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MINUTES OF THE



Fifty-seventh Annual Meet-...ing of the

Shiawassee Baptist Association

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Baptist Church, Ashley, Michigan,

June 1st and 2d, 1896.

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CONSTITUTION.

ADOPTED IN 1894.

- ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known as the Shiawassee Baptist Association, and shall be composed of Baptist Churches, and each church shall be entitled to three delegates, and an additional delegate for every fifty members.
- ART. 2. This Association has no power as a LEGISLATIVE body, but as an INDEPENDENT body has power to govern itself, and dischams all interference with the particular discipline of individual churches. Yet we deem it our privilege to judge for ourselves of the propriety of continuing any Church in our connection.
- ART. 3. The object of this Association shall be to gather information in regard to the state of Churches, both as respects STATISTICS and RELIGION. to promote the Christian fellowship and to sustain the various benevolent objects connected with the promotion of Christ's kingdom.
- ART. 4. This Association shall by delegation of churches, meet anually on the first Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of June, and shall hold such other meetings as the body may direct.
- ART. 5. The officers shall be a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Auditor, President of Pastors' Conference, Associational Superintendent, Associational President B. Y. P. U., Superintendent of Woman's Mission Work and Missionary Committee of three (to co-operate with the State Board,) to be elected annually, by nomination or ballot, to continue in office until others are elected. It shall be the duty of the Associational Superintendents and Presidents to have general oversight of the work in their departments throughout the Association, and to develop and encourage the same and to assist the Program Committee in making out the program for the anniversary meeting.
- ART. 6. Each church shall send with its deligates a letter containing an account of its numerical changes, and generally what pertains to its peace and prosperity, and money for minutes. Any Church neglecting to do this for three successive years shall be dropped from the Minutes.
- ART. 7. Churches giving satisfactory evidence of being sound in doctrine and sound in practice, may, on application, be admitted into this Association.
- ART. 8. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting, provided that notice of the proposed amendment has been given at the previous annual meeting,

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLVED, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay over all moneys that are in or may come into his hands to the several agents to whom said money belongs, and take a receipt therefor.

RESOLVED, That any member of this Association whose name is in the Minutes present at the meeting of any Association with which we correspond shall be a delegate to that Body.

RESOLVED. That the Clerk be instructed to forward the Minutes to each Association and corresponding Body in the State. Also to the Colgate Library, Hamilton, N. Y., and to the Library of the University of Chicago.

RESOLVED, That Churches requesting admission to this Association be required to show a formal recognition from a council of Baptist Churches convened for such purpose.

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ASHLEY, MICH., June 2, 1896.

Association called to order by the Moderator.

Opening with devotional exercises,

Annual Surmon by Rev. I. W. Lamb.

Presentation by Professor VanDorn of the State Convention Finances.

Collection taken for State Convention, amounting to \$2.84.

Reading of Rules of Order by Moderator.

Moderator appointed the following Committees:

Nominations, G. P. Mitchell, Ovid; I. W. Lamb, Perry; Rev. J. Tree, Okemos.

Program, W. B. Matteson, Owosso; J. C. Robillard, Laingsburg; Mrs. Dunlop, Ovid.

Obituaries, Rev. J. Fisher, Chesaning; J. S. Smith, Byron; Prof. O. J. Dutton, Ashley.

Resolutions, Dr. Odell, Lansing; E. M. Blanchard, St. Johns; C. A. Johnson, Ovid.

Place and Preacher, Rev. L. D. Dunning, Durand; J. E. Littell St. John; E. W. Mead, Maple River.

Publication of Minutes, Clerk, Treasurer and Bro. J. G. Kirk of Lansing.

Pastors' Conference.

Rev. E. M. Blanchard, Methods of infusing the Missionary Spirit.

Discussion,—Dr. O'dell, Rev. I. W. Lamb, Rev. J. Fisher, Rev. J. Tree, Mrs. J. C. Mc Donald, Rev. Dunning.

The Permanent Council, What it is. How should we regard it? Dr. O'dell,—Not in favor of the plan. Originated in New York.

Discussion,—Rev. J. Fisher, Van Dorn, Rev. E. M. Blanchard, Do not want the P. C. I. W. Lamb.

