

to bring our youth to the saving knowledge
of the Bible.

Tobacco.

Whereas the use of Tobacco is an expensive
and filthy habit, and the church is often
crippled for want of funds to successfully
carry forward the work of Christ. Therefore
Resolved that we will discourage in all
proper ways its filthy use.

Morning Star

Resolved that we earnestly request the pas-
tors of our churches to urge the heads of families
in the churches under their care, to become
regular subscribers of the Morning Star.

Rev. R. J. Poston.

Resolved that this Conference deeply sympa-
thize with Rev. R. J. Poston in his affliction
and sincerely pray for his speedy recovery.

Preaching Friday night by Rev. C. J.
Chase, Saturday ^{Morning} ~~Afternoon~~ by Rev. A. A. Crabtree,
Saturday night Rev. S. J. Ferguson, Sabbath
Morning Rev. H. J. Carr, Sabbath afternoon
Rev. E. B. Evans, Sabbath night S. W. Pedem.

An interesting social meeting was held Sat.
afternoon, and a collection of twenty three
dollars, was taken Sabbath morning for
Foreign Missions. Next session in the
grounds of Little Scioto L. M.

Thomas C. Pedem, Clk.

California Pike Co Ohio

Aug 8th 1879

Ohio River Yearly Meeting met with the
California Church, Opening prayer was of-
fered by Rev. J. C. Nye. Elected Rev. H. J. Carr

Moderator, Rev B. V. Lewksbury assistant
 and Rev. S. J. Weed assistant Clk. Appointed
 Rev A Crabtree Bro C. E. Emory and Bro - Cow
 committee on devotion. Athens Little Scioto
 Shiloh & Jackson I Ms reported by letter and
 delegates. West Virginia Association was
 reported verbally by Rev. D. Powell. Meigs I M.
 was represented by Rev. C. J. Chase, Johnson
 I M. Iky. organized by Rev. A. Crabtree, asked
 for admission into the Y. M. and was received.
 It consists of three churches and 146 com-
 municants. Disapproved of the proposed
 amendment to the Constitution of General
 Conference. Appointed I. E. Peden, D. Powell,
 B. V. Lewksbury, I. Fullerton, T. J. Ferguson
 and C. J. Chase committee on the Centenni-
 al of the Denomination. Rev J. M. Davis,
 D. Powell, and S. J. Weed, on Foreign Missions,
 President A. A. Moulton Rev. D. Powell and
 I Fullerton on Education, Rev. J. W. Martin,
 I. E. Peden and U. Chabot, on Temperance,
 Rev. D. Powell, C. J. Chase and S. J. Weed, on
 Home Missions, Rev. T. J. Ferguson, C. A.
 Denny and Wm Hartsook, on Sabbath
 Schools. Adjourned until tomorrow morn-
 ing 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ A. M.

Aug 9. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ A. M.

Prayer by Rev. B. V. Lewksbury. Appointed
 Rev I. Fullerton Prof A. A. Moulton and Rev.
 J. W. Martin, committee on the death of Rev.
 I. Z. Hanning. Adopted the following re-
 ports of Committees.

Ministers of Johnson I M.

Resolved that we instruct the Y. M. Clk.

To give the ordained ministers of Johnson
I.M. certificates indorsing the validity
of their ordination papers.

Centennial

Whereas within the coming year the Cente-
nary of the Free Will Baptist denomination
is to be observed. Therefore Resolved that
that the several I.Ms. composing this
I.M. are hereby requested to make suita-
ble preparations for celebrating the Cen-
tenary of the denomination. Plan sug-
gested 1st Let each I.M. a committee to
devise a plan for a suitable and effi-
cient celebration. 2nd If convenient let
the celebration be held with the oldest church
in in the I.M. We also recommend each
I.M. to build one or more Centennial
churches in the most important places
possible, as a monument of our gratitude
to Almighty God for his gracious care
of the denomination during the past
century. Resolved that we recommend
each member, in addition to all other
donations, to give at least one dollar,
as a thank offering, to the Home Missions
fund.

Foreign Missions.

Pending the report on Foreign Missions
a very interesting letter was read from
sister Nellie M Phillips, Missionary elect
of the Y.M.

Adjourned until 2.30. P.M.

A Special Session

Prayer by Rev. J. Sheritt. Adopted the report

before Conference as follows Resolved that we approve the decision of Miss Nellie M. Phillips to remain in America to pursue the study of Medicine and that we reaffirm the sentiments expressed in the resolutions in regard to Foreign Missions adopted at the session one year ago. Elected Rev H. J. Carr, S. C. Peden, J. F. Ferguson, W. J. Fulton, D. Powell, A. Crabtree and T. S. Williams Board of Foreign Missions.

Sabbath Schools.

