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JOURNAL OF
KENTUCKY ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Russelville Oct. 14th
1830
Kentucky Annual Conference assembled in Russellville October 14, 1830 and after divine service proceeded to business. Bishop Soul in the Chair.
The Conference elected Bro. Wm Adams Secretary. It was resolved that the conference meet at half after 8 O'Clock A.M. and adjourn at one P.M.
Bros. McNelly & McCown were appointed a committee to superintend the congregations and appoint the preachers to preach during the present session.
Bros. John James, Wm Gunn and Geo. S. Barger were appointed Stewards of the Conference.
Bros. Akers, Lindsey, and Stamper were appointed a committee to write the memoirs of the dead.
Moved and seconded that we appoint a door Keeper. Carried.
Moved and seconded that we fix a bar. Carried.
Conference resolved to admit our Local Preachers and preachers on trial as Spectators.
The By Laws for our last session were adopted for our government during the present session.
An address from Bros. Rooter, Derbin, Tomlinson, relative to the Augusta College was read and ordered to be laid on the table.
The Conference entered into the consideration of our second Question - Who remain on Trial? And Bros. Martin Edes, Joel Grover were examined, approved and continued on trial.
Bro. Thos. Rice was examined, approved and continued.
Bro. Harrison Goslin was examined and not having taken his appointment during the past year was discontinued at his own request.
Conference entered into the examination of the character of the Deacons, and Bros. Joseph Marsee and John K. Lacy were examined and approved.
Bro. Abraham Baker was examined, approved and at his own request received a Location.
Conference takes up the character of the Deacons who are eligible to Elders orders and Bros. Thos. G. Reese was examined, approved and elected to Elders orders.
Bros. John Redman was examined, approved, elected to Elders orders and at his own request was placed in a superannuated relation.
Bro. Saml. Veech was examined, approved, elected to Elders orders, and, at his own request located.
Bros. Littleton Fowler & William Cundiff were examined approved and elected to Elders orders.
Bros. Marcus Lindsey, P. Akers, B. T. Crouch, R. Corwine & Ed. Stevenson were appointed a committee for the examination of Candidates for admission into full connection.
Conference enter into the examination of the character of the Elders - and Bros. Jonathan Stamper, Wm. Holeman, James Ward, David D. Dyche, Isaac Collard, Josiah Whitaker and Benjamin Tevis were examined & approved and Conference adjourned. ——
Friday morning half after eight o'clock Conference met according
to appointment and after divine service proceeded to business. Bishop
Soule in the Chair.

The Conference resolve not to spit tobacco on the floor of the
Conference Room & Church.

The Stewards of the Conference were then permitted to take the
account of moneys collected by the preachers in the several circuits
stations and districts together with their several claims (see Stewards
Claims)

The Conference entered into the examination of those to be received
into full connection & after they had been solemnly examined in presence
of the Conference.

Bros. Wm. B. Landrum & Kooper Evans were admitted & elected
and appointed Deacons Orders
Bros. Samuel Julian was examined, approved and admitted.
Bros. Richard Bird was examined, admitted and elected Deacon.
Bros. Thos. Warring's case was under consideration and Conference
adjourned.

Saturday morning half after eight o'clock Conference assembled ac-
knowledged to adjournment and after divine service proceeded to business.
Bishop Soule in the Chair.

An address of our Book agents of New York to the Bishops and Mem-
ers of this Conference was read — and a committee of three. Viz. Marcus
Lindsey — Adams and Crouch were appointed to take said address into
consideration and report to said Conference.

Conference resumed the examination of the characters of those to
be received into full connection and
Bros. Thomas Warring & Joseph G. Ward were examined, approved, admitted
& elected to Deacons Orders
Bros. William Philips was examined and discontinued.
Bros. Andrew Pease
Hamilton C. Tolin
Thomas Wallace
Robert Y. McReynolds
Absalom Wooliscroft
& George W. Brush
Bros. James Savage was examined and discontinued.
Conference entered into the Election of Preachers to Deacons Orders
and Bros. Peter McCormack — a man of color
William Brown
Joseph Miller
& Steven F. Ogden of Yellow Banks Circuit, being duly recommended were
elected to Deacons Orders.

Bros. Caleb Taylor of Lewis Circuit
Wm. Taylor of Fleming C.
Edward Waggoner of Bowling Green C.
Thomas Evans of Henderson C.
Daniel S. Capell of Logan C.
& Charles Campbell of Hend. C.
Bros. Benjamin Temple of Logan Circuit was recommended and his case
was laid over.

Bros. Benjamin Linton of Gasper River being duly recommended was
elected to Deacons Orders.

Conference enter into the Election of Local Deacons to Elders Orders
and Bros. William Tucker of Cynthiana Ct. & Spencer Cooper of Lexington Ct.
being duly recommended
were elected to Elders Orders, and Conference
adjourned to meet again at three o'clock P.M.
Saturday evening 3 O’Clock Conference met according to adjournment and after divine service proceeded to business. Bishop Soule in the Chair.

Conference resumed the Election of Local preachers to Deacons Orders and Bros. Oliver B. Ross of Lexington Station being duly recommended was elected.

