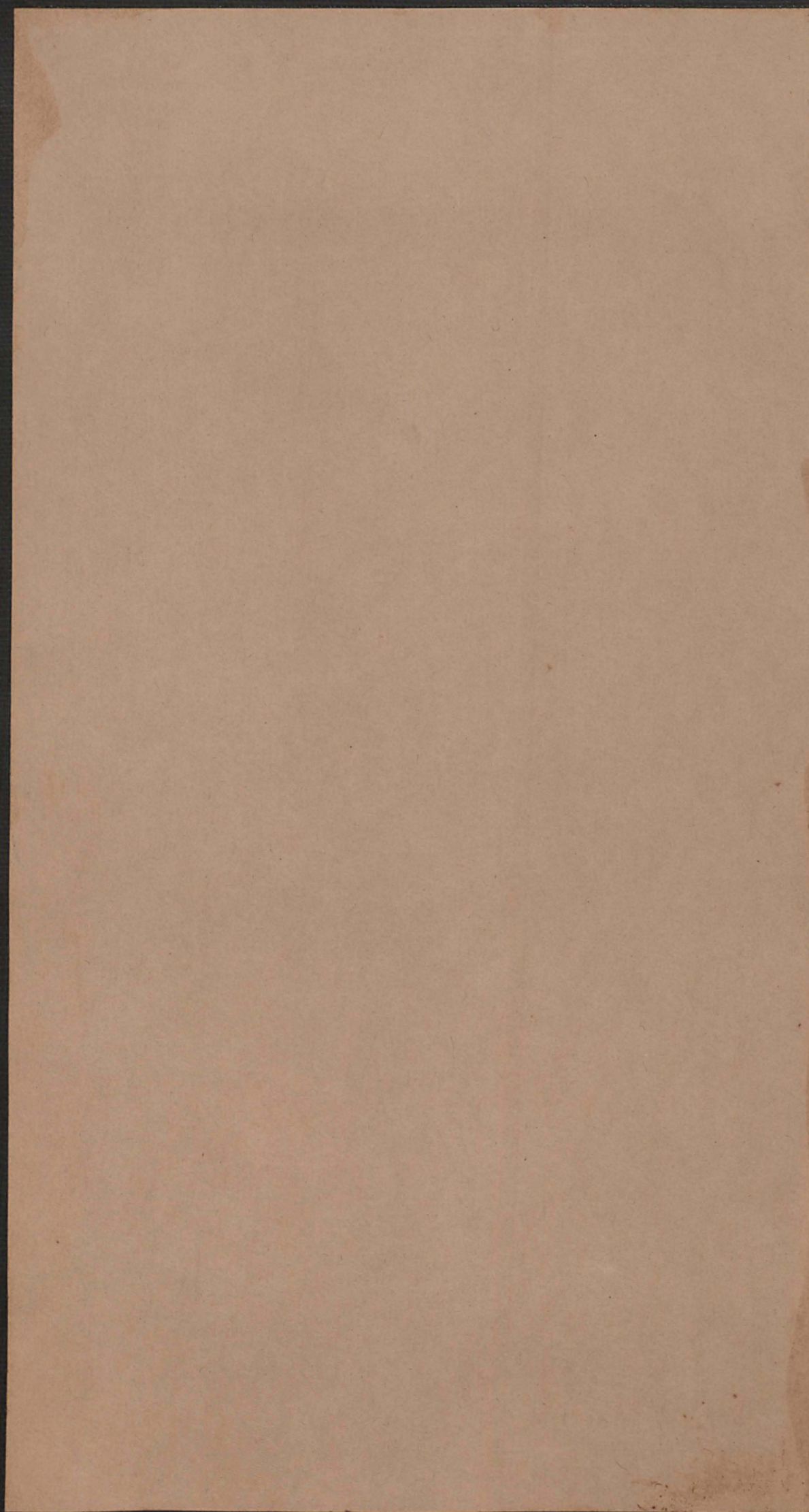
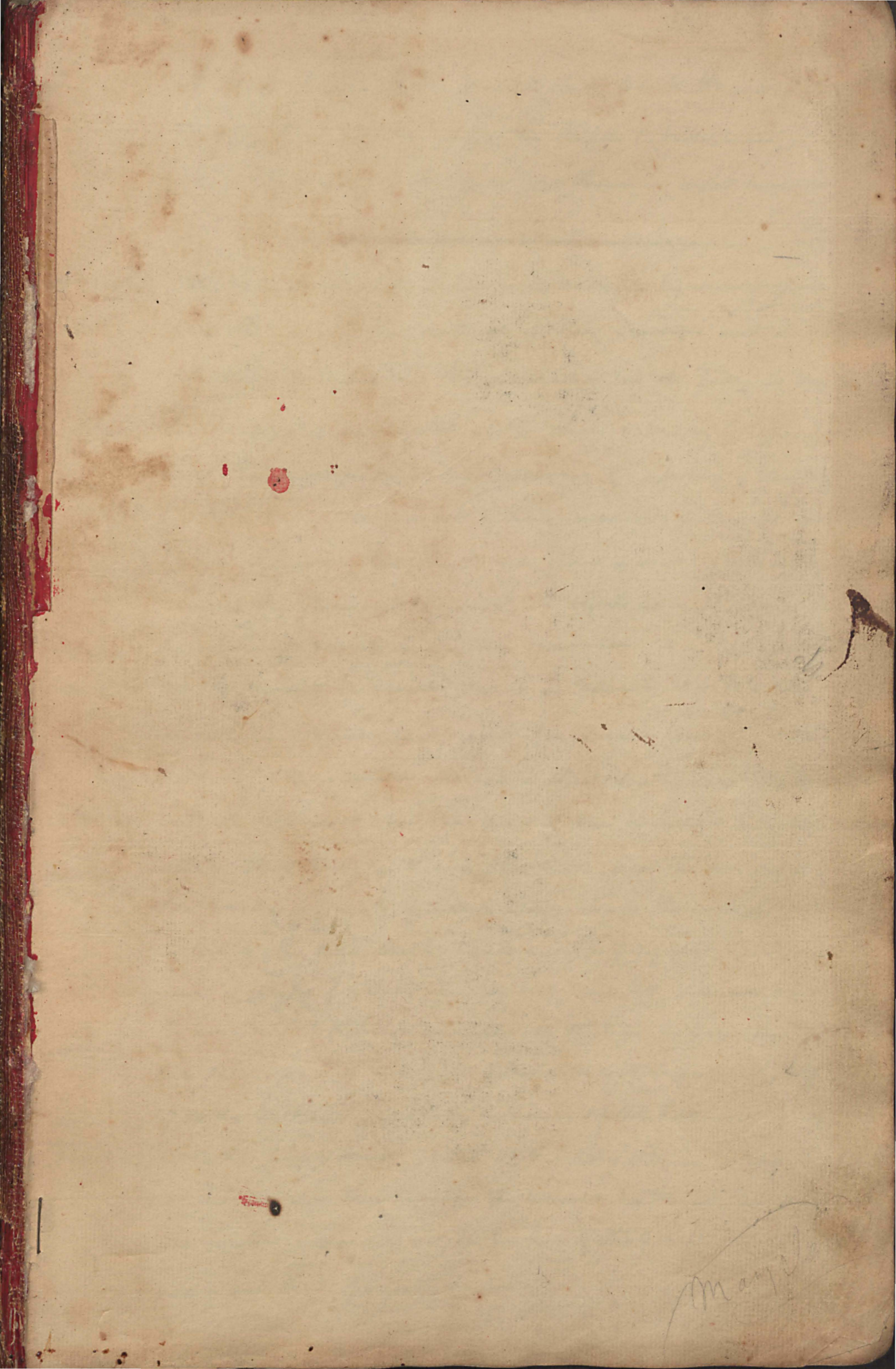


SHILOH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
CHURCH
1830





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A brief history of the causes which led to the erecting a meeting house for the use of the "Shiloh Baptist Church", in the city of Washington, in the year one thousand eight hundred thirty.

Causes

Several persons, who had been brought, by divine grace, to prize the distinguishing doctrines of free, sovereign, and unconditional salvation, founded on the everlasting love of God, in Christ, to his people, as manifested in the whole economy of redemption,

desire a House

had, for several years, been desirous of possessing a meeting house for their use: being most of them members of Church, some of which ^{holding} professedly these truths, but, from a want of speciality in their views of the atonement of Christ, in effect, denying them; and a favorable opportunity having been presented, at a sale of unimproved

Cham or bar lot

lots, the property of Daniel Carroll, in February 1830, to obtain one, suitable, in location, and extent, for such a purpose; Brother Charles Polkinhorn purchased one, on D street South, near its intersection

Location

with H² Street West, for the sum of One hundred and thirty-two dollars twenty three cents, and the taxes due thereon, eight dollars six cents & one fourth of a cent, which made the cost of the lot,

52 23
8.06 1/4
140.29 1/4

including the taxes, One hundred and forty dollars twenty nine cents and a fourth of a cent. Ten per cent upon the purchase, agreeably to the conditions of the sale, amounting to thirteen dollars twenty two cents, and the amount of the taxes, eight dollars six cents and a quarter, was paid

Notes, by

by Brother Polkinhorn, and notes, drawn by Brother Polkinhorn and endorsed by Brother Joseph Borrows, dated 8th February 1830, on interest, payable at one, two, and three years, for the balance on the lot, being one hundred and nineteen dollars & one cent, for the sum of thirty nine dollars, thirty three cents & one third of a cent each.

Arrangements were immediately made, by Brother Polkinhorn, to commence

to commence erecting the building, which it was estimated would cost about seven hundred dollars.

Brethren Joseph Barrows, Samuel Fowler, and several persons friendly to the object, encouraged the undertaking; particularly Sister Mary Edmonson with a donation, which she had long cherished, reserved, and set apart, for such a purpose. By the aid and assistance of Brethren Fowler, Nathan Edmonson, Mr Rodbird, and several others, who gratuitously gave a certain extent of labor toward the erection of the building, which, with enclosing the lot, and all contingencies, was completed at the cost of nine hundred thirty three dollars twenty seven cents, which added to the first instalment paid and the tax, also paid, makes the cost nine hundred & fifty four dollars fifty six cents, not including the annual payments, for three years, of the balance on the lot. The sum of four hundred and ~~sixty~~ sixty seven dollars and ~~thirty~~ thirty cents having been collected, or contributed during the progress of the work, the sum of four hundred and eighty seven dollars and forty three cents is, a balance, now due to Brother Charles Polkirkhorn, who has paid all the debts on the building, who, upon the same being collected, and paid to him, will invest the property, by deed, in the hands of trustees for the purposes for which it was erected. ^{therein} to show forth the eternal love, and sovereign mercy of God in manifesting his free grace, in the salvation of sinners, by the precious, and precious, atonement of Christ Jesus, and the application of the blessings thereof to the soul made alive, or quickened by the operation of the Divine Spirit. They must say "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad."

Entered by order of the Church, passed 28 Sept. 1833.

Clement J. Coote. Clerk

A Statement

of the expenses incurred, and the donations received, by Bro Charles Polkirkhorn, relative to the meeting house used by the "Shiloh Baptist Church."

1830		Donations received	1830	Expenditures	
Feb 7		Mary Edmonson 10	Mar 2	M. Edmonson for labor	6 50
28		S. Fowler from Mrs Buckwold 8		1 bill for door	2
		D S Waters 5		2 ¹ / ₂ Cutt Nails	20
March 8		Joseph Bourous 10		2 bills for front doors	21 50
		Mary Edmonson 10		Surveying lot	2
April 3		Joseph Bourous 10	April 3	Leche Crown 2666 ³ / ₄ bricks	10
		Chas Polkirkhorn 100		Irish Lead 6 ⁰ Spikes	48
		Mary Edmonson 5		M Adams on acct flooring	6
		Joseph Bourous 5		Stevenson & Carnes Sawing bills	3
		John Heally Baltimore 10		60 ft Scantling (Crooms)	1 50
		Mary Edmonson 5		M Edmonson Cash	2
		Benj ⁿ Kinley 10		11 bar ^s Sand 2.20 Hauling 50	2 70
		James Osborn Baltimore 10		2 bar ^s Lami	3 22
		Mary Edmonson 5		digging foundation & labour	} 3 75
		D Waters 5		to bricklayer	
		Ehiza Stewart 5		1 Gall Oil of turpentine shingles 25	1 12 ¹ / ₂
		Mary Edmonson 5		1 Gall Turpentine 8 ¹ / ₂ W Lead 1:-	1 87 ¹ / ₂
		D Arden 10	9	Jobson 8 ¹ / ₂ work 125	10 62 ¹ / ₂
		Andrew Coyte 5	12	M Lenni 11 ¹ / ₂ .. 100	11 50
		Samuel Bacon 5		To lower 12 ¹ / ₂ days work 112 ¹ / ₂	14
		Lewisa Fagle 5		2 Crops for hauling lumber	3 46
		Sam ^e Hethering 1		Rezin Orme 3500 shingles	19 87 ¹ / ₂
		J. S. Todd & Co 5		6 ¹ / ₂ Hinges ¹⁰⁰ Key box to lock 95	1 75
		Collection at opening	17	Job Adams bill on ^{foot} 1265 Flooring	12 97
		The Meeting house } 13 50		P Little bill for hauling	2 18 ¹ / ₂
		Elvira Thompson 1		4 ¹ / ₂ Cutt & 2 ⁰ Nails	94
		Ann Ford 50		1 ¹ / ₂ box Glap	9 75
		Collected by Mary Edmonson 1		Job Perkins for painting front	7
		A B 1		1 box lock for pulpit	1 25
		M Clarke 2		8 ¹ / ₂ Lami P & Kennedy 1.45	11 60
July 23		of the treasure collected on		3 ⁰ Trade Lath & Screws	75
		Lords day } 3 50		M Edmonson the bill on 16 days	13 50
		over 271 50		over 172 67 ¹ / ₂	

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Donations received

Expenditures

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1830	Brought over	271	50
July 23	J W Hand Post office	5	
	J Ellison Post office	4	
	Samuel Fowler	60	
	Clement Hoote	48	22
	Mr Doctels Labor done	10	
	Mr Rodbird "	20	
	Mr Wilkinson Lashes ^{Light} 960	9	60
	Joseph Borews 2 Windows Lashes -	2	80
	Robert Clarke	2	50
	Mr Edmonson Labor	10	
	Henry D Summell Labor	1	25
	Dane Page	1	25
	Saml. Fowler Putting up fence - donation	5	
	Lucie Ducl painting pulpit	10	
		467	13

1830	Brought over	172	62
	2 Iron files for chimney	1	75
May 5	W. Dougherty Lumber bill	122	37 1/2
	9 th Brads		73
	4 1/2 Bush fine sand hauling	1	31 1/2
	Whitewashing house	3	50
	1 pr Hinges Nails Brads		31 1/2
	B Page 45 days work	125	56 25
	H D Summell 20 1/2 d work	125	25 31 1/2
May 29	King & Delany plaiting	66	27 =
	Stock for cupboard		57 =
	5 th White Lead		81 1/2
	8 Venetian blinds	7	87 =
	2 Curtains for Pulpit		80
June 24	W Dougherty Lumber	5	67
	Irons for suspending lamps	2	50
	Waller & Co for Lumber	52	86 =
	P Kennex	36	68 =
	G Coombs	30	30 =
	J Purcell for Lamps	15	25
	Pateter & Addison Nails	29	17
	Samuel Fowler Work	90	
	Filling in lot	3	12 1/2
	20 th W Land Phil Blagden	10	
	4 1/2 th Linné J L Kennaday	5	60
	To do of white lead Nails	7	69
	2 Lamps for Pulpit	5	
	Fixtures for do		75
	Taxes on lot p ^d	8	6 1/2
	10 percent on purchase of the lot p ^d at sale	13	22
	Laths. Nails. Gravel paths		48 22
	Paints & C. Hoote		10
	Mr Doctels Labor		10
		832	65

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D Donations received

Expenses

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brought up 467 13

Due to Bro Charles
Polkenhorn to ball^e } 487 43

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Bro^r rep 832 65

Mr Wilkinson Sashes 9 00

Mr Redbird Painting 20

2 Sashes & frames J^s Dorrows 8 80

Robert Clarke 2 50

Sam^e Fowler (Pencil) 5

Mr L^e Ducl Painting 10

Mr Wilkinson 48 Sashes
Sash. 4 32

Mr Edmonson L^o 10

H B Sumell 1 day labor 1 25

W. Page .. 1 25

James Owen Lumber 119 19

954 56

Sept 28 Bro Dorrows, am^t of collections
as treasurer — 41. 50

Collected by Sister Mary Edmonson 50

.. Eliza^h Caste 16: 25 =

28 Sept. Received twenty one
dollars. Chas^s Polkenhorn

Oct 22 Received of Mrs Dorrows four
dollars, Sister Edmonson Eighty
Seven Shill^l Cents, 4 87 1/2

Nov 26 Recd of Sister Caste seven
dollars. Mrs Caste two doll^l
& Mrs Barrow 50^l day
Collections found ^{the} 10

Chas. Polkenhorn 13 49

Due to Bro Charles
Polkenhorn ball^e 487 43

The Committee, to whom
the accounts of the building
was referred, Certify the above
balance to be correct: due
to Brother Polkenhorn Four
hundred & Eighty seven
dollars forty three cents
this 10th September 1830

Committee of
accounts {
Jos. Barrow
Clemente T. Booth.

The annual payments of
and interest thereon,
39.33 for three years, from 8th 1830
1830, are also to be provided
for. — the notes are drawn by
Bro Polkenhorn and
endorsed by Bro J^s Dorrows

C. T. Booth

over

39 27 1/2

over

487 43

Donations received

Expenditures

1831	Brought over	39 27 1/2
March 25	Cash & proceeds of	
Page 29	Sale of two Lamps	43: 99
"	P ^d by Mrs James Thomas	2:
April 23	P ^d to Bro Palkenhorn	9 38
May 20	Cash to Bro Palkenhorn	10 87
June 24	Cash Mrs Palkenhorn	12
July 22	" " "	4
Sept 29	" Bro Palkenhorn	13
Oct 19	" " "	13 62 1/2
25	" " " By Mrs Baker	18 11
	rec ^d filed	
Nov 23	" to Bro Palkenhorn	17 71
1832		
Jan 7 - 18 1/2	" to Bro Palkenhorn	6 18
"	" charge to Bro Palkenhorn	
	Bro Fowler's donation	30
March 20	to Elder Palkenhorn	5 68
April 11	" " "	6 50
June 20	" " "	18 48
Sept 12	" " "	12 77
Oct 17	" " "	4 59
Nov 15	" " "	6 41
Dec 19	" " "	4 60 1/2
1833		
March 17	sent by Bro Barrows	17 50
April 26	Self	9 75
"	P ^d by Bro Fowler	6 17
June 12	Self	10 67
July 17	" "	9 87 1/4
Sept 18	" "	10 9
Nov 2 17	" "	12 96 1/4
1834		
March 16	" "	3:
April 20	" sent by Bro Barrows	4 50

	Brought over	187 43
March 25	C Fowler's bill	15 25
	First annual	
	Installments on Leds	
Page 29	P ^d Feb 7 1831	142 9
	These sums p ^d by Bro	
	Palkenhorn	
1832		
June 20	Second annual instalment	
	on Leds - p ^d by Elder Palkenhorn	
Page 43	1833	
	8 Feb 1832.	44 45
Feb 8	Last instalment for	
	Leds paid by Elder	
	C. Palkenhorn	46 41

Up 363 63 1/2

Up 635 63

Donations received

Expenditures

1854

Bro A. Up 363 63 1/2

Bro A. Up 635 63

June 15 Tolder Polkinghorn 6 60

July 20 " " " 7 80

Aug 17 " " " 4 25

Sept 14 Tolder Polkinghorn by Bro Foster 1 20

Dec 21 " " " Bro Barrows 5 50

1854
Apr 20 " " " Bro Barrows 4

June 21 " " " Polkinghorn 14 50

July 19 " " " Bro Barrows 2 85

Aug 16 " " " Polkinghorn 2 37 1/2

Sept 20 " " " Bro Barrows 2 25

1856
April 24 " " " Bro Barrows 6

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at various times on the after merits
you will find moneys paid to Elder
Polkinghorn in liquidation of the
above debt of the Church to him
all going clearly to show that he
never had any personal interest
over any other member to any
part of the property. He only
acting as their agent in all this
whole business transaction

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Mr. [unclear]

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Donation record

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Proceedings on Lords day 20th June 1830

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Meeting -
House opened
20 June 1830.

Brothers Charles Palkinton, Joseph Borrows, and others, having concluded to open the meeting house, for the worship of God, and also to constitute the Church, on Lords day the twentieth of June one thousand eight hundred and thirty, especial invitations were given, and arrangements made, with a view to these objects, with Brothers John Heally and James Osborn, of Baltimore, Samuel Cornelius, of Alexandria, and O. B. Brown of Washington to attend on the occasion. On the morning Lords day 20 June 1830 Brother John Heally opened the meeting house for the worship of God by praise, in using the following Psalm, 122nd Com^{te} Metre, of W. Watts, or 418 Hymn in Watts

Bro Heally
preached.

arranged by Kiffin, "How did my heart rejoice to hear" &c upon the conclusion of which, he addressed the throne of grace in prayer, and preached from the following words "But Jerusalem, which is above, is free, which is the mother of us all". Galatians, Chap 26 Verse. Brother Samuel Cornelius gave also a word of exhortation and concluded the morning meeting by praise and prayer.

Bro Cornelius
exhorted, and
concluded by
praise and prayer.

In the afternoon, at three o'clock, all the Brethren, who had been especially invited for the occasion, were present. Brother Samuel Cornelius introduced the service by praise and prayer: when, as a preliminary to forming, and regularly constituting, a society to gospel order, the following persons, into a church of Jesus Christ; (a committee of the ministering brethren having duly examined the letters from their respective churches) Brother O. B. Brown made the usual and proper enquiry relative to their standing in their respective churches; - the doctrines held and maintained by them, and their desire to be united in Christian fellowship; all which interrogatories having been separately, and satisfactorily answered, and their apostles given them individually, Brother O. B. Brown

Constituting
the church.

delivered

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Constituting
the Church.
Seventeen
persons.

delivered a suitable, and impressive charge, when the right hand of fellowship was given, by all the ministering brethren, to the following persons, who were then acknowledged, and received, as a regularly constituted church of Jesus Christ, of the particular baptist denomination: That is to say, Charles Polkinhorn, Joseph Borrowes, Samuel Fowler, Nathan Edmonson, James Thomas (col^d) Mary Edmonson, Laura M Tree, Susanna Borrowes, Elizabeth Cote, Mary Cote, Mary Clay, Elizabeth Prime, Ann Ford, Ann H Fowler, Elizabeth Holroy, James Jimms (col^d) & Betsy Thompson (col^d) Seventeen persons.

Bro James Osborn preached from "Be also, as lively stones are built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God by Jesus Christ" 2 Peter 2 Chap 5th who also engaged in prayer.

Choice of Pastor

The church having signified their desire of committing the pastoral care thereof to Brother Charles Polkinhorn, Brother O. B. Brown made usual enquiries and having received satisfactory answers, Brother Healy ascended the throne of

Ordination

of grace in prayer, and being assisted by Brothers Cornelius, Brown and Osborn, by the imposition of hands, set apart, and Bro C. Polkinhorn, ordained Brother Charles Polkinhorn to the works of ^{the} ~~own~~ ^{ministry} ~~example~~, and committed into his hands, as under shepherd the pastoral care of the church. Brother O B Brown delivered the charge, and gave the right hand of fellowship, followed by all the Ministering brethren. Brother Polkinhorn closed the meeting by praise and prayer.

* Elder C. Polkinhorn preferred the expression "the ministry" and it ^{was} changed to suit his views

First Church
Meeting

The ^{first} meeting of the church was held on the 24 June 1830, and opened by praise and prayer by Brother Polkinhorn.

24 June 1830

Bro Clements L Cote applied, by letter, to be admitted as a member of the church, which was unanimously agreed to. On motion of Brother Borrowes it was unanimously Resolved, that to admit any person a member of this church

Admission of
C. J. Cote

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- 24 June It shall require the unanimous vote of all the members present at the church meeting in their favor: and that in all cases, where the expulsion of a member may become necessary, it shall require the vote of, at least, two thirds of the members present to expel; and that a final decision shall, in all cases, be delayed for at least one month after a charge or complaint, shall have been made against any member.
- Admissions
Expulsion
of
Members
- "Shiloh
Church."
- On motion of Brother Borrows unanimously resolved, that the Church assembling at the meeting house, situated near the intersection of four and half street west and D street south, be called the "Shiloh Church".
- Church
Meetings
&
Communion
Seasons
- On motion of Brother Palmborn it was resolved, that the regular communion season of the Church shall be the fourth Lord's day in every month: and that the regular church meetings shall be held on the evening of the Friday preceding the seasons of communion.
- Treasurer.
- On motion of Brother Fowler it was unanimously resolved, that Brother Joseph Borrows do fill the office of treasurer of the "Shiloh Church".
- On motion of Brother Borrows, it was resolved, unanimously, that a committee, consisting of three members, be appointed to examine and pass the accounts, (if correct) of the expenses of erecting the meeting house and enclosing the lot, and other contingencies, and report thereon at the next regular meeting of the church.
- Committee
of
Accounts.
- Soliciting
Committee.
- Brothers Borrows, Fowler and Coste were appointed accordingly.
- On motion of Brother Coste it was unanimously resolved, that a soliciting committee be appointed, to consist of six members, whose duty it shall be to solicit donations and subscriptions, for the purpose of liquidating, and eventually of paying the debt now due for the purchase of the lot and erecting the meeting-house thereon, now occupied by this church.
- Brothers Coste and Fowler, and Sisters Fowler Elizabeth Coste, Lemons and Susan Borrows were appointed the committee.
- Committee to
hold Meetings.
- On motion of Brother Coste, it was unanimously resolved, that none other persons, except members of the Church, in good standing, and members of other churches, of the same faith
- X
- and

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Admittance and order, in good standing, and they only on especial
to Church Meeting invitation of members of this church, shall be permitted
to attend any regular or especial meeting of this church.

Collections on On motion it was unanimously resolved that a collection shall be
Lords-day. regularly made, after preaching on the Lords-day.

Deacon On motion of Brother Barrows it was unanimously
resolved that Brother James Fowler be the Deacon of this
church.

Clerk and On motion of Brother Barrows it was unanimously
Secretary. Resolved, that Brother Clement Cooté, at all public meetings,
when presents, do officiate as clerk, to read out the hymns
and set the tunes: and also to act as secretary of
the church.

When, no further business appearing before the church,
the meeting was closed by praise and prayer by Brother Cooté.

Thursday

23 July 1830

Disposition

of

Lords day

Collections.

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Collections

for

contingent

Expenses.

Collections for

the poor.

Deacon to

report

thereon

Collected 1:55

The stated meeting of the church was held this evening, Brother
Polkinton opened it by praise and prayer.

On motion of Bro Barrows it was unanimously resolved
that the monies collected, after preaching, on the Lords-day,
shall be appropriated to liquidating the debts due on the
meeting house and lot.

On motion of Brother Barrows it was unanimously resolved,
that, at every regular church meeting, a collection should be made
for the purpose of paying the contingents expenses of oil, fire wood
cleaning &c for the use of the meeting house, to be at the
disposal of the deacon for these purposes: and also that
a collection be made, after every communion season, for
aiding and assisting the poor, to be discretionarily distributed
by the deacon, whose duty it is made to reports to the
church quarterly on both points embraced by this resolution.
Collected one dollar fifty five cents and given to Brother Fowler
Deacon. Bro Cooté gave out a hymn, and Brother Barrows
concluded the meeting by prayer.

Clement J Cooté. Secretary.

1830

Friday The evening of this day, being the period for the regular church meeting, it was necessarily postponed, for a week, from the inclemency of the weather. C. J. C.

