



Minutes of the
Congregational Association of Oregon
1857 — 1869

Constitution.

Article 1.st This Association shall be called the Congregational Association of Oregon.

Art. 2. Any Congregational minister or church may be a member of the Association by assenting to the Constitution and By-Laws.

Art. 3. The Officers of the Association shall be a Moderator and Clerk, elected annually by ballot: also a Registrar ^{or Treasurer}, who shall be elected tri-ennially.

Art. 4. The Clerk shall keep the records, and notify meetings, and the duties of the Registrar shall be to collect and compile the statistics of the churches, and conduct the correspondence, and collect information respecting the state of religion.

Art. 5. The Association shall seek to promote all objects of Christian benevolence. It shall ^{also} encourage evangelical education. At its meetings time shall be given for the reports of churches and various benevolent societies, together with other public religious services.

Art. 6. Every member of the Association shall maintain a consistent Christian character.

Art. 7. The associated churches shall be governed according to Congregational usages, and control their own property.

Art. 8. Every church shall be entitled to one delegate, and one additional delegate for every thirty members.

Art. 9. The Association shall meet annually, on the Third Thursday of ^{July} June, at a place appointed by a vote of the body.

Art. 10. The Association shall hold correspondence with other ecclesiastical bodies.

Art. 11. All officers and ~~members~~ ^{committees} shall be members of the Association for the time for which they are chosen.

Art. 12. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

Art. 13. This Constitution may be altered or amended at by a two-thirds vote of two-thirds of the members ^{present} at any regular meeting, after giving one days previous notice.

By-laws.

Art 1. The order of business in this Association shall be as follows.

1st Calling the roll; reception of certificates, and the choice of officers. - the minister of the place acting as Moderator pro tem.

2nd Religious exercises, conducted by the Moderator.

3rd Appointment of Committees.

4th Report of Committees on Correspondence.

5th Report of Churches.

6th Report of Standing Committees.

Art. 2nd It shall be the duty of the members to present the Constitution to the Churches for adoption.

Art. 3rd Two ministers and one delegate shall constitute a quorum at any regular meeting.

Art. 4th One or more of the brethren shall be appointed at every annual meeting to preach a sermon at the next annual meeting.

Art 5th There shall be a Standing Committee of Arrangements of three, chosen for three years; the first to hold for one year, the second two, and the third three, vacancies to be filled annually by the Association.

Art 6th No resolution or other business shall be presented to this body, by any person other than a Committee appointed for that special business, except it come through the Committee of arrangements. (Passed 1874)

Art 7. The Registrar or Clerk is authorized to grant a certificate of delegateship to any of our members, visiting the Association of any other state, at his discretion. (Passed 1879)

Amendments to The Constitution

July 1882. Art 3. was amended so that the words "a Treasurer" were inserted after "Registrar"

July 1882. Art 13 was amended so that ~~the~~ word "present" was inserted after "members," and the words "after giving one days previous notice" were added to the article.

June 1881. Art 9. was amended, so that "the third Thursday of June" was changed to "the second Thursday of July."

Motion. Voted that the Association vote by showing the hand, instead of viva voce except where the constitution otherwise directs.

1878. Resolved. That in reporting our benevolent contributions, all contributions made by the churches, ~~sabbath~~ sabbath schools and individuals connected with our and in every manner contributed by those connected with our churches and congregations for Christian and educational purposes be included.

1878. Mr Eells asked whether the statistics of out-stations under our charge ought to be included in the published statistics reports, and was answered in the affirmative by Dr Atkinson.

1878 Voted. Resolved That the Assocⁿ appoint the Assoc^l preacher and alternate, the alternate to be the preacher the following year, & that this arrangement so continue.

