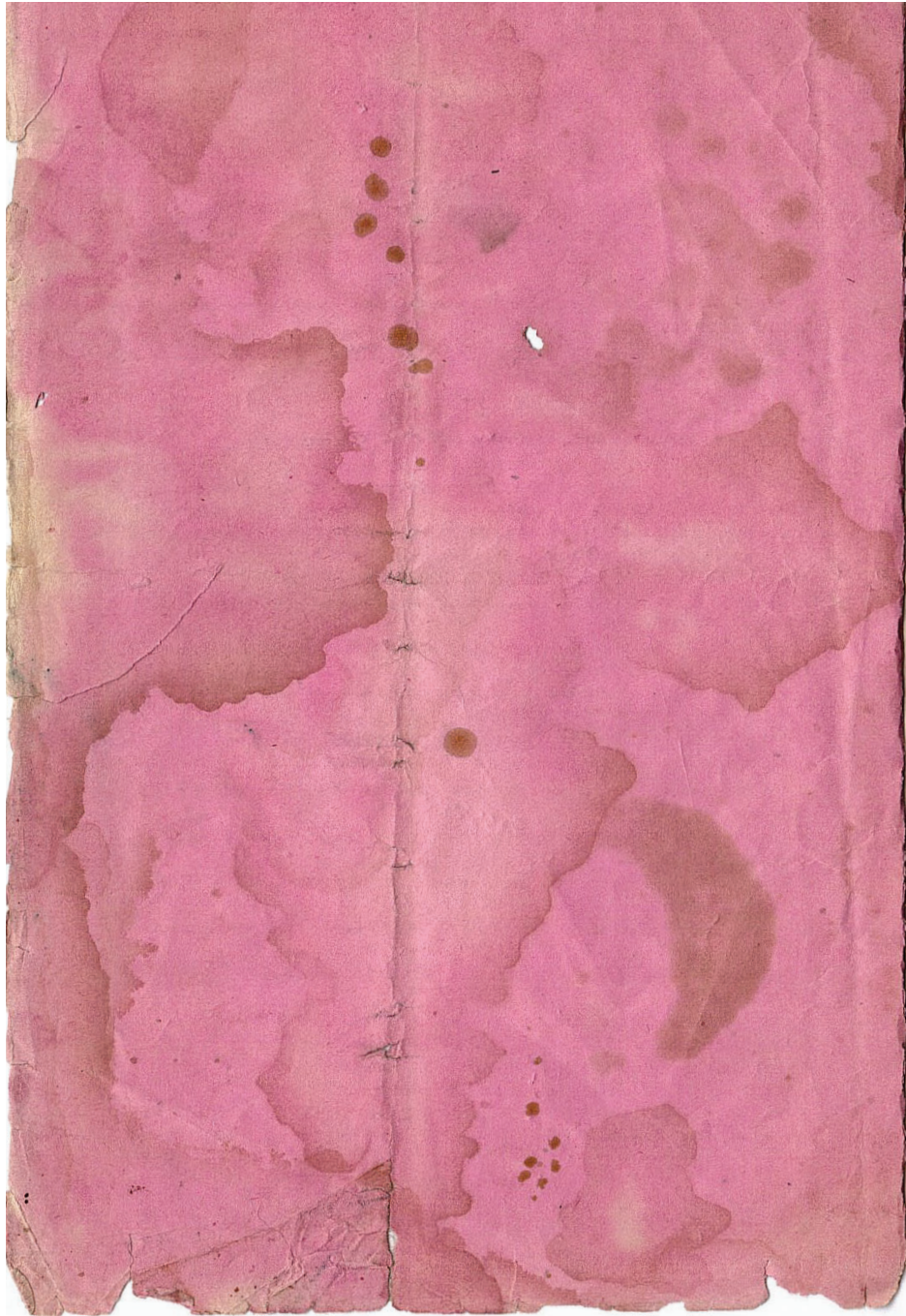


MINUTES OF THE
Sixteenth Annual Session
OF THE
SENIOR ASSOCIATION, OF F. BAPTISTS,
HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT
CEDAR CREEK, GREENE CO., TENN.,
SEPT. 20, 21, and 22, 1888.



