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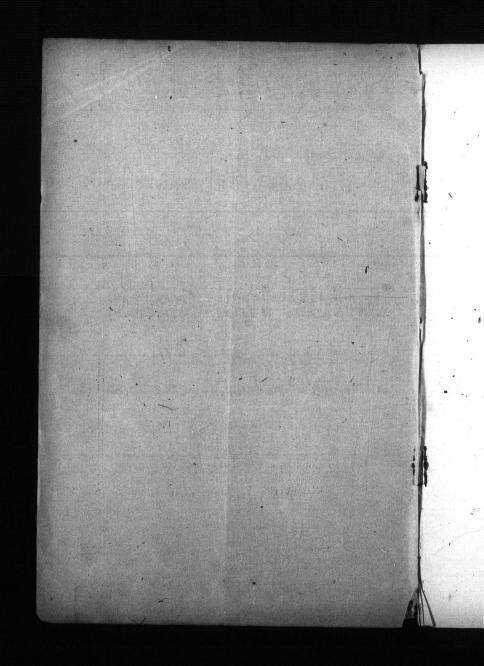
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mount product of as because FIRST SESSION.

WHITEVALE, JUNE 21st, 1882. A large number of delegates having arrived, Pastor W. K. Anderson as retiring Moderator, called the meeting to order about 11 a. m. A. hymn was sung and prayer offered by Rev. Mr. Tapscott, senr. Pastor G. Richardson was then appointed Moderator, with Pastor A. Turnbull, clerk, and Pastor H. C. Speller, Assistant. The "By-laws" were then read, and the following committees appointed:

Business and Arrangements-Pastors A. P. McDiarmid, H. A. McConnell, and Bro. P. Fisher. Resolution on Relacation

Circular Letter-Pastors J. T. Dowling, W. K. Anderson, and Bro. H. Graham. I feet generally lift of the most smile

Resolutions-Pastors A. Turnbull, W. McGregor, and Bro. S. Holman. At the call of the Moderator, the reading of the church letters was commenced.

Business committee presented the following report: (1) Adjourn at 12 o clock to meet at 2 p. m; adjourn again at 5 to meet at 7.30 p. m. (2) Reading of church letters. (3) Business of Association to continue until 3.30. (4) At 3.30 the Annual sermon to be preached. (5) Prof. Newman to present the claims of "Toronto Baptist College."

The report was received, and adopted. The reading of church letters was then continued till adjournment. The session was closed with prayer, partet tima 28. Il 1 sammet set funnt engammy of the activatory blocking resolvents of the parter of the function of the funct

SECOND SESSION. At 2 o'clock the Moderator took the chair and the session opened with singing and prayer. There being no further letters to be read the report of the committee appointed last year to visit the Oshawa church was called for. Pastor Speller reported favorably, stating that the church was now open for Divine service, and that efforts had been made by the church itself to correct the opinion held in regard to it by reason of a report circulated to the effect that it was not sound in its practice of doctrine, it was then moved and seconded that the report be received and the committee discharged.

The Pickering church not having reported, it was moved by Pastor A. P. McDiarmid, seconded by Pastor W. K. Anderson, that a committee be appointed to visit that church. Moved by Bro. P. Himnan, seconded by Pastor A. P. McDiarmid, that Pastors Booker and Speller be the committee. At the call of the Moderator the following brethren were reported as visiting the Association:

Brethren, A. H. Newman, S. Tapscott and W. Walker, and invited to a seat with the delegates. The committee on "Circular Lefter?" reported approval of the letter and its subject, and advised that it be read to the Association, and printed with the minutes. On motion, the report was received and adopted.

Invitations, were extended to the Association from the Haldimand and Cramahe churches. It was moved by Bro. P. Hinman, seconded by Bro. J. W. Butler, that the invitation from the Haldimand church be accepted.

