

and Gallia Tribune, for publication. Voted that six dollars of the collection tomorrow be appropriated to pay the interest on Bible School note. Adjourned. Statistics Athens 392. Gallia 519. Hocking Valley 61. Jackson 189. Johnson 180. Kanawha 947. Meigs 1233. Shiloh 248. West Virginia 86. Total 3155 Communicants.

Thos E Peden, Clerk.
Middleport Ohio Aug 8th 1884.

Y. M. M. met with Middleport church, Prayer by Bro. John Kanino. Elected Rev. G. Powell Moderator, Minutes of last Session read and approved, Letters read from West Va. First Kanawha and Shiloh. Ms. Jackson M. reported verbally by S. E. Peden. Voted to grant the request of Shiloh Association withdrawing its application for dismission made at last year's session of the Y. M. Discharged committee on Sabbath School Convention, it having thought such a convention impractical at this time. Voted that the delegates present from each Y. M. be authorized to fill up their respective delegations. Prof. J. M. Davis reported that the delegates attended General Conference at Minneapolis and have received about one third of their expenses. He appointed the following committees, on Devotion S. I. Bowman, S. O. Smith and J. W. Seltzer. Missions Prof. J. M. Davis, J. S. Gibson and John Malah. Education Pres. A. A. McElton, S. J. Ferguson and A. Basham. Temperance Rev. W. J. Fulton, H. J. Carr and W. J. Masters. Sabbath School Rev. S. D. Davis, J. M. Seltzer and M. S. Hunter. States of A. M. S. E. Peden, J. Hancock and S. B. Blake. Place of next Y. M. W. J. Fulton, Joseph Hartwick and John Kanino. Expenses to General Conference Rev. H. J. Carr, S. B. Malah and S. E. Peden. Received Rev. R. J. Poston as

visiting elder from Ohio. M. T. Her was received and read from Higgs. M. Ad. Rev. R. F. Poston to the committee on Temperance. Adjourned until tomorrow morning eight o'clock. Prayer by Rev. M. S. Huntley.

Aug 9th 1884. 8 A.M.

Prayer by Rev. H. Basham. Letter read from Gallia M. A. C. Her was received and read from Raleigh. W. S. A. M. asking admission into the Y. M. The request was unanimously granted. Appointed Rev. R. F. Poston & E. Peden and J. M. Davis committee on Necessity. Appointed Rev. M. S. Huntley, J. D. Davis and J. S. Gibson committee on Publications. The committee on Education presented the following report which was discussed and adopted. Whereas in our opinion education under Christian influences is calculated to greatly increase individual usefulness. Resolved that we commend it as a Christian duty to the young to exert themselves to take advantage of the opportunities for education furnished for them by our system of Free Schools and by Christian benevolence. Resolved that we especially urge all who contemplate the sacred, responsible work of the ministry to aim to secure as liberal an education as their circumstances may allow. Resolved that we heartily recommend Rhode Island College, West Virginia College and Sturdivant Institute to the patronage of all who desire for their children an education under Christian influences and peculiarly exempt from vicious influences so prevalent at all institutions located in large places. Adopted the report of the committee on Sabbath Schools. Whereas the Sabbath School is the child of the church and the strongest element

with it to train persons both young and old in the truths taught in the Bible and whereas it is the duty of every Christian to use all proper means in his power to Christianize the world, therefore Be it Resolved that the Yearly Meeting do all it can to encourage the Sabbath School. Be it Resolved, that it requests all the church members to attend and urge their children to attend. Resolved that we will pray for its advancement and furnish means to purchase suitable periodicals and books for our pupils to read. Resolved that we recommend that a Committee of Laymen be appointed in each M. whose duty shall be to organize Sabbath Schools in localities where there are no churches and Sabbath School privileges and to look after the interests of the same. The Report of the Committee on Missions was re-committed. Invited Rev. H. B. Scott of the Presbyterian Church to a seat as an advisory member of conference. Appointed Pres. A. A. Moulton, Rev. H. J. Carr and Bro. W. F. Masters a committee to nominate delegates to State Association. Voted to hold next session in the bounds of the Gallia M. Adjourned until one P. M. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Gibson.

Afternoon Session.

Prayer by Bro Joseph Hartsock. Voted that six dollars of the collection tomorrow be applied to pay interest on Bible School note. Report of Y. M. Board adopted. Appointed Rev. D. Powell, W. J. Fulton, J. F. Ferguson, J. E. Pedemph. Cox, J. M. Davis and J. W. Martin, a committee to suggest to the churches through the M. a plan for pastorates. Adopted the report of the committee on Temperance as follows Whereas we believe the Liquor crime to be the great