20 August.
Church Meeting
Postponed.

Church Meeting The Meeting of the church was held this evening, by postponement - ment; Brother Polkinton opened the Meeting by praise and prayer.

Friday 27 Augth

Committee
continued
to report in
September.

On motion of Brother Barrows it was resolved, that the committee, appointed at the church meeting held on the 24th June, be continued, and be requested to report at the next regular church meeting upon the business referred to them.

Bro David
Waters
to be received
into
full fellowship

A letter was received from the Baptist Church at Hopewell, Ohio, recommendatory of Brother David Waters; - whereupon some questions were put to Bro Waters, by Brother Polkinton and Brother Barrows, which having been satisfactorily answered, as to the distinguishing doctrines of the Church; Brother Waters withdrew, when on motion of Bro Barrows, it was resolved, unanimously, "that Brother David Waters be received into full fellowship with us at our next communion season"

Meetings
for Prayer
proposed at
Navy yard

On motion of Brother Barrows it was unanimously resolved "that meetings for prayer should be held once in the week, or at least on the evenings of Lords day, at the Navy yard: provided a suitable place could be obtained for that purpose."

Committee to
enquire for a
Room appointed.

Brothers Parler and Cote were appointed a committee of enquiry on that subject.

Fowler & Cote

Collected one dollar eighty eight cents and given to Brother Fowler - seacon

collected 1:88

Brother Cote concluded ^{the meeting} by praise and prayer.

Clements J Cote Secretary

Friday

28 September

Church Meeting

Brother Polkinhorn opened the meeting of the Church this evening by praise and prayer.

The minutes of the preceding meeting having been read, the Committee of accounts, appointed at the meeting of the Church held on the evening of the 24 June, made the following report, which was adopted:

Report of the Committee of Accounts.

see copies of the Accounts, pages 1st, 2nd & 3rd.

" The committee of accounts to whom was referred the bills and statements of expences incurred in erecting the meeting house and the tax and first instalment on the lot

Report: That they have attended to the duties assigned to them, and find that the expences incurred in erecting the meeting house, and completing all its appurtenances, including the taxes and the first instalment on the lot, to be nine hundred and fifty four dollars fifty six cents, not including the balance due upon the lot of one hundred and nineteen dollars and one cent, and which is payable in one, two, and three years, with interest; and for which three notes have been given, dated 8th February 1830, for \$39:33 cents each, drawn by Brother Polkinhorn and endorsed by Brother Burrows; and that the amount of donation already received, is four hundred and sixty three dollars & thirteen cents, leaving a balance due, and to be provided for, of four hundred and eighty seven dollars forty three cents, and they beg to recommend vigilance on the part of the soliciting committee, to effects a liquidation as fast as practicable: all which they submit in brotherly affection

Signed, by the Committee this 10 September 1830

Samuel Fowler
Joseph Burrows
Clement Hoote "

{ See the record of expences and contributions page 1. 2 & 3. c. & c }

(The original report, signed by the Committee, is filed)

Treasurer 14.50

Mary Edmonson 50

Brother Burrows, as treasurer reported, and paid, as collected, four dollars fifty cents, and Sister Edmonson reported fifty cents

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Eliza Cote 16:-
Paid to Bro Palkinborn 21:-
on acct. building
debt.

and paid it as a donation from a friend: Sister Elizabeth Cote reported sixteen dollars as collected, and paid the same; the total, twenty one dollars, was paid to Brother Palkinborn on account of the building debt.

Adoption
of
the covenant
&
rules of
discipline

Brother Palkinborn introduced to the consideration of the church "a form of sound words" embodied in a Covenant, and some rules and regulations to be observed as matters of discipline. The covenant and rules were deliberately read through by Brother Palkinborn; and again read by sections, and each section of the covenant assented to, and passed by the Church, separately, unanimously: as were also each separate rule of discipline.

History of
Erection of
the Meeting
house.

Bro Cote proposed, and read, a brief history of the causes which led to the erection of the "Shiloh Meeting house used by the "Shiloh Church" in the City of Washington which it was agreed unanimously should be prefixed to the records in the Church Book. (See page before page 1st.)

See leaf before
page 1st
collected 1: 82

Cash collected and paid to Bro Fowler as Deacon one dollar eighty two cents. No further business appearing before the Church, the meeting was closed by a hymn of praise by Brother Palkinborn, and prayer by Brother Cote.

Clement D. Coote Secretary

N.B. The covenants, and rules, adopted, are inserted in their order, on the following pages, commencing on the 16th.

Record cont
page 27th

The record of the meetings of the Church are recommenced at page 27th and continue in succession. C. F. Cote.

Covenant

(Adopted by "Shiloh Baptist Church" in the City of Washington)

We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, having been enabled, by divine grace, to give up ourselves to the Lord, and likewise to one another, by the will of God: do hereby enter into Covenant, as a church of Christ: and that all persons, who are desirous, may know the sentiments which we maintain as the bond of our union, we do most solemnly, as in the presence of him who searcheth our hearts, profess to believe, and hold, the following doctrines

Scriptures
the
Word of God.

1st We believe the scriptures, of the Old and New Testament, to be the word of God; wherein is contained all that is necessary for us to know, believe, or practice, in the service of God.

Trinity of
persons in
the
Godhead.

2nd We believe that there is one only true and ever living God: - that there are three persons in the God-head the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost: who are equal in nature, power and glory: - and that the son, and Holy Ghost, are as properly God as the Father.

Man created
Holy, and
capable of
obedience.

3rd We believe that man was created in the image of God; an upright, holy, being; endowed with powers of body, and soul, capable of glorifying his maker, and of perfectly obeying the law given to him as the test of his obedience: but that he, by trans-

Original sin,
its effect
and
imputation.

gressing, became unholy in his nature, and vile in his affections, and thereby suffering the penalty of moral death in his soul, and liable to eternal death as the just recompence of his transgression and that this unholy nature is imparted, and guilt imputed, to all his posterity: - all having sinned in him and "come short of the glory of God."

Election
and
predestination.

4th We believe that, before the world began, God did elect a certain number of persons to everlasting salvation; whom he did predestinate to the

Covenant continued

Adoption
and
Blessings
thereof.

adoption of children, by Jesus Christ, of his own free grace, and according to the good pleasure of his will: and that, in pursuance of his gracious design, he did contrive, and make, a covenant of grace and peace with his son Jesus Christ, in behalf of those persons for whom a Saviour was appointed, and all spiritual blessings provided; as also that these persons, with all their grace and glory, were placed in the hands of Christ and made the especial objects of his care and charge

Atonement
who alone
interested
therein.

5th We believe, that Christ was set up from everlasting, as the mediator of the new covenant, and having become the surety of his people, did, in the fullness of time, take upon himself their nature, in which nature he really suffered and died as the substitute of his people and in their room and stead: whereby he made all that atonement, or satisfaction, for their sins, which the Law and justice of God could require; in which atonement, or satisfaction, none are interested, either directly or indirectly, but his people for whom he covenanted with the Father and ^{Holy Spirit}

Redemption
special
and
particular

6th We believe that eternal redemption, which Christ obtained by the shedding of his blood, is special and particular, that is to say, it was only intentionally designed for the elect of God and sheep of Christ, who alone ~~are partakers~~ ^{partake} its especial and peculiar blessings.

Justification
by
Christ alone.

7th We believe that the justification of the elect of God, is only by the righteousness of Christ being imputed to them, without the consideration of any works of righteousness done: and that the full, and free, pardon of all their sins, past, present, and to come, is only through the blood of Christ, "according to the riches of his grace".

Regeneration
conversion
&
sanctification.

8th We believe that the works of regeneration, conversion, sanctification, and faith, are not the acts of the free

Covenant continued

Effectual
vocation.

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cont^d

free will and power of man, but of the mighty, efficacious, and irresistible grace of God.

Final
Perseverance.

9th

We believe that all those persons, chosen by the Father, redeemed by the Son, and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, shall certainly persevere, so that not one of them shall ever perish, but shall have everlasting life.

Gospel,
its character,
invitations
&
promises,
to whom
made.

10th

We believe that the gospel is a declaration of the everlasting, and unchanging, love, and good will of God, towards his elect in Christ Jesus: in which is delineated their characters; - as the spiritually poor - the heavy laden, and the disconsolate; to whom alone the gracious invitations and promises are made; and that obedience to the gospel is not the duty of the unregenerate, but the unspeakable, and exalted privilege of the elect of God.

11th

Resurrection
Judgment
final state
of the
righteous
&
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We believe that there will be a resurrection of the dead, both just and unjust; and a general judgment: that Christ will come to judge both quick and dead, where he will take vengeance on the wicked, and introduce his own people into his kingdom and glory, where they shall be for ever with him: and that the happiness of the righteous, and the misery of the wicked, will be alike - interminable.

Ordinances
of
Baptism
&
Lords Supper.

12th

We believe that baptism, and the Lords supper, are ordinances of Christ, and to be observed by his church until his coming: and that the former is absolutely a pre-requisite to the latter: - that is to say, that those only are to be admitted into communion with the Church, who upon a profession of their faith, have been baptised by immersion.

Rules of Discipline

We, the subscribers, also, agree to observe the following rules of discipline, as well as all others, warranted by the word of God.

First. Not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, but constantly to attend the meetings appointed, whithersoever for worship or business, as far as the Lord shall enable us: not neglecting them except when compelled by necessity.

Regularly attend Meetings

Second. To bear each his part, according to his ability, in defraying the expences, which shall arise in supporting the worship of God among us, in a decent and becoming manner: believing this enjoined by God in his holy word.

Defray the necessary expences.

Third. Not to divulge the business of the church, or the infirmities of each other; or tell them to such persons as are not members of our body, when it can be lawfully avoided.

Not divulge Church business or infirmities of members.

Fourth. Not to remove our residence, or abode, to any distant part, without informing church, and advising with our brethren.

Not to change residence.

Fifth. It is also agreed by us, that if any member, or members, shall be found erroneous in doctrine, or disorderly in practice, in any of the particulars stated in the foregoing Covenant, or rules of discipline, or any other thing contrary to the word of God; they shall be liable to the censure of the church; and in case of obstinate continuance therein, shall be excluded from our fellowship: and to prevent, as far as possible, vain disputes, we agree that no person shall hereafter be admitted into membership with this church, but such as are willing, and actually do, sign or assent to their signature being made to the foregoing covenants and rules of discipline, at a stated, or especial, meeting of the church; and in all

Disorderly conduct and errors in doctrine, proceedings thereon.

Sign, or assent to the Covenant & rules essential.

Rules of Discipline continued.

Fifth
continued.

In case of not signing, who to subscribe the name.

cases where the person does not write, but assents to their name being placed thereto, it shall be subscribed by the Pastor of the Church, if present, or by the Deacon, Treasurer, or Secretary; in case of the absence of the Pastor, according to their order in this regulation.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands, that at stated meeting of the "Shiloh Baptist Church" held on the twenty second day of October - in the year One thousand Eight hundred and thirty, the preceding, Covenant, and records, were all read and unanimously adopted.

Members	How Received
Chas. P. Whithorn	Letter from 1 st Ch. Wash. - Removed by death Nov 1836
Jon. Barrows	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash. - Removed by death Jan 1837
Nathan Edmonston	Letter from 3 rd Ch. Wash. - Excluded 25 October 1835. See page 8
Samuel Fowler	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash. - 5 Augt 1838 dismissed by letter
James Simmes	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash.
James Thomas	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash.
Elizabeth Coote	Letter from Church at Sutton near Ely, England
Mary Edmonston	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash.
Mary Coote	Letter from Church at Sutton near Ely, England.
Mary Clay	Letter from Church at Sutton near Ely, England
Susan Barrows	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash.
Ann Ford	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash.
Elizabeth Thompson	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash. - Excluded Aug 2 1856
Ann G. Holler	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash. - Removed by death Jan 1839
Elizabeth Prime	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash. - 11 Sep. 1852. Suddenly removed by death, of the prevailing epidemic the cholera.
Laura M. Tree	Letter from 2 nd Ch. Wash.
Mrs. Holroy	

When received	Members Names	How Received	
1830	June 24 Clement T. Coote	By Letter	excluded May 22 1836 See page 88
August 27 th	J. S. [Signature]	By Letter from Cramer Station Warrley England. By Letter from Hopewell Chin. Ohio.	
1831	June 26 th [Name]	By Baptism	gone to Ohio
June 26 th	Jane Fagan	By Baptism	x
Oct. 23	Mary Ann Bonthron	By Baptism	x (now Langbit (married))
June 24	Ella Stewart	By Letter Ch. Church Wash.	deceased by letter June 10. 1837
Dec. 23	Elizabeth Jones	By Letter Mico Church	deceased
" "	Charlotte Johnson	By Letter Springfield Ch. Ohio	left here [unclear]
1833 May 12	Hos. W. [unclear]	By Baptism	x
Margaret	Margaret McIntosh	By Baptism	x deceased
June 12 th / 16	Susan Huebner	Let. from 2 Church	1835 May dismissed by letter. See page 79.
" "	Mary Madden	Let. from 2 Ch. Wash.	left by letter
July 17	Catharine Joseph	[unclear] King George Co. Virginia	
Nov. 17	Matilda Bernard	Let. from 2 nd Ch. Wash.	excluded 2 nd [unclear] 1852
1835 July	James Tates	By Baptism 20 June 1835	x P. 81
April 1. 1838	Jane Dye	Signed by request by G. Beebe Pastor	left and went to [unclear]

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May 9th Revised List of Names

1856	1 Mary Edmonson	died January 4 th 1855	
July 12 th	2 Mary Clay	dead	1
	3 Susan Burrows	died	
2	4 Elisabeth Thompson. ^{el.}	excluded	
3	5 Laura M Dree	dead	2
4	6 Jane Fagan	✓	3
5	7 Mary A Langfit	✓	
6	8 Alex ^m M. Butosh	dead	4
7	9 David Walters	dead	
	10 James Simmes. ^{cl.}	dead in fall of 1855	
8	11 James Bowles	dead	5
9	12 Joseph Krimes	Church at Alex ²	
10	13 Dorcas Mankins	D ^o D ^o	
11	14 Ann Johnson	died Mar 29 1860	
	15 Elisabeth Beardou	of Alex ² died with Paralytic June 17 th 1856	
	16 David Blackburn	dead	
12	17 Catharine Bowles	Dead	6
	18 Margaret Duckworth	died	
	19 Sarah Philips x	died in Feb 1857.	
13	20 Margaret Smith	Church at Alex ²	
14	21 Elisabeth Edmonson	dead	
15	22 Ann Fisher	Church at Alex ²	7
16	23 Martha Isherwood	Dead	8
	24 Elija Shelton	died March 1857	
17	25 Grace Bonthron	in Ohio	
	26 J. M. Cooke x	died in Lewis the year ago 1853	
18	27 Mary Darby	dead June 58.	
	28 Jack Moore	cl. on recommendation not a member	
19	29 Margaret Sheek	Ex	
20	30 Lewisa Orison	Dead	9
	31 G. S. M. Daniel	April 9 th Excluded for his case with Simpson	
	32 A. M. Simpson x	Excluded Feb 13 th 1854 for refusing to submit to the discipline of the Church	

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The History of the Kings of France

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Revised Names Continued

21	33	Francis Oliver	Dead	10
	34	Jam ^l . Barnes	Excluded for his course in fav of Simpson	Apr 9.
	35	S ^r Jane Oneal	died	
22	36	Susan Carlton	Church at Alex ^d	
	37	Rosetta Candler	Baptism. died in May 1855	
April 10 23	38	M ^{rs} E Smith	By letter from Bud Run, Excluded	
June 12	39	Margaret Anderson	Baptism to day from Alex ^d . died. July 2 nd 1853	
" 24	40	Sarah Davis from Alexandria	Excluded. Church at Alex ^d	
25	41	Lewis Luke .Cld.	By letter Dec 21 1856.	10
per name Rachel	42	Margaret Smith	Baptised July 9 th 1854	11
Oct 8	26	43 Sarah C Bridmore	Baptised Oct 8. 1854	12.
" "	27	44 Fanny Payne cld,	Bapt Oct 8 1854	13.
	28	45 Susan Johnson	By letter June 22 nd 1856	Bapt ^d 14
'857		46 Nancy Robinson	By Baptism	15
Sept 20		47 Eliza Harris	By Exper from Chapmanville	16
		48 Lucy Lewis	by Exper from old Backlick	17
		49 In ^o M Chichester	by Exper Exp ^d Loudoun C ^o	18
		50 Philip Hughes	" Baptism Exp ^d Washington	19
		Sr Adamson	" Baptism " Rockville	20

Revised James Connors

James Connors
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The first report shows on the 11th of March
 the meeting was held at the residence of
 the pastor of Christ Church in New York City
 and all business was conducted in a
 quiet and unobtrusive manner. The
 subject of the meeting was the
 proposed new school measure. It was
 found that the new school measure
 was not in accordance with the
 wishes of the majority of the
 members of the church. It was
 therefore decided to refer the
 matter to a committee of three
 members of the church to be
 chosen at the next meeting. The
 committee was composed of
 Messrs. [names] and [names].
 The committee will report at
 the next meeting.

Done at New York the 11th of March 1854
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 [Signature]

The form of a letter for dismission
 The Shiloh Baptist Church in the City of Washington
 DC, maintaining inviolately the doctrine and order of
 of the gospel of Christ as held by the old school Baptists
 and disclaiming all connection with and fellowship for
 such churches and individuals as have forsaken the
 ancient faith & practice of the gospel and gone into
 into the new school measures ^{of the day}. To any sister church of the
 same faith and order. (occupying the same ground
 with ourselves) sendeth Christian Salutation

Where as our sister DC
 has requested a letter of dismission from us with
 liberty to unite with some church of ~~the same~~ our
 order. We hereby certify that she is a member in good stan-
 ding with us and at her request we hereby commend
 her to your fellowship and watch care. and when she
 shall have been duly received by you and we re-
 ceive due notice thereof we shall consider her dis-
 missed from us

done by order and on behalf of the church
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Friday 22 October 1850

For former records see from page 7th to 13th.

A stated meeting of the Church was held this evening, which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Bro Polkinton, the Covenant, Rules of discipline, and all the records made, as far as the 18th page of this book, and which had been adopted in church meeting, on 28 September, were read and unanimously assented to, by the church, as being correctly recorded.

Bro Borrow, as treasurer, paid to Bro Polkinton four dollars, the amount of collections made on the Lords days from the last meeting of the Church; and Sister Edmonson paid eighty seven and half cents which she had collected; the total amount paid to Bro P. on account of the debt on the building was four dollars eighty seven and half cents. One dollar thirty seven and half cents was collected at this meeting, and paid to Bro Fowler, as deacon, there being no further business, Bro Cook gave out a hymn of praise, and Mother Borrow concluded the meeting by prayer.

Clement Booth
Secretary.

Friday 26 November 1850

A stated meeting of the Church was held on this evening, which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Brother Polkinton, when the Covenant of the Church and the rules of discipline were read, and signed by such of the brethren and sisters, who were originally constituted into church fellowship, as were then present; namely Charles Polkinton Elder: Joseph Borrow, Kather Edmonson, James Finnis, James Thomas, Elizabeth Cook, Mary Edmonson, Mary Cook, Mary Clay, Susan Borrow.

Sister Elizabeth Cook, from the soliciting committee, reported seven dollars as collected; Bro C P Cook, from same committee reported two dollars as collected. Bro Borrow, as treasurer, as collected on Lords days, since the last meeting of the

Covenant, Rules, and Record read.

Bro Borrow paid 4:-
Sister Edmonson 87 1/2 cts.

Paid Bro Polkinton 4-87 1/2

Collected 1-37 1/2

Covenant signed by the members originally constituted, who were present.

Sister E Cook collected 7:-
Bro Cook collected 2:-

Meeting of the Church 26 November 1831
continued.

1831.

13:40 p^o to ^{#4:40} the Church - the total amount 13.40 - was paid over to Bro Palkinhorn. Brother Palkinhorn on account of the ^{building} ~~meeting~~ debt

Brother Fowlers accounts, as seacon, were presented and the amounts collected at communion seasons, and above the amount distributed to the needy, shewed

3:30 in hand a ballance on hand of 31130: and the amount of for charities. monies, collected, at meetings of the Church, for contingencies, shewed a ballance on hand of three dollars

3.99 on hand ⁷⁷/₁₀₀. Cash collected this evening 1:66 which was sent to Brother Fowler with his accounts.

Brother Borrows presented a large square stove, and three plates, for the acceptance of the Church: and Brother Palkinhorn presented an oval ten-plate stove, all for the use of the Church as long as they may serve the purposes for which they are designed.

Brother Cote concluded the meeting by prayer
C. J. Cote
Secretary.

No Church Meetings in the months of ~~December~~ December, ~~January~~ January & February. } At the stated periods for the meetings of the Church, the inclemency of the weather was so great, that it was found necessary to dispense with them for these months of ~~December~~ December, ~~January~~ January & February.
C. J. Cote
Secretary.

1831

25 March a stated meeting of the church was held on the evening of this day, which Elder Charles Palkinhorn opened by praise and prayer.

Bro Samuel Fowler & sister Ann Ford & Betsy Thompson signed the covenant. Sister Elizabeth Cote, from the select committee, reported sixteen dollars as collected; and sister Mary Edmonson, from the same committee reported seven dollars as collected. Bro Borrows, who was prevented by

Meeting of the Church 25 March continued.

1831

Treasurer reported 8.77.

sickness from being present, as treasurer, reported, by Elder Bro Polkinton, Eight dollars 700 as having been collected on Lords days since the last meeting of the Church.

Donation of the Sale of 1st Lamp 12.22. by Bro Polkinton. Venables bill 15.25.

Elder C Polkinton stated that a pair of Lamps, which he had designed as a donation for the use of the Church, now appearing to suit the intended purpose, he had sold them for twelve dollars twenty two cents, and that he wished that sum to be credited on the building and lot account, which was done accordingly. A bill ^{15.25} for stove pipes, and fixing up the same, due to Charles Venable, was presented by Elder C Polkinton, and order to be credited to Brother Polkinton's acct. the same having been paid by him.

57.34 credited to Bro Polkinton. 43.99 debited to Bro Polkinton.

Brother Polkinton reported that the instalment and interest thereon, which had fallen due on the 8 February last, was by \$ ^{42.90} paid him, which sum, and 15.25 ^{to} C Venable, is paid to the credit of Bro Polkinton, and ^{with} the sum of forty three dollars 90, being the sum collected & the proceeds of the Lamps - he is debited.

Resolution in relation to applying to the Balt Association

On motion of Bro C. J. Code seconded by Bro Burrows, it was resolved ^{unanimously} that Elder Brother Polkinton, he, and he is hereby requested to prepare a letter, to be addressed to the Churches composing the Baltimore association, at their next annual meeting, to be held in Fredricks town on the Thursday before the fourth Lords day in May next, expressive of the desire of the Welsh Baptist Church, to unite with that association.

Brother Thomas giving each one 1/2 to ward the bells

Brother James Thomas and James James each gave one dollar of a donation toward the 2d Building debt, which was paid to Bro Polkinton. One dollar ²²/₁₀₀ was collected at this meeting for contingent

22 Collected Expenses. contingents Expenses.

Bro C. J. Code closed the Meeting by prayer and prayer.

Clement Sleoste Secretary.

1830. 23 April.

Stated Meeting of the Church

A stated meeting of the Church was held on the evening of this day, which was opened by Elder Polkinton, by praise and prayer.

The proceedings of the last church meeting were read.

Elder Polkinton, who at the last meeting of the Church was requested to prepare a letter to be addressed to

the elders and brethren composing the Baltimore Baptist Association, at their annual meeting to be held on the Thursday before the third Lord's day in May at Frederick-

town Maryland, read a letter he had prepared agreeably to that request, which was approved and adopted by the church, as follows:-

Letter to the

Balt^a Association.

The Church of Christ, meeting for worship in the Childs meeting house in the City of Washington, to the Baltimore Baptist Association, sends the greeting.

Dear Beloved Brethren

Having been duly constituted into a church of Christ, by the assistance of ministering brethren, John Healy, James Osborn, Samuel Cornelius, and O. W. Brown; and being desirous of uniting with your association, we hereby solicit to be admitted a member thereof, believing that such a union is a means of promoting fellowship among the churches, conducive to mutual edification, and subservient to the interests of the redeemed Kingdom.

We will state, briefly, to you the doctrines we hold and maintain: - That there is one only true and ever living God and that there are three persons in the Godhead: - equal in nature, power, and glory: - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one: - the total depravity of all mankind: - Eternal, personal, and unconditional election - justification by the imputed righteousness of Christ alone - Eternal redemption by his blood, whereby the sins of his elect, past, present and to come, are for

1831
23rd April

Church Meeting *Continued.*

Letter to the
Society of Friends
Continued.

ever come away. Not all those Friends who are chosen by
God for the faith, and are reclaimed by God the Son, shall in
due time be regenerated, and sanctified by God the Holy
Ghost; and not that they will, under the influence of abundant
grace, essentially persevere and obtain the Kingdom of
Heaven, without prayer for them.

We also believe that the holiness of the righteous, and
the coming of the wicked, will be alike interminable:—
and we believe that baptism, by immersion, and the
observance of the Sabbath of the Lord are obligatory, on all
believers, until the end of time.

Our present number of members is nineteen, and we
are forward to have speaking tract on every Lord's day, by
Elder Charles Delmonico, and also once on the evening of
a week day: she was ordained to the work of the
ministry, and to whom the pastoral care of the Church
is committed: and we trust we are not without
some information of the divine favor.

Any further information you may desire, respecting our
State will be freely communicated to you by our Pastor,
or by our Brethren Joseph Thomas or Clement Hoote, whom
we have appointed to meet you.

Being the great Head of the Church, who is also in the
midst of the golden candlestick, and holds the stars in his
right hand, preside over your edification; and that in your
peace, and love may abundantly prevail is the fervent prayer
of yours, in the behalf of Church.

Witness our behalf of the Church
Clement Hoote, Clerk
doe at the Meeting of the Church }
23 April 1831.

Yours Gods engaged into the necessity of communicating to these
churches, which had given letters to some Friends who had joined
the

1850. 23 April.

Meeting of the Church Continued.

the church, in which it was stated, "that when informed of their having joined a church they would be considered as dismissed by a vote of the church such information was deemed unnecessary."

Names of delegates to the association. Balt^o Baptist Association, be visited by Brother Palkinson, before presenting the letter, and that the names of those brethren who were present do fill the blanks left in the letter for that purpose. (The said blank is ^{now} filled in the preceding copy of the letter)

Soliciting Com^o. Sister Edmonson, from the Soliciting Committee, reports one dollar as collected, Sister Susan Towns, two dollars $\frac{25}{100}$ Clerk Hoste two dollars $\frac{50}{100}$. Mrs. Brown, as treasurer, reported three dollars $\frac{65}{100}$ as collected on Lord's days since the last meeting of the church. Total 9:38. which sum was paid to Mrs Palkinson on account of building debt of the Building debt.

Collected for contingent expenses one dollar $\frac{65}{100}$ which was 1.65 Collected for delivered to Sister Edmonson, to be given to Brother Fowler, Sec^y contingencies. Mrs Costa concluded by praise and prayer.

Clemente Hoste

Secretary.

May 20 1851 The regular meeting of the Church was held this evening, which was opened by Elder Palkinson by praise and prayer. The record of the preceding Church meeting was then read and approved. The delegates who attended the Baltimore Baptist association which convened at Fredericktown Maryland, on the 12th 13th & 14th days of the present month, made the following report:-

That the letter placed in their charge, by this church, addressed to ministering brethren and delegates composing the Baltimore Baptist

May 20

Meeting of the Church continued.