Committee on nominations report as follows:

Moderator,—E. M. Blanchard, St. Johns.

Clerk,-E. S. Andrews, Williamston.

Treasurer.-G. C. Stanton, Ovid.

Auditor,-Winton Mc Connell, Lansing.

S. S. Superintendent, -D. D. Mills, Lansing.

On motion of Dr. O'dell the report, so far as completed, was accepted and adopted.

Motion carried that the appointment of Missionary Committee was referred back to the committee.

Adjournment after benediction by Rev. Squires.

B. Y. P. U. Rally.

EVENING SESSION.

Devotional exercises led by president of the Local Union.

In absence of President, Moderator and Clerk officiated,

President of Ashley Union reported good spiritual interest.

Rev. Dunning, Durand, reported about 15 in B. Y. P. U. Junior Society shows great interest, average attendance, 30 to 35.

Rev. Tree, of Okemos, reported about 40 active members. No uncommon thing to have 50 to 55 testimonies.

Bro. McConnell, of Lansing, Changed from C. E. to B. Y. P. U. 116 members, 88 active, Have done liberal work in active church work. Dr. Odell reported a very active Junior B. Y. P. U. The young people have been the strong right arm of the pastor. \$200 toward church expenses.

Rev. Lamb, of Perry, C. E. Society.11 active,2 associate members. Ovid.—Rev. G. P. Mitchell reported doing excellent work.

Merritt Vanetter reported for Williamston. Average attendance Sunday eve, 20 and increasing.

Vernon.—Has a B. Y. P. U. in good working condition. Are helping the church nobly.

Laingsburg raised \$24.75 for home missions.

Chesaning.—Bro. Jenkins says they are doing good work.

Solo,—Robert Holmes of Lansing.

Prayer by Rev Wm Putnam,

Sermon,—Scope and purpose of the R. Y. P. U.—Dr. O'dell. Solo,—Winton Mc Connell of Lansing.

How may the young people best help the pastor,—opened by Bro. Garner of Lansing.

Nominating committee appointed by Moderator:

Bro. Garner.

Mrs. Littell.

Rev. Dunning.

Moved by Dr. O'dell that we urge the young people to go in a special car to the B. Y. P. U. meeting in Milwaukee July 18-19.

Moved by Rev. Dunning that a committee of one to correspond with the several unions of our association to arrange the matter.

Bro. G. C. Stanton, of Ovid, was appointed as such committee. Nominating committee reported, President, B. Y. P. U., C. A. Johnson of Ovid.

On motion, report of the committee was accepted and adopted.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 3, 1896.

Devotional exercises lead by Rev. J. Fisher.

Sunday School work reported by Superintendant J. S. Smith, of Byron, by calling on the Superintendent of each school to report.

Systematic Bible Study as a necessity, Rev. L. D. Dunning,

The Art of Teaching, -J. E. Littell, St. Johns.

On motion, Bro. Little was given 30 minutes at the present time.

The week day work of the Teacher,-Mrs. J. C. McDonald.

Practical Methods in S. S. Work,— C. A. Johnson.

What should we do to advance the interests of the S. S. work in the Association, Rev. J. Tree.

What we should do and what we do do will doubtless be different.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional exercises.

J. E. Littell, on request, continued address on S. S. work.

Reading of letters—J. S. Smith assisting the Clerk.

222 baptisms reported for the year.

Rev. A. E. Mather, of Fenton, addressed the Association on the claims of the Minister's Home.

Bro. VanDorn presented the object of State Missions.

Home Missions, in the absence of C. E. Conley, was presented by A. E. Mather.

Foreign Missions,-G. P. Mitchell.

American Baptist Publication Society was presented by C. A. Johnson.

Committee on Obit laries, by Rev. J. Fisher, reported as follows, which on motion was read and approved:

The Committee on Obituaries respectfully report:

That there have been according to the several church letters, 24 deaths during the year—Ashley, Byron, Dewitt, Maple River, Perry, Seepardsville, St. Johns, and Williamston one each. Ovid and Okemos two each. Owosso and Vernon three each, Lansing six. There is hardly a year but some one in each of our churches who is to more or less degree useful in carrying on the work of the Kingdom of Christ, is called to his or her reward above While we mourn this loss to us, we must believe it is their gain. And while they go out of the church militant into the church triumphant, God is raising up others to take their place and to carry forward the Redeemer's Kingdom.

