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18th Annual Session

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CENTRAL DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

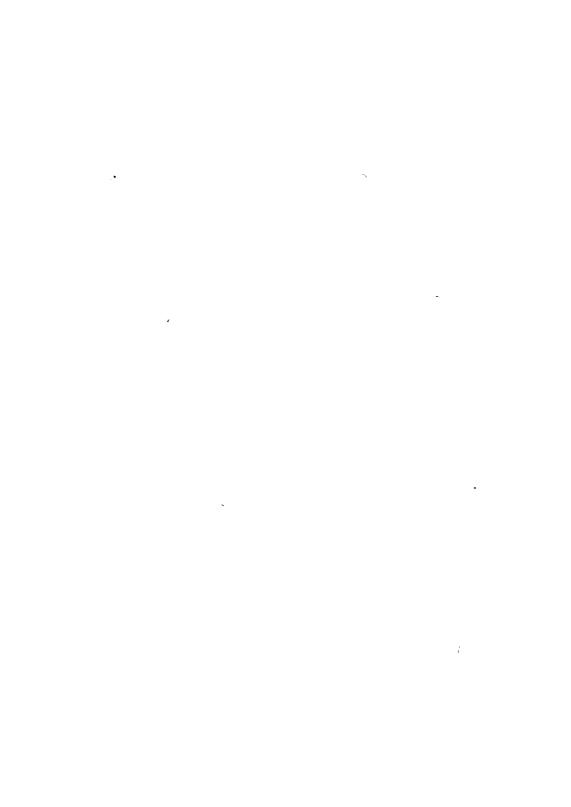
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Owenton Baptist Chunch,

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday:

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MINUMES

OF THE

GENTRAL DISTRICT ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE

OWENTON BAPTIST CHURCH.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday July 10, 11 and 12, 1888.

Officers.

REV. C. C. BATES Bro. R. P. Morton				
Executive Board				
REV. E. P. MARRS.	REV. W. B. HALL.			
REV. J. RILEY.	REV, J. H. HELM.			

REV. J. W. LEWIS, REV. R. P. MORTON.

REV. W. JOHNSON.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.



- 1. At every sitting, business shall be opened and closed with Divine Services by the Moderator, or whomsoever he may appoint.
 - 2. Appointing a Committee on enrollment and on Finance.
 - 3. Reading letters from churches.
- 4. Appointment of Committee on Credentials and permanent organization.
 - 5. Reading of the Constitution and Rules of Decorum.
 - 6. Reading letters from new Churches and Associations.
- 7. Invitations to Corresponding Messengers and visiting brethren to participate in all the deliberations of the Association, but vote on none.
- 8. Appointing Committees on Devotional Exercises, on Executive Board, Obituary, University, on Foreign Mission, on old Minister's Business, Correspondence, Ministerial destitution, Sunday-schools, Home Mission, Place of next Meeting, Annual Sermon, Writer of circular letter, printing and distributing Minutes, on Temperance.
 - 9. New Business.
 - 10. Report of Committee.
 - 11. Minutes for amendment or approval.
- 12. Vote of thanks, Adjournment, Valedictory by the Moderator and parting hand.

Constitution of the Central

District Association.



Whereas, through the living and tender mercies of Almighty God, we are privileged to meet in a District Association; and whereas, an opportunity has presented itself to us to devise means for the intellectual, moral and religious culture of our race. We therefore adopt the following constitution.

ARTICLE I.

This Association shall be known as the Central District Association of Colored Baptist's in Kentucky. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of purity, doctrine and unity of fellowship, and to advance the cause of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Also the co-operation in the promotion of Sabbath-schools and missionary work throughout the District by meeting annually for mutual and religious counsel.

ARTICLE II.

All regular Baptist churches in the district shall be entitled to membership in the association. Each Church composing — Association shall be represented at each annual meeting by messengers and letters, setting forth the spiritual condition of the church, and the extent of their benevolence and missionary operation.

ARTICLE III.

Each messenger shall, before taking his seat in the association, give satisfactory evidence to the association of his appointment by the Church he represents.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Assistant Moderator, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary and a Treasurer; to be elected annually by ballot or otherwise. Their duties to be common to their office, as in similar associations and an Executive Board of seven.

ARTICLE V.

The Annual Meeting shall be held at such time and place as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE VI.

The Treasurer shall hold all funds of the Association, and shall pay them out when ordered by the Moderator, and the Moderator's order shall be his voucher. Also said Treasurer shall be required to give sufficient bond and security for the safe keeping of all monies committed to his care. He shall give a full report of all money received at each Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VII.

Each Church shall be entitled to three Messengers, the membership not exceeding 800, and for every 200 over 800 an additional Messenger.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution may be altered or amended at any Annual Meeting of the Association by a two-third vote of the members present.

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RULES of DECORUM.

