

Records of the First Church of Christ in Wabaunsee

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The official name of this church is The First Church of Christ in Wabaunsee but it is also known as the Beecher Bible and Rifle Church. It is located in Wabaunsee, Kansas. This volume includes minutes of church meetings from its founding on May 31, 1857, through 1917. The church was organized by members of the Connecticut Kansas Colony from New Haven, Connecticut. They had arrived in the Wabaunsee area in 1856. The information for the years 1857 through 1869 was copied from a different volume, as noted on the first page. Page 4 and part of page 5 describe the political context for settlers coming to Kansas, using terms such as "Friends of Freedom" or "slavery propagandists." This introduction provides a summary of attempts to organize the church. The volume contains a statement of religious beliefs, standing rules for the church, and the names of first members accepted. The information contained in the minutes of church meetings varies over the years but includes the activities of the church and the involvement of members as officers, on committees, etc. The volume was loaned to the Kansas Historical Society for copying by the First Church of Christ in Wabaunsee through Donald Whitten. Pages 21, 22, 154, 155, and 205 are missing from the volume. Pages 8, 9, 50 and 280 are blank. Some pages are not legible.

Creator: First Church of Christ (Wabaunsee, Kan.)

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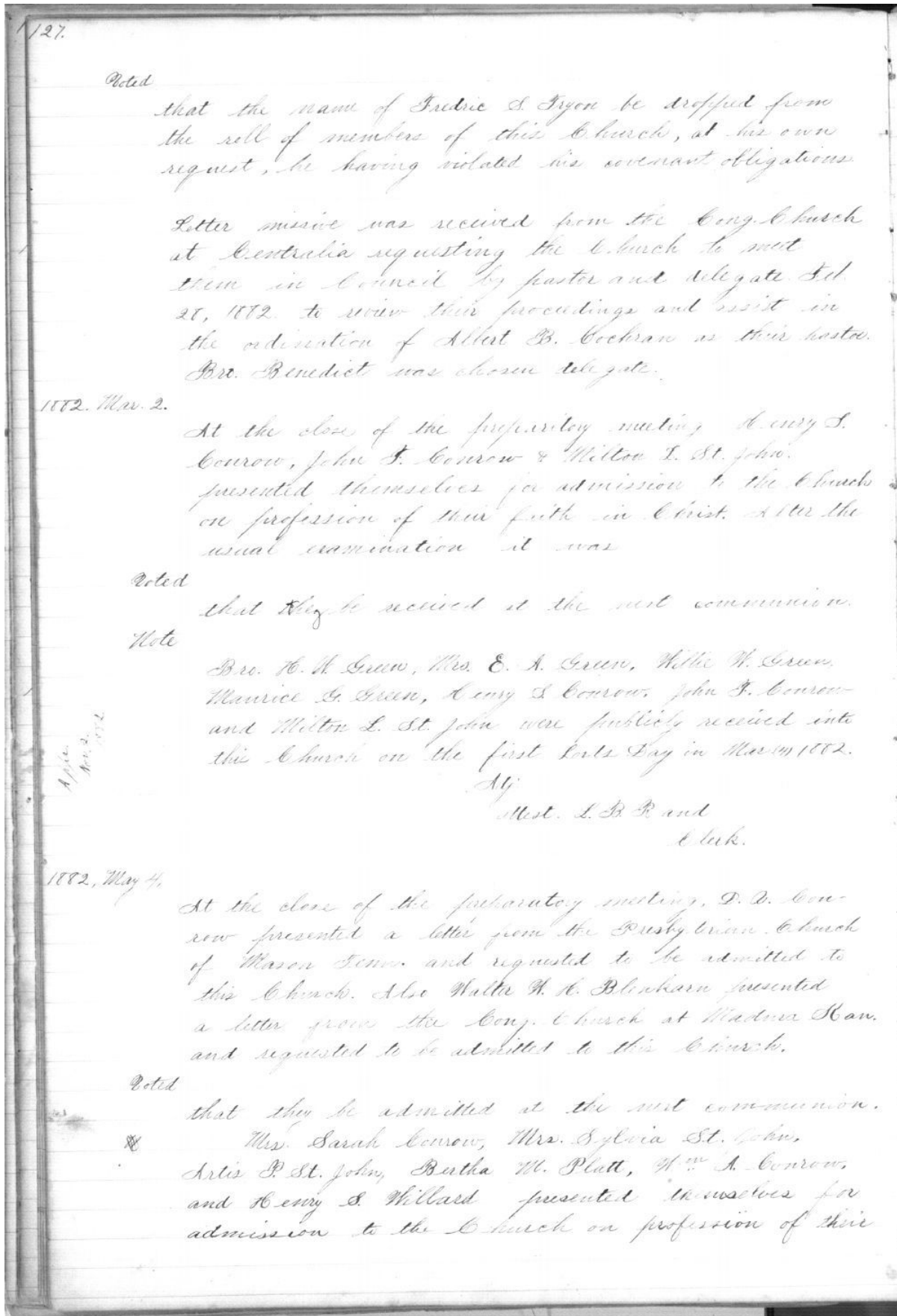
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faith in Christ. After examination it was
Noted that they be received at the next communion.