Rev. H. A. Whitacker, of Elsie Free Will Baptist church was introduced and gave a cordial greeting.

Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

Recommending the adoption of 1895 resolutions after amending the first section by striking out all after first sentence. Report adopted.

Resolved. That we are in hearty sympathy with each of the great benevolent organizations of our denomination.

Resolved, That we recommend all of our churches to make provision for a contribution, each year, for Home, State and Foreign Missions, for the benevolent work of the Bible and Publication Society, for Christian and Ministerial education and for the Baptist Ministers' Aid Society.

Resolved. I hat we recommend that an earnest effort be made to secure something from every member of our churches for each of these objects, so that all may share in the blessedness of giving for the cause of Christ.

Resolved. That we commend the Publication Societies literature. The Michigan Christian Herald and the Baptist Union to our members and urge the more general use of these valuable instrumentalities for the training of our people for Christian work and usefulness.

Resolved. That we believe the traffic in intoxicating liquors is a grevious sin, and that to share in the profits of the business renders society a partner in the iniquity; and that it is the duty of every Christian voter to persistently demand that all laws which legalize the traffic be repe led, and that the sanction of the law be no longer given to the accursed business.

Resolved. That we rejoice in the prominence given to our young peoples' work, and recommend that all the Young Peoples' Societies take up the work of raising funds for the various denominational objects, to the end that they may have greater incentives to action and that their alms may accompany their prayers for the coming of the Kingdom of God.

Rev. G. P. Mitchell presented the following resolution:

Resolution to change the length of time of the Associations by amending Article IV of Constitution.

Resolved, That hereafter the sessions of the Shiawasse Baptist Assocsiation meet in first session on the first Tuesday in June at 2 P. M. and close the following Wednesday evening. Submitted to be acted upon at the next annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted by

G. P. MITCHELL,

Committee on Place and Preacher reported, recommending Webberville as the place, G. P. Mitchell as preacher, Rev. J. Tree as alternate.

On motion, report was accepted and adopted.

C. A. Johnson tendered his resignation as president of B.Y.P.U. On motion, Nominating Committee was instructed to consider this resignation, and if absolute, to report another nomination at our evening session.

Nominating Committee reported as Missionary Committee as follows: L. D. Dunning, Durand; John Tree, Okemos; W. B. Matteson, Owosso.

Missionary Committee reported as follows:

We believe, taking all things into consideration, that we can report a material progress in the spiritual condition of our churches. The advance however has not been maintained all along the line. One year ago every church was supplied except Morrice, while today 7 of our churches are pastorless. An unusally large number of pastoral changes have taken place during the year. Bro. L. D. Temple has removed from Lansing to Brattleboro, Vt. and Bro. D. D. O'dell has been called to succeed him. Bro. W. T. Woodhouse has removed from Vernon to East Main St., Jackson, and the church is looking for a successor. Bro. E. D. Way has removed from De Witt to Hart, Mich. Bro S. Batchelor has removed from Chesaning to Monroe, Mich., and Bro. J. Fisher has resigned at Corunna to succeed him, and the Corunna church has since called Bro. W. P. Squires. The Byron church has called Bro. F. Dewey Ehle of Almont. The call is under consideration. Bro. L. D. Dunning has removed from Bath to Durand.

Some of our churches have had large accessions to their membership

Some effort has been made by the missionary committee to enthuse greater interest in our Association work.

Two missionary meetings were held, one at Okemos and one at Durand, at which earnest addresses and sermons were delivered, touching upon the immediate needs of our Association.

The Committee has tried to correspond with each church which has not yet taken a State Mission offering with a view to securing an offering from each church if possible.

We were intending to visit all the smaller churches in person, to study their needs and to try and suggest some means, if possible, of better meeting those needs, but the removal of the Chairman of the committee and other circumstances seem impracticable. We hope our successors may be able to accomplish this.

Our Worker's Conference was held at St. Johns. It was a meeting of great power and deep spiritual interest. The attendance, however, of delegates, was in no way proportionate to the importance and helpfulness of this meeting.