Ministers of Churches

Members of this Association

Ministers	Churches
Elhana Walker	1st Congl. Church
Cushing Wells	Oregon City
G. W. Atkinson	1st. Congregational Church
A. A. Spaulding	Forest Grove
Horace Lyman	
S. H. Marsh	
O. Dickinson	1st Congl. Church
M. B. Starr	Portland
Thomas Condon	
P. B. Chamberlain	1st Congl Church
W. A. Tenney	Salem
E. A. Tanner	
Stewart Knight	1 Congl. Church
John F. Quinn	Albany
Daniel A. Miles	
D. B. Gray	1st Congl Church
L. A. W. R. Butcher	Eda
J. D. Eaton	
Myron Wells. 1874	Congl Church
Norman Ables 1874	Sales
Isaac Harrison 1875	
F. E. 1875	Congl Church
Fred ^r Coane 1876	Westport
Wm. Skinner 1876	
Wm. N. Stewart 1876	Congl Church
E. Godfrey 1876	Obolonia
L. A. Cunningham	
John A. Oregon 1877	Cong. Ch. Serranomos 1876
J. D. Henderson	
Wm. R. Loyslin	East Portland Congl Church
W. A. Tenney	Astoria Congl Ch.

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The Oregon Association assembled in the first
Congregational Church at Portland Sept. 3d. 1855
at 10 o'clock A.M.

Rev. J. Bandon took the chair & called the meeting to order.
Rev. C. Ellis was chosen Moderator & Rev. W. A. Tenney
Clerk. The scriptures were read & a prayer offered by
the Moderator.

The following pastors Ministers & delegates were
present.

From Forest Grove. Rev. E. Walker pastor & J. E. Naylor Delep
" Portland Rev. P. B. Chamberlain pastor & W. P. Abrams
" Albany Rev. J. Bandon " & Bro. Godley
" Oregon City Rev. S. N. Atkinson " P. N. Kates
" Salem Rev. C. Dickinson " L. Brooks
Also Rev. C. Ellis Rev. G. N. Marsh & Rev. N. Lyman
of Forest Grove. Rev. W. A. Tenney of Eugene City.

On motion of Bro. Lyman the Association voted to
appoint a committee of three to report on a proper
method of organization. This committee consists
of Rev. N. Lyman, Rev. G. N. Marsh & Rev. P. B. Cham-
berlain. Prayer by Bro. Bandon. Adjourned.

Met at 2 o'clock P.M. Prayer by Bro. Marsh.
The committee on organization reported as follows
That this Association be organized by calling
the roll of the ministers & delegates of the churches
who shall present themselves with credentials.
This report was ~~received~~ adopted.

On motion of Bro. Marsh the following committee
was appointed to revise the Constitution & By-laws.
Rev. S. N. Atkinson, Rev. E. Walker & Rev. P. B. Chamberlain

The following persons were appointed a com-
mittee on religious exercises, Rev. Chamberlain
Atkinson & Bro. Abrams.
Voted to listen to the report of churches tomorrow
morning after devotional exercises.

On Motion of Bro. Atkinson the Association voted to adopt the Docket of Topics of last year after reading. Voted to add to the Docket the subject of a religious news paper for Oregon.

Docket of Topics for Discussion.

- 1 Reports of Churches
- 2 Reports of Com. on Correspondence.
- 3 Reports of Com on Domestic Missions Bro Pandan & Naylor
- 4 Reports on Destitution & Supply Bro. W. A. Jenny & Bro Hatch.
- 5 Reports on Indian Missions Rev E. Walker & Bro R. Hawley
- 6 Slavery Rev C. Dickinson & Bro Abrams.
- 7 Benevolent Societies Bros Chamberlain & Brooks
- 8 Education Messrs Marsh & Lyman.
- 9 Moral Reform Bros Atkinson & Spaulding.
- 10 Protracted Meetings Rev E. Walker & S. H. Atkinson
- 11 Religious Newspaper Rev P. B. Chamberlain Rev S. H. Atkinson & Rev J. H. Marsh.

On Motion of Bro Atkinson, voted to hold the next meeting of the Association at Forest Grove.