sin of the land and that we regard its rav-
 ages to be destructive to the best interests of man
 physically, intellectually and morally, and
 threatening the foundation of our government
 and free institutions, Therefore Resolved that
 we reaffirm our belief in total abstinence
 and the legal prohibition of the Liquor crime.
 That we believe that license and taxation only
 foster and protect the crime rather than check,
 control or prohibit it. That it is the duty of
 Christian men to support for office only men
 who are known to favor the extermination of
 the Liquor Traffic. That it is our duty to
 pray work and vote and be consistent, all in
 the same direction, until this evil is blotted
 from under the stars and stripes of this
 glorious land. Adjourned to the call of
 the Moderator. After an interesting prayer and
 speaking meeting of an hour the Moderator called
 the conference to order. The Committee on the
 State of the Y.M. made the following report
 which was adopted. Whereas the reports from
 the Y.Ms. indicate a fair and healthy growth
 in all parts of our Y.M. and in some parts very
 rapid advancement Therefore Resolved that
 that we urge our Y.M. Mission Committees,
 ministers, churches and each individual
 member of the denomination, to do all they can
 to extend our borders and build up and strength-
 en our present interests. Resolved that we
 make an effort at this session to raise fifty
 dollars for the Little Mud Lick Church in
 Johnson Co. Ky., to aid it in completing its
 house of worship and show our appreciation
 of the work in Ky.,

Report of Committee on Publications adopted. We deem it of vital importance to our denomination that we sustain its denominational literature and to this end we pledge a hearty support to the following papers. viz. The Morning Star, Free Baptist, Rio Grande Free Will Baptist, Free Baptist Herald and Missionary Helper, and we recommend ^{that} all Free Will Baptist Sabbath Schools use our own lesson Quarters lies and papers. Committee on delegates to State Association reported the following names which were duly elected Revs. J. W. Martin, H. J. Carr, M. S. F. Carr, W. J. Fulton, Daniel Mauck, David Coughenour, John Malaby, A. W. Bingham, John A. Oiler, J. J. Ferguson, J. H. Jones, J. M. Davis, T. C. Peden, J. C. Cox, D. Powell and J. S. Williams. Johnson & M. reported by T. C. Peden. Report of Committee on expenses to General Conference adopted. Resolved that the pastor of each church be an agent to collect the assessment on the churches and to give the Treasurer the names of the clerks of the churches without pastors. The report of the Treasurer was presented and approved. Voted that the amount in the Treasurer's hand be paid to those who have claims against the G. M. in proportion to the amounts due. Adjourned until after Mission Meeting this evening.

Night Session

Committee on Missions presented the following report which was adopted. We wish to express our gratitude to God for the favorable condition of the Mission interests both Home and Foreign with which we as a yearly Meeting, are identified. Miss Phillips is steadily carrying on her appointed work in India. In our Home Field, one new church has been added to the Gallicia M. eight to

The Skanawha I.M. and one has been organized in Jackson Co. W.Va. which has not yet united with any I.M. but will probably soon join one of the I.Ms composing our body. We have not the figures at hand but have been informed that our I.M. has not for the past year met its part of the Mission expenses as promptly and fully as in former years. In view of these facts Resolved that we renew our pledge to do our full share in the support of Miss Phillips and shall exert ourselves to see that funds for that purpose, are promptly and fully raised.

That we will endeavor to move forward in our hopeful Home Mission enterprises and will urge our people to contribute equally to the two departments of our Mission work.

That we consider W.Va. a promising field for Home Missions and believing that the people of that state are ready to adopt the truth as we preach it, we pledge ourselves to aid in the support of Home Missions in that field, especially in those portions of the state now occupied by our denomination.

Report of Committee on Necrology was adopted as follows: We are called upon by an inscrutable but ever benevolent and all-wise Providence, to sadly and publicly express our bereavement in the decease of Elder Jeremiah Carpenter of Columbia Church, Athens I.M. We remember him for his fatherly and Christ like spirit in his bearing both toward the ministry and the laity. We shall ever appreciate the example of his devotion to the cause of our Divine Master, in cheerfully submitting to the toils and privations

dent to the life of a pioneer minister among us. We
 condole with his bereaved family in this, their sad
 bereavement, but feel assured that they can rejoice
 with us that he has gone up to the Father not
 with empty hands, but with hands laden with
 precious sheaves, souls saved through his devoted
 labors, to be stars of eternal rejoicing in his
 crown of glory. Resolved that in the death of
 Rev. Selah H. Barrett, we recognize the loss of
 a good and useful man and we extend to his
 son, daughter and other relatives, our unfeign-
 ed sympathy in this time of affliction and
 sorrow, and exhort them to find comfort and
 consolation in the religion that his life fully
 recommends to them. Rev. Jordan C. Nye
 died at his home in Penn. a few weeks ago. He
 labored forty years in this Y.M. He had peculiarities
 but his heart was true and he accomplished much
 good. We respect his memory and express our
 fervent sympathy with his bereaved wife and
 daughter. The wife of Rev. Lincoln J. Weed died
 quite recently at her husband's place of labor in
 New Philadelphia, Illinois. Bro. Weed entered the
 ministry and labored several years in this
 Y.M. Many will remember his wife as the faithful
 companion of his travels and labors and all
 will feel a deep sympathy with him in his
 great affliction.

Statistics

Meigs	Athens	Callia
Jackson	Johnson	Kanawha
Shiloh	Hocking Valley	
West Virginia	Total	
	Thos. C. Peden	Clk.