B.—T. M. Bailey, D. D.

Representative of Alabama Baptist—B. F. Riley.

By request of the committee on Foreign Missions, W. H. Smith was added to it. Also, A. P. Evans was added to the committee on Sabbath Schools.

The Moderator appointed the following special committees:
 Finance—D. W. Brock, T. M. Brunson and W. P. Brewer.
 Correspondence—W. P. Kelly, J. R. Phillips and N. M. Carpenter.
 Nominations—J. R. Larkin, Ed. McCall and P. B. Brown.
 Preaching—Pastor and Deacons of the church.

The following was offered by J. G. Harris:

Resolved. That we meet at 9 A. M.; spend half-hour in devotional exercises; adjourn at 1 P. M.; re-assemble at 3 P. M.; adjourn at 5½ P. M.; convene at 8 P. M.; adjourn at pleasure.

The report on Aged and Infirm Ministers was made the order for 3 P. M.

Adjourned after prayer by B. F. Riley, to 3 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON—3 O'CLOCK.

Opened by singing "There is a fountain filled with blood." Prayer by J. B. Eddins.

The report on Aged and Infirm Ministers, was presented by the chairman of the committee, which, after discussion by J. G. Harris, T. M. Bailey and A. R. Scarborough, was adopted. (Appendix A.)

J. G. Harris submitted the report on Inter-Associational Correspondence, which was discussed by T. M. Bailey, J. G. Harris, J. B. Eddins, G. W. Green, A. R. Scarborough, J. W. Jones and F. M. Hendon, then adopted. (Appendix B.)

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to report on Temperance at the next session. Committee will be found in the list of Standing Committees.

Missions was made the order for 10 A. M. Thursday.

Adjourned, after prayer by T. M. Bailey.

WEDNESDAY EVENING—8 O'CLOCK.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by B. F. Riley of Selma, Ala., from John 12:24: "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone."

THURSDAY MORNING—9 O'CLOCK.

After devotional exercises conducted by A. J. Hearne, received correspondence:

President of Howard College—J. T. Murfee, L. L. D.

Cahaba Association—G. S. Anderson.

Representative of Alabama Central Female College—J. M. Phillips.

On motion, the Association endorsed the action of brethren Larkin and Simmons in pledging \$25.00 to the State Convention from this body for the evangelization of the colored race.

On motion, Bro. Humphrey, pastor of the M. E. Church of this place, was invited to a seat with us.

The hour for the special order having arrived, the reports on State and Foreign Missions, were presented.

On motion, the regular order was set aside, and a committee appointed to report on Home Missions. Committee: J. G. Harris, W. T. Simmons and J. R. Larkin. The chairman of the Committee on Home Missions submitted the report.

State Missions was discussed by I. C. Brown, B. F. Riley, T. M. Bailey, J. B. Eddins, J. M. Phillips, A. R. Scarborough and J. T. Yerby. A collection was then taken for State, Home and Foreign Missions—amount, \$28.30.

The regular order of business was suspended, and B. F. Riley given an opportunity to present the claims of the Alabama Baptist.

Adjourned, after prayer by J. T. Yerby, to 3 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON—3 O'CLOCK.

Opened by singing, "How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord." Prayer by T. B. Woodward.

The regular order of business was suspended, and Bro. C. S. Ray, of the Primitive Baptist, invited to a seat with us.

Discussion ensued upon Home Missions by T. M. Bailey, and upon Foreign Missions by J. D. Cook. The reports were then adopted, (Appendices C. D. & E.)

The request of the Demopolis Church for aid to build a house of worship, was presented to the Association by G. S. Anderson, and the following amounts in cash and pledges were made to assist the church in building.

CASH AND PLEDGES TO DEMOPOLIS CHURCH.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| B. F. Riley..... | Paid..... | \$ 1 00 |
| Benlah..... | "..... | 2 00 |
| J. R. Larkin..... | "..... | 2 50 |
| D. W. Brock..... | "..... | 1 00 |
| W. H. Lewis..... | Paid..... | 2 00 |
| R. A. Clay..... | "..... | 2 50 |
| Sumterville S. S..... | "..... | 5 00 |
| W. T. Simmons..... | "..... | 25 00 |
| W. M. Simmons..... | Paid..... | 5 00 |
| D. S. Brassfield..... | "..... | 2 50 |
| Gainesville S. S..... | Paid..... | 5 00 |
| T. B. Woodward..... | "..... | 1 00 |
| J. G. Allen..... | "..... | 50 |
| Livingston..... | "..... | 5 00 |
| Mt. Moriah..... | Paid..... | 5 00 |
| J. B. Turner..... | "..... | 1 00 |
| Rehoboth..... | "..... | 5 00 |
| T. M. Brunson..... | Paid..... | 1 00 |
| A. P. Evans..... | "..... | 2 00 |
| C. S. Ray..... | "..... | 5 00 |
| J. T. Yerby..... | "..... | 1 00 |
| J. W. Jones..... | "..... | 10 00 |
| Three brethren from Siloam..... | "..... | 5 00 |
| J. J. Altman..... | Paid..... | 1 00 |
| Total..... | | \$96 00 |

The above unpaid amounts should be sent to Rev. T. M. Bailey, Marion, Ala., by the 1st of December, 1883.

