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Plain Crepe Paper, 20 cents,
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We are now receiving that beautiful line of pianos your attention was called to a few days ago. They will have to be seen to be appreciated. We are carrying our same line--MEHLIN, HAINES and KROEGER PIANOS. An inspection of the MEHLIN will prove it to be the finest piano ever brought to the city. You are invited to call at

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The season of entertainments and dances is at hand and every woman or girl must have at least one pair for each dress. We make a point of carrying such a large stock of slippers that we can match any dress or house gown.

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110 South Jefferson street.

A WOMAN TO HANG.

Cayuga, Ont., Nov. 20.—Mrs. Adele Sternaman was to-night found guilty of the murder of her husband, and was sentenced to be hanged in the courtyard of the jail, in this town, on January 20, 1898.

OATH-BOUND GANG.

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 20. Police of Greenville say that they have unearthed an oath-bound gang of white boy burglars sworn to kill the first who turns informer. Their depredations have harassed merchants for months. They range in age, the police say, from fifteen to twenty. Arrests have been made.

SCHILLER'S $5.50 all-wool plaid suits are hard to beat. You can see some of them in our show window. We have them in all sizes. 28 Salem avenue.

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BAPTISTS HAD A BUSY DAY.

Much Business Transacted by the Association Yesterday.

INTERESTING STATISTICS SHOWING THE RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS DURING THE PAST FISCAL YEAR OF THE CHURCH. COMPLETE LIST OF WHO WILL FILL THE VARIOUS PULPITS TO-DAY.

The Association was called to order by the president, Rev. Dr. Owen at 9:45 o'clock. The meeting was opened with a Divine blessing by Rev. J. H. Newbill, of Crewe.

Rev. Norvell Ryland, the treasurer of the Association, made his annual report which was somewhat lengthy, and dealt in facts and figures. The report showed the financial affairs of the Baptist Association to be in good shape, etc. The report was received, adopted and recorded on the minutes.

The following figures show the exact status of the financial affairs:

Table of receipts, disbursements, and balances for the year ending October 31, 1897:

October 31, 1897, balances.....	$ 139 87	12,554 26	$12,694 13
Payments	199 53	4,761 87	$4,961 40
Aggregating.....	$1,315 28	5,472 27	$6,787 55
	$ 395 26	22,841 05	$23,236 31
	$ 962 31	11,234 03	$11,496 34
	$ 219 13	2,918 25	$3,137 38
	108 62	10,563 48	$10,672 10
	$ 2,670 00	70,345 21	$73,015 21

October 31, 1896, balances...	$ 2,622 06	State Mission Board.
October 31, 1897, collections...	10,062 07	
	$ 436 78	S. S. and Bible Board.
	4,524 62	
	$ 904 54	Education Board.
	5,833 01	
	$ 605 52	Foreign Mission Board
	22,627 79	
	$ 865 68	Home Mission Board.
	10,690 66	
	$ 477 18	Ministers' Relief Fund
	2,660 19	
	$ 337 05	Orphanage.
	10,335 05	
	$ 6,201 83	Total.
	66,813 39	

General expenses, $1,077.60.

Rev. Thos S. Dunaway then arose and spoke as follows:

"Brother President, I hold in my hands a handsome morocco case, and lying on the velvet cushion within is this gavel. On its silver mountings are these inscriptions:

"'This gavel is made from a tree which grew within the cellar walls of the house in Wakefield, Va., in which George Washington was born. House burned in 1735. Presented to the Baptist General Association of Virginia, February, 1897, by William J. Crawford, of Buffalo, N. Y.'

"Mr. Crawford, who erected the monument to Mary, the mother of Washington at Fredericksburg, Va., as well as that ordered by the United States Government at Wakefield, to mark permanently the birthplace of George Washington, is an artist of high reputation, skill and taste, and a liberal, benevolent Christian gentleman. His artistic skill and taste as well as his generosity are displayed in this beautiful and appropriate gift.

"We hear much said in these days about the 'fitness of things.' There does seem great appropriateness in this gift to this body. It seems fitting that this gavel, the symbol of order, authority and law, should be made from the wood of a tree which grew in the soil where Washington was born, and find imbibed those principles which led him in after years to be the leader of a revolution, which brought order out of political chaos, and led to the establishment of a government, under which the 'love of liberty is protected by law.'

"Further, it seems eminently appropriate that a gavel thus made should be presented by a Baptist to a Baptist Association, since all true history teaches that the Baptists everywhere and in every age have stood for religious liberty, and the Baptists of America did well their part in aiding to establish the first and only government in the world, under whose protecting aegis absolute religious liberty is enjoyed.

"With this view of the fitness of things, it gives me pleasure in the name and on behalf of Brother Wm. J. Crawford to present this gavel with the case which encloses it to the Baptist General Association of America."

