

That personal respect for ourselves,  
 demands that we employ our own  
 men and women who have been at the  
 expense of educating themselves  
 Since Rio Grande College is not sup-  
 plied with Philosophical and Chemical  
 apparatus, Resolved that we hereby  
 ask our brethren to remember this  
 pressing call when making their  
 Centennial thank offerings.  
 Resolved that we rejoice in the pros-  
 perity of West Virginia College and  
 urge our friends to do more than her-  
 tofore to increase its power and use-  
 fulness.

Adjourned  
 Thos. C. Peden, Clerk.

Indt Rutland O. Aug 12 1881.

G. M. met with Indt Rutland Church. Prayer by Rev Edward  
 Dudley of Iowa. Chose Rev B. V. Tenksbury temporary Moder-  
 ator. Letters were read from Shiloh, Jackson, Johnson  
 and Meigs, 2 Ms. West Va Association reported verbally  
 by Rev. D. Powell. Appointed Bro Geo. Hays, D Powell  
 and Isaac Holmes committee on permanent organization.  
 Committee reported Rev B. V. Tenksbury for Moderator and  
 Rev S. J. Weed a sistant. Report unanimously adopted.  
 Rev D. Powell made a partial report for the committee  
 on Southern work, - given until tomorrow to complete  
 the report. Received Rev E. Dudley of Iowa, Rev S. C. Chase  
 of Illinois Central, and Rev C. J. Chase of Michigan, G. M.  
 as advisory members of this conference. Adopted rule 12<sup>th</sup>  
 changing fifteen minutes to five of the by laws of General  
 Conference for the government of this conference. Appointed  
 Bro Wm Humphrey, Bro Chase and Freeman Minor com-

mission devotion. Appointed the following committees  
 Pastoral Relation W. J. Fulton, Aaron George and R. M. Cloud.  
 Missions J. W. Martin, Isaac Holmes and Henry Potter.  
 Education President A. A. Moulton, John Malaby and  
 S. B. Blake. Sabbath Schools D. Powell of Coughenour  
 and O. H. Denney. Auditing Committee J. M. Chase.  
 C. W. Hill and John Hanning. Ministerial Qualifications  
 A. Steimer S. J. Weed Edward Dudley S. C. Chase  
 and J. M. Davis. Next session of J. M. S. B. Blake  
 Geo. Thayer and E. B. Hoskinson. Temperance R. J.  
 Poston, J. W. Martin and W. J. Fulton. State of the  
 County J. M. Davis, S. C. Peden D. Powell R. J. Poston  
 and E. Dudley. On Business S. C. Peden E. B.  
 Hoskinson and Geo. Thayer. A communication  
 from Rev. I. J. Ferguson to some members of conference  
 was referred to committee on Southern work. Rev. W. J.  
 Fulton reported that he attended the last session of Gen-  
 eral Conference and that his expenses were \$38.00. Excused  
 Rev. D. Powell for not attending General Conference  
 S. C. Peden reported that he attended Gen. Con. expens-  
 es \$38.00 Adjourned until tomorrow morning eight  
 o'clock

Aug 13. Morning Session.

Prayer by Prof. S. C. Chase. Letter from Athens I. M.  
 received and read. Appointed Rev. R. J. Poston C. W.  
 Hill and O. H. Denney to nominate delegates to State  
 Association. The Committee on Southern work submitted  
 its report which was amended and then passed. The  
 following is the report as adopted. 1. Resolved that the  
 Committee on Southern work be continued another year.  
 2. That a fraternal letter be sent to the North Carolina  
 Conference of Free Will Baptist. 3. That while our  
 sympathies with the Winchester meeting the state of  
 our finances prevent our appropriating any money for  
 its expenses. Adopted Report of committee on Curi-

nip which recommended the consideration of the different subjects in the order presented in these minutes. Adopted the resolution reported by the Committee on Sabbath School, namely, The Sabbath School has been owned and blessed of God for good. This is the seal of his approbation. Duty is plain. The question is, How shall we best accomplish the work of the Sabbath School? 1<sup>st</sup> Let us have men and women whose hearts are fully enlisted in the work of leading the young to Christ. 2. That the churches maintain a proper and wise supervision over their Sunday schools. 3 Let us patronize our own denominational Sabbath School literature. 4 Let the members of the churches and men of means give aid in supporting the financial needs of our Sabbath Schools.