Report on correspondence submitted and adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Your committee beg leave to report correspondence with the following bodies of Baptists, to-wit:

Tuscaloosa Association—Rev. J. M. Phillips and J. T. Yerby and Bro. J. B. Eddins.

Bethel Association—Rev. A. J. Hearne and brethren J. W. Jones and E. B. Hearne.

Cahaba Association—G. S. Anderson.

We also are pleased to recognize in their several capacities Cor. Sec. S. M. Board—Rev. T. M. Bailey, D. D.; President Howard College, Col. J. T. Murfee, L. L. D.; Representative of Alabama Baptist, Rev. B. F. Riley.

Editor of Southern Baptist, Meridian, Miss.—Rev. A. Gressett.

Primitive Baptist—Rev. C. S. Ray.

Representative of the Alabama Central Female College—Rev. J. M. Phillips.

In behalf of this body, we thank these brethren for their presence and assistance.

We recommend that members of this body visiting other Baptist Associations, be recognized as messengers to such bodies.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. KELLY, Chairman.

Report on Bible and Colportage Work, was submitted and discussed by W. H. Lewis, J. T. Hurice, J. M. Phillips and T. M. Baller, then adopted. (Appendix F.)

Committee on Preaching reported that J. M. Phillips would preach at 8 P. M.

Adjourned, after prayer by J. M. Phillips, to 8 P. M.

THURSDAY EVENING—8 P. M.

Preaching as per appointment by J. M. Phillips of Tuscaloosa Ala. Text, John 12:32; "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."

FRIDAY MORNING—9 O'CLOCK.

Opened by reading 23 Psalm; sang, "My soul forsakes her vain delights." Devotional exercises, by motion, were dispensed with in order to get through with the business of the body.

RECEIVED CORRESPONDENCE—Editor of the Southern Baptist, Meridian, Miss.—A. Gressett.

The report on Nominations was submitted, and after discussion by J. D. Cook, W. F. Pond and A. R. Scarborough, and after amendment, was adopted.

Nominations.

Your Committee on Nominations, would respectfully suggest that we hold our next annual meeting with Friendship Church, Green Co., commencing at 11 o'clock A. M. on Saturday before the second Lord's day in September, 1884. Eld. C. C. Bludworth to preach the Introductory Sermon; Eld. J. D. Cook, alternate.

J. R. LARKIN, Chairman.

The report on Finance was submitted and adopted.

Report on Finance.

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report:

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| Amount Received for | State Missions..... | \$188 18 |
| " " " | Home "..... | 58 78 |
| " " " | Foreign "..... | 53 61 |
| " " " | Ministerial Education..... | 19 35 |
| " " " | S. B. T. Seminary, Louisville..... | 5 00 |
| " " " | Aged and Infirm Ministers..... | 30 78 |
| " " " | Colportage..... | 27 00 |
| " " " | 1st Baptist Church, N. O..... | 6 00 |
| " " " | Rome Chapel..... | 3 50 |
| " " " | Demopolis church..... | 37 50 |
| " " " | Minutes..... | 41 50 |

Total.....\$470 19

The Treasurer presented his report, which was adopted. (Appendix G.)

On motion, the blank associational letter gotten up by the Alabama Baptist, was adopted, and the Clerk notified to order the same for the churches; as Bro. West will furnish them for the postage.

The following standing committees were appointed:

Inter-Associational Correspondence—J. G. Harris.

Sabbath Schools—P. B. Brown, T. M. Brunson and N. M. Carpenter

Ministerial Education—J. D. Cook, J. B. Turner and W. P. Brewer.

General Education—J. R. Larkin, D. W. Brock and W. H. Lewis.

State Missions—W. F. Pond, J. W. Cook and J. R. Phillips

Home Missions—C. G. Vaughan, Ed. Arrington and O. C. Thomas.

Foreign Missions—S. W. McAllister, D. C. White and F. M. Hendon.

Temperance—E. M. Shaw, A. P. Evans and I. C. Brown.

Woman's Work—Mrs. I. C. Brown, Miss Tennie Brown and Mrs.

Kate Woodruff.

On motion, a committee on Woman's Work was appointed, committee as above.

The following brethren were appointed delegates to the Alabama Baptist State Convention, to be held with the Tuscaloosa Baptist Church, at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, on Friday before the third Sabbath in July, 1884: J. K. Ryan, W. F. Pond, J. G. Harris, J. R. Larkin, P. B. Brown, J. J. Altman, D. W. Brock, A. R. Scarborough, J. B. Turner, R. A. Clay, G. W. Green, E. M. Shaw, Z. W. Woodruff, A. P. Evans, Ed. McCall, J. D. Cook, J. A. Waddell, F. M. Hendon, J. G. Allen, J. W. Cook, N. M. Carpenter, R. B. Hightower, C. C. Bidworth, C. C. Vaughan, A. E. Beavers, L. L. Belstier, W. L. Turnbow and T. B. Woodward.

Report on Sabbath Schools was presented and discussed by J. G. Harris, J. T. Yerby, B. F. Riley, W. H. Smith and J. M. Phillips, then adopted. (Appendix H.)

Report on General Education was submitted by the chairman, when addresses ensued by J. T. Murfee, B. F. Riley, J. M. Phillips and J. T. Yerby, then the report was adopted. (Appendix I.)

The following resolution was offered and adopted.

