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STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod recommends to the Church Councils the propriety of adopting the plan of collecting Pastor's Salary by assessment.

2. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the Church Discipline, Chapter vi, Section 3, the Church Councils be instructed to require every member of the Church, to contribute to the support of the Gospel, except such as in their judgment are too poor to do so.

3. *Resolved*, That no Minister in connection with this Synod shall be allowed to take charge of vacant congregations until they shall have satisfactorily met their obligations with their former Pastor.

4. *Resolved*, That hereafter when a Pastor is called to a vacant charge, the Council be governed by the Discipline of the Church.

5. *Resolved*, That courteous recognition of the presence of Ministers, not of the Lutheran Church, be taken by recording their names in the minutes as having been in attendance upon the sessions of this Body.

6. *Resolved*, That we recommend each Pastor, in performing the rites of Baptism and Confirmation, to give certificates of the same.

7. *Resolved*, That any young man receiving aid from this Synod shall execute a bond to the Treasurer to pay back in full to Synod, with interest, the amounts as severally received by him during the prosecution of his studies; in the event he voluntarily abandons the active work of the ministry, is deposed, or unites with another denomination, before the expiration of seven years' faithful service—such seven years' faithful service as a Lutheran minister to be considered a canceling of his bonds.

MINUTES.

THE SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN NORTH CAROLINA SYNOD was held in St. James' Church, Concord, Cabarrus County, N. C., beginning Wednesday, May 3d, 1882.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. V. R. Stickley, President, from Ephesians 4, 3.

Synodical Business.

FIRST SESSION.

After the sermon, the Synod was formally opened according to the prescribed form, and the names of Ministers and Lay-Delegates enrolled.

Ministers.

NAMES.	POST OFFICES.	ENTERED MINISTRY.
1 Rev. J. B. ANTHONY,.....	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	1832
2 " S. ROTHROCK,.....	Gold Hill, "	1833
3 " J. B. DAVIS, D. D.,.....	Mt. Pleasant, "	1834
4 " G. D. BERNHEIM, D. D.,.....	Mt. Pleasant, "	1849
5 " J. S. HEILIG,.....	Concord, "	1851
6 " W. A. JULIAN,.....	Lexington, "	1857
7 " W. H. CONE,.....	China Grove, "	1858
8 " L. A. BIKLE, D. D.,.....	Mt. Pleasant, "	1859
9 " W. KIMBALL,.....	Salisbury, "	1859
10 " W. R. KETCHIE,.....	Mocksville, "	1868
11 " J. H. FESPERMAN,.....	Statesville, "	1868
12 " R. L. BROWN,.....	Rockwell, "	1868
13 " S. T. HALLMAN,.....	Concord, "	1868
14 " E. P. PARKER,.....	Rural Hall, "	1871
15 " H. M. BROWN,.....	Troutman, "	1873
16 " P. E. ZINK,.....	Linwood, "	1873
17 " V. R. STICKLEY,.....	Salisbury, "	1873
18 " F. W. E. PESCHAU,.....	Wilmington, "	1873
19 " E. A. WINGARD,.....	Folk's Store, S. C.	1875
20 " R. W. PETREA,.....	Concord, N. C.	1876
21 " W. A. LUTZ,.....	Enochville, "	1877
22 " J. A. LINN,.....	Hickory, "	1877
23 " W. J. SMITH,.....	Salisbury, "	1878
24 " B. S. BROWN,.....	China Grove, "	1878
25 " J. L. BUCK,.....	Gibsonville, "	1878
26 " D. J. KOONTZ, (col.).....	Lexington, "	1880
27 " T. H. STROHECKER,.....	Charlotte, "	1881

Lay-Delegates.

NAMES.	PASTORAL CHARGE.
WM. BEAVER.....	Rev. Samuel Rothrock's.
MAJ. L. G. HEILIG.....	" Dr. J. B. Davis'.
THOMAS SINK.....	" W. A. Julian's.
JNO. W. BOSTIAN.....	" W. Kimball's.
M. J. WALTON.....	" R. L. Brown's.
RICHARD M. BLACKWELDER.....	" S. T. Hallman's.
JAMES HAITHCOX.....	" H. M. Brown's.
D. J. GOODMAN.....	" V. R. Stickley's.
H. B. EILERS.....	" F. W. E. Peschau's.
JNO. A. CLINE.....	" R. W. Petrea's.
JNO. E. DEATON.....	" W. A. Lutz's.
L. S. WHITENER.....	" J. A. Linn's.
C. T. BERNHARDT.....	" W. J. Smith's.
I. FRANK PATTERSON.....	" B. S. Brown's.
JOSHUA BOON.....	" J. L. Buck's.
S. E. LINTON.....	" T. H. Strohecker's.
H. G. MILLER.....	Bethel Charge.
A. C. COBLE.....	Guilford Charge.
DR. C. M. POOL.....	St. Peter's Charge.

Synod adjourned.

SECOND SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 2 P. M., May 3, 1882.

Synod convened.

Prayer by Rev. J. B. Davis, D. D.

The President read his annual report, which was received and referred to the proper committee.

President's Report.

DEAR BRETHREN:—After the duties and labors of another year, we are permitted through the PROVIDENCE OF GOD to assemble in Synodical convention.