- 1. No brother can speak more than twice on any subject without permission from the Association.
- 2. Every brother must respectfully address the Chair, standing. He must confine himself to the subject under debate, and avoid personalities.
- 3. Any brother violating any of these rules may be called to order, in which case the Moderator shall immediately decide who is entitled to the floor, there may be an appeal to the Association.
- 4. No motion can be put without a second, and, if required reduced to writing.
- 5. When two or more brothers rise at once, the Moderator shall decide who is in order.
- 6. Before the question is put on any motion, it shall be distinctly stated by the chair.
- 7. When a subject is under debate, no motion shall be in order but to lay on the table, to postpone, to refer to a committee, to amend to adjourn.
- 8. A motion to lay on the table, reconsider and adjourn, shall not be debatable.
- 9. No member shall absent himself without permission from the chair.
- 10. If any proposition or motion contains two or more points, it may be divided at the request of any member, and the vote taken separately.
- 11. Any motion may be suspended when deemed necessary by the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.
- 12. No motion made and lost shall be recorded unless so ordered at the time.
- 13. Minutes may be read leisurely, and corrected, if necessary, before the rising of the Association.
- 14. Any member of a Baptist church may become an Annual Member of this Association by the payment of fifty cents (50), and a life member by paying two dollars and fifty cents (\$2,50).
- 15. These rules may be amended or altered by the concurrence of two-thirds of the Association at any Annual Meeting.

MINISTERS and DEACONS' MEETING.

Monday, July 9th, 1888.



The Ministers and Deacons met Monday, July 9, 1888, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Moderator J. W. Lewis called the house to order, and introduced Rev. T. M. Faulkner who preached a sermon that was instructive, full of thought and suitable to the occasion, after which a collection of \$1.35 was raised.

Adjourned to meet Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock.

Benediction by Rev. T. M. Faulkner,

TUESDAY MORNING.

The Ministers and Deacons met Tuesday morning, July 10, 1888, at 8 o'clock.

Moderator Rev. J. W. Lewis in the chair.

After devotional exercises and the approval of minutes, permanent organization was affected by electing Rev. W. B. Hall, Moderator; Rev. T. M. Faulkner, Secretary; and Rev. R. Reynolds, Treasurer.

Adjourned to meet Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock.

Benediction by Rev. P. O'Bannon.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Ministers and Deacons met at 8 o'clock.

Rev. W. B. Hall in the chair.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by Rev. C. J. Murphy and Rev. H. Brown.

Minutes of previous meeting was read and approved.

At this juncture a Committee on Topics was appointed, viz. E. P. Marrs, N. Caldwell and D. Anderson.

At this juncture Rev. G. W. Ward read a paper on the subject, "Has the World been Redeemed?" After a lively debate it was passed as the sense of the meeting that redemption has been made for all men, but all men would not accept it.

Adjourned to meet Thursday morning, July 12, 1888.

Benediction by Rev. H. Brown.

THURSDAY MORNIRG.

The Ministers and Deacons met at 8 o'clock, Thursday morning.

Moderator W. B. Hall in the chair,

Rev. P. Young conducted Devotional Exercises.

Minutes of last meeting was read and approved.

Rev. J. W. Lewis read a paper on "Was it Right for Christ to be Crucified? If so, why was it wrong for Judas to do it?" After a lively

discussion the paper was adopted.

Adjourned to meet Friday morning at 8 o'clock,

Benediction by Bro. R. Duncan.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The Ministers and Deacons assembled at 8 o'clock,

Moderator W. B. Hall in the chair.

Devotional Exercises by Rev. G. W. Ward.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Rev. T. M. Faulkner read a paper on "Does Religion and Science Conflict?" It was adopted.

A motion prevailed to pay the secretary \$3.

The Committee on Topics made the following report:

- 1. Upon what Ground is Man's accountability Based according to the Bible? J. H. Helm.
 - 2. When Man Dies does he go to his Final Home? John H. Frank.
- 3. What Authority have we in the Bible for holding Associations? Rev. M. Allen.
- 4. What are the Cardinal Doctrines of a Baptist Church? Rev. C. H. Parrish.
- 5. Ought Deacons to take Part in the Ordination of a Mintster? D. A. Gaddie. D. D.
- 6. What Relation do Baptisty sustain to other Denominations? W. Johnson.
- 7. What Change does the manner of Preaching of the Present Age Demand? G. W. Ward,

Rev. E. P. Marrs, Rev. D. Anderson, Committee. Rev. N. Caldwell,

A motion prevailed to adjourn to meet with the Warsaw Baptist church on Monday before the third Sunday in July, 1889.

Rev. W. B. Hall, Mod. Rev. T. M. Faulkner, Sec.

Dighteenth Annual Session

——OF THE——

Central District Association.

TUESDAY MORNING.

The Central District Association met in the Eighteenth Annual Session in the Baptist church at Owenton, Tuesday morning, July 10, 1888.

The Moderator, Rev. D. A. Gaddie, D. D., of Louisville, called the house to order at 10 o'clock. He read a very able and learned address on Ministerial Duties, Harmony and Union.

Sang hymn 145: "To the Work."

Rev. J. H. Frank read Proverbs 15.

Prayer by Rev. J. H. Helm.

Rev. J. W. Lewis, acting pastor, delivered the Welcome Address Rev. G. W. Ward responded.

The Chair then appointed the following Committee on Enrollment: G. W. Ward, R. P. Morton. J. Morris; On Finance: D. Anderson, W. B. Hall, R. Reynolds.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Association sang hymn "Ring the Bells of Heaven."

Prayer by Rev. R. Duncan.