Voted to allow each minister & delegate 10 minutes to report his church.

The following persons were appointed a committee on Publication Rev H. Lyman Rev W. A. Jenny & Bro. P. H. Hatch.

The motion to hear the report of Bro Naylor of Forest Grove was carried.

Bro Naylor presented the following resolution from the church at Forest Grove

"Resolved that the delegate of this church to the Association, be instructed to report the wants of this church to that body & ask their aid assistance in procuring a minister"

A committee were appointed to act upon the above resolve, consisting of Rev. W. A. Tenney, Rev. P. B. Chamberlain & Bro. W. P. Abrams.
Prayer by Rev. N. Lyman. Adjourned

Lesson at 8 o'clock P.M. by Bro. Dickinson Text / Psalms 5:1, 2

Prayer meetings at 8 o'clock & sunrise & 9 o'clock
Friday A.M. Sept 4th

The Association met at 10 o'clock^{A.M.} Friday Sept 4th. Prayer by Bro. Chamberlain.
Listened to the reports of churches which were protracted until noon. Prayer by Bro. Dickinson
Adjourned.

The Association met at 2 o'clock P.M. Prayer by Bro. Atkinson. Reports of churches continued -

Reports of Committee on Correspondence.
The following persons were appointed a committee of correspondence for the ensuing year.

Maine Rev. W. A. Tenney

New Hampshire & Kansas Rev. N. Lyman

Vermont & Wisconsin Rev. P. B. Chamberlain

Massachusetts Rev. C. Eells.

Connecticut & Rhode Island Rev. S. H. Atkinson

New York Rev. J. Gordon -

Michigan & Iowa. Rev. C. Dickinson

Indiana & Ohio Rev. M. B. Star

Illinois Rev. E. Walker

Minnesota Rev. G. H. Marsh.

On motion of Rev. P. B. Chamberlain, Rev. Mr. Rutledge of the Methodist Episcopal church was invited to sit with the Association during their deliberation,
Voted to extend the same invitation to all Congregational church members.

The committee to whom the resolution & request of the church at Forest Grove were submitted was called for. The report was read, accepted & laid upon the table.

The report of the committee on slavery was read accepted & thoroughly discussed.

The following resolutions were finally adopted.

- 1 Resolved that we as an Association most heartily approve of the late action of the A. N. M. Society on the subject of slavery.
- 2 That we do not regard their action as properly interpreted by those who suppose it cuts them off from rendering aid to any church at the South when a pure gospel may be preached.
- 3 Therefore Resolved that the executive committee of the Society cannot properly bestow those funds in such a way as will violate the consciences of those who contribute them.

The report of the committee to investigate the affairs at Forest Grove was called up.

Prayer by Rev. W. A. Turray Adjourned
Sermon by Rev. J. Gordon at 8 o'clock P. M.

Prayer meeting at sunrise & at 9 o'clock Saturday.

The Association met at 10 o'clock A. M. Sept 5.

Prayer by Bro. Dickinson.

The question in regard to the church at Forest Grove was resumed.

On motion the following resolutions presented by Bro. Atkinson were adopted

- 1 Resolved that we deeply sympathize with the church at Forest Grove in the subject submitted for our consideration.
- 2 Resolved that we as deeply feel the need of humble & unwearied devotion on the part of every member of that church to promote its harmony & welfare.

3 Resolved that one will by one of our own number, fairly lay the whole matter before the A. N. M. Society in connection with a letter from them to that body.

On motion Rev. S. H. Atkinson was appointed to present the case of the church at Forest Grove to the Secretaries of the A. N. M. Society by letter.

The committee on moral reform reported, ~~the~~ the following which was adopted.

Temperance

1 Resolved that we highly approve of the efforts made to submit the question of prohibition to the people by the executive committee of the Territorial Society & that we will give our support to these measures.

The committee on Benevolent Societies reported the following which was adopted.

