



MINUTES
OF THE
General Association,
OF
BAPTISTS IN KENTUCKY,
AND OF THE
Baptist Ministers' Meeting,
HELD WITH THE
WALNUT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
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THE General Association of Baptists in Kentucky met in the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., on Tuesday, May 5th, 1857, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Elder John Bryce, Moderator of the last meeting, called the Association to order.

Prayer was then offered by Elder Andrew Broaddus.

Brothers S. H. Ford, W. W. Everts and R. T. Dillard were appointed a Committee on Credentials; who in a few minutes reported the following delegates and members in attendance.

FROM GOSHEN ASSOCIATION.—Elder Wm. Head.

DAVISS COUNTY.—Elders I. R. Allen, James B. Haynes and John S. Taylor.

SOUTH KENTUCKY.—Elder Wm. T. Green.

FREEDOM.—Elders R. C. Buckner and G. W. Robertson.

BAYS FORK.—Elder Isaac McMurray.

SULPHUR FORK.—Elders A. M. Ragsdale, E. B. Stratton, Jno. Dulaney, A. Smith and D. S. Colgan.

NORTH BEND.—Elder S. L. Helm, E. B. Bartlett, D. G. Hatch, Isaac Cooper, Thos. Porter, T. N. Wise, J. C. Peacher and A. Ambrose.

WEST UNION.—Elders J. M. Harrington, W. White and J. H. Branham.

RUSSELL'S CREEK.—Elders H. McDonald, Joshua Brooks and J. L. Miller.

CONCORD.—Elders B. Garnett, C. Bond and C. M. Riley.

LIBERTY.—Elder S. P. Forgey.

NELSON COUNTY.—Elders P. B. Samuels, R. H. Slaughter and T. Summers.

- CAMPBELL COUNTY.—Elders N. Pettit and James Vickers.
 BRACKEN.—Elders Geo. Hunt, J. W. Bullock, J. W. Brown, W. W. Gardner, J. De Garmo and S. S. Miner.
 GASPER RIVER.—Elder J. S. Coleman.
 ELKHORN.—R. T. Dillard, D. D., Elders Wm. W. Pratt, C. Lewis, J. B. Link, Y. R. Pitts and M. Hughes.
 SALEM.—Elders W. Wright, George H. Hicks, W. L. Morris, J. J. Jeffries, Jno. English and W. C. Gray.
 LITTLE BETHEL.—Elder John Bryce.
 BETHEL.—President B. T. Blewitt, F. C. Plaster, W. H. Pendleton and Elder A. D. Sears.
 LONG RUN.—J. M. Cooper, John Hansbrough, Elders W. W. Everts, Smith Thomas, T. J. Drane, S. H. Ford, A. B. Knight, James H. Brown and J. V. Schofield.
 BAPTIST.—Elder R. A. Nelson.

CHURCHES.

- Dry Creek.*—Elder James Vickers.
Hopkinsville.—W. Ware, W. H. Pendleton and Elder A. D. Sears,
Henderson.—Elder John Bryce.
Glasgow.—Elder S. P. Forgey,
Walnut Street, Louisville.—Wm. Jarvis, I. N. Locke, James Hull, Elder W. W. Everts, J. M. Delph, A. S. Woodruff, W. H. Dix, J. M. Hewitt, J. Otis, R. H. Waggener, G. A. Hull, A. Peter, J. B. Whitman, A. O. Brannin, J. Lawrence Smith, Chas. Duffield, J. E. Tyler, W. B. Caldwell, Wm. Moses, John Kulp, T. A. Read.
Covington.—S. L. Helm, E. B. Bartlett, P. S. Bush, D. G. Hatch, T. Porter, Dr. T. M. Wise, J. Cooper, J. C. Peacher, A. Ambrose.
East, Louisville.—T. J. Drane and S. H. Ford.
Georgetown.—President D. R. Campbell, Elder A. W. La Rue, L. C. Steadman, J. E. Farnam and — Murray.
Three Forks Bacon Creek.—Elder Wm. Brown.
Ghent.—Elder W. Johnson.
New Liberty.—Elder B. Garnett, C. Bond and L. D. Alexander.
Great Crossing.—Elder Y. R. Pitts.
Carrollton.—Elder T. J. Fisher.
Lexington.—Elder W. M. Pratt,
Harrodsburg.—Elder W. B. Smith.
Whitesville.—Elders J. S. Taylor and W. Ellis.
Panther Creek.—James B. Haynes.
Warsaw.—Ashton Craig.
Jefferson Street, Louisville.—Elder J. V. Schofield.
Paris.—Elder J. B. Link and H. C. Hastings.

A vote was then taken for Moderator and Clerk, which resulted in the Election of E. B. Bartlett of Covington, as Moderator, and J. M. Cooper, of Stanford, as Clerk.

On motion of J. M. Cooper, Elder H. McDonald, of Greensburg, was appointed assistant Clerk.

A letter from the Female Baptist Missionary Society, in the city of Henderson, was read, and Elder John Bryce entered on the

list of Delegates, as their Representative. Delegates' and Ministers from other States and Societies, who were present, were invited to seats and their names enrolled, viz:

VIRGINIA.—Elders A. M. Poindexter, Cor. Secretary Southern Board F. M., R. B. C. Howell, W. D. Thomas, R. Ford, G. Pearcy, J. L. Burrows, A. D. Wood, A. W. Armstead.

MISSISSIPPI.—Elder Wm. C. Buck.

LOUISIANA.—Elders H. T. Tucker and W. C. Duncan.

TENNESSEE.—T. D. Jones, R. G. Kimbrough, J. H. Eaton and J. R. Graves.

ALABAMA.—S. Henderson, I. T. Tichenor, A. G. McCraw and R. Holman, Cor. Secretary S. B. D. M.

NEW YORK.—Dr. Church.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Elders J. M. C. Breaker, I. L. Brookes and Dr. B. Manly.

OHIO.—M. Stone and H. M. Richardson.

MISSOURI.—Elder J. E. Welch.

INDIANA.—Elder J. Miller.

Elder J. E. Rue, Agent of the Bible Revision Association.

Elder J. Johnson, Agent of the Southern Board of Domestic Missions.

The following Committees were appointed by the chair, viz:

On Religious Services, W. W. Everts, T. J. Drane, J. V. Schofield, and the Deacons of Walnut Street Church.

On Arrangements, R. L. Thurman, S. L. Helm, W. W. Everts.

On Nomination, A. D. Sears, L. C. Steadman, D. G. Hatch, W. M. Pratt.

At the request of Long Run Association, through W. W. Everts, a committee was appointed on Education, viz: W. W. Everts, D. R. Campbell, B. T. Blewitt, W. W. Gardner, Thomas Porter.

The Annual Report of the Board was read by the Cor. Secretary, and on motion its consideration was deferred until the evening services. (See Report A.)

On motion the meeting adjourned until 3 o'clock, p. m.

Prayer by Elder W. C. Buck, of Mississippi.

TUESDAY, May, 1857.

The Association met, pursuant to adjournment, at 3 o'clock, prayer by R. T. Dillard, D. D.

A large number of life members were then reported and their names enrolled, as follows:

LIFE MEMBERS.

Elder S. Cook, A. M. Ragsdale, E. B. Stratton, W. W. Foree, B. T. Quinn, A. Smith, Willis Peck, Wm. Smith, Y. R. Pitts, John Dulany, W. W. Gardner, A. Broadus, G. W. Robertson, G. H. Hicks, J. Brooks, B. O. Branham, L. D. Alexander, T. M. Daniel, Daniel Buckner, John Bryce, S. P. Forgey, Wm. L. Mor-

ris, P. B. Samuels, J. C. Wigginton, Smith Thomas, J. Otis, B. Garnett, D. R. Campbell, Thomas Underwood, D. S. Colgan, J. H. Brown, Isaac Thomas, J. M. Pendleton, Foster Ray, R. C. Buckner, J. E. Tyler, C. Duffield, R. H. Slaughter, W. Head, J. L. Taylor, J. M. Cooper, A. B. Knight, T. J. Drane, J. H. Brown, J. Hansbrough, J. M. Harrington, Thomas Porter, A. D. Sears.

Bro. Waller Chenault's name was enrolled as a delegate from Tate's Creek Association.

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

Miss T. Chenowith, Wm. Cleveland, W. T. Green.

Elder John Bryce offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That we recommend to the pastors of all our churches to use their best efforts to form Female Missionary Societies in their respective churches, for the purpose of raising funds by monthly contributions in aid of the General Association, to be forwarded to the Treasurer of this body by their delegates, or otherwise; and we also request all our Missionaries to form such societies in churches destitute of pastors, in their respective fields of labor.

The Committee of Arrangements reported the further order of business for the evening, viz:

1st. Call for the report of the committee on State Missions, and spend four hours on its consideration.

2d. Report on Agencies.

3d. Other reports that may be ready.

4th. Introductory discourse by Elder A. D. Sears, to-night.

Brethren I. Forman and L. R. Thurman, had their names enrolled as delegates from Bethlehem Church, Washington county.

The report on Domestic Missions, was called for, and on motion further time was given Bro. Helm to report.

The report on Bible cause was also postponed until to-morrow.

The Committee on State Missions not being present the report was deferred.

The report of Elder V. E. Kirtley on Ministerial Education, called for, and he not being prepared to report had further time.

Elder W. M. Pratt offered a report on Agencies, which was adopted. (See report marked B.)

Elder Cad Lewis read a report on Temperance, which was referred to a committee consisting of Bros. C. Lewis, R. H. Buckley, and Y. R. Pitts.

The annual report of the Board was then taken up and adopted.

The committee on nominations reported in part. (See report C.)

Bro. J. M. Cooper offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Executive Board together with a letter from Elder Jno. James, the pastor of Stanford-church.

Resolved, That the Executive Board be instructed to take into consideration the propriety of contributing something to the church at Stanford, in Lincoln county, to aid them in the erection of a house of worship.

The Treasurer's report was called for and on motion its reading was postponed until to-morrow.

Elder Wm. Head stated that an error had been made in an appropriation to Panther Creek Church in Ohio county, some years since, and on motion the case was referred to the Board.

Remarks were made by Bros. S. L. Helm and T. Summers on Church Extension.

On motion the meeting adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Prayer by R. B. C. Howell, D. D., of Virginia.

At 7½ o'clock at night Elder A. D. Sears delivered the annual discourse, from Acts 14th chapter and 7th verse, "And there they preached the Gospel."

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6th, 1857.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment at 9 o'clock, A. M. After reading the scriptures and prayer by Eld. J. L. Burrows, of Va., proceeded to business.

A letter from South District Association and one from Danville Church were presented, and on motion, referred to the Education Board.

The following Delegates and members were enrolled.

From Concord Association.—Elder B. O. Branham.

Sulphur Fork.—Elder Archie Smith.

Elkhorn.—B. F. Barkley.

Lagrange Church.—Elder D. S. Colgan.

Aberdeen Church, Ohio.—Elder E. Strickland.

Franklin.—Elder T. M. Daniels.

Southern Baptist Church, Evansville, Ind.—Eld Jacob Cole.

Owensboro Church.—Elder A. B. Smith and Wm. N. Mason.

Dallasburg Church.—James Riley.

Shelbyville Church.—Elder S. P. Thompson.

Taylorsville Church.—Elder J. M. Weaver.

Elder N. Pettit, Life member.

The following Brethren were invited to seats: Bro. J. J. Toon, Financial Secretary of the Southern Baptist Publication Society.

Elder J. M. Pendleton, Professor in Union University, Tenn.

D. B. Hale, Tennessee.

E. Strode, Professor Union University, Tenn.

James Edmunds, Cor. Sec. Bible Revision Association.

The Committee of Arrangements reported—which was adopted, to wit:

1st. Call for the report on Temperance, and spend half an hour on its consideration.

2d. State Missions one hour.

3d. Bible Cause three quarters of an hour.

4th. Ministerial Education and Georgetown College one hour.

5th. Sunday Schools three quarters of an hour.

6th. Geographical Education—to be taken up at four o'clock.

7th. Report on nominations.

8th. Appoint Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention.

9th. Select a place for next meeting of the Association.

10th. Appoint Delegates to Corresponding Associations.

The Committee on Temperance submitted a report which was adopted, and ordered to be published in the minutes. (See report marked E.)

Elder J. H. Brown offered a report on State Missions, which was referred to a committee consisting of Brethren J. H. Brown, John Bryce, W. M. Pratt, W. B. Caldwell and A. Broadus.

Elder R. L. Thurman read a report on Bible Cause, which was referred back to the committee and Elder A. D. Sears added to the committee.

Elder A. D. Sears, chairman of the committee on nominations, presented a report—which was adopted. (See report marked F.),

On motion the Association adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock, P. M. Prayer by Dr. B. Manly, of South Carolina.

WEDNESDAY, 3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment at 3 o'clock, P. M. Prayer by Elder James Vickers.

Brethren A. D. Sears, S. L. Helm and C. Lewis were appointed a committee to nominate a place for holding the next annual meeting, who, in a few minutes reported in favor of Georgetown; which was unanimously adopted.

S. L. Helm, D. R. Campbell and R. L. Thurman were appointed a committee to nominate delegates to the Southern Convention.

Elder V. E. Kirtley read his report on Ministerial Education, and Georgetown College; which was adopted. (See report marked G.)

Elder W. W. Everts read a report on Geographical or general Education; which was adopted. (See report marked H.)

On motion, agreed to adjourn at 11 o'clock on to-morrow, for the purpose of allowing the Southern Education Convention to occupy the balance of the day.

Brother A. O. Brannin, Treasurer, presented his annual report; which was referred to W. M. Pratt and D. G. Hatch auditing committee.

Elder D. S. Colgan, committee on Sunday Schools, was excused from making a report.

R. T. Dillard D. D., S. L. Helm and Thomas Porter were appointed delegates to the General Association of Virginia—also any others of this body who may be in attendance at that or any other societies or conventions that we may be in correspondence with.

Elder R. L. Thurman read a report on Bible Cause; which was adopted. (See report marked I.)

Elder W. W. Gardner offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we cordially recommend the Western Recorder and Christian Repository to all our churches, as efficient means of promoting our religious and educational interests; and we hereby pledge ourselves to use our best endeavors to extend their circulation in our respective fields of labor, and we also recommend our Agents and Missionaries to do the same.

The Association then adjourned to 7½ o'clock to night. Prayer by Elder John Bryce.

The Association met, pursuant to adjournment, at 7½ o'clock at night and was opened by singing, and prayer by R. B. C. Howell, of Virginia.

Elder S. L. Helm read a report on Domestic Missions; which was adopted, after a few able and appropriate remarks, from himself and Elder R. Holman, of Alabama. (See report marked J.)

Elder T. J. Drane presented a report on Foreign Missions, and after able discourses from Brother A. M. Poindexter, Cor. Sec'y of the S. B. F. M., W. W. Everts D. D., Pres. D. R. Campbell and R. T. Dillard D. D., it was adopted with the resolution annexed. (See report marked K.)

The Association then adjourned to meet on to-morrow, at 8 o'clock A. M.

THURSDAY, MAY 7th, 1857.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment at 8 o'clock, A. M. After reading the scriptures and prayer by Bro. A. G. McCraw, proceeded to business.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The following Delegates and Ministers were reported and invited to seats, viz:

Davless County Association—Elder N. C. Beckham.

Gasper River.—Elder Alfred Taylor.

Bethel.—Elder James M. Bennett.

Sulphur Fork.—Thos Reynolds.

White's Run Church, Carroll county—M. Barrett.

Lebanon Church.—Foster Ray.

Prof. Dabney, Virginia General Association, Rev. Wm. Carey Crane, President of Semple Broaddus College, Mississippi.

J. F. Smith, Missouri.

Elders G. B. Taylor, J. W. M. Williams, and G. F. Adams, Baltimore, Maryland.

From Virginia.—Elders L. M. Allen, H. E. Davies, Z. J. George John A. Broaddus, A. E. Dickinson, J. B. Taylor, Cor. Sec'y S. B. F. M. and Dr. J. B. Jeter.

On motion it was ordered that the Corresponding Secretary cause to be printed in the minutes a list of all the Life Members of this Association.

On motion it was ordered that 5000 copies of the minutes be printed for distribution.

Elder W. M. Pratt, for the committee on State Missions, read a report; which was adopted. (See report marked L.)

Bro. A. Broaddus offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted unanimously:

Whereas, In a notice of our anniversaries, published this morning in the Louisville Journal, the Editor states, "The general sentiment of the members appeared to be that of non-interference in the Temperance cause,"

Resolved, That the disposition of some of the delegates composing this body to non-interference with the subject of Temperance grew simply out of their views as to the constitutionality of discussing it and the consumption of time which might be more profitably spent, and not from any disposition to oppose Temperance.

Resolved, That our Corresponding Secretary request the Editors of the Journal to publish the report on Temperance adopted at this session of our body.

The committee appointed to nominate delegates to the Southern convention, reported the following:

For the General Association of Kentucky.—Rev. D. R. Campbell, LL. D., President of Georgetown College; R. L. Thurman; A. Broaddus; Wm. M. Brown; S. Haycraft; W. W. Everts, D. D. S. H. Ford; John Bryce; W. Wright; N. Robinson; H. McDonald; I. R. Allen; V. E. Kirtley; F. Ray; D. S. Colgan; Wm. Vaughan; T. J. Drane; B. O. Branham; W. L. Morris; A. B. Smith; A. B. Knight; W. Johnson; J. H. Brown; W. B. Smith; Wm. Head; T. J. Fisher; J. M. Harrington; R. C. Buckner; D. Bruner; Willis White; P. H. Todd; S. P. Forgey.

For Bracken Association.—Elders W. W. Gardner, J. W. Brown, J. W. Bullock, J. De Garmo, Edw'd Strickland.

Campbell county Association.—Elder N. Pettit.

Elkhorn Association.—Elders W. M. Pratt, Cad. Lewis, Y. R. Pitts, J. B. Link.

Bethel—F. C. Plaster, Pres. B. T. Blewitt.

Concord—Elder B. Garnett.

Walnut Street Church, Louisville—W. B. Caldwell, A. O. Brannin, C. Duffield, J. L. Smith, J. E. Tyler.

1st. Covington—S. L. Helm, D. G. Hatch, Thomas Porter, E. B. Bartlett.

Georgetown—Elder A. W. LaRue.

Shelbyville—Elder S. T. Thompson, T. R. Palmer.

Bethel, Christian county—Elder J. M. Bennett.

Hopkinsville Baptist Bible Society—W. H. Pendleton, W. Ware.

On account of P. S. Bush's Subscription—P. S. Bush, A. Drury, T. N. Wise, J. Vickers, J. Cooper, A. Ambrose.

Maysville Church—Elder George Hunt, S. S. Miner.

Burks Branch and Clay Village—Elder T. M. Vaughan.

On motion, the following delegates were appointed to the Southern Education Convention, viz:

Thomas Porter, R. T. Dillard, W. W. Everts, John Bryce, S.

L. Helm, A. D. Sears, A. W. LaRue, Y. R. Pitts, D. G. Hatch, and George Hunt.

The auditing committee made a report on the Treasurer's account; which was adopted. (See Treasurer's report marked M.)