Note
 D. V. Conson, Mrs. Sarah Conson, William C. Conson,
 Mrs. Sylvia St. John, Arlie D. Stephens, Bertha M. Platt,
 Henry S. Willard, Walter H. H. Pollock and Herbert
 M. Green were publicly received into this Church
 on the second Lord's Day in May 1882.
 Attest L. B. Rand Clerk.

1882 July 20.
 At the close of the preparatory meeting Mrs. Alice Bowman
 presented a letter from the First Reform Church of Long Beach
 N. Y. and requested to be admitted to this Church.

Noted that she be admitted at the next communion.

Noted that the requests for withdrawal be considered in Nov.

Note
 Sister Alice Bowman was publicly received into this
 Church Sunday July 23^d 1882.
 Attest L. B. Rand
 Clerk.

1882 Aug. 3.
 Bro. J. D. Wells requested a letter of dismission to
 the Presbyterian Church in Manhattan, Kan. which
 was granted.
 Bro. George H. Chamberlain requested a letter
 of dismission to the M. E. Church at Atchison Kan.
 which was granted Oct. 12. 1882. (See page 131)

1882. Nov. 2^d
 Special meeting Thursday, the Pastor presiding.
 Minutes of several former meetings read & approved.
 The Pastor was requested to address letters to Geo.
 C. Keys, Horace Jones, Henry Cottrell, and Seneca
 Willard stating that the Church is prepared to
 take action in their cases if they still desire
 it at the next annual meeting.

Whereas
 Edward C. Lins no longer considers himself a
 Christian therefore

Noted that his name be dropped from the roll of members
 of this Church



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1873 Jan 4. Annual meeting, held Thursday. Pastor-president.
Minutes of last annual meeting read.
Minutes of several former meetings read and approved.
The Treasurer made his annual report which was approved and ordered placed on record.

	Dr.	Cr.
To Amt. Collected	567 86	
By Amt. pd. Rev. H. Gen on Salary		504 47
" Cash " " Rogers		3 00
" " " J. P. Evans (Dieton)		36 30
" " " for trans. fuel, &c. & repair Parsonage		26 00
	567 86	569 77

\$196.18 Due Rev. Gen on salary of last year.
Dr.

By 196.50 Due on Sub. for 1872.

Noted
that the ministerial year commence with the Church year Jan 1. and that the balance of the subscription for the year be applied to cancelling the back indebtedness.

Noted
to proceed to the elections of officers with the following result

Noted
that the rules be suspended and that we proceed to the election of officers viva voce.