Resolved that while we as an Association feel a deep interest in every benevolent society, which tends to promote the temporal & ~~spirit~~ or spiritual good of fallen man, at present in this Territory our strongest sympathy & effort, & ~~and~~ our most earnest prayer should be directed to the following: The A. B. S. & F. Missions, the A. N. M. Society, the A. Bible Society, & the A. Tract Society, & we earnestly recommend that ^{quarterly} collections for each of these societies be taken up in all the churches connected with this Association.

The following resolution on slavery presented by Bro. Dickinson was adopted.

Resolved that this Association regard the introduction of Slavery into Oregon as any of the greatest evils which could come upon our Territory, They believe that it would work moral, political & social disorder, that it would involve the political action of the people, corrupt the morals of our families, & tend to degrade the country in all future time.

Prayer by Rev. E. Walker. Adjourned.

The Association met at 2 o'clock P. M.

Prayer by Bro. Hatch.

Report of Bro. Bodley from Albany upon the state of the church in that place.

The report of the committee on Destitution & Supply read & accepted but not adopted.

Bro. Lyman presented the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that in view of the present destitution of the church at Dallas or the vicinity, this Association request Bro. Dickinson to take the supervision of that church & visit them & preach to them, as often as his other duties will permit during the coming year.

Bro. Lybendon presented the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that in view of the importance of Pacific University to the interests of Education in Oregon this Association believes Bro. Lyman's removal from the preaching department to the Educational as justifiable & calculated to advance his higher usefulness in this Territory.

The report of the committee on Education was read & adopted.

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Resolved that this Ass. look with deep interest at the Institution at the Plains as designed to accomplish for Oregon the great work of Collegiate Education, & would recommend it - to the prayers of the churches of Oregon, & to the care & support of the friends of truth at the East, & especially the Collegiate Society.

The following persons were appointed a standing Committee on Destitution & Supply. Rev. S. H. Atkinson Rev. P. B. Chamberlain, & Bro. P. H. Hatch.

Committee on Hymn books reported in favour of the the Plymouth collection

The report was accepted, & after an earnest discussion was recommended to the Committee, Bro. Chamberlain being added.

The Committee on revising the constitution reported, recommending that the 5th article be dropped. The report was adopted, the understanding being that the creed of the Ass. take the requirement of the article specified, also that any thing found inconsistent with the 9th article be dropped or modified.

Report of the Committee on a ~~free~~ Newspaper accepted & adopted. (Report not handed in to the Clerk)

(Resolutions on the church building fund, adopted, not received by the Clerk.)

Rev. G. Dickinson, Dea. McKee & Bro. Hatch were appointed a committee to act in accordance with the resolution.

It was voted that the Moderator or Clerk be authorized to give certificates of delegateship to any one who may during the year be able to report this Ass. before any Ecclesiastical body in California or the States with whom we are in correspondence.

On motion the Ass. adjourned till after religious services in the evening.

The Ass. met at 9 o'clock P. M.
The minutes were read & accepted.

On motion it was voted that Rev. W. A. Tenney preach the next Ass. sermon. Rev. J. Gordon his alternate. Rev. P. B. Chamberlain the communion sermon & Rev. M. B. Starr his alternate.

On motion it was declared the judgment of the Ass. that Bro. Tenney be advised to go to Astoria as soon as he can conveniently.

Motion that in view of the present want of laborers in Oregon that the A. M. Society be solicited to send to our aid one or two men.
lost.

Report of the Committee on Indian Missions accepted. Motion to adjourn until sunrise Monday morning.

Prayer meeting at sunrise sabbath morning
Bro. Lyman preached a very able sermon at 11 o'clock.

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The Lord's Supper was administered by
B. Ellis & Rev. E. Walker. Bro. Atkinson preached
an excellent sermon at 7 o'clock P.M.