Elder J. B. Link offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

Whereas, It is desirable to realize the largest amount of practical good from the meeting of this body:

Resolved, That the ministering brethren and laymen from different parts of the State be requested to lay before their respective churches, immediately on their return, the plans and proceedings of this body, so as to daguerreotype, as far as possible upon the minds and hearts of the churches, any favorable impressions they themselves have received, while in attendance upon the sessions of the Association.

Brother A. Broadus offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Executive Board of the several District Associations be requested to forward immediately to our Corresponding Secretary, a detailed account of what they have done in their respective organizations, during the year, for insertion in our minutes.

The Association then adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock, P. M.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder Wm. Carey Crane, of Mississippi.

On motion agreed that when this meeting closes, it adjourn to meet at Georgetown, on Friday before the last Thursday in June, 1858.

Brother Y. R. Pitts offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to Mr. J. Insko Williams, for the kind and polite invitation to us as a body to attend the exhibition of his Bible Panorama.

Brother A. D. Sears offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this body be tendered to the brethren of the different churches and the citizens of Louisville, for the kindness and hospitality received at their hands.

On motion, the printing and distribution of the minutes was referred to the Executive Board.

After singing, and giving the parting hand, and prayer by Bro's R. T. Dillard and A. M. Poindexter, the Association adjourned, to meet in Georgetown, on the Friday before the last Thursday in June, 1858,

E. B. BARTLETT,

Moderator. Covington, Ky.

J. M. COOPER, *Clerk*, Stanford, Ky.

R E P O R T S .

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD.

As those to whom has been entrusted the supervision of the objects contemplated by the General Association, your Board regard it a *privilege*, as well as a *duty*, to present annually a synopsis of our proceedings.

While we regret that for the want of men and means, we have been enabled to do comparatively little, we feel that we should be devoutly thankful for the extent to which we have been enabled to spread the gospel in "the regions beyond." We rejoice also that the Divine blessing has been poured out in connection with the labors of our Missionaries; as will be seen from the extracts which we shall give from their reports. Aged Disciples, who had long been hungering for the Bread of Life, have been fed on food Divine, to the rejoicing of their hearts; while they have praised God for having sent them the living Ministry. Younger Christians, having heard the voice of the faithful Missionary, have been constrained to "glorify God;" have been "renewed in the spirit of their minds;" and "stengthened with might in the inner man." Many, who have been all their lives the servants of sin, have been brought from darkness to light, and will, doubtless, to all eternity, call us blessed for having been mindful of them in their destitution. But these rich and precious results which have attended our humble efforts, are not *all* that has been accomplished. New fields have been entered which were previously under the influence of the chilling system of anti-ism; and an impetus has, in many instances, been given, which is destined, ere long, to dispel the darkness that enshrcuds them, and extend widely the benign rays of the "Sun of Righteousness."

Agents and Missionaries have disseminated a knowledge of our objects and operations, until hundreds, who, through ignorance, had opposed us, are *now* identifying themselves with the missionary enterprise. Many, we trust, are beginning to realize, more than ever, the great obligation to extend the knowledge of the Glory of God; and may we not fondly hope that the time is near at hand when covetousness among Christians shall be severely rebuked; and when *all* shall feel that it is their indispensable duty to "devise liberal things?"

After a trial of twelve months, we feel assured that the present arrangement of the State into Districts is of great utility. Instead of *one* Agent, we have, by this arrangement, *four*; who are enabled, by a somewhat intimate acquaintance with the wants of their respective Districts to recommend the best means of supplying them. We fondly anticipate that in the future developements of the system will be seen its salutary results in the diffusion of the Gospel.

While "the children of this world" are actively engaged by the construction of Railroads, etc., in developing the resources of our great Common-

wealth, we rejoice in our organization; the ultimate end of which is the extension of the borders of Zion, far beyond our own limits. The greatness of the work entrusted to our care, and the consideration that we are soon to give an account of our stewardship, should inspire us with holy zeal and indomitable perseverance. We should resolve to leave nothing undone which may be brought to bear upon the interests of immortal souls, and through humble prayer, seek God's blessing upon our labors. We should continue, with redoubled diligence, to press upon our Brethren throughout the State, the claims of perishing sinners; and never relax our efforts until the standard of benevolence be elevated to its proper position, and Christians learn to give "according to their several ability." Thus shall we subserve in some measure, the object of our continuance on earth and have "a conscience void of offense toward God and man."

AGENCIES.

In the 1st District, composed of 17 counties, in the southwestern part of the State, Elder H. R. Puryear, who acted a short time as Agent and Missionary, having resigned we appointed Elder A. Hatchitt his successor, at \$1 50 per day, for actual labor performed. Brother H., however, spent a few weeks in the service and resigned, since which time we have not succeeded in filling the vacancy. We hope, however, soon to have the place supplied.

In the 2d District, comprising 28 counties, we secured, in June last, the services of Elder G. W. Robertson, at a salary of \$600 and his traveling expenses. His success, in collecting funds, and in building up the cause of Christ in what is called the "Green River Country," has been truly encouraging. He has obtained since his appointment some 250 Life Members, besides liberal cash collections. In December last, rather than lose his efficient services, and in view of the arduousness of his labors, and the wants of his family, we were induced to raise his salary to \$800. This amount, though to some it may seem large, can well be afforded to a man who has obtained, in eleven months, in cash and subscriptions, some \$8000. Besides the liberal collections made, Brother R. has held eight protracted meetings in different places, which resulted in the hopeful conversion of one hundred and fifty persons; one hundred and thirty-two of whom were baptized, and eternity alone will show the amount of good done through his faithful labors.

In the 3d District, Elder A. Broaddus is still operating at \$600 and traveling expenses. In addition to this amount, we give him \$400 for his services as Corresponding Secretary. The duties of the last named office necessarily embarrass, in a good degree, his efforts in the field; the duties of the Secretaryship occupying at least one-fourth of his time. His collections have, nevertheless, been encouraging.

In the 4th District, comprising 30 counties, Elders Todd and Lee having resigned, we appointed in November last, Elder B. O. Branham as Agent and Evangelist, at a salary of \$1 50 per day for actual service. Owing to protracted sickness in his family, he has been able to spend but little time in the field. He reports forty-nine days' labor; forty-eight exhortations; six hundred and eight miles travelled; four baptisms and \$147 95 collected. His is a large and destitute field; and it is to be hoped that he will be enabled, in future, to give himself "wholly to the work."

MISSIONARIES.

Elder D. Dowden, who is located at Litchfield, Grayson county, has been longer under our patronage than any other minister. He says, in his late annual report, "I have been laboring here about five years. During that time I have been aided by the General Association every year to the amount of \$100. This, with what I have received from the churches and otherwise, would perhaps amount to a salary of \$400 per annum. I have worked for this amount because I believed God wanted me in this field, when I could have increased it greatly by changing places. I have not only labored here at a sacrifice of dollars and cents, but I have sacrificed many of the comforts of life. I cannot see what better my situation is in some respects, than that of the *foreign* missionary. If *he* must contend with sins which have been accumulating for centuries, *I* have to meet them made subtle by the arts of civilization. If *he* must meet the mythologist and confound his fabulous dream, *I* must meet the infidel,

"Who stole the livery of the court of Heaven
To serve the devil in."

and make him feel (with God's help) that the Bible does not teach "universal salvation."

While I find much to cast me down, I also find reason to be glad. My labors have been blessed beyond my most sanguine expectations. Before the General Association located me here, all denominations worshiped in the Court House. Litchfield had then been a county-seat over forty years. *Now*, we have a comfortable meeting house, large enough for almost any occasion. The Church has nearly doubled its membership. Previous to my call here, the salary for one Sabbath in the month, was twenty-five dollars a year. Within the last fifteen months, we have lost the only wealthy member we had; and yet they raise double the former salary.

Another Church, to which I preach monthly, has lost many of her best members by death and removals. Yet the Lord has sustained his own honor in the midst of her. Her number is not diminished, and her liberality is greatly increased. Her members have recently subscribed an amount to the General Association, which will more than pay back all you have ever done for me. The Lord be praised! I don't feel so much like a beggar *now*. They also pay about forty dollars a year to the Goshen mission. Also fifty dollars annually to their former Pastor, who is in very delicate health."

Brother Dowden reports 102 day's labor, 26 sermons and exhortations; 5 baptisms; 11 received by letter; and 1,375 miles travelled. Of course, this is his Report of *Missionary* labor apart from *other* labors performed, during the past associational year.

Elder Robert C. Buckner, having been recommended by the Executive Board of Freedom Association, was appointed Dec. 4th, 1856, at the rate of \$400 per annum, with the privilege of receiving all, additionally, which might be contributed by one Church, to which he had been preaching. This Association is located in a mountainous region, embracing the Counties of Cumberland, Clinton, Monroe, &c., and has great destitution.

Brother Buckner writes, "It would be impossible to give you a correct idea of the work performed; without revealing the many unsuccessful efforts

I have made to secure preaching places in neighborhoods, where for several miles around, they have no public house of any kind, comfortable enough for winter preaching. This is the great difficulty in Freedom Association. Most of my preaching has been in private houses; and several times have I rode one or two days, hunting houses to preach in. A few instances of my difficulties might not be entirely without interest. In one neighborhood I could find no one willing to suffer preaching in his house, until after applying to several, an old friend consented, on condition that I would assist in getting the firewood; and not stay with him all the time, but eat from house to house. The meeting promised to result in great good; but after a few evenings had to be dismissed on account of severe cold.

At another time and place I protracted a meeting nearly a week; and the prospects were becoming encouraging but the wind became so high and constant that in the open house the lighted tapers trembled into non-existence. At one time when the people, by a sudden blast, were left without light, I involuntarily exclaimed aloud, "The candle of the wicked shall be put out." This meeting was of course discontinued; for leaves and our blankets crammed into the cracks did not make the house comfortable.

This Association covers a large section of country; but the Churches are few and small; and are surrounded on every side by anti-missionary influence. We have but few preachers, only two I think, who can give all their time to the work, the result of neglect on the part of the Churches. Brethren, we shall lose ground here unless we persevere with untiring zeal. I feel ashamed that I have done so little; and if I had not given it my entire attention, I could not be persuaded to receive what the contract calls for. I have labored up to this date, three months and twenty-one days, say three months and fourteen days; for I have spent seven days in another way. I have traveled 373 miles, visited 67 families, delivered 93 sermons and exhortations, witnessed 22 professions, and distributed 37 denominational books."

Elder Wm. Kidd, who labors in Warren county and its vicinity, commenced his work on the 19th of October last, at a salary of \$1 50 per day for *actual service*, and has labored 106 days, preached 163 sermons, delivered 70 exhortations, baptized 71 persons, witnessed 160 conversions, all of whom, save one, he saw baptized; traveled 725 miles, obtained 12 Life-members, and received in cash \$67 95. He writes "there is still great destitution in this section of the country, and I am glad to see so much interest as there is at present to have the Gospel of Christ preached in these regions. The people are anxious to have it preached, and receive it with joy and gladness. My prayer is that the Lord may continue to bless the efforts of the General Association, until our entire destitution shall be supplied."

Elder William Cleaveland, who is laboring in destitute parts of Grant, Pendleton and Harrison counties, was appointed in October last, at a salary of \$1 50 per day for *actual service*. He has labored 65 days; preached 71 sermons; delivered 4 lectures; baptized 22 persons; traveled 730 miles, and received \$9. He writes: "I have much to contend with in this field. The anti-mission spirit prevails to some extent, and I do think, that if there ever was a Gospel-hardened people, I find them in portions of this field.

Notwithstanding these, and many other difficulties, we have great reason to praise God for our success in this enterprize. I think we can truly say that God has been with us and blessed us; and has driven back the black cloud that obscured, to a great extent, that interest that should be felt by all who love the cause of Christ."

Elder J. G. Durham was appointed in December last, by the Liberty Association, in Barren and adjoining counties; which appointment was ratified by our Board in February. He was appointed at a salary of \$1 25 per day for *actual labor*; and has labored 60 days; delivered 82 sermons and exhortations; witnessed 66 baptism, by himself and Brother Kidd; travelled 640 miles; constituted one church, that now numbers 38 members; and received \$22 90. He says: "There is great destitution in the bounds of Liberty Association. There are neighborhoods (as I am credibly informed) where the Gospel is not preached once a year. I attended a protracted meeting, since I have been laboring as a missionary, where a young lady, about grown, heard the first sermon she ever heard. I have ever been a missionary in sentiment; but my heart has been more deeply impressed since my appointment, than ever before. May God impress the minds of all His people with the importance of the work."

Elder Joseph Ambrose was appointed on the 5th March last, in the counties of Gallatin, Grant, Estill, Owsley, Laurel, and the mountainous region of Madison, at a salary of \$1 per day for *actual labor*. A large portion of his field is as destitute, perhaps, as any part of the State; and we have long desired to have such a man as Brother Ambrose operating there. May he long range those mountain fastnesses, declaring the "unsearchable riches of Christ!" He writes:

"The destitute churches and neighborhoods that I have visited, were in a cold and barren state when I first came among them. I could stay but two or three days in a place, owing to my having so vast a field before me. I have had large congregations, and the churches seem much revived. In some places, the brethren and sisters shouted aloud in acclamations and praises to God; while the great mass of the congregation was melted into tears; in which time a number of mourning sinners crowded the mercy seat, asking the prayers of God's children. Several brethren and sisters broke out in praise to the Lord that they had heard another gospel sermon. Some of them said they had not heard a gospel sermon for eighteen months, except what I had preached; some in twelve, others in six months. One lady about eighty-five years old, who has been confined to bed four or five years, (and whose companion was also very old,) after exhortation and prayer, commenced praising the Lord, and desired to depart and be with Jesus. Another old brother, ninety-six years old, after religious conversation and prayer, said his soul was happy, and expressed a wish to go to his home in Heaven."

Elder W. H. Davis was appointed, on the 10th January last, to labor at Portland, in the vicinity of Louisville, from that time till 1st of May; to receive for his services \$125; one fifth to be collected on the field. Some three years since, a little church was organized at Portland, through the labors of Elder J. H. Brown. A lot was presented by some brethren of the Walnut Street church, in a central locality; and an effort was made to obtain

funds for the erection of a house of worship. From a variety of causes, the project failed; and the brethren and sisters, becoming discouraged, disbanded. Last fall, at our instance, our Corresponding Secretary held a series of meetings there, which we were hopeful would result in good. The result was the re-organization of the church with some sixteen members. Another effort is now being made to build a house. Some thousand dollars have been obtained in cash and pledges; and a building committee appointed, who have purchased bricks for a house sixty-five by forty-five feet, and partially contracted for the execution of the work. May we not hope that we shall soon have a place there in which to worship God "under our own vine and fig tree?" Brethren, pray for Portland—for it is a place where Satan reigns,—and while you pray, will you not—should it be necessary—lend your aid in the completion of their church edifice? Brother Davis has given all his time to preaching and to obtaining funds for building.

Elder William Stillwell was appointed five months since to labor with the church at Newport. The members are few in number, and unable to pay more than half the amount necessary for his support. His salary is at the rate of \$200 per annum, to be collected by our agent in the vicinity. Brother Stillwell writes as follows :

"When I came to Newport, six months ago, the church was certainly in a very low condition. It was thought by some of our members that it was impossible to "restore and to rebuild Jerusalem." The doors of the church had been closed for three weeks. It was difficult to get members enough together to transact business. Some were willing to give up all for lost; but 'man's extremity is God's opportunity.' We seized the pruning hook, severed twenty-three dead branches from the almost lifeless body, and tried to 'strengthen the things that remained.' In so doing, God has blessed us. The scene has very much changed. At present we have large and respectable congregations, who manifest a deep interest in our meetings. We have, also, a flourishing Sabbath School. We hope the time is not far distant when Newport church will be classed among the first churches of our country. To God be all the glory."

"Since my appointment by the Board I have preached 80 sermons, baptized 27 persons, received 7 by letter, and restored 3. We have four more to baptize next Lord's day. In all 41 additions."

A letter from the church says :

"Dear Brethren : We are happy to report to you that the Lord has visited our church once more, and that to bless us. The labors of our beloved brother William Stillwell have been very much blessed. During the last five months we have received about forty members, mostly young men and young ladies; and the work is still going on. We have large congregations manifesting a great deal of interest. The members all appear to be alive to a sense of their duty; and our prospects at this time are very encouraging. Brethren, we feel that your appropriation to us has not been in vain; and as the time for which you employed Brother Stillwell has expired, we earnestly request that you will continue the appropriation; as we hope, through the mercy of God, in a short time to be able to support Brother Stillwell ourselves, and to refund at least *some* of the money you have so kindly appropriated to us in our time of need."

Elders P. Todd and J. Lee, were appointed a short time previous to your last session, as Agents and Missionaries in the 4th district at a salary of \$1 50 per day, each, and continued their labors till September last. They held a number of protracted meetings, which, we hope, resulted in good. They report 99 days' labor, about 60 baptisms, and collected \$157 18 for the General Association.

The *Church Extension Society* of the City of Louisville, was organized during the last year and became auxiliary to the General Association. In November last, they employed Elder P. H. Todd, as their Missionary. In a report recently presented to that body, Bro. Todd says, "I have visited a number of families in the city, mostly among the poor, and on many occasions have read portions of God's Word and tried to explain their meaning. Some were great sinners, and my object was to bring salvation to their houses. In some instances sinners were affected and Christians made happy.

Another object has been to encourage children to attend Sabbath School. I have often rejoiced while talking to children on the street, to see what anxiety they would manifest while listening to me, and how gladly they received the tracts I distributed among them. I have often met with children who said they were without suitable clothes to wear to school. I succeeded in getting some of them into the schools, and their little hearts were much gratified. I have, for the last two Sabbaths, preached twice, and lectured the Sabbath school scholars at Butcher-Town. I have also held meetings a number of nights at the Green Street station school house, and had many interesting conversations at their houses. There are a great many kind hearted persons in that neighborhood who are not in any church, and they received me kindly. It is the opinion of your missionary, that the day is not far distant, when that neighborhood will build a house if properly managed. It is Baptist ground, and if *they* do not take it, others will. We believe we have the truth, and a Baptist will pass anywhere on this broad, green earth; all denominations are glad to receive them, and *will* do it, without squaring or plumbing.

I have labored to encourage poor wandering prodigals to return to the church. There are many in the city who have once been baptized, some of them very promising.

He has collected in life-memberships \$732; voluntary subscriptions, \$77; annual membership for 6 years \$53; making in all \$862.

The Church Extension Society have also had under supervision, the German Mission in the city. Elder J. G. Miller is their missionary. A house 40 by 25 feet in dimensions has been erected, and put under roof. The sum of \$800 has been collected and paid on their church lot; yet due on lot \$300. Elder Miller has also collected and paid on the house \$900; and \$1,200 are yet due. He has donated 179 religious books; distributed 6401 pages of tracts; preached 54 sermons; held 230 prayer meeting; visited 1,278 German families; found 364 families without Bibles, and supplied 237 families with Bibles. He also took up, during last winter, at the Walnut Street church, a collection for the benefit of the poor, which amounted to \$65.