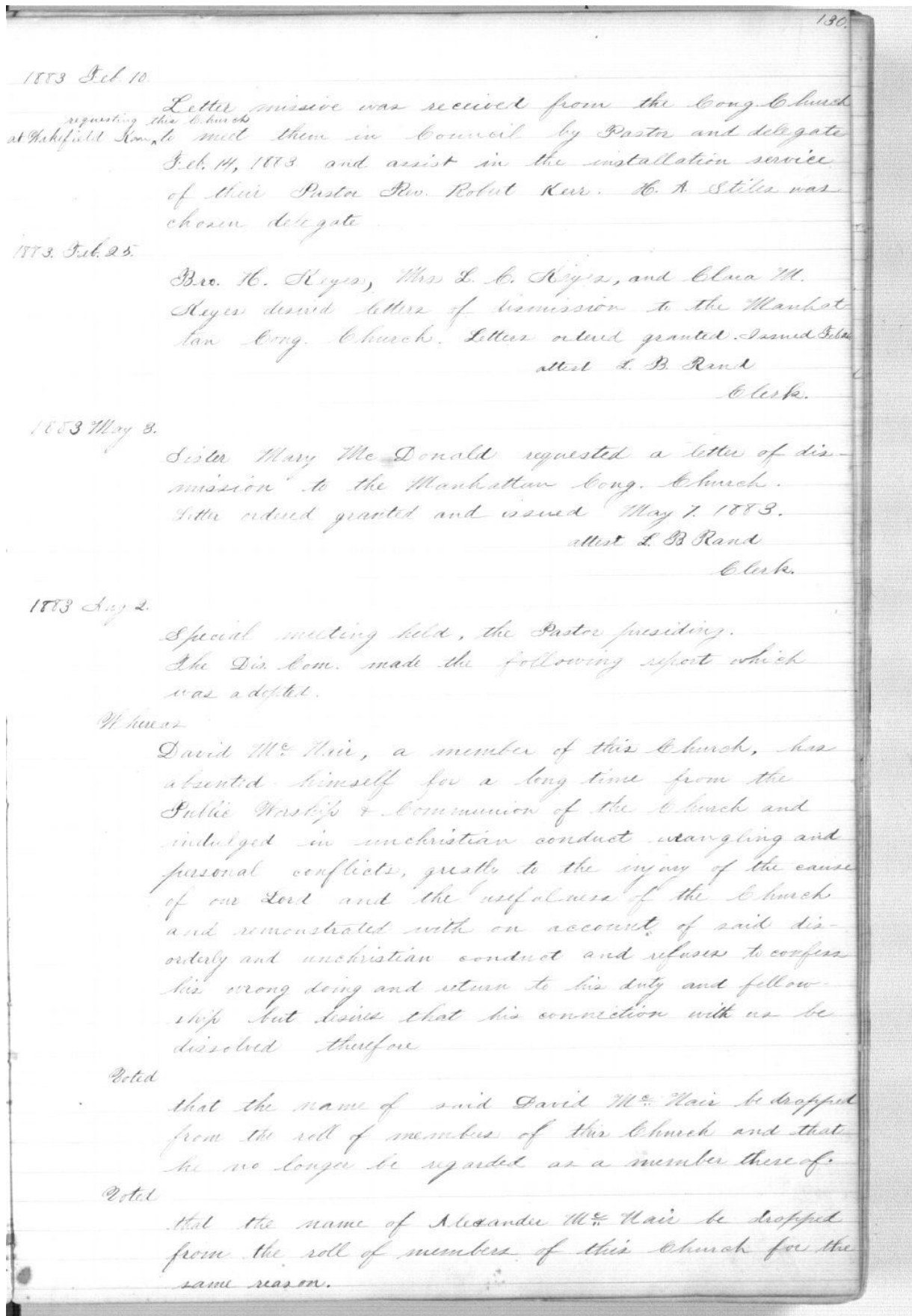
Clerk	L. B. Rant.
Treasurer	G. S. Bart
Trustee	L. M. Benedict for 3 years
Deacon	J. F. Willard " " "
Dis. Com.	Wm. M. P. Colthill. " " "

John B. Cotton chosen trustee to fill vacancy caused by the removal of Bro. Ayer to Manhattan.