We should therefore, individually and collectively, raise our hearts in gratitude to ALMIGHTY GOD, the giver of every good and perfect gift, for the renewed expressions of his goodness and mercy in sparing our lives, and blessing the labors of our hands in winning souls from darkness to light and from the powers of Satan to the kingdom of Christ.

Having convened, as ministers and delegates, to legislate for the interest of our beloved Zion, we should earnestly ask the influences of the Spirit to enlighten, direct, and govern us in all our deliberations and work, that we may be of "one spirit, one mind, striving together for the faith of the Gospel," and interest of the souls entrusted to our care.

As required by the Constitution, I will give you a report of my official transaction, and letters received during the year.

Resignations.—In May, Rev. W. R. Ketchie informed me that he had resigned the Davie Pastorate, but expressed a willingness to serve them until other arrangements could be made.

In June, Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D. D., officially notified me that he had resigned the congregation in Wilmington, to take effect last of December.

In July, Rev. J. B. Anthony stated to me that he had resigned the Iredell charge.

In September, I resigned my charge, to take effect last of April.

Calls Accepted.—A letter was received from E. P. Parker, in July, notifying me that he had accepted a call to the Forsyth Mission, and had entered upon his duties as Pastor.

In August, Rev. T. H. Strohecker of the Evang. Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania informed me that he had taken charge of St. Peter's, St. Matthew's, and Luther's in Rowan county. He has his letter of honorable dismissal, and will present it at this meeting of Synod.

Rev. J. L. Buck, of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of S. W. Va., wrote me, in September, that he had accepted a call, and entered upon his duties as Pastor of the Alamance charge; he also will present his letter of honorable dismissal at this Synod and will unite with same.

In March, Rev. F. W. E. Peschau of the Ev. Luth. Synod of Middle Tennessee addressed me a letter, notifying me that he had accepted a call to St. Paul's congregation in Wilmington, and had entered upon his duties as pastor. He placed in my hands a letter of honorable dismissal.

In April, I accepted a call to the Bethel and St. Paul's churches, and will commence my labors as pastor with Synodical year.

In March, Rev. H. M. Brown notified me that he had accepted a call to the Iredell charge, and would commence his pastoral work the first of April.

Installations.—On the second Sunday of July, Rev. J. A. Linn was installed pastor of Catawba Mission, by appointment of President. Rev. W. A. Lutz officiated.

Rev. J. L. Buck was installed pastor of the Alamance charge, on 2d Sunday of November by the President.

On the fourth Sunday of November, Rev. T. H. Strohecker was installed pastor of the St. Peter's charge;—the President and Rev. Lutz officiating.

In April, by request, I appointed Rev. L. A. Bikle, D. D., to install Rev. F. W. E. Peschau as pastor of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Wilmington, N. C.

Dedications.—On third Sunday of August, Albemarle Evan. Lutheran church, in Stanley county, Rev. Kimball pastor, was dedicated to the service of the Triune God. The dedicatory services were read by the pastor, assisted by Rev. S. Rothrock;—sermon preached by Rev. J. B. Davis, D. D.

2. *State of the Church*.—Rev. F. W. E. Peschau, Rev. R. W. Petrea, and R. M. Blackwelder.

3. *Church Institutions*.—Rev. W. A. Lutz, Rev. J. S. Heilig, and L. S. Whitener.

4. *Missions*.—Rev. V. R. Stickley, Rev. J. L. Buck, and Jno. A. Cline.

5. *Unfinished Business*.—Rev. S. Rothrock, Rev. T. H. Strohecker, and Wm. Beaver.

6. *Proceedings of Conferences*.—Rev. R. W. Petrea, Rev. J. B. Anthony, and D. J. Goodman.

7. *Petitions*.—Rev. J. B. Davis, D. D., Rev. J. A. Linn, and Jno. E. Deaton.

8. *Vacancies*.—Rev. B. S. Brown, Rev. W. Kimball, and Joshua Boon.

9. *Finance*.—L. G. Heilig, C. T. Bernhardt, and H. G. Miller.

10. *Pastoral Districts*.—Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D. D., Rev. W. A. Julian, Rev. J. A. Linn, and Thos. Sink.

Reports on the state of the church were read by the pastors, and remarks made by the lay-delegates.

On motion, time was extended pastors serving charges part of the year to make reports on the state of the church.

It was ordered that Synod hold its sessions from 9-12 in the morning and from 2-5 in the afternoon.

Synod adjourned. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Thornwell.

Preaching at night by Rev. B. S. Brown. Text, Eph. 2, 8.

THIRD SESSION.

THURSDAY, 9 A. M., May 4, 1882.

Synod convened.

Prayer by Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D. D.

The roll was called.

Minutes read and adopted.

The reading of reports on the state of the church was resumed.

The report of the committee on Church Institutions was read, received, and considered by items.

