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abeth City, N. C., and Suffolk, Va.; in which capacity he continued about three years.

He married Mrs. M. Poole (relict of S. P. Poole, Esq.) in December, 1830. His labors in this county were abundantly blessed. Leaving this field he traveled and preached for four years as Missionary for the Association in destitute counties of Washington, and Tyrrell, frequently leaving his family for months at the time.

Then he located in Murfreesboro where he lived for the remainder of his days. He was pastor at Meherrin, Mt. Carmel and Potecasi and was with the two former at the time of his death. He died on November 27, 1850 at the residence of Mr. Joseph Perkins in Halifax County, while en route to attend the Baptist State Convention at Louisburg.

All of his discourses were truly evangelical and during the eight years he labored in the Chowan Association he baptized 1100 souls within its bounds.

No man perhaps ever more accurately appreciated the want of an educated ministry in our State than he. From the first conception of such an institution as Wake Forest he was one of its warmest supporters, and was one of its trustees until his death.

His private character was as pure and unblemished as his career in the ministry was eminently useful. Amiable in disposition, kind and affable, he was an object of deep attachment for his family and his dearest friends.

1834-1839 James Nash, probably a native. We find him representing the Church at the 1829 session of the Association as an unordained minister. He was there again in 1830 and 1831, unordained. In 1832 he was not present, but his name appears in the minutes with the list of licentiates (Unordained). In 1833 he had been ordained and was the only ordained minister reported by the Church. G. M. Thompson's pastorate ending in 1833, we naturally assume that Nash was pastor in 1834. The next four sessions report him as the only ordained minister in the Church and, although the minutes are not quite clear, the logical conclusion would be that he was pastor. After 1839 he attended the Associations as a delegate from the Church but not as pastor until 1851 except for the years 1845-47 when he was definitely shown as pastor. Within the next three years he died and at the 1854 session of the Association Elder G. W. Johnson, his pastor, was appointed to prepare a biographical notice of his death but for some unknown reason it never appeared in the minutes. The Clerk published in the minutes a notice from the Biblical Recorder that if the biographical notice should be presented to the Recorder it would be published therein. Issues for several weeks following, now in the Wake Forest College Library, were examined but no

trace was found of it. The only reason we can think of for the notice not being prepared and published is that Johnson about that time was in the process of moving from this pastorate and Association and could not find the time to prepare it.

1840-1844 Evan Forbes. In the year 1840 for the first time the Associational Clerk distinguished between pastors and other ministers belonging to the churches and did for four years distinctly record Forbes as pastor. Forbes was for many years pastor of the mother Church including 1840-42 while he was also pastor of our Church. It is interesting to note that the Associational Clerk, Dr. S. J. Wheeler, physician, in 1840 began and continued for several years to list pastors and other ordained ministers under the heading: "Elders or Bishops," the Bishops being pastors and he so recorded Forbes.

✓ 1845-1847 James Nash.

1848-1852 C. R. Hendrickson who obviously came from another Association or State and when he left, went to another because his pastorate here is all the information the Associational minutes give on him.

1853-1854 G. W. Johnson.

1855-1857 J. J. Lansdell, undoubtedly another new minister in the Association and went afar when leaving his pastorate here because this is our only account of him.

April 24, 1858 - March 25, 1859 H. T. Weatherly, another native son, born May 10, 1805 and has lineal descendants still in the Church. On March 25, 1859 he and his wife, Dorothy B. Smith, whom he married February 7, 1832 and their daughter were granted letters of dismission. Where he went from here we do not know but he was pastor of churches in Arkansas at age 58 when he died. His great granddaughter, Miss Annie Weatherly, has in her family record the following newspaper account of his death which bears no date line:

We are pained to announce the death of Elder H. T. Weatherly, which occurred at his home in Arkansas on Sunday, August 19th. He had preached at one of his churches the preceding Sabbath - returned home on Monday, had a slight chill on Tuesday, which continued every other day till Saturday, when he was taken