The Association met at sunrise Sept 7
Prayer by Bro. Atkinson.
The report on Indian missions was called
up, amended, & adopted.
Another resolution by Bro. Atkinson was
adopted. (Not in the Clerk's hands)

(A resolution was presented by Mrs. Lyman, & adopted but
not handed to the Clerk.)

On motion a vote of thanks was granted to Bro. Abrams for furnishing a book to record the minutes of the Ass.

A vote of thanks were granted the citizens of Portland for their hospitality.

Motion that the Clerk be instructed to inform the several committees of their part of the next Ass a few weeks previous.

Adjourned sine Die

Met at the house of Bro. Chamberlain at 8 o'clock
On motion the vote to adjourn was reconsidered.

The resolution of Bro. Lyman reconsidered.

Voted to recommend the matter of publication to the hands of the standing committee

Motion that this Ass. recommend its members, to become members of the Congregational Union. Carried.

Motion to recommend membership to the Congregational Board of Publication.
Carried.

On motion Bro. Chamberlain was appointed to correspond with the above societies.

Adjourned. Sine Die.

W. A. Tenney Clerk.

Records of the Meeting of
the Association for
1858

The Oregon Association
met at Forest Grove Sept. 2^d
1858 at 10 o'clock A.M.

The Association was called
to order & the opening religious
exercises conducted by Rev. C.
Edels the Moderator of the previous
year

The roll being called the
following Ministers and
Delegates were found to be
present.

Forest Grove — Revs. H. Lyman
H. Marsh, E. Walker, C. Edels and
Bro. J. G. Naylor.

Salem — Rev. O. Dickinson
Bro. A. H. Roberts

Albany — Rev. J. Condon
Bro. N. Wright.

Catapogus — Rev. H. H. Spaulding

Coville — Rev. M. B. Ford

Oregon City — Rev. G. H. Atkinson
Bro. A. H. Parvin P. H. Ketch

Patagonia — Rev. P. B. Chamberlain
Bro. E. Harris

Astoria — Rev. M. A. Penney

The Association then proceeded
to elect the following officers
Rev. O. Dickinson Moderator
Rev. P. B. Chamberlain Clerk

On Motion of Rev. S. A. Wash
Voted that the Club correct the
previous records so as to place the
names of Chucks and Munster
which have been omitted in the proper
places and also make out a roll
of all the members of the Association

Voted to adopt the docket of
business as printed in the Minutes
of last year

On Motion Voted that the
Moderator and Clerk be
a Comm. to nominate the
Committee on the subjects
found in the docket concerning
two topics in one if found
suitable

Voted to adjourn to meet at
2 o'clock P.M.

Prayed by Rev. O. Dickinson
Adjourned

After noon service

Association met according to
adjournment
Prayed by Rev. H. H. Spaulding

The Moderator reported the following
minutes for Committee which was
adopted

1. Physical Exercises - Rev. A. Lyman
T. Condon & Bro. P. G. Noyes
2. Report of Churches - Rev. S. H. Nash
& Wacker & Bro. P. G. Noyes
3. Destitution & Supply - Rev. G. H. Atkinson
P. B. Chamberlain & Bro. P. H. Hatch
4. Indian Missions - Rev. H. H.
Spaulding & C. Eells
5. Benevolent Societies - Rev. W. A. Tenney
Bro. P. H. Hatch
6. Education - Rev. S. H. Nash &
C. Eells
7. Moral Reforms - Rev. T. Condon
Bro. S. N. Gilbert
8. Religious papers - Rev. G. H. Atkinson
P. B. Chamberlain & Bro. P. H. Hatch

~~Resolved~~ The vote of
 the Convention on Special Commission the
 appointed to report respecting the
 A. S. in its relation to Slavery
 The report the following and
 Rev. H. Lyman & S. W. Hall & Bro. J. S. Tyler
 voted to send the Commission on Correspondence
 State that the report of the Commission
 the first business for consideration
 The following Resolutions offered by
 Rev. H. H. Spaulding was unanimously
 adopted
 Resolved that we record with

profound respect. but with Christians
 & submissively to the great Head of the
Church the death of Rev. Henry Clark
 an early member of this body & pioneer
 in the cause of Christianity on this coast.
 Ever a warm & active friend of the
 cause of Education in the Territory &
 that we present our warmest sym-
 pathies to the bereaved family.