Benediction by the Moderator.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re-assembled at 2:30 o'clock.

Moderator D. A. Gaddie D. D. in the chair.

Rev. D. Anderson read Psalm 19.

Choir sung hymn "Come to the Savior make no Delay."

Prayer by Rev. H. Brown.

Minutes of the morning session read and approved.

Hour for preaching having arrived, choir sang hymn "Savior more than Life to Me."

Rev. N. Caldwell offered prayer.

Rev. W. Johnson took for his text John 10:3—"My Sheep Hear my Voice."

Prayer by Rev. J. Roddie.

The Association was again called to order and a collection raised of 90 cents.

After reading of church letters by the clerk, the Committee on Enrollment reportedd as follows:

Churches:	Messengers;
Anchorage	J. H. Helm.
Bloomfield	W Johnson
BloomfieldBeargrass	E P Marrs
Bardstown	P Young
(I W Lawis
Centennial }	Ed Road
Centenniai	D D Monton
Christiansburg	W D Hall
Compbellah	W. D. Hall.
Campbellsburg Carrollton	J. Miley.
Carronton	Letter.
Cane Run	Letter.
Calvary	C. H. Parrish.
Eminence {	G. W. Ward.
(J. Morris.
Fox Run	N. Caldwell.
Fifth StreetSecond, FairfieldElk Creek.	J. H. Frank.
Second, Fairfield	W. Johnson.
Elk Creek	S. Mack.
Green Street (D. A. Gaddie. D. D.
	D. H. Gaddie.
Gratz	J. Roddie.
Junction's Run	N. Caldwell.
Green Castle	Letter.
Little Flock	D Anderson
Lampton Street. Mt. Eden. Maple Grove.	C. C. Bates.
Mt. Eden	S. Mack
Maple Grove	W B Morton
Mt. Olive	F. Lives
Mt. Olive New Liberty	G Ridley
(Wm Crittenton
Owenton {	T S Luchy
owenton (I Brown
Portland	T M Foulkner
Pewee Valley	D Downolds
Dant Danal	T T Manda
Port RoyalSt. Luke	J. 1. Moody.
St. Luke	
Shelbyville {	M. Allen.
	A. W. Martin,
Sandrous Station	H. Brown.
Shiloh §	C. Murphy.
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Sulphur	JRiley.
Taylorsville	Letter.
Watson, Indiana	
NEW CHURCHES.	
Parkridge	B. Swift

Owen Valley	P, O'Bannon.
Nigth Street	Wm. Jackson.
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Second, Warsaw \	J. S. Cousins.
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Cave Springs	Letter.
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On motion of Ed. Reed we go into permanent organization.

Elected by ballot. Revs. S. Smith, R. P. Morton and D. H. Gaddie were appointed Tellers.

Revs. M. Allen. W. Johnson, J. H. Frank and D. Anderson were nominated for moderator.

Rev. M. Allen was elected, C. C. Bates, Assistant Moderator; R. P. Morton, Recording Secretary; W. Johnson, Treasurer; Revs. J. H. Frank and D. Anderson were appointed as escorts.

The elected officers thanked the Association for the honors.

The Eighteenth Annual Session of the Central District Association was opened by D. A. Gaddie, D. D., reading 1 John 5.

Sang "Come we that Love the Lord."

Prayer by Rev. C. C. Bates. Resolutions by Rev. G. W. Ward.

Resolved: That the Association meet at 10 a. m.; adjourn at 12 m.; meet at 2 p. m.; adjourn at 5 p. m.; meet at 8-30 p. m. adjourn at pleasure.

Adjourned.

Benediction by G. W. Ward.

EVENING SESSION.

Moderator M. Allen called the house to order at 8 p. m.

Rev. N. Caldwell was introduced and read Psalm 1,

Choir sang "Yield not to Temptation,"

Prayer by the Alternate.

R. P. Morton, the appointee to preach the Introductory Sermon, was introduced and read as a text 2 Cor. 3:2—"Ye are Living Epistles.' Theme, "Letters which are being Read."

Rev. Wm. Miller prayed.

Collection, \$4.21.

The Association stood adjourned until 10 a. m., Wednesday.

Benediction by R. P. Morton.

Rev. S. Mack was appointed to preach at 11 a.m. J. T. Moody, alternate.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Association met at 10 a. m., July 11th, 1888.

Moderator M. Allen called the Association to order.

Rev. J. H. Frank sang "Alas! and did my Saviour Bleed," and read 1 Cor. 13.

Prayer by Rev. W. B. Hall.

Minutes were read and adopted.

The motion to have preaching at 11 o'clock was reconsidered.

The same Committee on Enrollment was retained, by adding J. H. Frank, and Finance Committee re-appointed.

Reading of the Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

New churches and annual members were admitted. C. M. Jacobs was admitted as an annual member.

Invitation was extended to Corresponding Messengers.

Rev. S. E. Smith, of the South District, and Miss, A. G. Gilbert of the Baptist Women's Educational Convention were introduced and made some appropriate remarks.

Rev. J. J. Portor, pastor of the white Baptist church, Owenton, received an introduction and spoke words of encouragement.

Hour for preaching having arrived.

Alternate J. T. Moody read John 8 and prayed.

