

THE SENTINEL.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 1872.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

President Boyce called to the convention to order at 9 a.m.

The usual half hour was spent in devotional exercises, which were conducted by Mr. A. C. Crane, of Md.

At the expiration of the half hour, the President declared the convention open for business.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and confirmed after being corrected in a few unimportant particulars.

UNPUBLISHED BUSINESS.

The report of the committee on the Home and Foreign Journal being the unfinished business, its consideration was resumed.

The question recurred upon the substitute of Rev. Mr. Worrall, of Ky., to suspend the publication of the Journal, and if the vice-president secretary be requested to furnish the weekly Southern B. p. j. with the matter they have hitherto contributed to the Home and Foreign Journal. [The original report recommended that the Journal be printed on book paper and that a more liberal policy be pursued in the distribution of the Journal and that a competent editor be employed at a suitable salary.]

Rev. Dr. Shumler, of Ala., was in favor of continuing the Journal if the convention would properly sustain it and make it what it should be, but if it was intended to allow it to remain in its present languishing condition, then he wished to drop it.

Mr. Worrall withdrew his substitute.

Mr. Ellison, of Va., withdrew his motion.

The discussion upon the amendment of Rev. Dr. Brantly to abolish the Sunday school was resumed.

Mr. Brantly withdrew his amendment, as he thought the matter could be decided by voting against the report.

Mr. Ellison, of Va., withdrew his motion.

The question on the adoption of the original report was put to the convention, and carried.

Rev. Dr. Jeter moved that the committee on the Home and Foreign Journal be reconstituted.

On its adoption the previous question was called for, but not sustained.

Pending any definite action.

SPECIAL ORDER.

was announced, to wit: The report of the committee, to whom was referred the letter from the Texas Baptist Convention proposing biennial sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention. The committee recommended that the annual session be adhered to.

Rev. Dr. Jeter favored biennial sessions. Mr. Brantly, of Ala., favored annual sessions.

A. F. Crain, of Baltimore, supported the amendment.

Gen. J. G. Field, of Va., argued in support of the original report.

Pending the discussion of the matter, the second

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was announced by the chair, to wit: The report of the Sunday School Board.

Rev. Mr. Broadus, of Va., moved to postpone its consideration.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Brantly, of Md., the motion to postpone was laid on the table.

The report of the committee on colored people was taken from the table.

The report was ad p.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Devote, the report of the Sunday School Board was taken from the table. The report of the committee on the future plans of the Board was read.

A lengthy debate ensued which was participated in by Messrs. Boggin, Crane, Thiers and Ellison.

On motion of Gen. Field, the previous question was voted.

A vote was taken and the report was adopted by a vote of 95 to 86.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Collyaway, of Tennessee, the report of the financial condition of the Board was taken from the table.

Mr. Crane, from Maryland, from the committee to nominate new boards made a report. [Owing to a lack of space we are compelled to omit the publication of this important report until our next issue.]

The report was adopted.

Rev. Mr. Thomas, of Va., moved amend to the amendment of the Board to be abolished and the work submitted to the States.

Rev. S. Landrum of Tenn., President of the Sunday School Board, next addressed the Convention. During his remarks he said that if the Board did not have the hearty and unanimous support of the Convention its effectiveness would be gone and it had better be abolished.

Rev. Mr. Manly of Ky., spoke in opposition to such abolition. He gave an eloquent description of the struggles and difficulties which the Board had undergone in its efforts to work out successfully the mission assigned them. Instead of abolition he thought all the aid possible should be given to the Board, as it was, in his opinion, the best means of educating the masses and disseminating the teachings of Christianity, &c.

On motion of Dr. Brodus, of S. C., Rev. Mr. Derotie, of Ga., read the report of the convention on the future plans of the Board for information.

The report took strong ground in favor of sustaining the existence of the S. S. Board, and sustained some of the most important measures suggested in its report. Dr. Brodus was followed by Dr. L. T. Tidener, of Ala., late President of the Board, in opposition to the abolition.

A paper was read from Rev. J. R. Graves, of Tenn., stating that, if the Board was abolished the plates would be returned to the Sunday School Union. Dr. Graves was precluded from speaking as he is suffering from a paroxysm of the vocal organs.

Rev. Mr. Dodson, of Tenn., took ground in favor of continuing the Board to be abolished and the work submitted to the States.

Rev. Dr. J. W. M. Williams, of Md., placed as much importance upon the workings of Sunday Schools as any one.

The question with him was the best means of prosecuting the work. He thought the work should be taken in charge by the Board of Domestic Missions.

He could see no utility in employing two men to do one man's work.

Rev. Mr. Haygood favored the dissolution of the Board.

Rev. Dr. Brantly again took the floor in urging the adoption of his amendment.

Pending any result the hour for adjournment was announced.

Rev. Mr. Pritchard, of Raleigh, announced the appointments for preaching on Sunday. These appointments can be seen by a reference to the local column.

A cable dispatch from Rev. Mr. Yates, Missouri, to China, stated: "Please announce the restoration of his voice." &c.

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