MINISTERS:

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Rev. S. Rothrock,.....	2	21	260	263	7	2	25	7	16	3	35	161	3	\$30	40								
J. B. Davis, D. D.,.....	3	32	120	80	10	2	3	1	3	1	15	105	1	24	50								
W. A. Julian,.....	4	25	286	125	10	2	2	1	1	4	46	240	1	24	20	\$	5	00					
W. Kimball,.....	2	11	170	186	2	8	2	1	2	15	2	31	204	10	76			73	50				
R. L. Brown,.....	3	21	224	186	40	13	4	3	2	28	131	1	1	57	50								
S. T. Hallman,.....	4	13	175	155	10	10	1	2	1	6	75	1	1	4	60								
E. P. Parker,.....	3	12	140	10	10	10	1	5	9	3	36	210	1	15	00								
H. M. Brown,.....	3	30	255	150	21	8	1	1	1	1	10	90	1	60	90								
V. R. Stickley,.....	1	8	253	183	5	22	2	6	1	1	1	1	1	75	90								
F. W. E. Peschau,.....	2	1	413	413	54	6	1	20	10	75	40	40	1	40	40								
R. W. Petrea,.....	3	64	416	425	54	6	1	20	10	75	40	40	1	11	80								
W. A. Lutz,.....	2	13	35	34	2	5	5	2	1	1	6	70	1	45	60			8	25				
J. A. Linn,.....	1	12	130	82	2	1	5	2	5	9	1	12	90	1	32	00		50	00				
W. J. Smith,.....	2	39	4	308	18	3	4	7	8	2	1	10	40	50	00								
B. S. Brown,.....	3	11	4	485	3	3	4	7	8	2	1	1	1	18	00								
J. L. Buck,.....	1	6	67	804	414	5	5	1	1	1	10	40	1	47	71								
T. H. Strohecker,.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25								
VACANCIES	1	6	27	5	7	5	1	5	1	5	1	1	1	1	25								
J. D. KOONTZ, (col.).....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25								
TOTAL.....	55	324	298	332	210	176	72	3	70	5	50	98	28	267	1741	5	4	560	52	36	52	56649	98

PAROCCHIAL REPORTS.

Bailey was elected to represent the S. C. Synod at the present convention of our Synod, but he has failed thus far in meeting with us. There was nothing of a special nature transacted at the last convention of the S. C. Synod that demands the attention of this body. Respectfully submitted,
G. D. BERNHEIM.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to define what and how to report, under the head of parochial reports, and that blank reports be supplied by Synod to all pastors in its bounds.

Committee:—Rev. F. W. E. Peschan, Rev. L. A. Bikle, D. D., and Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D. D.

The Rev. Mr. McKinnon and R. W. Allison of the Pres. Church, appeared before Synod to confer with Synod with reference to the purchase of property, at Sheppard's X Roads, belonging to Synod.

It was moved that a committee be appointed to look after the matter.

Committee:—Rev. V. R. Stickley, Rev. H. M. Brown, Rev. S. Rothrock, and James Halthcox.

It was moved that the committee report to the Eastern Conference at its next meeting, and that the Conference have plenary power to act in the matter.

On motion, Rev. T. H. Strohacker was excused from further attendance upon Synod after to-morrow morning's session.

On motion, Rev. J. A. Linn was excused from attendance upon Synod after to-day's session.

It was moved that a committee be appointed to define the bounds of the conferences.

Committee:—Rev. V. R. Stickley, Rev. L. A. Bikle, D. D., and Rev. S. Rothrock.

Synod adjourned.

FOURTH SESSION.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M., May 4, 1882.

According to resolution, Synod convened as a committee of the whole, to consider the report on church institutions. On motion, the Rev. W. J. Smith was called to the chair, and Rev. J. A. Linn made Secretary.

The committee rise, and the Synod resumes business. It was moved that the report of the committee of the whole be deferred until to-morrow. On motion, the Rev. W. W. Pharr was invited to a seat with Synod.

The Rev. Mr. Creasy, of the M. E. Church South, was, on motion, invited to a seat with Synod. Synod adjourned. Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Creasy. Preaching at night by the Rev. F. W. E. Peschan. Text, 1 Sam. 2, 30.

FIFTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, 9 A. M., May 5, 1882.

Synod convened. Prayer by Rev. S. Rothrock. Roll was called. Minutes read and approved. Report of the committee of the whole was read, received, and considered by items.

Report of the Committee of the Whole.

Your committee beg leave to report that the business referred to them has been duly considered, and the following action taken: It was—*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Synod that each pastor of the Synod should present the needs of North Carolina College to his congregation, during the year, and solicit aid to liquidate remaining debt resting upon it; and that Synod recommend that Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D. D., the incoming President of said Institution, if necessary, appeal to the Church at large, and especially to the churches of Synod who have failed to pay their assessed quota, to secure the necessary funds to put it out of its financial trouble.

Resolved, That the matter of the Female Seminary be referred to the Committee on Pastoral Districts.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. SMITH, CHAIRMAN OF COM.
J. A. LINN, SECRETARY.

Items 1 and 2 adopted. Report adopted as a whole. Mr. S. E. Linton having presented his certificate as the accredited delegate of the Charlotte congregation, his name was entered upon the roll. The Parochial Reports were handed in and arranged as follows:

Report of Committee on Church Institutions and Education.