Choir sang "A Ruler once came to Jesus by night."

Rev. S. Mack was introduced and selected Gal, 5:1—"Stand Fast."

Prayer by Rev. R. Reynolds.

Collection \$1.22.

The following Committees were appointed:

- 1. Executive Board.
- 2. Devotional Exercises.
- 3. Business.
- 4. Finance.
- 5. Ministerial Destitution.
- 6. Sunday-school.
- 7. Home and Foreign Mission.
- 8. Annual Sermon.
- 9. Circular Letter.
- 10. Obituary.
- 11. New Business.
- 12. Revision of Order and Rules.
- 13. Resolutions.
- 14. Temperance.
- 15. Printing and Distribution of Minutes.

Report of Committee on Divine Services reported as follows:

Revs. Wm. Jackson and R. Reynolds Court House at 3 p. m.,

C. C. Bates and E. P. Marrs at 8 p. m.

Adjourned.

Benediction by P. O. Bannon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Assistant Moderator, C. C. Bates, called the Association at 2:30 p.m.

Sang hymn. "There is life for a look at the Crucified one."

Rev. C. Murfey read Mark, 1.

Prayer by Rev. J. Riley.

Minutes were read and adopted.

Adjourned until 8 p. m.

Collection at the court house \$1.36.

Rev. C. H. Parrish made a touching appeal for the University.

EVENING SESSION.

Moderator M. Allen introduced the Rev. E. P. Marrs, who read 2 Chapter of the Acts of the Apostles.

Choir sang "O think of the home over there."

Prayer by Rev. E. P. Marr's.

Rev. C. C. Bates took John 3:3. Theme: "Born again and the remedy furnished."

Prayer by Rev. Chas. Murfey.

Collection \$5.61.

Rev. W. B. Hall and Wm. Miller at Court House at 11 a. m., D. Anderson and J. H. Helm at 3 p. m., Rev. C. H. Parrish and Ed. Reed at 8 p. m.

Adjourned.

Benediction by C. C. Bates.

THURSDAY MORNING

The Association assembled at the church at 10 o'clock a.m., July 12, 1888.

Moderator M. Allen in the chair.

The choir sang hymn 206, "Must Jesus bear the Cross alone?"

Rev. Chas. Munky read the 14 Chapter of John.

C. H. Parrish prayed.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

Committee on Foreign Mission reported. (See report.)

Committee on University reported. (See report.)

Executive Board reported. (See report.)

Committee on Nomination of Executive

Board reported. (See report.)

Committee on Temperance reported. (See report.)

The Association sang "Bless be the Tie that binds our Hearts in Christian Love."

Benediction by Rev. D. Anderson.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re-assembled at 2 p. m.

The Assistant Moderator, C. C. Bates in the chair.

The choir sang hymn 251 "A Ruler once came to Jesus by night." Prayer by Rev. E. P. Marrs.

Minutes of the morning session read and adopted.

The Missionary P. O'Bannon made his report. (See report.)

Committee on Obituary reported. (See report.)

Committee on Correspondence reported.

Committee on Ministerial Destitution reported.

Committee on Superanuated Ministers reported.

The report was amended by striking out so much of the report as referred to the University by Rev. J. H. Frank.

Committee on Time and Place reported.

Rev. J H. Frank put Carrollton in nomination.

Rev. G. W. Ward put Warsaw in nomination.

The Association decided to go to Warsaw.

Committee on next Annual Sermon reported.

Committee on Home Missions reported.

The appointment and maintenance of a Missionary referred to the Executive Board.

Christian greetings were read from the Consolidated Educational Association.

Revs. E. P. Marrs, R. P. Morton and D. A. Gaddie, D. D. were appointed to send christian greetings to the Consolidated Educational Association.

Collection 76 cents,

Adjourned until 8 p. m., by singing "I love Thy Kingdom Lord." Benediction by G. W. Ward.

NIGHT SESSION.

Moderator M. Allen called the Association to order at 8 o'clock to hear a sermon from Rev. C. H. Parrish and Ed. Reed Alternate.

Licentiate Ed. Reed read 1 Timothy 3 Chapter.

Song "Must Jesus bear the Cross alone."

Prayer.

Rev. C. H. Parrish was introduced and took as a text Job 35:10,

Theme "Songs in the night time."

The sermon was both logical and interesting.

Committee on resolutions made their report.

Collections \$7.02.

Benediction by Rev. C. H. Parrish.

FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The Association convened at 8 a. m., July 13th, 1888.

Moderator M. Allen in the chair.

Song "Oh for a closer walk with God."

Prayer by Rev. D. A. Gaddie, D.D.

The minutes of the previous meeting were postponed until the close of the Session.

Rev. Gillard, pastor of the M. E. Church, was introduced to the Association.

Finance Committee made their report.

The Brethren who were to preach at the several places of worship, were authorized to collect the proceeds and divide the same between the Owenton church and the Association,

Resolution by Rev. G. W. Ward.

Resolve that we have six-hundred minutes printed and that all mone's, after the expenses of the association, shall be turned over to the Treasurer of the General Association, to be paid on the floating debt of the General Association.

Circular Letter was read and ordered to be printed.

The American Baptist was adopted as the organ of the Association.