Report of delegates to Association continued.

association, was duly delivered to Elder Joseph Jones, Clerk of the association, and that it was immediately taken up and considered: whereupon it was unanimously Resolved, that the Shiloh Baptist, in the City of Washington be now received as a Member of this association". The right hand of fellowship was then given, by Elder John Heally, the Moderator, to Elder Charles Polkinton as the Pastor Shiloh Church, which was thus regularly received and the delegates, attending were invited to take their seats as such.

7:45 The amt of contingent fund proposed for

On motion of Bro Barrow, it was resolved, that the amount of the fund for contingent Expenses being 7:45, be paid to Elder Polkinton on account of building debt: which sum was accordingly paid as ordered.

Individual subscription for Association Exp^s the Minutes

On motion of Brother Samuel Fowler, it was resolved that the sum required on the part of this Church for the expenses and minutes of the association to be held in Fredericktown be raised by individual subscription. Three dollars & $\frac{50}{100}$ was collected for the purpose, three dollars of which was refunded to Elder C Polkinton for the amount paid at the association & 50 cts to Bro Samuel Fowler, as deacon, for the contingent fund.

2:42 Collected Lord days

Brother Joseph Barrow, as treasurer, reported two dollars and $\frac{42}{100}$ as collected on Lord days since the last meeting of the Church.

0:87 P^o to Elder Polkinton acct. building evening 3:11 refunded dollar from Betty Thompson for expenses Association.

Betty Thompson paid one dollar on account of the building debt. The amount paid to Elder Polkinton, this evening was 7:45 contingent fund, 2:42 Lord days Collection, one dollar refunded from Betty Thompson - being ten dollars $\frac{87}{100}$ on account of the building debt: and three dollars from subscriptions of this evening to refund the amount he had paid at the association.

Bro Cook closed the meeting by prayer & Prayer

C. F. Coste Secretary

1831

Meeting of the Church 24 June 1831

A stated meeting was held on this evening, which was opened by Elder Polkinton by praise and prayer.

The proceedings of the last church meeting were then read and admitted to be correctly recorded.

The Covenants adopted by the church, was then read, and also the Rules and regulations in relation to discipline.

Mrs Bonthon Mrs Bonthon and Mr Fagan then related to the church the gracious dealings of the Lord with their souls, and upon their retiring, the church being satisfied that the work was of the operation of the

Divine spirit, it was resolved, unanimously, that Mrs Bonthon and Mr Fagan, upon their being baptized, be received into membership with this church: and that the ordinance of baptism be administered to them at 9 o'clock on the morning of Lords day the 26th instant, in the Patuxec river near the wharf at the Western termination of St. Paul's South.

Sister Prime Sister L. Prime, by Elder Polkinton, Sister Fowler and Brother David Waters signed the Covenants of the Church. Sister Elizabeth Coste, from the soliciting committee, reported six dollars as collected: Mrs Borrow, as treasurer, six dollars as collected on Lords days since the last meeting of the church: the aggregate twelve dollars was paid to Elder Polkinton on account of the building debt.

The sum collected this evening for contingent expenses was three dollars too which was paid to Mother Fowler as deacons. Mother Borrow concluded the meeting by prayer.

Clemente F. Coste Cler

26 June 1831 At 9 o'clock on the morning of Lords day 26 June the ordinance of Baptism was administered, by Elder Polkinton, to Mrs Bonthon and Mrs Fagan, in the presence of a considerable number of spectators, and in the afternoon they were received by the church.

1831

Lords-day June 1831.

First
Baptizing.

right hand of fellowship by Elder Palkinson, on behalf of the Church, and communed with the Church at the table of the Lord

C. T. Coste Secy

Meeting of the Church 22 July 1831

A stated meeting of the Church took place this evening which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Palkinson.

A proposition proposed by Elder Palkinson, was renewed by C. T. Coste, namely - "that the Church would express its views in relation to the urgent call of Ebenezer Church, upon Elder Palkinson, to labor amongst them one Lord's day in every month: whereupon the following resolution was adopted

Reports of the
Church for
Elder Palkinson
to visit Ebenezer
Church once a
month.

"That the Whitoh Church acquiesce in the dispensation of Providence which deprives it of the labors of Elder Palkinson one Lords day in the month, and comply with the earnest call of Ebenezer Church: - trusting that the God of all grace will shortly send more faithful laborers into that part of his vineyard."

4th collected by
Zearns & P
to Dr Palkinson's
debts.

Bro Barrows, as treasurer, reported four dollars collected on Lords day since last Church Meeting: - which sum was paid to Elder Palkinson on account of the building

Church Meeting
on Wednesday
before last
by every
month.

On Motion of Bro Coste, it was resolved unanimously, - "That the regular meetings of the Church shall, in future, be held on the wednesday evening preceding the fourth Lords day in every month."

Collected this evening, for contingent expenses one dollar and 85 cents, which was put into the hands of Sister Edmonson, for Bro Fowler, he not being present.

Bro Coste concluded by praise and prayer

2.85 collected for
contingent funds

Clement T Coste
Secretary.

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Wednesday August 24 1831.

Wednesday 24th August 1831 - No church Meeting held owing to the inclemency of the weather

25 Sept 1831

Meeting of the church 25 September 1831.

A regular meeting of the church was held on this evening, which was opened in prayer & praise by Elder Polkinton. Bro Cote from the soliciting committee reported two, Sister Edmanson one dollar as collected. Bro Borrow as treasurer reported ten dollars as collected on Lords days since the last meeting of the church, 22 July, which thirteen dollars was paid to Elder Polkinton on account of the debt due on the building and lot. Collected on this evening for contingent expenses two dollars. Bro Cote closed the meeting by praise and prayer.

Clement J Cote
Secretary.

Special Meeting of the church 22 Sept 1831.

22 Sept
Mary Ann
Bunthorn
related her
Experience

An special meeting of the church was held, after preaching when Mary Ann Bunthorn related the gracious dealings of the Lord with her soul, which relation being entirely satisfactory to the church it was resolved unanimously that Mary Ann Bunthorn be received into full fellowship upon being baptized.

Clement J Cote Secretary

Wednesday Evening 19 October 1831

A regular meeting of the church was held on this

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Meeting of the Church 19 October 1831 Continued.

Shutting Com-
sept 10th -
treasurer 3.62^{cs}

15.62^{cs} pd on
acct of Lot & building
to Bro Polkinton

1.44^{cs} - Elder
for contingent fund

Evening, which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Polkinton. The recorded minutes of the preceding meeting were read. Sister Edmonson from the soliciting committee reported five dollars as collected. Sister Susan Borrows from same Committee, reported, by Bro Borrows, five dollars as collected; and Bro Borrows, as treasurer, reported three dollars sixty two cents as collected on Lords day since the last meeting of the Church, which sum of fifteen dollars sixty two cents were paid to Elder Polkinton on account of the debt due on the lot and building. Collected this evening one dollar ⁴¹/₁₀₀ for contingent Expenses, which was put into the hands of Sister Edmonson for Bro Fowler, senior, who was absent. Bro Cotte concluded the meeting by prayer and praise. Clement J Cotte Secy.

Henry
Ann Buntton
Baptised and
received into the
Church.

On Lords day, the 2nd October, the ordinance of baptism was administered to Ann Buntton, by Elder Charles Polkinton; and on the 23rd she was received into the Church, by the right hand of fellowship being given her on behalf of the Church by Elder C Polkinton. Clement J Cotte Secy.

Meeting of the Church 23 Nov^r 1831.

8.11. P Elder
Polkinton by
Bro Fowler on
building debt.

A regular meeting of the Church was held on this evening, which was opened by Elder Polkinton in prayer and praise. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. Bro Fowler, ^{reports} Eighteen Dollars & eleven cents as having been paid from ~~from~~ ~~for~~ ~~the~~ ~~lot~~ ~~&~~ ~~building~~, to Bro Polkinton on account of the debt due on the lot & building. Seven Dollars & eleven cents, of which (x receipts is filed)

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Meeting of the Church 23 Nov^r Continued

was from the fund of charity and Church order from the contingent fund, which not being required for those objects, the Church resolved, unanimously, should be applied to that purpose.

Bro Borrows, as treasurer, reported four dollars seventy one cents as having been collected on Lord's days since the last meeting of the Church. Sister Edmonson, from the soliciting committee, reported two dollars & fifty cents as collected; Sister Susan Borrows, from the same Committee, reported ten dollars as collected. Sister Hagan presented a donation of fifty cents.

which sum total, of seventeen dollars seventy one cents, was paid to Elder Polkirkhorn on account of the debt due on the lot and building. One dollar fifty cents was collected this evening for the contingent fund, which was given to Deacon Fowler. The meeting was closed by Bro Coots in prayer and praise.

Clement Coots
Sec^y

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18 Jan^r.

Meeting of the Church 18 January 1832

A stated meeting of the Church took place this evening which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Polkirkhorn. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Sister Tree being present the covenant, and rules of discipline were read for her information, and they were signed by her. Brother Borrows, as treasurer, reported four dollars fifteen cents as collected on Lord's days since the last meeting of the Church. Sister Edmonson presented

one dollar as a donation; and Brother Borrows also presented one dollar as a donation which sum of six dollars fifteen cents was paid to Elder Polkirkhorn on account of the debt due on the lot & building. One dollar $\frac{75}{100}$ was collected this evening for the contingent fund which was paid to Deacon Fowler. Brother Fowler this evening made a donation of the balance

Soliciting Com^{tee}
reports

Sister Edmonson 2:50

Sister Borrows 10:00

Sister Hagan 50

Treasurer 4:21

17:11 P. M.

Polkirkhorn on

acct. building debt.

Sister Tree

signed the Cov^{nt}.

6:18 P. M.

Polkirkhorn

on acct. building

debt.

1:57 P. M.

Collected

for contingents

funds

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Meeting of 18 January 1832 Continued.

Bro Fowler
a donation
of thirty doll

due to him for work done in erecting the meeting house,
being thirty dollars (see page 4th) which sum having been
credited to Elder Palkinborn in the account, & who was to
settle it with Brother Fowler, it is now debited to him.
No other business appearing the meeting was closed by
praise and prayer by Brother Bonars.

Clement T Coots
Secretary.

Meeting of the Church 21 March 1832

A stated meeting of the Church was held on this
evening, which was opened by praise and prayer
by Elder Palkinborn. The minutes of the meeting of
the Church on 18th January were read and approved.
Brother Bonars as treasurer reported five dollars
& eighteen cents as collected on Lord's day since the
last meeting of the church. Sister Edmonson made
a donation of fifty cents which total sum of
five dollars sixty eight cents was paid to Elder
Palkinborn on account of the debt due on the lot
and building. One dollar eleven cents was collected
for the contingent fund, which was given to Sister
Edmonson for Brother Fowler, as before.

On motion it was unanimously
Resolved that the stated meeting of the church
shall be held on the Wednesday evening, preceding
the 3rd Lord's day in each month.

No further business appearing to require attention
the meeting was closed by praise and prayer
by Brother Coots.

Clement T Coots
Secretary.

5-10 from head
Bro Bonars
50 cents
Edmonson.
5-68 P^{ts} to
Elder Palkinborn
on acct: building
debt.

Church Meeting
to be held on
Wednesday
before 3rd Lord
day in every
month.

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Meeting of the Church 11 April 1832

A Stated meeting of the Church was held on this evening, conformably to the resolution passed at the last meeting, which was opened by prayer and prayers by Elder Polkinton. The minutes of the previous meeting of the Church were read and approved. On motion of Brother Borrows it was

Elder Polkinton
& C. F. Coote
Committee
to prepare
letter for
the Association

Resolved that Elder Polkinton and Brother C. F. Coote be, and they are hereby, appointed a committee to prepare a letter on behalf of this Church to the Baltimore annual meeting of the Baltimore Association to be held on the Thursday preceding the third Lords Day in May next at the Meeting house at Warren Maryland, and submit the same to the Church at an especial meeting of the Church to be held on the afternoon of the second Lords day in May.

Bro Borrows of
treasury 3-
Self 1
Waters 1
Polkinton 1
Edmonson 50
6:50
C. F. Coote
Polkinton
rest of meeting

Brother Borrows, as treasurer reported three dollars as having been collected since the last meeting of the Church & gave also one dollar as a donation. Sister Edmonson gave also a donation of fifty cents, and Brother Waters gave a donation of one dollar & Elder Polkinton gave also a donation of one dollar. The sum total of six dollars & fifty cents was paid to Elder Polkinton on account of the debt due on the Lot Building. Ninety three cents was collected for the contingent fund which was paid to Brother Fowler - as deacon. The meeting was then closed by prayer & praise by C. F. Coote

Clement F Coote
Secretary

Item 2

Owing to an afflictive dispensation of providence in the family of Elder Polkinton this especial meeting of the Church was not held, as above mentioned but the assent of several individual members was obtained to the adoption of following letter
C. F. Coote Clerk.

Meeting of the Church 20 June 1832

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An especial meeting of the church was held on this evening, which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Palkehorn. The following letter, which had been prepared, and sent, was then read and ^{which} received the unanimous assent of ~~the~~ the church members

The church, meeting for worship at the Dutch meeting house in the City of Washington, to the Elders and messengers composing the Baltimore Baptist Association Greeting:—

Dear Brethren,

Through the tender mercies of our Heavenly Father we are again permitted to address you, in your appropriate capacity, relative to the interests of Zion. Since our last communication nothing specially interesting has occurred, except an addition to the church of three persons by baptism: in all other particulars we remain the same:— maintaining the same form of doctrine as expressed in our former letter:— the oneness of Jehovah in his trinity of persons:— eternal, personal, and unconditional Election:— definite atonement, particular redemption, and complete justification by the blood and righteousness of Christ alone: effectual calling, and the final perseverance of the Saints to glory.

We are still happily in the enjoyment of the preaching of the Gospel, and of the administration of the ordinances by Elder Charles Palkehorn, and our meetings are solemn and interesting: harmony, love and peace prevail in our borders, that we may truly say "there is no breaking in, nor going out, neither is there any complaining in our streets," for all

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Meeting of the Church, 20 June Continued.

Letter to
Ball's
Association
continued

all which we desire to be duly thankful to the giver of every good and every perfect gift, and to have grace to look up for the further blessing, - the bringing forth of thousands, and tens of thousands, in this, and every part, of Zion - the Lord's Spiritual regard.

We have delegated our brother Clement F. Cote to meet with you in council; - by whose hands we have sent three dollars, ^{be divided} to between the association fund and the printing the minutes of your proceedings. May the great Head of the Church, who has promised to be as a wall of fire round about his people, and the glory in the midst of them, preside over your deliberations, so that the welfare of Zion, and his own declarative glory may be abundantly promoted.

adopted by Members of the Church
Mother
yours in Christian Bonds
Clement F. Cote

23 May 1832		} Ready Reptm. } Total number	} Clerk Theloh's Church.
Number of Members in last report.	3		
19			

The minutes of the preceding church meeting were read and approved. A letter was received from the first Baptist church, in this City, in compliance with the desire of Sister Elvira Stewart, who wished to cast in her lot with us - when, on motion, the covenants of the Church, and the rules of discipline, were read for the information of the applicants; to which her several assents was given - when, on motion of Mother Cote, it was agreed unanimously, upon Sister Elvira Stewart signing the covenant and rules, to receive her into full membership on next Lord's day, being the season of communion. The covenant and rules of discipline were then signed by Sister Stewart.

Sister Stewart
Letter from
Church
in relation
to.

Sister Elvira
Jones - letter
from Church
at Geocomico

A letter was received from the Baptist Church at Geocomico, commendatory of Sister Elizabeth Jones

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Meeting of the Church 20 June Continued

to this church for membership; which, owing to the absence of Sister Jones was laid upon the table until the next meeting of the Church.

Deacon 7:62

Charity fund 1:93

Bro Fowler, as Deacon, reported the sum of seven dollars $\frac{62}{100}$ as the amount of the charity fund, and one dollar $\frac{93}{100}$ as the amount of the contingent fund, whereupon it was unanimously resolved that the said funds (9:55) be applied to the liquidation of

Donations 2:66

the debt due on the Building & lot. Sister Edmonson gave a donation of fifty cents; Sister Pagan a donation of one dollar Bro Borrows one dollar Bro Jennings sixteen cents. Bro Borrows as treasurer reported the sum of

Collection 6:27

18:48
Paid to of Building Lot

Six dollars $\frac{27}{100}$ as having been collected on Lords days since the last meeting of the church, which sum total of Eighteen dollars forty eight cents was paid to Elder C Palkinborn on account of the debt due on the building and lot. One dollar $\frac{83}{100}$ was collected on this evening,

Collected for Contingent fund 1:83

for the contingent fund, and paid to Bro Fowler Elder Palkinborn reported forty four dollars $\frac{45}{100}$ the note given by him, & endorsed by Bro Borrows, for the

Elder Palkinborn

2nd instalment paid 44:45

second annual instalment due 8 February last, as having been paid by him. (The next & last instalment on the lot will be due 8 February 1833) No other business appearing to require the deliberations of the Church the meeting was closed by Bro Coots in praise and prayer.

Clement T Coots
clerk.

Meeting of the Church 12 Sep^r 1832

A regular meeting of the Church was held on this evening, which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Charles Palkinborn. The minutes of the last

Meeting of the Church 12 Sept. Continued.

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meeting of the Church were read and approved.

Sister Jones's letter lies over until next meeting

Sister Jones, who had applied by letter for membership, not being present, it was unanimously agreed that the consideration of the application should lie over until the next meeting.

Bro Morris 8.77
one dollar donation
Sister Edmonson
Sister Thompson
one dollar
C. I. Coste
one dollar donation

Bro Morris, as Treasurer, reported eight dollars & seventy seven cents as having been collected on Lords day since the last meeting of the Church, and also gave one dollar as a donation in aid of payments for building etc. Sister Edmonson gave also a donation of one dollar, Sister Thompson & C. I. Coste gave one dollar each for the same objects which total sum of twelve dollars ⁷⁷/₁₀₀ was paid to Elder Polkinton in liquidation of debt on lot & building. Collected for contingent fund one dollar ⁴⁴/₁₀₀ which was paid to sister Edmonson, - brother Foster being absent. The meeting was concluded by praise & prayer by Bro Coste.

Clement I Coste
Clerk

Meeting of the Church 17 Oct 1832

A regular meeting of the Church took place this evening, which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder C Polkinton.

The commendatory letter brought by Sister Eliza Jones was taken up, and again ordered to lie upon the table. Elder Polkinton stated that sister Elizabeth Prime, had died without

leaving sufficient means to defray the expenses of her funeral, which was nine dollars, when on motion it was Resolved that the said

Sister Jones's letter taken up, and again laid on the table

Eliz Prime's funeral exp^s \$9 to be paid to Sister Stewart

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Meeting of Church 17 October continued

Sum of nine dollars be paid, by Brother Fowler, Deacon, to Sister Eliza Stewart, she having furnished that amount for said expenses, out of the Charity ^{or contingent} funds.

Bro Gorrows a treasurer reported two dollar fifty nine cents as the amount of collections on Lord day since the last meeting of the Church & he gave a donation of fifty cents, as also did Sister Edmonson, Ann Buntthorn, and Mrs C & Cote for liquidating the amt. of debt due on the building etc, which sum of four dollars fifty nine cents was paid to Elder C Palkinborn for that object. Ninety nine cents was collected for the contingent funds & given to Sister Edmonson, Brother Fowler being absent.

The meeting was closed by Bro Gorrows in praise and prayer

Clements T Cote
Clerk

2:59 Collection
50 Edm
50 Buntthorn
50 Donat
50 Cote
4:59
Elder Palkinborn
99 Cts
collected for
contingent fund

Meeting of the Church 18 Nov. 1832

A regular meeting of the church took place this evening which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Palkinborn. Collections on Lord ^{days} since the last meeting of the church, three dollars ¹⁰⁰ 3/4. Sisters Edmonson gave a donation of 50 Cts. Sisters Bagan & Buntthorn of one dollar each, Bro Gorrows 50 Cts & Bro James Tills 10 Cts, which total of 6:41 1/4 was paid to Elder Palkinborn on acct of the debt on the Lord Meeting house. Collection for Contingent funds 2:75 and paid to Sister Edmonson for Bro Fowler Deacon. The meeting was closed by prayer by Bro Tills.

6:41 1/4 to
Elder Palkinborn
acct
including debt
2:75 for
Mrs Fowler

C. T. Cote was absent
the money for this report
furnished by Bro Palkinborn

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Wednesday 19 December 1832.

A Regular meeting of the Church was held on this evening, which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Polkirkorn. The proceedings of the two last meetings of the Church were read and approved.

The Church resumed the consideration of the letter, given by the Pastor of the Church at Geocomico, to Sister Jones. A letter was presented from African Church at Springfield, Augusta, Georgia, commendatory of Sister Charlotte Johnson. The "Covenants" and "rules of discipline" were then read, in the hearing of the applicants, and several interrogatories put to them. After they had retired, on motion of Brother Borrows it was Resolved unanimously that Sister Jones be received into fellowship on the fourth Lord day in this month, at which time the ordinance of the Lord's Supper is expected to be administered. The question was then taken relative to Sister Char Johnson, and it was resolved that she should be received into full fellowship on the fourth Lord day, - the same time as proposed for Sister Jones to be received.

Sister Jones
&
Sister Johnson
letters acted
upon, and
resolved that
they be received
into fellowship

Treasure 2:90
Bro Borrows 1:
Sister Edmonson 50
James Tillis 12
4:60
P to Elders
collections

Contingent
fund 1:22

Bro Borrows, as treasurer, reported two dollars ⁹⁸/₁₀₀ as having been collected on Lord days since the last meeting of the Church. Bro Borrows gave a donation of one dollar, Sister Edmonson of fifty cents; James Tillis 12¹/₂ Cts which total sum of 4:60⁹⁸ was paid to Elder Polkirkorn on account of debt due on the building plot. One dollar ²²/₁₀₀ was collected for the Contingent fund & paid to Sister Edmonson for Bro Fowler Season.

There appearing no further business the meeting was closed by praise and prayer by Bro Cooter

Clement Mootie
Clerk

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Lords day Morning 17th March 1833.

A meeting of the Church was held this morning, pursuant to notice, which was opened by praise and prayer by Brother Coote, Elder Palkenbom being absent from the City to fulfil his appointment at Ebenezer Church.

Brother Barrows was appointed Moderator. Brother Secor Fowler presented a bill of Six dollars & fifty cents which he had paid, agreeably to the resolution of the 17th October last, relative to the funeral expenses of the funeral of Sister Prime.

On motion of Brother Barrows it was resolved unanimously "That the clerk be requested to prepare a paper, with a suitable caption, for the purpose of those persons, who may be disposed, entering their names as monthly subscribers, for the purpose of raising a fund to redeem the debts, which may still remain unpaid and due, upon the building and lots."

Bro Barrows as treasurer reported seven dollars fifty cents as the amount of the collections on Lords day, since the last meeting of the Church. The following donations were then made in liquidation of the remaining debts due to Elder Palkenbom upon the building and lots, namely Sister Tree 50cts, Bro Barrows two dollars, Brother Edmonson two dollars, Sister Stewart one dollar, Sister Edmonson two dollars, Sister Bunthorn 25cts, Sister Pagan one dollar, Sister Thompson 25cts, Brother Amis 10cts, C. T. Coote one dollar, the total sum seventeen dollars was paid to Bro Barrows to be p^d. to Elder C Palkenbom on account of the debt. One dollar ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ was collected for contingent expenses & paid to Sister for wood. There appearing no further business, after praise and reading a portion of the Scripture, the meeting was closed by praise and prayer by Brother Barrows.

Clement T Coote clerk.

6-50
paid in acct
of Sister Prime
funeral Exp.

17-50
collected & paid
acct debt
on lots
building

1-50
collected & paid
to Sister
Edmonson
for wood

Wednesday 24th April 1833

An especial meeting of the Church was held on this evening, agreeably to appointment, which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder C. Palkinhorn.

The record of the preceding meeting was read and approved. On motion it was resolved:—

"That Elder C. Palkinhorn and the Clerk, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to prepare a letter, on behalf of the Church, to the Elders and delegates of the Baltimore Baptist Association to be held at Pleasant Valley in May next, and that they submit the same to the Church for approval at some especial meeting thereof, to be held previous to the period of holding the association." And it was further resolved "that a collection be then made for the purpose of contributing to the association fund and for the publication of the minutes of the proceedings of that body."

Bro. Borrower, as treasurer, reported three dollars $\frac{44}{100}$ as the amount collected on Lord's day, since the last meeting of the Church. Donations were then made by Brother Borrower of two dollars, Sister Tree 50 cts, Brother Waters one dollar, C. J. Coote one dollar, Sister Edmonson fifty cents, Sister Susan Borrower 50 cts, Sister Mary Clay 50 cts, Sister Betty Thompson 25 cts, Bro. James James six cents. The total sum, 9:75, was then paid to Elder Palkinhorn on account of the debt still due on the W. and meeting house.

Collected for the contingent fund 1:42, which, in the absence of Brother Towler, Deacon, was paid to Sister Edmonson. No further business requiring attention on the part of the Church the Meeting was closed by C. J. Coote in praise and prayer.

Clement J. Coote
Clerk.

Letter
to be
prepared
for the
association

3:44
2:-
1:-
1: 50
-50
50
-50
25
64
9:75
see 4th
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Lords-day Morning 28 April

On the morning of this day, after the regular worship, an especial meeting of the Church was called, on which occasion Mr ^{McIntosh} related the gracious dealings of the Lord with his soul. He had, for several years, been under strong exercises of mind, and had sought relief under the preaching of different denominations, but had reason to bless God that, from the ministrations of Elder C Palkinborn, his mind had been enlightened into the way of Salvation by Christ and he had been brought to rejoice in the sovereign, perfect, & finished, work of redemption by his blood. After Mr ^{McIntosh} had withdrawn, it was Unanimously Resolved "that he should be received into communion and fellowship with the Church upon his being baptized." It was further resolved "that the ordinance of baptism be administered, at the usual place, on Lords day next at 2 o'clock P.M." Bro Bonner closed the meeting by prayer.

Clement T Coote

In the evening of this day public notice was given of the Baptism, and also that a meeting of the Church would be held on the evening of ^{Wednesday} next at 7 o'clock P.M.

Wednesday 1st May 1833

An especial meeting of the Church was held on this evening which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder C Palkinborn. The minutes of the ^{two} preceding meetings were read and approved.

The letter, written by ^{C. T. Coote} in compliance to the resolution of the 24th April, to the Baltimore Baptist Association was introduced by the clerk, ~~read~~ read, and laid upon the table. Mrs. Margaret Mc. Intosh was enabled to come before the Church and relate the exercises of her

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Wednesday, May continued

Mr Mcintosh
relates her
experiences

mind and the manifestations of mercy through a dear Redeemer to her soul. After she had withdrawn it was unanimously resolved that Mrs Mary² Mcintosh be received into full communion and fellowship upon her being baptized. The Covenant and rules of discipline were read and apentented to.

Amendment
of the
covenants
proposed

Bro Borrow^{proposed} to amend the Covenants by inserting in the 12th Article, after the word "baptism" - "in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ," by immersion, which was laid over for consideration at the next regular meeting of the Church.

Garments
ordered for
females

It was ordered that two garments, suitable to be used by female candidates for baptism, be prepared for the occasion of the administration of the ordinance on next Lord day.

An special
meeting of the
church to be
held 2nd Lord
day in May

It was resolved that an especial meeting of the Church be held on the evening of the second Lord day of the present month, for the purpose of completing the necessary arrangements for the meeting of the Baltimore Baptist association. No further business appearing the meeting was closed, by Clement J Cooke, with prayer.

Clement J Cooke
clerk

Mr & Mrs
Mcintosh
Baptised
&
received
5 May

On the afternoon of Lords day 5 May the ordinance of Baptism was administered, by Elder C Palkinson, in the River Potomac, in the presence of a great number of spectators, to Brother Mcintosh and to Margaret his wife, and they were afterwards received into full fellowship and communion by the right hand being given to them by Elder C Palkinson on behalf of the church.
C. J. Cooke clerk

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Sabbath day 12 May 1833.

