

Cheshire Aug 12th 1864.

Ohio River Y.M. met with 1st Hyger church. Prayed by Rev. G. W. Baker. Elected Rev. H. J. Carr moderator pro tem. Chair appointed Bro S. Hoskinson of Meigs. J. Skettle of Little Scioto and R. V. Lewkibus of Athens I.M. committee on credentials Received and adopted the report of the committee on credentials. Elected Rev. H. J. Carr moderator and bro. D. Coughenour apist ant. Minutes of last session read and approved. Appointed G. W. Baker of Mauck and Wm Coughenour a committee on devotions. J. C. Peden gave notice that tomorrow he would move to rescind the vote of last year changing the time of holding the Y.M. Invited visiting brethren to participate in the deliberations of Conference Appointed Rev. G. Coler of Skettle and bro. D. Coughenour a committee on the state of the County. Appointed Rev. H. J. Carr of Skettle. R. V. Lewkibus. J. C. Peden bro. D. Coughenour and G. Coler a committee on the state of the Church Requested the ministers to bring in the report of their past years labor the first thing tomorrow morning. J. C. Peden, J. Skettle and S. H. Barrett were appointed a committee on Education. Adjourned until tomorrow morning eight o'clock.

Morning session. Aug. 13th 1864.

Prayer by Rev. H. J. Carr. Added J. C. Peden to the committee on the state of the Country. Heard interesting reports from R. V. Lewkibus, G. Coler. J. C. Peden

and H. J. Carr of their ministerial labors the past year. The other ministers not present ^(who were present) seventeen had been baptized by these ministers since last Y. M. and forty conversions were reported. Revisited the vote of last year changing the time of holding the Y. M. Voted that the next session of the Y. M. be held in the bounds of Little Scioto I. M. Received the report of the committee on Education Added Bro F Wozin to the committee on Education. Adjourned until this afternoon 9. o'clock.

Afternoon session Aug 13, 1864.
 Prayer by Rev J Kettle. Adopted the resolutions on Education. Received and adopted the report of the committee on the State of the County. Adopted the report of the committee on the state of the Church. Appointed G. Coler, O. E. Baker and J Kettle a committee to superintend the home mission work in the bounds of the Y. M. Appointed J. E. Peden messenger to the Ohio Baptist State convention. On motion adjourned.

Jos. E. Peden, Clk.

Resolutions

State of the Church.

Whereas a movement is inaugurated in this state, by Dr Given and others, to found a denomination whose corner stone is hatred of the colored people and the government of the U. S. therefore resolved that we cannot recognize them as christians, invite their ministers into the stand in any way acknowledge them as followers of Christ.

Resolved that we entreat our I.M. to devise some means of supplying every church with regular preaching.

Resolved in view of the pressing demands for missionary labor in the bounds of this Y.M. that we request the churches to raise immediately, the amount of twenty five cents per member, or according to their ability, to employ a missionary to travel on new ground in the bounds of this Y.M.

Resolved that we appoint a committee of three to superintend the missionary work in this Y.M.

State of our Country.

Whereas our country is engaged in a bloody civil war, caused by the insane zeal of wicked and ambitious men to uphold the great sin of American Slavery therefore resolved that our duty both as patriots and christians demands that we give our entire influence in favor of the government.

Resolved that we will defend, and sustain the administration by every means in our power.

Resolved that free will baptists should be a unit in the coming political struggle, and should vote for no man who is not in favor of the union and the abolition of Slavery.

Resolved that any member, whether minister or layman, who does not endorse the above resolutions is not in heart a free will baptist, and should be dealt with by the church of which he is a member, and if he

persists in his course, the church is in duty bound to withdraw the hand of fellowship until he ceases to sympathize with rebellion.

Education.

Whereas education is power, and power to be useful must be properly applied.

Therefore resolved that we exhort our people to give their children a sanctified education.

Resolved that we commend Cheshire Academy to the favor and patronage of our churches and entreat them to do what they can for its prosperity.

Thomas C. Peden. Clk.

Wheelerburg Aug 11th 1865.

The Ohio River J. M. met with the Wheelerburg Church. Opened with prayer by Father Libbens. Chose Rev O. E. Baker Moderator pro tem. Minutes last session read and approved. On account of but few being present, adjourned until tomorrow morning eight o'clock.

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Morning session, Prayer by Rev V. Kettle. Elected Rev O. E. Baker Moderator and V. Kettle a sistant. Chair appointed Bro. Kettle, Little John and Libbens a committee on devotion. Invited visiting brethren to participate in the deliberations of Conference. Letters called, Meigs and Little Sciots J. Ms were reported by letter, T. C. Peden reported that he could not attend, on account of being in the army, the Ohio Baptist State Convent.