The election of Local Deacons to Elders orders was resumed and Bros. Benjamin McReynolds of Gasper River Ct. & Joseph Joy of Gasper River Ct. were elected to Elders Orders.

Bro. Benjamin Temple’s case was called up & he elected to Deacons orders.

An address of the Philadelphia Conference proposing a plan of altering the ratio of representation to the General Conference was read and ordered to be laid on the table — and conference adjourned until Monday morning.

Monday morning half after 8 O’Clock Conference assembled and after Divine service proceeded to business. Bishop Soule in the Chair.

Conference resumed the examination of the characters of Elders — and Bros. Richard Corwine
Martin Rootor
Edward Stevenson
Henry S. Duke
James C. Crow

Moved and seconded that in the Judgment of this Conference it is inconsistent with the interest of the Itinerant connection to return any preacher on the minutes without an appointment at his own request. Carried by unanimous vote.

Bro. Francis Landrum having requested that the conference give him no appointment the ensuing year; It was moved and seconded that Bro. Landrum be located. Withdrawn by the mover.

Bro. Saml. Helms was examined approved and placed in a superannuated Relation.

Moved and seconded that Bro. Helms be requested to Locate. Lost.

Bros. George W. Taylor
Richard Tidings
Horace Brown
Saml. Harrison
Peter Akers
James L. Greenup

Bro. John Sinclair was examined and approved & he having requested to be transferred to Illinois Conference we request the Episcopacy to grant his request.

Bros. Wm. Adams
John Tevis
Wm. Gunn
John Denham
John James
H. H. Kavanaugh
George McNelly
Clement L. Clifton

Bro. George W. Robins was examined approved and at his own request obtained a Location.

An address of the Pittsburgh Annual Conference relative to the Book Concern was read — and the committee appointed by this conference to take into consideration the address of our Book agents Reported. Which report was adopted ( see report)

And conference adjourned
Tuesday Morning half after 8 o'clock Conference assembled and after divine service Conference proceeded to business. Bishop Soule in the Chair.

The Committee appointed to attend the examination of the Female Academy reported. Which report after the reading of an address from the Superintendant was adopted.

The examination of the characters of the Elders resumed and Bro. George C. Light was examined and approved.

Moved and seconded that we reconsider the case of Bro. W. Philips. Voted and carried. He was then admitted and elected to Deacons orders. Bro. W. Philips then obtained a location at his own request.

Resolved by the Ky. Annual Conference that in future no preacher shall be admitted into full connection and located at the same Conference.

Bishop Soule informed the Conference they were at liberty to draw on the chartered fund for Eighty Dollars and on the Book Concern for three hundred Dollars. Which drafts were obtained and Conference adjourned till three o'clock this evening.

Tuesday evening 3 o'clock October 18th 1830, Conference met according to adjournment and after divine service proceeded to business. Bishop Soule in the Chair.

Bro. B. Ross read before the conference a report relative to the Gospel Herald. Which report was referred to a committee of five and Bros. Lindsey, Stevenson, Light, Crouch, and Stampe were appointed for that purpose.

Conference resume the examination of the characters of the Elders and that of Brother John G. Benton was called up and after being examined and approved at request he obtained a location.

Bro. Marcus Lindsey was reexamined & approved.

Bro. Wm H. Askins was examined, approved & the Bishop was requested to transfer him, at his own request, to the Illinois Conference.

Bro. John W. F. Tevis
Wm M. McReynolds
Richard J. Dungan
Danl. J. Tevis

were examined
and
approved
Bro. John Johnson was examined, approved and he placed in a supernumerary relation.

Bro. Hiram Baker was placed in a Supernumerary relation.

Bro. David Tunnel was examined, approved and at his own request obtained a location.

Bros. Wm Atherton
Barnabas McHenry
Henry McDaniel
Absalom Hunt
Esau Simmons
Luke P. Allen

were examined
approved and
continued in a
superannuated
relation

Bro. Milton Jamison was examined, approved and placed into a supernumerary relation.

Bro. Benjamin Lakes was examined, approved and continued in a superannuated relation.

Bro. Stephen Harbor was examined, approved & placed in a supernumerary relation.

And Conference adjourned to meet with closed doors.
Wednesday morning, half after 8 o'clock, October 20, 1830, Conference assembled and after divine service entered into business. Bishop Soule in the Chair.

The examination of the Elders Characters was then resumed and Bro. John S. Barger was examined and approved. Bro. John Ray were examined, approved Zadok B Thaxton & Blatchley C. Wood and continued in a superannuated relation. Bro. George Richardson was examined, approved and placed in an effective relation.

Bro. Benjamin T. Crouch was examined, approved and placed in an effective relation.

Bro. Benjamin Ogdon was examined, approved & continued in a superannuated relation.

The following charges were prefered by a committee appointed by the Quarterly Meeting Conference of the Fleming Circuit against Nehemiah A. Cravens — See list of charges — No. 1 and depositions No. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and in favor of the accused No. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and Conference adjourned to meet again at three o'clock this evening.