Agreeably to the resolution passed on the first instant, an especial meeting of the Church was held immediately after the afternoon worship to complete the arrangements preparatory to the meeting ^{the} Baltimore Association.

The ^{consideration of the} letter prepared, and submitted to the Church at the last meeting, was resumed, and adopted as the letter of the Church to the Baltimore Association. A collection was then made amounting to five dollars to be applied to the printing the Minutes of the Association & in aid of the Association fund. Elders C Polkinhorn, brethren Joseph Borrow & Clement F. Coote were then appointed delegates to the Association.

The following is the letter adopted by the Church.

To the Elders and Messengers, composing the Baltimore Baptist Association, the Church meeting for worship at the Childs meeting house, in the City of Washington, sendeth greeting:

Dear beloved Brethren.

Through the unchangeable loving-kindness, and tender mercies, of a triune God, we are again privileged with an opportunity of addressing you in your associated relation, upon the interests of the Redeemer's Kingdom; and also of uniting with you in council, by our delegates, that a "unity of spirit may be preserved in the bond of peace."

Through the abounding grace of our covenant head, we have been joyfully compelled to adhere to the "form of sound words;" and, we trust,

" in

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Lords-day 12 May Continued

Letter to
Balt. Baptist
Association

"in doctrine to have shewn uncorruptness:" -
maintaining the same absolute sovereignty
of Jehovah, in the salvation of sinners, upon
which we have expatiated to you in our
former communications.

Although it hath pleased our Heavenly
Father, in accordance with his eternal purposes
of mercy, that, with the increase of our numbers,
during the present year, we should have
no occasion to feel "exalted above measure";
yet we desire to praise and bless his holy name,
that he hath not, even here, left himself without
some additional witnesses, to the truth as it is in
Jesus: for "because they are sons, God," in his own
time, and by instruments of his own appointing,
"hath sent forth the spirit of his Son into
their hearts crying Abba Father"; and we are
favoured to adopt the figurative, rejoicing and
seasonable language of the divine word: - "Lo
the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the
flowers appear on the earth: the time of singing of
birds is come; and the voice of the turtle is heard
in our land": - for these blessings our hearts
gratefully enquire, "what shall we render unto
the Lord for all his mercies, and for all his
benefits?"

Harmony, peace, and love, prevail in the
midst of us, and in our journeyings in the
wilderness, we are still privileged with the
"certain sound" of the "silver trumpets," which was
made of "a whole piece"; and also with the
administration of the ordinances of the Lord's own
appointing, for the observance of his Church, by
our brother, Elder C. Parkinboro: the

Sunday - day 12 May Continued

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attendance upon the word increases, and our meetings are truly interesting and solemn.

Letter to
Walt^o Baptist
Association.

Our Pastor, Elder C Palkenhorn, brethren Joseph Burrows & Clement Hoote, are delegated to unite with you in Council, and ^{they} will also communicate any further information respecting us, which you may desire; and by whom we send two doll^{rs} to be applied toward the printing the minutes of your proceedings and three ^{dollars} to be applied in aid of the Association fund.

Elders and brethren, May the great "Master of assemblies," who "maketh the words of the wise as goads, and as nails fastened"; preside over, and direct your deliberations: - then will "all things be done decently and in order"; - the spiritual welfare, peace, and glory of his Zion on Earth promoted; - and you, with grateful joy, will hang upon him all the glory of his Father's house.

The number of our members, reported to you, at your last annual Meeting, was twenty two: during the past year, we have received by letter three, by baptism two, lost by death one; our present number is twenty six.

Adopted by the Church
at the Meeting held
12 May 1833

Elders and Brethren
In the best bonds
I am Yours
Clement Hoote
Clerk Whitish Church.

No further business appearing to require the attention of the Church the meeting was closed by Bro Burrows by prayer

{owing to the weather there was no regular meeting
at the Church in May C.T.C.

Clement Hoote
Clerk.

Wednesday 12 June 1833

A regular meeting of the Church was held on this evening, which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder Polkinhorn.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

Proposition to amend Covenant indefinitely postponed.

The proposition of Bro Borrow, made on the first day of May, to amend the 12th Article of the covenant came up, in due order, for consideration; when, on motion, it was resolved unanimously, "That the consideration to amend the 12th Article of the Covenants, made at the Church Meeting on 1 May last be indefinitely postponed."

Commendatory Letters.

Susan Hughes
Mary Maddox

A letter was received from the Second Baptist Church in the City of Washington commendatory of Sister Susanna Hughes for fellowship with this Church:— and a letter of the same import was also received, from the same church, on behalf of Margaret Maddox, dated 11 May 1833, and signed by A Rothwell clerk.

Resolution to receive Susan Hughes

On Motion of C T Cook it was unanimously Resolved "That Sister Susanna Hughes be received into full fellowship with this Church, upon her assenting to the Articles of the Covenants of the Church, and the rules of discipline, and signing the same."

Mary Maddox left to come

On Motion of C T Cook it was unanimously resolved "That the letter of Mr Maddox be referred to Samuel Fowler Bro Borrow for the purpose of making some enquiries & reporting thereon to the Church."

Bro Borrow, as treasurer, reported \$5.51 collected on Lord's day, since the last Meeting of the Church. Bro Borrow gave a donation of two dollars toward the Lot and building debt & one dollar to the contingent fund. Sister Edmonson reported two dollars, as collected, for Lot & building debt, & gave a donation of 50 Cts. the

Wednesday 12 June 1833 Continued

following donations were also made, C T Cote 50cts
Lester Lagan 50cts, Luter L Cote 10cts, collected for the contingent
fund 1:62^{1/2}. Ten dollars ⁶⁷/₁₀₀ was then paid to Elder

Don acc.
Oct 10:67
Bro Palkin
Contingent
and 3:12
Bro Fowler

Palkin on acc^t of debt due on the building lot,
and three dollars ¹²/₁₀₀ to Bro Fowler for contingent fund.

On motion of Elder Palkin it was resolved
that the front of the meeting house should be painted,
and the rest of the premises whitewashed as early
as Bro Fowler can have it attended to.

No further business appearing the meeting was
closed by prayer by C T Cote.

Clement T Cote
Clerk.

Sunday 16 June 1833

A meeting of the Church was held on this evening
after public worship and the Com^{ee} appointed on the 12th
instant reported satisfactorily. Where upon it was on

Com^{ee}
Maddox
Her report
resolved
unanimously
receive her
to full fellow-
ship.

Motion unanimously resolved "that Sister Margaret
Maddox be received into full fellowship with this
Church, upon her assenting to the articles of the
Covenant, adopted by the Church, and the "rules of
discipline" and sign the same". C T Cote closed
the meeting by prayer. Clement T Cote
Clerk.

On the afternoon of Sunday 16 June 1833. Sisters
Susan Hughes & Marg^{aret} Maddox were received as members by the
right hand of fellowship being given them on behalf
of the Church by Elder C Palkin, and they com-
muned, with the Church, at the Table of the Lord

Sisters
Susan
Hughes
Margaret
Maddox
received as
members.

C. T. Cote
Clerk

Wednesday 17 July 1833.

A regular meeting of the Church was held on this evening, which was opened by Elder to Palkinson in prayer and praise. The proceedings of the of the Church from 12th June last, inclusive were read and approved. The letter to the Second Baptist Church relative to reception of Sister Susan Hughes and Sister Margaret Maddox, was submitted to the Church & to be delayed ^{pending} until the covenants was signed by them.

The reading for a subscription, proposed and ordered in Church Meeting held on was submitted by the Clerk and adopted. A letter was received from Hanover Church King Georges County Virginia commendatory of Sister Catharine Donophon. The Covenant and rules of discipline were there read for her information to which she assented. Upon her withdrawing from the meeting it was resolved unanimously, that Sister Donophon be received as a member of this Church at the next communion season. The Covenant was then signed by Sister Donophon.

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Bros David Waters communicated through Elder Palkinson two dollars as a donation toward liquidating the debt due on the building &c.

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Bros B Snows as Treasurer reported five dollars collected on Lords day since last report. Sister Tied gave 50cts Bro Snows 50cts Sister Edmonson 50
Bro Mc Intosh 50 - C F Code 25. Betty Thompson 25 James
Linnins 25. John G. - Sister G. H. H. N. to Elder Palkinson

1. 50

1- 31 1/2

9. 81 1/2

on acct debt due on building &c.

1833.

Wednesday 17 July 1833 Cont^d

Collected for Contingent fund 1:2 was was paid to Sister Camasa for Bro Seecora Fowler.

An Motion of Bro Cote the following Resolutions was submitted to the consideration of the Church

"That the meetings of the Church be hereafter held on the Lord's day, instead of Wednesday evening as heretofore" - which was laid over until the next Meeting of the Church.

The Meeting was then closed by Bro Jones in prayer.

Levinus West
clerk

Wednesday 18 September 1833

A regular meeting of the Church was held on this evening, which was opened by praise and prayer by Elder C. Rolkinhorn. The record of the last meeting of the Church, on 17 July, was read and approved. The letter from the Second Baptist Church in this City, commendatory of Sister M. Bernard, was laid upon the table on account of the small number of members present.

The resolution offered at the last Church Meeting was postponed until the next meeting of the Church.

662 Bro Jones reported, as collected on Lord's days, since the last Church Meeting, six dollars sixty two half-cents. Donations were then made, by Sister Free 50c Bro Doorn 50c C T Cote 50c McPherson 75c - James 100c Chas. H. Johnson 12c, Sister East

Sept 1833

Wednesday 18 September 1833 Continued

10.9 Paid
on acc^t debt.

one dollar twenty five cents on dollar - total 10.92
which was paid to Elder C Polkinton on acct
of debt due on the building and Ch. Fifty
cents was collected for contingent fund
which was paid to Sister Edmonson - on acct. of
the absence of Bro Fowler.

No further business appearing to require the attention
of the Church the meeting was closed by Brother
Borrow's prayer.

Clement Hoote
Clerk

Sabbath-day 17 November 1833

A meeting of the Church took place this evening, after
the meeting for worship. The Church resumed the
consideration of the letter from the Second Baptist Church,
commendatory of Sister Matilda Barnard, where upon
it was unanimously resolved to receive Sister Barnard
into full fellowship upon her signing the covenant:-
Sister Barnard, by Bro Polkinton, and Sister Susan Hughes
then signed the covenant.

A proposition from Mrs Palmer, was verbally made by
Elder Polkinton, relative to her becoming a member of
this Church; the further consideration of which was,
on motion, postponed untill the next meeting of
the Church. The resolution submitted on the
17 July last, relative to holding the Church meetings
on the afternoon of the third Lords day in the month,
was taken up for consideration, and adopted unani-
mously. Bro Borrow, as treasurer, reported four dollars
 $\frac{3}{100}$ as collected on Lords days since the last meeting of the Church.

Sister Barnard
received into
fellowship.

Mrs Palmer's
application

Church meeting
to be held on
the
Lords days:-
3rd in the month.

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Sunday 17 November Continued

4. 3
 2.
 2.
 1.
 50
 1. 50
 1. 93 3/4
 12. 96 3/4
 Paid on acc.
 of debt due on
 lot & building

The following donations were then made. Bro Borrows
 two dollars, Sister Edmonson two dollars, Bro Fowler one dollar,
 Bro Waters fifty cents, Sister Borrows, Pagan, and Free, fifty cents
 each, and one dollar ninety three cents was collected
 for the contingent fund, total, being twelve dollars ^{96 3/4}/₁₀₀
 was paid to Elder Polkinhorn on account of debt due
 on the lot and meeting house. There being no further
 business before the Church, the meeting was closed by
 C. J. Coote by prayer.

Clement J Coote Clerk

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Sunday 16 March

Severe indisposition
 of the Pastor, and
 the unfavorable
 weather on
 several days had
 prevented any
 meeting of the Church
 since 17 Nov 1833
 C.J.C.

After the meeting for worship this morning, a stated
 meeting of the Church, ^{was} held, which was opened by Elder
 Polkinhorn by prayer.

Baltimore Assoc.
 letter to be
 prepared for it

On Motion of Brother Borrows the clerk was requested to
 prepare a letter on behalf of the Church, to the Elder and Delegates
 composing the Baltimore Baptist Association, at their annual meet-
 ing in May next, to avail himself of the aid of Elder Polkinhorn,
 and submit the same to the Church at the next meeting thereof.

Three Trustees
 appointed to hold
 property of the
 Church

On motion of Brother Borrows, it was resolved that the Church
 do now appoint three brethren to hold the property of the
 Church, in trust, for its sole use and benefit. Elder Charles
 Polkinhorn and Brethren Joseph Borrows & Clement J Coote
 were appointed trustees. Bro Borrows, as treasurer reported one dollar

3. Paid Elder
 Polkinhorn on
 acct debt due

as collected on Sunday since the last Church meeting. Sister Edmon-
 son - and Bro Borrows gave each a donation of one dollar towards
 the debt due on Lot & building, which three dollars were paid to

1. 28 to Sister
 Edmonson for
 bequest Fowler

Bro Polkinhorn on that account. 1. 28 was collected for contingent fund
 and paid for Bro Fowler's bequest to Sister Edmonson. Elder Polkinhorn closed the
 meeting by a benediction.

Clement J Coote Clerk

Lords-day 20 April 1834

Immediately after the prayer meeting, held on this morning, and the congregation, ^{was} dismissed, the stated meeting of the Church was opened by prayer by Brother Borrows. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. In compliance with the request of the Church, made at the last meeting of the Church, the clerk presented the letter, entered at the foot of these proceedings, which was read, approved, and adopted as the letter of the Church to the Elders and Delegates composing the Baltimore Baptist Association to meet at Black Rock Meeting House Maryland on the Thursday preceding the third Lords day in May next.

Bro Water gave a donation of one dollar, Sister Munthor also one dollar, Sister Edmerson 50 Cts, Bro Borrows one dollar & Sister Hooste 50 Cts & Sister Pagan 50 Cts - being 4:50, which was sent by Bro Borrows to Elder Polkinhorn in liquidation of debt due on the building and lot. One dollar ⁷¹⁰⁰ was collected for the contingent fund, which was given to Seacon Fowler. Collected for the Association fund, & printing the minutes of the proceedings two dollars, which was put into the hands of Bro Borrows to be so used. Bro C. Hooste closed the Meeting by prayer.

Clement Hooste.
Clerk

Letter &c

To the Elders and Messengers, composing the Baltimore Baptist Association, held, by appointment, at the Black Rock Meeting house, in the State of Maryland, the Shiloh Church, in the City of Washington, sendeth Christian salutation.

.. Dearly beloved Brethren.

Through the providential mercies, and gracious favors, of our covenant head, we are still preserved,

Letter to Balto
Association rep^d

4:50 P^o on acct
building & debt

1:92 Cents fund

2: ap^m fund

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Meeting of the Church 20 April Continued 65Letter to the
Balt. Aps.

preserved in peace, and are again privileged with another annual opportunity, as a Church of Christ, of communicating to you, in your appointed capacity, in relation to the spiritual interests of the Kingdom of the Redeemer; and also, by our delegates, of uniting in your deliberations, to promote the peace, prosperity, and unity, of the inhabitants of Mount Zion, which God hath chosen for his resting-place throughout all generations.

Our views of the distinguishing doctrines of the Gospel, upon which we have dilated in our former ^{epistles} to you, remain unchanged. They rest upon the attributed essential to ^{the} being of Jehovah:— eternal, and unchangeable, Love; infinite, and unsearchable, Wisdom; Almighty, and unremitting, Power; Absolute, and ^{uncontrolled} ~~unbounded~~ Sovereignty; as they are revealed, and exemplified, in the effectual vocation, final perseverance, and everlasting glorification of all who were "chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world": for we still believe, and glory in that belief, "that the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, — the Lord knoweth them that are his."

"The giver of every good and of every perfect gift, hath seen fit to add unto our number during the past year: not, however, by the especial, and quickening, operations of the Holy Spirit, manifested in calling dead sinners into a State of spiritual existence; giving unto them spiritual perceptions, and spiritual desires, to feed upon spiritual food; and leading ^{them} by the continued influences of the same Spirit, to the full enjoyment of that liberty wherewith the children God, and brethren of Christ, are made free:— although at this point "a door of hope" is opened unto us: but our increase has been occasioned by "the Lord gathering together the out-casts of Israel, and the dispersed of Judah": "these! where had they been?" "scattered upon the hills as sheep that have not a shepherd."

The Lord hath promised, and is performing it:— "I will ^{bring} ^{out}

Church Meeting 20 April Continued

Letter to
Balt: Ap^{ts}

out my sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day." His sheep know the voice of their Shepherd, they have heard it; and they have followed it; and, according to the riches of his grace, he again "maketh them to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth them beside the still waters."

We desire to rejoice, using another ^{scriptural} figure, that the lively stones, ^{which have been} prepared by the operation of the Holy Spirit, for the spiritual building of mercy, according to the fore-knowledge, and good pleasure, of God, appear to be moving apart, and separating, from the mass in the quarry of nature, which, ^{mass,} as yet, has been wrought upon, only, by being driven, and chiselled, by the human arm of moral persuasion, and the pride of the false but flattering doctrine of ^{natural} human ability: the living stones have been, and many still are, imprisoned in the rubbish and bewildered in the dust around them, but they are "prisoners of hope", and they are now turning "to the strong holds" of Zion, and are again uniting, in sweet fellowship, upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ being the chief corner stone."

We desire to rejoice, also, in being used, instrumentally, in any manner to promote the peace, unity, and increase of the City wherein we dwell, even in collecting the materials, all ready, but scattered, for "repairing the breach", and "building up the old waste places of Zion": - "this is the Lords doing and it is Marvellous in our eyes."

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Church meeting 20 April Continued

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Letter to
Balt: ap²²

Love, Unity, and Peace, prevail in the midst of our little camp; but we have to mourn that ^{of the stated,} and certain, sound of the trumpet, at which we expressed our joy in our last communication to you, we have been entirely deprived for a few months past, owing to the severe affliction under which our dear Pastor has been laboring, and which still continues. He has been unable to meet with us more than three or four times since November last, and, on those occasions, to occupy but a few minutes in the service of his Divine Master. The Church, however, when they have met him there, always appeared to manifest a great desire that he should take some part in the exercises; but even these, now, owing to the feeble state of his health, he, for the present, is compelled to decline. Our harps, ^{are} hung upon the willows, but we shall still endeavour, in our afflictive privation, not to forget the assembling ourselves together, that we may be enabled, by faith, unitedly "to lift up our eyes to the hills, from whence our help cometh."

It is not without emotions of deep regret that we feel it necessary to advert to a course, which we believe to be a departure from the "faith and order of this association" as expressed in the constitution, on the part of one church which stands united with it. We are of opinion that the second Baptist Church, in Washington, has "deviated from the faith, and practice, on which they were received into this association"; and would therefore suggest the necessity of an enquiry being instituted in relation thereto.

We have appointed our Pastor, Elder C Polkinton, if he is able to attend, and brethren David Waters and Clement F. Coote, as our Messengers, and delegates, to unite with you in council, and who will communicate any further information you may desire relative to our situation and our wants. We send two dollars to be applied

For these quotations see 8th 10th Articles of the Balt: Baptist Association. Appended to the minutes of that assⁿ for May 1831.

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Church Meeting 20 April Continued

Letter to
Baptist Ch^{rs}?

applied to the printing the minutes of the proceedings of your present meeting, and three dollars in aid of the association fund.

Elders and Brethren may He "who loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob," by his Spirit abide in the midst of your assembly: direct all your deliberations: and order all your steps; that all things may be done wisely, with an eye single to his glory, and the peace, prosperity, and increase, of his Kingdom, "for He must reign untill he shall put ~~down~~ all his enemies under his feet."

The number of our members, as reported to your last meeting was twenty six; since which period we have received by Letter four; lost by death none, dismissed none; expelled none; our total number is now thirty.

By order of the Church

Clement T Coote

Done at the Meeting of the
Church held on 20 April 1834

Clerk Hills Church

Lords day 15 June 1834

Immediately after the congregation were dismissed, a stated meeting of the Church took place, which was opened by prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting,

Collections 2.

Donations 3.50

Contingent

fund 0.10

6:60

Paid to Elder

Polkinton

on acc^t debt

held on 20 April, were read and approved. Bro Borass, as

treasurer, reported two dollars as having been collected on Lords

day, since the last Church Meeting; donations were made to

the amount of three dollars & fifty cents, for the last meeting debt,

one dollar ten cents for contingent fund; the whole amount \$6:60 as

agreed was paid to Elder C Polkinton, in liquidation of the balance

due on the meeting house & lot. Elder Polkinton closed the meeting by prayer.

Clement T. Coote Clerk

Lords-day 30 July 1834

The stated meeting of the Church was held on this morning after the prayer meeting, which was opened by prayer, and prayer by Brother James Thomas.

No collections having been made on Lords day since the last meeting of the Church, excepting the donations made to Brother Scott when he visited us on the fifth Lord-day in June, the treasurer Bro Borrow has had no report of collections.

At this meeting of the Church the contributions were Bro Borrow one dollar Sister Jane 50 cts, Bro David Waters one dollar, Brole Intosh one dollar Sister Susan Hefner 50 cts, Bro James 30 cts, Sister Ann Burthorn 50 cts, Bro James Thomas twelve & half cents, Sister E Thompson 25 cts, Sister Edmonson one dollar, Clement Hoote one dollar Sister Elith Hoote 22 cts & Bro

7:50 P^m 50 - Total 7:50 - which was paid to Elder Polkinhorn on account of debt due on building & lot.

Seventy Eight Cents was collected for the contingent fund, which, in the absence of Seaman Fowler, was paid to Sister Edmonson. The meeting was closed by a doxology & a benediction by Elder Polkinhorn

Clement Hoote
Clerk

Lords-day 17 August 1834

A regular meeting of the Church was held on this morning after the closing of the meeting for prayer, the minutes of the preceding were read and approved. The following donations were then made Bro David Waters one dollar, Bro Borrow one dollar, Bro Fowler 50 cts, Sister Pagan 25 cts, Sister Edmonson 50 cts, Brole Intosh 50 cts, Bro Hoote 50 cts = being 4-25 which was sent to Elder C Polkinhorn on account of debt due on building and lot, who was too unwell to meet with us. Sixty five cts was collected for contingent fund & paid to Bro Fowler. Bro Borrow closed by prayer.

4-25 dona-
tions = sent
to Elder
Polkinhorn
65 cts Contingent
fund to
Bro Fowler

Clement Hoote clerk

Sunday, 14 September 1834

An especial meeting of the Church was held on this morning, which was opened by prayer by Brother Borrows. The Application made by My Palmer for membership on 17 November 1833 was again taken into consideration, whereupon it was unanimously resolved that the ^{further} consideration thereof be indefinitely postponed.

My Palmer's application indefinitely postponed.

The deed of the lot upon which the meeting house stands, from the Trustees of Daniel Carol, as prepared by G. Hoote, was read, when on motion of Brother Borrows that the said deed should be executed to the Trustees appointed on the 16th March ^(last) on behalf of this Church.

Deed of the building lot read and approved.

Elder C Polkinton, in consequence of the probability of his being absent from this city for several months, and among strangers, asked of the Church an introductory letter to Churches and Brethren of the same faith and order, whereupon, on motion of Brother Borrows, it was unanimously resolved that the clerk be requested to prepare a letter for that purpose and present it to the consideration of the Church at the next meeting.

Letter of introduction for Elder Polkinton ordered.

Elder Polkinton signified to the Church his desire to resign the pastoral charge, requesting the members to take it into consideration and to be prepared to act upon that subject on next Sunday being the regular period for the meeting of the Church.

Pastoral charge of the Church proposed to be resigned by Elder P.

Deacon Fowler paid 1²⁰ ^(contingent fund) to Elder C Polkinton on account of the debt due on the building and lot.

1.20 p^d by Deacon Fowler on acct debt due on building lot.

The meeting was then closed by Elder Polkinton by prayer.

Clement F Hoote
Clerk

Lords day 21st September 1834

A stated meeting of the Church was held on this morning, Brother Dorrows Moderator, who opened the meeting by praise and prayer. The minutes of the preceding church meeting were read and approved.

The letter of commendation, for Elder C Polkinhorn, as written by the clerk agreeably to the request of the Church at the last meeting, was then read, - as follows: -

Letter of
Commendation
to
Elder Charles
Polkinhorn

To the Churches and Brethren of the Baptist denomination of the faith and order of the Old School, the Shiloh Church, in the City of Washington, sendeth greetings.

Whereas our Pastor Elder Charles Polkinhorn, beloved in the Lord for his works sake, through bodily infirmity is under the necessity of awaiting himself of a more genial climate during the approaching season, than usually prevails in the winter months in this City; wherever he may be led by providence, we desire affectionately, and earnestly, to commend him to your consideration.

By reason of long continued and heavy affliction he is compelled to suspend his ministerial labors amongst us, and, temporarily, to leave the Church, and his family; seeking, by a change of air, a restoration to his wonted health, that he may again return to his desired usefulness.

Owing to the feeble state of his constitution, the sympathies of Christian affection are the more needed and will prove the more sweet and consoling; and our gracious Lord and Master has declared that such kindnesses extended to his servants are done unto him.

We are

in the everlasting bonds of the gospel

Brethren

affectionately Yours

Joseph Dorrows Moderator

Saml Fowler, Deacon

Shiloh Church

Done at the meeting of the Church this 21st day of September 1834
Amos J Coote
Clerk

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Lords-day 21st September. Continued

which letter was approved and adopted. There being but seven members present, it was deemed advisable that the request of Elder Polkinton to resign the pastoral care of this church, made at the last meeting, should lay over for consideration untill the next church meeting, which was agreed to. There was collected for the contingent fund sixty two shalf cents, which, in the absence of Deacon Fowler, was given to Sister Edmonson. Brother Borrows stated the great attention which Sister Edmonson had given to preparing the meeting house and said she wished not to continue the labor &c. when it was moved by Sister Edmonson, (Brother Borrows remarking that as moderator he could not move it) that the meetings for prayer on Lords-day should be discontinued, and no meeting be held except when there would be preaching, which was carried by the votes of Brother Borrows, Sister Susan Borrows, Sister Edmonson, Sister Fagan, Sister Ann Benthorn & Sister Bernard, Clement T. Hoote being unfavorable to declining the meetings for prayer.

Pastoral charge deferred
consideration of

see page 73

Lords-day Meetings for prayer declined

see 21 Dec.

Letter sent by Bro Borrows for him & Bro Fowler to sign & give to Elder Polkinton

The letter intended for Elder Polkinton was delivered to Brother Borrows. Brother & T. Hoote closed the meeting by praise, singing the 1st 2nd 3rd 7th 8th verses of the 489 Hymn in Watts arranged, and prayer.

Clement T. Hoote
clerk

Lords-day 21st December 1834

A stated meeting of the church was held on this morning. present Brethren Borrows, D. Water, Olla Mcintosh & T. Hoote, Sisters Edmonson, Mary Clay, Ann Benthorn. The record of the preceding meeting of the church was read and approved. Brother Borrows officiated as Moderator, and opened the meeting by prayer. Brother Mcintosh moved, "that ^{the} meetings for prayer reading the scriptures, ^{and praise,} should be resumed, and held regularly on the morning of the Lords-day" which resolution was adopted.

The meetings on Lords-day to be resumed

Sabbath-day 21st December continued

Elder Polkinhorn's resignation indefinitely postponed.

Brother McIntosh moved that the application, made by Elder Le Polkinhorn on 14th September last, to resign the Pastoral care of the Church be indefinitely postponed; which was adopted.