Voted that we now hear the reports
 of the ^{non} Comms on Correspondence
 In accordance with what the several
 individuals appointed to the last meeting of
 the Ass. to conduct the Correspondence &
~~was~~ ~~at~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~time~~ ~~to~~
 read each communication as had been
 received

Comms. on Religion Exercises
 reports as follows. What was adopted

Religion Exercises

Prayed meeting every morning
 commencing on ~~how far~~ the
 terms of the regular session of the
Association. This meeting to be
 under the direction of the Moderation

Preaching Exercises

Thuesday Every Preach Rev. W. A. Perry
 Friday Eve. Preach Rev. C. Dickinson
 Saturday Evening Preach. Rev. S. H. Stewart
 Sunday morning Preach Rev. P. B. Chamberlain
 Comm. Service Rev. G. H. [unclear] & W. H. Spaldy
 Sunday P.M. Preach Rev. P. Coadow

Voted that Bro P. H. Hale be allowed
 to act as delegat for the Chm of Org. C.

until then, regular delegates arrive

The following Resolutions were presented by
Rev. H. H. Spalding & after some interesting &
affecting remarks for several minutes & debate
was unanimously adopted.

Resolved that we ~~rejoice~~ ^{rejoice} with
profound gratitude to the Great Head of the
Church the extensively published statement
of the great Revival of Religion in the
Atlantic States & that we recommend
the fast, Thursday in November 1858 as a
day of fasting & prayer to God for a
like rich blessing upon the Pacific Coast.
and that we cordially invite all
other Christian denominations to unite
with us.

Voted that Bro Israel Metcalf be
invited to sit ~~at~~ as delegate with
this body

Rev. G. H. Atkinson & T. Condon were
appointed a Commission to nominate and conduct
to conduct the Correspondence of the ~~body~~
with other religious bodies

Rev. H. H. Spalding gave notice that he
should offer a Resolution respecting
the late action of the Pres. Conf of the
M.S. Ch. upon the ~~subject~~ ^{subject} of Sabbath Schools.

Voted to adjourn to meet at 10 o'clock
A.M. tomorrow.
Chapman given by Rev. J. W. Nash
Adjourned
P. L. Adams. Sermon was preached ~~at~~ ^{at} ~~the~~ ^{the}
P.M. by the Rev. J. W. Ferry from text 1. 5. 8
Subject "Blessed Christ"

Sept 24 1879

Association met at 10 o'clock AM
Prayer by Rev. O. Dickinson

Voted that the Church Bulletin for
Comm. of last year be reprinted for
the ensuing year.

The Reports of Church were
called for & read in part
Voted that ten minutes only be
allowed to each individual reporting

Voted to adjourn to meet at
2 o'clock PM
Prayer by Rev. J. Condon
Adjourned

Afternoon Session

Association met at 2 o'clock
Prayer by Rev. W. A. Tenney

The Reports of Church & minutes
were concurred

The Comm. on Correspondence
made the following report which
was adopted

- Maine - Rev. W. A. Tenney
- New Hampshire & Rhode - Rev. W. Lyman
- Massachusetts - Rev. C. Eells
- Conn. & N. Y. - Rev. J. A. Atkinson
- California - Rev. J. Condon
- R. I. & Ohio - Rev. S. W. Marsh
- Mich. & Iowa - Rev. O. Dickinson
- Ind. & Ohio - Rev. M. B. Starr
- Illinois - Rev. E. Walker
- Vermont & Missouri - Rev. T. B. Chamberlain

Synods of Geneva ~~Geneva~~ and
Western New York Rev. H. W. Spalding

Rev. C. Ellis & W. A. Perry were
officers of Comm. A paper of form
in accordance with what the report
of Church shall be ^{made} ~~made~~

Rev. H. W. Spalding offered the
resolution of what he gave
note yesterday.