Adjourned to meet at the Court House.

Collection \$1.30.

Ed. Reed sang "Alas! and did my Saviour Bleed."

Prayer by Rev. Wm. Jackson.

Licentiate Ed. Reed selected a text from Prov. 18:24, Theme: "True Friendship."

The sermon was grand.

Collection \$2.18.

Rev. G. W. Ward preached at the Court House.

Collection \$4.30.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Association met at 8 p. m.

Moderator M. Allen in the chair.

Rev. D. Anderson sang hymn 71, "How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds," and prayed.

Rev. D. A. Gaddie D. D., then selected his text from Prov. 22:23, Theme: "Christianity and Temperance."

The Lecture was interesting and crowded with facts.

Revs. J. J. Porter and Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, of the white Baptist church, was introduced and made some very strong points on the question of Temperance.

Collection \$21.48.

Committee on Finance made their report.

The Association adjourned to meet with the Warsaw Baptist church, Tuesday, before the third Lord's day in July 1889.

The parting hand was given in the midst of the greatest solemnity.

Rev. Wm. Miller prayed.

Benediction by Rev. D. A. Gaddie. D. D.

The Spirit of God seems to pervade in all of the acts of the brethren.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Rev. C. H. Parrish at white church morning, Collection \$17,25.

Licentiate R. P. Morton at colored church morning.

Rev. J. W. Lewis at colored church night,

M. ALLEN, MODERATOR.

R. P. MORTON, Recording Secretary.

Synopsis of the Finance report.

Churches brought forward	30.25. 46.73.
Amount received	
Balance in Treasury Paid out the following:	\$137.63.
Sexton	. 20.00.
.E. P. Marr's stamps and paper	1.06.

——Report of the Executive Board.——

Dear Brethren: We are glad to say that the Lord has blessed us since our last meeting. Though we have met many conflicts. We are proud to say that God has left us in a state of harmony, and we have tried to do our duty towards the Association by carrying its objects into effect. We may well say that the Association lost part of its missionary power, when in the providence of God. Rev. Warren Lewis was moved into another world. The missionary appointed at Bardstown, Ky., tendered his reisgnation about the first of May. 1888. We attempted to fill the vacancy by electing Rev. T. J. Smith, of Ghent, Ky., but failed to succeed. Therefore we recommend that another be appointed by this body.

We also recommend that a permanent provision be established in this Association, by which our Missionary may receive some pay for their labors. We are thankful to the Home Mission Board for such great assistance as have been offerd by them to pay the indebtness of our University at Louisville, Ky. We truly hope that this district will do its part. Brethren, let us do our best to pay the debt. Our race greatly needs that Institution, and if we have an interest in the race, we cannot deny it assistance. We know there have been some mistakes made in regards to the Educational Work. Brethren, every race must obtain an experience in its own efforts made to elevate itself, and the progress of every race is depending upon itself. Therefore our race needs to be govern itself, and Education is necessary to good government. It is said that Education must forever be encouraged. If we wish our race success, then we must wish for it to be educated. And if we wish it educated, we must work to supply it with Institutions of learning. So we can readily see that we must spend our money. I would much rather die without money than to die in darkness. So brethren let us do our best to pay the debts of our University at Louisville, Ky.

Oor Financial report brought forward from July 1887 to July-1888:

July	16th,	in Treasury	\$ 88.00.
"	"	E. P. Marrs for service rendered	20.00.
• •	" "	A. W. Martin,""	3.00.
"	"	For printing minutes,	41.00.
"		For African Mission,	12.00,
"	"	Sexton,	2.00.
Due	E.]	enditures, P. Marrs, n Treasury,	\$ 78.00. 1.06. 10.00.

J. H. Helm. E. P. Marrs. R. Reynolds. Wm. Miller. W. B. Hall. W. Johnson. Committee on next Annual Sermon beg leave to report that we recommend Rev. W. B. Hall to preach the introductory sermon, Rev. W. Johnson his Alternate.

A. W. Martin.
P. Young.
J. T. Moody.
J. S. Cousins.

Committee.

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

We, your Committee on Correspondence, make the following report: To the General Association, E. P. Marrs.

To the General Association of Kentucky, Baptist (white), Rev. D. A. Gaddie, D. D.

To the First District Association, C. H. Parrish.

To the General Association of Ohio, John H. Frank.

To the District Association (white), Nelson County, W. Johnson.

To the Concord Association (white), P. O'Bannon.

To the South District Association, R. Reynolds,

To the Franklin County Association (white), J. W. Lewis.

To the Shelby County Association (white), M. Allen.

To the Mt. Pleasant Association (white), C. C. Bates.

To the Consolidated Association, W. B. Hall.

G. W. Ward. Isaac Brown. W. M. Crittenden. H. Brown,

Committee.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL DESTITUTION.

We, your Committee on Ministerial Destitution, beg leave to report the following:

We find that the Baptist church at Lagrange, Maple Grove and Samual Depot have no pastors, and the counties of Grant and Tremble are destitute places as there is not a Baptist church in the whole counties. We also understand that there is a splended field at Pleasure ville to utilize Henry County. The Committee feels glad to report that the fields are being rapidly filled by the ministers of this district.

