

Vinton, Ohio, Aug. 12, 1904.

Friday, Aug. 12, 1904, at 2 o'clock P.M. the Ohio River Yearly Meeting of Free<sup>will</sup> Baptists, in session with the Vinton Church, was called to order by the clerk.

Dr. J. M. Davis was called on to conduct devotional exercises. After devotion Dr. Davis was duly elected moderator of the meeting. Minutes of last session were read and approved.

Athens, Meigs, Gallia, and Shiloh Quarterly Meetings reported by letter. No report from Jackson T. M. Rev. G. V. Frey was elected assistant moderator.

Moderator appointed as pulpit committee, Rev. G. E. Moore, Mrs. Vennie Butler and Mr. Geo. Hartsook.

On motion election of delegates to General Conference was made a special order of business for 8:30 Saturday A.M.

The matter of state work was discussed at some length. Various committees were appointed as follows: Com. on delegates to State Assoc'n., Com. on Temperance, on Education, on Missions, on State of denomination.

Rev. G. V. Frey delivered an able sermon Friday evening.

Saturday, Aug. 13, 8 A.M.

Conference called to order by Moderator Davis.  
Devotional service was conducted by Rev. F. N. Bates.  
At 7:30 business was taken up.

Reading of yesterday's minutes. With some corrections adopted.

Moved to elect by informal ballot, three delegates to General Conference which will be held at Hillsdale, Mich., Sept. 6-13, 1904.  
Motion carried.

Ballot was taken with result as follows:  
Dr. J. M. Davis, Rev. G. E. Moore & Rev. G. V. Frey elected.  
Moved that C. O. Clark be alternate for Dr. Davis, J. J. Coughenour for G. E. Moore and F. W. Chase for G. V. Frey. Motion Carried.

Committee on delegates to State Association to be held at Kipton, O. beginning Aug 31, reported the following names:  
J. M. Davis,  
W. J. Fulton, C. O. Clark, G. E. Moore, G. V. Frey,  
Sam'l Fulton, F. W. Chase, Robt Carpenter,  
Birdie Lasher, Hoyt Hoskinson, Moulton Wickline,  
J. J. Coughenour, W. L. Reisinger. (one name short)

Com. { F. W. Winn  
Geo. Briggs

Report was accepted and those named, declared elected as delegates.

Committee on Temperance made the following report:

"Whereas, the liquor traffic is causing a very large percent of other great evils, such as divorce, labor troubles, political corruption and Sabbath desecration, and whereas the traffic continues ~~in the~~ to increase in spite of all attempts at its regulation by any system of license and such systems only serve to make the nation, the state and the individual party to the business authorized and protected thereby, Therefore, Resolved, that as a yearly Meeting we believe that the traffic in all intoxicants ought to be classified with all other evils now prohibited by law, and that we believe in and reaffirm our devotion to the principle and policy of the entire prohibition and extinction of this the greatest evil in the world."

Com. { W. J. Fulton  
      { J. J. Coughenour  
      { Eliza Hoskins

This report after some discussion was unanimously adopted.

The committee on Education submitted a report recognizing the spirit of sacrifice in the founders of Rio Grande College and expressing gratitude for the efficient work and beneficent influence of this college and its faculty. Resolving <sup>(1<sup>st</sup>)</sup> that we renew our pledge of loyalty and support to all its work. And <sup>(2<sup>d</sup>)</sup> that we cooperate with the trustees of the college in an effort to increase the endowment fund to one hundred thousand dollars, and <sup>(3<sup>d</sup>)</sup> that we as individuals, far as we can, give and solicit gifts toward increasing its library, cabinet and philosophical apparatus.

Com. } C. O. Clark  
 } F. W. Chase  
 } R. N. McLeath

Report was received and adopted after some urgent remarks, especially as to the increase of the endowment, by Pres. Davis.

Committee on missions submitted the following report:

"Resolved, that at a yearly meeting we are grieved to learn of the continued sickness of Sister Helen M. Phillips, and pledge to

her our earnest prayers for her restoration to health, and extend to her and her kindred our deepest sympathy in their affliction.

Also, that we are grateful to God for the years of faithful service she has given to our work in India, and her example of devotion to the cause of missions.

Resolved, that we as a Y. M. should bring about a definite organization for better work in Missions.

Resolved, that pastors should urge their Churches to observe the four denominational days specified by Gen. Conf. and also urge the appointment of a mission collector in each Church, or that they have some systematic method of collecting mission ory funds.

