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PROCEEDINGS

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EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

-OF THE

Suwannee Baptist Association.

Eighteenth Session held with Philadelphia Church, Suwannee County, Florida, October 17, 18, 19, and 20, 1889.

Elder B. D. Harrell, Moderator, Pine Mount, Fla. Elder W. J. Carroll, Clerk, Live Oak, Fla. Lider W. B. High, Treasurer, Pine Mount, Fla.

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MINUTES.

FIRST DAY.

PHILADELPHIA CHURCH, Oct. 17, 1889.

The eighteenth annual session of the Suwannee Baptist Association convened this day with Philadelphia Church, Suwannee county, Fla.

The introductory sermon was preached by Bro. E. Trice, of the Florida Baptist Association.

After an intermission of thirty minutes the Messengers were called together by the Moderator, saug a hymn, and prayer was offered by the Moderator.

.Letters were read from the following churches and names of delegates enrolled:

Pleasant Hill-J. A. Jenkins, D. F. Jenkins and C. M. Bailey.

Suwannee-Allen Williams.

Picket Lake—C, S. Wetherbee and Jasper Sapp. Heart Hammock—J. T. Davenport and W. J. Dixon. Cedar Grove—Ruitman Scarbrough and J. G. Smith. Tiger Lake—K. Mills and J. W. Griffin. Mt. Pisgah—G, W. Collins and J. L. Fowler.

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Pine Mount-H. C. Sealey and H E. Sealey.

Mt. Pisgah-W. R. Daughtry and Jeptha Williams.

Friendship-W. P. Williams and W. G. McLellan.

Mt. Gilead-S. M. Dees and W. P. Page.

Nebo-J. L. Canon and H. R. Town end.

Philadelphia-J. H. Dixon and A. Lee.

The body proceeded to organize by electing B. D. Harrel

Moderator, W. J. Carroll Clerk and W. B. High Treasurer. The following committees were appointed:

On Preaching-Brethren Owen Revels, J. H. Walker, C. M. Bailey and S. Bond.

On Finance—Brethren D. F. Jenkins, H. E. Sealey and W. B. High.

On Deceased Ministers and Deacons—Brethren A. Bond, W. G McLellan and S. Jimison.

On Education—Brethren J. F. Tatum, G. W. Collins and S. M. Dees.

On Temperance—Brethren J. H. Dixon, W. J. Dixon and J. T. Davenport.

On Missions-Brethren J. T Davenport, Jasper Sapp and W J. Dixon.

The Preaching Committee reported Bro. J. F. Farnell to preach to-night.

Bro. Porter then addressed the body in the interest of the State Board and the Florida Baptist Witness, and received a very pleasing financial response.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Moderator.

The Preaching Committee announced W. J. Carroll to preach at 11 o'clock, followed by Bro. Bond.

Called for letters, with the following responses: Half-Moon Lake—Brethren J. Sullivan and J. A. Hurst. Midway—Brethren W. J. Sullivan and L. C. Willis. Rosemary-Brethren J. S. Alderman, T. C. Tomkins and S. A. Jimerson.

Adjourned for preaching and refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called for correspondents to other bodies, with the following responses:

E. Trice-Florida Association.

J. T. Farnell-Florida Association.

D. F. Ward, B. D. Harrell and W. B. High-Hamilton Association.

Called for letters, and the following churches responded:

Live Oak-W. J. Carroll and W. P. Moseley.

Blue Springs-James Adams and John Grant.

Macedonia-T. T. Hurst and W. H. Hodder.

Rocky Sink-T. J. Mitchel and M. E. Chancey,

Clayland-J. M. Faulkner and W. H. Mills.

Spring Hill-H. W. Wooley and D. Carroll.

Mt. Pleasant-S. B. Clemens and S. B. Cothran.

The Preaching Committee reported A. K. Evans to preach to night and Bro. Ward to-morrow.

The report of the Committee on Education was received and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Missions was received and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Deceased Ministers and Deacons was received and adopted.

CORRESPONDENTS TO OTHER BODIES.

To State Convention--W. B. High, B. D. Harrell and W. J. Carroll.

To Bulah Association—B. D. Harrell, W. J. Carroll and T. J. Kelley.

To Hamilton Association-B. D. Harrell and W. B. High.

