

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TENTH ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

WISEMAN ASSOCIATION

OF BAPTISTS,

HELD WITH

ROCKY MOUND CHURCH,

Macon County, Tenn., September 18, 19 and 20, 1901.

Next Meeting to be Held With Shady Grove Church, Trousdale County, Tenn., Wednesday Before Fourth Sunday in September, 1902.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON,

J. S. PARDUE.

ALTERNATE,

G. W. SHERMAN.

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 18, 1901.—MORNING SESSION.

The messengers composing the Wiseman Baptist Association met with the Baptist church at Rocky Mound, Macon county, Tenn., Wednesday, Sept. 18, 1901, at 10 o'clock A. M. After singing and prayer by Rev. W. H. Smith, brother J. J. Dyer preached the introductory sermon: text Luke xxiv, 24. After the sermon, brother Lambert, Moderator, called the Association to order. Bros. J. M. Wilkes and J. W. Dorris were selected to read letters from the various churches, and the following messengers responded:

Bledsoe—J S Pardue, J M Thompson and J M Padue.
Cedar Bluff—J D White, D H White.
Corum Hill—A D Robinson.
Chestnut Grove—No intelligence.
Dixon Creek—W S Oldham.
Friendship—P F Burnley, J B Carey and W T Duffer.
Good-Will—A H Blackwell and J W Harper.
Hartsville—W C Fitzpatrick, G W Sherman and J F. Lee.
Hillsdale—J J Dyer and R A Gammon.
New Hopewell—W M S Wilkes, R F Byrn and J M Wilkes.
La Fayette—M B Freeman, W M Gammon and V A Sanders.
Long Creek—G W Jenkins, W X Johnson and T F Meador.
Meadorville—G W Claiborne and Charles Gregory.
Mount Olivet—No intelligence.
New Harmony—J F Lambert, Gus Fuqua and R L Ragland.
Pleasant Grove—R Y Hawkins, C N Simmons and W A Dorris.
Sweet Home—No intelligence.
Rock Bridge—J W Dorris, T O Simpson and A S Ashlock.
Rocky Mound—J E Everton, C B Massey and J W Meador.
Shady Grove—D S Reed.
Siloam—L F Minix and E A Harrison.
Spring Creek—R P Dillard, W A Goad and T W Fishborn.
Zion—No intelligence.

The Association was then regularly organized by electing Hon. Morgan C. Fitzpatrick Moderator, and re-electing David S. Reed, Clerk, and W. M. Gammon, Treasurer.

Petitioning letters were called for, and there was none presented to the Association.

The following visiting brethren were present and invited to seats with the Association:

New Salem—None. Liberty Association—W H Smith. Enon Association—none.
Bays Fork Association—J S Meador, E J Keene, J I. Lawrence, H W Gent and W E Howell. Barren River Association—W T Devasher.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS.

Upon motion, Moderator Fitzpatrick appointed the regular committees as follows:

- 1: Religious Literature—W H Smith, Ch., W H Goad and L F Minix.
- 2: Education—G W Sherman, Ch., J B Carey and Gus Fuqua.

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- 3: Sunday Schools and Colportage--G. S. Fuqua, Ch., J. M. Pardue and G. W. Jenkins.
- 4: District Missions--The Ex. Board.
- 5: State Missions--P. F. Burnley, Ch., M. B. Freeman and D. H. White.
- 6: Home Missions--W. M. S. Wilkes, Ch., J. L. Hawkins and J. M. Wilkes.
- 7: Foreign Missions--J. S. Pardue, Ch., W. T. Devasher and A. H. Blackwell.
- 8: Temperance--J. F. Lee, Ch., J. W. Fleming and A. S. Ashlock.
- 9: Orphans' Home--W. M. Gammons, Ch., R. Y. Hawkins and J. E. Overton.
- 10: Ministerial Relief--R. L. Ragland, Ch., C. B. Massey and R. Y. Hawkins.
- 11: State of Religion--C. N. Simmons, Ch., J. J. Dyer and J. F. Lambert.
- 12: Obituaries--W. M. S. Wilkes, Ch., Joe Simmons and T. W. Fishburn.
- 13: Correspondence--W. A. Dorris, Ch., W. S. Oldham and G. W. Clalbourne.
- 14: Resolutions--J. W. Dorris, Ch., J. M. Wilkes, P. F. Burnley, T. B. Simpson and W. S. Oldham.