Resolved, That an Executive Committee for the Bigbee Association be appointed by the Moderator, consisting of five members, to act as an advisory board during the associational year, and to take into consideration any matter that may concern us as an Association; and to perform such services as may be within the province of such committee. Executive Committee appointed as follows: J. G. Harris, I. C. Brown, B. F. Brown, Z. W. Woodruff and Ed. McCall.

On motion, the time of meeting of this body was reconsidered, and changed to Saturday instead of Wednesday as per report of committee.

On motion, the same committee and resolutions on history of the churches of this Association, were continued as follows:

Resolved, 1st, That the clerks of the churches in this Association be requested to furnish a committee of three, named by the Moderator, with a condensed history of their respective churches, showing date of organization, by what presbytery organized, and what pastors they have had, and how long they have served; also, any other information of interest connected with them.

Resolved, 2d, That said committee will, from these reports, compile a detailed history of the churches of the Bigbee Association, to be published in the minutes for the year 1884. Committee as follows: W. P. Chambers, I. C. Brown and B. F. Watson.

Adjourned, after benediction by B. F. Riley, to 3 P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON—3 O'CLOCK.

Opened by singing, "Great God when I approach thy throne," Prayer by J. M. Phillips.

The Executive Committee was instructed to apportion the amounts among the churches, which the State Mission Board requests during the ensuing associational year.

APPOINTED CORRESPONDENCE.

Union Association—J. E. White, N. M. Carpenter, S. W. McAlliey and J. G. Harris.

Tuscaloosa Association—J. G. Harris, P. B. Brown and J. E. White.

Cahaba Association—W. T. Simmons, D. S. Brassfield and M. W. Hand.

Bethel Association—W. M. Simmons, W. T. Simmons, J. B. Turner and T. B. Woodward.

Liberty (West)—D. W. Brock and Ed. McCall.

Bethlehem Association, Miss.—J. K. Ryan and C. F. Rainor.

The report on Ministerial Education was presented by the chairman, and discussions ensued by J. G. Harris, J. D. Cook, C. S. Eay and A. R. Scarborough, then the report was adopted. (Appendix J.)

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are hereby heartily tendered to the members of Livingston Church, and to the citizens of the town of Livingston and vicinity, for the very hospitable manner in which they have entertained the messengers of this body while among them during the present session; also, this body returns thanks to the Methodists for offering us the use of their house of worship.

The Executive Committee apportioned the amounts each church is requested to raise during the ensuing associational year for the different objects fostered by the Alabama Baptist State Mission Board as follows:

AMOUNTS THE CHURCHES ARE ASKED TO CONTRIBUTE.

| Churches. | State Missions | Home Missions | Foreign Missions | Ministry | Evangelical Union | Evangelical Union | Evangelical Union | Total |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|----------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|
| Beulah..... | 6 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | \$20 00 | |
| Christian Valley... | 10 00 | 5 00 | 5 00 | 4 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 25 00 | |
| Clinton..... | 12 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 25 00 | |
| Concord..... | 12 00 | 6 00 | 6 00 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 31 00 | |
| Cuba..... | 16 00 | 6 00 | 6 00 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 35 00 | |
| Demopolis..... | 6 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 18 00 | |
| Eutaw..... | 10 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 22 00 | |
| Fellowship..... | 7 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 21 00 | |
| Friendship..... | 7 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 21 00 | |
| Gainesville..... | 20 00 | 6 00 | 5 00 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 38 00 | |
| Hickory Hill..... | 9 00 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 20 00 | |
| Hopewell, Sumter. | 9 00 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 20 00 | |
| Hopewell, Choctaw | 9 00 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 20 00 | |
| Livingston..... | 35 00 | 8 00 | 8 00 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 58 00 | |
| Mt. Hermon..... | 7 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 21 00 | |
| Mt. Moriah..... | 5 00 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 15 00 | |
| Mt. Sterling..... | 10 00 | 6 00 | 6 00 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 29 00 | |
| New Prospect..... | 6 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 20 00 | |
| Rehoboth..... | 18 00 | 6 00 | 6 00 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 37 00 | |
| Silosm..... | 10 00 | 5 00 | 5 00 | 4 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 26 00 | |
| Stonewall..... | 7 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 2 00 | | | 17 00 | |
| Sumterville..... | 20 00 | 6 00 | 6 00 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 29 00 | |
| York..... | 5 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 18 00 | |
| Zion..... | 21 00 | 6 00 | 6 00 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 40 00 | |
| | \$277 00 | \$112 00 | \$111 00 | \$91 00 | \$23 00 | \$23 00 | \$637 00 | |

The business of the Association being finished, on motion, engaged in devotional exercises. The body was addressed by J. M. Phillips, J. G. Harris and A. R. Scarborough.

The following parting hymn was sung:

"On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,
And cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land,
Where my possessions lie."

During the singing, the delegates and brethren extended to each other the parting hand, after which the closing prayer was offered by J. M. Phillips. The Association then adjourned to meet with Friendship Baptist Church, at Forkland, Green County, Ala., on Saturday before the second Sabbath in September, 1884, at 11 o'clock A. M.

J. K. RYAN, Moderator.

J. D. Cook, Clerk.

FRIDAY EVENING—8 P. M.

Preaching by J. T. Yerby. Text, Heb. 13:1: "Let brotherly love continue."

APPENDICES.

A.

Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund.

