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WARRENTON Female Academy.

THE public is respectfully informed, that at the united request of the citizens of Warrenton, Mrs. HARRIET J. ALLEN has consented to take a large and convenient house in that place for the purpose of opening

A Female School,

Which will commence on the second Monday in January next. The various branches of education will be such as are usually taught in all Female Institutions.

For Board and Tuition per Session, \$50 00
Music, - - - - - 20 00
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Payable in advance—No extra charges will be made for Painting on Paper, or for Plain and Ornamental Needle work.

It is expected each young Lady will furnish her own bed clothing and towels.
Dec. 5th, 1833. 13-S

Notice.

A SCHOOL for the instruction of Male and Female students, will be opened in Tarborough on the 6th January next, under the direction of Mr. LEMUEL WHITEHEAD. Spelling, reading, writing, arithmetic, English grammar, geography, and the rudiments of the Latin language will be taught. Terms of tuition will be moderate. The School Fund will enable the Committee to pay the tuition of eight scholars. Those wishing the aid of this Fund will please apply to Mr. Lewis Bond.

Masonic School Committee.

Tarboro', 9th Dec. 1833. 13

To be found at the Cheap Cash Store,

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NEW, Fresh and Fashionable Goods,
IN TARBOROUGH,
AT SUCH EXTREME LOW PRICES AS TO
Defy all Competition

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JAS. WEDDELL.
Dec. 4, 1833.

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AT COTTEN'S,

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DRY GOODS,

GROCERIES,

Hardware, Cutlery, &c. &c.

Which with his present Stock will be by far the most extensive in Tarborough,

Being upwards of \$35,000,

And as the above Goods were bought for Cash and by a first rate judge, I think it more than probable they were purchased as cheap as any Goods in this market; but whether they were or not, they shall be sold as cheap, or to punctual customers a little cheaper, for Cash than they can be bought at any other store in this place, (I mean goods of the same quality.) I have no fear or hesitation in saying this, because I am determined to do what I say I will—not tell one tale here and when a person comes into my store tell another. But do not take my word for it, call and examine for yourselves, I do not charge any thing for looking. All kinds of produce taken at the market prices.
J. W. COTTEN.
Tarboro', 8th Nov. 1833.

CONTENTNEA ASSOCIATION.

Extract from the "Minutes of the Contentnea Baptist Association, held at Tyson's Meeting House, Pitt county, N. C. 26th, 27th and 28th of October, 1833.

SATURDAY, October 26th, 1833.

Pursuant to adjournment of last year, the Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder George W. Wallace, from John v. 25: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God; and they that hear shall live."

The Association then convened for business, and being opened with prayer by Elder Samuel Moore, chose Elders, Thomas Dupree, Moderator; Mark Bennett, Clerk; and George W. Wallace, Assistant Clerk.

Brethren in the ministry, present, from sister Associations, were invited to sit with us; whereupon, Elders, Joshua Lawrence and Lemuel Ross, from the Kehukee, Elder Henry Swinson, from the Goshen, and Elder Jesse Adams and Brother George W. Whitfield, from the Little River, took seats with us.

Appointed Brethren John A. Atkinson and Sherrod Tison, a committee of finance; and agreed that they report on Monday next.

Letters from seventeen churches were read, their delegates' names enrolled, and their numerical state made known, as exhibited in the following table:—

NAMES OF CHURCHES and Counties where situated.	MINISTERS & DELEGATES.				Baptized	Members	Funds	Numbers	Funds
	Delegates	Ministers	Delegates	Ministers					
Autrey's Creek, Edgecombe.	4	1	1	1	49	2 00	2	2 00	
Bear Creek, Lenoir.	4	1	1	1	58	2 00	2	2 00	
Beaver Dam, Lenoir.									
Black Creek, Wayne.					38	1 00			
Friendship, Wayne.					64	2 00			
Meadow, Greene.	5	2			17	1 00			
Memorial, Wayne.					28	1 50			
Nashvinty, Wayne.					8	1 00			
Oak Grove, Greene.					59	2 00			
Pleasant Hill, Edgecombe.	3	1	1	1	12	1 00			
Pleasant Plains, Wayne.					21	1 00			
Sandy Bottom, Lenoir.	7	2	1	1	35	1 65			
Tainot, Edgecombe.					35	1 50			
Town Creek, Edgecombe.					68	2 00			
Tyson's, Pitt.	5	1	1	1	97	2 00			
Union, Edgecombe.					19	1 50			
White Oak, Edgecombe.					3	1 67			
					15	1 00			
Total.	27	5	1	1	680	25 65			

NOTE. Pastors of Churches, and other ordained Ministers, are in small CAPITALS; unordained Ministers in italics; those marked thus, * were not present; the last column shows the contributions from the Churches to the Association fund.

Petitionary letters were called for, if any, when one from the church at Memorial, was handed in by Brother Tobias Jones, and read; and upon enquiry, she was considered sound in the faith, and was received by the Moderator's giving her delegate the right hand of fellowship.

Letters of correspondence from sister Associations were called for:—One from the Kehukee was handed in by Elder Joshua Lawrence, and read; and verbal information was received from the Little River, by Elder Jesse Adams.

Resolved: that we revoke the resolution passed at the session of 1831, respecting our mode of corresponding with sister Associations; and that we resume the mode of corresponding by letter and messengers, as formerly.