Special mention should be made of the miraculous work accomplished at Lansing by Dr. Odell and his people, and also the building of the new church at Owosso.

We recommend aid from the State Board for Laingsburg, Chesaning, and Durand. Committee.

On motion, report was adopted.

Treasurer's report:

Received for minutes, \$18.71. Received for State Convention, \$12.84.

On motion, the resignation of C. A. Johnson as President, B. Y. P. U., was accepted.

Nominating committee recommended G. C. Stanton who, on motion, was elected.

After prayer by A. E. Mather, Association adjourned.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Moved by Bro. Dunning that we extend to the Ashley church and community, our thanks for their kind entertainment and hospitality.

Unanimously carried.

Suggested that the Clerk notify Committee on Program of their appointment.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion, Association was adjourned, after prayer by Rev. E. M. Ney.

Woman's Department.

The Woman's Missionary Society occupied the first part of Wednesday evening and was opened by a devotional service led Mrs. Dunlap. Following this the l'resident, Mrs. Fisher, gave a talk upon the condition of the work of the Association.

After music by a choir, Mrs. P. D. White read a paper and Mrs. J.C. Mc Donald, Home Missionary Secretary, and Mrs. Sweegles, Foreign Mission Secretary, gave the reports of their departments, after which the audience had the pleasure of listening to Miss Carrie Daniels on her work in China, using as illustration the history of one of her bible women A collection of \$2.52 was taken.

The officers for the current year are:

President,—Mrs. J. W. Fisher, Chesaning.

1st. Vice Pres.,-Mrs. I. W. Lamb, Perry.

2nd. Vice Pres.,-Mrs. J. Dunlap, Ovid.

3rd. Vice Pres.,-D. D. Mills, Lansing.

Cor. Secretary and Treas.,-Mrs. P. D. White, Owosso.

Rec. Secretary, Mrs. E. S. Andrews, Williamston.

H. M. Secretary, Mrs. J. C. Mc Donald, Williamston.

F. M. Secretary, Mrs. M. S. Watkins, Owosso.

Committee to act with Cor. Secretary in preparation of program for quarterly meetings, Mrs. J. W. Simmons, Owosso, Mrs. E. M. Blanchard, St. Johns, Mrs. J. C. Mc Donald, Williamston.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

SOCIETIES.	Foreign	Missions	Home Missions.		State Missions.		Other Objects.		
Bengal-Riley		50		50			3	35	
Chesaning		60							
Corunna		62							
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Owosso		35							
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Vernon	10			00					
Williamston	$ _{-}^{12}$	60	15	00		50	81	42	
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Digest of Letters.

ANTRIM.—C. C. Willett, of Fowlerville, pastor. Are growing in number and increasing in faith. Through the efforts of the Christian Crusaders and others, have added about one-hall to our membership. Baptisms, 27. N. H. Blake, Clerk.

ASHLEY. -Without a pastor, but have held the regular services of the church. One of the General Missionaries has visited us frequently, holding services and administering the ordin-nees of the church. We report several removals and one death. Our prayer meetings are well attended. MAMIE WILCOX, Clerk.

BATH.—Without a pastor. Our membership among the young people is scattered, our efficient force thus being greatly reduced. Have maintained Sabbath schools at the church and No. 10.

HIRAM TOOKER, Clerk.

BENGAL and RILEY.—E. D. Way closed his labors with us in August. E. M. Blanchard, of st. Johns, has officiated as our pastor since September. Our special meetings during the winter were retarded by adverse weather; however we ial meetings during the winter were retarded by auverse meaning, and report three bap isms and two others have been received for baptisms. W. A. SUTTON, Clerk.

BYRON.—No pastor during past year. Rev. Kahler supplied us for five months. Have now secured Rev. F. Dewey Ehle and we are looking forward to more aggressive work for the Master. Our church clerk, Mrs. Rose Kelsey, has been and is severely ill. Mrs. Nellie Jaeobs, president of our B. Y. P. U., and one of our most active members, died last June and our membership has otherwise been reduced.

J. S. SMITH, Clerk pro. tem.

CHESANING.—Jan. 1st., Rev. S. Batchelor closed mora than five years' labor with us and Feb. 1st. Rev. J. Fisher took up the labors of our pastor. We are expecting a brighter future. Our B. Y. P. U. and L. A. S. are doing grand work.