Pastor A. Turnbull, of Belleville, was then appointed to preach the annual sermon, with Pastor A. P. McDiarmid Alternate; and Pastor W. K. Anderson of Lindsay, the writer of the circular letter, with Pastor W. McGregor Alternate, Pastor Booker having been unable through sickness to prepare his paper on "The Spiritual Character of the Churches in the Association." And Pastor McDiarmid having kindly, at a very late hour, consented to take his place, on motion proceeded to read a paper upon the above named subject. At the close of the paper a very profitable discussion ensued as to the best means of promoting spirituality in the churches.

Half-past three having arrived the hour appointed for the preaching of the annual sermon, Pastor Speller proceeded to the carrying out of that exercise, choosing as his text Romans 8: 31. "What shall we then say to these things?" If God be for us, who can be against us?"

The sermon having closed, Prof. Newman proceeded in a very able address to advocate the claims of the Toronto Baptist College. At the close the following further report of the Business Committee was received and adopted — Exercises for the evening meeting to consist of Doctrinal sermon, Professor Newman. Resolution on Education. Moved by Pastor A. Turnbull, seconded by Pastor Wm. Walker. Collection in aid of Ministerial Education. For Thursday, a. m. Prayer meeting from 9 to 10, meeting led by Pastor W. McGregor. 10. Reading of Circular letter, by the writer, Pastor G. Richardson. Report of Committee on Resolutions, and other Associational business. The session then closed with prayer by Pastor Wm. Walker.

THIRD SESSION.

In the evening a large congregation assembled to listen to the exercises appointed for the evening. At 8 o'clock the Moderator took the chair. The meeting opened with singing, reading of Soripture and prayer, brethren Walker and McGregor taking part. Prof. Newman then proceeded to give a very clear and able exposition of the passages found in Romans III. 28, and James II. 24. At the close Pastors Turnbull and Walker gave able and spirited addresses on the subject of Education, in support of the resolution on that subject. Both spoke in the highest terms of our Colleges at Toronto and Woodstock, suggesting valid reasons for the continued, and deepening interest of the denomination in them. Prof. Newman then volunteered a few remarks in advocacy of our denominational organ under the new regime of the "Baptist Publication Society," which were well received.

A collection was then taken amounting in all to \$16.25. The meeting closed with the doxology and benediction.

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FOURTH SESSION.

JUNE 22nd, 1882.

A prayer meeting for one hour, led by Pastor W. McGregor, commenced the exercises of the day, and at 10 a. m. the Association convened for business, Pastor McDiarmid leading in prayer.

The Moderator here called Pastor W. K. Anderson to the chair, and proceeded to read the circular letter, at its close Pastor McDiarmid moved, Pastor Ainsworth seconding, "that this letter be not only printed with the minutes, but also that it be read in all the churches." It was also moved by Bro. Craig, seconded by Bro. Winn, that it be sent to the Baptist, but at the request of the writer this motion was voted down.

The Moderator then resumed the chair, and called for a report of the "committee on Resolutions.". The committee having prepared a series of resolutions proceeded to read such of them as were not to form the subjects of discussion at the platform meeting to be held in the evening, all of which were adopted. (See page on Resolutions.)

Moved by Pastor A. P. McDiarmid, seconded by Bro. P. Hinman, that Pastors Turnbull and Speller be a committee to arrange the services for next association. The name of Pastor McDiarmid was added.

A resolution was introduced by Pastor Turnbull, and seconded by Pastor McDiarmid, having in view the recommending to the churches the exercise of more care in regard to those whom they ordain to the Christian Ministry. After a long and thorough discussion of the motion, 'in which there was displayed the greatest unanimity of feeling that some recommendation was necessary, the motion was carried, there being only one dissenting voice.

The Business Committee then presented its final report as follows:—(1) Sabbath school reports etc. at 2 o'clock, (2) Sermon by Pastor G. Richardson at 3 o'clock, (3) Concluding business of the Association. Evening meeting. Chairman, Pastor of the Church, H. A. McConnell. The following resolutions to be presented and spoken to by their movers and seconders:

Manitoba Mission Pastor G. Richardson

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FIFTH SESSION.