Com. { May Fulton  
Rachel Moore  
F. N. Bates

This report was received and adopted.

The Committee on State of Denomination reported a fair degree of aggression and spirituality in the Gallia D. M. The Meigs D. M. good with all its churches supplied or soon to be supplied with pastors. Jackson<sup>D. M.</sup> fairly good so far as known. Athens D. M. lacking Pastoral care except

except four churches that are walking according to Gospel order. A "Macedonian Cry" comes from the Athens L.M.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the executive board of this Y.M. cooperate with the Ex. board of the Athens L.M. in asking the assistance of the "State Board" in supplying our ~~our~~ pastorless churches with "Pastors."

Com. } G. V. Frey  
          } G. E. Moore  
          } C. O. Clark

The report was adopted.

The Y.M. Treasurer, J. J. Coughenour, submitted the following financial report:

year ending Aug. 12, 1904.

Nothing in treasury at the beginning of the year.

Aug. 5, 1903	Y.M. Collection (Coalton)	\$3.20
" 4, 1904	rec'd. <u>Cheshire Church</u>	10.00
" 9, "	" <u>Salvia L.M.</u>	4.65
" 9, "	" <u>Meigs L.M.</u>	33.75
Total receipts,		\$51.60

Oct. 7, 1903	Paid Y.M. Clerk	\$3.20
	Paid for Treasurer's book,	.25
Total expenditures		\$3.45
		\$3.45
Bal. on hand,		\$48.15

This report was accepted by Conference.

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It was decided that the next session of the O.R.Y.M. 51  
would be held within the bounds of the Athens P.M.  
probably with the Albany Church.

The Y.M. Clerk, Chase, having to leave for Portsmouth  
before the close of business, was excused and  
F.W. Wimer named to act as clerk pro tem  
during remainder of session.

G.F. Frey was also excused from conference on  
account of having to go to Sunday work.

Pulpit Committee reported C.O. Clark to preach  
at 10:30 and a social meeting at 2 P.M.

Conference adjourned to meet again after the  
social meeting.

At 10:30 Prof. Clark preached on the wisdom of  
God as shown by the works of nature.

At 2 p.m. Rev. G.E. Moore led the social meeting

This was a most profitable part of the Y.M.  
session, a large number of persons took an  
active part.

~~On that~~

At 4 p.m. conference was called to order by  
moderator. Rev. Moore spoke on ~~Commission~~  
work and ~~made~~ <sup>closed with</sup> a motion that Miss May  
Fullton be the President of a Y.M. Missionary  
Society. Motion seconded and carried.

C.O. Clark was nominated for secretary to  
same. Miss Carrie Shires was nominated as  
an amendment, Amendment lost and Clark  
elected. He was also elected ~~to~~ treasurer.

Motion was made <sup>by G.E. Moore,</sup> and passed that the Saturday evening of each yearly meeting be given to the Y.M. Missionary Society.

W. J. Fulton moved that C. O. Clark be elected Y.M. Trustee for five years, J. H. Feltman for four years, Henry Tipton for three years and A. J. Coughenour for two years. Motion seconded and carried and said officers declared duly elected. W. J. Fulton's term as trustee will expire with regular session of 1905.

C. O. Clark moved that Miss Mollie Fulton be elected to fill the list of delegates to State Assoc'n making the number fourteen, and that delegation to State Association be empowered to fill any vacancy by non attendance by any member of this Y. M. in attendance at State Assoc'n. Motion carried.

Mrs. Birdie Humphrey read a paper on the "Sunshine Society." Discussed by <sup>Dr. Moore</sup> and Clark. Motion made and seconded to draw an order on the treasurer for \$5.00 in favor of Clark. Motion carried.

After prayer by Rev. Moore conference adjourned.

On Saturday evening Rev. W. J. Fulton delivered a missionary sermon and a mission-



any collection was taken

On Sunday morning Prof. C. O. Clark gave a pleasant and interesting talk on Sunday School work.

After the S. S. lesson Dr. J. M. Davis preached an unusually interesting sermon. He also talked to a large and appreciative audience in the evening.

The session of the O. R. Y. M. throughout was helpful and encouraging.

And may our next session be still better in our prayers.

Freeman W. Chase, Y. M. Clerk,  
assisted by Fred. W. Wynn, Clerk pro tem.