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S. S. Conventions.

The Baptist S. S. Convention of St. Martins was held in the Second St. Martins Church at Fairfield on December 31st 1898, and January 1st 1899. Opened at 2.30 p.m. with a devotional service led by Pastor Cornwall, with thirteen earnest prayers, and stirring sacred songs interspersed. At 3 o'clock the president took the chair. After the enrollment of delegates the following officers were elected:

President—J. S. Titus, re-elected.
Vice-President—W. J. Patterson.
Sec'y-Treasurer—Mrs. J. A. Floyd.

The President then gave an address, showing the necessity of training the young in the Sunday-school and in placing good moral literature in the hands of the pupils. The reports from the schools were encouraging, followed by an earnest address on Sunday-school work by Pastor Bynon, followed by Superintendent J. S. Titus.

Evening session opened with thirty minutes devotional service led by Bro. Leonard Floyd, consisting of fervent prayers and earnest testimonies. An address of welcome was then tendered to the visiting delegates and friends by Supt. W. R. Floyd, responded to by Bros. Geo. White and J. Howe. A half hour was then devoted to Temperance, as follows: Singing "The Bugle Call," address by Pastor Cornwall, exercise by two little girls, address by W. J. Patterson, exercise by three little girls, singing, "Father don't drink any now," address by Pastor Bynon.

The meeting was then changed into a testimonial service, many testifying for the Saviour, interspersed with songs of salvation, then a short prayer service for more consecration for the coming new year, in which many took part. After singing, "Throw out the Life-Line," the meeting adjourned to meet at 9.30 on Sunday, the first day of the new year.

Sunday morning session opened with a short devotional meeting led by Bro. Charles Fowler, followed by a very interesting and instructive normal lesson taught by Pastor Bynon, model S. S. lesson from John i. 1-14, taught by Pastor Cornwall, showing up the doctrines in such an impressive manner that all were thoroughly interested. An address on home missions by Bro. Titus. Collection \$1.42, for home missions. Sermon preached by Pastor Cornwall from the words, "And he calleth his own sheep by name and leadeth them out." John x.3.

Afternoon session at 2.30. Devotional service led by Bro. J. Howe. Several earnest prayers and testimonies were enjoyed, preceding a Bible reading and explanations by Pastor Cornwall, which was much enjoyed by all present. Essay, "Life of Hezekiah," by Bro. Geo. White. Foreign Missions, address by Mrs. J. S. Titus, solo, by Miss Eva Floyd.

A letter was then read from Mrs. J. Hal. Smith, missionary in the Soudan, Africa.

Exercise and response by five girls. Collection for Foreign Missions \$1.14.

Evening session met at 7.30. Devotional service led by Bro. J. A. Floyd. Essays showing much thought and careful preparation were read by Mrs. Charles Fowler, Miss Edie Wanamaker, Miss May Howe, Miss Maggie Baird, and Miss S. M. Floyd. Recitation by Miss Annie Floyd, and thirteen verses of scripture

recited in concert by six little children. The essays and recitations were interspersed with S. S. songs by the children, after which Pastor Bynon led a special service which everyone enjoyed. Notwithstanding the thermometer being below zero, and the wind and snow blowing wildly, each session was as well attended as could be expected, and much of the Holy Spirit was manifested. Mrs. J. A. FLOYD, Secretary.

The Queen's County Baptist Sunday-school Convention held its quarterly session in the Baptist Church at Upper Gagetown. The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President—Pastor F. W. Patterson.
Secretary-Treasurer—Pastor E. K. Ganong.
Auditor—Bro. F. J. Purdy.

The Model Lesson was taught by Pastor F. W. Patterson from John ii. 1-11.

At 7 p. m. a large congregation gathered in the interests of Sunday-school work.

Pastor F. W. Patterson spoke briefly on our "Aims and Purposes." "The Religious Training of the Child" was the subject of an interesting and instructive address by Rev. J. Coombs. Elder G. W. Springer and Deacon Joshua Colwell spoke briefly of the Sunday-school work. At the close an offering was taken for the work of the convention. This convention is supplying a long-felt want, and is deserving of the large patronage it receives.

The Kars, Springfield and Studholm Parish Sunday-school Convention convened at Kiersteadville, January 4th. On account of storm, bad ice and sickness the gathering was much smaller than it was expected to have been; but the convention proved to be a profitable one. The afternoon session was a very interesting and enthusiastic season. The election of officers resulted in the choice of Deacon J. W. Toole, President; and Deacon J. F. Kierstead and Bro. J. H. Gray, Vice-presidents; Miss A. W. Toole, Secretary-Treasurer; and and Bros. T. A. Leonard, O. E. Davis, M. W. Freeze, Pastors E. K. Ganong, and S. D. Ervine, Executive.

A very interesting Sunday-school lesson was taught to a primary class by Mrs. E. K. Ganong. Also an essay prepared by Deacon D. Crandall, "On the Purpose of the Sunday-school," was read. An interesting discussion followed, "On Method of Running Sunday-school Conventions," discussion opened by Elder G. W. Springer and participated in by several others.

The evening session was opened by a very interesting devotional service, led by Bro. M. A. Freeze, after which a very clear and helpful address was given by Pastor E. K. Ganong