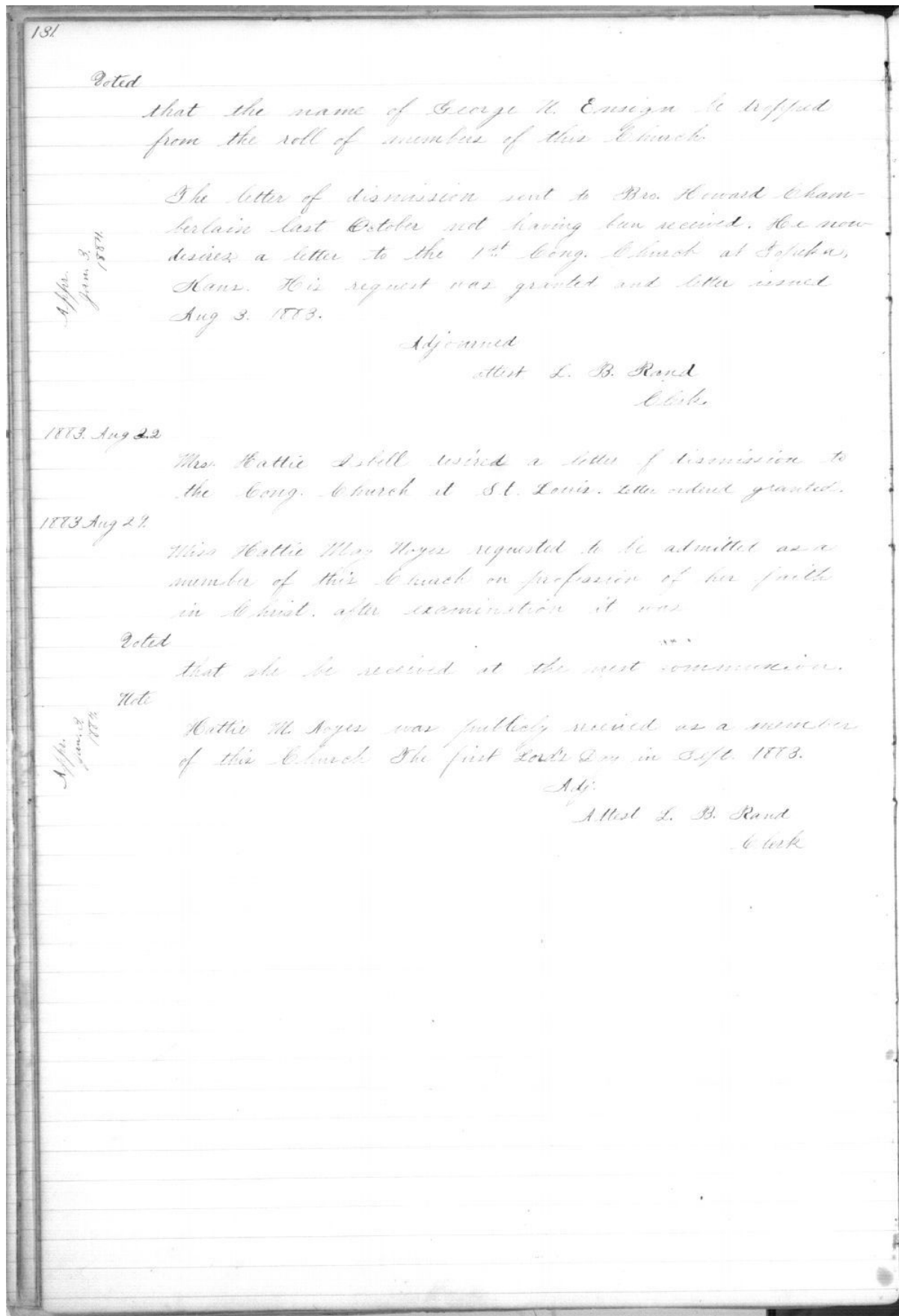
Noted
that Bros. Rev. H. Gen, L. M. Benedict, J. B. Cotton, A. L. White, & C. B. Lins be and the same are hereby chosen as delegates to the State Temperance Convention to be held at Topeka, Kans. on the 7 & 10 of Jan. 1873.

Adj. Jan 8, 1873.

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1884. Jan. 3.

Annual meeting, the Pastor presiding.

Mrs. Ella M. Cushman presented a letter from the M. E. Church in Hamego, Kans. dated Nov 25, 1880.

Voted

to suspend the rules and that she be admitted at the next communion.

Miss Katy Willy requested to be admitted to this Church on profession of her faith in Christ: after examination it was a

Voted

that she be admitted at the next communion.

The Clerk read the minutes of the last annual meeting, and the other meetings for the year which were approved.

The Treasurer made his annual report which was accepted and ordered placed on record.