Wednesday evening 3 O'Clock, October 20, 1830. Conference assembled and after divine service proceeded to business. Bishop Soule in the Chair.

Conference resume the case of Bro. N. A. Cravens and testimony No. 14 was taken. The accused was permitted to make his defence and conference adjourned.

Thursday morning half after 8 o'clock October 21, 1830 Conference assembled and after divine service proceeded to business. Bishop Soule in the Chair.

The Conference resume the case of Bro. N. A. Cravens and it was moved and seconded that we read the charge & specifications one by one and decide thereon. Which motion was decided in the Affirmative. The Conference then decided that the first specification was not sustained. The third specification was not sustained. The fourth specification was not sustained. The fifth specification was not sustained. Of course the charge of gross immorality was not sustained.

The Committee on the Gospel Herald reported and their report was adopted (see report) Moved and seconded that we give Bro. George C. Light a superannuated relation at his request, which motion was lost.

And Conference adjourned to meet at three o'clock this evening.

Thursday evening three o'clock Conference assembled and after divine service proceeded to business. Bishop Soule in the Chair.

The additional resolution relative to the Gospel Herald was adopted.

See Resolution. The Secretary is directed to search the Journals of our conference whether Thos. Martin was elected Elder and if so give him a certificate thereof.

Conference take up the question who are received on trial — and Bro. John Harrison John Beaty & James King being duly recommended were admitted.

Bro. Valentine Wilson was recommended but was not admitted. Bros. Pleasant Alverson being duly recommended was admitted.

Bro. Abraham Long being duly recommended was readmitted.

Bros. William S. Evans Robert F. Turner Hartwell J. Perry DanL S Cassell & Franklin Davis being duly recommended were admitted.
Bro. George B. Harland was recommended but not admitted.
Bro. Micajah H. Clark & being duly recommended
Joseph Carter were admitted
Moved and seconded that we reconsider the act by which we continued
Joel Grover on trial, carried & Bro. Grover discontinued.
Moved and seconded that we reconsider the vote by which we declined
to admit George B. Harland. Carried & Bro. Harland was admitted.
Bro. Isaac Malone's case was called up & he was examined, approved
& continued.
Moved and seconded that Bro. James C Crow be located at the request
of Bro. Whitaker, carried.
Bros. John Tevis
B. C. Wood
J. G. Denton
Obtained leave of absence during the remainder of
And conference adjourned.

Friday morning half after 8 o'clock October 22, 1830 Conference
assembled and after divine service proceeded to business. Bishop Soule
in the Chair.
The Stewards of Conference made their report which report was adopted.
Resolved by the Kentucky Annual Conference, 1st, that the appoint
Thomas M. Rice agent to travel through our conference for the purpose
of raising Sabbath Schools Auxiliary to the Sabbath School Union of the
Methodist E. Church. 2. That said agent shall be at Liberty to make col-
lections for the purchasing of Sabbath School books to be placed in
suitable hands for distribution throughout our work. 3. That said agent
be at liberty to use for his own support & expenses 20 per cent of all
the funds which he may collect.
The address of Philadelphia Annual Conference on the subject of
changing the Ratio of Representation in General Conference was called
up and the following resolution adopted.
Viz. Resolved by the Ky. Annual Conference that we disapprove
the plan of changing the ratio of representation to the General Conference
proposed by the Philadelphia Annual Conference. Moved and seconded that
the agent of this Conference in behalf of Augusta College be instructed
to return to Bro. Nourse his note which motion prevailed.
Conference proceeded to take in the number of members in the Ky.
Annual Conference.

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The agent for the Augusta College reported that he had collected for that institution as following. Viz. in paper of Commonwealth 69 dollars, and twenty four dollars United States Paper, which money was placed in the hands of the preacher who shall be appointed to the Maysville Station to be handed over to the Treasurer of that institution.

Conference decided that our next annual session be in Louisville and the Bishop informed the conference that said session will commence October 13th 1851.

Conference appointed the presiding Elders of the Ky. District and the preacher in charge of Lexington Station a publishing committee to assist the editor of the Gospel Herald.

A memorial of Bro. Benjamin Temple relative to the meeting house in Russellville was read and referred to the consideration and management of the presiding Elder of Green River District and the stationed preacher at Russellville.

Resolved that the presiding Elder of the Green River District prepare the memoirs of Bro. Greenup Kelly as soon as possible and forward them to the book agent and the P. Elder of Ky. Bt. that of Bro. LeRoy Cole Decd. Resolved that this conference duly appreciate the kindness and hospitality toward them by the inhabitants of Russellville throughout this session & that Burr H. McCown be and is hereby requested to communicate the same through the newspaper of this place.

Conference resolved to use their best endeavors to raise the Sabbath Schools in every neighbor hood under their separate charges.

Conference resolved to open subscriptions in order to carry into effect a noble proportion published in the August number of the Gospel Herald.

Conference lay over for the consideration of our next anniv. Conference so much of the committee on disputed accounts of last year as was referred to the consideration of this conference in relation to Bro. Stamper.

A protest of the minority in the case of N. A. Cravens was handed in and filed with the papers. After divine service the appointments were read out and conference adjourned.