PROCEEDINGS.

CEDAR CREEK, TENN., September 20, 1888.

The introductory sermon is preached at 11 o'clock, a. m., by Rev. A. H. Burgess, from Ps. 17:4. At 2:30 p. m., the house is called to order by Rev. Wm. B. Woolsey and Rev. G. P. Rice leads in prayer. Rev. J. W. Lucas is appointed temporary clerk, and the following names are enrolled.

Delegates: R. D. Cogburn, T. Holt, N. L. Pack, M. Cobble, J. H. Swatzel and W. A. Henderson.

Ministers: W. B. Woolsey, F. DeWitt, J. W. Lucas, J. L. Case, W. B. Jones, R. M. Johnson, W. H. Johnson, J. D. Fox, A. H. Burgess, E. C. Kenyon, E. B. Crowder and G. P. Rice.

Rev. W. B. Woolsey is elected Moderator, and Rev. E. C. Kenyon, Clerk. Revs. Lucas, Burgess and Rice are appointed a committee on the order of business. They present the following which is adopted.

1. Organization. 2. Appointment of committees to report during the session. 3. Written and verbal reports from the churches. 4. Report of the Home Mission Board. 5. Report of Committees. 6. New Business. 7. Appointment of standing committees. 8. Miscellaneous business. 9. Adjournment.

Rev. W. A. Headrick is invited to a seat in the body. The following committees are appointed:

On Preaching: Cogburn, Henderson and Pack.

On Finance: Revs. Fox and Jones.

On Sunday Schools: Rev. Rice, Crowder and M. Cobble.

On Education: Revs. Lucas, Crowder and Rice.

On Denominational Literature: Revs. Burgess and Rice and R. D. Cogburn.

On the Financial Condition of Woolsey College: Revs. Burgess, Lucas and Rice.

On the Time and Place of next session: Rev. Fox, J. D. Swatzel and Henderson.

A motion to appoint a committee on temperance is lost through fear of disagreement over the "third party" movement.

Rev. A. J. Ellenburg, of the New American Association, is invited to a seat in the body.

Committee on preaching report that Rev. J. D. Fox will preach to-night and Rev. R. M. Johnson to-morrow at 11 a. m. The hours of meeting are fixed at 8 a. m. and 2 p. m., and it is agreed to spend the first half hour at each meeting in devotional exercises. Agreed to fine each member absent at roll-call ten cents, to be added to the minute fund. Adjourned with prayer by Rev. E. B. Crowder.

SECOND DAY.

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Morning Session.

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The Moderator calls the house to order and the roll is called at 8 o'clock. The devotional service is conducted by Rev. E. B. Crowder.

The names of delegates, L. West, Wm. Turner and John Ellenburg, are enrolled. Most of the morning is devoted to written and verbal reports from the churches. For a summary of these reports see the table of statistics. The report of the Home Mission Board is made the special order of business for 2:30 P. M. Committee on Education has no report and is dismissed. Committee on time and place of next session reports that the next session be held with Midway church, beginning on Thursday before the second Sunday in August, 1889. After some discussion the report is adopted. Adjourn. Prayer by Rev. R. M. Johnson.

Afternoon Session.

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At 2 o'clock the Moderator and Clerk are both absent. Devotional service is conducted by Rev. J. S. Case. The roll is called at 2.30, and the names of delegate W. H. Lovett, and Rev. W. V. Bell, are enrolled. The report of the Home Mission Board is read as follows:

Our Board has not received that co-operation from pastors and churches which we expected and ardently desired. Collections for work have been taken in very few of the churches, and these amounted to little. Those at work under our direction have been instructed to collect where they labor. Rev. G. P. Rice, has labored a short time among destitute churches, and reports 102 sermons, 124 conversions witnessed, and \$40. collected and used. Rev. C. A. Brooks, who has been laboring in Hamblen county, has failed to make report to us. We recommend that the work next year be committed to an active Board who will push it forward; that pastors co-operate with them; that destitute churches and all others desiring pastors or evangelists consult this Board.