	\$	Dr	\$	Cr
To Amt. Collected	633	10		
By Amt. pd. Rev. H. Lee			568	56
" " " J. P. Evans (Sexton)			55	60
" " " for Church expenses			8	95
	633	10	633	11
Balance Due Rev. Lee	\$159	75		
" " Sexton				

Bro. L. M. Benedict tendered his resignation as Trustee which was accepted. G. S. Bart elected to fill vacancy.

Voted

to proceed to the election of officers with the following result.

Treasurer	L. M. Benedict
Trustee	J. F. Willard for 3 years.
Deacon	L. M. Benedict " " "
Comm. Dis.	C. B. Lines " " "
Clerk	L. B. Rand

R. Jones, Dis. Com., to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of L. M. Benedict. J. F. Willard.

The Deacon, Dis. Com. & Clerk were chosen by acclamation.

Approved Jan. 6, 1885

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1883

Noted

to observe the week of prayer according to Prof. Ste Wednesday and Friday evenings.

The Pastor was requested to write to several Evangelists and if possible secure help for a series of meetings.

Note

Katy Wittig was publicly received into this Church on the first Lords Day in Jan 1884.

Attest L. B. Rand

Clerk.

1884 Jan. 28.

After the preparatory meeting Mrs. M. E. Kelley presented a letter from the first M. E. Church at St. Louis Mo.

Noted

that she be received at the next communion.

Note

Mrs. M. E. Kelley was publicly received as a member of this Church on the first Lords Day in Mar. 1884.

Attest L. B. Rand

Clerk.

1884 May 1.

After the preparatory meeting Thursday Anna B. Hewins, Martha A. Cottrell, and Sarah E. Cottrell requested to be admitted as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ, after exam.

Noted

that they be received at the next communion.

Note

Anna Branch Hewins, Martha Amelia Cottrell and Sarah Ester Cottrell and Mrs. Etha M. Cushman were publicly received into this Church on the first Lords Day in May 1884.

