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BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HOLDS 84TH SESSION

84th Baptist Association. Fathers? The Amherstburg Regular Baptist Association held her eighty fourth session in the Hill St. Baptist Church on Wednesday morning at ten o'clock. The Moderator, Rev. H. Talbot, pastor of Windsor Baptist Church was in the chair. Address of welcome by the Mod. Registering of delegates from various churches.

The address of welcome given by Mr. G. Fountain of London and responded to by Mr. James of Toronto. The sermon by Rev. Shaw of Sandwich was very stirring and impressive.

They then retired for dinner.

The Women's Home Mission held their session with Mrs. Munroe, the pres. in the chair. The session was a very enjoyable one and many very interesting discussions. The evening programme was a very pleasing event many taking an active part. Some very splendid solos were rendered.

Friday was a splendid business day throughout. Letters were received and read. The Sunday School convention was held at 2.30. Mrs. Hunter made the address of welcome which was responded to by Mr. A. McDowell. Mr. Henderson is the President and Miss Smith the Secretary.

The session was interesting. Rev. Shaw opened a discussion as to "What is a Sunday School". It was a lively question which everyone enjoyed.

The evening programme was a wonderful success.

Saturday was the closing day for work. Much had been accomplished. At 1 p.m. the delegates went sight seeing, after which the Mayor welcomed the delegation. At 8 p.m. the Rev. Penick preached a very powerful sermon. Among the visitors the delegation was blessed with the presence of Rev. S. R. Drake, Supt. of the B. M.E. Conference, Rev. Henderson, Supt. of the A.M.E. Conference, Rev. Stewart, pastor of the B.M.E. Church who gave some very encouraging remarks.

One of the most vital points in Rev. Henderson's address was "Girls and Boys, fit yourselves for your position."

Sunday was the banner day for the organization. 11.00 a.m. Rev. E. M. Wood preached the memorial sermon "Keep the Faith." It was very powerful as well as impressive.



REV. HENRY H. TALBOT, Moderator of the Amherstburg Baptist Association which has just closed its 84th Session in London, Ont.

The choir rendered special music with the assistance of Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. Berry rendered two very touching solos.

The church was beautifully decorated and the spirit of welcome was in the air. The committee did its work of entertaining wonderfully leaving nothing undone to make it pleasant for the delegates.

All parted on Monday morning, rejoicing. Session next year will be held in Toronto at the University Ave. Baptist Church.

Rev. H. L. Talbot, who was elected Moderator, officiated at the laying of the corner stone of the new Hill St. Baptist Church.

"I have built a house of habitation for thee."

With the repetition of these words Rev. H. L. Talbot laid the corner stone of the new Hill Street Baptist Church which marked one of the closing services of the 84th annual session of the association. The ceremony was one of the most impressive ever held in the colored Baptist circles of London, and was most fitting in view of the presence of some 40 delegates to the association's session which joined in the services together with a congregation which filled the church lawn to capacity.

While our joys may not exceed our expectations, our expenses always do.

Cayuga Baptist Church Holds 76th Anniversary

The North Cayuga Baptist Church has just celebrated its 76th anniversary by conducting most impressive services. The pastor, Rev. R. J. Devine gave an historic sketch of the church from both spiritual and material standpoint. He asserted that ten runaway slaves met and laid the foundation of the church. Among this number was Steven Street whose log cabin was first used as a place of worship. He afterwards donated the ground on which the church now stands. Many of the grand children and great grand children of the ten founders are members and supporters of the church which their forefathers established. The present edifice is a beautiful brick edifice which was built in 1882. The Rev. S. G. Harris opened the new church and he also preached the 50th Anniversary sermon 26 years ago.

Rev. Devine spoke at the morning services. He spoke on the sure foundation on which Jesus builded the church. Rev. Trueblood delivered a most able sermon at the evening service.

The choir rendered special music. The offering for the day was \$43.65.

Negro Heads The Largest Presbytery

Negro heads largest prebytery.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept.—(By The Associated Negro Press)—At the final meeting of the semi-annual session of the Pittsburgh Presbytery, Tuesday, the Rev. Dr. C. H. Trusty, pastor of Grace Memorial Presbyterian Church, was elected Moderator of that body. The local presbytery, representing 300 churches is the largest in America. Dr. Trusty is the first Negro Moderator to be elected to that in a mixed Presbytery.

During a recent trip of an Atlantic liner, while passengers at one end of the vessel were enjoying sunshine the passengers at the other end were experiencing a hailstorm.

Happiness is found in homes more often than in residences.

JOHN BROWN RAID TOOK PLACE IN 1859

(By Fred. Landon)

Sixty-five years ago this month John Brown and his men made their famous raid on Harper's Ferry, Va., the most dramatic incident in the slavery struggle before the Civil War. Though the plan to free the slaves was doomed to failure from the start, there persists the feeling expressed by Governor John Al Andrew at that time that "John Brown himself was right." Emerson and Thoreau in America and Victor Hugo in Europe, vied in their tributes to his life but time has paid the greatest tribute of all in the fact that "his soul goes marching on." The old song that northern boys of 1861 sang as they marched to battle was sung again half a century later by the youth of Britain. Canada and America once again going out in what seems to be the age-long struggle for liberty, democracy and righteousness.

John Brown, Puritan, fanatic, call him what you will, lived with the one idea that slavery was a great evil. His duty was to strike at it whenever he could. To that end he gave his life, enlisted the ardent support of his own family and others and finally made the complete sacrifice upon the scaffold at Charleston. Yet Brown himself rose to more dignity of purpose and moral grandeur during the weeks in prison awaiting death than ever before in his life. Like Paul he had fought a good fight, finished his course, kept the faith, and was now ready to be offered.

The Harper's Ferry Raid of October 1859 has special interest for Canadians because it was in the little Western Ontario town of Chatham, in May 1858, that the plans were laid which came to fruition in Virginia more than a year later. Brown had long meditated a bold stroke against slavery, convinced that the "milk and water principles" of the abolitionists, as he called their moral suggestion ideas, would never accomplish the great end of freeing the Negroes from their bonds. Direct action, a phrase that has significant meaning today, was Brown's idea of the way to rid the country of the evil and in the early part of 1858 he laid before some New England friends a plan by which he felt that the power of slavery could be broken.

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