W. R. CORVELL, Clerk.

CORUNNA.—W. P. Squires, of Niantic, Ct., became our pastor in April, succeeding Rev. J. Fisher, who has served us faithfully and well but who was called to a new field. We have not grown in number, but have been blessed spiritually and pray that we may d a larger work for the Master.

MRS. C. J. GALE, Clerk.

DE WITT.—The various departments are doing excellent work but we feel our need of a pastor. We hope to unite with some other church in securing one. Brethern, we need your prayers, your sympathy, your help, that we may maintain our individuality.

MRS. KATE GRINOLD, Clerk.

DURAND.—L. D. Dunning became our pastor Nov. 1st. Our services have all increased in attendance and interest. Have built a parsonage during the year and have raised \$605.64 towards it. The \$600 balance is provided for ourside of our regular work We need the prayers of God's people as this is an important and difficult field.

MRS. J. C. BRAND, Clerk.

LAINGSBURG.—J. C. Robillard, pastor. Have been greatly blessed during the year. Evangelist Hatch assisted our pastor and results were good. Have completed a \$1400 parsonage and owe but li tle. Our S. S. and L. A. S. are doing excellent work. Have added fourteen to our membership.

LIDA WHITNEY, Clerk.

LANSING.—D. D. O'dell, pastor, succeeded L. D. Temple last September. Our financial condition at the time was not promising but the Lord has been gracious to us and our church has been enabled to discharge or brovide for about gracious to us and our church has been enabled to discharge or provide for about one-half of our entire indebtedness. Our young people have changed from C. E. to B. Y. P. U. and have done effective work. Our S. S. and the L. A. S. are doing excellent work, the latter having raised and paid over \$1,000 towards the debt. E. L. Skeen, Clerk.

MAPLE RIVER.—W. B. Mattesou has preached to us each alternate Sabbath. A spirit of unity and Christian fellowship prevails. CALVIN FLINT, Clerk.

A spirit of unity and chrosian and others are the most prosperous of our history. 22 have united with us and others await baptism. All departments are doing aggressive work. Our congregations are large and attentive listeners to the Word.

WILLIAM COLE, Clerk,

OVID.—G. P. Mitchell, pastor. Held special meetings during the winter and as a result we see new faces and hear new voices telling how good the Master is. Our S. S. under the superintendancy of Frank Losey is in fine condition. In addition to their regular work our ladies societies in conjunction with the B. Y. P. addition to their regular work our ladies societies in conjunction with the D. 1.1.
U. and Juniors are assisting our sister, Kittle Bare, to obtain an education in the Chicago training school preparatory to work on the mission field. Have changed our covenant meeting from Saturday afternoon to the last Thursday evening of the month and with good results.

G. S. STANTON, Clerk

OWOSSO.-W. B. Matteson, pastor. On May 3rd. our new church home was



dedicated free of debt. Much labor and great self denial has been necessary but we look forward to years of Christian work which will result in a bounteeus harvest for the Master whom we serve.

ApaH Curliss, Clerk.

PERRY.—I. W. I amb, pastor. We feel the need of a spiritual quickening, and yet we reel that the interest spiritually is good. We are in sympathy with all the benevolent work of our denomination. We believe in the old fashioned gospel which Christ and his apostles preached and have no infatuation for the teachers "having itching ears." We believe in the Bautist doctrine of the independance of the churches and have no sympathy with the prevailing tendency toward centralization.

C. E. Calkins, Clerk.

SHEPHARDSVILLE.—God has blessed us during the year and a goodly number has been added unto us by baptism and otherwise, through the instrumentality of Bro. Van Dorn. We have no settled pastor but we oelieve the field is ripe for the right man. Pray for us. EMMA WILKINSON, Clerk.

ST. JOHNS.—E. M. Blanchard, pastor. A year of patient work and faithful seed sowing. Bro. J. E. Littell has accepted a position as colporter in the Detroit Association. We miss him in many ways but if God has called him out He will surely raise up some one in his place. Let us pray that the coming year may be more fruitful than the last.