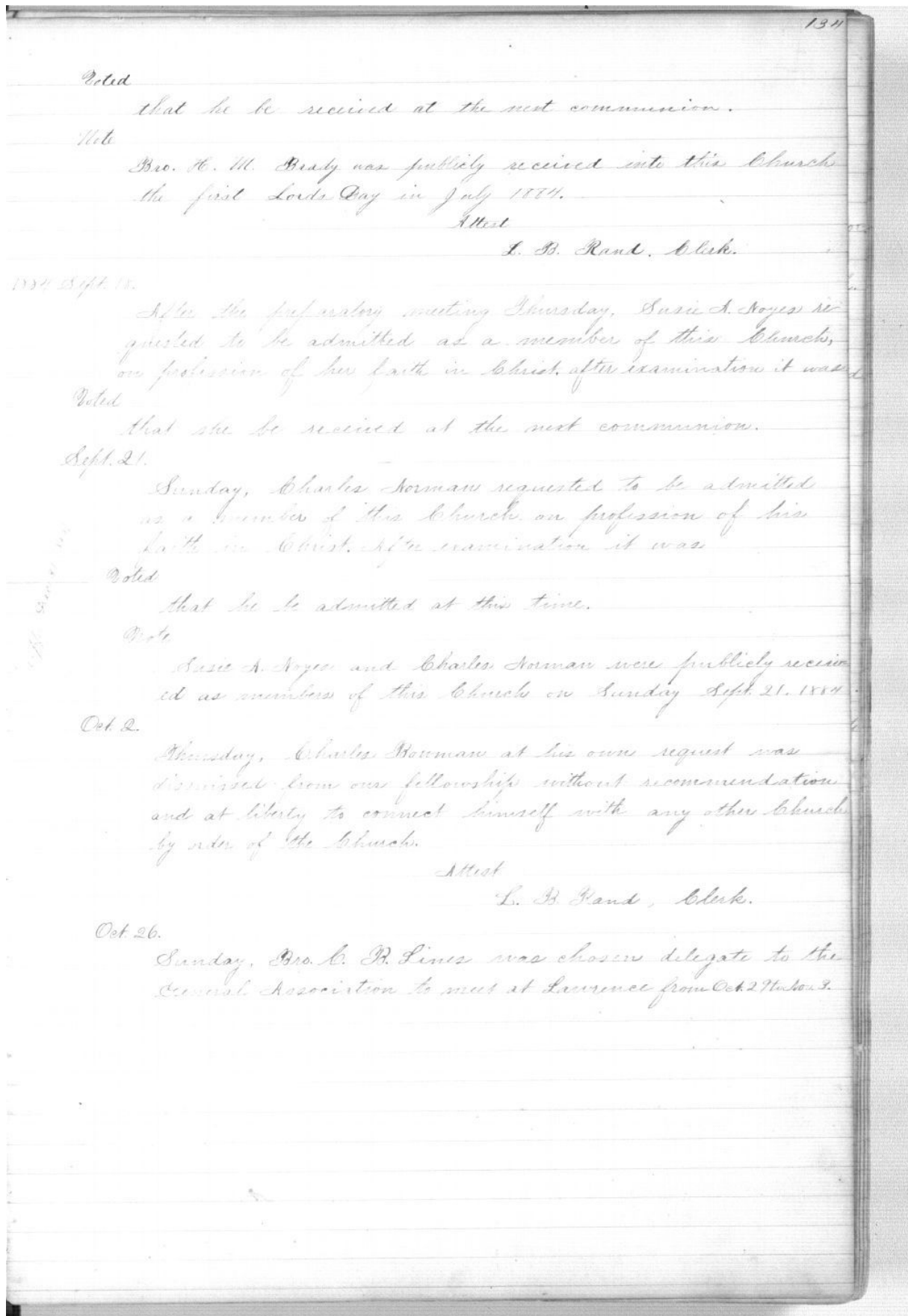
Attest L. B. Rand

Clerk.

1884 July 3.

After the preparatory meeting H. M. Brady presented a letter from the M. E. Church in New Philadelphia Ohio.