In reference to this very important matter, your committee beg leave to submit the following:

The Baptist State Convention for Alabama at its annual meeting, held in Marion in July last, decided by a unanimous vote, to make this one of the objects of general benevolence. It has, therefore, been placed upon the same footing with missions, and other enterprises fostered by the denomination. The plan adopted, is, to keep a record of all those who are entitled to receive any part of this fund, and the State Mission Board will receive and disburse the funds that may be contributed.

We suggest, now, that no more committees be appointed to report on this question. Whenever the amounts needed for the support of those who may come within this benevolence, is equalled, our part will be set opposite our Association. We rejoice that the Baptists of this State have inaugurated this system—we have long seen and felt the urgent demand for such action. Your committee believe that God's richest benedictions will follow this action upon the part of our denomination, and glorious results will spring therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. HARRIS, Chairman.

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Inter-Association Correspondence.

The proceedings of 23 Associations, held during the year 1833, have been examined, and from them we glean much to encourage and strengthen. The character of the Spiritual work done, and the efforts that are being put forth in behalf of the various denominational enterprises, show unquestionably that satisfactory progress is being made. Associations that have heretofore given no pecuniary aid to the denomination in fostering its enterprises, are being aroused and stimulated to action. We are sanguine in the hope, and have good reason to believe, that through a heavenly directed influence, found in the State Mission Board, and the energetic, efficient and godly corresponding secretary, Dr. T. M. Bailey and his associates, the time is in the very near future when every Association will be a member of the State Convention. Co-operation is the key-note to success. In unity of action, of sentiment and earnest christian piety, there is power for good. Coercion is not the remedy in ecclesiastical matters. The better judgment and a higher christian consecration must be reached and encouraged by proper appeals to the brotherhood, based upon love and fraternal harmony. The Associations that stand aloof, can be won over by a thorough canvass of the good results that would be realized by their co-operation. They are orthodox on denominational questions, and stand firm in the faith, but they have never felt the need, perhaps, of union, because that need has not been forcibly and prominently brought before them. In the formation of the American Union, some of the States decided not to co-operate for sometime, but they finally saw the great good of union, in which there was strength, and they came in.

We believe the dawn of a still brighter day for the Baptist cause is upon us. Love and sympathy, and zealous christian labor is being seen and felt on every side, workers from the pew are coming to the front, and are aiding the minister in his arduous labors. These manifestations of interest are evidences of a higher christian civilization, and cheer and delight the heart of the true and devoted member of every christian family.

I desire to call especial attention of this body, to one important feature in the proceedings of the various Associations. It is, the outspoken opposition to the manufacturing, selling and drinking of ar-

dent spirits. The temperance question is receiving the attention of our denomination. As an illustration of what is said on this grave and important matter, I will quote from the proceedings of some of the bodies that met last fall.

The Bethlehem says: "We rejoice to see that there has been a grand move made in this direction within the last two years. It is a subject of vital importance to all who have the moral and religious interest of their country at heart, to rise, as one man, and remove from our midst its poisonous influence. The efforts made, and being made, by the law-makers of our own, as well as other States, to suppress the sale and manufacture of alcoholic liquor ought and should have our warmest christian sympathy and most hearty support, to the extent of the prohibition of its manufacture, importation or sale, within our State, as a beverage.

Muscle Shoals: "Drunkenness is the great curse of our land. That the effects of the dram shop are to be encountered by every father, mother, brother or sister, and believing it to be the duty of christians to combat Satan in every form he presents himself, we think it is the duty of christian men or women to ask themselves the question: Shall this monster evil in our country be put down? and if so, what is my duty? Manifestly, we answer, to help put it down."

Cahaba Valley: "It is with pleasure we notice the great progress the cause of temperance is making in Alabama. It is argued by some that these temperance movements are spasmodic, but not so. The battle is being fought, and the ground which is being taken will never again be surrendered to the enemies of temperance. Not twenty years ago we had many drunken officials. Not so now. Not twenty years ago one could hardly be elected to office who would not treat as a means of obtaining votes. Not so now. To-day no man of intemperate habits can be elected to office in St. Clair county. Then is not this progress? We are opposed to precipitating this work. Let us all move on together in this good work and God will give us the victory.

Your committee recommend that all persons, members of our churches, who make or vend or use habitually as a beverage vinous or spirituous liquors be excluded summarily from the church, and that this Association withdraw its membership from any church which retains in its fellowship a member who makes or vends or uses habitually as a beverage vinous or spirituous liquors."

These are extracts from reports. The tone of every Association that has considered this question, is in line with the sentiments expressed in the above extracts. We are gratified, yea, *delighted*, at our denomination openly, boldly and unequivocally placing itself on the side of temperance. May God hasten the day, when drunkenness shall be seen no more in our State and country. Then crime will decrease, happiness increase, and comfort and prosperity both temporally and spiritually be seen and felt all over the land.

There are other matters of interest to which I might direct your attention, and incorporate in this report, but enough now. Taking it all in all, the Associational year of 1881-'82 was a prosperous one for the Baptist cause in Alabama, and we have reason to believe that the year that has just closed, will be an improvement of the last.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. HARRIS.

C.

Report on State Missions.