Elder Wm. T. Green, was appointed in October last in Casey, and parts of Lincoln, Adair, and Russell counties, at \$1 per day; one half to be col-

lected on the field. Brother G. occupies a most laborious region; and we trust and believe, is enabled, in a good measure, to realize the importance of his mission.

Bro. Green says: "I have visited all the churches in this (South Kentucky) Association and find that great destitution prevails; there being only three ministers belonging to the body, and neither of them average more than two sermons a month. Two or three of these churches have the labors of two ministers of other Associations, one Sunday in each month. The other churches are dependent on transient preachers. I have, received many tokens of friendship from these people notwithstanding a strong anti-missionary spirit has prevailed since the first settlement of the country.

"I am fully persuaded that the course pursued by the General Association, for the dissemination of Baptist principles throughout the State, is well calculated to accomplish the desired result, for if they will sustain missionaries here until these people have time, by reflection, to realize their responsibilities, they will, doubtless, notwithstanding their poverty, support their own ministry, and to some extent become auxiliary to the General Association. With the assistance of Elder John James, I have recently organized a church in Jamestown, where there had not been a Baptist sermon preached for several years. I have labored 113 days; traveled 966 miles; delivered 150 sermons and exhortations; baptized two persons and collected \$20 35.

On application from the Carrollton church, March 7th, the sum of \$100 was appropriated toward the salary of T. J. Fisher, who resides there, and has consented to preach for them once a month. The church at Carrollton is quite feeble, but we trust that through Brother Fisher's labors, many may be added, of such as shall be saved.

Elder Wm. Head was appointed, March 5th, in the counties of Christian, Meade, Bracken and Davis, at a salary of \$1 25 per day for *actual service*, to be collected by himself on the field.

Brother Head writes:

"I have done but little under your appointment as missionary. I have been engaged only six days—traveled about eighty miles—preached nine sermons. I have been well received,—there is considerable destitution in some sections of this appointment."

CONCLUSION.

And now, Brethren, having laid before you a condensed view of our doings since your last session, with copious extracts from the Reports of our Missionaries in the different parts of the field; permit us, in "the conclusion of the whole matter," to urge upon your body, and through your body upon the Brethren and Sisters throughout the State, the necessity of redoubled diligence in this great and glorious enterprise. When we reflect that "we are not our own," and that what we have is only ours by loan; and that we shall soon be required to give account of our stewardship; when we reflect upon the multitudes in our own State, as well as elsewhere, who are out of Christ, and whose immortal destinies, in an important sense, are suspended on our efforts, we should tremble at the thought that we are expending far more on the gratification of our lusts than in the diffusion of the Bread of Life among the destitute. We *cannot*, we *dare not* deny, that there is ten-

times as much spent by Baptists in Kentucky, for the luxuries and superfluities of life as for the spread of the gospel at home and abroad. This astounding fact proves most plainly the want of faith, and of love for Christ, and should stimulate us to renewed vigor. Oh! Brethren, think of the value of immortal souls, as shown by the price paid for them on Calvary, and in the amount of happiness or misery that awaits them beyond the grave, and then consecrate yourselves anew to the great work of sending forth the Word of Life. Remember, "the night cometh, when no man can work." Let each Brother say, in view of the Judgment Day, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" Let all remember, that "Man wants but little, nor wants that little long;" and that it is a crying sin in us to neglect the interests of souls for the sake of our own temporal aggrandizement.

Let us all begin anew, a life of self sacrificing and labor for the advancement of Christ's cause. So shall we have a "conscience void of offense in the sight of God and man;" and in the end of our pilgrimage, hear our Saviour say, "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

A. BROADDUS, *Cor. Sec'y.*

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AGENCIES.

Agencies have been termed "necessary evils" in the Church. They are rather a necessity that arises *from the evil in the church*. Benevolence is the prominent feature of christianity. The Son of God was the personification of it. "He went about doing good." His church was constituted upon the principle of practical benevolence—to be the light of the world, the salt of the earth. Every regenerated soul is created in Christ Jesus unto good works. The command of his Master is to do good to all as he has opportunity. He who is not zealous of good works lacks the surest evidence of a change of heart.

A christian, impressed with the nature and design of his calling, would ever inquire, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" He would endeavor to ascertain his capabilities of usefulness, and would be glad at the opening of any field or the presentation of any opportunity for usefulness. He would institute some plan of benevolent effort, and would systematically and zealously pursue it, would say with his Master, "my meat is to do the will of him that has sent me, and finish his work."

What becometh a christian is obligatory upon a congregation of such,—a church. If a church was impressed with the original design of its constitution, she would not rest satisfied with formally maintaining the worship of God merely, and occasional spasmodic efforts for an ingathering. She would rather regard herself as a body of believers in Jesus, organized to show forth his praise, to exercise a conservative influence, to co-operate in every good work, and to endeavor, in every way possible, to advance the interests of truth and righteousness in the earth.

The best plan of benevolent effort is that suggested by Paul to the Corinthian church, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him, that there be no gathering when I

come." Should each member of the church adopt this plan, what an amount would be found in the treasury of our feeblest churches at the end of a year? The church possessing the fund, could inquire respecting the channels of appropriation, and the influence of every church would be felt for good. In that event there would be no need of agencies, the evil existing in the church would be removed.

But this is not the case. The love of money is the root of the evil. This love blinds our understandings, locks up the avenues to our sympathy; at least, it prevents the spontaneous flow of beneficence. At the building of the tabernacle and for a few months after the ascension of Christ, the selfishness of the church seemed, for the time being, to be subdued. Offerings spontaneously flowed into the treasury of the Lord, but ordinarily it requires strong persuasion and the arresting of the mind to a stern sense of duty to produce christian activity in this respect. Our own observation, and the history of the past, assures us that Agencies, to interest and arouse the church, are indispensable to the maintenance of our benevolent enterprises, and we should not give them up, until a more copious outpouring of the spirit of God, or pastors of churches shall regard the business of the Agent one part of their work.

The paper read before your body last year, on the subject of Agencies, advocated a consolidation into one general Agency, of our various benevolent enterprises. We are satisfied this will not work well. We have tried it once quite faithfully, and although the Agent was as well adapted to the work as any one whose services could be obtained, yet he did not obtain, for all combined, what should have been collected for each separately.

No man can serve two masters, or be devoted to two interests. One will be the prominent one, the other secondary. It is equally impossible for one man to interest another in a number of enterprises of benevolence at the same time. If churches were right at heart, and correctly informed, it might work well; yea, as before intimated, the pastor or some lay member could do the work of an Agent, receive and forward what they give of a willing mind. But so long as it is necessary to go to members' houses, follow them to the fields, literally chase them down, get them to stand and listen to you, and by argument, appeal to sympathy, and even by reproof, obtain a contribution, you must have but one object presented at a time, and that by one whose feelings are more deeply enlisted in that than any other.

The evil does not consist in having different Agents to represent so many objects, but in want of concert and good understanding among Agents, and the limitation of their effort in canvassing a small and the same portion of territory. A plan of Agencies should be formed among different Boards and the Agents themselves, according to which every portion of the State should be visited, and at proper intervals, by different Agents, so that no church should be too frequently or too seldom visited. Could all the churches be visited yearly, semi-yearly, or quarterly, in a few years there would be formed a habit of steadily contributing to our various enterprises.

But decidedly the most important matter of consideration with a Board, is the selection of suitable persons for Agents. A good Agent is a great blessing to the church—a bad Agent a great curse. This influence, for weal

or for woe, is long felt. He engenders a disposition, either favorable or unfavorable, to the cause he represents, and that disposition is not likely to change for many subsequent years. There should be no misrepresentation, no deception practiced—no magnifying the object beyond its true merits.

There should be no prying into monetary affairs, and dictatorial direction, as to the amount a person should give, or abusing for hesitating to contribute before the merits of the object are comprehended. Often in this way all access to benevolence, and even kind regard, is effectually barred.

If appeals are made to pride, ambitious vanity, the person thus actuated is degraded in his own mind, and he cannot reflect with satisfaction upon what he has done, especially when he would commune with God.

Agents often render themselves very disagreeable, in descending to what is commonly and properly regarded as begging and dunning, and also in demanding too much in the way of hospitality, and that his kind host should neglect his own business to suit his convenience.

If an Agent has no social qualities, no sense of propriety, nothing congenial in his nature, but his whole object is to get money, any way or any how, taking advantage of time, place and company, or by any device, there are engendered, even while contributing, a loathing for an Agent, object, system and all. There is an injury done to the man and to the cause represented.

Our conception of one qualified for the important and responsible work of an Agency, is this :

1. He should be imbued with the spirit of his Divine Master, a decidedly religious man, and should leave the impression upon every mind, that he was a man of God, and engaged in the cause of Christ.

2. His soul should be enlisted in the cause he represents, so that he could honestly and heartily plead for it, on the conviction that it was the cause of his Master, and was effecting good.

3. He should possess some knowledge of human nature, and know when and how to approach men, and be able to communicate his own convictions to others.

4. He should discard all motives but such as the Gospel justifies ; should endeavor to influence from a sense of duty to God, and on the principle of philanthropy. He should inspire a desire to co-operate in the good work, and leave a person with feelings of complacency, yea, of gladness, that he has done what will please God and benefit his fellow man.

5. He should make men feel the obligation of giving *as God has prospered them*—not to contribute an amount that they lightly appreciate, but an amount that they will feel ; to make a sacrifice that costs them something ; to insist upon their denying themselves to do good.

6. That he should so demean himself as to render his society agreeable, and his influence and conversation be such as to cause him to be held in lasting remembrance as the good man the Lord has sent to stir them up to christian activity, and whom they would ever after like to meet.

If our Board will be careful in selecting proper men for Agents, and Agents use their influence with proper motives and in the right manner, and arrangements made so that all the churches shall be visited regularly, at proper intervals, the present system is the best that can be adopted in our imperfect state.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Were this world the boundary of human existence, there would still be enough in the baleful effects of intemperance, to awaken the deepest concern on the part of the philanthropist as to the best means of arresting its desolating course. Society mourns the loss of its most promising members, dragged from the noblest manhood, to a more than brutal degradation. And while this dark cloud gathers its thick folds above them, there is no light of hope casting its beams through the showering tears of human sympathy, and painting the horizon of the future with the bow of promise. Like another Rachel it weeps, and will not be comforted for its lost children.

The eye of affection lingers in sadness around the wreck of household joys—the starving infant—the haggard and squalid orphan—the wife whose riven heart bleeds to the death of every hope—the gray haired sire who totters to the tomb beneath his burden of sorrow—the tender mother who sees in the bloated inmate of a prison, the once bright babe who nestled in her bosom, whose cheek time has furrowed with channels for the streams of bitterness which well from the depths of her despair—the victim himself, as he in a moment of consciousness struggles hopelessly in the coil of this demon serpent—all, all, look to the institutions whose beginning and end are in this world, and ask in tones of almost hopeless plaint, “Who will show us any good?”

But when we remember that the stream of time issues in the ocean of eternity, that man has a living soul—that it is appointed unto man once to die, but after that the judgment, and in that judgment no drunkard will be permitted to enter into the Kingdom of God, it is then that the subject assumes its true importance, and rises up before us in all its vast and solemn magnitude.

It behoves us, then as an assembly of those who recognize the worth of souls, and who labor for their welfare; whose philanthropy would see this desert blossom as the rose, and heaven glorious with the shouts of the redeemed—yea, who shall give account as stewards—it behooves us to view this matter in the light of divine truth, and to say with prayerful souls, “Lord, what wilt thou have us to do?”

It must be apparent to every one, that just now intemperance is on the advance. The use of intoxicating liquors, as a beverage, has ceased to be made in secret and within those dens where the demon holds his sway. It is becoming frequent, as in days of old, to use them at the private table, to offer them upon the side-board to the casual guest; and at the social party we no longer see men leaving the parlor and retiring to the darkness of midnight, to share the bottle which was smuggled on the premises by some bacchanalian guest, but it is either boldly set upon the table, or, where there is still some lingering feeling of doubt as to its propriety, it is assigned a throne in some social hall, where it reigns supreme and all yield homage.

The first thing which seems to have brought about this retrograde movement is covetousness; than which nothing more benumbs the moral sensibility—blights and withers the soul, until its separation from God is so complete that it is denounced as idolatry.

Two classes in society were in a great degree untouched by the Temper-

ance movement. The "upper ten," as they are familiarly termed, who thank God they are not as other men; not as the Pharisee did, but that they have so been born as to be permitted to be drones, and who, born to riches think that their blood has its constituent metallic base of gold and silver instead of iron, and that society has no claims upon them as its superiors, and they ask nothing of it.

Their silver cannot become dross, nor their fine gold become dim, as they suppose—they claim to be exempt from the general rule and may drink, even to drunkenness, and no one has any right to complain; and as to their souls, they are above that low humanity that needs a Saviour.

These have continued to drink expensive and high priced liquors; the price being the distinction between this Ambrosial food and that of common sort. But covetousness, in another form, found out the means to make these high priced liquors out of the vilest stuff that ever ran from the still worm, when mingled with poisonous drugs.

This had been prepared alike by covetousness, to make it pay when sold at a few cents per gallon to the second class, the lowest dregs of society who resisted the motives that the advocates of Temperance presented to more thinking men—simply because they were either beneath moral suasion, or would not come within its influence. These would drink, and their liquor must be adapted to their purses. Both these classes became enlightened, however, through the advocates of Temperance—the one that it was drinking poison instead of twenty cent whisky—and the other that they were paying from six to eight dollars per gallon, for this same villainous stuff, changed, as if by magic, into *French Brandy*. But drink they must and will—a demand sprung up for pure whisky; the price advanced enormously, distilleries were soon smoking in every direction, and far as their smoke could be seen, like another Upas tree, they spread the blight of death on all who were tempted by their proximity. But just as with all other species of property, a high price begets desire to possess, men buy as a sort of social standing, buy too for speculation—each purchaser becomes, in some degree, a witness for his own goods—a nucleus thus to gather others, while the tide of terror rushes on to destruction.

Again, *fashion* is very powerful; even in vice it has its cycles—dancing, horse racing, drinking &c., are generally in the ascendant at longer or shorter intervals, just as hoops or high heeled shoes leave their graves of centuries and come to life.

The next thing tending to the increase of intemperance may be set down to the fault of the ministry; not, however, to the exemption of the laity. They too often preach a sort of negative christianity—the regeneration of the heart, and all that would place an individual in a state of acceptance before God; but neglect to insist that religion leads to a life of active demonstration. They preach salvation by grace, but wink at a continuance in sin. For fear of being charged with not preaching Christ crucified, neglect presenting the active duties of Christianity, the diligence we should give to make our calling sure—they preach doctrine but forget reproof, correction &c.; and no wonder so many professed men of God are not thoroughly furnished to every good work.

Some professors, even ministers, think a Temperance lecture in a church,

on Sabbath evening, or a discourse against gambling; going to the theatre; covetousness or any known sin, is altogether inconsistent with their duty and the place, as if these might not be pointed out as dishonoring to God, to Christ, and injurious to men, while Christ is presented as the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. This results in a laxity of discipline upon the part of the churches. Members are permitted to drink to intoxication and no kindly effort made to reclaim them—coldness, abuse, and expulsion is the usual routine. We can all, under such circumstances, act the Priest and the Levite, but how few the good Samaritan, lifting up from ruin and providing for the comfort and assurance of the future. There is one feature here in the action of the Sons of Temperance that we might all well imitate. Throw around the lost one your kind sympathy as well as the restraints of prevention; win a soul, don't drive!

In some churches if a man become intoxicated he is required to pledge himself to total abstinence, if he is borne with by the church, while those who do not wallow in the gutter are permitted to drink habitually, yea, even, for interest, to persuade others to do likewise.

"The wicked should forsake his way and the unrighteous his thoughts," but the professed follower of Christ who sets aside the injunction to abstain from the appearance of evil, is throwing his influence virtually, against religion. This has had its influence in the retrograde of the temperance cause.

The last influence we shall mention, is that of a failure to assign to the Gospel of Christ, in the renovation of the heart and life, the glory which is its due as the only means which can permanently arrest the current of evil in human life.

It must have struck every man, alive to the necessity of a change of heart in order to a successful resistance of human passion, that some of the advocates of Temperance have dishonored Christ, his Gospel, and the Holy Spirit, by exalting above them this mere moral cause. The conceptions of poor finite minds, and an arm of flesh, above the infinite wisdom of Jehovah and his resistless power!! when he has said that the renovation of the world, the saving of his people from their sins, is the work of Jesus and his Gospel—a glory not to be assigned to another. And yet professors of religion, who identified themselves with this good cause, applauded when such speakers would ridicule the argument (made, it is true, often a mere subterfuge, by those who cared as little for the one as the other) that the Church was a good enough Temperance Society. Even some professed ministers of the Gospel would stagger in pantomimic imitation of the drunken church member who plead this argument, loll, drunkard-fashion, against the pulpit, bringing derision upon that blood that cleanseth from all sin, as proclaimed from that same desk.

Oh! how much rather would we sing,

"Grace first contrived the way
To save rebellious man.
And all the steps that grace display,
Which drew the wondrous plan."

Yes! the plan to save him from Hell in eternity and to save him from sin in this life—to make a new man even of a drunkard.

These moral institutions are good as handmaids of religion—let them

repress and restrain immorality, in those who have never believed the Gospel (whether a professor or not) but while professors may bid these God-speed, let them acknowledge and act upon the truth that they are but a means to bring men within the influence of the *Gospel*. Its influences are perpetual. No temporary pledge restrains human passion, to be let loose again like a flood, but a vow made to God and registered in Heaven, devoting to him the service of soul and body through this life and the one to come.

As compared with the Gospel and its glorious principles, as they should be promulgated, acted out, and insisted upon by the Church of Christ, all these, as the means of the renovation of human life, have been weighed in the balance and found wanting. Like the mirage, which presents some lofty mountain standing upon its apex, top downwards instead of spreading out its broad base over the earth, these institutions, mere points, should not be made to be the supports of the great scheme of human redemption. Let it then be our determination, so far as in us lies, to labor to bring about such a state of things in the churches that intemperance shall at once and forever be a barrier to membership; and to put them beyond the reproach of need of assistance from moral institutions within the sacred purlieus of God's Zion.

In the removal of the sot from the gutter, and in fitting him for hearing the gospel as a rational creature let us do all we can to assist them, yea, let us labor with them, but never forget, that as to a city of final refuge from the destroyer, our cry should ever be "*Excelsior*," as we point to the Kingdom of Christ and his renewing grace.

As ministers, as christians, let us work for this end, let us preach for it, let us pray for it. Then shall Zion become the glory of the whole earth, arrayed in her habiliments of grace, looking forth, fair as the moon, clear as the sun and terrible as an army with banners.

Therefore—we most earnestly recommend to all the lovers of our holy religion, a serious and prayerful examination of this subject, in view of the personal responsibility it devolves on the disciples of him who went about doing good; and to all the churches, a prompt discipline, that will remove from their communion all those who will persist in the drinking, making and selling of spirituous and malt liquors, as a beverage. And may God give us grace, faithfully to meet the duties and responsibilities devolved upon us.