W. M. S. WILKES, }
 J. F. LEE, } Com.
 J. F. LAMBERT, }

On motion, it was ordered that the body adjourn until 1:30 P. M.
 Prayer by W. M. S. Wilkes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After singing and prayer by G. W. Sherman, Moderator Fitzpatrick called the Association to order and proceeded with the regular business.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your committee on Religious Literature, submit the following report:
 As the mind, like the body, must be fed, and like the body, will partake of trash in the absence of wholesome food, we would heartily recommend that every family in our churches in addition to the Bible, take and read one or more sound Baptist papers. We heartily recommend such papers as the Baptist and Reflector, Liberty Baptist, Western Recorder and Baptist Flag; and for Sunday Schools the series of helps published by the Southern Baptist Convention and American Baptist Publication Society.

W. H. SMITH, }
 W. A. GOAD, } Com.
 J. F. LAMBERT, }

After being ably discussed by Rev. W. H. Smith, J. F. Lambert, C. N. Simmons, J. J. Dyer and others, adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We, your committee, submit the following report:
 We, your committee, rejoice that ignorance is no longer a universal stigma upon, nor the boasted pride of Baptists, but that as a matter of fact, the Baptist denomination has schools, colleges and universities for both male and female education second to none in the world for general, specific and universal education, while our theological seminaries offer the best facilities to our ministers for training along that line.
 It is with a feeling of humble pride that we can say to the world that the Baptists have more money invested in educational institutions than any Protestant denomination in this government. We would also suggest that our brethren would be more diligent in sending their sons and daughters to our own schools for we do not believe there is anywhere a better place to be educated than in our own schools.

While we are proud of all our schools, we only mention the Southwestern University of Jackson, Carson and Newman College of Jefferson City, Brownsville Female College, and Bethel College, at Russellville, Ky.

G. W. SHERMAN, }
 J. B. CAREY, } Com.
 G. S. FUQUA, }

After being effectually and ably discussed by Bros. G. W. Sherman, W. H. Smith, J. F. Lambert, P. F. Burnley and others, adopted.

On motion it was ordered that the Association would meet at 9 o'clock, A. M.; and adjourn at 4 o'clock, P. M., each day.

The committee on Devotional exercises made the following announcements:

Bro. W. H. Smith to preach at this church to-night, brother W. T. Devasher at Gline's school house to-night, and brother G. W. Sherman at this church Thursday at eleven o'clock, A. M.

On motion it was ordered that we adjourn to meet at nine o'clock, A. M., Thursday morning. Prayer by brother C. N. Simmons.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1901.—MORNING SESSION.

After singing, and prayer by brother J. S. Pardue, the Moderator called the roll of delegates. A quorum being present, the Association proceeded with the regular business.

The Clerk read the Rules of Decorum.

On motion, it was ordered that the Association dispense with the regular order of business and select a place for the next Association to meet, and to select a brother to preach the introductory sermon.

Shady Grove church was selected for holding the next Association, brother J. S. Pardue to preach the introductory sermon and G. W. Sherman, alternate.

The Association then proceeded with the regular business.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

We, your committee on Sunday Schools and Colportage Work submit the following report: We are sorry so few churches report Sabbath schools. It seems to us too important a work to be neglected, as it seems to be from the reading of the letters from the various churches. We would recommend that the messengers return home and try to work up a live Sunday school in each church in our bounds so each church may report a good Sabbath school at the next Association.

As to a colporter, we believe that there is a great work that could be accomplished by a wide-awake colporter in our bounds. We would say that the Executive Board tried the past year to arouse the churches to the importance of putting a colporter in the field, but received little encouragement from the churches. They wrote A. J. Holt, of Nashville, on the subject and he proposed if the board would do a little he would furnish the literature and do the rest; but we could not get any means to do our part. We would recommend that the messengers of this Association, when they return home, will work up an interest in this cause.

Gus Fuqua, }
J. M. Pardue, } Com.
G. W. Jenkins, }

After being discussed by Bros. J. S. Pardue, W. H. Smith, J. M. Wilkos, C. B. Massey, H. W. Gent, P. F. Burnley, J. J. Dyer and M. C. Fitzpatrick, adopted.

Bro. J. M. Wilkes offered following resolutions on mission interests:

Resolved, That the churches be called, and the messengers suggest one of their members as a missionary agent from this Association to his church and that he pledge himself to get his church to appoint with him at least two others who will represent all the mission interests fostered by the denomination, securing from the church contributions monthly, for these great interests, letting each contributor elect to which branch of the work his donation shall go, and sending the amounts forward quarterly to the board having charge of that particular branch of the work.

J. M. Wilkes.

Resolutions on Colportage and Sunday School work:

Resolved, That the Executive Board of this Association secure the services of a good and efficient man to work as colporter in the bounds of the same and that he be also recognized as our Sunday School agent laboring to establish and build up Sunday schools in every church in our bounds. And to this end, we, the messengers now composing this body, pledge our respective churches to place in the hands of the board by December 1, 1901, the sum of not less than \$2.00 from each church for the prosecution of this work. (Adopted.)

