

Thirty-Second Session

OF THE

Free Will Baptist

TRIENNIAL

General Conference,

HELD IN

DUNN, N. C., IN 1904.

MINUTES
OF THE
Thirty-Second Session
OF THE
FREE WILL BAPTIST
General Conference,

Held with the Free Will Baptist Church at
DUNN, N. C., October 5-11, 1904.

The Time and Place for Holding Next Session will be
Arranged by the Executive Committee.

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F. W. B. GENERAL CONFERENCE.

The Triennial General Conference of the Free Will Baptist Denomination, met for its Thirty-Second Session, in Dunn, N. C., Oct. 5, 1904, at 10 a. m. A half hour's prayer service was conducted by Mrs. L. M. Peden of Ayden, N. C., in which great interest was manifested. Eld. R. C. Jackson of Cape Fear Conference, was chosen temporary moderator. In behalf of the Free Will Baptist Church and citizens of Dunn, he delivered a very appropriate address of welcome, to which Eld. J. W. Fuquay of the Western, N. C. Conference, responded in behalf of the assembled delegates. Appointed brethren, J. H. Pope of the Cape Fear Conference, W. R. Sawyer of the Eastern Conference and Eld. W. P. Gause of the South Carolina Conference, committee to select a minister to preach the conference sermon. Adjourned until 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer service was led by Eld. S. L. Bodiford of the South Carolina Conference. Letters were read from Western, N. C. Conference, Horry, S. C. Conference, Mt. Moriah Conference, Pee Dee Conference, Chattahoochee Association, South Carolina Conference and Ohio River Yearly Meeting. Appointed a committee on each of the following subjects: education, home missions, foreign missions, temperance, ministry, state of denomination and Sabbath schools. Voted that the committee to select a preacher for the conference sermon fill all vacancies that may occur in the program throughout the session. Per selection of committee, Eld. R. C. Jackson preached the conference sermon at 7:30 p. m. Adjourned until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

Oct. 6, 1904, 9, A. M.

The usual half hour's prayer service was conducted by Eld. J. E. Sawyer of the Eastern, N. C. Conference. A letter from Eld. E. L. St. Claire of Georgia was read announcing that on account of the dangerous sickness of his wife, he could not attend. A special prayer was offered for her speedy recovery and for God's blessings upon the necessarily absent brother. A letter from

Eld. G. W. Cherry of the State Line Association, Alabama, announced that he could not attend as he had not received money to pay his expenses.

Eld. A. B. Peavy preached at 11 a. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The usual half hour's prayer service was led by Eld. S. L. Bodiford. Elected Eld. W. P. Gause Moderator, Eld. H. F. Wogan of North Dakota Yearly Meeting and Eld. J. J. Baggett, Assistants; Eld. T. E. Peden of the Ohio River Yearly Meeting, treasurer. Treasurer reported \$20.00 from all sources within the past three years. All paid out for printing minutes. This conference to the present time. Cape Fear \$5.00, Eastern \$5.00, South Carolina \$5.00, Midway \$2.50, Mt. Moriah \$2.00, B. H. Pate 25c, Morehead City 25c, Peedee \$2.00, total \$22.00. More is reported in the hands of brethren which will be credited as soon as received. Voted to have three thousand minutes of this conference printed and allow the clerk five dollars for preparing them. Prayer by Eld. C. A. Jackson.

7:30 P. M. ANNIVERSARY OF THE EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Opened with prayer. Moderator of Conference presiding. Adopted a constitution and voted to become incorporated. Addresses were delivered by Eld. P. T. Lucas of the Western Conference, Eld. W. T. Wiley, Midway Association, Eld. W. P. Gause of S. C. Conference. Chose Eld. Thos. E. Peden, W. T. Wiley, W. H. Frost, A. B. Peavy and Dea. D. Lasley, Executive Committee.

OCT. 7, 9 A. M.