ISAAC E. HOBART, Clerk,

VERNON.—Are without a pastor. W. T. Woodhouse having closed his labors with us May 1st. to accept a call at Jackson, and white we were all grieved to part with him we were pleased to have him called to the field he now occupies and we trust the Lord will soon send us one suited to the work. Our int rest in all departments of church work is good.

A. Parmenter, Clerk.

WEBBERVILLE.—Are supplied by Rev. J. C. Mc Donald who preaches one sermon each Sunday afternoon. Our attendance and interest in all departments is good. We invite the Association to meet with us next year. S. S. Rhodes, Clerk.

WILLIAMSTON.—J. C Mc Donald, pastor. The Sunday School organized by Mrs. Mc Donald in the Lee district last year has led to the conversion of nearly the entire district. Our pastor, after a series of meetlings there, having baptized 38 who united with our church and the furtherance of Christian work has taken the place of worldly amusements in the hearts and homes of these people.

E. S. Andrews, Clerk.

Delegates.

BATH.—Bro and sister Dalton, F. K. Mackley.

BENGAL—RILEY.—Mary R. Jacobs, Estelle Holsinger.

Byron.-J. S. Smith.

CHESANING.—Rev. and Mrs. J. Fisher, F. C. Brainard, Harris Jenkins.

CORUNNA.—Mr. Crandall, Rev. and Mrs W. P. Squires, Dea David Evans.

DURAND.-L. D. Dunning, Mrs. C. Brown.

LAINGSBURG.—Mr. Mc Kee, F. J. Whitney, G. Baker. Myrtie Sawersby, Jessie Bixby.

Lansing.—Rev. D. D. O'dell, D. D. Mills, C. E. Garner, Rev. Wm. Putnam, W. M. Hoag, Geo. Fry. W. C. Mc Connell, Robert S. Holmes.

MAPLE RIAER.—E. Mead, Mr. and Mrs. C. Flint.

OKEMOS.—John Hammond, Emma Hammond, Wm. O. Wilson, Mrs. Elsie Wilson, Upton Hammond, Ada Hammond,

OVID.—Dea. N. Lamb and wife, Dea. G. Carpenter and wife, Rev. G. P. Mitchell and wife, Dea. Bowers, Mrs. Dunlap.

Owosso.—Rev. W. B. Matteson, Mr. and Mrs P. D. White.

SHEPHARDSVILLE.—Bro. Gifford and wife, Grestock and wife.

ST. JOHNS.—Rev. E. M. Blanchard and wife, J. E. Littell and wife, Mrs. H. Swegels, Miss Hattie Lyon.

VERNON.—Mr. and Mrs. Doan, Mr. and Mrs. Gundry, Mr. and Mrs. Bronson.

WILLIAMSTON.—Mr. aud Mrs. S. Toms, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mc Donald, Merrit Vannetter.

Young People.

ASHLEY.—B. Y. P. U., Mrs. O. J. Dutton, President; Mamie Murphy, Secretary. Active members, 20. Associate, 4.

BENGAL—RILEY-Y. P. S. C. E., George Harper, President; Clyde Mapes, Secretary. Active members, 24. Associate, 16. Contributed for Home Work, \$24.50.

Byron.—Y. P. S. C. E., Mattie Redmond, President; Rose Redmond, Secretary. Active members, 15. Associate, 1. Honorary, 1.

CHESANING.—B. Y. P. U., Harris Jenkins, President; Christian Schutt, Secretary. Active members, 10. Associate, 20. Contributed for Home Work, \$83.00.

CORUNNA.—B. Y. P. U., Carrie Purdy, President; Rachel Evans, Secretary. Active members, 5. Associate, 10. Contributed for Home Work, \$6.34.

DEWITT.—Andrew Hath, President; Bertha Jutting, Secretary. Active members, 14. Associate, 23. Contributed for Home Work, \$20.00.

DURAND.—B. Y. P. U., Mrs. Wanahan, President; Ethel Putnam, Secretary. Active members, 5. Associate, 15. Contributed for Home Work, \$9.00.

LAINGSBURG.—B. Y. P. U., F. J. Whitney, President; Myrtie

Sawersby, Secretary. Active members, 20. Associate, 10. Contributed for Home Work, \$24.75.

Lansing.—B. Y. P. U., Nellie Carr, President; Jennie Brown, Secretary. Active members, 88. Associate, 28.