E. P. Marrs.
W. Johnson.
J. H. Helm.
W. B. Hall.
Committee.

We, your Committee on Executive Board recommend the following brethren for the ensuing year:

E. P. Marrs, J Riley, J. H. Helm, W. B. Hall, J. W. Lewis, R. P. Morton, W. Johnson.

T. M. Faulkner.R. Duncan.J. Riley.W. B. Morton.

Committee.

COMMITTEE ON ORBITUARY.

We, your Committee on Orbituary beg leave to submit the following: As the "Great I Am," has seen fit in his allwise providence to remove from our midst by death, Rev. Warren Lewis, Rev. T. J. Buckly, Rev. J. H. Hughes since our last session. Highly esteemed Ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, who has been an honor to the Association and a blessing to their people. Therefore, be it Resolved by the Central District Association that we earnestly and sincerely feel our loss. Submitting all things to the great head of the Church we say the Masters will be done. Be it further resolved, that we tender to their churches and their families in their hour of grief and sadness, our deepest sympath s commanding upon them God's richest blessings.

J. W. Lewis. P. O'Bannon. Ed. Reed.

Committee.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSION.

We, your Committee on Foreign Mission submit to the following:
Brethren of the Central District Association:—You appointed us
upon as a Committee, one of the most important subjects of this honorable body; Foreign Missions. A Mission for magnitude is second to none
on earth. For importants it stands out beyond all other Missions. The
government send their Missionaries or ministers to Foreign Nations to
represent their interest at their Foreign Courts, and to demand justice
and to present peace for the benefit of their own subjects. But the
Government of Heaven in the language of her King and law giver
with words as appears of Gold in pictures of silver.

After He had arranged and balanced account with divine justice, and had full title claim, a receipt to all the on the account of the precious price that He had paid for the redemption of the world in His own Precious Blood. The last words on earth of Him who spoke as never man spoke was Foreign Mission. The Gospel of Christ cannot stay in a corner. It must take wings of the morning. There are a thousand things that men of God or the Christian world may be indifferent to, they may pass them by as things of naught and many not see



anything in them that should claim their attention, but not so with the Christian religion. We both see and feel that it is our duty and ffrst pleasure to preach the Gospel of Christ, not only at home, but, also abroad. This next duty upon us errespective of consequences. They were poor men that God entrusted His word with, so their deep poverty abounded unto the richest of their liberality. But to talk about this matter is not enough. Therefore, we should help in this good work. We should become worked up to this high and imperitive duty and put our word, our feelings and our thoughts into practical operation. God requires this of us and we cannot deny it. Since the colored Baptists of the United States have a Foreign Mission Board established in the United States, and are doing the Masters work in the Foreign Lands, and also that some Board will meet in Nashville, Tenn., September; Be it theoefore Resolved that the Central District Association shall become a member of that body by the payment of such a sum of money as is neccessary to become a member, providing that sum does not exceed \$5.00, and that a messenger be appointed from this body to meet that body. The asme to be indicated in this report.

Resolved, That we recommend to the churches to raise a sum of money to be sent to the Executive Board for the Foreign Mission work,

to be sent to the Foreign Convention by onr representative.

D. A. Gaddie, D. D. E. P. Mather. W. B. Hall. P. O'Bannon.

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Committee.

COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSION.

We, your Committee on Home Mission submit the following:

Having looked over the field with care, we find that much good could be done. We find that the work has been neglected. The Baptists have the opportunity of doing much good, and if they only would keep a man in the field who is filled with the Holy Ohost much good would be accomplished. We must say that most all the missionaries that have been appointed heretofore were seekers for a church, rather than having the Mission work at heart. We recommend that this Association appoint a man who has the work at heart and who will wholy devote himself to the cause. We further recommend that a better plan be adopted to support the Missionary than has been heretofore. That this great and noble work may be done.



R. Reynolds.

J. Morris.

C. J. Mnrphy. J. Kiles.

Committee.

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COMMITTEE ON OLD MINISTERS.

We, your Committee on Superantiated Ministers submit the follow-

ing:

We find none in the Ministry who have become disabled by their age, but some are becoming very ageable. Therefore, we recommend that a fund be raised and reserved for such as may come under this head. We must care for the needy, especially those who have become needy by sacrificing their time and means by preaching the Gospel.

T. S. Lusby. S. Mack.

G. Ford.

Committee.

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

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We, your Committee on Temperance submit the following:

Whereas, it is well known that the traffic of intoxicating liquors is one of the greatest curses in our land. It is opposed to the prosperity of our churches. It was much of the money that aught to go to the cause of Chaist in the way of Mission and Education. It is demoralizing to many of our church members. Therefore.

Resolved, That we as an Association are uncompromisingly opposed to the liquor traffic, and most earnestly request all the ministers and church members to take a strong stand against it, and do all they can to rid our

land of this feariful evil.

T. S. Lusby.
P. O'Bannon.
Wm. Jackson.
J. Riley.
R. Swift.
G. W. Word

G. W. Ward. J. S. Cousins.

Committee.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following: Whereas the good people of Owenton have been so kind as to throw open their doors and have invited us in and made us welcome to their homes, too much can not be said of their kindness; therefore be it

Resolved, That we return a vote of thanks for the hospitality shown towards us.