To Florida Association -- B. D. Harrell, W. J. Carroll and A. Bond.

To Harmony Association—T. J. Kelley and D. F. Jenkins. Adjourned to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THIRD DAY

Met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Bro. Farnell.

On motion speeches to-day were limited to five minutes.

On motion the next session of this body will be held with the Clayland church, Suwannee county, Fla.

On motion the old Executive Board was re-elected.

Bro. Trice was permitted to represent the interests of the Brethren and Sisters at Carabelle, atter which a collection was taken up in their behalf, resulting in a contribution that we trust will rejoice their hearts.

On motion, the report of Committee on Sunday Schools was received and adopted.

Adjourned for preaching by Bro. Ward.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

On motion, Bro. Allen Williams was excused from further attendance during this session.

The Preaching Committee reported Bro. E. Trice to preach at 3 c'clock this evening, and Bro. B. D. Harrell to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

On motion, the report of the Treasurer was received and

On motion, Bro. W. B. High was appointed to preach the introductory at the next sitting; Alternate W. J.

On motion, the report of Finance Committee was received and adopted.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Temperance was received and adopted.

On motion, all the Associational funds and the collection on Sunday be paid over to Bro. Ward.

On motion, the thanks of this Association be tendered to the Brethren, Sisters and friends of this community for the hospitalities extended to us during our stay with them.

On motion, the Clerk is authorized to have the minutes

published, where he can get it done cheapest.

On motion, the Clerk was allowed ten dollars for his services.

On motion, adjourned, after singing appropriate Hymn and extending the parting hard.

APPENDIX.

Report of Committee on Education.

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

Whereas, Our children will soon take our places. As we pass away we feel it a duty to them, to God and to our country to educate them, and as parents and guardians we should use all means in our power to educate them literarily and spiritually; we would recommend that our ministers advocate the cause; and we would also recommend the reading of the Bible, the Witness, Index and Kind Words, and we further recommend that competent teachers be selected as instructors.

Respectfully Submitted, J. F. TATUM, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Missions.

Your Committee on Missions beg leave to submit the fellowing:

We, as Missionaries glory in a Missionary leader, the captain of our silvation, the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He has laid down the system by which Missionary funds may be raised, by adopting the plan laid down in the New Testament: let every one give as he purposeth in his heart, for God loves a cheerful giver, and let him lay up on the first day of the week as God has prospered him, that he may be ready to do his part as a co-worker with Christ. We urge the propriety, also the necessity of each delegate representing the different churches composing this Association, to submit this report to his church and exhort each member to assist according to his or her ability.

Brethren remember the dying thousands who have no Gospel. Let us arise for our Savior and do his work as commanded.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. T. DAVENPORT, Chairman,

Report of Committee on deceased Ministers and Deacons.

Your Committee would report as follows:

We feel very greatful to our kind Heavenly Father that we are permitted to say that death has not laid his ruthless hand on one of our ministers or deacons since our last session. Let our hearts be drawn out with thankfulness to Him who ruleth all things well.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Bond, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools grieve to find the Sunday school interest on the decrease among our churches. We regard the Sabbath school as being the best place to teach our children the true workings of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We therefor recommend that the ministers of our Association endeavor to impress the importants of Sabbath schools upon the minds of their people. We would recommend the literature of the American Baptist Publication Society, also Kind Words, published at Atlanta, Ga.

Yours in love of the work,

JAMES W. GRIFFIN, Chairman,

Report of Temperance Committee.

Your Temperance Committee beg leave to submit the following:

The Bible, the Book of all books, teaches us to be temperate in all things. The great chart that will ultimately guide us fram earth to Heaven teaches that no drunkard shall enter the kingdom of God. We feel the importance of the task assigned us, and would say that of all the curses that our people are exposed to, there are none fraught with so much evil as intemperance in alcoholic

drinks. Brethren when the whiskey petition is presented to you, refuse instantly and firmly, for it is an enemy to your family, to your souls and to the cause in which you are enlisted. Woe to him that giveth his neighbor drink.