MAPLE RIVER—Busy Bee, Rose Finch, President; Myrtle Hendee, Secretary. Active members, 17. Contributed .72.

OKEMOS.—B. Y. P. U., George Fuller, President; Faith Tree, Secretary. Active members, 34. Associate, 18. Contributed for Home expense, \$25.53.

OVID.—B. Y. P. U., H. F. Harris, President; Ruth Govert, Secretary, Active members, 139. Associate, 12, Contributed for Home Work, \$37.25.

Owosso.—B. Y. P. U., Fred Lawrence, President; May Lawrence Secretary. Active members, 40. Contributed for Home Work, \$125.00.

PERRY.—Y. P. S. C. E., C. E. Calkins, President; Aletha Austin Secretary. Active members, 11. Associate, 2.

SHEPHARDSVILLE.—B. Y. P. U., Emma A. Wilkinson, President; Gertie Gifford, Secretry. Active members, 37. Associate, 3.

St. Johns.—B. Y. P. U., A. Pouch, President; Luella Davis, Secretary. Active members, 56. Associate, 10. Contributed for Home Work, \$17.16. Junior membership, 65. contributions \$4.70.

VERNON,—B. Y. P. U, Mae E Whelan, President; Mable Wilkinson, Secretary. Active members, 35. Contributed for Home Work, \$48.52.

WEBBERVILLE—B. Y. P. U., Arthur Monroe, President; Arthur Leach, Secretary. Active members, 4. Associate, 5. Contributed for Home Work, \$15.00.

WILLIAMSTON.—B. Y. P. U., Merrit Vanneter, President; May Vanneter, Secretary. Active members, 25. Associate, 2. Contributed for Home Work, \$21.40.

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RULES OF ORDER.

- I. In the absence of any of the officers of this Association, others shall be elected pro tem.
- II. The order of business at each annual meeting of the Association, shall be as follows:

FIRST-The introductory service, Annual Sermon and organization.

SECOND-The Rules of Order read.

THIRD-Appointment of Committee on Ministrations.

FOURTH-Invitations to Visiting Brothers to sit with us.

FIFTH-Applications for admission of Churches received.

SIXTH-Annual Postor's Conference.

SEVENTH-Election of Officers.

EIGHTH-Annual rally of Baptist Young Peoples' Unions.

TENTH-Announcements of Committees.

NINTH-Sunday School session. ELEVENTH-Reading of Letters.

TWELFTH-Addresses by representatives of denominational, benevolent, educational and missionary organizations.

THIRTEENTH-Woman's Work.

- III. No person shall speak more than once on any subject, nor longer than allowed on program or vote of the Association.
- IV. Every proposition submitted to the Association for discussion must be put in the form of a motion, and not be debated until seconded.
- V. No motion shall be discussed if such discussion be opposed by a majority of the members present. A motion to suspend business shall always be in order.
- VI. The following committees shall be appointed at each anniversary convention; each committee to consist of three persons.

FIRST-A Committee on Nominations.

SECOND-A Committee to provide program for next Anniversary.

THIRD-A Committee on Obituaries.

FOURTH-A Committee on Publication of Minutes of which the Clerk and Treasurer shall be members.

FIFTH--A Committee on Resolutions.

SIXTH-A Committee on place and preacher of annual sermon for next anni-

- VIII. At every sitting, business shall be opened and concluded with prayer under the direction of the Moderator.
- IX. All Churches neglecting to represent themselves in this Body for two years in succession, shall be visited by a committee chosen for the purpose, who shall report at the next annual meeting.
- X. Any Article of this order may be suspended for consideration of other business, by a vote of the Association.
- XI. The Minutes of the meeting shall be read and corrected before the rising of the Association.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

E. M. Blanchard	Moderator	St. Johns
E. S. Andrews	CLERK	Williamston
G. C. Stanton	TREASURER	Ovid
Winton McConnell	AUDITOR	Lansing
D. D. Mills	S. S. Supt	Lansing
G. C. Stanton	B. Y. P. U. Supt	Ovid
Mrs. J. W. Fisher	SUPT. WOMAN'S WORK	Chesaning

MINISTERIAL REGISTER.

PASTORS.

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