Dr. Dunaway offered the following resolutions, which were adopted, and the secretary was requested to send Mr. Crawford a vote of thanks from the entire Association, morning; Rev. Geo. F. Bagby, evening.

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KODAKS!

The annual family gathering at the Thanksgiving table, the children's Christmas tree, groups of friends gathered to pass a winter's evening—all make delightful indoor subjects for winter Kodaking, while the fields and trees in snowy garb make quite as beautiful subjects for outdoor work as do the green groves and meadows of summer.

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"Resolved, That this Association gratefully accepts the beautiful and appropriate gift, and assures Brother Crawford of its high appreciation of his thoughtful kindness and generosity.

"Resolved, That the recording secretary of this body be instructed to forward to Brother Crawford a certified copy, of this preamble and these resolutions with assurances of our best wishes for his happiness and continued prosperity."

The committee on the amendment of the constitution made a report that was received and taken up in sections. The first proposition was that no church should have more than 15 messengers.

Dr. Battle amended it by striking out 15 and inserting 10. The matter was discussed pro and con and a vote was taken, which resulted in a victory for the original amendment. A division was called for and the secretary counted the vote, which stood 117 to 102.

The order of the day was called and the moderator appointed the following committee on religious exercises: L. G. Broughton, T. J. Shipman, Wm. Lunsford, J. A. Barnhardt, J. M. Luck, J. B. Taylor, C. L. Cocke, J. A. Jamison, W. W. Moffit.

Committee on New Boards—T. S. Dunaway, J. H. Martin, P. H. Pernell, H. A. Bagby, M. L. Wood, G. S. Kinnard, H. W. Tribble, J. R. Bagby, W. J. Shipman.

Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson read the sixty-sixth annual report of the education board. The report showed that the Baptists of Virginia had 59 young men studying for the ministry in the various Baptist schools in the State, including those at the Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky. The report showed that there was no money in the treasury, and in fact they entered in the work for this year with a debt of $800, due the seminary in Louisville.

The report was adopted and the question of the debt was discussed by several prominent divines.

Prof. Cocke, of Hollins, made a motion to the effect that the board be instructed to pay the $800.

It was amended by Rev. R. J. Willingham, of Richmond, who offered as a substitute that the money be raised right now from the Association.

Rev. Dr. Dargan, of the Seminary, was called upon and explained the status of affairs in regard to the Virginia students at the Seminary.

At the conclusion of Dr. Dargan's remarks the Association arose and sang one stanza of "The Morning Light is Breaking," after which Dr. Willingham went on the platform and after a brief speech took up a collection and $803 was raised by subscription and cash, after which the hat was passed around and an additional $31.99 raised, making a total of $834.99.

The following committee on relations to seminary was appointed: J. Taylor Ellyson and Revs. J. F. Dean, M. W. Dennis, T. D. Johnson, W. R. Barksdale and Henry Schmelz.

William Ellyson, of the board of State missions, made a report, which was somewhat lengthy. It showed that over $12,000 had been dsibursed last year in mission work. The report was adopted and the question of retrenchment was discussed by several pastors, as there was no money in the treasury to begin work this year, but the majority seemed to favor the idea of going forward and pushing the work ahead.

In the absence of the treasurer, Rev. T. H. Eilett was elected treasurer pro tem. and took charge of the money collected.

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The following pastors will occupy the pulpits of the various churches to-day:

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Woodside Presbyterian—3:30 p. m., Rev. G. M. Hurt.

Greene-Memorial—Rev. M. B. Wharton, morning; Rev. Wm. E. Hatcher, evening.

Grace M. E. Church—Rev. J. S. Dill, morning; Rev. M. L. Wood, evening.

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EVENING SESSION.

The evening session was opened by singing the hymn, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?" followed with a prayer by Rev. W. F. Fisher; singing, "How Firm a Foundation." Prayer by Rev. C. C. Cox.

Rev. C. F. Bagby, of Farmville, read the fourth chapter of Malachi and made a brief talk therefrom. Prayer by Rev. M. F. Sanford. Song, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

President Owens appointed the following committee on enrollment: Chairman, J. Taylor Ellyson, and Revs. G. W. Hurt, J. O. Sessoms, Jno. H. Couch, J. W. Hundley, J. Lee Taylor, G. W. Gilgore E. B. Bailey, James E. Carter, W. H. Sadler, John Hart, A. J. Coons, A. P. Cole, John E. Utz, T. M. Hawkins, B. M. Young, Paul Camp, J. G. Councill, T. B. Forrester, Geo. F. Cook, E. A. Waddill, Chas. L. Corbett, T. E. Walle, Wm. A. Miller, J. P. Saul.

Rev. Dr. Seymour, of the American Baptist Publication Society, of Philadelphia, was introduced and he entertained the Association for twenty minutes with a history of his society, and the work they were doing, especially in the Southland. At the conclusion of the remarks of Dr. Seymour, Rev. Dr. Frost, of the Sunday-school board of the Southern Baptist convention, of Nashville, Tenn., was introduced and for twenty minutes he entertained the audience with the work that is carried on and done by the society he represented.