The following was pledged by the messengers of the churches named:

Dixon Creek	\$2.00	Long Creek	\$2.00
Friendship	5.00	Meadorville	2.00
Good Will	2.00	New Harmony	2.00
Hartsville	5.00	Pleasant Grove	2.00
Hillsdale	2.00	Rock Bridge	2.00
New Hopewell	5.00	Rocky Mound	2.00
Bledsoe	2.00	Shady Grove	5.00
La Fayette	2.00	Siloam	2.00
Spring Creek	2.00		

On motion it was ordered that all reports on missions be read and discussed together.

On motion the body adjourned until 1:15 P. M.
Prayer by W. H. Smith.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After singing, and prayer by J. F. Lambert, the Moderator called the Association to order and proceeded with the regular business.

The committee on devotional exercises announced that Bro. R. P. Dillard would preach at the school house at 3 P. M., Bro. H. P. Gent at this church to-night, and Bros. J. S. Pardue and W. A. Goad at Cline's school house to-night.

REPORT ON DISTRICT MISSIONS.

We, your committee on District Missions, submit the following report; The board has done but little work the past year. We have done what work that has been done at Sweet Home; while this is a district field, there are other places that have been asking the board for help, and while we feel that they needed help, yet the board was unable to render them any assistance for the want of means. The board had on hand from the last Association \$7.55, and received from the churches this year \$15.63: Total, \$23.18. for services rendered by J. J. Dyer at Sweet Home we paid \$8.00; for services by C. B. Massey, \$5.00; for postage, 61c; total, \$13.67. Balance on hand, \$9.49.

Your board hopes that during the next associational year the churches will take more interest in the district work so as to help our weak places to become stronger.

GUS FUQUA,
W. K. JOHNSON, } Com.
J. W. HARPER, }

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REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We, your committee submit the following report: There is an adage, "Charity should begin at home," and while we would not say anything to detract from foreign or home missions, we feel that our own beautiful state, of which every Tennessean should be proud, has been sadly neglected in the amount contributed to state missions.

This Association in 1899, with a membership of 1,600, only paid \$27.04, and in 1900 only paid \$35.00 for state missions. We urge upon the brethren to let their donations be more freely for state missions so that the state can be taken for Christ by the Baptists of Tennessee. We notice from the papers that the Mormons are getting a following in this state, and we ask that the brethren discountenance them in every instance, thereby stopping their purpose in the state as much as possible.

P. F. BURNLEY,
M. B. FREEMAN, } Com.
D. H. WHITE,

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your committee on foreign missions submit the following report: we regret to have published in our minutes and send out to the world our report that we have given only \$29.42 this year to foreign missions and only \$109.82 to all mission departments, an average of less than one cent per member per year. "Ye are my friends if you do whatsoever I command you," John xiv, 15. Are we his friends? We do hope and pray that our churches may be aroused from their lethargy and that we may greatly increase our contributions to foreign missions the next associational year.

JOHN S. PARDUE,
W. T. DEVASHER, } Com.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We, your committee on home missions, which includes the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention and Cuba, report there was in 1900, Missionaries employed, 671; Churches and stations, 2168; Baptisms, 5698, Total additions, 11951; New churches established, 195; Sunday schools organized, 639; Teachers and pupils, 24675; Bibles and Testaments distributed, 18412; Tracts distributed, 1534740; cash received, \$79366.68. Tennessee has received in cash from the home board, \$2500.00.

From the foregoing we see there is a great work being accomplished by a great people with whom we, as an Association by resolution years ago, agreed to co-operate. Upon examination of the reports from the letters from the churches, composing this body, we find, however, that only 7 churches out of a total of 23, gave anything to this cause, and the total from the 7 churches was the exceedingly small sum of about \$25, an average for the whole body of 1½ cent per member. Indeed for all the mission interests, we contributed for 1901, the sum of 7½ cents per member.

Brethren, what shall we do to arouse our people to a sense of duty with reference to this all important work? We need something practical, a move that will result in causing us to do instead of to say and do not.

We recommend that our fifth Sunday meeting be continued and that our ministry be used to organize in connection therewith a ministers conference, and that our day at these meetings be devoted by the ministry, together with the members present, looking first to an awakening of our teachers to the vast importance of these interests. This accomplished, we believe it will be only a question of time when the churches will begin to respond in a way never witnessed before.