After considerable discussion the
subject was laid up the table

Voted that the report of the
Comm. on Destitutes & Supply
be the first business in order to morrow

Report to adj. to meet at 10 o'clock
A. M. to morrow.

Prayer by Rev. M. B. Davis

adjourned.

Rev. C. Dickinson Preached at
8 o'clock P. M. Sept. Rev. 21. 9
"Subject. The Church the Power of Christ."

Sept. 4.

Prayer meeting of which the
Association met at 10 o'clock

A. M. by Bro. P. H. ~~W. H.~~

The Comm. on Destitutes & Supply
reported a desire of resolution. The report
was accepted
Voted that the report be taken up by them

promise & that it ought to be
supplied with other wills & supply
itself

Resolved that Sermons & reports show
that an educated evangelist minister
is the best if not the only means
of this establishment by the ordination of the gospel

Resolved that not only my settlement
at what counts of Oregon & Washington
Territory though they have the preaching
of the gospel by various denominations
are still desirous to consider
steps of its permanent institution

The Committee to prepare a form
for the future report of churches report
the following resolutions which were adopted

Resolved - that the reports of churches
hereafter to be presented to this Association
embrace the several items specified by
the A. N. M. S. in report to be furnished
by their missionaries - also to add the
number of those who do not attend upon
appropriate Sabbath services

It was voted that a blank of the
above furnished by the Committee be
printed & sent to every minister in
the Territory.

Resolved that the order of business in
this Association its future meetings be as
follows

- 1 Meeting opened by the Moderator of
last meeting
- 2 Calling of roll, receipts of contributions & the

Charge of officers

3. Report of Standing Comms.

4. Report of Comm or Correspondence

5. Report of Churches

6. Report of Standing Committee

The Secret Committee to the A. S. C. in its relation to Slavery reports the following Resolutions which were adopted
Resolved 1st.

That whereas in times past we have rejoiced greatly in the good achieved through the agency of the A. S. C. & how heartily & earnestly labored in the midst of many difficulties & discouragements to enlarge the circle of its influence & usefulness in the Western world view with not only decided disapprobation but with deep grief the acts had by it at its recent anniversary on the subject of Slavery

Resolved 2^d. That in our view the inherent evil & wrong of the system of American Slavery & the enormities practiced under it & inseparable from it urgently demand that a great & national evangelical Society like the A. S. C. should give expression full through & strong to the best declared & teaching against all such offenses & wrongs, properly say & should apply these not only to the evil incident to the system but also to the stupendous wrong of self in its moral & religious relation & aspect

Reached 3^d. Not in our view this
may be done without any violation of the
constitutions of the Society interpreted in the
light of the theory of its formation & thus
highly indisputed

Reached 4th. Not while the Society
keeps its present position we recommend
to our churches to withhold from it their
contributions & patronage in every
form & we further recommend that their
be transferred to the Boston Society where
other more suitable circumstances we
approve & highly honor

The committee on moral reform
made a report which was accepted but
recommends with the directors that
it be greatly condensed

Comm on Religion in Pope made a
report which was accepted & of a brief draft
laid up the MSS

Voted that the next meeting of the Ass.
be held at Colapuzza

Comm on Hygiene Bask report concerning
for summer. The report was accepted
& the comm reported for the next year

The Standing Comm on Deaf & Dumb
& Suffer of last year was reported for the
present year. The comm consist of
Mrs B. H. Atkins P. B. Clark M. P. H. H. H.

Fades to adj till next public. Ser the evening
Prayer by B. P. H. H. H.