Your Committee have examined the annual reports of our Church Institutions—North Carolina College and Mr. Pleasant Female Seminary;—one of which, to-wit, that on College, was read before the Synod by the President of the Board, which shows that our College has not yet taken her place as high in the rank of colleges in North Carolina as she should, nor as high as the Synod should desire her to stand. Her wheels seem to be somewhat clogged by debt and otherwise, so that she has not exerted the influence which she should. We would, therefore, recommend this Institution to the attention of the Synod with the hope that the obstacles will thus be removed and our College be elevated to that position which she should occupy.

The report of the Female Seminary, at Mr. Pleasant, shows that Institution to be without a professor, and we would recommend that this report be read before Synod, and that Synod take immediate action with regard to this Institution, and assist the Board in placing the Institution in a condition which will induce some one to take charge of it.

We also have to report one vacancy in the Board of Trustees of N. C. College. We recommend that, at the proper time, Synod elect another servant of the Church to fill his place.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. LUTZ,
J. S. HEILIG,
L. S. WHITTENER.

Items 1, 2, and 3, adopted.

The adoption of the report was, on motion, referred to the afternoon session; and, it was further moved, that said report be considered by Synod, as a committee of the whole.

On motion, I. Frank Patterson was excused from attendance upon the afternoon session of Synod.

The Rev. Mr. Coles, of the M. L. Church South, was, on motion, invited to a seat with Synod.

On motion, the Rev. Mr. McKinnon, of the Presbyterian Church, was invited to a seat with Synod.

The corresponding delegate to the S. C. Synod read his report, which was received and adopted.

Report of the Delegate to the South Carolina Synod.

Your corresponding delegate to the S. C. Synod would respectfully report that he attended the sessions of that Synod, held in Orangeburg, S. C., in October, 1881, and was kindly received.

The usual fraternal greetings were exchanged, and the Rev. J. H.

The following resolutions were passed :

Resolved, That this Synod is willing to take its full share of duty in the support of the Southern General Synod's Theological Seminary, as expected of us to do, so soon as we become fully connected with the said General Synod. It was

Resolved, That when a minister without a charge writes a letter to the annual meetings of Synod, in which he shall state his ministerial acts, that said letter shall be deemed a valid excuse for non-attendance. It was

Resolved, That Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D. D., Rev. L. A. Bikle, D. D., and Rev. T. H. Strohecker be constituted a committee to interpret and define what is meant by the word "Minister," and what is a valid excuse as specified in Sec. 9, chap. I. of our constitution, and report at the next meeting of our Synod.

The Report on the President's Report was read, received, and adopted.

Report of Committee No. 1.

Your Committee on President's Report would state that, as said Report contains no special recommendations, they find nothing to suggest for the consideration and action of Synod. From the given statement of official acts they learn that the President has faithfully discharged the duties of his office during the past Synodical year.

It is recommended that the Report be printed in Minutes.

Respectfully,

L. A. BIKLE,
H. M. BROWN,
H. B. EILERS.

The report on Pastoral Districts was read, received, and considered by items.

Report of Committee No. 10.

Your Committee on Pastoral Districts would respectfully report the following :

I. That the Davie charge be strengthened by the addition of Reformation Church.

II. That the Bethel Pastorate be strengthened by the addition of Mt. Olive Church.

III. That St. Paul's, Alamance county, be placed with Lau's and Richland as one pastorate.

IV. That these new arrangements go into effect as soon as practicable.

Respectfully submitted,

G. D. BERNHEIM,
W. A. JULIAN,
J. A. LINN.

With reference to item 1, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the Davie charge be placed under the care of the Eastern Conference.

Items 2, 3, and 4, adopted.

Report adopted as a whole.

It was moved to devote to-night to the discussion of Home Missions and Church Extension, and that the President appoint the speakers.

On motion, lay-delegates L. S. Whitener and Jno. W. Bostian were excused from further attendance upon this Synod.

Synod adjourned. Prayer by Rev. Dr. Bikle.

SIXTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, 2 P. M., May 5, 1882.

Synod convened. Prayer by Rev. W. A. Julian.

Rev. L. Dorland, of the Presbyterian Church, was, on motion, invited to a seat with Synod.

The Report of the Committee on Petitions was read, received, and considered by items.

Report of Committee No. 7.

Among the papers placed in our hands is a letter from Rev. Mr. Hawkins, editor of the LUTHERAN VISITOR, the recognized organ of the Southern General Synod. Brother Hawkins in this paper makes an earnest, respectful and we think reasonable appeal to his brethren of the N. C. Synod in behalf of the church journal, so ably edited and creditably gotten up by him. He is induced and encouraged to make this appeal to us: 1st. By our connection with the General Synod of which the VISITOR is the authorized organ; 2nd. Because of the many complimentary notices of the matter and manner of the make up of his paper, which come to him from the most competent judges of the character and merit of such work in the church, as well as many of the secular press; 3rd. By the universally acknowledged necessity of such organ of intelligence among our people; and 4th. By the stern necessity of the hearty co-operation of the members of the whole General Synod South, in order to maintain its present creditable and useful status. In view now of these considerations—the personal worth, and the demonstrated superior qualifications of brother Hawkins for the work with which he is charged, we heartily unite with him in soliciting the help of all the brethren of this Synod. We further ask,

that the paper of brother Hawkin's be publicly read, and its contents seriously considered.

No. 2 is a petition from the members of St. Stephen's Church, that the next meeting of Synod be held in their new house of worship. We recommend that their petition be granted.