Lien proposed to Eld. Polkinhorn

Brother Leode submitted the following resolution - Resolved that for the balance due to Elder Le Polkinhorn upon the Meeting house and lot be secured to him by a lien upon the property, and agreeably to the wish of Bro Polkinhorn, not be subject to interest; and that the sums hereafter paid by the Church, in liquidation of the said debt, from time to time be entered upon the ^{back of} said deed or bond: which, on motion of Bro Barrows, was laid over for consideration untill the next meeting of the Church.

James Toles related his Experience

James Toles presented himself before the Church, and related in a clear & satisfactory manner the gracious dealings of God with his soul, after having concluded, and he had withdrawn, the following resolution was unanimously adopted - Resolved that James Toles be received into full membership and communion with this Church upon the ordinance of Baptism being administered to him.

5.50 collected for debt on lot and building

Brother Deacon Fowler & Brother Barrows were requested to make an arrangements with some acceptable Minister for the administration of the ordinance to James Toles; and that they inform the Church, and the Candidate, when they have made such arrangement, and also of the time when the ordinance will be administered.

88 collected for contingent fund

Brethren McIntosh, Waters & Barrows each gave a donation of one dollar and Sisters Edmonson & Sturthorn gave each one dollar, and Mary Day gave 50 Cents toward the liquidation of the debt due on the building and lot: which total sum of 5.50 ~~was~~ was paid to Bro Barrows as treasurer to pay the same to Elder Le Polkinhorn for that object.

Eighty Eight cents was collected for the contingent fund, and, in the absence of Brother Fowler, was paid to Sister Edmonson.

Brother Barrows concluded by praise and prayer.

Amunt. Steole Clerk

Sund-day 20 April 1835

A regular meeting of the Church was held on this morning which was opened by praise and prayer by Brother Borrows. There were present: Brethren Borrows - McIntosh - Coote: Sisters El Coote, E Steward, M Clay, Ann Bannhorn & Fagan. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. Bro Coote, upon the resolution, laid over at the last church meeting, in relation to giving to Elder C Polkinton a lien on the meeting house and lot as collateral security for the debt due to him - definitely advocated its adoption, but finding a desire to delay it, with a view of testing and settling the question - Moved the indefinite postponement of the resolution - which was carried. On motion of Brother McIntosh it was resolved, "that Elder C Polkinton be requested to continue the pastoral care of this church". Brother McIntosh called the attention of the Church to the amendments proposed to be made to the constitution of the Baltimore Baptist Association, which amendment was submitted to the church, ~~composing~~ whose messengers, and constitute that advisory council, for their opinion thereon; whereupon it was resolved "that, in the opinion of the Phila Church, the persons appointed by the respective churches, as messengers, are thereby constituted members of the association, and that the votes given by them are not the votes of the respective churches, but are their votes as members of the association". On motion of Brother McIntosh it was resolved that a committee be appointed to prepare a letter for this church to the Balt^o Baptists Association, and to submit it to the church at its next meeting. On motion of Bro McIntosh Brethren Coote Borrows and Polkinton were appointed the Committee to attend to that duty. On motion it was resolved that the next meeting of the Church be holden on the second Sund-day in May next, to receive the reports of the Committee on the Association letter. A Collection was made in liquidation of the debt due on the meeting house and lot Bro McIntosh Bro Borrows gave one dollar each, Bro Toles fifty cents, Bro Coote twenty five cents, Mary Clay fifty & Ann Bannhorn fifty cents, total four dollars, which was handed to Bro Borrows for Elder C Polkinton on acc^t of the debt due to him. Ten cents was collected for Contingent fund sent to Sister Edmonson by Mary Clay. The Meeting closed by prayer by Bro James Thomas.

Seen on the Meeting postponed in definitely
 Elder Polkin
 room requested
 to continue Pastoral
 Constitution of Balt^o Asoⁿ
 amendment of considered
 Committee app^d to prepare letter to Balt^o Association
 Collected for liquidation of debt 4.⁰⁰
 10 cts Col^d for contingent fund

Clement J. Coote Clerk Phila Ch^h

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Sabbath-day 10 May 1835

A meeting of the Church was held on this day pursuant to adjournments. Brother Elder Polkinton opened the Meeting by prayer. The Minutes of the preceding Meeting of the Church were read and approved.

Brother Code, who prepared, introduced the letter to the Baltimore Baptist Association which after some modifications was approved and adopted. (see copy following this days read)

The following donations were then made in relation to the Baltimore Baptist Association - Brother Polkinton 50 Cts, Bro Mc Intosh & Bro David Waters each 50 Cts.

Brother ^{Johnson} & Bro Code were appointed Messengers to the Baltimore Association. Elder C Polkinton closed by prayer.

Clement Hoote
clerk

Letter to Balt^a Association
To the Elders and Messengers composing the Baltimore Baptist Association, held, agreeably to appointments, with the Ebenezer Church in Baltimore, the Shiloh Church in the City of Washington, desirith "that Grace be unto them, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ."

Beloved Brethren

By the sure mercies of David, abounding unto us through our covenant-head, we, even in the midst of our afflictions, are again favoured with an opportunity of communicating to you, by our annual epistle, something relative to the state, interest and dominion of the King of Zion - the mountain that God hath chosen for his resting place throughout all generations.

Our Messengers, as members of the Association, will unite with you in council, and we trust, under the sacred influences of the Divine Spirit, that all your deliberations will be directed to the promotion prosperity, and unity, in the Churches, and of that peace which passeth understanding.

C. W.

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Lords-day 10 May 1835. Continued.

Letter to
Balt^o Baptist
Association.
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Our views of the Divine, absolute, and uncontrollable sovereignty of God - founded, as we believe they are, upon all the Attributes which are essential to the Being, and character, of Jehovah, as demonstrated in all his works, and disclosed in all his ways, both of nature and of grace, - remain unwavering: - "The foundation of God standeth sure." He is "the same yesterday today and for ever"; and he carrieth on, remittingly, all his eternal councils of love and mercy to a thousand generations.

The giver of every good and every perfect gift, who has said "my doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew", hath been pleased to restrain his gracious influences amongst us, and not shew himself "as the dew" unto this part of his Israel, for many months past; and we, like his children of old, are ready to murmur ^{at his dispensations:} - hath God forgotten to be gracious? "Is his mercy clean gone for ever?" Hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies?

Our Pastor, through continued indisposition, has been unable to go in and out before the people, and to speak unto them the words of eternal life, since we last addressed you, and we have had but few opportunities of hearing the truth as it is in Jesus, excepting through the occasional visits of our beloved Brother Elder Trott, for which favors we desire to be thankful to the Father of mercies.

We are still under the chastening hand and rod of our Heavenly Father, who, notwithstanding our forwardness and our iniquities, has mercifully declared "for a small moment have I forsaken thee, but with great mercies will I gather thee; in a little wrath I hid my face from thee, for a moment, but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy upon thee; neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the Lord thy Redeemer." "Return ye backsliding children and I will heal your backslidings."

We have had no additions to our number during
the

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Letter to
Balt^o Apⁿ
Continued

the past year; and we appear like the church of Laodicea "neither cold nor hot": yet we would desire to look to the hope of Israel, the savior thereof in time of trouble to "strengthen the things that remain, - that are ready to die", and that the cloudy pillar, and the pillars of fire may again visibly enlighten, protect and lead our little band along, and through the wilderness, to the heavenly Canaan: when we shall all see that all the way the Lord our God has led us has been ^{by} a right way; and we shall ^{all} there joyfully ascribe all our salvation "to our God that sitteth upon the throne and unto the Lamb for ever and ever."

At a regular meeting of the Church held upon 20th of April last, the attention of the Church was directed to the amendment it was proposed should be made to the Constitution of the Baltimore Baptist Association, and which proposition was submitted to the consideration of the Churches whose messengers compose that "advisory council" for their opinion thereon, and for them to report at the present meeting of the Association.

Upon that occasion it was resolved, "that, in the opinion of the Shield Church, the persons appointed by the respective Churches, as ~~their~~ messengers to the Association, are thereby constituted members of that body, and that the votes given by them cannot be considered the votes of the Churches by whom they were ^{sent} delegated, but are their own individual votes as members of the Association. That the deciding of any ^{pending} question before the Association by the messengers voting as churches, does not appear scriptural; for a church cannot act out of itself, or possess any authority, or jurisdiction, out of its own body; and as it cannot delegate its power, because it cannot ~~transfer~~ ^{confer} its ability and qualifications to form a judgment, so neither can it delegate its vote, which requires, and must necessarily ^{show} the result, of the collective deliberations of its own body.

"Resolved that the amendment to the constitution of said Association, by which it would require three fourths of the members of the Association to admit a church into that body to the privilege of appointing messengers, who become thereby members of the Association, the Shield Church intirely concurs."

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Sabbath-day 10 May 1835 (continued)

Letter to the We have appointed our Brethren Clement Hoode
Belt^d Assocⁿ and Joseph Harrows as our Messengers, who will
communicate any further information you may desire to
possess respecting us, and we wish especially to press upon
your consideration our present low condition, and desire an
interest in your supplications to the Father of Mercies and God
of all Grace. We send you one dollar to be applied
in aid of printing the minutes of your proceedings and two
dollars in aid of the Association fund.

Now Brethren may the Lord be seen in the midst of your
assembly, ~~and~~ the Divine Spirit direct all your deliberations
and order all your steps:— The Angel of the covenant reveal
himself to your souls in all the ^{characters} relations and Offices he
^{sustains} ~~has~~ towards his chosen and redeemed people:— Your eye
be single, that your whole body may be full of light, and
your efforts directed solely to the peace, extension and
prosperity of that Kingdom which is an everlasting Kingdom.

The number of our members is the same as last
year: we have received by letter none, by baptism none,
lost by death none, dismissed none: Our present number
is thirty.

Done at the Meeting of the Church
the 10th day of May 1835

By Order of the Dutch Church
Clement Hoode
Clerk

Sabbath-day 24 May 1835

Application for An special meeting of the Church was held after the
a letter of Commemoration meeting in the morning— when Elder C. Pollardson applied, on account
of Sister Susan Hughes, for a letter of Commemoration to such Church as
Susan Hughes may might be led to unite with after her removal to the
west— and the Church was requested to prepare a letter
and for it to be read at a special Meeting of the Church
on next Sabbath-day morning — C. Hoode Clerk.

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Sabbath-day 31 May 1835

Letter for an Special meeting of the Church was held after the
Letter Hughes ^{public} meeting in the morning of this day when the Clerk introduced
adopted by and read the following commendatory letter intended for Sister Susan
the Church Hughes ~~and~~

Washington City

The High Baptist Church in the City of Washington; holding and
Commendatory maintaining the Sovereignty of the Grace of God in all the dispensations
Letter of of the doctrines of the Gospel of his Son:— as eternal election, predesti-
Sister Hughes nation, adoption, and free justification by the perfect and imputed
obedience of Christ alone; as these truths are unfolded and illus-
trated in the Effectual Calling, final perseverance, and everlasting
happiness of all who were "chosen in Christ before the foundation
of the world"; and believing that all the gracious invitations, and
all the precious promises, of the Gospel are given, made, and
intended only for the blessing and consolation of his elect of God;
to the Baptist Churches of the same faith and order sendeth
Christian Salutation.

Brethren, dearly beloved in the Lord.

The directing hand of our Covenant God and Father, "who files the
bands of our habitation that we cannot pass", has indicated, by
his providence, the removal, from this part of the mountain of
Zion, of our esteemed Sister Susan Hughes, to a considerable distance
from us but still on the mountain of Zion, our esteemed Sister
Susan Hughes, to a considerable distance from us but still on the
mountain which the Lord hath chosen for his resting place in all
generations:— and therefore equally near to our clothed Prince and
Savior.

Notwithstanding the privation produced by her removal
we feel a sacred pleasure in commending our Sister, with
deep and sincere affection, to the regard of such Church of
our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, wherever his leading,
protecting, and guiding hand may direct her to
unite in Christian fellowship and sweet communion, a
of

Lords-day 31st May Continued

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Letter of
Commendⁿ
to Sister Hughes
continued.

of unexceptionable standing in the Church: and we desire to supplicate the "Father of mercies, and God of all grace" that his blessing "which maketh ~~the~~ rich and bringeth no sorrow with it," may abound unto our letter, esteemed in the Lord, and also to the Church to which, by his gracious and providential hand, the may be led to unite, that the "sure mercies of David" may be abundant unto them; for the steps of all his people are ordered of the Lord.

The British Church would request that the Church, which may receive our letter under this letter, to communicate the circumstance that the Church may have the satisfaction of adding to the record the name and location of the Church by whom she may received into fellowship.

Done at an Especial Meeting
of the Church the 1st day of June
1835

By order of the Church
Clement T. Hoote
Clerk Philoth Church.

On motion of Brother Borrows the said Letter was adopted as the Letter of the Church for the use of Sister Susan Hughes. The meeting of the Church then adjourned

C. Hoote
Clerk

Lords-day 21 June 1835

A Regular Meeting of the Church took place on the Morning of this day, which was opened by Prayer by Brother Borrows. Elder Palkinton Moderator. The record of the minutes of the proceedings of the Meetings of the Church held on 20 April, 10th May, 24th & 31st May were all read and approved. Sister Holroy being present authorized Elder C. Palkinton to sign her name to the covenant of the Church. Collection was taken up, which amounted to four dollars & fifty cents, which by order of the Church was paid over to

This letter was superseded by that of the 1st day of June 1835. The letter for which Susan Hughes, from the British Church in the City of Washington, to the churches of the particular meeting & denomination, whom it may concern, in the United States.

4.50 col
ep on act
building

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Sords day 25th June

Elder C Parkinson on account of debt due on the building & lot. The Meeting was closed by a Doxology by Elder C Parkinson.

Clement Hoot Clerk

Sords day 28 June 1835

On the Morning of this day Brother James Tolls was baptized, by Elder S Trott, in the river Potomac: and in the afternoon was received into the church by the right hand of fellowship being given unto him by Elder C Parkinson. Elder Trott, at the water was very clear and solemn in his address, and in his discourses, both in the morning and afternoon, he was deep, experimental, and searching.

Clement T. Hoot Clerk

Sords day 19 July 1835

On the morning of this day a regular meeting of the church was held, which was opened in praise and prayer by Brother Mcintosh. The members present were Brothers Barrows, Mcintosh, Waters, Sales & Hoot; Sisters Barrows, Hughes, Ann Benthon, Clay & Donthon. Bro Barrows acted as Moderator. Bro Mcintosh moved that a Committee be appointed to wait upon Bro Nathan Edmonson to enquire into the cause of his neglect of attendance at public church meetings, which being agreed to, Brother Barrows & Elder C Parkinson were appointed the Committee. There was collected in liquidation of the debt due on the building lot from Brother Barrows

50cts Cate 25 Waters 50, Elder Edmonson 50cts Benthon 25.

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2.85 p^a on acct debt E. Hoot 25 June Thomas 10cts - total: 2.85 - p^a to Bro Barrows for Elder Parkinson. Bro Barrows closed by prayer. E. T. Hoot clerk

Lords-day 16 August 1835.

A regular meeting of the church was held on this morning which was opened by prayer by Elder C Polkinhorn.

Bro Elder C Polkinhorn stated a charge of prophanity against W. Edmonson, brother N Edmonson, which was read at a public meeting of charge citizens, in reference to the fantastical parade, of which Bro Edmonson was called Brigadier General, he had said "I wish I may be damned if I ever saw so fine a company." The fact was ^{not} admitted ^{to that extent} by N Edmonson: the case was long under discussion, and there at length appearing ^{concealed behind} something of a personal consideration, involving another member, and much excitement beginning to shew itself, of a personal character, brother Cotte moved "that the further consideration of the subject be postponed until the next meeting of the church", which was carried.

On motion of Brother Borrow it was ^{that the Committee} resolved, appointed at the last church meeting, to call upon brother N Edmonson, he discharged from the further consideration of the matter, ^{referred} ^{to them}.

2:37 1/2
P on lot
and building

Bro Borrow gave 50 Cts Bro Water 50. Cotte 25, Sister Edmonson 50. Mc Clay 50 Cts Bernard 12 1/2, Total 2:37 1/2 - paid to Elder C Polkinhorn on acct. of debts due on the meeting house and lot. 25 Cents collected for contingent fund sent to Sister Edmonson by Sister Mc Clay.

The meeting was closed by a benediction by Elder C Polkinhorn.

C. T. Hoote
Clerk

Lords-day 20th September 1835

The stated meeting of the church was held, after the meeting for prayer, on this morning. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved; Bro Borrow acting as Moderator. The business laying over from the last church meeting, relative to Matthew Edmonson, was resumed after much discussion, Bro David Water moved "that ^a Committee

Sabbath-day 20th September 1835. Continued

be appointed to inform Mr Edmonson that he is charged before the Church with being disorderly in his walk and conversation, and that his attendance at the next church meeting ~~is~~ is requested: which was adopted.

Taxes due on lot & c
2.25 p^a
on account of debt due on the building and lot.

Brother Borrow informed the church that the lot upon which the meeting house stands, being appraised until last year, there having been no deed of conveyance executed to Daniel Carroll, had been sold for taxes; which, with the costs, amounted to nearly eight dollars: and also that there was about two dollars & 50 cents appraised on Elder Palkinhor for the taxes of the last year, and he moved that arrangements should be made to settle them at the next church meeting which was carried. Bro Borrow contributed 50 Cts Bro Waters 50 Bro Cote 25 Sister Fagan 50 & Bro Mcintosh 50 = amounting to 2.25 cents which was given to Bro Borrow to be paid to Elder Palkinhor on account of debt due on the building and lot.

The meeting then adjourned.

Members present. Borrow Cote, W. Patrick Waters & Sister E Cote Ann Branthorn, Fagan Cloy, Susan Borrow & Mr. Intosh.

Ademant L. Cote,
Clerk.

Sabbath-day 25 October 1835.

At the regular period for the church meeting there were so few (six) members present that was adjourned to this day, and held after the meeting for prayer had closed. Brother Borrow moderator. There were present Brother Borrow, Fagle, Mr. Intosh, Cote, James Simms & James Thomas, and Sisters Fagan, E Cote, Ann Branthorn, Susan Borrow & Mary Cloy. The record of the meeting of 20 September was read and approved. The case of Nathan Edmonson, laid over at the last meeting, was

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Lords-day 25th October continued.

Nathan
Edmondson
excluded

resumed, when, after some discussion, the following resolution was introduced by Brother Fowler - Resolved that Nathan Edmondson be excluded from membership with this church: which was adopted unanimously, excepting one vote.

The consideration of charge for taxes was continued upon the table. The meeting was then closed in praise and prayer by Brother Borrowes.

Clement T Coore
Clerk.

Lords-day 24 April 1836

Collections
at
every meeting

Letter to
Association

Adjourn
to
2 Lords day
in May

A meeting of the Church was held on this day, which was opened by Brother Borrowes by prayer. Brother Borrowes acted as Moderator. The record of the preceding meeting was read and approved. Brother Mc Intosh submitted the following resolution. "Resolved that at every meeting, held at the Shiloh ~~Church~~ meeting house, collections shall be taken up for the purpose of raising the amount now due upon the building and lots belonging to the Shiloh Church", which was adopted. On motion of Brother Mc Intosh it was "resolved that Elzer & Parkinham & Bro Borrowes be a committee to prepare the letter on behalf of this church to the Baltimore Baptist Association; which meets at Black Rock in May next. On motion of Brother Mc Intosh it was resolved that when this meeting adjourns it shall adjourn to meet on the second Lords day in May, either in the morning or afternoon, as the weather may happen to be favourable, or otherwise."

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Lords day 24 April continued

There was collected of Bro Brown 1: Sister Lee 1: - C. J. Coste
 :50 Brother Tole, :50 Bro McWhorter :50 Ann Southorn 1:-
 Sister Edmonson 1:25 Betty Thompson:23cts total Six
 dollars, which was delivered to Brother Brown to
 be paid to Elder Le Paltrinkorn on account of debt
 due on the building & c. Bro McWhorter closed the
 meeting by prayer.

C. J. Coste
Lelake

6th collected
amount of debt

Lords-day 8 May 1836.

Persuant to adjournment, a meeting of the Church
 was held on this morning, after the public meeting
 for preaching. The Committee to whom was referred the
 business of preparing a letter for this church to the Balti-
 more association reported the following:

Letter to the
Baltimore
Association

The Welsh Baptist Church meeting for worship in the
 City of Washington, to the Baltimore Baptist Association,
 convened at the Black rock Meetinghouse, sendeth
 greeting:

Beloved Brethren, we embrace this annual
 opportunity of expressing our unceasing adherence to the
 great principles of set forth in our first letter to your
 association, viz, the existence of one Jehovah, subsisting in a
 Trinity of persons; the predestination of all things that come to
 pass, whether in creation providence or grace. Eternal,
 personal and unconditional election; particular redemption,
 and atonement by the blood of Christ alone, justification by
 his righteousness; the final perseverance of the saints, believer's baptism
 by immersion, the everlasting happiness of the righteous,
 and perpetual misery of the wicked.

We remain, as a church, much in the same state
 as when we last addressed you. Deprived of the preaching
 of

Sabbath-day 8 May continued

1836

Letter to the
Balt^o Association

of the Gospel, by the continued indisposition of our Pastor
Elder Charles Polkinton, and depending on occasional
Supplies to the kindness of our brethren: one of whom,
Elder Samuel Trott, we would make honorable mention
as having a care for our State; not despising the day
of small things, embracing every opportunity to do
us service, although belonging to another Association;
may he have a far better reward than we are able
to give him.

We are sometimes apt to murmur at our con-
tinued trial, forgetful that they, as well as the rich
consolations of the Gospel, are among the determinate
allotments of divine providence. We view this as
a day of trial, from which we believe the true church
of Christ will arise and shine, although resisted by all
the powers of Anti-Christ, under the guise of disinterested
benevolence. As for ourselves, we have resolved to
separate from all those unfruitful works of darkness,
and we especially recommend to the Association
the necessity of a re-examination of the principles of
those associations with whom we hold correspondence,
some of them we fear have departed from the Gospel
rule, and turned aside to folly. We believe it to be
our duty to hold no fellowship with such.

We appoint Elder Charles Polkinton & Brother David
Motes to sit with you in Council, who will give
any further particulars of our State if desired.

During the past year we have received into
membership by baptism one, dismissed by letter one, excluded
one; our present number is twenty nine.

Done at a meeting of the
Church this 8th day of May
1836.

Yours in the Bonds of the Gospel
Elder Trott
Elder Shiloh Church

1836

Lords-day & May continued

There was collected two dollars thirty seven cents for the association fund & the printing of the minutes of the association, ^{one, or both of} the proposition to be applied to those objects respectively, is left to the discretion of the delegates.

2-37th Given to the delegates to the Association.

In relation to the separation in the Baltimore Association, the delegates appointed by this church are left to use their own discretion. The collection being 2-37th was given to Elder to P. Kennerly.

Clement H. Goste
Clerk

Reading of minutes

Lords day, Oct. 16, 1836

Errors in copying being misplaced

A regular Church meeting was held this morning which was opened by prayer & praise by Bro. Borrow who acted moderator.

On J. Towles Bro. McIntosh was unanimously chosen Clerk of Church

Bro. Borrow then stated this being the first regular meeting

Lords day 15 May

A stated meeting of the Church was held this day and an motion postponed till next Lords day
J Towles Clerk

The postponed meeting of the Church 22 May

The Church met according to adjournment which was opened by prayer & praise, ^{the minutes being read & approved} & an motion of Bro. Fowler it was resolved unanimously that Bro. Alex^r Mackintosh be a deacon of

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Sords day 22 May continued

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this church and that he be inducted into office by the right hand of fellowship at our next communion season

It was moved by J Towles that Clement J Coote be excluded from the fellowship of this Church for obtaining from Mrs Elizabeth Coote in an improper manner the sum of \$900 through the agency of Elder Charles Polkenhorn and for a walk & conversation unbecoming a Christian which motion was carried in the affirmative and it was further moved that the deacons take charge of the Church Book.

Elder Charles Polkenhorn resigned his pastoral charge of this Church and at the same time as a mark of his high regard & affection makes a donation to the Church of what is now due him on ^{account of} the building the meeting house

On motion it was resolved that Bro. Polkenhorn be appointed to attend the meeting of the old school brethren to meet with the wild

Church New Cassell County Delaware and that he is requested to write a friendly letter on behalf of this Church expressive of our hearty cooperation in their views

James Towles
Clerk

Sords day Sept 25 continued

A meeting of the Church was held this evening after close of the meeting which was opened by prayer ^{the minutes read & approved} and following resolutions was unanimously adopted that Elder Gilbert

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Sords day Sept 25

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Beebe pastor of the Baptist Church of
Alexandria be desired to take the pas-
toral charge of this Church

James Towle clerk

A regular Sords day Oct 16. 1836

A regular meeting of the Church was held this
morning which was approved ^{with} prayer & praise
by Bro. Borrows who acted as ^{the} moderator, and on
motion of J. Towles Alex. Mackintosh was nomi-
nated to fill the vacancy of clerk of the church
which was unanimously agreed to

Bro Borrows stated this being the first regular
meeting since the inviting Elder Beebe among
us it would be proper that we now approve of
what has been done the question being put it was
unanimously agreed to; Bro Borrows presented
a communication from Elder Beebe excepting our
invitation to take the pastoral charge of this Church
and that he expected to be in our city in the course
of six or eight weeks.

A communication was received from Sister Mary Cole
desiring to withdraw her membership from this church
and requesting a letter introduction to the fellow-
ship & communion of the first Baptist Church of
this city and the Church being of opinion they could
not grant such letter having no fellow with the
first Baptist it was proposed by Brother Borrows
and agreed to by the Church that I should ^{not} lay till
our Bro Beebe come among us the meeting was then
closed by prayer

James Towles
clerk

A Regular meeting of the church was held this ^{day} after
 preaching which was opened by prayer. ^{The minutes were}
 a vote of the church was taken on the request of ^{approved}
 Sister Coates letter and I was found inconsistent
 to comply with her wish, ^{being the Dutch church being in communion with the first} and it was there open
 agreed that the clerk should make known to her
 that the church could not accede to her ~~wishes~~
 request. Sister Steward desired her letter and
^{was} unanimously agreed to. likewise our Sister Eliza
 Beth Coote whose request could not be complied
 with for reasons as before stated
 a resolution was offered by Bro Macintosh
 which was unanimously adopted that a collec-
 tion be taken up for the support of the gospel
^{which was approved}
 Resolution offered by Bro Macintosh that there
 be a reconsideration of the vote making him
 clerk of this church at our last meeting, which ^{was} duly
 reconsidered & he thereupon nominated J. Towles
 whose nomination ^{was} unanimously ~~adopted~~
 confirmed. ^{It was moved by Bro Macintosh}
 that the clerk be requested to draw a ⁱⁿ
 a letter for the association, ^{may}
 James Towles
 Clerk

Sabbath day 16 April

A meeting of the church was held this day
 after preaching and was opened by prayer
 Elder Gilbert Beebe presiding. The minutes were
 accordingly read and approved and on motion
 Bro. Beebe the clerk proceeded to read the letter for
 the association which was read and received giving
 the clerk the power to fill it up. It was moved by Bro.
 Macintosh that the ~~minutes~~ ^{minutes} be pronounced ^{at the next meeting}
 of the church at which time ^{they} ~~they~~ be laid before the church
 the meeting was then closed by prayer James Towles
 Clerk

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Sords day 7 May

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A meeting of the Church was held this day after preaching the minutes were read and approved Bro Mackintosh moved that Bro Gilbert Beebe Draw a form of letters for annual for the church which was agreed to and Dister Stewards letter was further postponed it was likewise considered inexpedient for any further consideration about the other letters till they should be more particularly required of the Church

James Towles
Clerk

Saturday May 13 1837

The Church was called together after preaching Brother ^{Mackintosh} moved that the letter adopted for the association be withdrawn and another adopted in lieu thereof of which ~~which~~ would be more satisfactory on the course pursued by Elder Charles Polkin Horn at the last association in his being the instrument in the hands of God of having the association cleansed from new Schoolism. The Church then adopted the letter was then read and approved this 13 May 1837. by order of Church

James Towles
Clerk

Association letter May 13 1857

The Shalom Baptist Church in
in the City of Washington D.C. holding
~~the same faith~~ the doctrine of the primitive
Saints as held by ^{the} old school Baptist gene-
rally.