Prayer service conducted by Eld. J. B. Oliver of S. C. Authorized the executive committee to appoint a corresponding messenger to the General Baptist General Association and also to the General Eldership of the Church of God.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2, p. m., Eld. W. T. Wiley of Georgia, led the usual prayer service. Committee on temperance made the following report which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, the great evil of intemperance has and is effecting the morals of the church of God and our beloved

country. Therefore, Resolved, That temperance means total abstinence from all evil things and moderation in all things good and lawful. Resolved, That this triennial conference strongly impress upon the entire brotherhood within the United States the suppressing this degrading evil. We request each pastor to organize a temperance society in all his churches, to meet at least once per month, to advance the cause of total abstinence from all forms of intoxicating drinks. We advise our Theological Schools to receive no one as a ministerial student who smokes cigarettes.

J. W. FUQUAY,)

J. M. SAWYER.) Com.

7:30 P. M., HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY.

Prayer by Eld. A. B. Peavy. Lectures on missions, by Elds. J. A. Blalock, J. J. Baggett, A. B. Peavy, J. W. Fuquay and Thos. E. Peden. Eld. E. L. Hutchison reported that he had kept up the regular appointments at Prattsville, Ohio, raised a considerable sum for the meeting house, received one into the church. Eld. H. F. Wogan, that he had visited the mission points, in North Dakota, had interesting meeting and kept up the visibility of the cause in that State and is willing to continue his work as National Evangelist. T. E. Peden visited the West Va. Q. M., secured delegates to the Ohio River Y. M., preached at Wilson, Grafton and Crow Summit, in that State. Attended the Gallia, Jackson, Vinton, Portsmouth and Athens Q. M's., in Ohio, set things in order as far as possible and attended the Ohio River Yearly Meeting. Eld. S. B. Stephens, National Evangelist, preached in Ohio, Penn., W. Va., and N. C. Labored seventy-three weeks, preached 474 times, baptized 429, reclaimed 98, received from other denominations 34, total 569, preached 16 funeral sermons, married 14 couples and secured 49 subscribers for the FREE WILL BAPTIST. The above is very encouraging but we are safe in saying more than twice as much was done, as none of the local societies sent any reports and we have no means of knowing how much was accomplished through them. Executive committee, Elds. Thos. E. Peden, W. T. Wiley, J. J. Baggett, S. H. Norman and John Hill. Elected Eld. E. T. Phillips, treasurer of both societies.

OCT. 8, 9 A. M.

Prayer service conducted by Bro. J. M. Sawyer. Letters read from South Georgia Association. Letters read from North Dakota Yearly Meeting. Per vote it was received as a member of the General Conference. Preaching at 11 a. m., by Eld. T. E. Peden.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer service led by Eld. J. A. Blalock. The report of the committee on necrology adopted as follows: By the best information, we can obtain ninety-four Free Will Baptist ministers have died within the past three years, most of them in advanced age, like a shock of corn fully ripe, a few in comparative youth, when their usefulness had seemingly just commenced, a mystery that we cannot solve, but we rejoice that they all died in the faith, having lived lives of purity, sacrifice, industry and perseverance, thereby setting a Godly example worthy of imitation by those who are left behind, therefore we condole with their families and their friends in their sad bereavement and exhort them to comfort their hearts with the reflection that their husbands, fathers, brothers or other friends as the case may be, are now immersed in the joy and felicity of heaven, where they will continue praising God forever and ever. Whereas, Eld. G. W. Brinkly, of Nashville, Tenn, a very active member of the last General Conference, has been called from labor to reward. Therefore, Resolved, That in his death, we recognize the loss of an able minister, upright Christian and a true friend of the doctrine, usages and spirit of the denomination.