- 1. Should Free Will Baptists teach denominational tenets in their Sabbath Schools? Yes.
 - 2. Should Free Will Baptists use libraries commonly labelled "Not denominational" but at the same time are denominational? No.
 - 3. Should our Sabbath schools patronize other periodicals to the exclusion of our own? No.
- We recommend that each I. M. in the G. M. hold a S. S. Institute of from one to three days and that Elder T. C. Peden be requested to hold such Institutes and be paid for his services at the time it is held. We recommend that our printing establishment be requested to prepare a small library for general use in the denomination and that Rev S. H. Barrett be a committee to bring the matter before the printing Establishment.

Rev. I. Z. Haring.

Whereas he had been seen fit to remove from our midst by the hand of Death our beloved brother Rev I. Z. Haring. Therefore

Resolved that while we are submissive to the dealings of Providence, we regard his death as the removal from us of one of the most able laborers within our limits.

That his efficient work in behalf of Missions, Education and other departments of Christian enterprise and particularly in building up and sustaining churches within the limits of this G. M. and in the establishment of Rio Grande College, constitutes an enduring monument, which is an incentive to his former associates to increased activity in order that the great gap thus made may not occasion loss. That we deeply sympathize with his bereaved family and hereby instruct the Clerk of this G. M. to forward a copy of these resolutions to his wife and children.

Minutes

Whereas many members in our churches never read the Star and know nothing about the work done in our general meetings, And whereas we believe that a better knowledge of our work would tend to give strength to the denomination, Resolved that the Clerk be requested to have the minutes of this Yearly Meeting session published in pamphlet form. Resolved that the several churches be requested to take subscriptions and send them to the Clerk, and receive one copy of the minutes for each five cents sent.

Education

Whereas a broad educational foundation laid in youth greatly increases an individual capacity for usefulness. Resolved that it is a duty of parents to encourage education on the part of their children, and for the young who desire to be useful to seek as high a degree of education as lies within their reach. That we recommend our Y.M. Conferences to encourage and insist upon candidates securing special training for their work so far as they shall be able previous to assuming the active duties of their ministry. Resolved that recognizing the valuable aid to our ministry and denomination of the Theological Department of Hillsdale College, we encourage by all means in our power young men preparing for the ministry to pursue there a whole or partial theological course in preparation for more and better pastoral labors. Resolved that we earnestly recommend to our membership the reading of our denominational publications, particularly the Morning Star as a great assistance to religious education in the family and a very essential requisite to the cooperation on the part of our membership in all our denominational enterprises. That we pledge our cooperation to the effort to build up a denominational college within the limits of this Y.M. at Rio Grande - that we commend it to our membership as worthy of patronage and financial support and make it a subject of prayer that it may be spirit-

ually blessed

Home Missions.

Whereas our home interest is the parent and support of our foreign interest, Therefore Resolved that the extension and support of our home interest is of vital importance, and should receive the thought, sympathy and help of every Freewill Baptist. Resolved that we recommend to our churches the adoption of cooperative work in support of Pastors and the extension of our denominational cause. Resolved that we call upon our churches to secure revival interests and revival workers. Resolved that we recommend the appointment of a Home Mission agent, whose duty shall be to visit the churches, ascertain their needs, urge them to work, collect funds and take the general supervision of destitute churches.

Next Session

Voted to hold the next session of the Y.M. in the bounds of Athens, G.M.

Request of Little Scioto G.M. Little Scioto G.M. having requested dismission to unite in forming a new Y.M. A committee consisting of Rev J. W. Martin D. Powell and Bro J. Bumgarner submitted the following After duly considering the matter we are of the opinion that it would not at present be expedient to grant their request. Adopted by a very decisive vote. At the evening session it was reconsidered and the word "not"

stricken out.

Temperance

Whereas the liquor traffic is detrimental to every interest of man. Therefore Resolved that the time has fully come when temperance men should strike for the entire Prohibition of the importation, manufacture and sale of Alcoholic liquors.

Delegates to State Association.

The following brethren were elected delegates to State Association. H. J. Carr, T. E. Peden, J. W. Martin, B. V. Lewksburg, D. Powell, A. Crabtree, I. Smith, T. S. Williams, J. G. Ferguson, J. M. Davis, I. Fullerton, C. A. Denny, S. J. Weed, C. J. Chase, S. Swain, J. Masters, Elias Patten, A. A. Moulton, G. B. Walker and W. J. Hartsook.

Biography of Rev I. Z. Flaning.

Appointed Rev B. V. Lewksburg, I. Fullerton and J. G. Ferguson a committee to select someone to prepare a biography of Rev I. Z. Flaning. Committee named T. E. Peden, adopted resolutions offered by Prof. J. M. Davis in regard to apparatus for Rio Grande College. Appointed Rev J. W. Martin, alternate Rev, D. Powell to preach the opening sermon on Friday evening of next session, subject justification by faith. On motion adjourned.

Thos. E. Peden Clk.

Statistics Athens 893 Jackson 208 Johnson 146 Little Scioto 952 Meigs 1474. Shiloh 229. West Virginia 141. Total 3993 Communicants. T. E. P. Clk.