To the Baltimore Baptist associa-
tion send Christian salutation.

Dear Brethren in Christ. Those social
and endearing ties which have ever bound
hearts and interests of the Saints of God to
each other have always rendered corres-
pondence among the churches of Christ both
pleasant and profitable. It is true the in-
terest and pleasure which we have formerly
enjoyed in our social relations with the
churches of this association has been for a few
years past greatly interrupted by the intro-
duction of such churches and individuals as
were evidently wrong. But Brethren we
congratulate you you we thank God and
take courage at the prospects before of a
return of those heavenly seasons of refreshing
and of that harmonious intercourse which for-
merly characterize this association. The passage
of the resolutions at your last session offered
by our late lamented pastor Bro Charles Smith
in whom has had the desired effect it has
drawn the line of discrimination between the
children of the bond women and those of the
free. We therefore had the ^{pleasure} meeting of the
churches as one of peculiar interest and we hope

and pray that the great head of the Church
 may be with and bless you
 Since your last annual meeting as a church
 have ^{been} called to drink of the bitter cup of affliction
 God has been pleased to remove from ~~amongst~~
 as we believe to the world of glory our for-
 mer dear pastor Elder Charles Polk Kenborn
 he fell asleep in Jesus on the 22^d day of Nov^r
 last. Scarcely had the divinely commissioned
 messenger born the ransomed spirit of our la-
 mented pastor up to his divine abode in glory
 ere the chariot returned and bore away the kin-
 dred spirit of ^{our} highly esteemed and lamented
 Bro^r Joseph Borrows well known to all
 the churches our union as an established
 judicious and faithful Brother of the old
 School whose councils and activity in the
 house of God rendered him an invaluable
 member of our communion. Of them it may
 be said as in the case of Saul and Jonathan
 they were lovely and pleasant in their lives and
 in their death they were not divided.
 Nor was the ravage of death stayed even
 after the removal of these brethren who seem-
 ed as pillars among us. We have subsequently
 been called to record among the departed be-
 loved sister ^{the} Fowler Consort of Dea Samuel
 Fowler but amidst all our sorrows and
 afflictions God has not withdrawn his loving
 kindness from us although we are reduced
 in number and in gifts yet we enjoy sweet

and heavenly ~~and~~ fellowship in our little Church, and we enjoy the stated ministrations of the word and ordinances a portion of the time by our Brother Gilbert Beba whose assistance for the works sake.

We send our present Pastor Elder Gilbert Beba as our messenger to set with you by whom we send you this epistle and to whom we refer you for any further information concerning us which may be necessary.

Our changes the past year are as follows viz

Red by Baptism . . .	None
Letters	none
Excluded	1
Disowned	1
Dead	3
Present number	25

Read approved and signed after worship on Saturday May 13 1807
by order of the Church

James Ford
Chk

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Sords day 6th Augt 1837

A regular meeting of the church was held this morning. The minutes were accordingly read.

A solicitation of the upper broad run church desiring the labours of bro^r. Bebee on every 3rd Sords day in each month was laid before the church for their consideration and which ^{was} ordered to lay over for further reflection. and the meeting adjourned

James Towles
Clerk

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Sords day Jan 7

A regular meeting of the church was holden this day. When it appeared that Sister Cook Senior was still desirous of having her letter the subject was discussed by Bro^r. Bebee & Bro^r. Abintouah of the propriety of iduing said letter. whereupon it was agreed by the church that the subject should be laid over till next meeting of the church. and brother Bebee was desired to see Sister Cole and report next at next church meeting. It was decided by the church that the sacrament of the Sords supper should be holden every two months.

James Towles
Clerk

Sords day 4 March

A regular meeting of the church was held this day. Brother Bebee reported the dissatisfaction of both of the M^r. Cooles with the church and of their still desiring

1838 } Lords & March

This letter when it was moved by Broth Beebe in touch that Broth Beebe present to the Church at its next Church meeting a letter declarative of the feelings ^{of views} of the Church on the subject of the two applicants for dismissal which said letter when approved by the church should be addressed to the two sister Coates collectively by ^{the} examination of Lane Dyes experience she was found or believed to have the views and doctrine of the ~~of~~ School Baptist at heart in practice and church accordingly received her into their { James Towles
fellowship Clerk

Regular Church meeting for business ^{April} 1838 Sunday

The church met for business this day after preaching of the forenoon Elder Beebe moderator when the postponed case of sisters Coole, Elizabeth & Mary was on motion further postponed untill our next meeting for business Broth Beebe & Towles ^{were appointed} to prepare a letter to the Baltimore baptist association
James Towles
Clerk

Regular Church meeting for business Lords day May 6 1838

The church met according to appointment this day after preaching of the fore noon Elder Beebe moderator the case of our sisters Elizabeth & Mary coote came up for consideration when the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Preamble

Whereas our sisters Elizabeth & Mary Coote have asked for letters of dismission from this Church assuming as their reason of their request that they

cannot under existing circumstances walk in fellow-
 ships with us and as letters of dismissions written in
 the ordinary manner would certify that they as individ-
 uals dismissed were in full fellowship ~~with the~~ and
 regular communion with the church at the time of
 granting such letters and as the declaration of the
 Sisters above named shows a breach of that fellowship
 and therefore to give such letters would be to certify the
 existence of a fellowship and union which does not actu-
 ally exist and whereas to dismiss members without fellow-
 ships is virtually to exclude or expell them from the
 church and as the church have never received any complaint
 or charge or charge against the moral deportment of the
 Sisters above named and have not yet laboured according
 to our sence gospel order to reclaim them from their
 present disaffection sufficiently to warrant us in with-
 drawing our Christian fellowships and watch care from
 them therefore

Resolved

First that we cannot under existing circumstances grant
 their request.

second Resolved that we the Sheloh Church remind our
 Sisters named in the above preamble of their solemn covenant
 they have once entered into with us and that we request
 them severally to appear before the Church as soon as
 practicable to shew cause if any just cause they have for
 their present disaffection

Third Resolved that a copy of the above preamble and resolu-
 tions be prepared by the Clerk and given to the Sisters
 named above

The committee appointed to prepare a letter to the
 Baltimore association presented the following which was
 unanimously adopted as our letter to the Baltimore

Baptist association to meet with the Warren Church
of Baltimore County 17 May 1838.

Elder Pebe was appointed our messengers
James Towles
Clerk

Sabbath day July 1 1838

A regular meeting of the church was held this
day there appearing to be no business before the
Church the meeting was adjourned James Towles
Clerk

Sabbath day Augt. 5. 1838.

The church met to day according to appoint-
ment when brother Samuel Bowles requested the church
to give him liberty to withdraw by letter and the church
assented. He be about to remove his residence to the south
there appearing to be no further business before it was
adjourned over to our next regular meeting

James Towles
Clerk

Sabbath day Sept 2. 1838

A regular meeting of the church was held
to day there being no business before the church it
was accordingly adjourned

James Towles
Clerk

Soords day Oct 7. 1838

Church met to day according to appointment
there being no business before church it adjourned

James Towles
Clerk

Soords day Nov 4. 1838

The church met and adjourned having no business
to attend to

James Towles
Clerk

Soords day Dec 2. 1838

The Church met and adjourned having
no business to attend to

James Towles
Clerk

Soords day Jan 6. 1839

The church was called together there being
no business it adjourned

James Towles
Clerk

Soords day Feb 3. 1839

The Church met and adjourned having
no business to attend to

James Towles
Clerk

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Sords day March 3. 1839

The church was called together after preaching and there appearing ^{to be} no business before church it was accordingly adjourned

James Towles
Clerk

Sords day April 7. 1839

A regular church meeting was holden this day after preaching and brother Bebee presented to the church ^{the} subject for their consideration and adoption whether they would consider it proper for the Association to be a constituted body or not and ^{the church} were of a unanimous opinion it would not be according to the gospel of Christ. brother McIntosh moved that a committee be appointed to draw a letter for the Baptist Association of Baltimore which was sanctioned by the church. there being nothing further before meeting it was adjourned

James Towles
Clerk

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April 29. 1839 Monday night

After preaching the church was called together to receive the association letter it was accordingly ^{read} by Brother Peber and the voice of the church was taken on it: and it was unanimously adopted and ordered to be filled by the clerk a collection was taken ^{up} part of which was appropriated to the purchasing of the minutes of the association and balance to pay a debt standing against the church for recording and

James Toles
Clerk

Association letter April 29, 1839

The Church of Christ in the City of Washington D.C. called Shilo To the Baltimore Baptist Association sends Christian love
Dear brethren in Christ. Although located in the Metropolis of the nation and surrounded with the glittering show and ostentatious parade of modern Christianity in nearly all of its diversified forms and having at hand all the facilities for several millions we remain a poor feeble band, compelled still still to trust in the name of the Lord and to stay ourselves upon our God. The Lord has as we trust in great mercy caused us to see abhor and avoid the vile abominations peculiar to the present day for which we desire to be very humble

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before him our naturally ambitious propensities would long since have carried us away from the simplicity of the truth and order of the gospel had we not ~~been~~ been restrained by a sovereign almighty hand in common with our sister churches of the primitive faith and order we have to encounter at times a great fight of afflictions partly in being long made a gazing stock and partly in becoming the companions of those who are so used nevertheless we find it comfortable and at all the trials of the way to believe that the Lord reigns and consequently He will over rule every evil to his declarative glory and the good of his people. The present is indeed a trying ^{chosen} day a day that tries mens hearts their faith and ever ^{the} patience of the saints. Nor can we think this day has come upon us independently of the divine government the great design is very apparent to separate the pure from the vile the chaff from the wheat and draw the line between cattle & cattle such purging away of the corruptions and the dross of Zion could never have been affected without the use of fire. Our blessed Lord acts as a refiners fire and he will purge the Sons of Levi the fiery trials through which the saints are now passing tries the heart and proves whether our hearts are right with God for none but such will stand the fiery ordeal they that are proud and they that do wickedly shall be stubble for the flame. The apostle has also told us that ~~the~~ the trial of our faith is precious and truly we find it so at this time; How many there were among our churches in former days of whose faith we entertained no doubts until

untill the trial came Now that the disciples of Jesus are few and subject to the taunting reproaches of the united phalanse of the new school antichristian and while Babylon with the world presents all their alluring doctrines of and wealth and honors to draw the nominal profesers and all ungracious souls away from us and still the more thouroughly to execute this purging of zion accessions to our little flocks are wisely withheld that we may realize in this the time of prospering in sackcloth which is the certain precursor of Babylons downfall and of zions ultimate triumph and glory.

In answer to the queries presented to the church in your last minutes we give it as our opinion that the new testament affords no authority for any religious body or organized society except the church of Christ and if our constitution as an association involves what that term implies viz an organized ^{standards} body or ecclesiastical council we will second the motion of our sister church at psalpesco to dispense with it altogether that we should conduct the correspondence of our churches agreeable to some settled plan of association agreed upon by the churches by which the extent of our correspondence shall be distinctly stated and a summary view of the faith and order of those who unite in such correspondence be fully set forth not to constitute our messengers of correspondence entered into mutually by the churches we think is very important if our examination of the constitution it be found to contain nothing unscriptural only the name will to be changed as the name is certainly objectional

with us: We submit these remarks in a spirit
of meekness to the wisdom of the association
and pray the Lord may direct in all things

We have received no addition to our number
the past year

Dismissed : one

present number 25

We send this epistle by our messengers
Brethren.

Written by order of the Church and after
being examined & approved by the same
was order to be signed

James Towles
Clerk

We send for Minutes
Fund.

Sabbath day June 7, 1809

A regular Church meeting took place
this day our colored sister Jane Dye requested a
letter of commendation to an church of the same
faith and order wheresoever she may visit which was granted
there being no other business before the Church
it adjourned

James Towles
Clerk

Sords day July 7. 1839

Regular Church meeting was holden this day ^{at conference} ^{sister} ^{Charlotte Johnson} ^{registed in our City} ^{which was postpaid} there being ^{no} ^{other} business before the church it adjourned
James Towles
Clerk

Sords day Sept 8. 1839

a meeting of the church took place this day * there being ^{other} ^{business} before ^{the} ^{church} it was adjourned
James Towles
Clerk

* The Clerk was requested to call on Clement J Coote for any letters he might have belonging to the church

Dec 1 1839 Sords day

A meeting of the church to place this day when on motion of Brother Mc. Intosh the case of Charlott John was brought up whereupon the church not finding here in fellowship with the church nor had not been for some ^{the members} ^{time} felt themselves bound to dismiss her and there being no other business before church it adjourned
J Towles
Clerk

Louisa McIntosh. on profession of her faith in Christ was ~~received~~ ~~rec'd~~ rec'd into the fellowship of the Shiloh Church. the 20th of July. ~~1869~~ 1869. And was baptised the 4th ^{day} of July following, by Eld Joseph L. Purington.

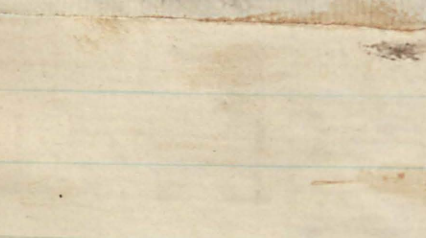
Sarah Frankland was baptised the 4th Sunday in September 1870. by Eld W. J. Purington, and reciev'd the right hand of fellowship by the same. same day.

Dec 1 1837

The undersigned being appointed by the church to visit the sick and aged in the congregation of the church of Christ in this place and to report to the church at the next conference.

Dec 1 1837

I hereby certify that the above named persons are members of the church of Christ in this place and are qualified to perform the duties of the office to which they are appointed.



Dec 1 1837

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The undersigned being appointed by the church to visit the sick and aged in the congregation of the church of Christ in this place and to report to the church at the next conference.

W. James Jones
Washington City
D.C.

Mr. Wm. M. ...
23rd St.
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Millford, N. H. Aug. 25th 1840

Dear bro. Lewis,

I this day received your letter giving me a call to take the Pastoral care of the Shield Church. And I embrace this early opportunity of sending you an answer. I am unable to discover any special indication of divine Providence directing my mind that way, yet on the other hand I can discover nothing forbidding it except the inconvenience and expense it will necessarily subject me to, which considerations have no weight with me when I can enjoy the evidence that the Lord has sent me forth to serve the church and has promised to be my supporter. If I can have the evidence that I have been instrumental comforting Zion, it is evidence enough to me that the Lord has sent me. I will therefore accept your call, and will promise to serve you with the ability God shall give me, until I receive some evidence that he has called me to labour in some other part of his vineyard unless you should become tired of me, in which case you have only to hint it to me and I will withdraw. I will visit you on the 1st Lords day in each month.

Yours to serve in the Gospel of Christ

Rev. G. Sackman

Revised List of Names. March 15th 1867

1 James Toles
 2 Alex. M^r. Butsh, deced.
 3 C. S. M^r. Daniel }
 + Dismissed Dec 14th 1866 by letter }
 4 Catharine Toles
 5 Martha Sherwood }
 + died 10th Feb. 1864. }
 6 Elizabeth Edmonson
 7 Alice Benthon }
 + dead }
 8 Samuel Barnes }
 + dead. }
 9 Ruth Adairson
 10 Skinner
 11 Sallie Simpson
 12 Rachel Smith
 13 William J. Purington }
 + dismissed by letter }
 14 Mary D. Purington }
 + dismissed by letter }
 15 Henrietta Wadley
 16 Mrs. Kate - Stiles.
 17 George M. Fox - -
 18 Jane Campbell
 19 Rebecca Darby
 20 Martha Barnes
 Jesse T. Fox
 Elizabeth Howison
 Sister Louisa Crison.
 Londonia M^r. Butsh.
 Sarah Frankland.
 Loviet Buxis.

Colored Members
 13 Henry Parker
 14 ~~Washington Wood~~ x
 15 Mary Wood. }
 16 Patty Sims
 17 Eliza Morris
 18 Safnah Carter }
 19 Nancy Robinson }
 20 Fanny Paine
 21 Jane Butler }
 + dismissed by letter } afterwards Clarke
 22 Lucy Lewis
 23 Robert Clark }
 24 ~~Samuel~~ x
 25 ~~John~~ x
 26 Samuel Davis by baptism.
 + Dismissed by letter.
 27 Received Adeline Brooks by Baptism.
 + Excluded. 1872.

+ Excluded July 28th 1867
 Died. March. 1871.
 Died. 1869
 Died Sept 7th 1866
 Died Dec 22nd 1864
 + Died March 17th 1867
 + Died by baptism Dec 2nd
 + Excluded July 26th 1867.
 + Received by letter
 Jan 8. 1865
 § By baptism
 + By experience
 + Nov. 11. 1866
 x Rec'd April 14 '67
 x Rec'd June 23rd by
 baptism
 by baptism.
 by baptism.
 by baptism.
 Received by Experience. 1871.
 Catharine Ann
 Toles, deceased
 Feb 9th 20 minutes
 before eleven o'clock
 1874

Received by Experience.

died fifth of Dec 1872

Deacon Alex. M. G. G. departed this life in hope
of a blissful immortality beyond the grave.
the 25th of Dec. 1873.

Washington D.C. Jan 8, 1876

Received of James Fowles ten dol-
lars (\$10.00) it being the amount
received for coal belonging to the
Shiloh Baptist Church,

William J. Hurlington

20th

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Elder Robert C Leachman was regularly
 chosen the pastor of the Shilo Church, the
 first Sunday in June. as for information got
 from Sr Edmonson and others—
 there being no record kept from 1st Dec 1839
 until the appointment of Bro Grimes in Dec. 1844
 the lapse of 5 years

Bro Joseph Grimes
 Sr Porcus Markin &
 Sr Ann Johnson were all received members
 by letter from the Alexandria Church during
 the year 1843. and
 Sr Elisabeth Reardon by experience in the
 Spring of 1844 from the same Church her
 husband Bro John Reardon having died in the
 fall of /43

After the death of the late
 chosen the pastor of the Third Church
 first Sunday in June, as he had
 been so long in the
 there being no record kept
 with the appointment of the
 the date of 1840

The first of June
 the record of the
 to whom the church
 the year 1840
 to the church
 the year 1840
 the year 1840

2nd Lords day (Dec 1844)

After Preaching by Elder Leachman
 Bro Sol Grimes upon the resignation of
 James Bowles, was unanimously chosen
 Clerk of the Church

2nd Lords day Jan'y 12th 1845

Elder R. C. Leachman, Preached, after which David Blackburn^(elder) from the Bryingspan Church applied for membership. upon examination he was refered back, to bring a letter from said Church the Church then adjourned.
Los Grimes C. C.

2nd Lords day February 9th 1845

Elder Ashbrook (of Ohio) & Elder Leachman (present)
Subject - My love my dove my undefiled is but one
She is the only one of her Mother
Los Grimes C. C.

2nd Lords day March 1845

Elder R. C. Leachman (present)
and preached with his usual soundness and dependence on God - - - - -

2nd Lords day April 13th 1845.

After regular worship Elder Leachman read a letter from the Bryingspan Church relative to the case of David Blackburn when upon motion of bro McIntosh his case was laid over to our next regular meeting on motion of bro McIntosh. bro Los Grimes was appointed to write a letter for the Church to the Baltimore Association

Dr Bowles was regularly admitted to the fellowship of the Church by the usual form of the right hand over

The destitute and blind condition of ^{the} Mrs. Ford was reported by Bro. McIntosh whereupon the Church ^{agreed to} take a collection in the afternoon for her benefit - after which adjourned,
 Jos. Crimes C. C.

2nd Lords day May 12th 1845

after regular worship, and preaching by Bro. Hansborough, proceeded to business. The case of David Blackburn being the only unfinished business, was taken up, there being some discrepancy between his letter and his own statements, the Church referred both back to the Fryingham Church. The letter written for the association was read and adopted, with a unanimous invitation for the association to meet with this church and hold their next annual meeting.

3rd Lords day Elder G. Beebe preached to the ~~poor~~ the gospel of the Kingdom

2nd Lords day June 1845

after preaching by R. C. Leachman the church stopped in for business whereupon Bro. Jos. Crimes was appointed to write the letter to the corresponding Association in Virginia adjourned by prayer Jos. Crimes C. C.

9th Lords day July 1845

after preaching the church met to hear the letter written to the corresponding association it was read and adapted and adjourned to meet 2nd Sunday in sept

2nd Lords day in August 1845

had no meeting, the Pastor attending the Corresponding and Visiting Associations

2nd Lords day in September 1845

had regular worship and preaching by the Pastor, R. C. Leachman

had no meeting in October.

The Sunday following many of the members attended the burial of our beloved Sr Langfit who fell asleep in Jesus on the day previous

2nd Lords day in Nov 1845

Had regular worship and preaching by Elder R. C. Leachman

no meeting in December

2nd Lords day in January 1846

Had regular worship and preaching by the Pastor after which, the church met for business, when, on motion of Bro McIntosh a subscription was taken to repair the lot fence. also, one for the relief of Sr Nancy Ford. - adjourned

weather cold
but good
attendance. 2nd Lords day in February 1846
Had regular worship and preaching by the Pastor
Elder R C Leachman. Jos Grimes C.C.

good weather.
but thin
house. 2nd Lords day in March 8th 1846
After regular worship & preaching by the Pastor
the church met, and there being no business
to attend to adjourned. Jos Grimes. C.C.

2nd Lords day in April 1846
After regular worship & it was understood
that Bro J. Grimes should prepare a letter for
the church to the Association, after which
the church went out Jos Grimes C.C.

* They agreed
to meet as
requested
with us at
Philo-
2nd Lords day in May 1846
After preaching by the Pastor proceeded to
read the letter prepared for the Association
which was unanimously adopted, with the
clause inserted, inviting the Association
to meet with us at its next annual meeting
in May 1847. after prayer adjourned
Jos Grimes C.C.

If one scripture
can be more true
than another, the
discription of the
human heart
is the one.
Oh! the depths
of abomination
that lurk there
3rd Lords day in June 1846
Owing to the fact that Elder Leachman
was visiting some of the Northern associations
we had no meeting on the 2nd Sunday, but on the
3rd when the Pastor announced that Elder Ashbrook
of Ohio, would preach for us, on the fourth Sunday
which he did Jos Grimes C.C.

2nd Roll's day July 12 1846

After preaching by the pastor, the church was called together for Annings. Bro. Dewey reported that the Annals collector for the year were not sufficient, whereupon the church agreed to take a collection next meeting day. Bro. Johnson was appointed to write a letter for the church to the erecting Association there being no further business adjourned. Self Minutes etc.

1st Roll's day August 2nd 1846

After preaching by Rev. Cochrane the church met and proceeded to business. A letter having been received from the church at Satapea calling upon the school church to meet with them in council, to take some action relative to the doings of the Higher Society Church, in the case of G. B. Davis whom they excluded from their fellowship. The church refused to take any action upon the case, but agreed to send them the following letter. The school church at Washington City, to the Satapea church. We desire greeting in our brethren.

We received your letter meeting us to meet in council with you, and cannot show the best course to be pursued in relation to the charges presented against Elder C. B. Davis; but your letter came to hand the late for us to comply with your request. We regret that we are unable to do so, but we are sorry to see the absence of all evidence to the

It is wrong, we feel behind the scenes, that
the higher service which we are undertaking
is not being, either in the exhibition of
the form of God, and we feel that
disposal to abide her decisions, and we
would rather say that should
we attempt to interfere with the independence
of a distant church, in the
manner preferred, we should be giving
maintenance to factions, and encourage
dissensions, which we have no disposition
to read and approve in church history
This day of August 1841 and argued
in behalf of the Church.
Edwin C. ...
The letter ~~was~~ is to the
evangelical Association was heard
and a paper read, a copy of which follows
freely beloved brethren, through the kind and independent
providence of the great King of the Church, we are still spared, as
favoured with the opportunity of addressing you our
character of love and ecclesiastical union. Dear brethren, while it
has been the great pleasure of our Assembly, Father to have
us a church, in love, harmony, and as we trust in common
unity, at home also pleased him, he carries us to him, not
only on account of our own personal talents and harmonious
but also for the love sake of God, men, by the
of Brighton, there are not down! and not down the banner
beast given, but with the conviction, that the Lord
chosen their - into kindly; and that for his freedom
reason, we are encouraged to look upon the
deity himself, and know his name for his holy
and in his truth. Through the King, we have
the highest route the language. We believe for
the

Second Lords day in (December 1846)
 The Church (having enjoyed the regular worship of
 God for the several months previous without any thing
 as a particular matter of record) after preaching
 met in Church capacity.

A proposition was made to raise a fund to repair
 the house. no action taken.

A letter was received from Mary Ford a blind S^r
 desiring help from the Church. whereupon a
 collection was made of \$3.27 - money for wood left
 with S^r Admonson - adjourned

Jos Grimes C. C.

Second Lords day in March 1847
 from high waters and other causes our
 meetings omitted above were not fully attended.
 This date had regular meeting, and after
 some collections for sundry purposes adjourned

Jos Grimes C. C.

Second Sunday in April 1847
 after regular preaching by the Pastor the Church
 met for business. after organizing Bro Grimes &
 H. C. Leachman were requested to prepare a
 letter for the Baltimore Association (of which
 we are a member after which adjourned

Jos Grimes C. C.

Second Sunday in May 1847
 after regular preaching met for business. the
 letter prepared by Elder Leachman was read
 and adopted, but not having a copy it is
 omitted to be inserted. The Association met
 with us on Thursday following 13th on which occa-
 sion we had a glorious time. because we

felt

felt the lettings down of his Isaac. and
the sweet and mitting rays of his love - and
the shinerings forth of the light of his counten-
ance - - - - - Jos Grimes b.c.

Second Lords day June 13th 1847

had regular worship, and preaching by the pastor
after which the Church met for business -
Sr Margaret Quekwaite (from Browns Church)
came forward and expressed a desire to be with
the flock of Christ. when, on relation of her
experience she was unanimously received as

Also

Sr Sarah Philips a coloured Member from Bethel
came forward by letter and experience and was
unanimously received a member. after
which adjourned

Jos Grimes

2nd Lords day in July 1847

Had regular meeting and preaching by
the pastor. There being no call for business
adjourned to first Sunday in August

Jos Grimes b.c.

1848 February 13th

Nothing of importance, note, or moment, having
having transpired since the above date in July
I have not thought proper to make a monthly
minut. our monthly meetings have been
regular, except one or two; which was preve-
nted by high waters &c. This day had regular
meeting, and a pleasant time.

Second Lords day in March 1848

Had regular meeting and preaching by the pastor, after which broke bread, etc.

Had preaching also in the afternoon —

Joshua W. C.

Second Lords day in April 1848

Had regular worship, preaching &c after which the church met for business

Brother A. McIntosh was appointed to write our yearly epistle to the Baltimore Association after which the church adjourned to meet in the afternoon for worship which was done and had a pleasant time

Joshua W. C.

Second Lords day in May 1848

met as usual for worship, preaching by the pastor and Elder McCoy

met in the afternoon for business a door be opened for communications

Sister Margaret Smith & Sr. M. Cooke (both from the disbanded church in Alexandria) came forward, related a work of grace on their hearts, fellowship being obtained by the church. They were unanimously received to the privileges and fellowship of Gods house.

Bro. McIntosh not having prepared a letter Bro. Leachman & Bro. Wines hurried up one which was read and approved

Bro. McIntosh & Wines were appointed messengers to the Association after which preaching by as above

Joshua W. C.