THOS. E. PEDEN,
W. T. WILEY,
J. A. BLALOCK, } Com.
J. J. BAGGETT,
H. F. WOGAN,

Adopted the report of the committee on the ministry as follows, whereas the ministry gives character to the church, therefore great care ought to be exercised in inducting men into this sacred office, to be sure that they have clean hands and pure hearts and that they are called of God to this holy and exceedingly important work. That young men before entering fully into pas-

toral, or evangelistic work ought, to obtain the greatest possible amount of education, if within their power take a full classical course, graduating from some reputable college and our Theological Seminary.

(MRS.) L. M. PEDEN,
W. R. SAWYER,
DAVID PATE, } Com.
J. A. BLALOCK,
J. B. OLIVER,

The report of the committee on education was adopted as follows: We rejoice in the prosperity of the Free Will Baptist Theological Seminary at Ayden, N. C., and advice all our young men and women, called of God to the ministry, to go there for an education adapted to their work. We recommend Beulah High School to the good will and patronage of the denomination and all other friends of Christian Education. We are thankful for the existence of North Dakota University and hope and pray that means will be devised to greatly increase its usefulness in imparting a thorough education and advancing Bible holiness and truth, so dear to our people, and advise our trustees to put a man in the field to raise the needed funds, or authorize Pres. H. F. Wogan to do the work. We ask the trustees of the Seminary to secure a suitable agent and send him to all our churches to secure funds for the completion of the Paul Palmer endowment of a Theological Professorship in the Seminary. We instruct our trustees to secure sites and found schools in W. Va., Ky., S. C., Ga., Texas, Ala., Ark., Ind. Ty., Mo., and other States and Territories as the Lord opens the way. Having what we consider credible evidence that Hillsdale College will be conducted in accordance with its charter and constitution, giving the Free Will Baptist a good majority of the faculty and trustees. Therefore, Resolved, That we commend it, as in the past to the favorable consideration of our people.

THOMAS E. PEDEN,
A. B. PEAVY,
H. F. WOGAN, } Com.
P. T. LUCAS,
R. C. JACKSON,

OCT. 8, 7:30 P. M.

Anniversary of the A. C. F. Society. Prayer by Eld. W. T. Wiley. Addresses by Mrs. L. M. Peden, Elds. J. E. Sawyer, S. L. Bodiford, J. B. Oliver, W. T. Wiley, W. P. Gause, Prof. H. F. Wogan and Eld. J. J. Baggett. Adopted a constitution and elected the following officers, Pres. J. E. Sawyer, Merritt N. C., 1st Vice Pres., S. L. Bodiford, Greelyville S. C., 2nd Vice Pres., M. B. Hutchison, Zaleski Ohio, 3rd Vice Pres., Laura U. Conner, Bismarck N. D., Sect., Lillian M. Munn, Ayden N. C., Treas., Eld. E. T. Phillips, Ayden N. C. Executive committee, Mrs. Laura Hobstetter, Sciotoville Ohio, Eld. G. C. Vause, Oriental N. C., Eld. J. B. Oliver, Turbeville S. C., Miss Lucy Martin, Hilton Station Ga., and Eld. S. H. Norman, Charleston W. Va. National Organizer, Eld. J. E. Richbourg, Foreston S. C.

SUNDAY, OCT. 9.

Sabbath School at the Free Will Baptist Church from 9 to 10. Testimony meeting from 10 to 11 conducted by Eld. J. E. Sawyer. Preaching at 11 by Eld. W. P. Gause, at 3 p. m. preaching by Eld. Thomas E. Peden followed by communion and washing the saints' feet, one gave her heart to God and was very happily converted. Eld. H. F. Wogan preached at night. At 11 a. m., Eld. H. F. Wogan D. D., preached in the M. E. Church, South and Eld. Thomas E. Peden, D. D. in the Baptist Church and at 7:30 p. m. Eld. A. B. Peavy preached in the Baptist Church.

OCT. 10, 1904, 9 A. M.