W. M. S. WILKES,
J. M. WILKES, } Com.
J. L. HAWKINS,

After being ably discussed by Bros. G. Fuqua, C. B. Massay, P. F. Burnley, H. W. Gent, J. S. Pardue, J. J. Dyer, W. T. Devasher, W. M. S. Wilkes and G. W. Sherman, adopted.

On motion, it was ordered that the Fifth Sunday meeting be put in to the hands of the Executive Board.

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, the whole nation is in deep grief over the assassination of our beloved

President, Wm McKinley, which sad event occurred Friday, Sept 6, 1901, at Buffalo, N. Y., then be it resolved

First—That we express our grief by a rising vote of this body, and declare our belief that our martyred President was a Christian gentleman of rare type.

Second—That we enter deeply into the deep affliction which has befallen his family, and especially his invalid companion, who at this hour is in the grief of burying "Our President," and her devoted husband.

Third—That we condemn in no uncertain terms the dastardly deed of the foul assassin who so cowardly murdered a great and good man

After a very affectionate prayer by brother G. W. Sherman, adopted.

The Association adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Friday morning, Sept. 20, 1901. Prayer by G. W. Sherman.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1901.

After singing, and prayer by C. N. Simmons, the Moderator announced the Association ready for business. The Clerk read the Rules of Decorum.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee, are gratified to note the sturdy growth along temperance lines. Your committee knows of nothing that is working the ruin and blight and detriment to the cause of Christ as intemperance. Intemperance or drunkenness is crystalizing around the saloon which is nothing but the den of vice, the church's greatest enemy, legalized corruption and the breathing holes of hell.

The committee esteems it a credit to any man who can truthfully say he has never been in one of these dens of corruption, and does not know the taste of whiskey. Your committee would recommend that all of our churches instruct, exhort and admonish any and all members who frequent saloons or drink liquor, and if they persist in their evil example, to exclude them as a dishonor to God and the cause of Christ. We further recommend that our brethren be careful how they vote and see to it that they vote for no one except those whom they have reason to believe will fight liquor and dram drinking. Your committee would further recommend that this body change the name of this committee from Temperance to Prohibition.

J. F. LEE, }
A. S. ASHLOCK } Com.
J. W. FLEMING, }

After being ably discussed by brothers J. F. Lee, J. F. Lambert, G. W. Sherman, V. A. Sanders, J. E. Overton, W. M. Gammon and M. C. Fitzpatrick, adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANS' HOME.

No one will question the absolute duty of all human beings who are able, to help the helpless. James tells us that in this consists pure and undefiled religion. But this should not be limited to religious people. The ordinary instincts of human nature prompt us to help the helpless. In seeking to comply with this noble instinct, there have been established by all benevolent governments, asylums for the blind, deaf, dumb, insane, and the paupers. But the state makes no especial provisions for orphan children, so Christian and benevolent organizations are building orphans' homes. Baptists have always lead in this noble work of charity, as the largest and most successful orphans' homes in the world have been founded and managed by Baptists.

There are fourteen orphanages in Tennessee, the most commodious of which is the Tennessee Baptist Orphans' Home. Value of the house and furnishings, \$23,000; capacity of the house when full 200. Orphans' Home family at present, 25. This home is entirely unsectarian in the bestowment of its charity, as it receives any white orphan

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child 12 years old or under which is sound in mind and members, legally committed to its care. The children thus committed are fed, clothed, sent to school and trained in habits of industry and taught in principles of honesty, obedience and Godliness. It costs about \$50 a year to feed, clothe and school each child.

To get a child into or out of the Home, address, the President, Rev. W. H. Golden Nashville, Tenn. Send any package or box of food or clothing to C. J. Cheek & Son, Nashville, Tenn. Always prepay freight or expressage. Send all money to A. J. Holt, Treasurer. Any information regarding the internal affairs or needs of the Home will be furnished on application by the Superintendent or Matron. An urgent and immediate need is \$250 to furnish 40 rooms. The work must be done and paid for by January 1 1902. Let every church send a box.

W. C. Golden, President Nashville, Tenn.; A. J. Holt, Supt. and Treas., Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. A. J. Holt, Matron, West Nashville, Tenn.

This home is the property of the Tennessee Baptist Convention and is chartered by the state and arranged by a board appointed annually by the Tennessee Baptist Convention. Adopted by the committee.

W. N. GAMMON,
J. E. OVERTON, } Com.
R. Y. HAWKINS, }

After being discussed by W. N. Gammon and G. W. Sherman, a collection was taken up, resulting in \$8.81 in cash and by subscription to be paid Christmas: Sister Summer, \$5 00; W. C. Fitzpatrick, \$5 00; H. L. Creasy one box, \$2 00; P. A. Meador, \$1.00; Siloam church, \$5.00; New Hopewell church, \$5 00—total, \$31 81. (Adopted.)