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REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

The Committee on Nominations recommend the following brethren as officers and managers for the ensuing Associational year:

President.—E. B. Bartlett, Covington.

Corresponding Secretary.—Andrew Broaddus, Louisville.

Treasurer.—A. O. Brannin, Louisville.

Managers.—W. W. Everts, M. Halbert, W. Mitchell, F. B. Webb, James E. Tyler, J. E. Haynes, W. B. Caldwell, Charles Duffield, F. Hegan, S. J.

Evans, Wm. Garnett, J. F. King, G. J. Rowland, W. P. Jarvis, J. H. Brown, J. V. Schofield, T. A. Read, S. H. Ford, O. F. Stirman, B. C. Hord, N. Robinson, J. L. Smith, J. S. Hubbard, T. J. Drane, A. O. Brannin, J. M. Delph, Arthur Peter, Smith Thomas, Louisville; Y. R. Pitts, Great Crossings; Cad. Lewis, Versailles; Junius Caldwell, B. T. Taylor, Leesburg; L. McKay, Bardstown; O. H. Morrow, Franklin; John L. Smith, Keene; Thomas M. Vaughan, Shelbyville; N. Lacy, A. D. Sears, Hopkinsville; W. H. McGowen, Wallonia; L. Fletcher, Russellville; H. McDonald, Greensburg; J. C. Wilkins, J. N. South, Bowling Green; P. B. Samuels, Cane Spring; W. W. Gardner, Mayslick; D. G. Hatch, S. L. Helm, Covington; Wm. M. Pratt, R. T. Dillard, Lexington; Rice Maxcey, Albany; D. S. Colgan, Lagrange; J. A. Kirtley, Petersburg; P. H. Todd, New Liberty; H. Wingate, A. R. Macey, Frankfort; A. W. LaRue, G. B. Long, D. R. Campbell, Georgetown; D. Dowden, Litchfield; J. N. Beadles, Mayfield; A. Taylor, Cromwell; Wm. Head, Webster; Samuel Haycraft, Elizabethtown; W. W. Foree, Campbellsburg; C. T. Noel, S. M. Moorman, Owensboro; R. H. Buckley, T. Brown, New Castle; J. Newland, W. R. McFerrin, Glasgow; J. J. Jeffries, Nolin; V. E. Kirtley, F. S. Fisher, Danville; J. Brook, Hodgenville; W. Vaughan, Bloomfield; C. W. Clay, E. Cunningham, Henderson; B. Kemper, Bryantsville; J. E. Stone, Hawesville; J. M. Bennett, Fairview; Thomas Edwards, Salvisa; John Haynes, Fordsville; H. R. Puryear, Lovelaceville.

Those of the above named brethren living in Louisville and vicinity to compose the Executive Board.

The next introductory sermon to be delivered by S. L. Helm; A. B. Smith, alternate; subject Home Missions.

REPORTS TO BE READ.

On Domestic Missions.—A. W. Larue.

State or Home Missions.—D. R. A. Nelson.

Bible Cause.—T. M. Vaughan.

Ministerial Education.—J. B. Link.

Georgetown College.—W. W. Gardiner.

Sunday Schools.—B. T. Blewitt.

Agencies.—T. J. Drane.

Foreign Missions.—J. V. Schofield.

Temperance.—R. H. Buckley.

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REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Among all the interests which bear upon the cause of Christ, and the progress of humanity, the education of our sons, and the training of our rising ministry, stands prominent, if not pre-eminent.

That a strong and well-endowed institution for these great objects should belong to and be controlled by our denomination, was the cherished and prayerful desire of our fathers in the Gospel, who have long since been called to their final reward. Amid their pioneer labors, their warfare with infidelity and sin, they felt the need, and aimed at the establishment of an

institution of learning in Kentucky. Years since, amid many discouragements, Georgetown College was established, and its opening prospects of usefulness hailed with joy. But its sad reverses, as in all similar institutions, were many and disheartening, from the fact that it was unendowed. It was also the object, in many regions, of suspicion, of prejudice, and even opposition. So that some three years since, and soon after the present President took charge of the Institution, the startling announcement was made that the College, unless some immediate change took place, must come to a speedy close.

These facts were spread before the denomination, and thanks be to God that a reaction has taken place among many of our churches. The President, amid his numerous responsibilities, passed through a great portion of the State, and presented to our people the claims of the Institution, and the result is that the endowment proposed is nearly completed, and the College placed on a firm and elevated foundation.

Its present prosperity is most cheering. The number of its students, the ability of its faculty, the energy of its managers, recommend it to our affections, our confidence, and our co-operation. May God bless it, and make it a blessing to our denomination and to the world. In view of these cheering manifestations of a kind Providence towards our Institution, and its friends and officers, therefore

Resolved, That this body now tender to the President, Faculty and Managers of Georgetown College, their warmest thanks for the efficient manner in which they have conducted said Institution.

Resolved, 2d, That the denomination be requested to foster with deeper interest our College, and co-operate more than ever in its great and arduous labors.

V. E. KIRTLEY, *Ch'n Com.*

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GEOGRAPHICAL EDUCATION.

Your committee, to whom was referred the question of providing adequate educational facilities for the different sections of our State, would make the following report :

The Baptists of this State ought to appreciate more highly, and patronise more generally, the noble Institutions already opened under the auspices of our own denomination. So long as institutions of learning are so generally, to a greater or less extent, subsidized to denominational proselytism, we cannot patronise the schools of other sects, or neglect to provide means for our own youth, and for the rising generation generally, without betraying our duty to the public, and our denominational position and influence.—Those who educate the people, are likely to gain the sympathy and support of the people. Moreover, from the early ascendancy of Baptist principles in this State, there is a special obligation upon us not to surrender that providential advantage, by neglecting to provide for the education of the rising generation. Therefore

Resolved, First, That we commend to the patronage and fostering care of

our churches, the Institutions established under our denominational auspices in their midst.

Resolved, Second, That the Kentucky Baptist Education Society, whose Board is located at Georgetown, and the Green River Baptist Education Society, whose Board is located at Russellville, while fostering the colleges under their patronage, be requested to turn their special attention to the work of establishing and endowing other Institutions, as they may be required, and Providence may open the way for them in different sections of the State, and of furnishing teachers, as they are called for, to different localities, not only in our own State, but also in other destitute sections of our country.

May 6, 1857.

D. R. CAMPBELL,
THOMAS PORTER,
B. T. BLEWET,
W. W. GARDNER,
W. W. EVERTS.

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THE BIBLE CAUSE.

The Bible comes to us clothed with authority from on high. Its laws, doctrines, and precepts proceed directly from Him who is the Maker, Sustainer, and Ruler of the Universe. Like all the works of its great Author, the Bible presents in its sacred pages a transcript of the perfections of His character. Its value to mankind cannot be estimated by any Arithmetic in our possession. In the present state, we cannot fully estimate that eternal life which is secured to us through the knowledge and love of God's revealed truth. Man's moral and intellectual powers are so perverted by sin, that he has no clear views of the character of his Creator, without a knowledge of the revealed truth contained in the Bible. The history of our race, in every age, illustrates the truth stated by the Apostle, that the world by wisdom knows not God. The essential truths which make manifest the atonement of Christ, and God's plan for the restoration of our race to himself again, by faith in his son Jesus Christ, are contained in this inspired Book. The Bible must, therefore, be regarded as the source of all religious truth. We must in all our efforts to discharge our duty to each other and to our Creator, be guided by its pure and heavenly teachings. We must seek its light to guide us in every effort to secure our own salvation, and to be useful to our fellow men. A book of such unspeakable value cannot be too highly prized, nor can our efforts be too great to publish and circulate it, until the whole earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

Under the former dispensation, the oracles of divine truth were committed to the Jews, but under the Christian dispensation, to the church of Christ. The work of the church is to spread the knowledge of divine truth through all the world. The world is the wide field given to the Church. Large portions of it have no proper cultivation. Millions have no Bible, and consequently no just views of God, of Christ, of the Holy Spirit, of the plan of

salvation, of heaven or hell. Multitudes in Christian countries have but little regard for the truths of revelation. If the present generation of the perishing heathen, and the destitute in Christian lands, are ever brought under the influence of religious truth, it must be speedily done by the living generation of Christians. How great the work! How fearful the responsibility devolving upon the church! But how shall we most effectually bring to bear upon the world the truths contained in the Sacred Scriptures? Evidently all ought to do something, and be willing to improve such opportunities as God, in his providence, affords us. Many of our church members do comparatively little for the cause of Christ, either in the circulation of Bible truth, or in any other department of Christian enterprise, because, as they suppose, no great opportunity for usefulness has presented itself to them. We ought to remember that great enterprises are made up of small parts. The long lapse of six thousand years—the period that marks the successive generations, the revolutions and changes that have occurred in the world's history, has passed away by single seconds of time! The mighty ocean is but an accumulation of drops. So, many of our individual efforts may be small, but the aggregate at the close of life will be great. Many christian fathers and mothers sigh that they have not more enlarged opportunities for usefulness, at the same time that they have children and others dependant on them for spiritual instruction. Should not Christian parents regard the field for usefulness wide, if they can be the honored instruments of bringing their children under the influence of Gospel truth? We have too little reading of God's word in our families. The Jews were commanded to teach their children the statutes of the Lord when they retired to rest at night, and when they awoke in the morning. This duty is certainly as binding on Christian parents. Religious services on the Sabbath do not occur sufficiently often, to bring the momentous truths of eternity to bear upon the minds, either of ourselves, or our children, and hence the necessity of studying the Bible around the family altar. Our Creator, too, has, for the most benevolent reasons, given parents more influence over their children than others possess, and though they may be careless until after their parents' death, the holy influences diffused upon their characters by the lessons of instruction from God's word will ultimately awaken an interest in their hearts, and be the means of their conversion to God.

Nor can the lovers of the Bible place too high an estimate upon Sabbath Schools as a means of promoting a knowledge of the Sacred Scriptures. Few instrumentalities are now doing more to bring the youth to Christ, than the humble and unobtrusive efforts of the Sabbath School Teacher. A large amount of talent is buried, that ought to be actively employed in this department of Christian enterprise. Many young, middle-aged, and old, who could be eminently useful as Teachers, refuse to labor. But we look especially to the Bible Societies—those noble movements of Christian philanthropy—scattered over Christendom, for the circulation of God's word among the nations. The friends of the Bible have not done as much as they might, but the results are nevertheless truly encouraging to every Christian heart. Dr. Dowling, of New York, in his recent address at National Hall, at the anniversary of the Philadelphia Bible Society, stated the remarkable and encouraging fact, that more than ten times as many

Bibles have been printed and issued in the last fifty years, than had ever been issued in the whole world previous to that time. It has been ascertained, said Dr. Dowling, by the most accurate data, that previous to the present century, all the editions of God's word we printed, amounted to less than four million copies, in about forty different languages; while in the present century, more than forty million copies have been issued by Bible Societies alone, exclusive of the millions of copies that have been printed by private publishers. Since the epoch of modern Missions, added the speaker, this blessed volume has been translated for the 360 millions of China, for the 100 millions of Hindostan, for the 20 or 30 millions of Burmah; and has been printed in no less than 160 different languages and dialects, into 120 of which the Bible had never been translated before.

In conclusion I need only say, that such facts as the above urge us to labor with increased faith and zeal, to give the Bible to the world. We recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the brethren of our churches be recommended to renewed perseverance and liberality in support of the Bible Board at Nashville, and the Board of the Revision Association in Louisville.

R. L. THURMAN.

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DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Your committee charged with the subject of Domestic Missions, submit the following Report:

The Board of Domestic Missions of the Southern Baptist Convention, to which we have been, for several years, auxiliary, has under its direction the Domestic Missions of the Southern States, and our Indian Missions. In this Report your committee desire to call attention to this auxiliary relationship, the aid we have afforded this Board, what we ought to do, and the reasons for this action.

I. THE RELATIONSHIP.—We resolved, some years ago, to become auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. "Auxiliary" means "helping," "aiding." That Convention had undertaken a great work. They expected and needed the co-operation and aid of all the States having interests, institutions, and sympathies in common. We, in connection with other Southern States, promised that co-operation and aid.

II. THE EXTENT OF THAT AID ALREADY AFFORDED.—We have the statistics before us for the last two years only. During that period the aid we have rendered the Domestic Mission department has been but \$277 74. And the Board is now pledged to Kentucky for \$300 a year, so that they are helping us instead of our helping them.

For the Indian department we have done better. For the year ending April 1st, 1856, the sum of our contributions was \$2,725 41. This was doing very well. Had we continued in this "well doing," it would have been encouraging to the Board and creditable to our sense of justice in regard to the poor Indian. But for the year ending April 1st, 1857, our contribu-

tions amount to only \$927 22, only a fraction above one third the amount contributed the preceding year.

III. WHAT OUGHT WE TO DO?—We ought to acquaint ourselves more familiarly with our relations to that Board, and its operations, and pray more for its prosperity. In view of our number and ability, we ought to be among the first States in the contributions to its Treasury. We ought to encourage and aid the Board in procuring a suitable Agent for this State, and welcome that Agent to our churches and homes, and co-operate with him in his good work.

IV. SOME OF THE REASONS FOR THIS COURSE OF ACTION.—1. In relation to Domestic Missions. On this point it is only necessary to remark, that there is a vast amount of destitution in our newly settled States, which cannot be supplied by their own resources. If all the older and wealthier States expend all their means upon their own State Missions, this destitution must remain unsupplied. Kentucky Baptists are able to do a large share of this work; and what they are able to do, they ought to do.

2. INDIAN MISSIONS.—(1.) We possess their lands. (2.) We stood in the first rank in the organization of the American Indian Mission Association, and for many years its seat of operations was in our State (3.) They have claims upon us that we have not yet cancelled; we ought not, we would not ignore them. They have a place in our sympathies and affections, which we would not have occupied by any other.

With these few hints, we commend these interests to the prayers and benevolence of all our brethren, and to the Great Author of Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

S. L. HELM, *Chairman.*

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FOREIGN MISSIONS.

THIS IS A DAY OF GOOD TIDINGS.

Never in the history of our world were there such facilities for spreading knowledge, such revolutions witnessed in the modes of thought, tone of public opinion and national characteristics, as are witnessed in every part of the earth. Never, in fact, since Christianity was promulged, have its advocates been cheered and animated by such prospects as are now spread out before them.

It is a day of good tidings. We who have the gospel are blessed with physical prosperity, far surpassing the most splendid visions of our ancestors. Wealth, comforts, and progress abound and outstrip the calculations of all who lived in past ages. We have the Gospel, the facilities for its diffusion and the natural ability to pour its light on the dark spots of earth. Ours, therefore is a responsibility positively tremendous.

Africa, long enshrouded in the blackness of darkness, is now stretching forth her hands to God. China, with her deluded millions, has become restive, and is no longer willing to bear the yoke of superstition and folly.

Papal countries are becoming dissatisfied with the arrogant pretensions of the Pope, their Bishops and Priests. In a word, men are everywhere struggling to throw off the chains of ignorance and superstition, and "We

want the Gospel" is echoed from hill to dale over all the dark places of earth.

Then, what part shall we, the Baptists of Kentucky act? What part shall we take in the conflict, whose termination shall be the sure victory of the Messiah? Shall we prove recreant, unfaithful or inactive, as the last battle is about to be fought? No! Kentucky Baptists, we believe, will perform their part.

During the past eighteen months there has been contributed in Kentucky to the "Southern Baptist Board of Foreign Missions," the sum of seven thousand dollars. The very efficient Agent, Elder R. L. Thurman, has in addition to the amount of money raised by him, been instrumental in awakening a Missionary spirit in our churches, which gives the evident prospect, that we shall be behind no State in our efforts to send the Gospel abroad.

Resolved, That the Baptists of the South and South West ought to raise not less than \$100,000 for Foreign Missions within the next Conventional year.

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to endeavor to raise \$10,000 in this State for that object.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. J. DRANE.

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STATE MISSIONS.

Your committee would respectfully submit, that the many engagements attending the sitting of this body precludes the possibility of their making a report as full as the importance and scope of the subject submitted to them demands; but they beg leave to submit the following suggestions for your consideration and discussion:

1st. What is the most practical mode of spreading the Gospel in this State?

Your committee would submit that whilst that work is committed to the churches, and they alone can carry it on, yet we believe they can carry it on with more energy and efficiency when united and acting in concert than could be done by separate and independent action. Whilst, then, we maintain the importance of this Association for concentration and efficiency, yet we would impress the fact upon our brethren that this Association is wholly powerless for good without the sustaining hand of individual churches and members.

2d. What then is the most practical way of developing the full support of the churches and members to this enterprise?

Your committee submit, upon this query, that personal appeal and explanation to churches and members is the most efficient means of enlisting their co-operation.

3d. But this personal appeal requires Agents, and many of the churches are opposed to Agents.

Your committee think the opposition to Agents will be removed when the present plan of our operations is more fully understood and perfected; we mean the plan of sending out agents, not as mere money gatherers, but as Evangelists, whose primary object shall be the preaching of the Gospel and incidentally, as occasion may offer, collecting money to send missionaries and bibles to those who perish in destitution.

4th. How many men will it take to effect this work?

Your committee think that the plan as developed thus far by the Board and from the reports of destitution in many parts of the State, that six Evangelists, or general Agents would be required to cultivate the field, to visit all the churches and labor with them in visiting, preaching, and, if need be, holding meetings of days for the spiritual welfare of those who lack.

But the destitution is such that there will still be a large portion which cannot be reached by these general Agents.

Your committee would therefore suggest that the local Associations be requested to become auxiliary to this body and to appoint an Executive Committee, whose duty it shall be to correspond with and report to the Secretary of this Society, from time to time, the amount of destitution in their bounds, their ability, in men and money, to supply that destitution, and where there is a lack to aid and encourage our general Agent in efforts with the churches to supply the deficiency; and that the board in making appointments under the request of local Associations, as far as seems practicable, consult with such Associations or their Executive Committee as to the man and the field of operation.

Your Committee believe that if the local Associations and Churches will unite with the general Association in forwarding and perfecting the above plans, much good will result to our Master's Cause and Kingdom.

J. H. BROWN, *Chairman of Committee.*

GENERAL AGENTS' REPORTS.

TO THE BOARD OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION:

Dear Brethren: During the past year, my collections, as your Agent, have been a good deal embarrassed by the duties of my office as Corresponding Secretary. I also spent some two months in protracted meetings in destitute places. Again, a large portion of my district is occupied by several District Associations; in which there are organizations for Missionary purposes; which render it unnecessary that I visit them. Besides, there has been an unusual number of Agents for various purposes, recently traversing my field. These circumstances, added to the melancholy fact that many give *nothing*, and *none* as much as they *ought*, compel me to present comparatively a meagre report. I sincerely hope, however, that our brethren will be more and more alive to the great subject of missions, as they see unmistakable evidences of the Divine approval of our efforts. Surely the rich blessings poured out upon the labors of our Missionaries, should encourage a desire on the part of *all*, to participate in the luxury of doing good in this department. None should be willing to see *others* engage in this work of mercy without feeling themselves anxious to engage in it. My collections have been as follows, viz:

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| For Home Missions | - - - - - | \$1,992 00 |
| For Bible Revision Association | - - - - - | 493 00 |
| For Foreign Missions | - - - - - | 60 00 |
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| | | \$2,545 00 |

A. BROADDUS, *General Agent.*

TO THE BOARD OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION:

Dear Brethren: As one of your Agents for the past eleven months, it becomes my duty to make a faithful report of my labors before this body; and for the general interests of the Baptist cause in our State.