At 9 a. m. repaired to the water and Eld. J. A. Block, pastor of the the church in Dunn, baptized the young lady converted yesterday. It was a season of great joy. Eld. W. J. Jernigan opened conference with prayer. Adopted the report of the committee on Home Missions, namely. We have great reason to be thankful for the success God has given our Home Missionaries within the past Triennial Period aggregating the hopeful conversion and addition to the churches of two thousand seven hundred persons while probably as many more were brought in under the missionary labors directed by our constituent bodies. Therefore,

Resolved that we instruct our mission boards to push this department of our work with more energy and the churches to be more liberal in their contributions. That all possible assistance be given new and struggling churches in cities and rural districts. That we instruct our executive committee to district the United States, putting one or more states in each district and to appoint an evangelist in each one on the same terms as those of the past three years, in no case involving the conference in debt. We kindly request Eld. W. W. Avant to pay the mission funds in his hands to Eld. E. T. Phillips, treasurer of the Home and Foreign Missionary Societies and with it any recommendation as to a man and the country to which he wishes him sent.

W. P. GAUSE,	} Com.
THOS. E. PEDEN,	
EMMA LEE,	
W. R. SAWYER,	
J. B. OLIVER,	

Eld. J. J. Baggett preached at 11 a. m. 2 p. m. Prayer service conducted by Eld. Lunda Lee, voted to strike out of the program the work of the last three days and close tomorrow night. Adopted the report of the committee on Foreign Missions, viz: As in the past, we are ardently in favor of the Foreign Missions and desire to occupy foreign fields as rapidly as Providence opens the way. We instruct our Mission Board to ascertain the condition of the Mission in India and whether the property is deeded to us. We suggest the appointment of a missionary to our Sister Republic of Mexico as soon as a suitable man can be obtained.

W. P. GAUSE,	} Com.
THOS. E. PEDEN,	
EMMA LEE,	
W. R. SAWYER,	
J. B. OLIVER,	

The Ohio River Yearly Meeting requests the next session of General Conference and the North Dakota Yearly Meeting requests that it be held at Bismarck. Referred to the Executive Committee. The report of the committee on Sabbath Schools was adopted, viz: Whereas the aggressive work of Biblical research and the early formation of true Christian character, more

than in any other way, given to man, results from the influence of youthful reading and study of the Holy Bible and other Christian literature, in the Sabbath School. Therefore it behooves all Christian teachers and Christian advocates to push forward each and every opportunity in this line of divine means of feeding the churches and Christian families. Pastors and evangelists should use their influence to advance this sacred method of bringing the good news of salvation to the people.

H. F. WOGAN,
I. E. SAWYER,
W. A. JONES,
J. B. OLIVER,
EMMA LEE, } Com.

7:30, p. m. Anniversary of the Free Will Baptist Woman's Missionary Society. Prayer by Eld. W. T. Wiley. Mrs. Edith Pope read the 17th chapter of the Gospel by John. Paper by Mrs. Addie J. Wogan, read by Dr. H. F. Wogan. Paper by Mrs. Lovie Cashwell, read by Miss Nannie Barnes. Paper by Mrs. L. M. Peden. Five minutes talks by Elds. E. T. Phillips, J. J. Baggett and W. T. Wiley. Officers elected Pres., Mrs. L. M. Peden, Ayden N. C., 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. Addie J. Wogan, Bismarck North Dakota. 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. S. H. Norman, Charleston W. Va. 3rd Vice Pres., Mrs. Laura Hobstetter, Sciotoville, Ohio. 4th Vice Pres., Mrs. Lovie Cashwell, Dunn, N. C., Sect., Miss Hattie Dowty, Grantsboro N. C. Treas., Mrs. Allie Harrington, Kinston N. C. Executive committee, Mrs. Cora Smith, Ayden N. C., Mrs. Edith Pope, Dunn N. C., Mrs. Frances Norton, Dunbar S. C., Mrs. Mattie Hilton, Hilton Station, Ga., Mrs. Angie Martin, Wilkesville, Ohio.

OCT. 11, 9 A. M.