The committee on order of business submitted the following report, which was adopted:

PROGRAMME.

Sunday afternoon, 2:30. Baptist Orphanage. The orphans will be present and do the singing.

MONDAY.

Miscellaneous business, 9:30 to 10 a. m. 10 to 11 a. m., obituaries; 11 to 1 p. m., general education.

AFTERNOON.

3 to 3:40 p. m., report on representation; 3:40 to 5 p. m., Sunday-school and Bible board.

EVENING.

Foreign Missions.

TUESDAY MORNING.

9 to 9:30 a. m., miscellanous business and report of committee on time and place; 9:30 to 10:30 a. m., ministers' relief; 10:30 to 11:30 a. m., commitee on corporation and woman's work; 11:30 a. m., all unfinished business and adjournment.

Rev. F. C. McConnell, of Lynchburg, read a long report from the Home Mission Board. The report was full of encouraging facts of general interest to the Association. The board closed its fiscal year last year with a debt of $8,000, which by January had grown to $28,000. The board went to the convention in May with the debt extinguished. The receipts for this year as reported by the treasurer, Rev. Dr. Ryland were $10,690.00, an increase of $853.37 over last year. The re-

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THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Virginia: Showers; warmer; easterly winds.

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HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE HOLY GHOST SINCE YOU BELIEVED?—THE FOLLY OF THE BLIND LEADING THE BLIND—DON'T PASS SENTENCE UNTIL YOU READ THE FOLLOWING.

Have you received Him yet? Do you know what I mean by this question? Is it a vague or is it a definite command? Is it a sort of an indefinite command? Is it a sort of an indefinite influence to you, or the receiving of the person? May the spirit Himself do a definite work in your heart to-day as you read these lines. Let Him turn on the searchlight of God's word upon your heart. "Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed?" If you have not definitely, by an act of faith, done so, you have not yet been obedient to one of the last commands of Jesus. Take your Bible and see for yourself if it is not a definite and specific command. The enemy has long defrauded us of its true import. "Oh, yes," you say, "I pray of course for the guidance of the Holy Spirit."

That will not do, dear one. The question is a very plain one. The command was very plain: "Receive ye the Holy Ghost."—Jno. 20:22. Have you received Him? Paul put this question to the church at Ephesus. The Revised Version puts it a little differently and even makes it more emphatic that the King James Version, if anything. "Did you receive the Holy Ghost when you believed?" Did you? You ought to know. Or is your answer the same that Paul received there in Ephesus? Be honest now about this matter, just as these dear ones were in Acts 19 2. You have just what you received by faith. I mean by that, you have what you receive by an active and a definite faith. Passive faith in this matter will avail you nothing I doubt if a passive faith ever accomplishes anything; but sure I am, it will not avail anything where definite work in the soul or Spirit is concerned—for that matter the body either. We need this definite and active faith in and for the Triune God, for the triune man. But I am getting away from the question that we are to think specially about just now, viz:—"Have you ever definitely so received the Holy Spirit?" Perhaps there is a minister of the Gospel reading these lines, and you will say to me, "why of course I have, else how could I be a successful soul winner, or how could I even become a minister? Surely this would indicate that I had taken this step of faith at some time, consciously or unconsciously." True, the indications on the exterior may seem all right, but this question, in this phase of it, does not deal with externals at all. It concerns you and you alone as I put it now. Now you may be just where the disciples were in reference to the Holy Ghost, previous to the day of Pentecost. Jesus makes the two experiences quite distinct. And in speaking of them He says, as He talks to the disciples about the Holy Ghost: "Now He is with you, then He shall be in you." The Holy Ghost was then in Jesus, and as Jesus was with them, so was the Holy Ghost, and with them too, in all the power of His personality; but he was specifically and for a definite purpose in Jesus, and there He must remain until the work in Him is finished and Jesus is seated at the right hand of the Father. Then and not till then will He be at liberty to begin any other specific work. And so Jesus says,—"It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I go, I will send Him unto you." —Jno. 16:7. So as soon as Jesus gets to Heaven He is not long in fulfilling His promise to His waiting disciples. His mission is a specific one. He is here to prepare a Bride for Christ. This is His business. And everything that is needful for Him to accomplish this has been committed to Him. And unless you receive Him you never can be a member of the Bride of Christ. You cannot prepare yourself, and Jesus does not—that is, in that official and specific sense. This work in this sense is committed to the Holy Spirit and to Him alone. And God the Father will acknowledge no other agency in preparing a Bride for His Son. God demands it, and Jesus demands it. Being an ordained minister or an evangelist will not suffice here. Being a Sunday-school superintendent or a Sunday-school teacher will not do. Being any or

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