I have done the best I could with my limited knowledge and experience of men and churches in my district. There is an increase of interest waking up in the hearts and minds of Kentucky Baptists in favor of truth, and the giving of that truth to those who have it not.

Last fall, I visited five Associations in which there were more or less expressions of interest manifested in favor of the General Association. Since that time, I have traveled over parts of five other Associations; preached to many of the churches, and visited many families, and laid the claims of the General Association before them. I have traveled over portions of twenty five counties. Everywhere I have gone, the brethren and sisters have responded nobly and magnanimously to my call in behalf of destitution, and giving the Gospel of the Son of God. I have been engaged in eight protracted meetings, assisted by different brethren. We had about one hundred and fifty hopeful conversions and one hundred and thirty-two additions to the churches. I find great destitution in some counties. Many weak churches are without regular preaching. Much *can* be done, and *ought* to be done, in building them up in the faith of the Gospel. May the Lord revive His work of Grace in our hearts—bless His churches and save sinners! I have obtained 250 Life-members.

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| Collections on | - | Do. | - | - | - | - | - | \$1,236 | 30 |
| Cash Collections | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 467 | 30 |
| For Bible Revision Association | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 414 | 00 |
| American Indian Mission Association | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 67 | 50 |
| Southern Convention | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 00 |

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G. W. ROBERTSON, *General Agent.*

KENTUCKY BAPTIST MINISTERS' MEETING.

THIS body met in the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, May 4th, 1857.

The meeting was called to order by the former Moderator. Prayer by Elder R. L. Thurman.

Elder John Bryce, of Henderson, was chosen Moderator, and Elder S. H. Ford, Secretary.

The names of members from last year were called, and an invitation was given to Kentucky Baptist Ministers present, to enroll their names, when the following brethren responded: Elder John Bryce, C. Lewis, Danl. Buckner, Robt. A. Nelson, Wm. B. Smith,

J. B. Tharp, A. B. Smith, S. L. Helm, V. E. Kirtley, Isham R. Allen, J. B. Link, S. F. Thompson, B. O. Branham, T. J. Drane, J. S. Coleman, George Hunt, S. P. Forgey, James A. Kirtley, Wm M. Pratt, R. T. Dillard, P. H. Todd, A. W. LaRue, J. V. Schofield, W. W. Gardner, B. Garnett, R. L. Thurman, J. M. Harrington, W. W. Everts, S. H. Ford, A. D. Sears, and A. Broaddus.

Many other ministering brethren, whose names the Clerk did not obtain, attended the exercises from time to time.

A communication was read from brother J. E. Farnam, of Georgetown, in regard to the writings of Elder John L. Waller, deceased, and on motion of S. H. Ford, a committee consisting of Elders A. D. Sears, R. L. Thurman, T. J. Drane, W. W. Everts, and A. Broaddus, was appointed to inquire into and report the state of brother Waller's posthumous writings.

On motion of brother Broaddus, the eldest and the youngest ministers present, were affectionately requested to relate their christian experience, and call to the ministry; whereupon Elder J. Bryce responded, greatly to the edification of the brethren.

The meeting then adjourned until half past seven o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION, 7½ o'clock.—The Annual Sermon, for criticism, was preached by Elder W. W. Everts, from Ephesians iv. 11-13. Adjourned until Tuesday morning, 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M.—Meeting convened. Prayer by Elder Forgey. A skeleton of a sermon was read by Elder J. S. Coleman.

Essay by Elder John Bryce called for, and brother B. excused.

Elder C. Lewis, was also excused from presenting an essay on the qualifications and duties of a Minister.

The meeting then held a free conversation on the subjects which had been introduced for criticism.

Adjourned. Prayer by brother Dillard.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH.—Met pursuant to a call of the Chair. Prayer by brother Allen. Called for an Essay by Elder H. McDonald, on the duty and means of Ministerial Study; which was read, and requested for publication in the Christian Repository.

Meeting adjourned by prayer.

THURSDAY, MAY 7TH.—Meeting opened by prayer. Committee on nominations for the next year, reported:

Introductory Sermon by Elder Walker of Paducah. Alternate, Elder Geo. Hunt, of Maysville.

Skeleton of a sermon, by Elder J. W. Bullock.

Essay on the nature and work of Faith, by Eld. D. R. Campbell.

Essay on the final perseverance of the Saints, by Eld. W. M. Pratt.

The Chairman of the Committee on the state of Eld. J. L. Waller's posthumous writings, read a report, when on motion of brother C. Lewis, said Committee was continued until next year.

The meeting then adjourned, to meet on the day preceeding the meeting of the next General Association.

JOHN BRYCE, *Moderator.*

S. H. FORD, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

A. O. Brannin, Treasurer, in account with General Association of Kentucky;

| | | DR. | |
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| 1856. | | | |
| May 30, | To balance, - - - - - | | \$530 40 |
| " " | " Cash of Rev. W. W. Everts, \$91 50, less \$5 counterfeit, - | | 86 50 |
| Aug. 4, | Rev. A. Broaddus, General Agent viz: | | |
| | Home Mission, - - - - - | \$486 80 | |
| | Kentucky and Foreign Bible Soc. - - - - - | 15 50 | |
| | Bible Revision, - - - - - | 185 00 | |
| | Foreign Missions, - - - - - | 10 00 | 697 30 |
| Aug. 27, | Rev. P. H. Todd, received of Concord Association, - - - - - | | 31 40 |
| Sep. 5, | Rev. A. Broaddus, General Agent, - - - - - | | 125 00 |
| " " | " Lem. W. Dupuy, for Foreign Missions, - - - - - | | 5 00 |
| | Indian Missions, - - - - - | | 5 00 |
| " " | " W. H. Absher, of Southern Kentucky Association, - - - - - | | 13 00 |
| " " | " G. W. Robertson, General Agent, hands of B. C. Hord, - - - - - | | 200 00 |
| " 9 | Mr. Chandler, - - - - - | | 179 55 |
| | Balance Quarterly Report, - - - - - | | 62 10 |
| | For Revision Board, - - - - - | | 80 00 |
| | For Indian Missions, - - - - - | | 29 50 |
| Oct. 2, | A. Broaddus, General Agent, - - - - - | | 125 00 |
| " 25, | J. H. Puryear, Agent, \$177, less \$1 counterfeit, - - - - - | | 176 00 |
| Nov. 11, | Geo. W. Robertson, General Agent, viz: | | |
| | Home Missions, - - - - - | 318 30 | |
| | Revision Board, - - - - - | 173 00 | |
| | Indian Missions, - - - - - | 38 00 | |
| | Southern Baptist Convention, - - - - - | 5 00 | 534 30 |
| " 15, | A. Broaddus, balance Report, quarter ending 31st Oct. - - - - - | | 412 77 |
| Dec. 15, | Walnut Street Church, Louisville, - - - - - | | 175 65 |
| 1857. | | | |
| Jan. 6, | Wm. Forward, - - - - - | | 20 00 |
| " 19, | Elkhorn Association, hands of Rev. Wm. Pratt, - - - - - | | 200 00 |
| " 21, | W. W. Everts, proceeds of sale of Buggy, - - - - - | | 63 00 |
| " 31, | A. Broaddus, General Agent, bal. receipts ending Jan. 31, viz: | | |
| | Home Missions, - - - - - | 246 35 | |
| | Revision Board, - - - - - | 30 00 | 276 35 |
| Feb. 9, | Walnut Street Church, Louisville, to pay for 100 copies of Home and Foreign Journal, - - - - - | | 15 00 |
| Mar. 2, | A. Broaddus, General Agent for Revision Board, - - - - - | | 30 00 |
| " 24, | Revision Board, - - - - - | 183 00 | |
| | General Association, - - - - - | 75 00 | 258 00 |
| " 26, | Geo. W. Robertson, General Agent, for Revision Board, - - - - - | 98 00 | |
| | General Association, - - - - - | 402 00 | 500 00 |
| Ap'l 1, | A. Broaddus, General Agent, for Revision Board, - - - - - | | 15 00 |
| May 6, | B. O. Branham, - - - - - | | 147 95 |
| " " | " A. Broaddus, Gen'l. Ag't, bal. for General Association, 398 85 | | |
| | Foreign Missions, - - - - - | 50 00 | 448 85 |
| " " | " Geo. M. Robertson, balance collections, - - - - - | | 604 65 |
| | Total, - - - - - | | \$6047 27 |
| 1856. | | CR. | |
| Ap'l 28, | By Cash paid for Buggy, - - - - - | | \$65 00 |
| " 15, | R. T. Gardner, salary, - - - - - | | 53 00 |
| Aug. 4, | Revision Board, by A. Broaddus, General Agent, - - - - - | | 138 75 |
| | A. Broaddus, General Agent, traveling expenses, - - - - - | | 24 15 |
| | A. Broaddus, General Agent, Postage, Stationery, &c. - - - - - | | 8 39 |
| | H. White, by A. Broaddus, - - - - - | | 2 00 |
| | A. Broaddus, counterfeit note, - - - - - | | 1 00 |
| | A. Broaddus, salary to July 31, - - - - - | | 221 77 |
| Aug. 27, | P. H. Todd, Missionary, one quarter's salary, - - - - - | | 39 20 |
| Sep. 5, | R. Vickers, Missionary labor, - - - - - | | 25 00 |
| " " | " S. L. Summar, by Geo. W. Robertson, - - - - - | | 10 00 |

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| Sep. | 9, | S. A. Spencer, Secretary Executive Board, | - | - | - | 126 | 00 |
| " | " | Geo. W. Robertson, one quarter's salary, | - | - | - | 150 | 00 |
| " | " | Geo. W. Robertson, traveling expenses, | - | - | - | 5 | 85 |
| " | " | R. Maxy, by Geo. W. Robertson, | - | - | - | 12 | 50 |
| " | " | S. L. Summar, by Geo. W. Robertson, services, | - | - | - | 3 | 25 |
| " | 23, | D. Dowden, services, | - | - | - | 25 | 00 |
| " | " | J. B. Porter, services, | - | - | - | 50 | 00 |
| " | 29, | Revision Board, balance, | - | - | - | 65 | 00 |
| Oct. | 7, | Todd & Leo, Missionary services, | - | - | - | 139 | 82 |
| Nov. | 7, | Hull & Brother, printing Minutes, | - | - | - | 125 | 90 |
| " | 11, | Geo. W. Robertson, General Agent, traveling expenses, | - | - | - | 8 | 00 |
| " | " | Geo. W. Robertson, two month's salary, | - | - | - | 100 | 00 |
| " | " | R. P. Gardner, by Geo. W. Robertson, | - | - | - | 10 | 00 |
| " | " | Wm. Kidd, by Geo. W. Robertson, | - | - | - | 20 | 50 |
| " | 12, | Revision Board, | - | - | - | 173 | 00 |
| " | " | Less 25, for collection, | - | - | - | 43 | 25 |
| " | 14, | Revision Board, | - | - | - | 55 | 00 |
| " | " | Less 25 for collection, | - | - | - | 13 | 75 |
| Dec. | 1, | Wm. Johnston, Missionary services, | - | - | - | 25 | 00 |
| " | 15, | Revision Board, by A. Broaddus, | - | - | - | 46 | 58 |
| " | " | Counterfeit money A. Broaddus, | - | - | - | 1 | 50 |
| " | " | Postage, Stationery, &c., A. Broaddus, | - | - | - | 15 | 60 |
| " | " | Traveling expenses, A. Broaddus, | - | - | - | 25 | 00 |
| " | " | Three months' salary, A. Broaddus, | - | - | - | 250 | 00 |
| " | " | Jefferson Street Baptist Church, | - | - | - | 175 | 65 |
| 1857. | | | | | | | |
| Jan. | 2, | A. Broaddus, salary to date, | - | - | - | 141 | 22 |
| " | " | Elder Bullock, by A. Broaddus, | - | - | - | 15 | 00 |
| " | 5, | Jefferson Street Church, | - | - | - | 122 | 00 |
| " | 17, | S. L. Summar, Missionary, | - | - | - | 50 | 00 |
| " | 31, | A. Broaddus, postage and traveling expenses, | - | - | - | 18 | 86 |
| " | " | A. Broaddus, balance salary, one quarter, | - | - | - | 108 | 78 |
| " | " | Revision Board, | - | - | - | 30 | 00 |
| " | " | Less 25 for collection, | - | - | - | 7 | 50 |
| " | " | Broken Bank bill, of A. Broaddus, | - | - | - | 5 | 00 |
| Feb. | 6, | W. W. Owen, Portland Mission, | - | - | - | 36 | 00 |
| " | " | W. H. Davis, Portland Mission, | - | - | - | 30 | 00 |
| " | " | Hull & Brother, printing, &c., | - | - | - | 3 | 50 |
| " | 9, | Remitted J. B. Taylor, Secretary Foreign Missions, | - | - | - | 15 | 00 |
| " | " | Remitted J. B. Taylor, 100 copies Home Journal, | - | - | - | 15 | 00 |
| " | " | Remitted Jos. Walker, Secretary India Missions, | - | - | - | 72 | 50 |
| " | " | Remitted Jos. Walker, for Southern Baptist Convention, | - | - | - | 25 | 00 |
| " | 11, | D. Dowden, services, | - | - | - | 25 | 00 |
| " | " | N. Robinson, | - | - | - | 30 | 00 |
| Mar. | 2, | Revision Board, | - | - | - | 30 | 00 |
| " | " | Less 25 for collection, | - | - | - | 7 | 50 |
| " | 22, | W. H. Davis, Portland Mission, | - | - | - | 30 | 00 |
| " | 25, | Revision Board, | - | - | - | 183 | 00 |
| " | " | Less 25 for collection, | - | - | - | 45 | 75 |
| " | 26, | J. G. Durham, by G. W. Robertson, | - | - | - | 5 | 00 |
| " | 17, | Revision Board, | - | - | - | 96 | 00 |
| " | " | Less 25 for collection, | - | - | - | 24 | 50 |
| " | 30, | R. C. Buckner, Missionary, | - | - | - | 66 | 67 |
| Ap'l | 1, | Revision Board, | - | - | - | 15 | 00 |
| " | " | Less 25 for collection, | - | - | - | 3 | 75 |
| " | 14, | W. H. Davis, Portland Missionary, | - | - | - | 30 | 00 |
| May | 6, | B. O. Branham, Services, | - | - | - | 73 | 50 |
| " | " | B. O. Branham, traveling expenses, | - | - | - | 2 | 65 |
| " | " | R. L. Thurman, for Foreign Missions, by A. Broaddus, Gen'l. Ag't. | - | - | - | 50 | 00 |
| " | " | Ex. Board Middle District Association, | do | do | - | 13 | 60 |
| " | " | Ex. Board Sulphur Fork Association, | do | do | - | 65 | 85 |
| " | " | Traveling expenses, A. Broaddus, | - | - | - | 18 | 58 |
| " | " | Salary to date, A. Broaddus, | - | - | - | 250 | 00 |

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| May 6, | Balance traveling expenses, Geo. W. Robertson, | - | - | - | 28 | 15 |
| " | " Balance salary, G. W. Robertson, | - | - | - | 383 | 33 |
| " | " Balance, | - | - | - | 1929 | 73 |
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| | Total, | - | - | - | \$6067 | 33 |
| May 6 | Balance, | - | - | - | \$1929 | 73 |
| | Add error found, | - | - | - | 5 | 00 |

A. O. BRANNIN, *Treasurer.*

The Committee appointed to audit the account of the Treasurer of the General Association of Kentucky, hereby report that they have examined the same, and find the additions correct, and the credits supported by proper vouchers,

WM. M. PRATT.
D. G. HATCH.

L I F E M E M B E R S .

