

nounced that J. M. P. Morrow would preach at 7:45 to-night.

Report on Religious and Ministerial Education read and adopted as follows:

#### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following: "We must educate, we must educate. If we do not, from the cradle to the grave, will be our race." Just as a ship would, by its massive oars, drive by storms that arise, when without a rudder is apt to become a wreck on the strand or against the rocks, so is a man or a woman, made capable and powerful by mental education, liable to wreck and failure without religious training. And, whereas, it is not the province of the State, neither is it within her power to give this training, it necessarily devolves upon the Church to make provisions for it, which provisions can, and only can, be made through the medium of denominational schools. Therefore, we do heartily recommend that this Association avail itself of every opportunity to meet the demands in this capacity that their boys and girls are making upon them.

We do further recommend that, whereas, the uneducated and unqualified ministry is one of the greatest drawbacks to the progress and effectual work of the Church, not only from a lack of something to teach, but also from teachings that are unfounded and detrimental. And that, whereas, this affects the Baptist denomination more than many others, that the Salline Association make great effort to remedy this evil, for the accomplishment of which we would suggest that our people make a greater effort to educate our young ministers; and then that presbyters be more careful to keep out of the ministry those who are not qualified and cannot qualify themselves; for we believe that such as God calls to do this work, He makes possible their qualification, knowing that "nehil nehils fit," (from nothing, nothing comes.) It is to be feared that we take too literal the statement that "It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe," and that "God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty." Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE T. BRANDON.

Report on Books and Periodicals called for, read and adopted as follows:

#### BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

We your committee beg leave to submit the following: The Bible being the book of all books, and it is open to all and for all who will read it, we recommend that the Baptists of this Association make a great effort to put it into the hands of all in its bounds. And we would especially