The customary half hour's prayer service was conducted by Eld. S. W. Jones of the Western Conference. Appointed a committee of three on closing resolutions. Adopted the following advice in regard to the Free Will Baptist. The Free Will Baptist has been and is now an efficient factor in our denominational life and we are greatly encouraged by its increasing circulation but we recognize the fact that it ought to be five fold greater than it is, Therefore, Resolved, That we hereby

individually pledge ourselves to make greater exertions to obtain subscribers and urge our pastors and brethren to redouble and continue their efforts until a copy is taken and paid for by every family in all our congregations.

MOB OR LYNCH LAW.—PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

We are utterly opposed to mob or lynch law because it tends to anarchy, the destruction of all just and well regulated civil government, tends to increase instead of lessen crime and often causes innocent persons to suffer, Therefore, Resolved, That we urge our membership to continue to give their influence in opposition to this crime against peace and liberty.

HYMN BOOK.

We continue to commend the Free Will Baptist Gospel Voices to our churches and members as the official hymn book of our denomination and hope it will be used by all our people.

CLOSING RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved that the peace, harmony, love and union of sentiment that have prevailed throughout this session of General Conference, cheers our hearts and gives us strengthened hope in the future development and growth of the denomination. We hereby tender our heartfelt thanks to the church and citizens of Dunn for the very excellent and satisfactory manner in which they have entertained this session of conference.

THOMAS E. PEDEN,
H. F. WOGAN,
J. I. BAGGETT. } Com.

Formation of the Free Will Baptist Historical Society.

7.30 p. m. Opened by prayer. Adopted the constitution of the Free Will Baptist Historical Society. Addresses were delivered by Eld. W. P. Gause of the South Carolina Conference; Eld. E. T. Phillips, of the Western, N. C. Conference; Eld. H. F. Wogan of the North Dakota Yearly Meeting and Eld. T. E. Peden of the Ohio River Yearly Meeting. Elected Eld. E. T. Phillips, Ayden N. C., Pres. Eld. H. F. Wogan, Bismarck North Dakota, 1st Vice Pres. Eld. S. H. Nor-

man, Charleston, W. Va., 2nd Vice Pres. Eld. T. E. Peden, Ayden, N. C., Sect. and Librarian. Eld. J. E. Sawyer, Merritt, N. C., Treas. Per vote adjourned with a brotherly handshake.

W. P. GAUSE, Moderator,
THOMAS E. PEDEN, Clerk.

DIGEST OF LETTERS.

Ala. State Line Association.

DOTHAN, ALA., SEPT. 26, 1904.

I suggest that the General Conference send an evangelist through the extreme Southern States to explain to the people the necessity of co-operation and forming a stronger organization. I believe he would do much good. I believe June, July and August, is the best time to come and that his expenses would be paid. We are few in number and need encouragement. The Georgia, Florida, Alabama Convention meets with Open Pond Church, in Ga., Friday before the fourth Sunday in June, 1905, where he could meet many of the leading ministers.

G. W. CHERRY, Delegate.

Central, N. C. Conference.

The Central N. C. Conference of Original Free Will Baptists consists of 58 churches, 5,455 members, 31 ordained preachers, 40 Sabbath Schools, with 4000 scholars. Value of church property \$30,000. Delegates to General Conference, Elds. J. M. Barfield, W. H. Lathinghouse, Q. A. Burroughs, F. McLawhon, W. H. Frost, C. J. Harris, R. I. Corbett, J. T. Butler, T. H. Barnhill, E. D. Hathaway and W. C. Vause.

J. M. BARFIELD, Ayden, N. C., Clerk.

Horry S. C. Conference.

Chose Eld. J. H. Baker delegate and Eld. W. D. Norman, alternate. Six converted and baptized. Eld. A. J. Benson, died Jan. 10, 1903, aged 68. Statistics 3 churches, 7 ordained ministers, 3 Sabbath Schools, 150 scholars and 144 communicants. Value of church property, \$600.00.