The following ministers have subscribed THIRTY DOLLARS each, to make themselves Life Members ; to be paid in preaching at one dollar per day :

| | | |
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| Elder B T Gentry, Winchester, paid \$5 | C Lovelace, Elizabethtown. | |
| S V Potts, Winchester. | J H Jenkins, Nolin, | 30 |
| T J Wills, Winchester. | C C Clark, High Grove. | |
| Strother Cook, Cane Run. | T M Daniel Christianburg. | |
| R G Rowland, Pekin. | J H Razor, Lockport. | |
| R N Coffey, Rogersville, | N C Alspaugh, Lancaster. | |
| J S Dawson, Owensboro', | Daniel Buckner, Perryville, | 30 |
| E G Berry Smithfield, | Wm P Barnett, Vandyke's Mill. | |
| A M Ragsdale, Ballardsville, | D N Porter, Eminence. | |
| E B Stratton, Campbellsburg. | J M Cheshier, Cornishville. | |
| Wm Leigh, New Liberty. | John Bryce, Henderson, | 30 |
| W W Foree, | S P Forgy, Glasgow, | 30 |
| B T Quinn, Midway. | John H Yeaman, Owensboro', | 30 |
| A Smith, Milton, | J P Edwards, Mayfield, | |
| V Ash, Mt. Eden, | W G Hobbs, Southville, | 10 |
| J T Hedger, Camdenville, | James Lamb, Russelville. | |
| Henry Prather, Chaplinton, | S P Ferguson, Rockbridge P. O. | |
| Wm Kidd, Prewitt's Knob. | W R Morgan, Scottsville. | |
| R T Anderson, Hopkinsville, | F C Childers, Dry Fork. | |
| Willis Peck, Danville. | R D Dorsey, Fountain Run. | |
| Wm B Smith, Harrodsburg. | A Woodward, Edmonton. | |
| B Kemper, Bryantsville, | R T Gardner, Dripping Spring. | |
| Y R Pitts, Georgetown, | J N Brown, Centre P. O. | |
| Wm R Welch, Rumsey, | E H Jagers, Munfordsville. | |
| John Dulaney, Smithfield, | D J Logsden, Munfordsville. | |
| A Hatchitt, Hibbardsville, | John James, Crab Orchard. | |
| W W Whayne, Hibbardsville, | R G Doyle, Mammoth Cave. | |
| W W Gardner, Mayslick, | Branch Hatcher, Mammoth Cave. | |
| G W Robertson, Jeffersonville, | Wm L Morris, Nolin P. O. | |
| R A Beauchamp, Mt. Washington. | B Higdon, Stephensburg. | |
| Geo H Hicks, Elizabethtown. | J M Dawson, Owensboro'. | |
| Joshua Brooks, | J S Taylor, Whitesville. | 15 |
| B O Branham, Owenton. | N Pettit, Aspen Grove. | |
| L D Alexander, New Liberty. | Robert A Nelson, Salvisa, | |
| E T Hickerson, Brandenburg, | Isham R Allen, Owensboro'. | 30 |

| LIFE MEMBERS, PAID IN FULL. | | | |
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| James Stone, Taylorsville. | | George Durrett, Campbellsville, | 20 |
| C Y Freeman, Southville. | | Henry Durrett, Campbellsville, | 15 |
| James Harrison, Mt. Eden. | | Thos Underwood, Campbellsville, | 15 |
| John Gibson, Christiansburg. | | G W Gaddie, Campbellsville, | 15 |
| Richard Meriwether, Christiansburg, | | N C Harris, Dorsey's P. O. | |
| Thomas H Summers, Bardstown. | | Elder D S Colgan, LaGrange. | |
| Dr D H Cox, Bardstown. | | John Barbee, Campbellsville, | 15 |
| G P Burch, Green River P. O. | | Mrs C Barbee, Campbellsville, | 20 |
| John S Foxworthy, Bardstown. | | J B Mitchell, Summersville, | 15 |
| Mrs E Johnston, Shelbyville. | | R Cheney, Summersville, | 15 |
| Elder Smith Thomas, Louisville. | | J L Gowdy, Campbellsville, | 10 |
| Elder B Garnett, New Liberty. | | Mrs Mary Kirtley, Campbellsville, | 10 |
| Robert Marshall, Athens. | | Mrs E Owens, Campbellsville, | 25 |
| Dr J J Thomasson, Bedford. | | J B Yates, Gradyville, | 10 |
| Sanford Owens, New Castle. | | Mrs A Haskins, Campbellsville, | 10 |
| C G Graham, Frankfort. | | J B Chandler, Campbellsville, | 20 |
| James Durrett, Campbellsville. | | R R Revil, Owenton, | 25 |
| P H Thompson, Lexington. | | C S Stribling, Owenton. | |
| T S Drane, Smithfield. | | L Ransdale, Owenton, | 25 |
| Chas M Wright, Springfield. | | Elder E Threlkeld, Owenton, | 25 |
| Mrs L A Durrett, Campbellsville. | | Wm Mothershead, Owenton, | 25 |
| F Brown, New Liberty. | | C S Forsee, Owenton, | 25 |
| Benj Pile, Springfield. | | H Blanton, New Liberty, | 15 |
| G W Norton, Russellville. | | R A Yancy, New Liberty, | 25 |
| Elder T N Robertson, Hawesville. | | W D Alexander, New Liberty, | 25 |
| Summers Dean, Planter's Hall. | | Elder S H Ford, Louisville, | 10 |
| Geo W Flood, Christiansburg. | | J R Scott, Frankfort, | 25 |
| | | James Gaines, Frankfort, | 15 |
| | | Milton Rogers, Beachland, | 15 |
| | | Mrs N Alexander, Harrodsburg, | 10 |
| | | R Curd, Pleasant Hill, | 15 |
| | | Elder Joel Gordan, Texas, Ky. | 25 |
| | | Mrs. S B Davis, Bryantsville, | 20 |
| | | Anderson Rice, Danville. | |
| | | Jubel Morgan, Haysville. | |
| | | Mrs Mary Foree, New Castle, | 15 |
| | | Thos Brown, New Castle, | 25 |
| | | Mrs H Smith, New Castle, | 20 |
| | | Mrs M L Brannin, New Castle, | 25 |
| | | Mrs Sallie Rodman, New Castle, | 25 |
| | | Mrs M Thomasson, New Castle, | 25 |
| | | Mrs H Rowland, Louisville, | 10 |
| | | Broaddus Fisher, LaGrange, | 15 |
| | | Elder Stephen Ray, Clinton, | 5 |
| | | James Boulware, Campbellsburg, | 15 |
| | | Levi Campbell, Campbellsburg, | 25 |
| | | H D Jones, Westport. | |
| | | W B Averett, Bedford, | 15 |
| | | B F Tanner, Jericho, | 25 |
| | | J T Smith, Buckingham, | 10 |
| | | Isaac Froman, Texas P. O. | 15 |
| | | Dr H G Waggener, Burksville, | 10 |
| | | G W Montague, Campbellsville, | 10 |
| | | Harrison Leachman, Beachland, | 10 |
| | | W G Leachman, Beachland, | 5 |
| | | Mrs Rebecca Applegate, West Point, | 5 |
| | | J C Rush, Munfordsville. | |
| | | Mrs Mary B Jett, Munfordsville. | |
| | | Miss Sarah Chatan, Munfordsville. | |
| | | Judge Wm R McFerrer, Glasgow, | 5 |
| | | J L Shower, Glasgow, | 10 |
| | | J D Allen, Glasgow, | 1 |
| | | R T McNeal, Bowling Green, | 10 |
| | | J C Atcheson, Bowling Green, | 5 |
| | | N Long, Russellville, | 10 |
| | | Wm J Morton, Russellville, | 1 |
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| LIFE MEMBERS, PAID IN PART. | | | |
| Wm L Lewis, Hawesville. | | | |
| John Snider, Hawesville, | 10 | | |
| Robert Hogg, Cloverport. | | | |
| L M Robards, Cloverport, | 10 | | |
| J M Philips, Brandenburg, | 15 | | |
| Richard Herndon, Brandenburg, | 15 | | |
| Elder P B Samuels, Cane Spring, | 15 | | |
| James Ashmore, Bardstown. | | | |
| A J Beard, High Grove, | 25 | | |
| A King, Green River, | 25 | | |
| J C Wigginton, Fairfield, | 25 | | |
| Edmond Stone, Shelbyville, | 5 | | |
| Clark King, Willisburg, | 10 | | |
| R H Baker, Covington. | | | |
| Dr J Otis, Louisville. | | | |
| D J Williams, Versailles. | | | |
| Mrs A W Blewitt, Russellville, | 5 | | |
| H C Hastings, Paris. | | | |
| John Bradshaw, Pekin, | 15 | | |
| Mrs N Y Bradshaw, Pekin, | 15 | | |
| Samuel Chorn, Mt. Sterling. | | | |
| J M Davis, Versailles, | 20 | | |
| Elder D R Campbell, Georgetown. | | | |
| R Garnett, Glasgow, | 5 | | |
| Rice Maxey, Albany, | 10 | | |
| Mrs A M Lemon, Georgetown. | | | |
| Thomas Clemons, Georgetown. | | | |
| G W Ray, LaGrange, | 5 | | |
| John L Kirk, Louisville. | | | |
| Lewis Philips, Lebanon, | 5 | | |
| Mrs H N Hayden, New Market, | 20 | | |
| Mrs Jane Hawkins, New Market, | 20 | | |
| R S Collins, Campbellsville, | 20 | | |
| D Saunders, Campbellsville, | 20 | | |

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| M W Gibbs, Russellville, | 1 | Mrs Lucy A Maxey, Tompkinsville, | 5 |
| E B Richardson, Tompkinsville. | | Thomas Evans, Tompkinsville, | 5 |
| Mrs E B Richardson, Tompkinsville. | | Jefferson Gee, Tompkinsville, | 10 |
| Miss Richardson, Tompkinsville. | | Dr S R Graven, Pace's P. O. | 5 |
| T E Trice, Tompkinsville. | | Thomas Carter, Marrowbone, | 10 |
| Mrs Trice, Tompkinsville, | | R N Portman, Middleburg, | 5 |
| Wm T Owen, Calhoun, | 5 | Mrs Lucy Coffey, Middleburg, | 5 |
| T Howard, Calhoun. | | W F Atkinson, Campbellsville, | 5 |
| A C Tanner, Calhoun. | | J G Cross, Milltown, Adair co. | |
| John Moorman, Owensboro', | 10 | Miss I L Maxey, Centre Point, | 10 |
| Mrs S S Moorman, Owensboro', | 10 | Charles Jones, Centre Point, | 10 |
| Mrs A A Moorman, Owensboro', | 5 | John L Maxey, Centre Point, | 10 |
| Mrs E N Tyler, Owensboro', | 10 | Eld Jesse Savage, Salina P. O. | 5 |
| James Kenneday, Owensboro', | 10 | Eld W M Turner, Tompkinsville, | 5 1/4 |
| John B Hughes, Keene, | 5 | R H Jones, Tompkinsville, | 5 |
| Miss Lucie Thomas, Louisville, | 5 | Dr M N Jeffries, Tompkinsville, | 5 |
| Eld R A Beachamp, Mt Washington, | 5 | Col Asa Young, Dry Fork P. O. | 5 |
| John D Connelly, Fern Creek, | 10 | Mrs Elizabeth H Jones, Chaplinton, | 5 |
| Mrs Catharine Cochran, Waterford, | 10 | Henry Childers, Chaplinton, | |
| John T Roberts, New Castle, | 10 | Col Wm Ellis, Dry Fork P. O. | 5 |
| L R Thurman, Union Hall, | 5 | M Berry & J Cable, Fountain Run, | 5 |
| Miss Lizzie Moseley, Union Hall, | 5 | Thompson Marian, Scottsville, | 5 |
| Foster Ray, Lebanon, | 10 | A P Barlow, Scottsville, | 5 |
| David Philips, Lebanon, | 5 | Matthew Johnson, Scottsville, | 5 |
| Mrs Mary Philips, Lebanon, | 5 | Dr J R Duncan, Scottsville, | 2 1/2 |
| Richard Jeffries, Texas P. O. | 5 | R G Cole, Burksville, | 5 |
| Mrs Judith Hackley, Lancaster, | 5 | G N Denton, Albany, | 5 |
| Eld Thos M Vaughan, Shelbyville, | 5 | Stephen Bowman, Marrowbone, | 5 |
| Eld R A Slaughter, Bardstown, | 5 | W P Estes, Edmonton, | 5 |
| Gabriel Kendrick, Fredericktown, | 5 | Miss M M Wood, Edmonton, | 10 |
| J N Ray, Fairfield. | 5 | Miss E T Davis, Edmonton, | 5 |
| E Basye, Taylorsville, | 10 | Mrs S Thomas, Tompkinsville, | 5 |
| James W Roberts, New Castle, | 10 | Mrs E A Irwin, Tompkinsville, | 5 |
| Mrs Susan E Cook, Danville, | 5 | Wm Reynolds, Columbia, | 5 |
| Mrs M L Rochester, Perryville, | 20 | Mrs F G Barger, Creelsboro', | 5 |
| Dr F B Collins, Wilsonville, | 5 | Enos & J Morgan, Creelsboro', | 2 1/2 |
| D H Wigginton, Shortsville, | 5 | Edward Taylor, Columbia. | |
| Eld R L Thurman, Frankfort, | 5 | Wm H Cheatham, Columbia. | |
| Thos E Bramlette, Columbia, | 5 | Henry Petty, Park P. O. Barren co. | 10 |
| Eld R C Buckner, (pr J J Duvall) Alb'y | 5 | Miss E Twyman, Park P. O. | 5 |
| Elder B Wright, Albany, | 5 | Isaac Newland, Glasgow, | 5 |
| Samuel Long, Albany, | 5 | Henry Eubank, Glasgow, | 20 |
| G N Denton, Albany, | 5 | Wm McFarren, Glasgow, | 5 |
| Eld Alfred King, Burksville, | 5 | Richard Garnett, Glasgow, (sub \$40) | 10 |
| Dr J H Cheek, Burksville, | 10 | Mrs Martha Davis, Edmonton, | 5 |
| Joseph B Alexander, Burksville, | 5 | Eld S Bradshaw, Peter's Creek P. O. | 5 |
| M V Flowers, Burksville, | 5 | Miss Emily D Terry, Bear Wallow, | 5 |
| Milton King, Burksville. | 5 | Wm P Mansfield, Munfordsville. | |
| Misses L M & I Carter, Burksville, | 5 | Mrs M A Mansfield, Munfordsville. | |
| John L. Cheek, Burksville, | 5 | Dr W D Helm, Bowling Green, | 5 |
| W E Carter, Burksville, | 5 | Thomas Duke, Dripping Spring, | 5 |
| Simon Cheatham, (slave.) Burksville, | 5 | Eld Wm Kidd, (for wife) Drip Spring, | 10 |
| E W Newbury, Burksville, | 5 | H M Cockran, (for wife) Drip Spring, | 10 |
| A G Waggener, Burksville, | 5 | A D Webb, Bowling Green, | 10 |
| Mrs S E Waggener, Burksville, | 5 | W H Smith, Bowling Green, | 10 |
| Elam Cheatham, Burksville, | 5 | V H Jones, Brownsville, | 10 |
| Jesse Barger, Creelsboro', | 5 | J L Shobe, Dripping Spring, | 5 |
| James Morgan, Creelsboro', | 5 | Peyton Cooke, Dripping Spring, | 5 |
| Anderson & N Morgan, Creelsboro', | 5 | H Y Gardner, Dripping Spring, | 5 |
| R G Cole, Creelsboro', | 5 | Mrs C T Cooke, Dripping Spring, | 5 |
| Mrs J E Maxey, Tompkinsville, | 5 | Caleb Reynolds, Green River P. O. | 5 |
| James H Bevell, Tompkinsville, | 5 | Henry T Sims, Green River P. O. | 5 |
| James B Evans, Tompkinsville, | 5 | Wm J Garnett, Green River P. O. | 5 |
| Mrs Sarah A Black, Tompkinsville, | 5 | C M Dixon, Green River P. O. | 5 |
| John Taylor, Tompkinsville, | 5 | J M Hutcherson, Green River P. O. | 5 |
| W P Witcher, Tompkinsville, | 5 | T M Shelton, Green River P. O. | |

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| R H Shelton, Green River P. O. | | Edwin Hambleton, Cloverport, | 5 |
| J W Renfro, Green River P. O. | | Robt McGavock, Cloverport, | 5 |
| R D Taylor, Green River P. O. | | John S Lightfoot, Cloverport, | 5 |
| Wm Brooks, Green River P. O. | | John M Seely, Cloverport. | |
| Eld J James, (for daug'r) Crab Orc'd, | 5 | Henry Gregory, Cloverport. | |
| Mrs M F Spragens, Hustonville, | 5 | Dr J F Christian, Cloverport. | |
| P H Prewitt, (for daug'r) Hustonville, | 5 | Jordan Scott, (slave,) Cloverport, | 5 |
| N Murphy & W Spragens, Huston'le, | 5 | Joseph Lark, Smith's Grove, | 5 |
| F Hafly and wife, Hustonville, | 5 | A D Hawley, Hawesville, | 5 |
| A B Power and wife, Hustonville, | 5 | Wm Rial, Hawesville, | 5 |
| W M S Cox, Hustonville. | | E F W Petri, Hawesville, | 5 |
| Saml Hill and wife, Hustonville. | | L C Hawley, Hawesville, | 5 |
| Mrs P C Speed, Hustonville. | | Beard Sterritt, Hawesville. | |
| Uriah Ellis, Hustonville. | | Mrs L E Hawley, Hawesville, | 5 |
| A T Power, Hustonville. | | Elder A B Smith, Owensboro', | 5 |
| Wm Power, Hustonville. | | Mrs Sarah E Noel, Madisonville, | 5 |
| Eld J G Durham, Bowling Green, | 5 | Mrs Lucy J Miller, Madisonville, | 5 |
| Thos W Bibb, Bear Wallow. | 5 | James Holmes, Madisonville, | 5 |
| T W B. (for Mrs N C Owen,) Bear W. | 5 | Royal Shoemaker, Madisonville, | 5 |
| Dr E R Williams, Bear W. (sub \$40.) | 10 | John A Reynolds, Fordsville. | |
| N D Terry, Bear Wallow, | 5 | Horace Burton, Whitesville, | 5 |
| P F Parrish, Bear Wallow, | 5 | F W Haynes, Whitesville, | 5 |
| Mrs P E Parrish, Bear Wallow, | 5 | James C Miller, Whitesville, | 5 |
| H H Faris, Bear Wallow, | 5 | Wm M McCarty, Whitesville, | 5 |
| Thos H King, Bear Wallow, | 5 | G W Roads, Whitesville, | 5 |
| H C Parrish, Bear Wallow, | 5 | M D Wells, Whitesville, | 5 |
| Mrs F Parrish, Bear Wallow, | 5 | J M Whitehead, Whitesville, | 5 |
| John W Allen, Bear Wallow, | 5 | W J Robertson, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| J L Walton, Glasgow, | 5 | Mrs S J Robertson, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| J H Wheeler, Prewitt's Knob, (sub \$40) | 10 | James R Robertson, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| Wm Gilbert, Cox's Creek, | 5 | Thos J Moorman, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| Henry Gore, Cox's Creek, | 5 | James T F Owen, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| M R Ewell, Bardstown, | 5 | W D Owen, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| James H Lewis, Bardstown, | 5 | James T Owen, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| T H Summers, Bardstown. (sub \$40) | 10 | Thos G Owen, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| Mrs Rachel Lewis, Bardstown, | 5 | Wm J Dean, Planters Hall, | 5 |
| Mrs Mary E Murphy, Bardstown, | 5 | Mrs Mary E Dean, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| Thos E Summers, Bardstown, | 2 | James A Dean, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| Lewis Weathers, Garnettsville, | 5 | H R Dean, Planter's Hall, | 20 |
| Mrs E A Schuesler, Garnettsville, | 5 | James H Moorman, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| D R Vanmeter, Garnettsville, | 5 | Miss S M Moorman, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| John Vanmeter, Garnettsville, | 5 | Miss Mollie Webb, Planter's Hall, | 5 |
| S P Sterritt, Garnettsville, | 5 | Eld D Dowden, (by friends) Litchfield, | 20½ |
| Mrs Charlotte Sterritt, Garnettsville, | 5 | Mrs Eliza Lewis, Planters Hall, | 5 |
| W T Fitch, Garnettsville, | 5 | Eld J T Miller Hodgenville, | 5 |
| Mrs Lucy J Fitch, Garnettsville, | 5 | T C Edlen, Hodgenville, | 5 |
| Elder W Wright, Garnettsville | 13¾ | B F Collins, Hodgenville, | 5 |
| Andrew S Dye, Webster, | 5 | Eld Rich Claggett, (slave) Hodgenville, | 5 |
| Thos Adkisson and wife, Webster, | 5 | W Howell and wife, Hodgenville, | 5 |
| J M Herndon, Webster, | 5 | Mrs Sarah Seward, Hodgenville, | 5 |
| Dr J P Lewis, and wife, Webster, | 5 | Mrs Lydia Stiles, (for daug'r) Hodg'le, | 5 |
| Robt Hendrick and wife, Webster, | 5 | Henry Bland, Elizabethtown, | 5 |
| J W Ashcraft, Webster. | | Wm Able, Elizabethtown, | 5 |
| Mrs E Ashcraft, Webster, | 5 | Eld H Wathing, (slave) Elizabethtown, | 5 |
| Martin McGlothlan and wife, Webster, | 5 | Dr M Maderra and wife, Stephensburg, | 5 |
| Dr Wm Crafton, Webster, | 5 | Thos G Land, Woodsonville, | 5 |
| Elder Wm Head Webster, | 5 | Alexander Whitehurst, Woodsonville. | |
| Elder A J Dye, Webster, | 5 | John Staples, Woodsonville. | |
| F Hayden, Rock Haven, | 5 | Samuel Staples, Woodsonville, | 5 |
| Richard S Brashear, Stephensport, | 5 | Silas Hardy, Woodsonville. | |
| Joseph Morland, Stephensport, | 5 | John L Owens, Woodsonville. | |
| James H Moorman, Cloverport, | 5 | John D Counts, Three Forks P. O. | 5 |
| Mrs Delilah Fisher, Cloverport, | 5 | Dr C M Hatcher, Prewitt's Knob, | 5 |
| Wm M Newman, Cloverport, | 5 | J M Dickey, (for mother) Prewitt's K. | 5 |

BAPTIST CHURCHES IN KENTUCKY.