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

We your committee are rejoiced that this department of our work has at last become a part of our regular order of business. Surely there are but few, if anything that appeals to us with more pathos than the relief of our own dear old battle-scarred, time-worn and justly revered ministers who are no longer able for active duty and are dependent upon the brotherhood for the necessities of life. This Association gave to this object last year \$2.30. Your committee would recommend that every church in this Association take an offering each year and forward to W. M. Woodcock, Treasurer, Nashville, Tenn. for this department of our work.

R. L. RAGLAND }
C. B. MASSEY, } Com.
R. Y. HAWKINS, }

After being discussed by brothers R. L. Ragland and J. S. Pardue. adopted.

STATE OF RELIGION.

We, your committee on the State of Religion beg leave to say that according to the report of the churches religion is at a very low state in our Association. Some churches have made no additions, while others seem to have made some progress, yet none are doing what they should do. Brethren, what is the cause of this? It must be because we are not doing our duty, for surely the Lord has not forgotten us. Let us resolve by God's grace to do more in the future. There have been 108 baptisms during this year, a gain over that of last year of 33. Brethren, this is a small gain.

C. N. SIMMONS, Chairman.

After being discussed by brother G. W. Sherman, adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We, your committee on Obituaries, beg leave to make the following report: We find from the report of the churches that there has been 15 of our members that have gone down into the chilly waters of death. To-day their bodies are asleep in the grave. Their spirits have gone to dwell in that house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens. We would pray the Holy Spirit to comfort the bereaved and broken-hearted as they may say, "God's will be done." We recommend to the brethren in general that we emulate the faithful lives of our dead, so that when our lives shall end on earth we will meet them again in that land above, and where all sorrows and tears are wiped away and farewell words are said no more.

W. M. S. WILKES }
T. W. FISHER, } Com.
JOE SIMMONS, }

NEW BUSINESS.

On motion it was ordered that this body appoint some brother to preach a sermon on missions on the second day of the next meeting of this body. Bro. G. W. Sherman was selected to preach this sermon, with J. F. Lambert, alternate.

On motion, Bro. W. N. Gammons was re-elected Treasurer of this body.

The following brethren were appointed as delegates to the following conventions: Southern Baptist Convention—Hon. M. C. Fitzpatrick, with G. W. Sherman, alternate. State Convention—Rev. G. W. Sherman, with Hon. M. C. Fitzpatrick, alternate.

The following brethren agreed to visit as messengers the different Associations as follows:

Bays Fork—J. E. Overton. Enon—J. F. Lambert, J. J. Dyer, J. E. Overton, G. Fuqua and R. L. Ragland. Barren River—none. Cumberland Gap—none. New Salem—Rev. G. W. Sherman.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your committee on Resolutions, beg leave to make the following report:

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the people of this community for their kind hospitality during our stay with them.

Second, That we appreciate the services of our moderator and clerk in the very efficient manner in which they have discharged their duties.

Third, That the clerk be allowed \$8.00 for his services.

J. W. DORRIS,
J. M. WILKES,
T. B. SIMPSON,
W. S. OLDRAM,
P. F. BURNLEY, } Com.

There being no further business before the Association, the brethren all joined in singing a good old religious song, and giving each other their hands, and, with prayer by Bro. W. M. S. Wilkes, the Association adjourned to meet with the Shady Grove church, Trousdale county, Tennessee, on Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1902.

HON. M. C. FITZPATRICK, Moderator.

D. S. REED, Clerk.

W. M. GAMMONS, Treasurer.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I. This body shall be known as Wiseman Association.

Article II. These Associations shall be composed of members duly chosen by regular and orderly Missionary Baptist churches within our bounds.

Article III. The letters from the churches to the Association shall give the number of members in fellowship, received by experience and baptism, received by letter, restored, excommunicated and dead since last annual letter.

Article IV. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers.

Article V. These Associations shall elect annually as officers a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, whose duties shall be to serve their brethren in their several capacities.

Article VI. These Associations shall never interfere with the independence of any church or claim any ecclesiastical powers or rights of supervision over any of the churches.

Article VII. It shall be the object of these Associations to promote the unity of the faith of the gospel with our educational and mission interests.

Article VIII. These Associations shall meet annually on Wednesday at 10 o'clock A. M. after the third sabbath in September and continue three days, the meeting to be held at such places as may be agreed upon by the Association at its annual sitting.

Article IX. A majority of the members of any regular meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article X. It will be expected that these meetings will be missionary in practice as well as theory.

Article XI. New churches may be admitted into this Association who shall petition by letter and delegate or delegates, and on examination, if found orthodox and orderly, may be received and made known by the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship to the delegate or delegates present.