W. D. NORMAN, Moderator,
J. H. BAKER, Clerk.

Mount Moriah Conference.

Converts 75, baptized 66, licensed one minister, new churches 2, Sabbath Schools 4, number scholars 159, number of ordained ministers 7, number of licentiates 2, number members 316, value of church property \$1,730.00, number churches 7, delegate Eld. A. B. Peavy. Amount sent to General Conference \$2.00.

S. B. NORTON, Dunbar, S. C., Clerk.

PeeDee N. C. Conference.

We send Eld. David Pate to represent us in conference. We have 13 churches, 9 ordained ministers. We have received 100 by regeneration and baptism. Total membership 600. Value of church property \$1000.00. We send \$2.00 for minute fund.

DAVID PATE, Moderator.

I J. GREEN, Clerk.

North Dakota Yearly Meeting.

We have met with many obstacles, for so little interest is manifest in religious matters. Please pray both for our University and Gospel work. The denomination and especially the conference have our deepest sympathy and loyal support for all time. We request the next session at Bismarck. Eld. H. F. Wogan is our delegate.

ADDIE J. WOGAN, Clerk, Bismarck North Dakota.

Georgia Union Association.

It affords me the greatest pleasure to write you a letter asking membership in your body. We have eight ordained ministers, eight churches and three hundred members. We elected Eld. W. C. Jones to represent us in conference. We send \$5.00 for General Conference expenses.

S. J. NOBLES, Chairman.

W. C. JONES, Clerk.

South Carolina Conference.

Baptized 236, ordained four ministers, licensed five, organized five new churches, number of ordained ministers 18, number of members 1499, number of churches 27, forwarded for General Conference expenses \$5. Delegates, Elds. Webster P. Gause, J. J. Baggett and S. L. Bodiford.

J. E. RICHBOURG SR., Foreston, S. C., Clerk.

South Georgia Association.

We are all at peace and our Association is in a prosperous condition. The Spirit of the Lord is among us. 350 have been converted and baptized within the past three years. We have ordained six and licensed four preachers. Eld. T. W. Coursey died Aug. 7, 1904 at the early age of 28. We have built four new churches. We have fifteen Sunday Schools with 525 scholars. Whole number of ordained ministers 25, licensed ministers 4, whole number of members 1200, value of church property \$6000.00, number of Free Will Baptist taken 50. Delegates, Eld. J. A. Blanton and J. J. Davis. Whole number of churches 26.

NASH BLANTON, Clerk.

J. J. DAVIS, Moderator.

Western N. C. Conference.

Our conference has been fairly successful for the past three years, 640 have been baptized, 250 received, 103 excommunicated and 103 have died. We have 52 churches, 3250 communicants, 48 ordained ministers and 5 licentiates. Value of church property \$25,000.00. Have a goodly number of Sabbath Schools with probably 3000 scholars. Our church buildings are in fairly good condition. Our ministers are much better supported than formerly but not as well as the Bible requires yet. Some efforts have been made to raise mission funds but comparatively little has been done. Three faithful minister, viz., Eld. Ray Phillips, Eld. T. J. D. Pate and Eld. C. R. Pearce have died within the past Triennial period. They left a glorious record of work well done. We send as delegates, Elds. P. T. Lucas, J. W. Valentine and E. T. Phillips.

E. T. PHILLIPS, Ayden, N. C., Sect.

Scioto Yearly Meeting.

The Scioto Yearly Meeting is gaining ground. Our last session held with the Porter Church was very interesting and profitable. It was voted to represent the Yearly Meeting by letter in the General Conference at Dunn, N. C. Eld. John Hill, Ironton, Ohio is recording clerk.

LAURA HOBSTETTER, Sciotoville Ohio, Cor. Clerk.

Chattahoochee Association.

The Chattahoochee Association is gradually increasing in numbers. We are in sympathy with the effort to unite all Free Will Baptists in the National General Conference for more efficient and united work.