At 2 p. m. the Moderator took the chair. After singing a hymn, and prayer by Pastor Freed, the Secretary proceeded to read the Sabbath School reports. A discussion then took place as to the best means of interesting the scholars in missions, also as to how best to impress the lessons upon the scholars, and as to the propriety of applying a portion of the S. S. funds to mission work.

Bro. P. Hinman, former Treas. of the now extinct Sabbath school convention, asked direction as to what he should do with the funds left in his hands at time of doing away with the convention. On motion, they were given into the hands of the clerk of the association, to be expended as its funds. Prayer was then offered by Pastor MoDiarmid.

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At 3 o'clock Pastor G. Richardson proceeded with the preaching service, Pastors Ainsworth and McDiarmid taking part. Text chosen Isiah XI. 28 assure Aliaswoter and alcoholing change part. Teat chosen Island Al. 20 alignment and all the sermon was an able exposition of the passage, given in the speaker's clear yet profound style, and was listened to with delight by a large audience.

The committee on resolutions reported resolutions on special day of Prayer, and Baptist Publication Society. Also a resolution of thanks to Pastor Richardson, in view of his removal from this Association in the near future, for his action, in view of his removal from this association in the near ruture, for his able and ready assistance in all the objects of interest to the Association Also to the friends of Whitevale for their hearty hospitality. Pastor A. P. McDiarmid then moved, Bro. M. Gold seconding, that a By-law be inserted providing for the appropriate of the Secondary to the contract of the contraction. viding for the remunerating of the Secretary to the extent of \$5.00.

Moved by Pastor A. P. McDiarmid, seconded by Pastor Freed, that we do now adjourn to meet D. V., with the Haldimand church in 1883.

Pastor S. Tapscott then closed with prayer.

SIXTH SESSION. The meeting in behalf of Home, Foreign and Manitoba Missions held at The meeting in benair of riome, Foreign and Manitoba Missions, need at 8 p. m., was largely attended. Able and stirring addresses were delivered by the movers and seconders of the various resolutions. The chair was occupied by the Pastor of the church, and at the close a collection amounting to \$20.50 was taken up. The proceedings closed with the doxology and benediction.

RESOLUTIONS.

EDUCATION-WOODSTOCK INSTITUTE.

Recognizing the value to our young people of thorough discipline under actively wholesome moral and religious influences, and believing that facilities

actively wholesome moral and rengious minimizes, and believing that mentiles for such training are provided by our denominational school; therefore:—

*Resolved**,—That we commend the institution to those seeking an education; and that we commend its interests to the prayerful consideration, and

TORONTO BAPTIST COLLEGE.

Recognizing the need of a ministry not only intellectually educated, but also thoroughly instructed in the word of God, and thoroughly equipped to meet all assaults upon "the faith," and trained in preaching the word of God acceptably and effectively; and inasmuch as the Toronto Baptist College has been founded and equipped to do this work; therefore :-

Resolved, -That we accord to this institution our hearty sympathy and financial support. which to supply for got att. dode and have covered by the coming of a bill

Mover—Pastor A. Turnbull. Seconder-Pastor Wm. Walker.

ORDINATION.

Whereas, in the New Testament, amongst the qualifications required in a Bishop or Pastor, character and conduct are made very prominent; there-

Resolved, - That we deem it both right and wise to require such testimony as will meet these demands in the case of every candidate presenting himself for ordination, and that due notice of such ordination should be given in our ice,

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denominational paper, and care taken to so constitute the council as to secure the ends had in view in this resolution

Mover—Pastor A. Turnbull. Seconder—Pastor A. P. McDiarmid

DAY FOR SPECIAL PRAYER.

Whereas, in all our church work real success depends upon individual and united effort, associated with the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

Resolved,—That we urge upon all, persevering and united prayer therefor, and recommend that all our churches set apart the first Sunday in September as a day for special prayer and effort to deepen and develop the work of grace among them; and that on this day the circular letter of the association be read in the churches.