Second Sunday in June 1848

After Preaching the Church was called
 together for business, when Sister Elisabeth
 near Laurel. Edmondston came forward and told
 what the Lord had done for her soul
 the Church being satisfied she was
 baptised in the Dolouge about 5 1/2 O'clock.
 Joseph Grimes l.c.

First Sunday in August 1848

Had regular meetings and preaching
 by the Pastor, after which met for
 business. The letter to the corresponding
 Association was read and approved. Sister
 Bernard applied for a letter of dismission
 to join the Church in New York. The Clerk
 was ordered accordingly and adjourned
 Joseph Grimes l.c.

Second Lords day Dec^r 1848

The three meetings omitted above were
 regularly attended but nothing worthy of
 note taking place no minute was made -
 This meeting was regularly attended, Sister
 Bernard returned from N. York and appeared
 among us. Bro Jos Grimes being about to go South
 Elder Leachman prepared a letter for him in case
 he should fall in with some of the seed
 January 1st 1849 Joseph Grimes l.c.

I got home
 April 25th 1849.
 Jos Grimes.

The meetings of January, February, & March,
 were regularly attended, and had preaching
 by the Pastor. nothing being done further,
 the Clerk not being home there was no minute
 made until he returned.

Second Lords day in April 1849.

After preaching the Church met for business. Brother Mackintosh declining. Eldr. R. G. Leachman was appointed to write the regular church letter to the Association. A coloured Bro from Gilmores Church, presented himself, and applied for membership, and upon relation of what God had done for his soul was admitted to membership. The Church also agreed to contribute to raise a fund for contingent expences (repairs wood &c) Jos. Grimes. A. G.

Second Lords day in May 1849.

After preaching, met for business. Eldr Leachman presented, and read the letter which he had prepared, to the Association, which on motion of Bro. Grimes was adopted, and Bro. Grimes & McIntosh were appointed messengers to bear it thence. after which adjourned. Jos. Grimes A. G.

Second Lords day in September

The Church had her regular meetings in June ~~and~~ July and August. To day had regular meeting after which convened for business. heard the experience of Bro Olaver from the Great Falls, which was satisfactory. but, he having stated, that he held Gilmore in fellowship. The Church did not receive him on that account. after the afternoon sermon, attended to the supper, sang a hymn and went out Jos. Grimes. A. G.

at the July meeting a letter was prepared and read - and sent to the Corresponding Association = By Jos Grimes

Second Sunday in April 1850

nothing of special interest having occurred in the intervall, from the above record to the present, I have omitted saying any thing, - to day, after preaching, the Church met, and appointed Bro McIntosh to prepare a letter for the Mattimon Association. There

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Being no further business adjourned, with
prayer by the Pastor Jos. Grimes S. S.

Second Sunday in May, 1850

Had regular meeting, & preaching by the Pastor,
after which the Church convened for business.
The letter, written by Bro McIntosh, for the association
was called for, read, and adopted without amendment
and Bro McIntosh appointed as messenger. a collection
of \$2.00 was also taken for minutes, and genl fund. there
being no further business, adjourned. Jos. Grimes S. S.

Second Sunday in Nov. 1850. November 10th

There being nothing of interest to record, a
regular minute of our meetings (which have been
regular and well attended during the summer)
is deemed unnecessary and, therefore omitted.
at this meeting, Sister Fisher, from Alexandria
(one who, has, through all the difficulties which
have arisen, and perplexed, the Church in that
place, has stood aloof from every thing modern
and fashionable,) presented herself and asked to
received into membership with us, when, upon
a relation of what God had done for her soul
she was unanimously received into the fellowship
of the Church. There being no other business, adjourned
Jos. Grimes S. S.

No business, other than the regular meetings
which were well attended, having occurred
I have not thought proper to make a
minute from the last date to the following

Second Sunday in May 1851

at afternoon meeting for business Mrs Mary Darby (daughter of Eld^r Saml^r Goff) came forward, related what God had done for her soul, upon which fellowship was obtained - she was baptized and admitted a member of this Church

Jack Moore from Chapawansic Church presented a letter of fellowship which was received - There was also a collection of 2.²⁵ taken for printing minutes of Association the letter to the same being approved of was sent by Eld^r R. B. Leachman

Joshimus L. L.

Second Sunday Oct 12th 1851

The meetings between this and my were regularly attended, there being nothing of importance no minute was made

At this meeting Margaret Sheek and Luvisa Orison came and related to the Church, what God had done for them, which, being satisfactory to the Church, they were baptized, and at afternoon meeting were received members of the Church in full fellowship

Joshimus L. L.

This man was Second Sunday Nov 9th 1851

a member of After preaching the Church was called to the new school together for business, when a Mr. C. S. McDaniel Church in Alex^a from Alexandria appeared, and giving satisfactory testimony of a work of Grace upon his heart, was received to baptism, for the next regular meeting, after which the Church adjourned

Joshimus L. L.

Second Sunday Dec^r 14th 1851

After preaching the Church met for business when, according to previous understanding a Mr Simpson (also a member of the new school Church in Alexandria) came forward & related what God had done for his soul, it being satisfactory, he was received for baptism at 3 o'clock he and Sr. McDaniel were baptized in the River Potomac, and are to be regularly received as members of the Church at our regular meeting in January J. Grimes A.C.

Second Sunday in January

Had regular meeting for preaching. did not meet for business.

Second Sunday in Feb 1852

Had regular preaching in morning and evening, after evening preaching the Church met to celebrate the supper of our Lord, previous to which, the above named brethren, Simpson and McDaniel, were formally received as members of the Church by the right hand of fellowship. also a sister, Francis Oliver from upper Broad River Church, upon presentation and recommendation of Mrs Leachman (she having mislaid her letter) was received as a member of the Church, after which, partook of the supper, sang a hymn and went out.

J. Grimes A.C.

Second Sunday in May 1852

After preaching met for business. Bro. McDaniel who was appointed to prepare a letter to the Association read the same, which was accepted, with the blanks to be filled up by the Clerk. There was 3 dollars collected and handed over to the pastor to pay for the printing and distributing of Minutes. The committee appointed to enquire into the case of Sr. Barnard reported that she still persisted in her course, refusing to hear them or the Church whereupon, she was excluded from the fellowship of the same.

Brother Saml. Barnes & Sr. O'neal, formerly members of the Church at Alexandria came forward, asked for admission, and were unanimously and heartily received as members in full fellowship. After which, information was received, informally of the death of Sr. Nancy Beach who died May 2nd 1852. adjourned

Joshua C. C.

Second Sunday in July 1852

No business appearing at June meeting, no minute was made. At this (July) meeting Sister Susan Farlow of Alexandria came forward, and upon profession, and recommendation of all other members from Alex^a, was unanimously received into the fellowship of the Church. adjourned

Joshua C. C.

Second Sunday in August 1852

After preaching by the pastor, met for business. when Sr. Rosetta Candler from Upper Seneca (that Church having disbanded) came forward and upon letter, was cordially received into the fellowship of the Church. after which adjourned

Joshua C. C.

Second Sunday in February, 1853.

Nothing of moment, or matter of interest, more than our regular meetings for preaching, (which were regularly attended). Having occurred since our last date, we have thought it unnecessary to keep a more minute account than this — After preaching by the Pastor the Church were called together for business. no other business appeared. Brother Simpson stated that he knew of nothing more than the case of Bro Grimes, which is as follows. Bro Grimes, some time since, not aware that it would be a source of grievance to the Church, or that it was any thing wrong or contrary to the order of the Church, joined the Order of Free Masons. But finding that it was a source of grievance, agreed to withdraw his communion from said Masons, whereupon the Church voted to still hold him in fellowship after which the Church adjourned.

J. S. Grimes, C. L.

Second Sunday April 10th 1853.

After preaching the Church met for business. Bro. William E. Smith, from Upper Broad Run on application, and letter, was unanimously received into the fellowship of this Church. On motion Bro Simpson was appointed to write our letter to the Baltimore Association. A Collection was taken for the relief of Dr Sarah Philips, after which adjourned.

J. S. Grimes, C. L.

Second Sunday May 8th 1853

After preaching by the Pastor, the Church met for business. when a door was opened for any to come forward; when Mrs Margaret Anderson (of Alex^a) came forward, related what the Lord had done for her soul, it being satisfactory to the Church she was received to be baptised.

The letter prepared by Bro Simpson was read, approved, the blanks ordered to be filled, and Elder Deachman and ~~to~~ ~~Smith~~ appointed, as messengers to bear the same
Joshua C.C.

Second Sunday June 12th 1853

After preaching by the Pastor, the Church met for business, when Sr Sarah Davis, of Alex^a applied for membership, when on motion of Bro Barnes, she was unanimously received into the fellowship and communion of the Church.

on motion Bro McDaniel was appointed to write the letter of correspondence to the Association meeting at Mt. Pleasant Fairfax Co. Va

Anderson In the afternoon Sr Anderson was baptised, and received into the Church
at Alex^a July 2nd 1853
Joshua C.C.

Second Sunday, July 10th 1853

After preaching by the Pastor, the Church met for business. The letter written by Bro McDaniel for the Church to the Corresponding Association, was read & approved and Bro Barnes & McDaniel agreed to go as messengers. no other business appearing adjourned Elder Hipstern is with us, and expects to preach for us this afternoon
Joshua C.C.

Second Sunday in August

regular meeting, and preaching by Elder Beebe in the morning, and by the Pastor in the afternoon
Joshua C.C.

Second Sunday in September. 11th 1853

After preaching in the morning by the Pastor the Church met at 3:00 for business.

no matter of business appearing. adjourned -

Jos. G. Ginn

Second Sunday October 9th 1853

Regular preaching in the morning, and after preaching in the afternoon, the Church was called together for business. After a few remarks and humble prayer by the pastor. Bro Barnes brought a Charge against Dr. Margaret Smith for disorderly conduct in disturbing a meeting at his House. after he was done. Dr. Smith was allowed to make his defence. The Church not being able to decide in the case adjourned to next regular meeting

Jos. G. Ginn

Second Sunday Nov 13th 1853

Had regular preaching in the morning by the Pastor from John 10. 27 & 30. no preaching in afternoon. but the Church was called together for business. The case, above referred to, of Sister Smith. being called up, and the charges as preferred by Bro Barnes and others, not being sustained, or deemed worthy of censure were unanimously voted out. The Church disapproving the course of all concerned in the affair

The above vote was unanimous except those bringing the charge, who were prejudiced voters. Jos. G. Ginn

Second Sunday December 11th 1853

Had regular meeting, and preaching, in the morning & afternoon after which the Church met for business. a letter being presented by Lewis Luke from the Church at Chopawamsic, recommending him to the fellowship of this Church. whereupon he was unanimously received a member with us, and the Clerk ordered to notify said Chopawamsic Church of the fact

Jos. G. Ginn

Second Sunday Feb. 13th 1854

After preaching in the morning: At 2 O' the Church by mutual arrangement, met at the House of Dr. Thompsons for business. The minutes of the Nov 15th meeting being read when the word, "unanimous," as also the last clause in said minutes was stricken out.

Certain reports being in circulation in Alexandria (where he lived) prejudicial to the Christian & Moral Character of Bro Simpson. A motion was made to appoint a Committee to investigate said reports, as far as practicable, and report to the Church at her next meeting Bro Simpson & McDaniel opposed such a course by the Church, saying the Church had no authority for such a course in relation to the conduct of any of its members; but, finding the Church about to act upon the motion, Simpson arose & said, I see what you are about to do, so I will save you the trouble, I withdraw from, and will have no more to do with you. upon which declaration the Church unanimously excluded him from her fellowship. Bro McDaniel also declared his determination to withdraw. but his case was laid over until our next meeting. Jas. Ginn's b. 6.

Second Sunday April 9 1854

At 3 O'cl Met for business on motion Bro Ginn's was appointed to write a letter for the church to the Baltimore Association. The minutes of the Feb meeting being read, and no objection made, were ordered to be recorded. On motion; the case of Colvin McDaniel was called up, when upon his own declaration at Feb meeting he was also excluded. Samuel Barnes, who also took sides in favour of Simpson's ungodly course, on his own declaration to Elder Leachman was excluded. Ginn's b. 6.

Second Sunday May 14th 1854

Had regular Meeting & Preaching by Elder Patton from Georgia. In afternoon had regular meeting of the Church for business. a door being opened. Margaret Smith came forward, related what the Lord had done for her soul. it being satisfactory she was unanimously received for Baptism. The letter prepared by Bro Grimes to the Baptist Association was read and approved, and ordered to be sent. Elder Leachman goes as messenger. Two Dollars subscribed for minutes. adjourned.

Jos Grimes C. C.

Second Sunday June 11 1854

Had regular Meeting, & preaching by the pastor. no Church Meeting for business.

on the fourth Sunday Bro Pipes from Illinois, was with us by appointment, and preached. twice greatly to our satisfaction. This

Second Sunday July 9th 1854

This morning met at the River, where in solemn order. Sr Margaret Smith was regularly Baptized by our Pastor and in the afternoon, regularly added to the Church. Sr Catharine Fowler was appointed Treasurer, and authorized to receive Contributions to defray the current expenses of repairing the Meeting House and lot in good order.

after supper, went out Jos Grimes C. C.

Second Sunday August

Had regular meeting and preaching by Elder
P. Hartwell

Second Sunday September had regular meeting
and preaching by the Pastor.

Second Sunday Oct 8th 1854

Had regular preaching in the morning by the
Pastor. after which the Church met for
business. a door being opened Sarah
Catharine Pridmore & Fanny Payne (Clay)
related what the Lord had done for their souls
fellowship being thereby obtained they were
received for Baptism. they were baptised
in the River Potomac between 5 & 6 o'clock
same evening. one Nancy Robertson also
related her experience. objection being made
she was not received Jos. Grimes C. C.

not present
myself -
Pastors
Minut-

Second Sunday April 8th 1855

The meetings between the above record
and this, were regularly attended. but
there being no matter of business, no
particular record was made. this after-
noon had regular Church meeting
for business, when Bro. J. Grimes was
appointed to write (for the Church) a
letter to the Baltimore Association, of
which this Church is still a member.
Sisters, Sarah C Pridmore, and Fanny
Payne (Clay). (having been baptised, Oct last)
came forward, and, by the right hand
of fellowship, were regularly received
into the fellowship of this Church.
Jos. Grimes. C. C.

Second Sunday May 13 1855
 Had regular preaching by the Pastor
 after which the church came together
 for business. The letter written by B.
 Grimes to the Association was read
 approved. no further business app-
 -ing adjourned signed J. Grimes

Third Sunday May 20th 1855
 had a visit by Elder M^r P. Dudley
 of Kentucky who preached to us from
 Colossians 1. C. 12. 13. 14 verses the glorious
 truths of the Kingdom of Christ.
 at 3^{1/2} o'clock. preached again, from
 Revelation 22. C. 16 & 17 Verse

Second Sunday June 10th 1855.
 After regular preaching, the Church
 met for business. on motion, Elder B.
 Leachman, was requested to write a letter
 of correspondence to the Corresponding Aso-
 -ciation, meeting at Ebenezer, Loudon County Va.
 no further business being before the Church
 Elder Leachman read the following
 -amble and resolutions for the adoption
 of the Church. after some debate the
 matter was laid over until our next
 regular meeting. J. Grimes C. C.
 (on the opposite page a true copy
 of the original ^{resolutions} will be found

stand

the basis of the fact, that many societies, sects in their
 organizations and designs, had sprung into existence, which
 were unknown to the primitive age of the church,
 and which are calculated to lead the children of God
 away from the simplicity of the gospel of Christ, it is
 deemed expedient and proper that the churches
 of Christ, should give some expressions in regard to
 the propriety or impropriety of their members at-
 tending themselves to such societies.
 Therefore they are by this church, that any member
 attaching him or herself, to any society, religious or
 unreligious; the organization, objects, principles, or
 practices of which, are recent, and not of some
 public reputation or estimation; or if there are
 indications of the immorality of the gospel of Christ
 or endeavoring to the minds of the free born children
 of God, subjects him or herself to the discipline of
 the church, and has thereby forfeited all claim upon
 the fellowship of the church, so long as they shall
 continue such an unwholy communion.
 Therefore further, as the subjects of the King of Great
 Brittain, we are bound by his laws, to submit to the power
 that he, knowing that he that resisteth the power
 resisteth the ordinance of God.
 Therefore further, that we approve the course of our
 Pastors in expressing the highest things of disapprobation,
 and reproof, against being entangled with them by desert
 of language, sought to be enforced upon us by desert
 oath, or sledge bound societies.

Second Sunday July 8th 1855

After preaching

The Church met for business. The letter prepared by Elder Seachman was read and approved. after which the resolutions spoken of in our last minutes, (and recorded on opposite page) offered by Elder Seachman, were called up and after much debate on both sides were adopted by the following vote

For Resolutions

Against Resolutions

So Free

James Lowles

Dr Smith & Dr

" Sheek

Mrs Smith

Isherwood had

" Johnson

Bro Waters

stepped out in

" Clay

" Simmes

the yard. they

" Langfit

Dr Manhin

would have voted

" Smith

" Davis

against resolutions

Henry Parker (Coloured)

" Garrison

no member

Jack Moore

" Lowles

Lewis Luke

10 James Simms

Adjourned. To business

Second Sunday Sept 9th 1855

After Preaching

The Church met for business. The reading of the minutes was called for. objection being made by Elder Seachman to a record of the above names, a vote was taken, and decided to stand as recorded. on motion of Bro Lowles, the Church, by a vote of 11 to 4 decided, that the Coloured members be not allowed to vote on the resolutions, they not appearing to understand the matter. on authority of Mrs Rachel Smith, who voted for the resolutions. Bro Lowles moved a

Resolution of the above note on the 10th

year, which was carried by a vote of 11 to 4

A motion was then made to call a special

from other churches of the Bapt. Association

pending which Elder Dea. Chapman asked

to be heard his resignation of the pastoral

care of the church. The question on the

motion being called for (for a vote) it was

decided unanimously in the affirmative.

and appointed Saturday before the next

Monday in October as the time for meeting

of said Council, and that the Clerk be

authorized to send a circular to said churches

urging them to call for said Council.

The Church taking no action upon the

resignation of Elder Dea. Chapman, he was

and honorably resigned the

pastoral care of the church.

Adjourned. W. Dea. Chapman (C)

Wednesday, November 1855

The meeting, appointed for Saturday

before the second Sunday in October of above

names, owing to the inability of friends

to attend, was, by order of said church,

postponed, and held for Tuesday

(Wed) Elder West not arriving in time, the

meeting was adjourned for a day longer.

The Church met and having present

as Council Elders, Messrs. and W. H. H. H. H.

and to be named (Elder Dea. Chapman present)

ordered by prayer by Elder W. H. H. H. H.

West was chosen Moderator. The motion

minutes relative to the difficulty being

read, Elder Dea. Chapman arose and stated

the reasons and motives that had influenced

The Church met
to be heard on the
motion, which was
carried by a vote of
11 to 4
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Adjourned. W. Dea.
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and to be named
(Elder Dea. Chapman
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difficulty being
read, Elder Dea.
Chapman arose and
stated the reasons
and motives that
had influenced

from the introduction of a resolution, he
 in one of his objects being a man, after
 some (friendly) remarks on the matter, he
 made that he (W.C.) be allowed to
 withdraw from the meeting from any
 further participation of the church
 the vote being in favor of his remaining
 on the matter. The church agreed to meet
 next Sunday to attend to the case of
 several members who had attached
 themselves to the American party
 and also to hear from the dissenters
 church after which
 adjourned to the next

Present Sunday Nov 11th 1855

The church met as per appointment
 at 10 o'clock, the church was present
 after which a prayer was read
 by the pastor & sister's prayer and
 and after making such declarations
 as to the church in his denouncing, was
 put to rest, the church (at the
 meeting) declared hereby by a vote
 of sister Beebe who was present to
 justify the church after which
 adjourned to the next

Special Sunday in November 1855
 appointment being made by previous
 notice for Elder Amos D. Dickinson
 to preach (the being there on a
 visit) the church met and had
 a very pleasant and happy time
 in denouncing by singing the psalm
 after which and the church

First Sunday December 2 1855

Clara M^{rs} Purinton, by appointment, preached after which, the Church was, by request of its Clerk, asked to remain for business. When, on motion of Bro Boies, the Church voted unanimously to call Elder Purinton as her Pastor. The Clerk, feeling authorised by the above vote addressed him the following letter-

Beloved Brother in the Lord Jesus

a meeting of the Old School Baptist Church
gtow D. C. held at their House of Worship
December 2nd 1855. said church by a unanimous
or independent ^{capacity,} agreed to call you M^{rs} G
as her Pastor. In compliance with
and by authority of said vote, it is made
sant, and desirable privilege to announce
fact. Believing; that in all this matter,
our trials & difficulties, as well as the
your mind to us, and ours to you; we
enabled to trace the hand of an all
ruling, and beneficent Providence
y displayed in his dealings, towards his
afflicted people. And should you;
dilatation, and prayer, to our common Lord,
strength, accept, and become a labourer
nt of our masters vineyard, when we think
uch work, both in the feeding and comforting of
ref and lambs, as also the calling in of his elect family;
lised Lord, give us grace, strength and ability
ll beautiful hand, that we may be enabled, as far
e may dictate, to hold up your hands, and
you in the discharge of that work whereunto
called you. As for ourselves, we are very
respects this worlds goods, and cannot
over

First Sunday December 2 1855

Clara M^{rs} S Purinton, by appointment, preached after which, the Church was, by request of its Clerk, asked to remain for business. When, on motion of Bro Soles, the Church voted unanimously to call Etta Purinton as her Pastor. The Clerk, feeling authorised by the above vote addressed him the following letter-

Beloved Brother in the Lord Jesus

At a called meeting of the Old School Baptist Church in Washington D. C. held at their House of Worship Sunday December 2nd 1855. said church by a unanimous vote, in her independent ^{capacity,} agreed to call you (Mrs S Purinton) as her Pastor. In compliance with her wish, and by authority of said vote, it is made my pleasant, and desirable privilege to announce to you the fact. Believing; that in all this matter, both in our trials & difficulties, as well as the leading of your mind to us, and ours to you; we have been enabled to trace the hand of an all wise, overruling, and beneficent Providence as signally displayed in his dealings, towards his poor and afflicted people. And should you; after due deliberation, and prayer, to our common Lord, for light & strength, accept, and become a labourer in this part of our masters vineyard, when we think he has much work, both in the feeding and comforting of his dear sheep and lambs, as also the calling in of his elect family; may the blessed Lord, give us grace, strength and ability from his all bountiful hand, that we may be enabled, as far as his will may dictate, to hold up your hands, and encourage you in the discharge of that work wherunto he has called you. As for ourselves, we are very poor, as respects this world's goods, and cannot

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promise more than from 2 to 3 Hundred Dollars.
 but we feel satisfied that the Lord, from indications
 already seen, will open a door for an amplification
 of this service

Excuse the plainness, and simplicity of this form
 and answer according to the light given you from above

Yours in Christian love

To

Joseph Grimes, Church Clerk

Elder.

Now in Washington. W. G. Burington
 of the State of Maine

To which.

We received the following.

Washington D.C. December 6th 1855

Beloved Bro Grimes

I have received your affectionate
 letter of love, in which it is declared, that the Church by a
 unanimous vote, in her independent capacity, have called
 me to be their Pastor; for which I desire to be grateful to them
 for bestowing upon me, their Christian regard and fellowship
 and reposing in me that degree of confidence, to cause them
 to confer on me their undivided fellowship & attachment.
 As to my becoming their pastor, one very formidable objection
 presents itself; when I contemplate the awful & responsible
 station that a servant of the Church occupies; and that is, my
 imperfections; for a servant of Jesus Christ, must stand between
 the living and the dead; and also, no man taketh this honor
 upon himself, but he that is called of God as was Aaron;
 consequently, he stands amenable, at the awful tribunal of God
where he divides the Scriptures of Eternal Truth. and this being
 the case, he is not to seek to please or displease men. but he
 should strive to honor & glorify his divine Lord & Master, who
 has called him to be the servant of the Church; in order
 that the saints, may be comforted.

The servants of the Church, are to warn, reprove & rebuke, with all long suffering & doctrine; and they are to set a good example, not only before the Church, but in their various duties among men generally; therefore, they should strive to honor their profession, by a well ordered life & Godly conversation; thereby giving no just occasion, to Jew or gentile, or the Church, to speak reproachfully of them. As to myself, could I be justified in so doing, I should like to live somewhat secluded from the noise & tumult of the busy world of mankind, by following a rural occupation, in a remote section of Country; but a conscious sense of duty and faithfulness to that cause, which I profess to revere above all earthly things, has broken the beloved fetters of so dear a confinement; and, as the Shiloh Church have reposed that degree of confidence in me, to desire me to serve them for a time as Pastor, with my present sensations of duty, as a professed servant of Jesus Christ, I feel it a duty, binding upon me to accept the Call, and leave the event with the supreme Governor of the Universe; praying that he may grant me grace, and wisdom, patience, forbearance, meekness, humility, & charity; so that I may be enabled to comfort the sheep & lambs of the flock, whom God has purchased with His own blood.

I remain yours in hope of eternal life
 Mrs G Swington

To Joseph Grimes
 Clerk of the Old School Baptist Church
 in Washington D.C.

March 16th 1856. Sunday

The first to have Elder Sumner's presence
he having arrived on Sunday morning
the weather being bad and roads (to be)
up so that he could not even descend
as was expected. — *W. W. W.*

Great Sunday in March 23-1856

That regular preaching by our pastor
Elder M. J. Sumner, after which the
Church commenced for business when the
gatherings were done

The pastor states that he had previous
been, east amounting to some 5 or 6 dollars
which and the "accoun't" in "notes"

never to pay over to him
our system, sending him only what he
to attend to the district, and having to
= general the "notes" to that effect and some

was requested by the Church to employ
another at a price not exceeding fifty
cents per day, for every day he may
be employed. *W. W. W.*

Great Sunday, March 6th 1856

After preaching by our pastor the
Church was called together for business
when on motion of Elder Sumner
Bro. James was appointed to take
= are a letter for the Baltimore Episcop
= nation. A disputation being
held by some persons here (to be)

& matter, they not having as yet
= card and given, or made that
= before required by the Church in

the case of others, respecting their
 course, or connection, with the known
 nothings, as they are vulgarly called; they
 to day appeared and, through Bro Brimes,
 made every concession which honourable
 men, and Christians could be
 asked to make, which, upon the vote
 being taken, proved entirely satisfactory
 to all but two, Sisters Sheek & Langfit,
 they asking time to consider, which
 was granted; it being understood, that
 that these two Sisters, in due time
 shall express their satisfaction or be
 dealt with, ^{as} subjects of discipline.

Jos Brimes C. C.

Sunday June 22nd 1856

After preaching the Church was called together
 for business. When S^r Susan Johnson from Win-
 Chester V^t by letter, was unanimously received a
 member of this Church. On motion of Bro
 Brimes our times for Church Meetings was
 changed from Sundays to Saturday afternoon
 next preceding the second Sunday in each
 month. & that the second Sunday in each
 month be our regular Communion season

Jos Brimes C. C.

Saturday afternoon July 12th 1856

The Church met regularly for business, when, after some
 happy interchange of feelings and views. the subject of a letter
 to the corresponding Association was brought up; and on motion
 of Bro Brimes to send a letter & Meppenges. on the note being put
 it was lost. so we send no letter this year. By order of the
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Church, Bro Parker was requested ~~to~~ authorized to notify Bro Lewis Luke & Sr Betsy Thompson to appear at our next meeting for business, and answer to the Church or show just cause, of their continued course, in obstinately refusing to submit to the discipline of the Church, or to fellowship the same. Also, Bro Grimes, to notify Bro Sheek & Langfit, that they had had sufficient time consider of the matters embraced in minutes of opposite page, and that they should come forward and express their satisfaction and renew their fellowship, and on their failing to do so the Church would proceed to exercise the discipline of the same — as the Corresponding Association comes on, in the second week in August the Church decided to hold her regular meeting for business on the first Saturday in August instead of the second
Adjourned to that day Jos Grimes C. C.