No. 3 is a petition from the members of St. Mark's Church, Gold Hill, for permission to sell their house of worship and remove their membership and money to St. Stephen's Church, 2½ miles distant from the village of Gold Hill. Your committee recommend that the request of your petitioners be granted.

No. 4 is a letter from Rev. R. L. Brown, asking to be excused from attendance upon present session of Synod, on account of family afflictions. We beg that brother Brown be excused.

No. 5 is a letter from Dr. A. J. Fox the regularly appointed delegate of the Tennessee Synod to the present meeting of this body. Your committee recommend that the letter be read and duly acknowledged by the whole Synod as now convened.

No. 6 is from the brethren in Lexington asking to be received as a mission church of the N. C. Synod. Your committee recommend that the request of these brethren be granted.

No. 7 is a petition from Hickory asking Synod to supplement the salary of their minister by an appropriation as was done last year. We recommend that their request be granted.

No. 8 is a letter from Rev. Fesperman asking to be excused from attendance on the present meeting of Synod. Recommended that he be excused, and further that this Synod expresses its sincere sympathy with him in his affliction.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. DAVIS,
J. A. LINN,
JNO. E. DEATON.

Items 1 and 2, adopted.

Item 3 was adopted and the following action taken:

Resolved, That permission be granted them to dispose of their church property, and that \$100.00 of proceeds of the sale be paid into the Treasury of Synod.

Item 4, adopted.

Item 5 adopted, and the following resolution passed:

Resolved, That this Synod has heard with pleasure the letter of Rev. A. J. Fox, the delegate appointed by the Tennessee Synod to this body, and regret that circumstances beyond his control have precluded the possibility of favoring us with his presence.

Item 6, adopted.

Item 7, adopted, and referred to the committee on Missions.

Item 8, adopted.

On motion, the report was adopted as a whole.

Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D. D., on account of affliction in his family, was excused from further attendance upon Synod, and the following resolution passed:

Resolved, That this Synod extend their hearty sympathy to Dr. G. D. Bernheim in his affliction.

Dr. C. M. Pool presented his credentials, as delegate from St. Peter's charge, and his name was entered upon the roll.

Resolved, That Christ's Church be placed under the pastoral care of Rev. W. J. Smith.

Resolved, That Concordia Church be received into Synod, and be placed under the pastoral care of Rev. W. A. Lutz.

The special committee to define the bounds of the Conferences reported, and, on motion, the report was adopted.

Report of Committee.

Your Committee on re-arrangement of Conferences would submit the following, viz.:

That the Alamance, Guilford, Forsyth, Davie, Davidson, Bethel, and St. Paul's, Salem, St. Luke's, and Grace, Iredell charge, Catawba Mission, Enochville, and Salisbury Pastorates constitute the Eastern Conference.

That Union and Christiana, Organ, Lutheran Chapel, and Bethel Pastorates, Concord, St. John's Pastorate, Mt. Pleasant, Charlotte, and St. Peter's Pastorate constitute the Western Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
V. R. STICKLEY,
L. A. BIKLE,
SAM'L ROTHROCK.

The following preamble and resolution were adopted by the unanimous vote of Synod:

WHEREAS, The grace of God conveyed to the heart through the divinely appointed means, affords the only power by which the grievous sin of intemperance can be effectually overcome; and,

WHEREAS, All efforts in behalf of the overthrow of this monstrous evil, ignoring this important fact, will prove abortive, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, as a religious body, deem it proper to express our decided disapproval of the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and that we will by all prudent and lawful means discourage and restrain the same.

On the invitation of the Rev. L. Dorland, President of Scotia Seminary, it was moved that the Synod, in a body, make a visit to said Institution, at 5 o'clock this evening.

Lay-delegate Jno. E. Deaton was excused from further attendance upon Synod, after to-morrow morning's session.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That a committee of two Ministers and one layman be appointed to meet a like committee from the Tenn. Synod, for the purpose of arriving at a definite understanding in regard to all disputed territory between the two Synods, and report to next session of Synod. Committee: Rev. Dr. L. A. Bikle, Rev. S. Rothrock, and D. R. Hoover.

WHEREAS, The President of N. C. Synod has received 40 copies of the LUTHERAN OBSERVER for distribution among our members, and,

WHEREAS, This number of the OBSERVER gives a brief and faithful history of our past relations to the old mother General Synod, therefore

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod are due and are hereby expressed to our whole-hearted brother, Dr. Conrad, for this service.

Synod adjourned. Prayer by Rev. F. W. E. Peschau.

At night, addresses were delivered by Revs. F. W. E. Peschau, W. A. Lutz, and T. H. Strohecker, on Home Missions.

SEVENTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M., May 6, 1882.

Synod convened. Prayer by Rev. J. L. Buck.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

The Report of the committee on Missions was read, received, and considered by items.

Report of Committee No. 4.

Your committee on Missions would submit the following report:

1st is a petition from Forsyth Mission asking Synod to supplement their pastors salary, offering as their reason for this request, that they are building a parsonage, and are pressed. We recommend their petition be granted, and that Synod appropriate \$100.00 to that Mission.

2nd is an item referred to this committee from the committee on Petitions, based on a petition in their hands from the congregation in Hickory, asking a continued appropriation to support their Pastor. We recommend that their request be granted, and the same amount as last year \$170.00 be appropriated.