Article XII. The Association may exclude from union any church or churches that are heterodox in principles or disorderly in practices.

Article XIII. The Association at its sittings may admit any other visiting brethren present to sit with them, who shall have liberty to discuss any question and give their lights, but not to vote except on subjects of general union.

Article XIX. Any alteration may be made to this Constitution at any regular annual meeting by a two thirds majority vote of the members present.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the members present.
3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall use and address the moderator by the title of Brother Moderator, and while speaking shall confine himself strictly to the subject in question, and shall not be interrupted unless he digress from the subject, and shall in no wise reflect on any other speaker so as to make remarks on his slips, fallures or imperfections, but shall fully give his views of the case without sophistry or criticism.
4. No member of this Association shall absent himself without leave of the moderator.
5. No member shall speak on any subject more than 3 times without leave of the body.
6. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the immediate consideration of the body unless withdrawn by the person making it.
7. No member shall whisper, laugh or read any book or paper during the session of the Association.
8. No member shall address another by any appellation than brother.
9. On each day of the session it shall be the duty of the clerk to read the Rules of Decorum and call the roll of members.
10. The moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as any other member, should the chair be filled, but shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.
11. Any person violating the Rules of Decorum, or at any other time manifesting a spirit contrary to the mildness of the gospel, shall be reproved, silenced or such other course taken to warn him as the moderator may think proper, either at his own option or the intimation of another member.

DIRECTORY.

- Bledsoe: Two miles north of Bethpage. Pastor, J. A. Stone, Belote, Tenn.
 Cedar Bluff: Six miles north of Hartsville. Pastor, C. N. Simmons, Westmoreland, Tennessee.
 Dixon Creek: Two miles north of Dixon Springs. Pastor, M. B. Ramsey, Gibb's X Roads, Tennessee.
 Friendship: Four miles north of Hartsville. Pastor, E. N. Dickon, Franklin, Ky.
 Good-Will: Two and one-half miles west of Dixon Springs. Pastor, J. J. Dyer, Hillsdale, Tennessee.
 Hartsville: County seat of Trousdale county. Services 2nd and 4th Sundays. Pastor, G. W. Sherman, Hartsville, Tenn.
 Hillsdale: Five miles north of Hartsville. Pastor, G. W. Sherman, Hartsville, Tenn.
 New Hopewell: Eight miles east of Gallatin. Pastor, W. M. S. Wilkes, Euon College, Tennessee.
 Lafayette: Pastor, J. H. Swan, Willette, Tenn.
 Long Creek: Five miles north of LaFayette. Pastor, R. P. Dillard, LaFayette, Tenn.
 Meadorville: Pastor, J. H. Swan, Willette, Tenn.
 New Harmony: Five miles south of LaFayette, Tenn. Pastor, J. J. Dyer, Hillsdale, Tennessee.
 Pleasant Grove: Two miles north of Epsom Springs, Tenn. Pastor, C. N. Simmons, Westmoreland, Tenn.
 Rock Bridge: Six miles west of Bethpage, Tenn. Pastor, J. H. Swan, Willette, Tenn.
 Rocky Mound: Five miles east of Epsom Springs, Tenn. Pastor, A. W. Keen, Tompkinsville, Ky.
 Shady Grove: Four miles southeast of Hartsville, Tenn. Pastor, S. N. Fitzpatrick, Lebanon, Tenn.
 Spring Creek: Five miles north of LaFayette, Pastor, R. P. Dillard, La Fayette, Tenn.

Receipts from Wiseman Association for Year Ending September 18, 1901.

CHURCHES.	Number of Members	Orphans' Home.	Sunday School and Coll.	District Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Ladies' Aid Society	Ministerial Relief	Total.
Bledsoe	57	\$4 37		\$4 28	\$3 15					\$11 30
Cedar Bluff	44	32		5 33						5 65
Corum Hill	68	2 60		3 00		\$2 00	50			8 10
Dixon Creek	287			1 25						1 25
Friendship	155	10 00		1 15	6 60	15 37	12 65	\$25 00		70 77
Good-Will	77			70						70
Hartsville	123	14 05	\$2 60		4 90	4 90	4 90	25 10	\$4 40	60 85
Hillsdale	145				4 10	4 10	8 20			16 40
New Hopewell	123	3 00			4 55	4 55	9 10			21 20
La Fayette	109									
Long Creek	19			1 50						1 50
Meadorville	65	1 55			80					2 35
Mt. Olivet										
New Harmony	107			1 50						1 50
Pleasant Grove	23									
Sweet Home	10			85						85
Rock Bridge	31	2 25								2 25
Rocky Mound	44									
Shady Grove	84	1 00		2 78	60	50	50		25	5 53
Siloam	98									
Spring Creek	10			2 25						2 25
Zion	50									
Chestnut Grove	19									
Total	1748	\$39 14	\$2 60	\$24 59	\$24 60	\$31 42	\$35 85	\$50 10	\$4 65	\$312 95