No work ever undertaken by our denomination has brought in a more gratifying return than State Missions. The work began eight years ago at the State Convention, held at Huntsville. The outlook was discouraging, the labor great, and all up-hill, and only one laborer in the field. But that laborer was Rev. T. M. Bailey, a host within himself. Now, forty-one Associations are co-operating in this work. Forty-eight missionaries are laboring zealously. Fifteen of these are

engaged in distributing Bibles and religious publications. They have constituted churches, organized Sunday-schools, started Ladies' Missionary Societies. They have preached, talked, baptized, prayed—in short, they have done all that earnest, laborious, untiring evangelists could do.

The evangelization of our State is a subject upon which there can be no division of opinion. That it is desirable, that it is important, that it is the imperative duty of our large denomination, no one will dispute. The only question is, how can it best be done? The logic of success is the most unanswerable of arguments, and that points to the State Mission Board with its able organization and efficient management, as the very means for the accomplishment of this great work. The eighth annual report of our corresponding secretary sums up the results of this year's work, which are astonishing and most encouraging—some of these are—

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| Days of actual service..... | 7,160 |
| Miles traveled..... | 55,197 |
| Sermons delivered..... | 3,127 |
| Churches constituted..... | 31 |
| Baptized..... | 963 |
| Baptized by others in connection with the labors of the missionaries..... | 346 |
| Received by letter..... | 349 |
| Restored..... | 50 |
| Sunday-schools organized..... | 63 |
| Ladies' Missionary Societies organized..... | 7 |
| Subscriptions to Alalaina Baptist secured..... | 180 |

To give some idea of the labors of these devoted men, it is only necessary to state that during the eight years that this work has been in progress, there have been thirty-six thousand and twenty-nine days of actual service, equal to the labor of one man for ninety-eight years.

The Board now announces its grand aim—"A Baptist Church in every town and neighborhood." The vast and long hidden resources of our State are being rapidly developed. Railroads are reaching out in all directions, and along them are springing up towns like magic. These towns ought to be occupied; they will soon become centres of influence. Every feeling of patriotism, every prompting of duty, tell us that the spiritual improvement of our State must keep step with its material prosperity.

The Board expended this year eight thousand, eight hundred and fifty-four dollars and thirty-five cents (\$8,854.35.) For the next year it asks the State for twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.) It asks the Bigbee Association for six hundred dollars, which amount is only fifty cents per capita of our members. Brethren, let us see that this amount is promptly given to so good a cause.

Respectfully submitted,

I. C. BROWN, Chairman.

D.

Foreign Missions.

We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following report:

The Foreign Mission work is one of very great importance. It is one of the main principles in the great rule of action, given by our Master in His last commission. It is obligatory on us as Christians to do all we can to advance the interests of His cause. Every Christian represented in this Association ought to give something to Foreign Missions, even though it has to be done at a sacrifice. There are represented in this body over a thousand Baptists. These gave only \$66.00 last year for Foreign Missions. We believe this large number of Baptists is able, and ought to give several times this amount to this most important work. Of the 25 churches here represented, 10 gave absolutely nothing for this cause last year, and the associational letters

show that many have given nothing this year. Brethren, this ought not to be so. Your committee recommend that each individual, and more especially, each church, give something to Foreign Missions. We are glad to report that something is being done in this direction; but we pray that much more may be done next year. As to what is being done in the general cause of Foreign Missions, we refer you to the minutes of last Association. We do not deem it necessary to repeat these statistics now, although there have been some changes made.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. BROCK, Chairman.

E.

Home Missions.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following as their report :

Under the blessings of God, the Board in its new location has prospered. The receipts during the last Southern Baptist Convention-
 al year amounted to \$45,000. Of this amount Alabama gave only \$2,400. The Board had in its employ 95 laborers; of these, 7 were in Arkansas, 3 in California, 22 in Florida, 4 in Georgia, 1 in Kentucky, 14 in Indian Territory, 7 in Louisiana, 1 in North Carolina, 1 in Tennessee and 34 in Texas.

These missionaries have supplied 276 churches and stations, delivered 5,571 sermons and addresses, baptized 245 persons, received by letter 494, traveled over 60,000 miles, and distributed 74,479 pages of tracts.

The Board desires to increase its working force among the 100,000 Chinese in California. It has already extended its work among the wild tribes in Indian Territory. It is addressing itself with becoming earnestness to meet the appalling destitution in Florida, Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas.

It has made arrangements looking to the total cancellation of the debt of the Coliseum Place Church, New Orleans. The building of the First Church, on which a mortgage rested, has been purchased by the Board, and a lot has been secured in another part of the city, on which to build another Baptist house of worship in the Rome of the South. The vigorous efforts being put forth by the Board commend it to the liberalities of Alabama Baptists. We are asked to raise this year for this Board \$5,000, and we must do it.

The Bigbee Association is called on to give one hundred and eleven dollars.

J. G. HARRIS,
 J. R. LARKIN, } Committee.
 W. T. SIMMONS, }

F.

Bible and Colportage Work.

We are living in age of progression; in this age the printing press is, indeed, a great power. The enemies of our holy religion are aware of this fact, and are utilizing it to the poisoning of the minds of our people with infidel and blasphemous publications. To counteract these influences of these vile productions of the press, God's people must utilize the press and furnish the people with books and periodicals which will elevate their morals and promote their religious well being. During the last year the State Mission Board had 16 men acting as Colporters. Their labors have extended into 40 of our counties. They sold during the year 7,900 books and pamphlets issued at 2,900-42-100. They gave to poor families 635 Bibles and Testaments. This work must be extended into every county of our State as quick as possible. The Board will do this as quick as the means are furnished. The last session of this body raised a permanent Colportage fund of \$100 in cash and subscription, \$68.50 of this has been paid, and we hope the balance will be paid at this session.