Resolved, That we return a vote of thanks to Mr. Cox and Company for their kindness in giving us reduced rates over their rode.

Resolved, That we return a vote of thanks to the L. and N. R. R. Company for their kindness in giving us reduced rates over their road; and further be it

Resolved, That we thank the judge and jailor for the use of the court house.

Resolved, That we pay the secretary \$20.

Resolved, That we pay the sexton \$3 and all other necessary expenses.

G. W. Ward, W. B. Hall.

Sub-Missionary's Report.

Dear brethren of the Central District Association, I must call your attention to the mission work. It is of great importance. Much good has been done but the work has not been pressed forward as it should have been. I think not a member of this Association needs to ask why more has not been done but ask himself what have I done to advance the cause. I report as follows:

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Miles Traveled
Money Received on the Field\$17.15
Money paid out for Traveling\$11.15
Remaining to myself,\$6,00
Funerals preached19
Sermons preached
Aided in organizing one church.

Respectfully Submitted,

P. O'Bannon, Sub-Missionary

___STATE UNIVERSITY.®__

The State University still survives, while those Institutions whose surroundings though more favorable, have ceased to be; and we humbly pray that it may live long, a token of zeal, industry and self-sacrificing spirit of the faithful few whose denomination pride has kept it these many dark days in operation. Having stanggled on through these years of adversity, the Association cannot afford now when the man of prosperity is peering above the horizon to relax its hold and allow its realous spirit to abate. A burning shame, a standing disgrace, an eating cancer upon the body, acclesione will be that lack of educational opposition. University is a moulding power in the state and a sign of progressiveness in the denomination. If such now, with all its besetments, \$15000 indebtedness, Labers in churches, cold ministers, surely greater good will ensue, when these incumberances are no more. It is with no small degree of pride that we are in glorina anticipation hail the day. The Lord God whose intelligent operations are seen by all and "whose mercy endureth forever" has opened the door of encouragement by raising up friends, whose proffered aid a gift of \$7,500 is a stimulus to renewed efforts, an inspiration to greater activites in the liquidation of the indebtedness and the removal of other hinderances. While piety and excellence of character have no necessary relation to hatellectives. culture. All men are irresistibly lead to acknowledge that a religious education such as the Burversity is designed to afford, is of perentount importance in the pereduction and maintainee of a well ordered community, that social, domestic, civil, moral and raligious excellence has a necessary relation to physical development.

Mental expansion and heart culture, the threefold aspect all true learning. And that the history of civilization and experience of the people abundantly demon-

strates, that no denomition progresses, except by its adhearance to and sustainance of institutions, where branches of circular and sacred knowledge are taught to God's glory. That our school is laying a broad and abiding foundation of pious intelligence in the general mind of the students, that the tutors are earnest and progressive, striving not for flashy accomplishments, but for lofty attainanting and aid that the denomination shall yet raise high the standard of light, we verily believe this year as in other years young men and women were graduated from Normal and College departments, of whom we expect great things and pray that the churches will realize their obligations to appropriate moneys, aid, defend and encourage the University Societies and whose rapid strides has aided the perfection of our educational faculties.

 $\label{eq:Committee} \mbox{Committee}: \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mbox{Rev. J. A. Frank,} \\ \mbox{R. P. Moton,} \\ \mbox{Ed. Reed.} \end{array} \right.$



CIRCULAR LETTER.

Dear Brethren of the Central District Association: Having been appointed by you to write the Circular Letter of the 18th annual session of this Association, I must confess that it is with no little degree of interest that I undertake this task I feel it one of the most important subjects of this assembly. I scarcel know what to say since there is so good much to be said. When I take a retrospective view of our work and see how much has been done, and how few workers we had in the beginning of this great work, and the many disadvantages and embarrasing circumstances through which the work was done; I am made to say truly the Lord must have been in the work, for we have done much towards converting the world to the Lord, and much towards elevating our people. In every way we have striven hard to dig down the mountain, until we have succeeded in makeing the road level. And yet when I look at the work before us, I feel that there is no time to spend in idleness, but that each of us need to be up and a doing. The Master stands crying each hour go in my vineyard and work. Brethren we need to be faithful in the work of the Lord. When we consider that our work is the work of the Lord, which is fast converting the world to the Lord. Brethren, to us this work is intrusted, and too much preparation to do this good work cannot be made. We are contending with the world; should we not be equal to it in knowledge, ought we not to have as keen a sword, and as good implements of war as those whom we are to fight? I answer yes. We need a better informed ministry, to stand with the better informed people of this world, and shall we not have them? Shall we not make them of ourselves? The time is ours, and why not improve our time: the people are calling for such men, and God has prepared a way for them, and unless we make of ourselves what we ought to be, we will be forced to take the back seat. Now think of the many schools and colleges throughout this country. Has not God given them to us? Yes, and for no other purpose than that we should educate ourselves. A word respecting our University at Louisville, I consider it a God given blessing to the Colored people in the State of Ky. and we should feel proud of it. Moreover as pastors of the various churches of this Association; we should more strongly urge our young aspirants to the work of the gospel ministry, to attend that school at least until they become an English scholar. Not less than one hundred young ministers should be in attendance annually. Now bretheren if we discharge our duty, we can have them there next session. Let us pledge ourselves to increase the number of young ministers in school next year. In conclusion, Brethren let us do more in the future than we have in the past. God will more abundantly bless our work.

