

William Snow spent his two years at Fountain Creek in an active role in association affairs. He preached the annual sermon with the text taken from II Corinthians 5:14, and titled his message, "for the Love of Christ Constraineth Us." He was also chairman of committee for the purpose of dividing the association into sections for fellowship purposes. The association also gave him the privilege of ordaining ministers. This year R. W. Delbridge, Thomas L. Allen, and Edmund Webb were delegates with thirty-eight baptisms and three dismissals. One was excused. Membership totaled one hundred and thirty four. In July of 1837, Thomas L. Allen and Mark W. Collier were elected as delegates to the associational meeting. It was reported that seven were baptized, two came by letter, one died, and the church had one hundred and thirty-three members.

In April of this same year, Caleb C. Gordon became pastor to stay at Fountain Creek for only six months. He soon left to be commissioned as a missionary for Virginia's State Mission Board. Regretfully, soon afterwards, the church was disbanded on October 2, 1838, for nine days.

On July 21, 1838, at the Concord Associational Meeting, delegates Henry Allen and Benjamin Gowing reported that twelve had been baptized, two excused, one died, and one hundred and thirty-five members were on roll. \$2.00 had been given to the association. This was also a time with no pastor. Gowing, the church clerk, said this in reference to the condition of the church,

...we can only say, that ours is bad; having no pastor, and much contention among some of the members. We request the association to assist us as much as possible in ministerial aid. We hopefully anticipate that ere long, all our disputed mat-

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