Saturday August 2 1856

At a special meeting of the Church for business, the cases of Sisters Sheek, Langfit & Thompson & Bro Luke came regularly up for consideration. after reading a prayer the minutes being read. Bro Parker reported the case of Betsy Thompson & Lewis Luke. that he had informed them of the order of the Church in their cases, and that they both declared that they were not of us, and would not answer the orders of the Church, nor have any thing to do with us whereupon, on motion of Bro Bowles they were unanimously excluded from the fellowship of the Church. Sisters Sheek & Langfit failing to give satisfaction to the Church, by manifesting a spirit of hardness, and a disposition to persist in their course of rebellion against the discipline. and the Church, discovering them no disposition to forgive the errors of others, who sought for by repentance, nor to repent of their own errors and hardness of heart; on motion excluded them also from her fellowship. Jos Grimes C. C.

Sunday September 21. 1856. The Church & Congregation met as usual to hear preaching - and did hear Pastor a sound, Gospel sermon from Elder ^{Designated} W. J. Purington their regular Pastor at the close of which he publicly resigned the pastoral charge of the Church.

Sunday Sept 28th preached at his own private House. had three or four members of the Church to hear him. I had heard of this meeting - and went up to see if it could be so. it was so. I have no more to say -

Called Meeting A meeting of the Church was called Oct 5th for the purpose of considering the propriety of regularly receiving, or not, the resignation of Elder Purington. on the vote being taken it was decided not to act in the premises at present, but defer the matter for a time - It was also decided to hold a regular meeting for business on the 2nd Sunday in November

Regular Meeting Second Sunday Nov 9th Regularly met for business. there being but few members out, it was deemed best to postpone action until some future time. closed by singing and prayer Jos. Grimes, C. C. dark and mysterious are thy ways O Lord. deep calleth unto deep

By advice of, and consultation with, and

of the members of the Church; the Clerk is requested to invite Elder Beebe, and several others of the other members of the Church of Unsect order to pay no a work as seen as it would give their commission to be held and be ever order, it having to

in the full order Accordingly, Elder Beebe reported that this Church was not ready to be held and be ever order, it having to

through the organ of Rev. J. J. Johnson, that if the Lord will, he would be with us on the 18th of October, and by the same means

invited Elder J. J. Johnson. The Clerk is requested to meet him here on that occasion

Accordingly, after preaching here on the 18th of October, the Church of Unsect order

meeting for business on Monday afternoon the 28th. met, had a full meeting of the

Church. It is so it was necessary to do so, the order which in the past had been

to give report of order. After a full and satisfactory explanation by all present, it was unanimously decided, the Church was

and has been, though all her difficulties notwithstanding according to the order of the Synod

Elder Beebe and others invited -

Reported out of order

December 8th

Remaining resolution of Sept 1855. respecting

1855 by which the colonial members

not allowed their vote (later to minutes)

and some of the members, thinking it

in force, (though it was not) a motion

made, for their gratification, and man

only carried, concerning their resolution

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March 1st 1857 Sunday.
Nothing requiring the action of the Church from
the case of the above movements in this case the
have not had any regular meetings for business
but the awaiting nature of all earthly things
making it necessary that the Church should
take some steps in relation to their duties
of Ministry; it was deemed advisable, as a
Provisionary, to appoint Trustees for the pro-
perty, accordingly, on motion Bro. James
Watson & Elders. Wm. D. Livingston were agreed
upon as suitable persons in whom to
invest said trust. After which on
motion the Church adjourned
as usual &c.

The motion was then made to ascertain by all
members present, if a meeting, to wait in follow-
ship with the Church, has or does not exist, another
in a few moments, we had our objections and
objection
with drew her
One disinterested
expressed much concern for having done so, and by
provision, declaring that she hoped she never again
would be led to do any thing calculated to mar
the precious and precious work of the Church.
There are motions of Bro. B. B. B., Bro. Livingston
was unanimously carried to remove the packet
taken arising in, which he cordially agreed
to do, expressing great satisfaction at the happy
result of the meeting, when the spirit of God
was organically manifested among us, and we have
a meeting time all in the spirit of the Gospel
manifesting a desire to keep all our hearts,
and to wait together in love and unity
Dear Friends &c.

Sunday March 29th 1857

2
 After preaching the Church was called together for business. when, it appearing impossible to obtain a valid deed of trust while Bro McCintosh. who had been a member for several years. still occupied that position in a former deed (trust). The Church directed the Clerk to write to him, and obtain his signature to a deed of surrender, in order that best sent trustees may be duly appointed after which adjourned

Jos. Smith C. C.

Sunday June 21. 1857.

after preaching the Church met for business. When the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Whereas. The British Church of School Baptists in the city of Washington D.C. being for various reasons desirous of changing & changing the present location of their House of Worship, from its present to one more desirable in some other part of the city

Therefore

3
 Resolved. That our Trustees James Fowler and W. J. Peerington be and are hereby fully authorized and empowered to bargain sell set over alien and transfer all our right title claim and interest whatsoever, in and to our present
 over

4
 House of Worship & Lot of ground
 situate on W. St. South near 4th St
 unto whomsoever they may think
 proper, for the sum of fourteen
 hundred dollars. and it is further
 ordered that said trustees negotia-
 te for the purchase of an other
 lot of ground and for the erection
 thereon of a suitable house of
 worship, their said negotiations
 for such purchase and building
 subject to the approval of this Church
 and it is further ordered
 that said trustees during the
 interim may contract for or
 take terms for a school house
 or some other suitable place to
 hold our meetings in until we
 can build
 Joseph Grimes
 Church Clerk

At a called meeting of the Church held
 on Sunday morning July 13th 1785 The follo-
 -wing preamble & resolution was unanimously
 adopted

5
 Whereas, a suit at Law having been threatened
 by Mr Polkinghorne Widow of Eden Ch^o Polkinghorne
 be^g growing out of the Sale of the Shiloh
 Church Property Therefore
 Resolved That the Trustees appointed by this
 Church, and named in a deed of bargain & sale
 of said property, be, and are hereby authorized to
 defray & pay the expenses of such suit, should one
 be brot against the parties interested, out of any
 money in their hand to the credit of this Church

The parties heretofore named
 as negotiating for the purchase
 of our Meeting House, having
 withdrawn further negotiations
 for the present from the fact
 of a suit at Law being brought
 by Mr Polkington & heirs
 for said property.

6
 At a regular meeting of the
 Church held January 10th 1855
 it was advised that the Church
 through her trustees, enter a
 suit in the Chancery Court
 in order to purge our title to
 said property, it having been
 called in question by the parties
 above named

Whereupon the Trustees
 James Fowler & W. J. Purington
 were duly authorized by
 a unanimous vote, to enter
 and prosecute said suit, at
 the cost of the Church.

after which adjourned
 Joseph Minnis
 C. Clerk

Sunday afternoon July 24th 1855
 after preaching, the Church was
 called together for business
 when, ^{and whereas,} it appearing that our
 Trustees have to be confirmed
 by the Court, according to Law
 in such cases made and
 provided, and ^{whereas,} W. J. Purington

one of our named Trustees expressing a desire to be relieved from the duties of Trustees. Thereon Resolved. That Joseph Grimes be and he is hereby duly nominated and appointed to ~~serve as~~ ^{our} trustee in the place of W. D. Purington declining.

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James Lewis stated that he had rented our meeting house on the Island for a short term when on motion, said renting was unanimously approved after which adjourned.

Joseph Grimes
Church Clerk

October 3^r 1857

following, will be found several Minutes which had missed of record because this Book had been in Court as evidence.

Sunday Sept 20 1857

after the afternoon sermon, the Church was called together for business. When, a door being opened, Nancy Robinson related what the Lord had done for her soul. fellowship being obtained she was unanimously read a candidate for Baptism. Elizabeth Harris, an old member from Chopawamsic Church Prince Georges County Va. ~~and~~ upon the Church's obtaining full fellowship, for her, as one of the chosen of God was also received into full fellowship. also Lucy Lewis, an old member from old Backlick. upon a relation of a work of God upon her soul was unanimously admitted a member in full fellowship.

Sunday April 11 1858

At this meeting of the Church, held by previous appointment, a letter which had been prepared for the Association was asked to be read, and, there being no objection to its contents, it was adopted as the letter from the Church to said Association to be held with the Black Rock Church in Baltimore County Md. after which on suggestion of the Pastor, the case of Mr Smith, for habitually absenting himself from the meetings of the Church was taken up for consideration and it appearing that he had no desire to work in fellowship with us any longer, he was on motion excluded from his fellowship. The Church, for some time past, having enjoyed the gratuitous use of a good and comfortable Hall for worship, the Property of Mr Cochran; passed a resolution of hearty thanks for said favour and requested Bro Asa Biggs (a Bro from N. Carolina) by letter to address Mr Cochran, informing him of the same. The Clerk was requested to notify Mr Smith of the action of the Church in his case

adjourned Jos. Quinn. C. C.

Sunday May 9 1858

at a called meeting of the Church held this day, a door being opened Bro. J. M. Chester arose, and after stating some of the many trials and afflictions through which he had passed the tendency of which was to drive him from all others to the Church of Christ. and after stating also sufficient of a work of grace upon his soul for the satisfaction of the Church was unanimously read into her fellowship as a member

Sunday Sept 12 1858

after preaching the Church was called together for business, when Bro. Grimes, after stating the cause which led to the same, and which the Church approved of, made a motion which was seconded, that that portion of the members of this Church now residing in Alex^d Va be permitted in all good faith to withdraw their membership from the same, for purposes before stated, but that we still stand in full fellowship with them both in doctrine and practice which motion unanimously passed

James Lovell C. C.
Pro Tem

Sunday May 23 1858

Church met for Business

Wm. Stuyt came forward and

related what god had done for his

the Church, offering entire

them and fellowship on motion he

was unanimously set a candidate

for Baptism

Sunday June 13 he was Baptized

and the same day added to the Church

The members thereof have been

entered before in its proper

but the manuscript being

lost was the cause; the Book

also being out of my hands, some

other matters may have been

lost.

Wm. Stuyt

1858

After preaching the Church

being called together for

and sister

Wm. Stuyt

who came forward from a

Church at Heckerille, Va. some

time since and related to the

Church the dealings of the

with her being present a

Motion was made by

that she now be Baptized

which was agreed to and

The afternoon she was

Baptized and added to the

Church. Joseph

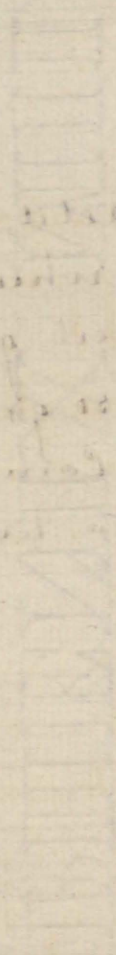
Church

Note The Church, since the foregoing record not having any business matters to attend to, and the Book having been in the hand of Bro Towles for use as evidence in a chancery suit to purge our Title to our Meeting House property which suit was decided in our favor. The Clerk may have omitted to make some necessary record. but not having held, as the Clerk now recollects; any regular meetings for business thinks no omissions have been made. Jos. Quinn

Sunday May 8th 1859

The Church having held her regular meetings for preaching, which is, 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month, feel grateful to our blessed Lord for favors so great. and to day, it being her regular Communion season after meeting proceeded to business. when

The first thing I noticed when I stepped
 out of the train was the fresh air. It
 felt like a breath of life after being
 stuck in the city for so long. The
 landscape was beautiful, rolling hills
 and green fields stretching as far as
 the eye could see. I had heard that
 the country was lovely, and now I
 knew it was true. The people were
 friendly and welcoming. I had found
 a new home.



December 1899
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Sunday October 23^d 1859

After preaching the Church was regularly called together for business. When on motion the following preamble and resolution was unanimously adopted

See P. 151
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Whereas, by a resolution dated March first 1857 Elder W. J. Purington was appointed Trustee, in connection with James Towles, of and for the Old School Baptist Church of the City of Washington D.C. Called "Shiloh". and Whereas, the said Purington voluntarily resigning his Trusteeship, now therefore, Resolved:

That Joseph Grimes he, and ^{he} hereby is, duly nominated and appointed our Trustee in place of W. J. Purington resigning, and by these presents, ^{the said Grimes is} duly authorized, in connection with James Towles, to bargain, sell, assign, alien, and set over, all our right, title claim and interest in and to ^a certain old House and lot of ground situated on D Street South near 4 1/2 Street. and used as a House of Worship. and these our Trustees James Towles and Joseph Grimes are hereby (the Court confirming) duly invested, by us with all the rights, powers, and immunities, as in such cases ^{are} made and provided by ^{the} Laws of the District of Columbia.

after which no further business appearing, on motion ^{the Church} adjourned
Joseph Grimes C.C.

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Sunday October 23rd 1859

After preaching the Church was regularly called together for business. When on motion the following preamble and resolution was unanimously adopted

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Whereas, by a resolution dated March first 1857 Elder. W. J. Purinton was appointed Trustee, in connection with James Towles, of and for the Old School Baptist Church of the City of Washington D.C. Called "Shiloh". and Whereas, the said Purinton voluntarily resigning his Trusteeship, now therefore, Resolved:

That Joseph Grimes be, and ^{he} hereby is, duly nominated and appointed our Trustee in place of W. J. Purinton resigning, and by these presents ^{the said Grimes is} duly authorized, in connection with James Towles, to bargain, sell, assign, alien, and set over, all our right, title claim and interest in and to ^a certain old House and lot of ground situate on D Street South near 4 1/2 Street. and used as a House of Worship. and these our Trustees James Towles and Joseph Grimes are hereby (the Court confirming) duly invested, by us with all the rights, powers, and immunities, as in such cases ^{are} made and provided by ^{the} Laws of the District of Columbia.

after which no further business appearing, on motion ^{the Church} adjourned
Joseph Grimes C.C.

Sunday Sept. 9 1860.

After dinner, before preaching, Bro. Mr. Daniel came forward & was restored to full fellowship by the church; and three candidates were received for baptism.

Sunday Sept 30, 1860

At 9 o'clock A. M. the following named persons were baptised: Mrs. Skinner, Washington Wood and wife, Patsy Sims (the last three named colored) and were received into the fellowship of the church.

Sunday Oct 14, 1860.

At 9 o'clock A. M. the following named persons were baptised: Joseph Brodew and Sallie Simpson; and the last named received into the fellowship of the Shiloh church.

Sunday, March 13th 1862.

After preaching, in the afternoon, the church was called together for business. Chose William J. Turrington Moderator. Heard a relation of the experience of Robert Clark colored, and he was received as a candidate for baptism. Requested William J. Turrington to write a letter to Dea. Mr. Mr. Prichard, who now resides in Westminster Md. to ascertain whether he still is in fellowship with the church. Requested sister Catharine South to write a letter to sister Elizabeth Edmondson to ascertain why she has not attended any meetings of the church for the past two years. As no other business was before the church - adjourned.

Sunday Nov. 13th 1864.

At the close of preaching in the afternoon the church was called together for business. Chose William J. Purinton Moderator.

Heard a relation of the experiences of Sarah Carter and Catharine Smith, and they were received as candidates for baptism. The time appointed for the administration of the ordinance was Nov. 27th, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Feb. 7th 1865.

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The following resolutions were handed to brother James Towles to-day, to be filed on the Public Records by the Clerk of the Court:

Whereas, by a resolution of the Church, dated Oct. 25th 1859, Joseph Grimes of Alexandria, Virginia, was appointed one of the trustees of the Shiloh Baptist Church in Washington City in the District of Columbia, and as said Grimes, at the beginning of the present war, went "South," and did not return, the said Shiloh Church, by a resolution, dated Oct. 10th 1863, dismissed him, the said Grimes, from being any longer one of the trustees of said Shiloh Church.

Washington City Feb. 2^d 1869

Whereas by order of the Shiloh Baptist Church in meeting assembled, and by unanimous vote, it is made my duty by their voice to render unto Elder Wm. J. Purinton and Sister Purinton his wife this Epistle. They have by request the same from us, with liberty to write with a view to Church of the same faith and order. And we hereby certify, that they are both in good standing with us, and we most cordially commend them to the fellowship and watch care of the Church among whom their names have been cast, and when they shall have been duly received, by the Church and we receive due notice thereof, we shall consider them both dismissed from us.

Done by order of the old school Shiloh Baptist Church
Jan. 24th 1869 Washington City.
James Towles Clerk & Postee

In the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia

Edward C. Carrington	} 383
U.S District attorney	
Relator - on behalf of The Shiloh Baptist Church	

The Court having read the relation of the above entitled cause and having maturely considered the same it is by the Court this 16th day of February, A.D. 1865 adjudged ordered and decreed that James Towles be and he is hereby declared to be sole trustee of the said Shiloh Baptist Church; and that the legal title in and to all that parcel of land particularly described in said relation be and the same hereby is vested in said James Towles and his successors

By order of the Court

Just R. Francis
 R. Francis Clerk to
 R. Francis Trustee

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Resolution

Be it resolved by the Old School Baptist Church, of Washington City, now assembled, that in order to facilitate the sale of their Meeting-house, to pay the ^{debt} accrued on said Meeting-house that the trustee, Henry O. Towles, have power to sell said Meeting-house, at private sale, as we believe it will redound to the benefit of the Church, by saving the expense of a Public sale, and a larger price obtain thereby for said Meeting-house.

Done at a regular church meeting, called for the above named purpose, October 16th 1873.

William J. Purinton,

John S. Matten
Trustee, 1905

John S. Matten
Trustee, 1905

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Duplicate Bond

James Towles does hereby agree as the Sole Trustee of Shiloh Baptist Church Old School, situated on Massachusetts Avenue, on Square three hundred & seventy one (371), of Lot 3 in the City of Washington District of Columbia; to return the sum of five hundred dollars less 11% tax which was (\$50) divided by the late Martha Sherwood through her Trustee Mrs. J. P. P. P. In the event of Sale of Meeting House to the heirs at Law of said Martha Sherwood deceased, or in the event said property is diverted from Church purposes. (Original bond retained)

Washington City May 14th 1870

James Towles Sole Trustee

Respectable

Several names found on trustee for the Old Church
 English meeting house, has made large advances in
 payment of the debt on said church meeting house
 as is shown by his vouchers, as also by advancing his
 Episcopalian Brethren's association stock as well as large
 amounts of money out of his own funds, now being
 over in church meeting do hereby order & direct our said
 trustee, to make a full & true receipt for the same
 for the better security to himself for the amounts of money
 advanced by him in payment of monthly dues from
 to him to said association, being the sum from the
 Dec 3rd 1868 of three thousand four hundred & twenty
 Dollars (\$3472), as well as other monies advanced out of
 own funds for the erection of said church meeting
 house, being the sum of nearly four hundred & thirty
 four dollars (\$437.74) according to the simple account
 amounting together to the sum of three thousand and
 three hundred & forty six dollars (\$3916.03) and all
 all sums of money advanced by dues paid to said Episcopalian
 Brethren's association, as well as the payment on foreign
 shares of stock, which is nearly eight hundred & thirty
 being five dollars per share advanced on, which may be
 he paid into said association, at monthly dues, and fund
 we in church meeting assembled, do hereby authorize, and
 empower our said trustee to collect all remaining from said
 meeting house, and all other arrears in money due to
 and apply the same to the liquidation of said debt, after
 said meeting house, when so collected, and we hereby
 confirm and ratify all his acts in the premises
 Washington D. C. January 2nd 1869
 Geo. N. Rodgers Moderator

I am by order of the church members, for
 Church Clerk O'Brien Saml Barrow
 I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of
 the resolutions. T. N. Chick, Pastor of the church
 January 20th 1868

Shiloh Church To James Towles

No dates.

Kinsky & Clarkson, bill of brick work	\$1228 00	Donation	\$40 00	\$1288 00
Daniel Smith " Turning & sundries	163 95	"		163 95
Casselman " Lime	93 25	"	10 00	83 25
Mathew Waite " Slating & felting	572 00	"	20 00	552 00
A & J. A Richards " Brick	1602 00		77 91	1525 00
Nicholas Acker " Stone sells	119 30		18 00	101 30
Paulus Thyson " Hardware	147 97		10 00	137 87
Whittelsey " Glass & putty				100 00
Cruit & Campbell " Running gas pipes & fittings				117 55
Gas company "				43 45
Baldin & Brothers " Sash blinds & doors	156		15 00	141 00
John R. Elvans Sash weights & co				122 04
Cruit & Campbell preparing build for gas				38 20
Amount paid into Epeslors Building association stock prior to purchase as per certificate				1424 00
" Loaned by Mrs C. A. Towles				1500 00
" Schedule A as per sundry items X what are then when is schedule				2613 88
" Dues paid in advances to Epeslors Building association as per certificate				2048 00
Mohr & Son Lumber	1377 76		57 76	1460 00
				13479 55
1868				7533 50
1868 bills as per subscription book of this date with advances made by Epeslors Building association stock & with rents \$625. to Nov 26 1868				5946 05
To Dues not to be paid on advances made by Epeslors Building association for two years & five months from Dec 3 rd inclusive 1868 or till said association winds up supposed to be two years & 5 months, and if less account credited by the time in payments				2774 00
Washington January 2 nd 1868. Done by vote of the church unanimously passed Jos. A. Budget Moderator.				8720 05
I certify that the above is a true copy of the account.				
J. A. Chick Pastor of the Shiloh church				
January 20 th 1868				
Admission in not changing up 3 monthly dues at \$96 per mo				\$384 00
Water rent of street as per bill				3237
Cruit & Baumell				219 00
Carried over to next page				\$9355 42

It is resolved by the British Baptist Churches
 in Church meeting assemble that the former
 adopted Jan 2 1869 by said Church meeting
 for the benefit of our dear James Douglas
 and is hereby affirmed, but in no way to affect
 another account to said meeting, and in this
 thereof, we as a Church meeting assemble, do
 agree to pass the following resolution
 For the more effectual mode of securing funds
 our dear Josiah James Douglas in the deed
 shall to be granted for his benefit, and we as
 another James Douglas to act through Church
 meeting

Charles W. Park, Pastor of the Church

James James Douglas our dear Josiah has had
 large sums of money out of his own pocket and
 individual funds, amounting to the sum of
 twenty four hundred and seventy four dollars
 \$2474 in the building and erection of our
 house, the British Baptist Church, situated
 the City of Washington in the District of Columbia
 in a part of the year number three hundred and
 twenty one the same being the price of said
 land which was conveyed to Joseph James and
 James Douglas trustee of the British Baptist Church
 by Charles Edmonstone and others by deed bearing
 date the tenth day of September 1869 and recorded
 in Liber 2, A. S. No 204 Sub 5 it may one of the hands records
 of the County of Washington in said District

Jan 9. 1869
 Geo. W. Sawyer Minister

The amount brought over \$9355.42

Assessment made on each stockholder to close up association	14.00
Insurance	60.00
Repairs to fence & opening street for pipes	10.00
Interest on 5946 for 5 years at 6 per cent	1783.80
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	11223.22

Jan 15/69	1 quarters rent for meeting house	\$ 125.00	
April 15/69	1 do rent raised	150.00	
Oct 15/69	2 do "	300.00	
July	Donation by Edmondson & others	36.00	
Mar	14 months rent from Kendall	350.00	
Jan 15/70	1 quarters rent	150.00	
15/71	4 do "	600.00	
April 15/71	1 do "	150.00	
July 15/71	1 do "	150.00	
Sept 1/71	Donation by Oct Thorne	70.00	
	Picture man	12.00	2093
		<hr/>	9130.22
May 15/75	Purchase of meeting house at auction	6000.00	
May 15/75	expenses of sale	53.00	6053.00
		<hr/>	\$3077.22

Balance due Trustee

Jan 6. 1880 Wily James Towles Sole Trustee by authority of Chancery Court.

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and whereas the said James Towles did also
 procure a loan from the Excelsior Building
 Association of said City, of fifty four hundred
 and nine ¹⁰/₁₀₀ — dollars, for the use and in the
 behalf of this Church, on forty eight shares of
 stock of said association owned by him in the
 said James Towles in his own proper and
 individual capacity and advanced to this Church
 for the purpose of procuring said loan, on which
 said shares the said James Towles prior to the
 first day of December 1868, has advanced and
 paid the sum of thirty four, hundred and
 seventy two \$3472 dollars according to the
 unpled account - and whereas the said
 James Towles at the time of the procuring
 said loan and as a part of the consideration
 therefor, undertook to pay to said association
 the sum of two dollars on each and every share
 of said shares on the first Thursday of
 each and every month from the time of
 procuring said loan until the said association
 shall cease and determine - And whereas this
 Church is desirous to secure the said James Towles
 in the payment to him of the said sums of money,
 therefore, Resolved by the British Baptist Church
 that the said James Towles the Trustee thereof
 and he is hereby authorized, and empowered
 to execute a deed of trust to such person or
 persons as he may think proper conveying the
 said piece or parcel of land and premises in
 trust to secure the payment to the said James
 Towles his executors and administrators of the
 said sum of \$24.74 and the said sum of
 3472 - with interest on said amounts from the
 first day of December 1868, and also all sums
 of money which he has paid since the 1st of

December 1868 or which he shall hereafter
 pay as monthly dues to said Association
 or the said church - with power
 the person or persons named as trustee
 trustee in said deed of trust on the
 request in writing of the said church
 he shall pay three or four
 of said three terms and after due
 notice as such person or persons may
 be and apply the proceeds or por-
 thereof as may be necessary to the payment
 of the principal of said annuity fund
 interest thereon respectively - the residue
 of any of said funds may be used
 to the said church to such other
 as trustee and for the benefit of the
 and further that the said trustee
 as trustee as aforesaid he authorized
 empowered to receive and collect the
 rents from the said meeting house
 applying the same to the liquidation
 back debt, and that we do hereby
 and confirm all the acts of the said
 James trustee in the premises

Done by order of the Church members
 present

Washington D.C. January 9, 1869
 J. M. Backer, Secretary

Church of the Holy Trinity
 Barnes

Washington T.C. February 22, 1874

A called meeting of the Shiloh Old School Baptist Church of Washington T.C. On motion
Chick was appointed Moderator and Bro. Brooks
Brooks Clerk, Pro tem. On motion it was resolved by
unanimous vote of the church, that Mr. Charles Ed. Grossman
and Henry T. Fowler, be appointed trustees under a certain
deed to receive all moneys which shall accrue to the church
in consequence of the sale of their meeting house by Henry T. Fowler
and Bro. Brooks, appointed under a certain deed of trust, trustees to
sell said meeting house, after all indebtedness upon said
meeting house shall be paid - on motion voted unanimously
to authorize said trustees to receive all moneys belonging to
the church now in bank. Old. H. A. Chick } Moderator.
Bro. Brooks } Clerk Pro tem.

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Washington D.C. February 22, 1874
 At a called meeting of the Shiloh
 Old School Baptist Church of Wash D.C.
 on motion Eld Foresta Chick
 was appointed moderator, and Bro
 Joseph Broder appointed clerk protem,
 on motion it was Resolved by unani-
 mous vote of the church. That Mr
 Charley Edmonson and Mr. Henry O.
 Fowler are appointed and duly elected
 and authorized by unanimous vote of this
 Church as their ^{additional} ~~trustees~~ trustees,
 to collect and receive all moneys
 due said ^{Church} bank or otherwise
 and to act for them on their behalf
 in regard to church property &c.
 as the necessity of the church require

Eld. F. H. Chick (Moderator)
 J. Broder
 Clerk protem

The monies spoken of above, under resolution
 of Feb 22, 1874 authorising the new Trustees to be sworn.
 I know nothing of, or from whom it was derived
 it never come into my hands.

Jan 7th 1880 Washington City
 James Towles Sole Trustee by Authority
 of Chancery Court

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