D. Anderson.



Central District Sunday-School Convention.

The Central District Sunday School Convention met with the Owenton Baptist Sunday School, July 12, 1888, at 4 p. m., Chairman D. A. Gaddie called the Convention to order.

Read 122 Psalmn.

Sang hymn 310.

Rev. S. E. Smith offered prayer.

The following Committees were appointed:

Committee on Enrollment, Rev. E. P. Marrs, Miss Alice Hardin and C. B. Casiman; Committee on Finance, Rev. J. H. Helm, Miss Mattie Dellen and H. Walker.

Proceeded to read letters from the various schools, after which the Committee on Enrollment made their report, which was adopted.

Committee on Finance made their report which was adopted.

Motion to go into permanent organization. (Carried.)

Moved that T. S. Lusby be elected chairman by ballot. (Carried.)

Moved that E. D. Reed be elected Assistant Chairman by acclamation. (Carried.)

Miss A. M. Hardin was elected Secretary by ballot.

Miss Mattie Dellen was elected Treasurer.

The officers were thankful to the Convention for honor conferred upon them.

Adjourned to meet at 10 a. m., Friday morning, July 13th, 1888. Sang doxology.

Benediction by the Chairman.

MORNING SESSION.

Friday morning July 13th, 1888.

The Central District Sunday School Convention met with the Owenton Baptist Sunday School.

The chairman Protem, Rev. G. W. Ward called the Convention to order at 10 a. m.

Rev. J. H. Frank read Prov., 12 Chapter.

Prayer by Ed. Reed. Hymn 275.

Rev. E. P. Marrs was appointed to escort the new elected officers to their places.

Motion that D. A. Gaddie and A. W. Martin become annual members of the convention, after which proceeded to read letters.

On motion new schools was received with greetings after adjournment, in order to meet at 2 p. m.

Sang Hymn 300.

Dismissed by Rev. W, B. Hall.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met at 2 p. m.

President in the chair.

T. S.Lusby sang Hymn 80.

Prayer by Rev. J. H. Helm, after which we proceeded to reading the remaining letters.

Committee on Enrollment made their report. (Adopted.)

Committee on Finance made their report. (Adopted.)

Committee on Time and Place of next meeting made their report as follows:

We recommend that the Convention meet with the Warsaw Baptist Sunday School on Thursday before the third Lord's day in July. 1889. (Report adopted.)

H. Walker. Rev. P. O'Bannon. Church Motion.

Committee on Temperance reported as follows:

First, recommend that every Sabbath School scholar should be a Temperance worker in order to promote the cause of Christ and his kingdom on earth. Second, we recommend that every Sabbath School teacher should visit their pupils. Third, that the preachers hurl Temperance from the pulpits.

G. W. Ward.Miss Alice Harden.C. B. Castleman.

Committee.

Committee on Periodicals made the following report:

We have investigated various Journals that are being published for religious purposes among our people, and at length have arrived at a conclusion that the Journal for our good is one that is strictly religious and clear of prejudice and baptist; in view such Journal is found sailing under the title of the American Baptist published at Louisville, Ky. Therefore, be it Resolved that we adopt the American Baptist as our Journal and do all in our power to maintain it. Second, we recommend the International Lessons to be used in our various Sunday Schools. (Report adopted.)

D. A. Gaddie.
Agustus Lawson,
Mattie Dillon.
Miss L. Vandyke.
Church Motion.
Wm. Miller.

Committee.

Committee on University reported as follows:

Resolved, That we re-affirm the pledges allready made by this Convention by useing every possible means to foster the interest of educational work of this State. Second, that we believe that in order to have our children religiously educate, the ones who train them must be religiously educated. Third, and for this cause we recommend that as many as can avail themselves with the opportunity, attend the State University in the city of Louisville, Kentucky.

E. P. Marrs. W. B. Hall. J. Morris. J. H. Helm. Lue. Vandyke. E. Millton.

Committee.

Committee on Resolutions report as follows:

1. Resolved, That we return a vote of thanks to the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company for reduced fare over their roads.

2. Resolved, That we return a vote of thanks to the F. A. Cox & Co...

for their reduced rates over their Buss line.

3. Resolved, That we pay the Sexton 75 cents for his service.

4. Resolved, That we pay the Secretary \$3.00.

5. Resolved, That we return a vote of thanks to the citizens of Owenton, both white and colored, for their kind and hospitable manner in which they have treated us while in their midst.

A. G. Gilbert.
R. P. Morton.
J. W. Lewis.
A. W. Martin.
C. H. Parrish.

Committee.

A motion prevailed that all of the money collected in this Convention, except what it takes to pay the expenses of the convention, be turned into the hands of the Treasurer of the Central District Association.

The Treasurer of the Convention paid over to the Treasurer of the Association, Rev. W. Johnson \$11.24.

Motion to meet with the Warsaw Baptist Sunday-school, Thursday before the third Lord's day in July, 1889.

T. S. Lusby, President, Alice Hardin, Secretary.

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