Mover-Pastor A. P. McDiarmid. Seconder-Bro. J. R. Stillwell

CANADIAN BAPTIST AND PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

Having heard of the proposed change in the proprietorship of the Canadian Baptist, therefore:—

Resolved, -That we place on record our appreciation of the faithful and efficient services of Brethren Muir and Stewart, in the conducting of our denominational paper hereofore: and would express our gratification at the prospect of the formation of a Publication Society, through whose agency all the interests of the Denomination are likely to be materially advanced.

Mover Bro. M. Gold. Seconder—Bro. H. Graham

IN RE OF THE REMOVAL OF REV. G. RICHARDSON.

Having learned of the removal in the near future of our respected Bro. Rev. G. Richardson from this Association:—

Resolved,—That we place on record our appreciation of his valuable and efficient labours amongst us, and pray that the blessing of God may richly rest upon him in his future home and work.

Mover—Pastor A. Turnbull. Seconder—Pastor W. K. Anderson.

MANITOBA MISSIONS.

Whereas, the continued influx of settlers into the Province of Manitoba, and the North-West Territory, is causing a great demand for Evangelistic work in those regions, therefore:—

Resolved,—That we recognize in this a loud call upon us, as Baptists, to go up and possess the land, and would urge upon our churches careful consideration of the claims of this mission, and increased liberality in sustaining it.

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Mover—Pastor G. Richardson. Seconder—Pastor A. E. de St. Dalmas.

HOME MISSIONS.

Whereas, the progress and perpetuation of our principles depend in a large measure upon the vigorous prosecution of Home Mission work, therefore:—

Resolved,—That acknowledging with thankfulness the blessings of the past, we urge upon all our churches increased liberality in providing means and men for the carrying on of this work, and would emphasize the need of attention to the wants of our own field, so that there may be a wise and fruitful expenditure of the money raised for this purpose.

Mover-Pastor Freed. Seconder-Pastor J. T. Dowling.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Whereas, it is commanded that the Gospel should be preached to every creature, and that our Foreign Missions have hitherto been a great success, resulting in the conversion of thousands of the heathen, and in the development of spiritual power among our churches; be it:—

Resolved, Thatfour churches be urged to sustain the Foreign Missionary enterprise, both by their prayers and contributions

Mover—Pastor W. K. Anderson. Seconder—Pastor A. P. McDiarmid

HOSPITALITY.

Kesolved, .—That we tender our best thanks, in the name of the Master, to the church in Whitevale for their Christian Hospitality, and pray their continued prosperity.

Mover—Pastor J. T. Dowling. Seconder—Bro. J. R. Stillwell.

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CIRCULAR LETTER.

To the Churches composing the East Ontario Association.
Beloved Brethren.

Privileged in the Providence of God to assemble according to the appointment of last year, we avail ourselves of the annual custom of addressing you through means of this letter, which we trust will be promotive of your best interests and fraught with good to the Churches. Suffer, therefore, the word of exhortation and bear with us in the use of plainness of speech in seeking to incite you to increased personal efforts for Christian cultivation and Christian service. Addressing you as the redeemed of God, we feel free to remind you of your obligation to live to the Divine glory; to subordinate your lives in all things pertaining to this life and life to come to the Divine will. As the professed disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ it should be the supreme passion of your souls, and the supreme purpose of your lives to glorify Him who has bought you, and ordained you to eternal life. In the most solemn manner and in an ordinance of Christ's own appointment, you have ayowed yourself dead unto sin and alive unto God. In your baptism into the Triune-Name you challenged the world to recognize you as Christians, and as such. to test your professed loyaltytoChrist, by a comparison of your lives with His teaching and example. And whether agreeable to you, or otherwise, so the world will