The Circular Letter was called for, and On motion, agreed that Elders Dupree, Lawrence and Bennett, be appointed a committee to examine it; and that they report to the Association on Monday next.

Appointed Elder George W. Wallace to write to the Little River Association, and Elders, Wallace, Bynum, and I. Moore, to bear the letter; and agreed that we send by them 20 copies of our Minutes; also appointed Elder Bynum to write to the Kehukee, and Elders Dupree and Atkinson to bear the letter; and agreed that they carry with them 40 copies of our Minutes.

Resolved, that our next Association be held at Union meeting house, Edgecombe county, commencing Saturday before the fourth Lord's day in October, 1834; and that the Introductory Sermon be delivered by Elder John A. Atkinson, and in case he fail, by Elder I. Moore, beginning at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Elected Elders Lawrence and Ross to preach on the Lord's day; and agreed that worship commence at half past 10 o'clock, A. M.

Adjourned till 9 o'clock on Monday, with prayer by the Moderator.

LORD'S DAY, October 27th.

Elder Lemuel Ross, introduced the service, and preached from Prov. xiv. 12, and from John, xiv. 6: "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man; but the end thereof are the ways of death. I am the way, and the truth, and the life."—Elder Lawrence preached from Acts, xvi. 17: "These are the servants of the most high God, which show unto us the way of salvation." From the good order that prevailed, and the earnest attention paid, we hope that the children of God were re-

freshed, and sinners edified; and that the divine blessing accompanied, and will, in its effects, follow many precious souls through a happy eternity.

MONDAY, October 28th.

Met pursuant to adjournment: prayer by the Moderator.

On motion, the Rules of Decorum were read. The Brethren appointed to write the corresponding letters, were requested to present them. Elder Wallace reported that he had failed to write. On motion, agreed that Elder Wallace write, and that the letter be left to the inspection of Elders Bynum and I. Moore, together with himself.

Elder Bynum, who was appointed to write to the Kehukee Association, presented the letter; which was read and approved.

The committee appointed to examine the Circular Letter asked leave to report, that, They had examined it, and that they felt some objections to its reception; that the writer, with permission from the Association, would withdraw it; and they recommended that he have liberty to withdraw it, which was granted. Also, they asked leave to recommend, that the Association appoint a committee to prepare a Circular to be appended to these Minutes. The report was agreed to.

Appointed Brethren Dupree, Atkinson, Joyner and Bennett, a committee to prepare the Circular for the present Minutes.

Appointed Elder Bennett to prepare a Circular for our next year's Minutes.

The committee of finance report that they find now in the Treasury, \$30 90 Received by contributions this year, 25 65 \$56 55

Paid Elder Dupree for attending the Kehukee Association, \$4 00
Paid Elder Reasons, by order of the Association, the account due Elders Bynum and Wallace for attending the Little River Association, 10 00
Paid Clerk for services, 10 00
24 00

Balance remaining in the Treasury, \$32 55

28th Oct. 1833. SHERROD TISON, } Com. Fin.
JOHN A. ATKINSON, }

Agreed, that Elder Bennett be requested to transcribe and prepare these Minutes for the press; to have 400 copies struck and distributed as usual; and to record one copy on the Association book; and that he continue to act as our Treasurer.

Called over the list of delegates, and noted the absentees. The Minutes were read and assigned by the Moderator and Clerk.

Adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.
THOMAS DUPREE, Moderator.
MARK BENNETT, Clerk.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

The Contentnea Association, assembled at Tyson's Meeting House, Pitt county, October 23th, 1833, to all the Churches composing her body.

BELOVED BRETHREN IN CHRIST:—

The long forbearance and grace of God have permitted us to assemble once more in Association, where the sight of our brethren from almost every church in our bounds has gladdened our hearts, and where the pleasing and brotherly manner of our sitting together we trust has tended to strengthen the cords of our love and of our union. With an earnest and longing desire for your prosperity, we feel unwilling to part and return to our homes without sending some token of our remembrance, and some word of admonition and encouragement to assist you while passing along on your pilgrimage. There is, we believe, dear Brethren, but one state in which the miseries of the present life can be softened, and the dismal gloom of the future can be removed; namely, that in which "the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts," causing our affections to warm to heaven, and our hearts to embrace our brethren. Love is the essence and quintessence of all true religion; and never are the saints of God so happy as when they feel its warmest exercise. Believing, brethren, that "the love of many," nay, the love of all is waxing cold, and that our happiness is thereby diminished and diminishing; to the intent that we may seek to regain our "first love," we will call your attention to this as the subject of our present Circular. Is not our situation similar to that of the church at Ephesus, described by John the divine, Rev. ii. 1—5, and may not the Holy Ghost have the same charge against us? "Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks; I know thy works, and thy labor, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are Apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars; and hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake, hast labored, and hast not fainting. Nevertheless, I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember, therefore, from whence thou art fallen; and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent."

Soon after the churches in Asia were planted certain teachers came amongst them, saying, We are apostles. The church of Ephesus, unwilling to be led away from the truth, felt it to be their duty to try them. The result of the trial was, they "found them liars." The testimony, together with the commendations bestowed upon this church by the Holy Ghost, shows them to have been true and steadfast in almost every
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