Respectfully,

J. H. Dixon, Chairman.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Picket Lake, Lafayette County. Hart Hammock, Lafayette County. Cedar Grove, Suwannee County. Tiger Lake, Suwannee County. Mt. Pisgah, Lafavette County Mt. Pisgah, Suwannee County. Mt. Pisgah, Suwannee County. Mt. Gilead, Suwannee County. Triendship, Suwannee County. 10 Mt. Gilead, Suwannee County. Mt. Gilead, Suwannee County. Mt. Willead, Suwannee County. Sebo, Alachua County. Half-Moon Lake, Lafayette County. Half-Moon Lake, Lafayette County. Bosemary, Suwannee County. Live Oak, Suwannee County. Bue Spring, Suwannee County. Macedinia, Suwannee County. Bosemary, Suwannee County. Macedinia, Suwannee County. Spring Hill, Suwannee County. Spring Hill, Suwannee County. Mt. Pleasant, Lafayette County.	Ministers	Associational purposes.
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Printing Minutes		
Foreign Missions 8 70		
Ministerial Education 1 00		
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Balance October, 1889		
Received of Finance Committee	35	50
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Collection Sunday	8	40
Paid Clerk\$10 00	62	40
	10	00
Take 19, 17, 17 and 50 00 \$	40	00
Balance\$	22	40

STATISTICS of Baptist Church for 189
Name of Pastor, Postoffice
Received by Baptism
Received by Letter
Received by Restoration
Dismissed by Letter
Dismissed by Exclusion
Dismissed by Death
Present Membership
We send for Minutes
We send for Home Missions
We send for Associational Purposes

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	clerks.	POSTOFFICE.	Baptism	Dismissed by letter	nded	Total present nembership
Pleasant Hill. D. F. W. Suwannee R. W. P. Picket Lake W. B. H. Hart Hammock J. W. F. Cedar Grove J. W. F. Tiger Lake B. D. H. Mt. Pisgah J. T. Fa Pinemount W. B. F. Mt. Pisgah W. B. F. Friendship A. Bond Mt. Gilead B. D. H. Nebo L. R. Ti Philadelphia O. J. Re Half-Moon Lake Z. Deas Midway Z. Deas Rosemary John F. Live Oak P. C. D. Blue Spring J. W. F. Macedonia O. J. R. Rocky Sink B. D. E. Clayland W. J. C. Spring Hill O. J. R. Mt. Pleasant A. Bond		illiams. Sears Walker Smith Dorman Fowler. Sealey Daughtry Mills Myers V. Townsend Dixon Webb Travick Tomkins Sessions Adams I. Rodding Mitchel MyeLeod	New Troy O'Brien. Houston Pinemount McAlpin Pinemount Live Oak Hatch Bend Luraville New Troy New Troy Grover Live Oak Luraville Live Oak Live Oak Live Oak Live Oak Live Oak Live Oak	2 4 2 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	49 27 22 45 16 1 51 1 19 33

W. J. CARROLL, Clerk, Live Oak, Fla.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- 1. Introductory Sermon.
- 2 Association called to order by the Moderator.
- 3. Reading letters and enrolling names of delegates.
- 4. Call for petitionary letters.
- 5. Election of a Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer.
- 6. Invite visiting ministers and brethren to seats in the body.
- 7. Call for correspondents.
- 8. Appoint committees.
- 9. Fix hours of meeting and adjourning.
- 10. Reports of committees.
- 11. Appointment of messengers to State convention and other associations.
- 12. Arrange for printing minutes.
- 13. Appoint place for holding next session.
- 14. Miscellaneous business.
- 15. Adjournment.

MINISTERS AND POST OFFICES.

1889.

J. T. Davenport, New Troy, Fla.

J. P. Abbott, O'Brien, Fla.

E. B. Mills, Luraville, Fla.

O. J. Revels, Luraville, Fla.

B. D. Harrell, Pine Mount, Fla.

J. W. Grantham, New Troy, Fla.

R. W. Phillips; Suwannee, Fla.

A. Bond, Live Oak, Fla.

W. B. High, Pine Mount, Fla.

Z. Dees, Mayo, Fla.

S G. Davenport, New Troy, Fla.

D. F. Ward, Hatch Bend, Fla.

T. J. Kelley, Live Oak, Fla.

J. W. Fleming, New Troy, Fla.

W. B. Walters, Ellaville, Fla.

W. J. Carroll, Live Oak, Fla.

J. H. Dixon, Luraville, Fla.