judge you, and decide for or against you, as Christians, as your lives agree or disagree with your profession. What manner of persons ought ye to be, seeing that you have voluntarily assumed Christ's name and pledged yourselves worthily to represent Him before your fellowmen. By profession you are committed to the difficult but sublime task, of measurably at least, presenting to the world living likenesses of the Great Teacher. Your discipleship involves this: you have put on Christ to follow Christ. The outward following is to evidence the inward grace. The Christ inhabited man is the Christ-bearing man. The living Epistles read and seen of all mm are the outcome of the indwelling Christ. The mind of Christ in you will generate the Christly life without you. Your conformity to the divine will, is the condition and the evidence of true discipleship, The proof of your sonship, the certainty, the reality of your relationship to God, are determined not by any mere passing emotions, not by your feelings, but by your life, by your obedience to the revealed will of God. It is not your frame and feelings that bear witness to your being the disciples and friends of Jesus, but your obedience:—"Ye are my friends if ye do whatspever I have commanded you." Where there is not the will to obey the Gospel, there is no evidence of the faith that receives the Gospel unto salvation. Faith and obedience are contemporaneous and inseparable. So that if persons say they believe the Gospel and do not obey it, it is certain that they have not the faith of God's elect. True works are always found where true faith exists; so that it is only as you can point to the works that spring from faith as its proper evidence that you have any valid reason for concluding that you are Christians. The condition and results of true discipleship can only be realised as you are true discipies. We, therefore, warn you against resting in any mere sentimental, negative religion, for such is not the religion of the New Testament. Doing the will of God is the only sufficient and satisfactory test of Saintship. To be personally assured of your union with Christ you must keep God'sword by reasuring it up in your hearts and working it out in your lives. "Not every one that saith Lord, Lord, but he that doeth the will of my Father; not every one that says, he believes the Saviour's sayings, but he that do-eth them, is a wise man. Far be it from us to make light of Christian experience. We believe in the most rapt and eestatic experiences that any child of God may have felt, but we believe that obedience to the truth is the grand line of march in your earthly course, where these experiences are found. We believe it is right to desire and to seek such experiences, but it would be an unwarrantable and dangerous use of such experiences to rest on them as the ground of your acceptance with God or the foundation of your hope of heaven. Far too many, we fear, are resting uponsome past experience; they look back to some period, when as they hope they experienced religion, and on this they ground their expectation of Heaven. Thus making the door into Heaven their own emotions, and not Christ. It is by such subtile devices that Satan is leading so many astray and causing them to rest on a false and unsafe foundation. We, therefore, in closing this Epistle caution you against making your own varying emotions and experiences the test of being in a saved state. "Hereby we do know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. Whose keepeth His word, in him verily is the love of God perfected; hereby know we that w are in Him.

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PASTOR.	Ber. W. Ainsworth Ber. A. Turnsunth Ber. A. Turnsunth, B. A. Ber. A. E. de St. Delmas Rev. J. Cury St. Delmas Ber. W. Ainsworth W. Freed Ber. W. K. Anderson Ber. G. Richardson Ber. G. Willett Ber. G. Willett Ber. G. Willett Ber. J. T. Douging Ber. J. T. Douging Ber. J. T. Douging Ber. J. T. Dowing Ber. J. T. Dowing Ber. J. T. Dowing Ber. J. T. Dowing Ber. H. S. Speller Ber. H. A. McCompolity Ber. H. S. Speller Ber. H. S. Speller Ber. H. A. McCompolity Ber. H. S. Speller Ber. H. A. McCompolity Ber. H. S. Speller
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Whitevale .	D. McPhee	89	60	9	11						1 00	
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CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—This Association shall be called the "East Ontario Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.—This Association shall be composed of such Churches as embrace the following doctrines: The being and unity of God; the existence of three equal persons in the Godhead; Divine inspiration of the Old and New Testaments as the complete and infallible rule of faith and practice; the depravity and just condemnation of all mankind by the fall of our first parents; Election of grace according to the foreknowledge of God; the proper Divinity or our Lord Jesus Christ; the sufficiency of His atonement, through which believers are justified freely by grace; the necessity of the Holy Spirit in regeneration; perseverance of the saints; believers baptism by immersion only; the Lord's Supper, a privilege peculiar to baptized believers regularly admitted into fellowship in our Churches; the resurrection of the body, and general judgment; the final happiness of the saints and misery of the wicked alike interminable; the obligation of every intelligent creature to love God supremely; to believe what God says, and practice what God commands; and the religious observance of the First Day of the week.