J. B. Woodward
 Chairman

G.

Treasurer's Report.

1882. I. C. BROWN, in account with Bigbee Association,
 Sept. 9. To amount received of Finance Committee,..... \$415 70

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Sept. 9. By amount paid Rev. T. M. Bailey, Cor. Sec.,
 by order of Association, (cash and vouchers) \$372 95
 By amount paid Rev. J. D. Cook, Clerk,..... 15 00
 " " " J. L. West & Co., for printing
 minutes of the Association,..... 27 75—\$415 70

Respectfully submitted,

I. C. BROWN, Treasurer.

H.

Report On Sunday-schools.

Your committee regret to report to your body, that the condition of the Sabbath-schools has not changed materially within this associational year. We learn from the letters that there are many churches without Sabbath-school instruction. We find so little data to report from, as well as so little interest manifested in the church reports, that we are compelled to ask for the cause of so much lethargy in a work which, at your last meeting you pronounced the greatest and noblest—that of rearing man. We report Sunday-schools this year with an increase of two from last.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. SIMMONS,
 A. P. EVANS,
 J. J. ALTMAN.

I.

Report On Education

The culture of the human mind has ever been considered as one of the most important concerns of society; therefore, education which has for its object, the improvement of the intellectual powers, is a subject which demands the serious attention and the most liberal support of every individual in the community. A parent who is sensible that his child is a rational being, endowed with faculties susceptible of a high degree of cultivation, and is likewise conscious, that the happiness of the child would, in a great degree, be promoted by the improvement of those powers, would naturally bestow much attention to the subject. Accordingly, we find that from the earliest ages of the world, wherever the means of education have been enjoyed, few have neglected to avail themselves of its advantages.

The Greeks and Romans, among whom were produced such prodigies of excellence in every kind of writing, and in every part of civil and military life, were remarkably attentive to the education of their children; they began in infancy their education. In Sparta, children were taken from their parents at an early period of their age and educated at the public expense; and a celebrated Roman writer advises those parents who destined their children for public speakers, to choose nurses for them who had a good pronunciation.

At the present day, we find no less attention paid to this momentous subject; although, the modes of education adopted by the moderns, differ in many respects from those which were practiced in ancient times. The strictness of discipline which prevailed among the Spartans, Romans and Greeks, have given place to a milder regimen; but whether this very strictness coupled as it was with methodical instruction had not a beneficial tendency, is a question which is not yet fully decided. But, however, the ancient and moderns may differ in their modes of discipline and instruction, the subject of education, itself,

has received from all nations, and in all ages, that attention which its importance demands. Even the savage takes care to instruct his child in hunting, fishing and those branches of knowledge which are necessary for him. In no country has greater attention been paid to the subject, than in this. Here its importance is properly estimated, and on no subject has more expense been lavished and more talent employed than in the advancement and improvement of the cause of education. Our forefathers have incorporated it in their civil institutions, and pledged their substance for its support. Hand in hand with religion, it has received the smiles of the aged, the favor of the good, and the support and encouragement of the law. From the promotion of this important subject, the greatest benefits have been derived. The knowledge acquired by one portion of the world has been transmitted to another without distinction or distance or diversity of age. The circle of human enjoyments has been enlarged, and a wide field has been opened, where the happiness of which our nature is susceptible, may be enjoyed independently of the common sorrows of life. The enlarged and enlightened views it gives of the world at large, justly entitles it to much attention and go very far to supply those imperfections which every one feels. Nothing will show the advantages of education in a stronger light, than a contrast with the disadvantages which arise from the want of it. A person who has been well educated, has the mind and body so well cultivated and improved, that any natural defects are removed, and the beauties of both placed in so fine a light, that they strike us with double force, while one who has enjoyed no such advantages has all his natural imperfections remaining and to these are added artificial ones, arising from bad habits. The former engages the attention of those with whom he converses by the good sense he shows on every subject, and the agreeable manner in which he shows it. The other disgraces every company which he enters either by his total silence and stupidity, or by the ignorance and impertinence of his observations. The other is obliged to act an inferior part among his equals in fortune, and is sometimes forced to seek shelter for his ignorance among the lowest orders of mankind.

From these considerations, we must rank the cause of education among the vital interests of mankind. To extinguish it, would produce darkness in the moral world, like that which annihilation of the sun would cause in the material; while every effort is made to advance and promote it, is like removing a cloud from the skies and giving free passage to the light which freely lighteth all things.

With pleasure we recommend to you our own institutions of learning—the Howard College, the Alabama Central Female College and the Judson Female Institute, as being worthy of your attention and patronage.

W. P. BREWER, Chairman.

Report on the Necessity of an Educated Ministry.