The Treasurer made the following report which was approved by the Auditing Committee and adopted by Conference. Received from all sources \$42.08 Paid out \$37.50 Balance in Treasury \$4.58

Committee on Pastoral relation presented the following which was adopted. Whereas frequent and continual changes in the pastoral relation is the custom and practice of too many of our churches, Therefore Resolved that this conference urgently requests our quarterly meetings to instruct and urge upon their churches to call their pastors without regard to time and in his practical have them installed. Report of Committee on Education considered and deferred until next sitting of this conference. Adjourned to one P.M.

Afternoon session.

Prayer by Rev. Henry Potter. Bro. Potter verbally reported the Hocking Valley I.M. of which he was received as delegate. Adopted the Report of the Committee on Education as follows. Whereas there are three Free Will Baptist Educational Institutions within the limits of this I.M. and in youth the value of a liberal education

is generally undervalued, Resolved; That while we declare ourselves in sympathy with all our educational institutions we pledge our special support to Richards College, West Virginia College and Alwood Institute, Hoping that Bro S. C. Chase may find hearty sympathy and complete success in his proposed work in and for the last named institution. That it is the duty especially of parents, ministers and teachers, to urge the youth to exert themselves to obtain as high a degree of educational training as their circumstances may allow as a means of increasing their usefulness. Passed the following report of the committee on Ministerial Qualifications In view of the growing demand for a well qualified ministry, the scripture injunction "Study to show thyself approved of God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth," together with the fact that the minister is a leader of the public, we recommend the most thorough preparation available before entering the ministry so that the man of God may be thoroughly furnished unto every good work. Elected Rev J. M. Davis and W. J. Fulton delegates to State Association. Temperance Committee presented its report which was adopted. (The report has been lost, probably by the clerk) Adjourned to 4 P.M.

4 P.M. Conference called to order by Moderator. Report on Missions adopted to wit, Whereas the Ohio River Y. M. at the session held in 1878 with 1st Hyger Church, decided to sustain a missionary in India, and adopted Miss. N. M. Phillips as its missionary, and whereas it was thought best for her to pursue a medical course before going which has detained her until the present, Therefore Resolved That we hail with gladness her presence with us, now that her qualifications for usefulness are complete, and that

the time has fully come for this Y.M. to enter earnestly upon the work of raising her salary and that we recommend the continuance of the card system. Resolved that we recommend the organization of a woman's Mission Society in this Y.M. and that such society have the management of the funds raised for the support of our Missionary in India. Voted to hold next session in the bounds of Jackson T.M. Adopted the following resolution <sup>reported</sup> adopted by Committee on State of the County. Resolved, that we express the deep sympathy we feel for our wounded President and his family, that we join in fervent prayer for his complete recovery and continued usefulness, and that we declare our condemnation of the great crime committed in the attempt to destroy his life. Appointed T. E. Peden W. J. Fulton and J. W. Martin to act as a Mission Board to look after raising Miss Phillips' salary. Appointed Prof. J. M. Davis and Rev R. J. Poston to write Rev. D. Powell a letter of recommendation. Voted to appropriate a sufficient amount to pay the expenses and request the Y.M. Treasurer to notify each delinquent church of the amount due on a payment for General Conference and request immediate payment. Statistics Athens T.M. 953. Hocking Valley 128. Jackson 167. Johnson 180. Mt. Zion 1518. Shiloh 280. West Va. 86 Total 3314

Thomas E. Peden Clk.

Coalton Ohio Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> 1882.

Y.M. met with Coalton Branch of Petrea Church. Opened with prayer by Rev. C. A. Price of the Baptist Church. Elected Rev. H. G. Case temporary Moderator. Appointed via A. George, Rev. R. W. Channell and Rev. C. W. Denney a committee on Credentials. Minutes of last session read and approved. Appointed T. E. Peden