J. M. POSEY, Butler, Ga., Clerk.

Ohio River Yearly Meeting.

Within the past three years one new meeting house has been built, one new church organized, about three hundred converted and baptized and one minister, Eld. U. G. Jewell, died. Statistics, ordained ministers 32, licentiates 4, members 4100, value of church property \$40,000.00, school property \$120,000.00. Delegates Eld. S. H. Norman, Thomas E. Peden, Dea. David Lasley and Mrs. L. M. Peden. Alternates, Elds. John McCoy, Silas Moore, Naaman Borders and Dea. Geo. Gibbs. We request the next session of the General Conference. SILAS MOORE, Golf Ohio, Moderator, T. E. PEDEN, Sciotoville O., or Ayden, N. C., Clerk.

Schools.

North Dakota University has had reasonable prosperity. Needs adequate buildings and more endowment. ELD. H. F. WOGAN, Bismarek, N. D., Pres.

Beulah Seminary is succeeding quite well considering the small amount of money invested in it.

Address, PRINCIPAL, Beulah, N. C.

Hillsdale College, Hillsdale Mich., is exhibiting more life and vigor than for many years past. It is the oldest college in the denomination.

J. W. MAUCK, L. L. D. Pres., Hillsdale, Mich.

Free Will Baptist Theological Seminary has succeeded far beyond the most sanguine expectations of its friends. Forty-two churches are supplied with preaching by its students. It needs more and better buildings, two dormitories, one for the boys, another for the girls and a large endowment.

ELD. THOS. E. PEDEN, D. D., Ayden, N. C. Pres.

The Free Will Baptist.

The Free Will Baptist is gradually finding its way into new homes and thereby increasing its circulation but it ought to increase much more rapidly for every friend of the denomination needs it for denominational news and to keep himself in touch with the onward and upward trend of our church work.

THOS. E. PEDEN, Clerk.

Eastern N. C. Conference.

The Eastern N. C. Conference sends Christian greetings to the Triennial General Conference. 138 were baptized in 1902, 209 in 1903 and 323 in 1904. Total 670. Four churches have been organized, seven ministers ordained and four ministers namely: Elds. N. Hill, M. Linton, M. H. Cuthrell and I. Taylor have died. We have 78 churches, valued at \$40,000, 54 ordained ministers, 5,858 members and about 3000 Sabbath School scholars.

C. K. DUNN, Clerk.

Remarks by the Clerk.

Dunn is a beautiful little city that has grown up since the war. The people are very kind and generous and entertained the delegates and visitors with true Christian hospitality.

The warm patriotic greetings given by one of the South Carolina delegates to the delegates from North Dakota, was a very pleasing episode and clearly indicated the unity of the nation and denomination. Many brethren only remained two or three days, others did not come until the conference was half through; this detracted some from the interest. It is hoped next time all will be on hand the first day with their minds made up to spend at least ten days in advancing God's cause and kingdom by giving due heed to the various subjects that call for careful attention. Yet the interest was intense from the beginning and we believe it the most important General Conference ever held.

W. P. GAUSE, Moderator;

H. F. WOGAN, }
J. J. BAGGETT, } Ass't.

THOS. E. PEDEN, Clerk,
J. E. SAWYER, Assistant.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