Adjourned

Preaching of S. A. Chas. by Rev. M. B. Starr
Text Phil 3. 12 Subject
Gods design in the conversion of sinners

Assassinated not a carefully
adjudged of the evening service

Prayer by Rev. E. Harris

Paper The report of the Comm on paper
was called up & discussed for what
the who made was referred to a special
Comm. A report Monday morning next
Com. Rev. W. H. Lambeth & S. H. Marsh
voted to advise the Comm of Est-
& supply to endeavor to under the M. A. P.
to meet more part of the Territories to
assess the report want a report

voted that the report be published
under the direct of the Secretary

Rev. J. Candor was offered to
preach the Assassination sermon at the
next meet of the Assn & Rev. S. H.
Marsh his substitute

Rev. M. B. Starr was offered to preach
the Comm service & Rev. P. M. L. h
Substitutes

voted to adjourn to meet on Monday
morning next at half past seven o'clock

Prayer by Rev. S. H. Marsh

Adjourned

Sept. 6.

A Prayer meeting was held 20th morning at 10 o'clock.

At 10 o'clock the Communion
Sermon was preached by Rev. G. B.
Chamberlain. Text. Lam. 4: 2.
Subject. The nature & extent of Christ's suffering

The Lords Supper was administered
by Rev. W. H. Hoole & S. W. Atkinson

Rev. T. Conde preached at 3 1/2 o'clock
Text. Matt. 12: 24. Subject. The
Challice form of Liturgy in the Church.

Preaching at 8 o'clock P. M.
by Rev. G. W. Atkinson. Text. Heb. 4: 2.
Subject. The Sabbath day

Association met ready to
adjourn on Monday evening at 8 o'clock
Prayer by Rev. W. H. Hoole

Church Building Fund Comm. reports
that they had fulfilled their duties. That
they had spent J. M. Mc Key of Patton
Oregon. a lot his hundred & twenty
five (\$625) had been appropriated to
Oregon.

Voted that the Association Sermon
for next year be upon the subject of
Church Safety

At the request of Rev. T. Conde voted
that he be excused from preaching the
Ass. Sermon.
Rev. G. W. Atkinson was appointed to fill

Voted that the number of other
denominations & the number of the members
be added to the return to be embodied
in our annual reports

Common affairs last year to correspond
with the Congregational Year & Congregational Society
assessments reports have fulfilled his
appointments & have received a copy of the
Congregational Year Book the report was
accepted

To be recommended members to the
Congregational Society

Voted that the number of members of
Church be entered in the report

Voted that the Moderator & Clerk be
permitted to change the place of holding the
next meeting of the Society if it be found
necessary to do so

Voted that we adjourn at 12 o'clock
the day.

The Common the method of a paper
reports recommended the despatch of a
commission of them to take such acts as
may be desirable during the ensuing year
and that all the members of the Society do
with they can to enter into the
subject. - report accepted

Rev. P. B. Chamberlain G. N. Atwood
& Rev. E. Starr were appointed and chosen.

Comm on behalf of Church present a
Statement of Affairs which was accepted

Comm on Education report the following

resolutions which were adopted.

Resolved, that while colleges are essential to the cultivation & development of the intellect of the country, they are still more important as the source to which we must look for the men who shall be fitted to fill the ministry of the Church.

Education

Resolved that the labors of thorough Christian teachers in the different neighborhoods throughout the country are greatly needed and that the judicious labors of such as teachers of "Brighton" in school-rooms as well as in the Sabbath school are among the most efficient instruments by which a church does best for laying the foundations of permanent Christian institutions.

P. M.

Resolved that the attention of Ministers & Churches be directed to the day of Fasting & Prayer now observed throughout this land, viz. the last Thursday in February, & that they be requested to observe it with special reference to the wants of Pacific University.

Voted that the Minutes of this body be given to those families who have so hospitable entertainers in day the meeting of the Board we read carefully & adopted
By the S. H. Board

Agreed

W. B. Chamberlain
Clerk

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By the S. H. Board - subject pp. 11. Clerk~~