LONG RUN ASSOCIATION, FIFTY-THIRD SESSION.

| Constituted..... | Churches. | Counties. | Post-Offices. | Pastors. | Baptisms..... | Total..... | Contributions for various objects. | Children in Sabbath School..... |
|------------------|------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1785. | Elk Creek, | Spencer, | Taylorsville, | W G Hobbs, | 100 | | | |
| 1785. | Clear Creek, | Shelby, | Shelbyville, | E G Berry, | 82 | | | |
| 1785. | Long Run, | Jefferson, | Long Run, | A M Ragsdale, | 100 | | | |
| 1799. | First Buck Creek, | Shelby, | Shelbyville, | W Vaughan, | 1 | 96 | | |
| 1800. | King's, | Bullitt, | Mt. Washington, | W P Barnett, | 1 | 117 | | |
| 1801. | Burk's Branch, | Shelby, | Shelbyville, | T M Vaughan, | 1 | 108 | 445 00 | |
| 1805. | Little Mount, | Spencer, | Vandyke's, | W G Hobbs, | 1 | 125 | | |
| 1810. | Pleasant Grove, | Jefferson, | Middletown, | D S Colgan, | 81 | | | |
| 1819. | Shelbyville, | Shelby, | Shelbyville, | S P Thompson, | 21 | 269 | 600 00 | 80 |
| 1827. | Floyd's Fork, | Jefferson, | Fishersville, | R A Beauchamp, | 1 | 104 | | 30 |
| 1830. | Taylorsville, | Spencer, | Taylorsville, | J M Weaver, | 259 | | 275 00 | 60 |
| 1810. | Plum Creek, | Spencer, | Waterford, | W P Barnett, | 139 | | | |
| 1842. | Simpsonville, | Shelby, | Simpsonville, | W W Foree, | 23 | 355 | 400 00 | 60 |
| 1842. | East C'n. Louisville, | Jefferson, | Louisville, | T J Drane, | 2 | 260 | 1,200 00 | 125 |
| 1843. | Cedar Creek, | Jefferson, | Hay's Spring, | S Thomas, | 6 | 51 | 225 00 | 30 |
| 1844. | Jeffersontown, | Jefferson, | Jeffersontown, | R A Beauchamp, | 8 | 85 | | 25 |
| 1844. | Clay Village, | Shelby, | Clay Village, | T M Vaughan, | 98 | | | 50 |
| 1844. | Second Buck Creek, | Shelby, | Shelbyville, | J M Weaver, | 60 | | | |
| 1812. | Little Flock, | Bullitt, | Louisville, | R A Beauchamp, | 49 | | | |
| 1850. | Walnut St. Louisville. | Jefferson, | Louisville, | W W Everts, | 56 | 429 | 11,403 00 | 140 |
| 1853. | Jefferson Street, do | Jefferson, | Louisville, | J V Schofield, | 11 | 112 | 800 00 | 180 |
| 1854. | Louisville German, | Jefferson, | Louisville, | C Schultz, | 16 | | | 10 |
| 1854. | First African, Lou. | Jefferson, | Louisville, | H Adams, | 48 | 676 | 1,000 00 | 200 |
| 1854. | Second African, Lou. | Jefferson, | Louisville, | R Enethen, | 11 | 505 | 600 00 | 150 |
| | | | | | 190 | 4466 | \$16,948 00 | 1140 |

The next session will be held with the Church at Clay Village, Shelby Co., Ky., on the first Tuesday in September, 1857.

SMITH THOMAS, *Moderator*,
J. M. COOPER, *Clerk*,
Louisville. Ky.

ELKHORN ASSOCIATION, SEVENTY-FIRST SESSION.

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------------|------------------|---------------|-----|------|------------|-----|
| Clear Creek, | Woodford, | Mortonsville, | | 1 | 37 | 15 00 | |
| Great Crossings, | Scott, | Great Crossings, | D R Pitts, | 2 | 930 | 35 00 | |
| Bryan's Station, | Fayette, | Lexington, | | 11 | 95 | | |
| East Hickman, | Fayette, | Lexington, | R T Dillard, | 1 | 256 | 70 75 | |
| Stamping Ground, | Scott, | Stamp'g Ground, | J D Black, | 2 | 481 | 18 10 | |
| Dry Run, | Woodford, | Versailles, | | | 149 | | |
| Silas, | Bourbon, | Paris, | J R Barbee, | 2 | 122 | 15 05 | |
| Glen's Creek, | Woodford, | Versailles, | C Lewis, | | 106 | 16 38 | |
| Hillsborough, | Woodford, | Mortonsville, | S Arnett, | 26 | 255 | 13 65 | |
| Mt. Pleasant, | Jessamine, | Keene, | J L Smith, | | 211 | 29 25 | |
| David's Fork, | Fayette, | Lexington, | R T Dillard, | 29 | 490 | | |
| Long Lick, | | | | | 76 | | |
| Hartwood, | Scott, | Georgetown, | Y R Pitts, | | 38 | | |
| Georgetown, | Scott, | Georgetown, | A W LaKue, | 82 | 355 | 1,000 00 | 150 |
| Lexington, | Fayette, | Lexington, | W M Pratt, | 4 | 313 | 840 00 | 100 |
| First African, Lex. | Fayette, | Lexington, | F Braxton, | 100 | 1662 | 7 00 | |
| Second African, Lex. | Fayette, | Lexington, | Geo Dupuy, | 7 | 110 | | |
| Paris, | Bourbon, | Paris, | J B Link, | 23 | 198 | 63 00 | |
| Mt. Vernon, | Woodford, | Midway, | D R Campbell, | 42 | 244 | 37 00 | |
| Cane Run, | Scott, | Payne's Depot | J M Frost, | 19 | 95 | 14 00 | |
| Versailles, | Woodford, | Versailles, | Cad Lewis, | 1 | 65 | 24 50 | 75 |
| African, Versailles, | Woodford, | Versailles, | A Steel, | 18 | 166 | | |
| Nicholasville, | Jessamine, | Nicholasville, | J L Smith, | 9 | 53 | 14 50 | |
| African, Nicholasville, | Jessamine, | Nicholasville, | A Steel, | 7 | 110 | | |
| Sandersville, | Fayette, | Lexington, | S S Perry, | 14 | 76 | | |
| | | | | 599 | 6092 | \$1,429 18 | 325 |

Elkhorn Association has a Missionary Organization, and a Book Depository for the purpose of supplying the destitution in her own bounds, and their minutes only give the amounts sent up by the Churches for that purpose. Georgetown and Great Crossings Churches, however, contribute liberally to the General Association, as will be seen from the Treasurer's report. The next session will be held at Paris, Bourbon County, Ky., on Tuesday after the second Saturday in August, 1857.

W. M. PRATT, *Clerk*,
Lexington, Ky.

SALEM ASSOCIATION, SEVENTY-FIRST SESSION.

| Churches. | Counties. | Post-Offices. | Pastors. | Baptisms..... | Total..... | Contributions for various objects. | Children in Sabbath School..... |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Severne's Valley, | Hardin, | Elizabethtown, | W L Morris, | 3 | 164 | 18 50 | 75 |
| Nolyn, | LaRue, | Hodgenville, | | 1 | 175 | 13 00 | |
| Bethel, | Hardin, | Leesville, | | 25 | 158 | 6 00 | |
| Mt. Moriah, | Hardin, | Boston, | C Lovelace, | 1 | 106 | 2 50 | |
| Union, | Hardin, | | | 3 | 18 | | |
| Otter Creek, | Mead, | Garnettsville, | W Wright, | 25 | 224 | 7 50 | 30 |
| Mill Creek, | Hardin, | Red Hill. | J H Jenkins, | 5 | 67 | 5 30 | |
| Rude's Creek. | Hardin, | Elizabethtown, | G H Hicks, | 3 | 107 | 20 00 | |
| Ohio, | Mead, | Flint Island, | | | 25 | | |
| Gilead, | Hardin, | Nolyn, | W L Morris, | | 42 | 12 10 | |
| Hill Grove. | Mcad, | Meadville, | G H Hicks, | 10 | 83 | 16 00 | |
| Mt. Pleasant, | Mead, | Brandenburg, | G H Hicks, | 1 | 93 | 15 00 | 50 |
| Forks Gtter Creek, | Mead, | Vine Grouud, | C Lovelace, | 1 | 99 | 2 50 | |
| Younger's Creek, | Hardin, | Elizabethtown, | J H Jenkins. | | 124 | 5 00 | |
| Stephensburg, | Hardin, | Stevensburg, | W Wright, | 12 | 111 | | |
| Middle Creek, | Hardin, | Elizabethtown, | D Miller, | 2 | 77 | 5 25 | |
| Hodgensville, | LaRue, | Hodgenville, | W Wright, | 3 | 102 | 7 40 | |
| Blue Ball, | Mead, | Otter Creek, | G H Hicks, | 3 | 69 | 3 45 | |
| Mt. Zion, | Hardin, | Elizabethtown, | C Lovelace, | 3 | 154 | 3 80 | |
| Big Spring, | Hardin, | Nolyn, | W L Morris, | 12 | 165 | 13 25 | |
| New Salem, | Hardin, | Howel's Spring, | J H Jenkins, | | 51 | 5 00 | |
| Spring Creek, | Mead, | Brandenburg, | E T Hickerson, | | 28 | | |
| Pleasant Grove, | LaRue, | Hodgenville, | Jno Duncan, | | 24 | 2 00 | |
| West Point, | Hardin, | West Point, | J H Brown, | | 54 | 3 00 | 30 |
| Little Mount, | LaRue, | Hodgenville, | J Duncan, | 1 | 45 | | |
| Pitts Point, | | Pitts' Point, | G H Hicks, | | 46 | 5 98 | |
| Fellowship, | | | | | 8 | | |
| | | | | 113 | 2419 | \$172 31 2 35 | |

NOTE.—This Association has also a Board of Missions, to supply the destitution in their own bounds; consequently they have only reported in their minutes, the amounts sent up by the Churches for that purpose. The next session to be held at Bethel Church, Hardin County, Ky., 15 miles South of Elizabethtown, on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1857.

J. J. JEFFRIES, Clerk,
Nolyn, Ky.

DAVISS COUNTY ASSOCIATION, THIRTEENTH SESSION.

| | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|-----|------|--------------|----|
| Rock Spring, | Daviess, | Yelvington, | J G. Howard, | 3 | 123 | 10 00 | |
| Green Briar, | McLean, | Livermore, | J S Coleman, | 9 | 167 | 8 40 | |
| Bethabara, | Daviess, | Owensboro', | J S Dawson, | 1 | 193 | 12 00 | |
| Buck Creek, | Ohio, | Livermore, | F Tanager, | 52 | 326 | 10 70 | |
| Owensboro', | Daviess, | Owensboro', | A B Smith, | 1 | 124 | | 75 |
| Pleasant Grove, | Daviess, | Owensboro', | L R Allen, | 2 | 135 | 5 00 | |
| Bell's Run, | Daviess, | Owensboro', | J P Ellis, | 2 | 104 | 10 25 | |
| Mt. Liberty, | McLean, | Calhoun, | | 5 | 89 | 8 00 | |
| Panther Creek, | Ohio, | Whitesville, | J P Ellis, | 9 | 225 | 16 80 | |
| Friendly Grove, | Daviess, | Knottsville, | | 11 | 72 | 8 15 | |
| Station, | McLean, | Rumsey, | K G Hay, | 8 | 72 | 7 50 | |
| New Hope, | McLean, | Worthington, | | | 116 | 8 75 | |
| Brushy Fork, | | Sand Spring, | | 16 | 37 | 10 10 | |
| Macedonia, | Daviess, | Owensboro', | R Cotrell, | 1 | 90 | 11 75 | |
| Mt. Carmel, | Ohio, | Bufo'd, | | | 51 | 6 25 | |
| Calhoun, | McLean, | Calhoun, | W J Owen, | 1 | 57 | 7 00 | 35 |
| Spottsville, | | Henderson, | | 14 | 38 | 10 00 | |
| South Carrolton, | Muhlenburg, | South Carrolton | | 3 | 38 | 9 00 | 25 |
| Bethlehem, | McLean, | Bremen, | | | 33 | 7 25 | |
| Whitesville, | Daviess, | Whitesville, | J P Ellis, | 4 | 112 | 15 00 | |
| Oak Grove, | Daviess, | Owensboro', | | | 15 | 8 10 | |
| South Hampton, | Daviess, | Owensboro', | J G Howard, | 9 | 46 | 14 75 | |
| Ohio, | | Rockport, Ind. | J G Howard, | 7 | 51 | 11 00 | |
| | | | | 158 | 2114 | \$215 75 160 | |

This Association has a Missionary Board, and Book Depository, to supply her own destitution. They had two Missionaries in the field a part of the time last year. Their minutes only show the amount contributed to that object; but many of the Churches have contributed to the General Association, liberally. The next session to be held with the Church in Owensboro', Ky., on Friday preceding the first Lord's day in October, 1857.

L. J. BANNON, Clerk,
Whitesville, Ky.

GOSHEN ASSOCIATION, FORTIETH SESSION.

| Constituted..... | Churches. | Counties. | Post-Offices. | Pastors. | Baptisms..... | Total..... | Contributions for various objects. | Children in Sabbath School..... |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1808. | Goshen, | Breckinridge, | Planter's Hall, | D Dowden, | | 125 | 26 00 | |
| 1816. | Walnut Grove, | Breckinridge, | Clifton Mills, | Wm Head, | | 117 | 26 00 | |
| 1813. | New Hope, | Breckinridge, | Hardinsburg, | E T Hickerson, | 2 | 95 | 5 00 | |
| 1814. | Mt. Pleasant, | Ohio, | Fordsville, | E P O'Bannon, | | 132 | 5 75 | |
| 1818. | Litchfield, | Grayson, | Litchfield, | D Dowden, | 1 | 88 | 10 00 | 50 |
| 1825. | Blackford, | Hancock, | Hawesville, | | 32 | 81 | 7 00 | |
| 1825. | Union, | Hancock, | Lewisport, | H H Ellis, | 42 | 117 | 10 75 | |
| 1825. | Cane Run. | Ohio, | Briggs' Mills, | H H Ellis, | 10 | 72 | | |
| 1829. | Cloverport, | Breckinridge, | Cloverport, | A J Dye, | | 180 | 3 50 | 50 |
| 1836. | Hawesville, | Hancock, | Hawesville, | | 6 | 98 | 50 00 | 50 |
| 1839. | Hardinsburg, | Breckinridge, | Hardinsburg, | D Dowden, | | 24 | | 30 |
| 1836. | Indian Camp, | Ohio, | Morgantown, | | | 59 | | |
| 1841. | Bethlehem, | Hancock, | Hawesville, | H H Ellis, | 25 | 119 | 10 60 | |
| 1830. | Dorret's Creek, | Breckinridge, | Hardinsburg, | E T Hickerson, | | 18 | | |
| 1838. | Clover Creek, | Breckinridge, | Hardinsburg, | Wm Head, | | 79 | 5 00 | |
| 1846. | Pond Run, | Hancock, | Fordsville, | Joseph Crow, | 1 | 44 | 2 75 | |
| 1847. | Hanging Rock, | Grayson, | Litchfield, | J Armstrong, | | 79 | 20 00 | |
| 1848. | Stephensport, | Breckinridge, | Stephensport, | A J Dye, | 2 | 42 | | 20 |
| 1850. | Zion, | Ohio, | Fordsville, | H H Ellis, | 11 | 54 | 10 20 | |
| 1849. | Sandy Hill, | Mead, | Webster, | D Dowden, | 4 | 50 | 8 00 | |
| 1851. | Constantine, | Breckinridge, | Hustonville, | H J Lampton, | 2 | 25 | 1 50 | 25 |
| 1853. | Poplar Grove, | Hancock, | Lewisport, | H H Ellis, | 8 | 41 | | |
| 1854. | Bennetsville. | Hancock, | Cloverport, | J Armstrong, | 1 | 25 | 22 50 | |
| 1854. | Rock Creek, | Grayson, | Millerstown, | | 1 | 21 | | |
| 1854. | Mt. Liberty. | Ohio, | Cromwell, | C C Clark, | 5 | 43 | | |
| | | | | | | 153 1929 | \$235 55 | 255 |

NOTE.—The Association employed a Missionary to labor in their own bounds a portion of his time last year. The minutes report nothing but the amounts contributed by the Churches and members for that Mission. But it may be seen by referring to the report of one of our General Agents, that many of the Churches in the Association, contributed liberally to the General Association. The next session to be held at Hanging Rock Church, Grayson Co., Ky.

A. J. DYE, Clerk,
Webster, Ky.

BRACKEN ASSOCIATION, FIFTY-SEVENTH SESSION.

| | | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------------|---------------|----------|
| Washington, | Mason, | Washington, | | 250 |
| Mayslick, | Mason, | Mayslick, | W W Gardner, | 38 195 |
| African, Mayslick, | Mason, | Mayslick, | Jno Marcum, | 56 212 |
| Bracken, | Bracken, | | | 93 |
| Poplar Run, | Mason, | | | 1 41 |
| Millersburg, | Bourbon, | Millersburg, | Jno Holiday, | 8 70 |
| Carlisle, | Nicholas, | Carlisle, | | 35 |
| Salem, | | | J DeGarmo, | 27 |
| Bethel, | | | | 25 |
| Pleasant Spring, | | | | 4 26 |
| Maysville, | Mason, | Maysville, | Geo Hunt, | 2 180 |
| African, Maysville, | Mason, | Maysville, | Elisha Green, | 12 204 |
| Flemingsburg, | Fleming, | Flemingsburg, | | 4 28 |
| Two Licks, | | | J DeGarmo, | 19 132 |
| Sharpsburg, | | Sharpsburg, | John James, | 2 64 |
| Lewisburg, | | | C H Parker, | 119 |
| Locust Grove, | | | | 30 95 |
| Mt. Olivet, | Nicholas, | Mt. Olivet, | | 16 99 |
| Aberdeen, | | Aberdeen, Ohio, | E Strickland, | 34 144 |
| East Maysville, | Mason, | Maysville, | | 28 25 |
| Mt. Pisgah, | | | Jno DeGarmo, | 28 113 |
| Augusta. | | Augusta, | J W Brown, | 2 35 |
| | | | | 256 2212 |

Contributions by the Churches, not reported. Also, the number of children attending Sunday School. The next session is to be held at Millersburg, Bourbon County, Ky., on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1857,
W. L. PARKER, Clerk,
Lewisburg, Ky.