In all the ages of the christian era, infidelity in its varied forms, has been seeking new methods by which to subvert the principles of religion; when thwarted on certain points through the wisdom of her votaries, she is ever on the alert to devise new modes of attack. Even before the apostolic period closed, the learned and wise men of that day were attempting to prevent the teachings of the Holy Nazarine; and disprove the truthfulness of the doctrine taught by the last inspired man of God. As Paul realized in himself, the link in the gospel chain that connected revelation with inspiration, (as the power of the latter passed away and the former was placed instead) he commends his son Timothy in the gospel "to study to show himself approved unto God, that he might know and understand the revealed will of God, and be ever ready to defend the principles of the faith he professed." If, then, Paul saw the necessity of culture and mental training, that they might "rightly divine the word of truth," even they, who had been the associates of the apostles, and heard from them the gospel message; how much more, brethren, should we

strive for high mental attainments, that we may meet, and successfully combat the philosophy of infidelity, and the science of the atheist, as they attempt by plausible philosophical and scientific arguments, to overturn the basis of the christian's hope—the Bible. The false theories of science have beclouded the moral sky of truth, her seemingly consistent reasonings have led men to embrace her teachings, her cunning has entrapped the unwary and unthinking; and to-day, infidelity in all its hideous aspects is spreading throughout our land. First from the old world, comes the old doctrine of evolution, clothed with the habiliments of the 19th century; started upon its heinous errand by the beautiful logic of a Darwin, forwarded by the mysticisms of Tyndale, it reaches its climax through the polished arguments and evasive reasoning of a Haeckel, and who of us to-day, are able to meet and repel the attack made with this polished weapon from the armory of science. In the new world, through the printing press and the rostrum it is ramifying all the guilds of society, its loathsome presence and influence is found in all the ranks of life.

If we, as ministers, would study to obtain a higher mental standard, seek to be conversant with the sciences and arts, then could we harmonize all with God's truth, unfolded in all the works of nature; as it lies hidden in the structure of the earth; invisibly written on the everlasting rocks, "Shimmering in the gleam of the sea and the sheen of the stars." Philosophy clothed with the garment of truth walks the earth proclaiming its sanctity, science guarded by this gentle foster mother, unwraps the hidden things of earth, and verifies her heaven born origin; art, with its intricate beauties, clothed with the mantle of truth, asserts that all things are from God.

Let us pause and reflect a moment on the boundless range of mind. The memory may be cultivated until it shall understand all knowledge; the judgment so perfected as to resolve all human mysteries; the reason so improved as to labor through the maze labyrinth of all argument, the taste so purified as to appreciate nothing but the beautiful and grand. If we combine the culture of the world, if we combine all the knowledge of earth, the achievements of mind will shine brighter than all the planetary worlds rolled up into one grand central orb.

Such then, is the great power we are called upon to employ in our ministerial position; such the capacities we are commanded to use for good, by the master of the vineyard. Though seemingly to us simple in its nature; yet it is sublime, and the very triumph of its achievements with its powers of affinity, places upon us a solemn and awful trust. The Egyptian kings built for themselves, each, their own pyramid, that, it might mark the era of their reign, and the grandeur of their progress. So should it be with us, brethren, in the advancement of mind; so add to the works of art, so solve the mysteries of science, so establish the truths of philosophy, so sustain the sacredness of the Bible, that we may thereby mark the period of our labor and the powers we used for supporting truth, and destroying evil.

W. F. POND.

CONSTITUTION.

1. This body shall be known by the name of the "Highee Baptist Association."
2. The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected at each annual meeting, from its own body, and shall hold their office until their successors are elected.
3. The Moderator shall preside over the Association, and shall discharge the duties usually imposed upon officers presiding over deliberative bodies.
4. The Clerk shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of this Association, and shall attend to the printing and distributing of the minutes.
5. The Treasurer shall perform the duties usually assigned to such officer, and shall report annually to the Association.
6. The Association shall hold its meetings at such time and place as it shall, from time to time, appoint.
7. Every church shall be entitled to two delegates, and, also, one for every twenty-five members exceeding twenty-five.
8. This Association disclaims all right of exercising authority over the internal regulations of churches, believing that within their own sphere they are accountable to God only.
9. This Constitution may be altered or amended by the concurrence of three-fourths of the members composing the Association.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

- I. We believe in one living and true God; that in the Godhead are Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- II. We believe that the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the New Testament is the only rule of faith and practice.
- III. We believe that the Church of God is composed of such persons as believe in Jesus Christ and have been baptized; that baptism consists in the immersion of the whole body in water; and that the Lord's Supper should be administered to church members only.
- IV. We believe in the Doctrines of Grace taught by the United Baptists, viz: In the depravity of man; in the converting grace of God; in the resurrection of the dead; in the general judgment; in the eternal life of the righteous—in the everlasting punishment of the wicked.

RULES OF DECORUM.

- 1st. At each meeting of this Association, the Moderator shall take the chair, shall call the members to order, shall decide questions of order subject to an appeal, shall open and close the Association with prayer, shall appoint committees when not otherwise ordered, and shall pronounce the decisions of the Association.
- 2d. The names of members shall be called each day, and invitations to seats extended to ministering brethren.
- 3d. The members shall observe respect to officers and to each other, shall rise when addressing the Moderator, shall confine themselves to the questions, shall avoid personalities, shall not speak without leave more than once until every member shall have opportunity to speak, and shall sustain that bearing to each other which becomes gentlemen and christians.
- 4th. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Moderator, and then shall be in possession of the Association, but may be withdrawn by the mover before amendment or decision.
- 5th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend or postpone; which motion shall have precedence in the order enumerated.
- 6th. All questions except those relating to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority. Any member voting with the minority, may move for a reconsideration on the day of decision. Members may not leave the Association without permission.
- 7th. When questions of order are not provided for in these rules, they shall be decided according to the rules and regulations governing legislative bodies generally.
- 8th. The Association shall have power to receive into its body and fellowship such churches as apply for admission; and shall also be empowered to withdraw its fellowship from any church or body of men walking disorderly, and supposed to be unworthy the fellowship of this Association.