3rd is a petition from same committee, based on a petition from the congregation at Lexington, asking this Synod to support a Missionary at that place, and that \$200.00 be voted to his support if necessary, and that Lebanon congregation be placed with this Mission.

4th is a request of brother Kimball for \$50.00 for last year's services in Albemarle Mission. Your committee recommend that he be paid that amount.

5th, that Rev. J. D. Koontz, col'd, our Missionary receive \$100.00.
Respectfully submitted,
V. R. STICKLEY,
J. L. BUCK,
JNO. A. CLINE.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, adopted. The report adopted as a whole.

On motion, Rev. W. A. Julian and lay-delegate Thos. Sink were excused from further attendance upon Synod after the afternoon session.

Synod adjourned. Prayer by Rev. F. W. E. Peschau.

EIGHTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, 2 P. M., May 6, 1882.

Synod convened. Prayer by Rev. W. Kimball.

On motion, Rev. B. S. Brown, on account of affliction in his family, was excused from further attendance upon Synod.

The Report on Unfinished Business was read, received, and adopted.

Report of Committee No. 5.

The committee on Unfinished Business present the following:

Your committee find nothing unfinished, except resolution on page 26, requiring the President to visit vacant congregations, and collect "sums required of them in Synodical apportionment."

SAM'L ROTHROCK,
T. H. STROHECKER,
WM. BEAVER.

The report of the committee on vacancies was read, received, and adopted.

Report of Committee No. 8.

Your committee on Vacancies would report as follows:

1st. Salem Pastorate has made its own arrangements for a supply and pastor.

2d. The Davie and Guilford charges have already been brought to the attention of Synod, and need no further consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

B. S. BROWN,
JOSHUA BOON,
W. KIMBALL.

Report of Delegate to Tennessee Synod.

Your delegate to Tennessee Synod reports that he did not, on account of physical disability, attend the meeting of that body, but sent a letter conveying the greetings of this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CONE.

The following resolutions were passed:

Resolved, That Rev. L. A. Bikle, D. D., Rev. S. Rothrock, and Rev. W. J. Smith, be constituted an executive committee on Home Missions.

Resolved, That this Synod heartily endorses the new church enterprise in Concord, N. C., and commend it to the favorable regard of all our churches, North and South.

Resolved, That the delegates to the General Synod South be allowed the privilege to vote as they please, on the re-connection or re-union of the General Synod South with the General Synod North, in case that subject should be brought up.

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Executive Committee on Home Missions of this Synod open correspondence with the Presidents of the Theological Seminaries at Philadelphia, Gettysburg, and Salem, with a view to procure young men, who are regular graduates or about to graduate, to work in the mission fields within the bounds of the N. C. Synod; and, if necessary, to pay the traveling expenses of such ministers to N. C.

The report of the committee appointed by Synod to prepare a blank form for Parochial Reports was read, received, and adopted.

Report of Committee.

Your committee, appointed to lay before Synod a form for Parochial Reports, would respectfully suggest the following plan:

First, that 500 blank reports, 250 of each kind, to-wit, one called the Parochial report, the other called the Financial report, be printed at the expense of Synod, and that the same be kept by the Secretary, and copies of the same be furnished from time to time to the pastors to enable them to properly furnish Synod their reports.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. E. PESCHAU,
L. A. BIKLE,
G. D. BERNHEIM.

The Report of the Committee on the State of the Church was read, received, and adopted.

Report of Committee No. 2.

Your Committee, to whom was assigned the duty of making a report on the "State of Religion" in our Synod, have gleaned from the reports

read and received the following impressions, which they submit, with respect, as their report:

1. All congregations and charges supplied with pastors are in a spiritual condition which although in many respects is not as it should be, nevertheless is very encouraging and hope-inspiring.

2. That the complaints of lack of family prayer, etc., are local in their nature, and that in the Committee's opinion they can and should be overcome by the pastors, where such lack of Christian duty is to be found.

3. That the reports submitted, in most instances, speak encouragingly of the growth of liberality in giving to benevolent objects and church purposes, showing increased attendance upon the means of grace and indicating a heart-felt interest in God's cause.

4. That the most of the reports refer rather to the temporal concerns of our congregations instead of their spiritual status and development or deficiencies.

5. That there is a lack of system in the reports, and that no report whatever concerning the state or growth of piety, in any of our institutions, has been submitted to the committee, and as it is the duty of no one specially to do so, and as system in all things lightens the burdens of work and economizes time, your committee would recommend that hereafter the following order should be observed in reporting: 1. Attendance upon the various means of grace, such as public worship, the attention paid thereto, and observance of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper; 2. Giving the number in the increase of membership by confirmation, from other churches, and by restoration, as well as loss in membership, the condition of the S. S., and catechetical class; 3. The increase or decrease in financial contributions for benevolent objects and to church purposes; 4. Items of special signification or miscellaneous matter, as special services held, questions on church troubles, etc.; 5. Growth or decline of spiritual life and indications of piety; 6. That the Presidents of each of our institutions be required to report to Synod on the religious condition of the students in our schools of learning; 7. That the above be printed with the Standing Resolutions of Synod.