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CHURCHES.	RECORDS					Number of Members.	Printing fund.	Pastor's Salary.	Number of Sunday School students.	Average attendance.	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES.	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.
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Bledsoe.....	1	8	1	1	57	\$1 00	\$60	56		J A Stone, Castalian Springs, Tenn.	J M Pardue..... Bransford, Tenn.	
Cedar Bluff.....					44	1 35				C N Simmons .. Westmoreland	D H White..... Echo	
Corum Hill.....					62	1 00					S M Wilkes..... Belote	
Chestnut Grove.....					19							
Dixon Creek.....	3			1	287	2 50	75			M B Ramsey..... Gibbs X Roads	J W Massey..... Dixon Springs	
Friendship.....					155	3 00	180	30	30	E N Dicken..... Franklin Ky.	J W Lewis..... Willard	
Good-Will.....	2			1	77	65				J J Dyer..... Dixon Springs Tenn.	Henry Harper..... Dixon Springs	
Hartsville.....	11			1	123	3 00	300	68	60	G W Sherman..... Hartsville	P G Terry..... Hartsville	
Hillsdale.....					145	3 00					W J Cothron..... Hillsdale	
New Hopewell.....	3			1	123	3 00	100			W M S Wilkes..... Enon College	T S Jones..... Chipman	
La Fayette.....	4			1	109	1 50		50	50	J H Swan..... Willette	W M Gammon..... LaFayette	
Long Creek.....					19	50				R P Dillard..... LaFayette	G W Jenkins..... "	
Meadorville.....	2	6	1		65	1 20				J H Swan..... Willette	J W Parker..... Meadorville	
Mt. Olivet.....												
New Harmony.....	17	3		1	107	1 69	35			J J Dyer..... Dixon Springs	Gus Fuqua..... Pryor	
Pleasant Grove.....				1	23	50				C N Simmons..... Westmoreland	W A Dorris..... Westmoreland	
Sweet Home.....					10	50				C B Massey..... "	H L Creasy..... "	
Rock Bridge.....				1	31	60				J W Swan..... Portland	J W Dorris..... Bethpage	
Rocky Mound.....			3	1	44	35				A W Keen..... Scottsville Ky.	W J Bradley..... Barefoot	
Shady Grove.....				1	84	1 50	100			S N Fitzpatrick..... Lebanon Tenn.	W T Bundy..... Hartsville	
Siloam.....					98	1 00				J L Hawkins..... Westmoreland	T C Harrison..... Westmoreland	
Spring Creek.....					10	50				R P Dillard..... LaFayette	S H Dillard..... LaFayette	
Zion.....					50						W B Robertson..... Hartsville	
Total.....	26	111	6	40	12	18	1748	\$27 25	\$850	224	140	