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS, PREACHING.

| CHURCHES | COUNTY | PASTORS | PARTURN P. O. | CLERKS | CLERK'S P. O. | DAYS OF PREACHING |
|------------------|---------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| Beulah | Sumter | W F Pond | Kinterblsh | W P Chambers | Kinterblsh | 4th Sab. and Sat. before. |
| Center | " | A R Scarborough | Livingston | Win Ruelling | Cootopa | 3rd Sab. and Sat. before. |
| Christian Valley | Greene | J E White | Fallow | S W McAlliey | Clinton | 1st " " " |
| Clinton | Choctaw | W F Pond | Kinterblsh | D W Brock | Pushmataha | " " " " |
| Concord | Sumter | W F Pond | Kinterblsh | B F Watson | Cuba | 3rd " " " |
| Cuba | Marango | J S Anderson | Newborne | | | |
| Demopolis | Greene | J E White | Fallow | W L White | Fallow | 2nd Sab. and Sat. before. |
| Fellowship | Marango | A R Scarborough | Livingston | W W Simmons | Demopolis | 3rd " " " |
| Friendship | Greene | J E White | Kittaw | D L Brassfeldt | Forkland | 4th " " " |
| Gainesville | Sumter | Not supplied | Beyll's Store | F M Hendon | Gainesville | " " " " |
| Hickory Hill | Choctaw | T B Woodward | Butler | J P Wolf | Beyll's Store | 1st Sab. and Sat. before. |
| Hopewell | Sumter | F A Freeman | Livingston | C J Williams | Belmont | 4th " " " |
| Hopewell | Sumter | W H Smith | Livingston | C S Coats | Belmont | 2nd " " " |
| Livingston | " | A R Scarborough | Livingston | P B Brown | Livingston | 1st " " " |
| Mt. Hermon | " | A R Scarborough | York | J M Swain | York | " " " " |
| Mt. Moriah | " | C C Bludworth | York | J M Kelly | Cuba | 4th Sab. and Sat. before. |
| Mt. Sterling | Choctaw | J D Cook | Pushmataha | J H Turner | Mt. Sterling | 1st " " " |
| New Prospect | Sumter | A R Scarborough | Livingston | W P Brewer | Livingston | 4th Sab. and Sat. before. |
| Rehoboth | Choctaw | J D Cook | Pushmataha | J W Cook | Pushmataha | 2nd " " " |
| Rehoboth | Sumter | W F Pond | Kinterblsh | L D Green | York | 2nd " " " |
| Stonewall | " | J K Ryan | Yantley Creek | O C Thomas | Sumterville | 4th Sab. and Sat. before. |
| Sumterville | " | C C Bludworth | York | C P Mills | York | 3rd " " " |
| York | " | J K Ryan | Yantley Creek | T M Brunson | Rosser | 2nd " " " |
| Zion | " | | | | | |



STATISTICAL TABLE.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

| Churches. | Baptism | Restora | Letter | Deaths | Exhort'n | Total members. | Am't paid Pastor sal | Teachers | H. R. Retire | H. R. Contribution | Minutes | State Missions | Home Missions | Foreign Missions | Minist' Ed'n | Outpost | Lat. Bapt. Church N. O. | Home Chapel | A. R. F. Society | Aged and infirm ministrs | Total. |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|----------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------|
| Beulah..... | 20 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 65 | \$ 25 | 2 | 30 | \$3 50 | \$3 00 | \$ 6 00 | \$ 20 | \$5 50 | ..... | \$3 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 00 | \$7 50 |
| Center..... | | | | | | 36 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 6 50 |
| Christian Valley..... | | | | | | 35 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 00 |
| Clinton..... | | | | | | 116 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 25 00 |
| Concord..... | 6 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 136 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 00 |
| Cuba..... | 10 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 136 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 27 70 |
| Demopolis..... | | | | | | 17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 00 |
| Kenaw..... | | | | | | 18 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 00 |
| Fellowship..... | | | | | | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Friendship..... | | | | | | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Wainesville..... | | | | | | 35 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Hickory Hill..... | | | | | | 68 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Hopewell, Choctaw Co..... | | | | | | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Hopewell, Sumter Co..... | | | | | | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Livingston..... | | | | | | 45 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mt. Hermon..... | | | | | | 11 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mt. Moriah..... | | | | | | 19 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mt. Sterling..... | | | | | | 28 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| New Prospect..... | | | | | | 72 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rehoboth..... | | | | | | 101 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Stonewall..... | | | | | | 27 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sumterville..... | | | | | | 25 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| York..... | | | | | | 101 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zion..... | | | | | | 101 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total, 25. | 67 46 | 2 13 | 48 16 | 1224 | \$165 6 | 1323 41 | \$7 60 | 6 | 132 34 | \$0 57 | 60 159 | 45 37 | 33 43 | 18 17 | 50 30 | 6 00 | 6 00 | 5 00 | 24 | 53 365 85 | |

NOTE—This table contributions of the churches includes the amounts contributed by the A. R. F., but do not embrace same paid for A. Literature.