Respectfully,

F. W. E. PESCHAU,
R. W. PETREA,
R. M. BLACKWELDER.

Resolved, That Albemarle and Mount Carmel Churches be connected with the Female Seminary at Mt. Pleasant, provided the services of a minister be obtained as principal, and such arrangements be agreeable to said principal.

The Report of the Committee on Finance was read, received, and adopted.

Report of Committee No. 9.

Your Committee report that they have examined the Treasurer's Report, and found it correct. They also report the following contributions for Synodical purposes:

Rev. S. Rothrock's Charge:	
Organ Church—Class D.....	\$ 15 10
Ebenezer Church—Class C.....	15 30
Rev. F. W. E. Peschau's Charge:	
St. Paul's Church—Class A.....	75 90
Rev. R. W. Petrea's Charge:	
St. John's Church—Class D.....	54 55
Mt. Olive Church— "	8 00
Rev. W. A. Julian's Charge:	
Sandy Creek Church—Class D.....	13 00
Pilgrim's Church—Class B.....	10 09
Reformation Church—Class D.....	5 00
Lexington Church—Class A.....	5 00
Lebanon Church—Class D.....	1 41
Rev. B. S. Brown's Charge:	
Luther's Chapel—Class D.....	20 00
Centre Grove Church—Class A.....	12 00
Rev. E. P. Parker's Charge:	
Shiloh Church—Class D.....	2 00
Nazareth Church— "	2 00
Rev. V. R. Stickley's Charge:	
Salem Church—Class D.....	16 80
St. Luke's Church—Class A	17 10
Grace Church—Class A.....	27 00
Rev. J. A. Linn's Charge:	
Hickory Church—Class A.....	9 60
Newton Church— "	2 10
Rev. R. L. Brown's Charge:	
Union Church—Class D.....	7 76
Christiana Church— "	3 00
Rev. W. J. Smith's Charge:	
St. John's Church—Class A.....	45 60
Rev. H. M. Brown's Charge:	
St. Michael's Church—Class D.....	10 00
St. Paul's Church— "	5 00
Rev. J. B. Davis' Charge:	
Church of the Holy Trinity—Class A.....	30 00

Rev. J. L. Buck's Charge:	
Freiden's Church—Class D.....	39 84
Macedonia Church— "	5 30
St. Paul's Church— "	4 86
Rev. S. T. Hallman's Charge:	
St. James Church—Class A.....	46 50
Mt. Herman Church—Class D.....	4 00
Coldwater Church— "	7 00
Rev. T. H. Strohecker's Charge:	
St. Mark's Church—Class A.....	18 00
Rev. W. Kimball's Charge:	
Albemarle Church—Class A; Bethel and St. Stephen's Churches	
—Class D, paid.....	24 20
Rev. W. A. Lutz's Charge:	
St. Enoch's Church—Class D.....	15 00
Trinity Church—Class B.....	20 40
Concordia Church—Class D.....	5 00
Rev. J. D. Koontz, (colored)—Class D.....	1 25
Vacant Churches:	
St. Peter's Church—Class D.....	10 00
St. Matthew's Church— "	10 00
Luther's Church— "	5 00
St. Paul's Church— "	12 65
Bethel Church— "	12 50

Total received.....\$633 31

We have paid over to the Treasurer these funds and taken bond for the same.

We received from Union Church \$50 00, and from Christiana Church \$22 50, their respective assessment for College debt, which will be paid over to the Treasurer of N. C. College.

Respectfully submitted,

L. G. HEILIG,
C. T. BERNHARDT,
H. G. MILLER,

It was moved, that the Finance Committee be required to classify the congregations according to the schedule adopted at the last meeting of Synod.

The following resolution passed:

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to tender the thanks of Synod to the people of Concord for the generous and open-hearted hospitality extended the members of Synod during the meeting of Synod.

On motion, the officers of Synod were appointed a committee to hold a colloquium with W. J. D. Scherer, and if

found worthy, he be encouraged to attend Mt. Pleasant College and be sustained there by the Synod.

Resolved, That any young man receiving aid from this Synod, shall execute a bond to the Treasurer to pay back in full to Synod, with interest, the amounts as severally received by him during the prosecution of his studies; in the event he voluntarily abandons the active work of the ministry, is deposed, or unites with another denomination, before the expiration of seven years faithful service—such seven years faithful service as a Lutheran minister to be considered a cancelling of his bonds.

The Report on Confidential Proceedings was read, received, and adopted.

Report of Committee No. 6.

Your Committee has examined the Confidential Proceedings and find nothing that requires the attention of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. PETREA,
J. B. ANTHONY.
D. J. GOODMAN.

On motion, Synod adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock, and continue in session until final adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. T. H. Strohecker.

NINTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, 8 P. M., May 6, 1882.

Synod convened. Prayer by Rev. W. J. Smith.

The regular order of business was, on motion, suspended.

An election to other ecclesiastical bodies resulted as follows:

To S. C. SYNOD—Rev. S. T. Hallman, Principal; Rev. T. H. Strohecker, Alternate.

To TENNESSEE SYNOD—Rev. L. A. Bikle, D. D., Principal; Rev. W. Kimball, Alternate.

Col. P. N. Heilig was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of N. C. College.