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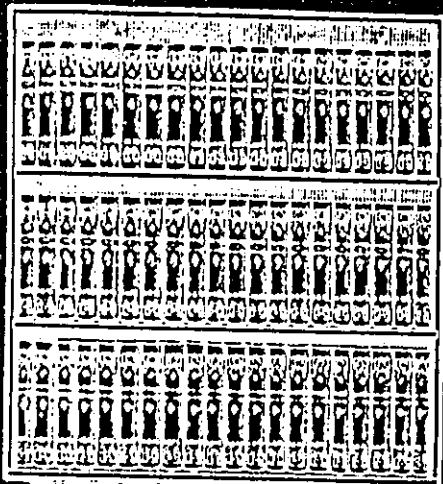
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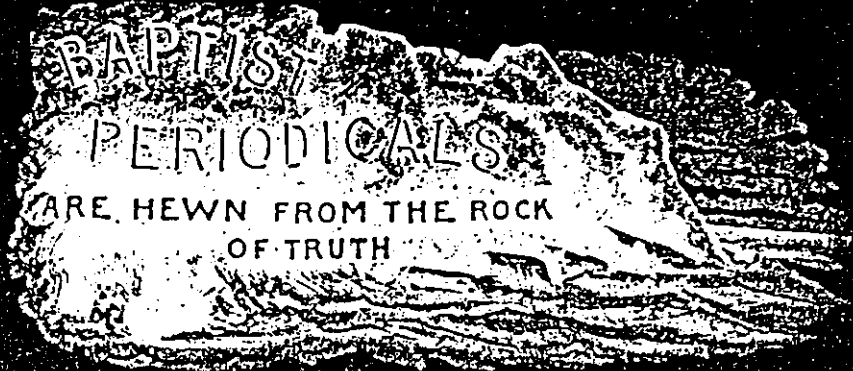
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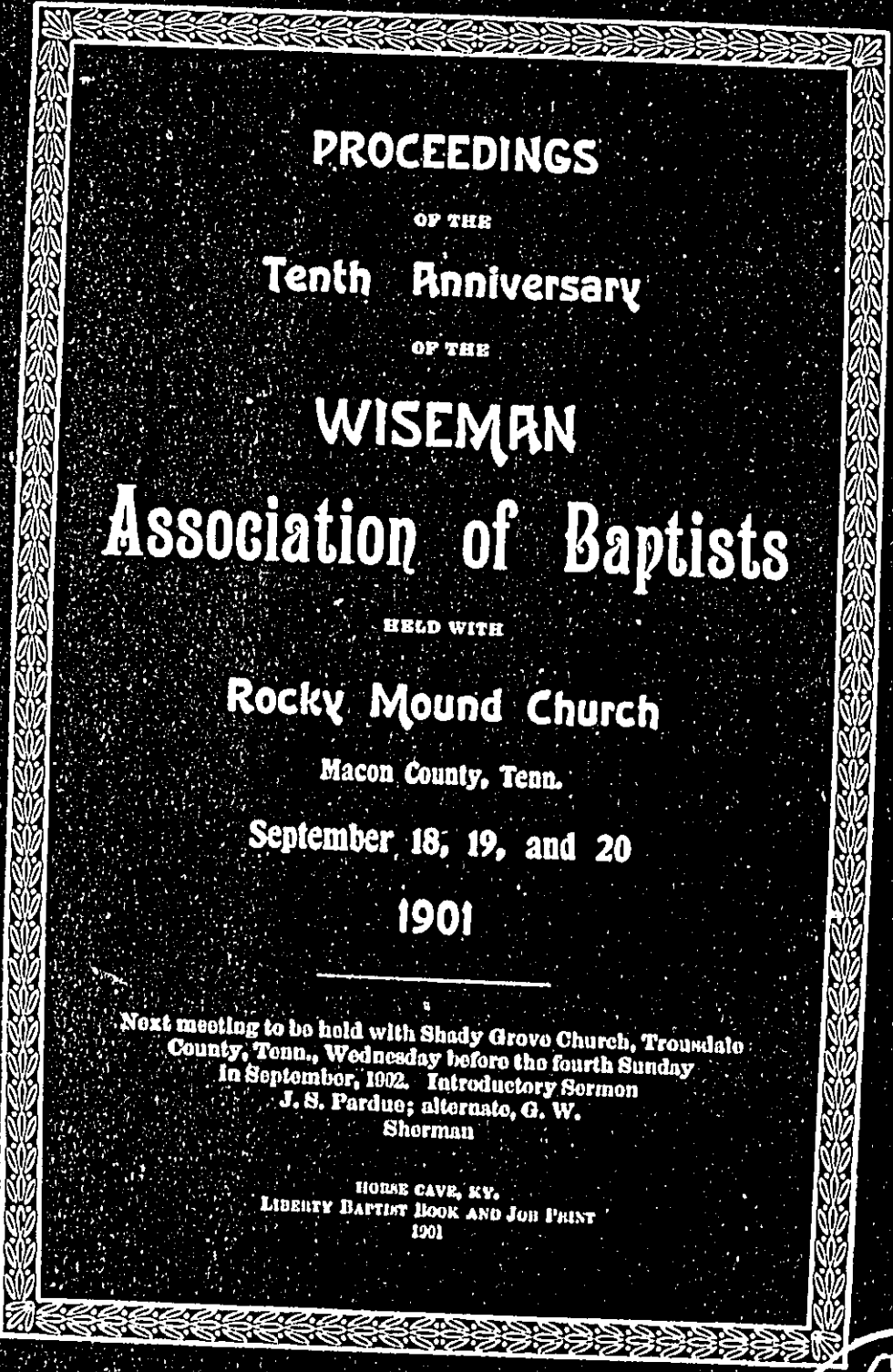
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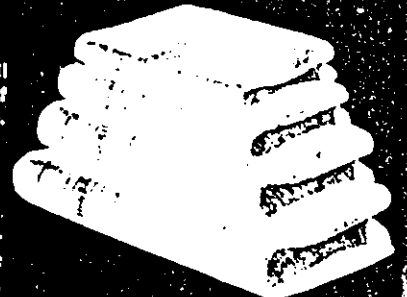
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