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION, FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION.

| Churches. | Counties. | Post-Offices. | Pastors. | Baptisms..... | Total | Contributions for various objects... | Scholars in Sabbath School..... |
|-------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Fiat Lick, | Pulaski, | Somerset, | D F James, | 190 | 169 | | |
| Double Springs, | Pulaski, | Somerset, | R. Colyer, | 3 | 106 | | |
| Mt. Pleasant, | | | | 2 | 31 | | |
| Forks Cumberland, | | | B J Shadowen, | 55 | | | |
| Union, | | | J Woodall, | 2 | 45 | | |
| Sinking Valley, | | | W F Richardson, | | 34 | | |
| Rock Lick, | | | J Cooper, | | 31 | | |
| Fishing Creek, | Wayne, | Monticello, | | 2 | 86 | | |
| New Hope, | | | W Tyre, | 1 | 122 | | |
| Freedom, | | | | | 64 | | |
| Friendship, | | | | | 22 | | |
| Bethany, | | | | | 2 | 66 | |
| Hopewell, | | | J G Saunders, | 3 | 33 | | |
| Pitman Creek, | | | | 10 | 62 | | |
| Hopeful, | | | | | 29 | | |
| Liberty, | | | J S Lewis, | 3 | 22 | | |
| Mt. Olivet, | | | | 8 | 39 | | |
| Eagle Creek, | | | | | 21 | | |
| Antioch, | | | | | 21 | | |
| | | | | 36 | 1227 | | |

The next session to be held with the Mt. Pleasant Church, Pulaski County, Ky., on the first Saturday in September 1857.
 W. F. RICHARDSON, Clerk,
 Somerset, Ky.

SULPHUR FORK ASSOCIATION.

| | | | | | |
|-----------------|----------|-----------------|---------------|-----|------|
| Campbellsburg, | Henry, | Campbellsburg, | E B Stratton, | 32 | 200 |
| East Fork, | Henry, | Smithfield, | E G Berry, | 15 | 147 |
| Lagrange, | Oldham, | LaGrange, | D S Colgin, | 59 | 192 |
| Corn Creek, | Henry, | New Castle, | | 17 | 285 |
| Hillsborough, | Henry, | New Castle, | W W Foree, | 7 | 172 |
| Eighteen Mile, | Oldham, | LaGrange, | | 36 | 177 |
| Ballardsville, | Oldham, | Ballardsville, | A M Ragsdale, | 3 | 81 |
| Fox Run, | Shelby, | Eminence, | D N Porter, | 23 | 125 |
| Sligo, | Henry, | | | 13 | 181 |
| New Providence, | Trimble, | Bedford, | | 14 | 103 |
| Covington, | | | | 5 | 109 |
| New Castle, | Henry, | New Castle, | E D Isbell, | | 297 |
| Westport, | | | | 7 | 35 |
| Middle Creek, | Henry, | | | 10 | 104 |
| Dover, | Shelby, | Chestnut Grove, | J Dulaney, | | 75 |
| Hopewell, | Henry, | Campbellsburg, | J B Porter, | 12 | 93 |
| Harrod's Creek, | Oldham, | LaGrange, | | | 67 |
| Bedford, | Trimble, | Bedford, | | 13 | 45 |
| | | | | 266 | 2488 |

Next session to be held at New Providence Meeting House, Trimble County, Ky., on the second Tuesday in September, 1857.
 W. W. FOREE, Clerk,
 Campbellsburg, Ky.

FREEDOM ASSOCIATION, FOURTEENTH SESSION.

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|----|-----|
| Cumberland, | | | | 11 | |
| Mill Creek, | | | | 4 | 35 |
| Sulphur, | Cumberland, | Burksville, | W H Spear, | 1 | 16 |
| Skagg's Creek, | | | | | 128 |
| Albany, | Clinton, | Albany, | R C Buckner, | 6 | 107 |
| Friendship, | | | | | 7 |
| Sand Lick, | | | | 8 | 87 |
| Tompkinsville, | Monroe, | Tompkinsville, | | 1 | 58 |
| Hopewell, | | Creelsboro', | M B Furguson, | 2 | 48 |
| Salem, | | | | 4 | 93 |
| Freedom, | | | | 3 | 39 |
| Casey's Fork, | Cumberland, | Burksville, | | | 16 |
| McFarland, | | Celina, | Jesse Savage, | 4 | 32 |
| 1856. Burksville, | Cumberland, | Burksville, | Alf King, | | 27 |
| | | | | 25 | 764 |

Next session at Burksville, Ky., on the third Saturday in August 1857,
 S. LONG, Clerk,
 Albany, Ky.

SOUTH DISTRICT ASSOCIATION, FIFTY-FIFTH SESSION.

| Constituted..... | Churches. | Counties. | Post-Offices. | Pastors. | Total..... | Baptisms..... | Contributions for various objects. | Children in Sabbath School..... |
|------------------|---|---|--|---|--|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | Bethlehem, Bethel, Beach Fork, Doctor's Fork, Forks Dix River, New Providence, Deep Creek, Shawnee Run, Sugar Creek, Hillsborough, Salt River, Danville, African, Danville, Cartright Creek, Harrodsburg, African, Harrodsburg, Friendship, Lancaster, Perryville, Beach Grove, Sugar Grove, Pleasant Run, Gilbert's Creek, | Washington, Washington, Boyle, Garrard, Boyle, Mercer, Garrard, Washington, Mercer, Boyle, Mercer, Mercer, Mercer, Boyle, Garrard, Boyle, | Perryville, Beach Fork, Perryville, Bryantsville, Danville, Shawnee Run, Lancaster, Chaplinton, Harrodsburg, Danville, Danville, Cane Run, Harrodsburg, Harrodsburg, Harrodsburg, Danville, Lancaster, Perryville, Cornishville, | D Buckner, D Buckner, J G Pond, B Kemper, Willis Peck, D Bruner, W B Smith, R Sale, W B Smith, Y E Kirtley, H Green, R P Stemberger, C E B Armstrong, Geo Passmore, S Cook, J B Sharp, D Buckner, D Bruner, | 160 15 8 80 3 8 2 149 20 1 12 3 14 1 2 1 15 26 6 14 12 1 2 | 136 97 80 471 180 181 149 56 44 84 93 208 58 276 147 48 137 103 59 89 206 44 65 | | 50 50 50 30 |
| | | | | | 166 | 3034 | | 180 |

The next Session will be held with the Church at Doctor's Fork, Boyle County, Ky., on Tuesday after the third Saturday in August, 1857.
 ELDER J. B. THARP, Clerk,
 Lancaster, Ky.

LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, SEVENTEENTH SESSION.

| | | | | | | | | |
|-------|-----------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|----|-----|------|--|
| 1820. | Mt. Tabor, | | Glasgow, | J Brooks, | 1 | 133 | | |
| 1818. | Salem, | Barren, | Bear Wallow, | | 7 | 93 | | |
| | Glasgow, | Barren, | Glasgow, | S P Forgy, | 9 | 204 | | |
| | Bowling Green, | Warren, | Bowling Green, | J M Pendleton, | 6 | 235 | | |
| | Mt. Olivet, | | | | 1 | 42 | | |
| | Liberty Hill, | | | | | 82 | | |
| | Three Springs, | | | | 9 | 42 | | |
| | Union Chapel, | | | | | 38 | | |
| | Holly Spring, | | | | | 45 | | |
| | Brownsville, | Edmunson, | Brownsville, | J S Davis, | 16 | 73 | | |
| | Scottsville, | Allen, | Scottsville, | | 10 | 48 | | |
| | Sinking Creek, | | | | 2 | 61 | | |
| | Rock Spring, | Barren, | Glasgow, | | 22 | 147 | | |
| | Little Hope, | | Mammoth Cave, | B Hatcher, | 16 | 106 | | |
| | New Hope, | | | | | 58 | | |
| | Little Bethel, | | | | | 68 | | |
| | Little Jordan, | | | | | 50 | | |
| | Blue Spring, | Warren, | Blue Sp'g Grove, | | | 18 | | |
| | Green River, | Edmunson, | Green River, | J Staples, | | 72 | | |
| | Munfordsville, | Hart, | Munfordsville, | | | 42 | | |
| | Bacon Creek, | | | | | 80 | | |
| | Little Ready, | | | | | 25 | | |
| | Boiling Spring, | | | | 6 | 71 | | |
| | Pilot Knob, | | Centre, | J N Brown, | | 64 | | |
| | Bethabara, | Hart, | Munfordsville, | D J Logsdon, | 2 | 47 | | |
| | Barnett's Lick, | | | | | 52 | | |
| | Gilead, | Hart, | Green River, | | | 62 | | |
| | Friendship, | | | | | 29 | | |
| | Gasper River, | | | | | 33 | | |
| | Pleasant Grove, | Hart, | Monroe, | G L Brooks, | 5 | 42 | | |
| | Ætna Union, | Hart, | Munfordsville, | E L Juggers, | | 20 | | |
| | Cave Spring, | | | | | 19 | | |
| | | | | | | 112 | 2215 | |

Next meeting at Scottsville, Allen County, Ky., on Saturday before the first Sabbath in October, 1857.
 HENRY EUBANK, Clerk,
 Glasgow, Ky.

LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION.

| Churches. | Counties. | Post-Offices. | Pastors. | Baptisms..... | Total..... | Contributions for various objects... | Children in Sabbath School..... | | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|---------------|------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----|--------------|--|--|
| Little River, | Trigg, | Cadiz, | J B Smith, | 146 | 146 | | | | | | |
| Mt. Pleasant, | | | | 2 | 104 | | | | | | |
| New Bethel, | Todd, | Elkton, | G A Patterson, | 18 | 173 | | | | | | |
| Salem, | Todd, | Marion, | J E Grace, | 9 | 76 | | | | | | |
| Union, | | | | 2 | 111 | | | | | | |
| West Union, | | | | 6 | 227 | A W Meacham, | | | | | |
| Donaldson, | | | | 1 | 112 | J Kinsolvin, | | | | | |
| Harmony, | | | | Caldwell, | | | 7 | 113 | | | |
| Big Rock, | | | | | | | 7 | 77 | | | |
| Donaldson Creek, | | | | | | | 13 | 137 | | | |
| Crooked Creek, | | | | | | | 9 | 100 | | | |
| Rock Ridge, | | | | | | | 1 | 137 | J F White, | | |
| Good Hope, | | | | | | | 1 | 84 | | | |
| Cadiz, | Trigg, | Cadiz, | | 51 | | | | | | | |
| Friendship, | Lyon, | Canton, | | 18 | 103 | | | | | | |
| Cumberland River, | | | | 28 | 62 | | | | | | |
| Eddy Creek, | Caldwell, | Salem, | A W McChesney | 8 | 115 | | | | | | |
| Dunn's Spring, | | | | 3 | 36 | | | | | | |
| Clear Spring, | | | | 5 | 55 | | | | | | |
| Piney Creek, | | | | 2 | 136 | Collin Hodge, | | | | | |
| Caldwell's Spring, | | | | 1 | 42 | W Champion, | | | | | |
| Smithland, | | | | 6 | 124 | | | | | | |
| Hurricane, | | | | Princeton, | | E Stephens, | 1 | 68 | | | |
| Dyer's Hill, | | | | | | | 6 | 24 | | | |
| Princeton, | | | | | | | 16 | | | | |
| Macedonia, | | | | | | | 1 | 88 | T R Rushing, | | |
| Sulphur Spring, | Lyon, | Canton, | W Gregston, | 1 | 17 | | | | | | |
| Camp Creek, | | | | 2 | 78 | | | | | | |
| Pleasant Grove, | | | | 3 | 86 | | | | | | |
| Antioch, | | | | 6 | 45 | | | | | | |
| Pinkneyville, | | | | 60 | | | | | | | |
| Bluc Spring, | | | | 40 | 53 | | | | | | |
| Pleasant Valley, | | | | 14 | 36 | | | | | | |
| Shady Grove, | | | | 4 | 37 | | | | | | |
| Livingston's Creek, | | | | 65 | | | | | | | |
| Rushing's Creek, | | | | 28 | 51 | | | | | | |
| New Prospect, | Lyon.. | Eddyville, | | 1 | 18 | | | | | | |
| Liberty, | | | | 1 | 32 | | | | | | |
| Canton, | Lyon, | Canton, | | 5 | 34 | | | | | | |
| W. S. Spring, | | | | 1 | 38 | | | | | | |
| Deer Creek, | | | | 5 | 59 | | | | | | |
| Pleasant Hill, | | | | 1 | 60 | | | | | | |
| Crockett's Creek, | | | | 1 | 60 | | | | | | |
| | | | | 245 | 3380 | | | | | | |

The Association has an Executive Board and Missionary Fund, to supply the destitute in their bounds. They had several ministers employed a portion of their time last year, for which they paid \$185 25. The next session is to be held with the Harmony Church, Caldwell County, Ky., on Saturday before the third Sunday in August, 1857. J. E. THOMPSON, Clerk, Cadiz, Ky.

UNION ASSOCIATION, FORTY-THIRD SESSION.

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|----------------|----------|-----|-----|
| Indian Creek, | Harrison, | Cynthiana, | | 8 | 21 |
| Beaver Creek, | | | | 3 | 76 |
| Forks of Licking, | Harrison, | Cynthiana, | R Elrod, | 15 | 137 |
| Union, | | | | 56 | 91 |
| Willow Creek, | Bracken, | Colemansville, | J Elrod, | 1 | 128 |
| Short Creek, | | | | 56 | 140 |
| Harris' Creek, | | | | 1 | 35 |
| Colemansville, | | | | 2 | 22 |
| North Fork, | | | | 5 | 64 |
| Blanket Creek, | | | | 6 | 34 |
| Salem, | | | | 10 | 23 |
| Richland, | | | | 3 | 71 |
| Bellmount, | | | | 3 | 34 |
| New Zion, | | | | 5 | 34 |
| Pleasant Ridge, | 8 | 46 | | | |
| | | | | 125 | 956 |

The next meeting to be held with the Church at North Fork, Bracken County, Ky. on the fourth Saturday in August, 1857. J. H. McCLANAHAN, Clerk,

TATE'S CREEK ASSOCIATION.

| Churches, | Counties. | Post-Offices. | Pastors. | Baptisms..... | Total..... | Contributions for various objects. | Children in Sabbath School..... |
|------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Tate's Creek, | Madison, | White Hall, | | 1 | 140 | 53 00 | |
| African, Tate's Creek, | Madison, | White Hall, | | 11 | 105 | 1 00 | |
| Viney Fork, | Madison, | Richmond, | G W Broadus, | 2 | 165 | 20 00 | |
| Red Lick, | | | | | 52 | | |
| Hay's Fork, | Madison, | Rogersville, | B N Coffey, | | 65 | 10 00 | |
| Liberty, | | | | | 121 | | |
| Logan's Creek, | Lincoln, | Stanford, | M Foley, | 1 | 71 | 15 00 | |
| Crab Orchard, | Lincoln, | Crab Orchard, | M Foley, | 46 | 322 | 60 00 | |
| Mason's Fork, | Garrard, | | | 4 | 46 | 13 00 | |
| Centerville, | Madison, | Centerville, | | 14 | 86 | 5 00 | |
| Freedom, | Garrard, | Lancaster, | | 19 | 96 | 10 00 | |
| Scaffold Cane, | Rock Castle, | Scaffold Cane, | | 12 | 43 | 16 00 | |
| Pleasant Run, | | | | 2 | 46 | | |
| Rock Lick, | | | | | 14 | 2 00 | |
| New Bethel, | Garrard, | Lancaster, | | 41 | 115 | 10 00 | |
| Brush Creek, | | | | 2 | 22 | 2 00 | |
| Drake's Creek, | Pulaski, | | | 6 | 61 | 10 00 | |
| Stanford, | Lincoln, | Stanford, | Jno James, | 7 | 35 | 10 00 | |
| Gilead, | | | | | 29 | | |
| | | | | 168 | 1644 | \$227 00 | |

This Association has had a Missionary, (N. D. Creed.) laboring in their bounds, the past year, whose labors have been attended with good success. Their next session will be held at New Bethel Church, Garrard County, Ky., on the fourth Saturday in August, 1857.

WALLER CHENAULT, Clerk,
White Hall, Ky.

FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION, FORTY-SECOND SESSION.

| | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------|----|------|--|
| South Benson, | Franklin, | Frankfort, | B T Quinn, | 24 | 253 | |
| Frankfort, | Franklin, | Frankfort, | | 5 | 438 | |
| Cedar Creek, | Franklin, | Frankfort, | | | 200 | |
| Buck Run, | Franklin, | Frankfort, | | | | |
| Indian Fork, | Franklin, | | | | 236 | |
| Christiansburg, | Shelby, | Christiansburg, | T M Daniel, | 19 | 213 | |
| Buffalo Lick, | Shelby, | Christiansburg, | | | 99 | |
| Forks Elkhorn, | Franklin, | Forks Elkhorn, | | | 124 | |
| Mt. Carmel, | | | | | 102 | |
| North Benson, | Franklin, | Frankfort, | | 12 | 359 | |
| Mt. Pleasant, | Franklin, | Bridgeport, | F H Hodges, | 10 | 145 | |
| Bethel, | | | | | 174 | |
| Lebanon, | | | | | 98 | |
| Harmony, | Franklin, | | | | 130 | |
| Union, | | | | | 110 | |
| Gratz, | Owen, | Gratz, | | 3 | 64 | |
| North Fork, | Franklin, | Frankfort, | | 13 | 144 | |
| | | | | 86 | 2859 | |

The next meeting to be held at South Benson, Franklin County, Ky., on Friday before the third Saturday in August, 1857.

S. E. MILES, Clerk,
Frankfort, Ky.

NORTH BEND ASSOCIATION, FORTY-FOURTH SESSION.

| | | | | | |
|------------------|---------|---------------|--------------|-----|----------|
| Bullittsburg, | Boone, | Bullittsburg. | J A Curtley, | 165 | 281 80 |
| Dry Creek, | Kenton, | Covington, | A Drury, | 31 | 86 |
| Middle Creek, | | | | | 134 |
| Sand Run, | | | | | 60 |
| East Bench, | | | | | 36 |
| First Covington, | Kenton, | Covington, | S L Helm, | 14 | 232 |
| Burlington, | Boone, | Burlington, | | 2 | 55 |
| Big Bone, | Boone, | | | 2 | 111 |
| Ludlow, | | | | 7 | 22 |
| Bank Lick, | Kenton, | Covington, | C W Scott, | 12 | 130 |
| Florence, | Boone, | Florence, | Wm Griggle, | | 16 |
| | | | | 68 | 1047 |
| | | | | | \$934 68 |
| | | | | | 100 |

NOTE.—North Bend Association had a Missionary, (Elder James A. Kirtley,) laboring in their bounds the past year at a salary of \$400. Pastors' salaries and other Church expenses not reported in their minutes. Meets at Florence, Boone County, Ky., on Tuesday after the first Saturday in September, 1857.

LEWIS WEBB, Clerk.