The Rev. W. H. Cone having resigned as a member of the Board of Trustees of N. C. College, Rev. T. H. Strohecker was elected to fill the vacancy.

The Rev. W. H. Cone having resigned as a member of the Board of Trustees of Mt. Pleasant Female Seminary, Rev. J. S. Heilig was elected to fill the vacancy.

The following resolutions were passed:

Resolved, That when this Synod adjourns, it stands adjourned to meet in St. Stephen's Church, Cabarrus County, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on Wednesday before the first Sunday in May, 1883.

Resolved, That 1500 copies of the Minutes be printed.

Resolved, That an order be drawn on the Treasury for \$10.00, as a slight recognition for the services rendered by the Secretary, and the same be paid him.

Resolved, That an order be given on the Treasury for \$20.00 for the colored Missionary, and that the same amount be refunded to the Treasury of Synod by the Treasurer of the Eastern Conference.

No other business appearing, and the minutes having been read and confirmed, Synod adjourned to meet at time and place fixed upon. The President closed Synod according to the prescribed order in Book of Worship.

W. J. SMITH, SECRETARY.

Assessment to Pay College Debt made in 1879.

CHURCHES PAID IN FULL AND OVERPAID.	Assessed	\$120 00 Paid.	\$240 00 Paid Double.	Paid Nothing.
St. John's and Mt. Olive, Rev. R. W. Petrea, Pastor,	44 70	88 40	176 80	00 00
St. James, Concord, Rev. S. T. Hallman, Pastor,	45 00	90 00	180 00	00 00
St. John's, Salisbury, Rev. W. J. Smith,	36 00	72 00	144 00	00 00
Holy Trinity, Mt. Pleasant, Rev. J. B. Davis, D. D., Pastor,	75 30	150 60	301 20	00 00
St. Paul's, Wilmington, Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D. D.,	90 46	180 92	361 84	00 00
Organ and Ebenezer, Rev. S. Rothrock, Pastor,	52 20	104 40	208 80	00 00
St. Paul's, Salem and St. Luke's, Rev. V. R. Stickley, Pastor,	35 00	70 00	140 00	00 00
St. Peter's, Rowan, Vacant,	19 80	39 60	79 20	00 00
Luther's,	18 90	37 80	75 60	00 00
Providence and St. Matthews, Rev. W. R. Ketchie, Pastor,	42 79	85 58	171 16	00 00
Bethel and Christ Church, Rev. H. M. Brown, Pastor,	4 20	8 40	16 80	00 00
Hopewell Church, Vacant,	6 00	12 00	24 00	00 00
Richland " Rev. E. P. Parker, Pastor,	51 00	102 00	204 00	00 00
Union " Rev. R. L. Brown, " "	30 00	60 00	120 00	00 00
Christiana " " " " " "	21 00	42 00	84 00	00 00
Bethel, Stanley, Rev. W. Kimball, Pastor,	21 00	42 00	84 00	00 00
St. Stephen's, Cabarrus, Rev. W. Kimball, Pastor,	5 40	10 80	21 60	00 00
Gold Hill, Rowan, Rev. W. Kimball, Pastor,	44 10	88 20	176 40	00 00
Sandy Creek, Rev. W. A. Julian, Pastor,	22 50	45 00	90 00	00 00
Pilgrim's Church, Vacant,	21 30	42 60	85 20	00 00
St. Mark's, Charlotte, Rev. E. A. Wingard, Pastor,	82 35	164 70	329 40	00 00
Lutheran Chapel, Rev. B. S. Brown, Pastor,	20 00	40 00	80 00	00 00
St. Paul's, Rowan, " " " " " "	57 00	114 00	228 00	00 00
Centre Grove, " " " " " "	40 50	81 00	162 00	00 00
St. Matthew's, Rowan, Vacant,	6 60	13 20	26 40	00 00
Lau's Church, Rev. E. P. Parker, Pastor,	21 60	43 20	86 40	00 00
Shiloh " Vacant,	15 30	30 60	61 20	00 00
Nazareth, " " " " " "	105 00	210 00	420 00	00 00
Bethany " " " " " "	37 50	75 00	150 00	00 00
Frieden's " " " " " "	10 00	20 00	40 00	00 00
St. Paul's, Alamance, Vacant,	45 40	90 80	181 60	00 00
Macedonia Church, " " " " " "	10 00	20 00	40 00	00 00
St. Michael's Church, Rev. J. B. Anthony, Pastor,	5 40	10 80	21 60	00 00
St. Paul's, Iredell, " " " " " "	69 90	139 80	279 60	00 00
Thiatira Church, " " " " " "	21 00	42 00	84 00	00 00
St. Enoch's Church, Rev. W. A. Lutz, Pastor,	6 00	12 00	24 00	00 00
Trinity " " " " " "	1414 30	2828 60	5657 20	00 00
Coble's, Guilford, Rev. E. P. Parker, Pastor,	51	102 00	204 00	00 00
Total Assessment,		\$693 51	\$1387 02	

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TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ANNUAL MEETING.

The 80th Annual Meeting of the EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA, will be held in St. Stephen's Church, Cabarrus County, N. C., beginning on Wednesday before the First Sunday in May, 1883, at 10 A. M.