ARTICLE III.—The object of this Association shall be to promote, by correspondence and perosnal intercourse, unity of faith and practice, fellowship, cordainly of feeling, union of effort in promoting the interest of the Churches, and the furtherance of the cause of Christ throughout the world.

ARTICLE IV.—This Association shall recognize the power and independence of the Churchest and shall in no case exercise authority or jurisdicidiction over them. Nevertheless it shall have power to drop from its connection any church which, in the opinion of the Association, may have essentially departed from the faith, either in principle or practice, and to exclude from a seat in its meetings any minister or delegate who is manifestly corrupt either in theory or practice; the facts in either case may be ascertained in any way not inconsistent with the Gospel.

ARTICLE V. The meetings of this association shall be held annually, on the third Wednesday in June, at 10 o'clock, a.m., by the representatives of the churches, who are not to exceed five from each Church, at such place as the Association may appoint.

ARTICLE VI.—The churches composing this Association are required to send letters to all its meetings, addressed to the Association, expressing the names of their messengers, the state of the Churches, with their alterations and present numbers.

ARTICLE VII.—Churches may be received into this Association by letter, setting forth their desire to be admitted, their faith, order and willingness to conform to the rules of the Association, and on satisfaction and reception, the Moderator shall give the messenger the right hand of fellowship

ARTICLE VIII.—Any Church connected with this Association that hall neglect to make an annual report at its meeting for two successive

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fears shall be visited by a committee of this Association to enquire into the case; and if the same neglect be repeated the third year it shall be dropped from the minutes.

BY-LAWS.

- It shall be the duty of the retiring Moderator, or, in his absence, of any delegate to the Association, to call the meeting to order for the nomination and election of its officers.
- 2. After the choice of a Moderator and clerk, the following committees shall be appointed, viz: On Business and Arrangements, on Circular Letter, on Resolutions—each to consist of three members.
- 3. The letters of the Churches shall be read, then the other business shall follow as it may be presented.
- 4. Visiting brethern from other Associations and agents of denominational societies may next be invited to a seat, and may move, second and debate on all subjects, but vote on none.
- 5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator, and shall have the liberty of moving or seconding any motion, or of speaking on any subject regularly laid before the body, without any interruption, except he depart from the subject, or some explanation be necessary to a right understanding of it.
- 6. The Moderator shall have the same right to speak as any other member, provided the chair be filled.
- No subject shall be discussed until seconded; if not seconded it shall be considered as lost.
- 8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave from the Moderator.
- All personal reflections shall be particularly avoided in the deliberations of this body.
- 10. In time of session all private conversation shall be dispensed with, and undivided attention shall be given to the business of the Association.
 - 11. Meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.
 - 12. All questions of order shall be decided by the Moderator.
- Any member of this Association attending the meetings of any sister Association shall be our representative at said Association.
- 14. These By-Laws shall be read distinctly from the chair immediately after the election of officers at each session.
- 15. The Secretary of this Association shall receive for his services the sum of five dollars.
- 16. Any of the Articles or By-Laws (excepting the second article of the constitution) may be altered at any meeting of the Association, by the vote of two-thirds of the members.

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The Association meets at Haldimand next year on the third Wednesday in June. Preacher of annual sermon, Pastor A. Turnbull; writer of the circular letter, Pastor W. K. Anderson.

Unassociated Churches.

There are within the bounds of this Association several Baptist churches which, though not connected with us, should not be overlooked in estimating the strength of the cause in this section. Their pastors have kindly furnished reports, of which the following is a summary:

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