

Vinton, Ohio. Aug. 7. 1896. 2.30 P.M.

The Ohio River <sup>Yearly Meeting</sup> met in regular session and was called to order by Rev. Joseph Heartsork. Devotional services conducted by Rev. L. C. Miller. Rev. J. M. Davis was chosen moderator and H. F. Bolton assistant clerk. Gallia, Jackson, Meigs and Shiloh L. Ms. were represented by letter and delegates, Athens by delegate. Committees were then appointed by the moderator. Com. on devotion - G. W. Shack, H. L. Reisinger and J. H. Feltman. Adjourned until 8 P.M.  
8 P.M. Sermon by Rev. L. C. Miller, Text 25: 46.

Aug. 8. 8.30 A.M.

Devotional services led by Rev. H. J. Fulton. Received verbal report of Athens L. M. by C. W. Long. Committee to select names of delegates to state Association - H. L. Reisinger, James Lusk and Clara Benedict. Com. on location of next session of Q. M. - George Bing and M. W. Hickerson. Com. on Missions - H. J. Fulton, Henry Bolton, and R. S. Carpenter. Com. to examine A. H. Lash in view of his ordination - Rev. J. M. Davis, H. J. Fulton, Joseph Heartsork, H. F. Bolton and C. W. Long. Adjourned.

2.30 P.M.

After prayer by A. H. Lash, voted to use the Sabbath collection as yearly meeting funds. The following

### Reports.

were adopted. Com. to select delegates to state Assn. Rev. J. H. Hymers, H. F. Bolton, Sam. Fulton, C. C. Henry, J. H. Martin, R. L. Farmer, A. H. Lash, H. J. Fulton, C. O. Celock, E. N. Long, Dr. J. W. Campbell, R. S. Carpenter, Mrs. Nora Carpenter, Alberta M. Arnold, Ella B. Davis and Henry Bolton.

Com. on location of next session, Athens L. M.

Com. on missions: Whereas mission work is the one chief duty of all Christians, and God's blessings have ever attended the church devoted to the cause of missions; Therefore, resolved, we express our thanks to God for past success and present interest in the work of gospel missions and now feel called upon to consecrate ourselves anew to all our denominational benevolence.

2d. Resolved, that we urge all our ministers to observe the four mission days, designated by our General Conference, presenting to their churches our mission interest home and foreign, and take collections for their support.

3d. Resolved, that we extend to our sister sympathy and cooperation in the work of the Woman's Missionary Society, and urge them to maintain its interests and push its work of education and supporting the cause of missions.

4th. Resolved, that we approve of the proposed plan to raise \$100,000 permanent Home Mission fund in 5 years, and ask all our people to remember this much needed fund in their gifts and bequests to the permanent funds to our church.

Council for examination of A. H. Lash.

We the undersigned, members of the committee to examine A. H. Lash by leave to report that we have conducted such examination with as great thoroughness as possible. We are entirely satisfied with his relation of his religious experience and of his conviction of duty in regard to preaching; also of the sincerity and earnestness of his spirit as evinced by his answers. But in view of the shortness of his ministerial experience, and of our desire to meet the growing demand of our people, and the recommendation of our General Conference for a high

standard of ministerial preparation and efficiency,  
we recommend that his ordination be deferred  
one year, and we recommend that he faithfully  
continue his present course of ministerial work  
and study until that time.

J. M. Davis  
W. J. Fulton  
H. F. Bolton  
E. N. Long  
Comm.

Resolutions.

Resolved, that, as a Yearly Meeting, we disapprove  
of the conduct of Bro. J. E. Peden and Bro. Peter  
Williams in opposition to our denominational  
unity and work, and, while they continue in  
such course, we do not hold them as in  
good standing as ministers in our Yearly Meeting.

Resolved, that the clerk be instructed to place  
the above resolution on the Y. M. record, send  
a copy to each of our denominational papers,  
and to each of the named brethren, and forward  
a copy to each L. M. clerk in the Yearly Meeting.

Whereas, our Y. M. needs money each year for  
incidental purposes to defray expenses of delegates  
to General Conference &c, and as our General  
Conference ask that we pay one cent per member  
each year for General Conference expenses, therefore  
Resolved, that we ask the Quarterly Meetings composing  
this Y. M. to collect a sum equal to 5 cents per  
resident member from their churches for annum;  
one-fifth for General Conference purposes and four  
fifths to meet the expenses of this Y. M. All the funds  
thus collected to be sent directly to the Yearly  
Meeting treasurer.

Adopted

E. N. Long Clerk.