YEARLY MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, OR ASSOCIATIONS.	CLERKS.	O. M's. or Unions.	Ministers.	Members.	Sabbath School Scholars.
Alabama.....			50	5,000	2,500
Arkansas.....			100	10,000	2,000
Bengal and Orissa.....	Elder G. H. Hamlin.....	2	37	863	3,463
Central Conference.....	Elder J. M. Barfield.....	2	31	5,455	4,000
Cape Fear Conference.....	Elder J. F. Jackson.....	2	33	3,200	1,000
Central Ohio.....	Elder J. A. Sutton.....	2	14	1,884	2,000
Central New York.....	Elder L. H. Sprague.....	6	25	2,443	1,600
Central Illinois.....	Elder G. A. Gordon.....	5	50	3,402	2,000
Cumberland Association.....	E. F. Miles.....	3	45	2,148	1,000
Central Nebraska.....	Mary E. Calkins.....	3	15	155	600
Eastern Conference.....	C. K. Dunn.....	3	51	5,035	2,518
Florida.....			10	1,000	500
Chattahoochee.....	Elder J. M. Posey.....		50	2,500	1,500
Golden Gate.....	S. P. Meads.....		2	164	250
Indiana.....	J. W. Rendel.....	5	16	1,821	1,600
Iowa.....	Elder A. R. Toothacre.....	6	25	1,840	1,900
Indian Territory.....			5	200	100
Louisiana.....	E. Freeman.....	4	49	947	1,300
Massachusetts.....	W. J. Twort.....	16	34	1,726	3,000
Maine.....	A. E. Cox.....	16	374	13,277	13,000
Michigan.....	Alice Hulse.....	16	207	5,828	7,000
Ohio.....	Mary E. Fox.....	2	9	631	600
Ohio River.....	Elder T. E. Peden.....	2	62	4,520	3,500
Ohio and Kentucky.....		2	16	994	500
Ohio and Pennsylvania.....	C. W. Lane.....	5	24	1,884	2,100
	Lundy's Lane, Pa.				

STATISTICAL TABLE.—Continued.

South Georgia.....	Nash Blanton.....		29	1,200	525
Pee Dee.....	I. J. Green,.....	Bughill, N. C.	9	600	100
Oklahoma.....			2	100	50
Pleasant Hill.....	W. C. Walker,.....	Urbana, Mo.	1	138	100
Prosperity.....	J. M. Matthews,.....	Tribune, Mo.	8	306	150
North Dakota.....	Mrs. A. J. Wogan,.....	Bismarck N. D.	1	30	30
John Wheeler.....	J. E. Flick,.....	King's Mill, Va.	2	15	700
S. W. Missouri.....	Florence Carlock,.....	Greenfield, Mo.	2	12	389
S. E. Missouri.....	J. D. Flanery,.....	Delassus, Mo.	2	8	681
W. Missouri.....	E. D. Burns,.....	Marshall, Mo.	2	20	560
N. W. Missouri.....	E. R. Lake,.....	Bayfield, Mo.	3	13	707
N. E. Missouri.....	G. S. Latimer,.....	Mapleton, Mo.	3	10	419
Western Mt. Zion.....			2	15	358
Mississippi.....	J. W. Robison,.....	Omega, La.	5	28	1,821
Union Association.....			1	26	1,272
Flat Creek.....	W. A. Poole,.....	Henderson, Tenn.	1	9	683
Western Texas.....	J. M. Easley,.....	Comanche, Tex.	1	11	313
Holland Purchase.....			5	34	2,000
Genesee.....	F. P. Osborn,.....	Morton, N. Y.	3	18	1,433
Susquehanna.....	L. D. Hall,.....	Lake View, Pa.	4	16	700
Pennsylvania.....	L. B. Lent,.....	Mills, Pa.	1	13	390
West Pennsylvania.....	A. J. Marston,.....	Belle Vernon, Pa.	2	4	222
N. Y. and Penn.....	G. H. Freeman,.....	Freeman, N. Y.	4	27	1,440
St. Lawrence.....	D. S. Smith,.....	Dickerson Center, N. Y.	2	13	661
Stope.....	James Swift,.....			37	1,893
S. Carolina.....	J. E. Richbourg Sr.,.....	Foreston, S. C.		18	1,499
Horry.....	Elder J. H. Baker,.....			7	144
Hamberg.....	W. D. Carter,.....			4	285
Mt. Moriah.....	S. B. Norton,.....	Dunbar, S. C.		9	316
Big Sandy.....			3	18	630
Texas.....				60	3,000
Scioto.....	Elder John Hill,.....	Ironton, Ohio.	3	20	1,129