J. W. LUCAS, Chairman

The report is received, discussed at length, and adopted. J. W. Lucas, A. H. Burgess, L. West, E. C. Kenyon, and N. L. Pack are appointed Home Mission Board for the next year, to carry out the suggestions in the above report. Committees on Education Denominational Literature and Sunday Schools have no report and are discharged. E. C. Crowder, W. H. Lovett and G. P. Rice, are appointed to make out a program for Sunday School exercise on next Sunday morning.

Committee on the financial condition of Woolsey College reports: We find that Woolsey College has been deeded unconditionally to the F. B. Home Mission Society, that J. D. Lovett, J. F. DeWitt, W. B. Woolsey, and Hiram Price, hold claims against the College amounting to about fourteen hundred dollars. As Union Association has no stock in the college, and no representative in its board of trustees, we advise these creditors to present their claims to the F. B. H. M. Society, the real owners of said property.

A. H. BURGESS, Chairman.

Report is received and adopted.

On Motion, agreed that the adjournment of the Association at the end of this session be *sine die*, and that the Quarterly Meetings be requested to meet in convention to form a Y. M. at the time and place appointed for the next meeting of this body. Committee on preaching report: Rev. E. B. Crowder, will preach to night Rev. W. B. Jones, tomorrow and Rev. G. P. Rice tomorrow night. Adjourn. Prayer by Rev. J. Ellenburgh.

SATURDAY MORNING.

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Roll is called, every member being on the ground. Devotional exercises are conducted by Rev. W. A. Headrick, Rev. J. W. Lucas, offers the following: Resolved, That all pastors in the Association be urged to organize societies of "Advocates of Christian Fidelity" in their respective churches. Discussed by Lucas, Burgess, and Rice, and adopted. Committee on finance report for minutes \$6.50 cash and 4.00 in pledges. Report is accepted.

J. W. Lucas is elected to have the minutes of this session printed, and instructed to have as many printed as possible with the funds.

Rev. A. H. Burgess, offers the following: Resolved, That Rev. W. B. Woolsey, has the sincere thanks of this body for the faithfulness with which he has presided over its deliberation, that we review with gratitude the past labors of our pioneer brethren and fathers, W. B. Woolsey, F. DeWitt, and R. M. Johnson. We thank them for their christian advice, and pray that we may long have the benefit of the same.

Adopted by a rising vote.

On motion, agreed to take a collection tomorrow for the benefit of the Cedar Creek church. To preach Sunday Lucas and R. M. Johnson. A vote of thanks is tendered to the citizens of the community for hospitality during this session of the Association.

Closing remarks of encouragement made by several. Adjourn *sine die*. Parting hand, prayer by Rev. R. M. Johnson, and benediction.

E. C. Kenyon, Clerk

Wm. B. Woolsey, Moderator.

In the Ministers Conference, Rev. W. A. Headrick, is received to membership, and J. M. Hays, the subject of the resolutions published in 1886, is found to be at present a member of Cedar Creek church in good standing.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. B. Woolsey,	Woolsey College,	Tenn.
F. DeWitt,	"	"
J. F. DeWitt,	"	"
A. H. Burgess,	Whig,	"
W. V. Bell,	Greenville,	"
W. B. Jones,	"	"
W. A. Headrick,	Painters	"
G. P. Rice,	Midway,	"
J. D. Fox,	Jeraldstown,	"
Wm. Blazer,	"	"
R. M. Johnson,	Greenville,	"
W. H. Johnson,	"	"
J. L. Case,	Newport,	"
C. A. Brooks,	Morristown,	"
E. B. Crowder,	Del Rio,	"
E. C. Kenyon,	"	"
J. W. Lucas,	Parrottsville,	"
J. A. Brown,	Unknown,	"
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