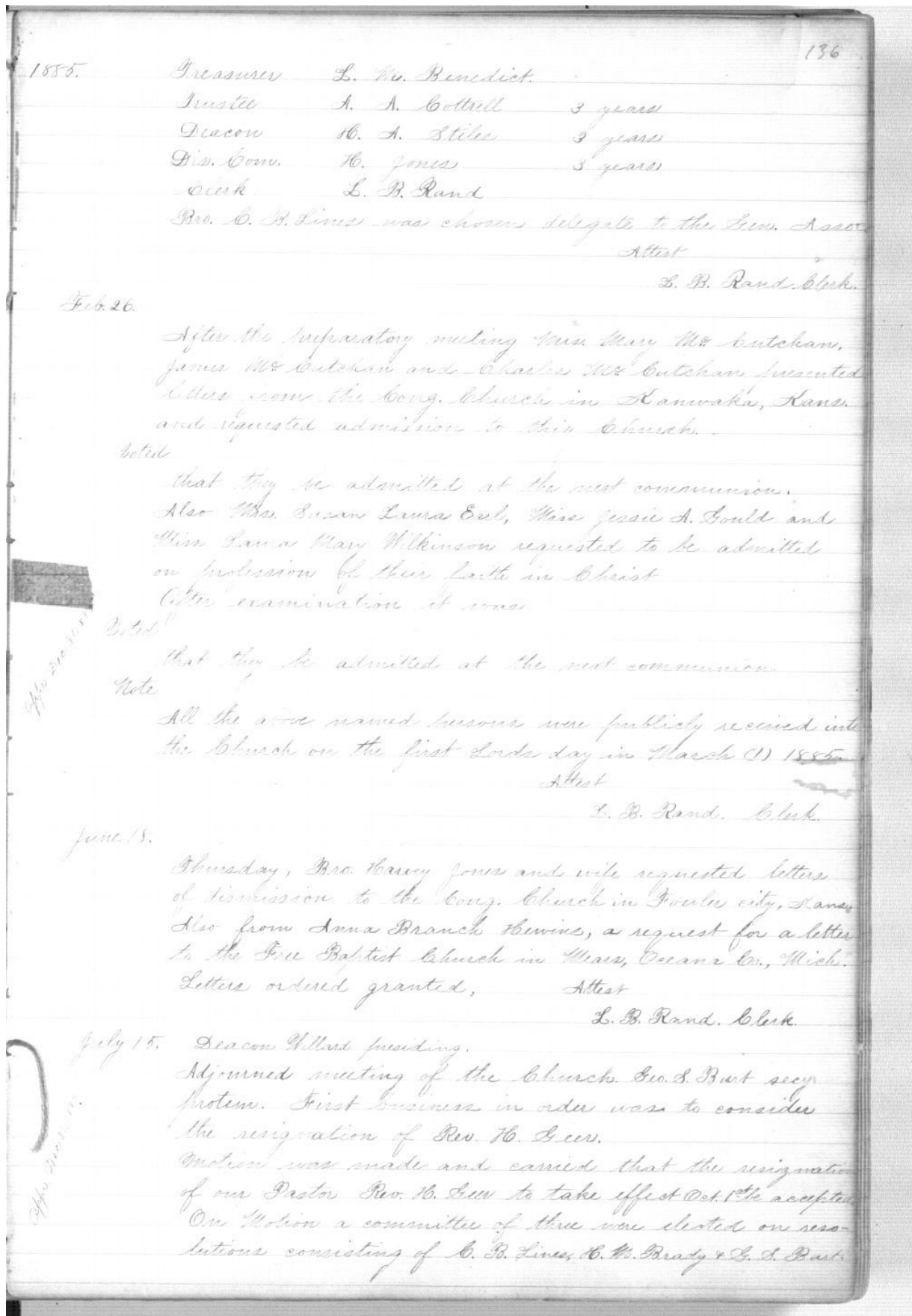
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1885 Jan. 1.	Annual meeting, the Pastor presiding.
	The clerk read the minutes of the last annual meeting.
	The Treasurer made his annual report which was ordered placed on record.
	Amount last paid to Cur on a/c of 1884 \$481.24
	Amount due to Cur on salary paid 1884 155.78
	Salary for 1884 500.00
	Balance due on Salary at the close of 1884 334.34
	Paid Mrs. Bethels Note, etc. etc. etc. \$73.25
	For minutes &c. 5.47
	To Rev. George Robert 6.31
	For Sustaining Church 10.00
	For Coal and Day book 2.08
	Cont. raised for Parsonage repairs 78.20
	173.21
	Special collection for education of Wm. L. Boy 14.00
	Home Missionary Association 34.00
	Congregational Union 6.00
	Bible Society 2.75
	New West Educational socy. 26.50
	A. B. C. F. M. 17.35
	A. H. M. S. 32.60
	State Temperance Union S. S. 10.00
	S. S. State Bapt. 10.00
	Morning Star 18.60
	S. S. collections not included 11.58
	Work donated on Parsonage &c 12.00
	Woman's F. W. Society 18.00
	Paid to Miss B. L. S. 2.00, Boston 49.00 47.00
	Coal & Bell rope \$3.16; Oil &c. \$2.00; Coal 4.60 12.35
	Net Proceeds of Entertainment 37.25
	Cont. raised for Lampes 11.25
	Total receipts from non-subscribers \$7.08 175.44
	331.24
	Total Collections 931.91
	Vote
	to proceed to the election of officers with the following result.

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18 1885

On motion the following resolutions were adopted, one copy of which to go to Bro. Burr, one copy to the Telephone for publication and one copy to be put on the Church record.

Whereas Rev. B. Burr, who for more than six years has been our settled and duly recognized Pastor performing his duties successfully and with ability, fidelity and constant harmony between him and the Church, has now in consequence of physical infirmities tendered his resignation to take effect the 1st of October. Therefore

Resolved: - That we accept his resignation and tender our gratitude for the ability and faithfulness he has shown in the performance of his duties as our Pastor.

Resolved: - That we will remember him with respect while living and live in hope of a joyful reunion on the other side of the River.

Resolved: - That we ever cheerfully commend him to any Church, desiring a Pastor, as a true and zealous minister of our Master.

Motion carried that a committee of three be elected to take action to secure a Pastor for this Church. Committee elected were L. B. Benedict, Mrs. M. A. Mitchell and J. J. Willard.

Motion carried that a committee of three, two ladies and one gentleman be elected to raise money and get the Church repaired.

J. J. Willard, chairman B. A. Buck, secretary.
L. B. Rand, Clerk.

Sept. 10. Thursday, Bro. B. Burr and Mrs. L. M. Burr, his wife, desired letters of dismission to the Cong. Church in Dubuque, Iowa. Letters ordered granted.

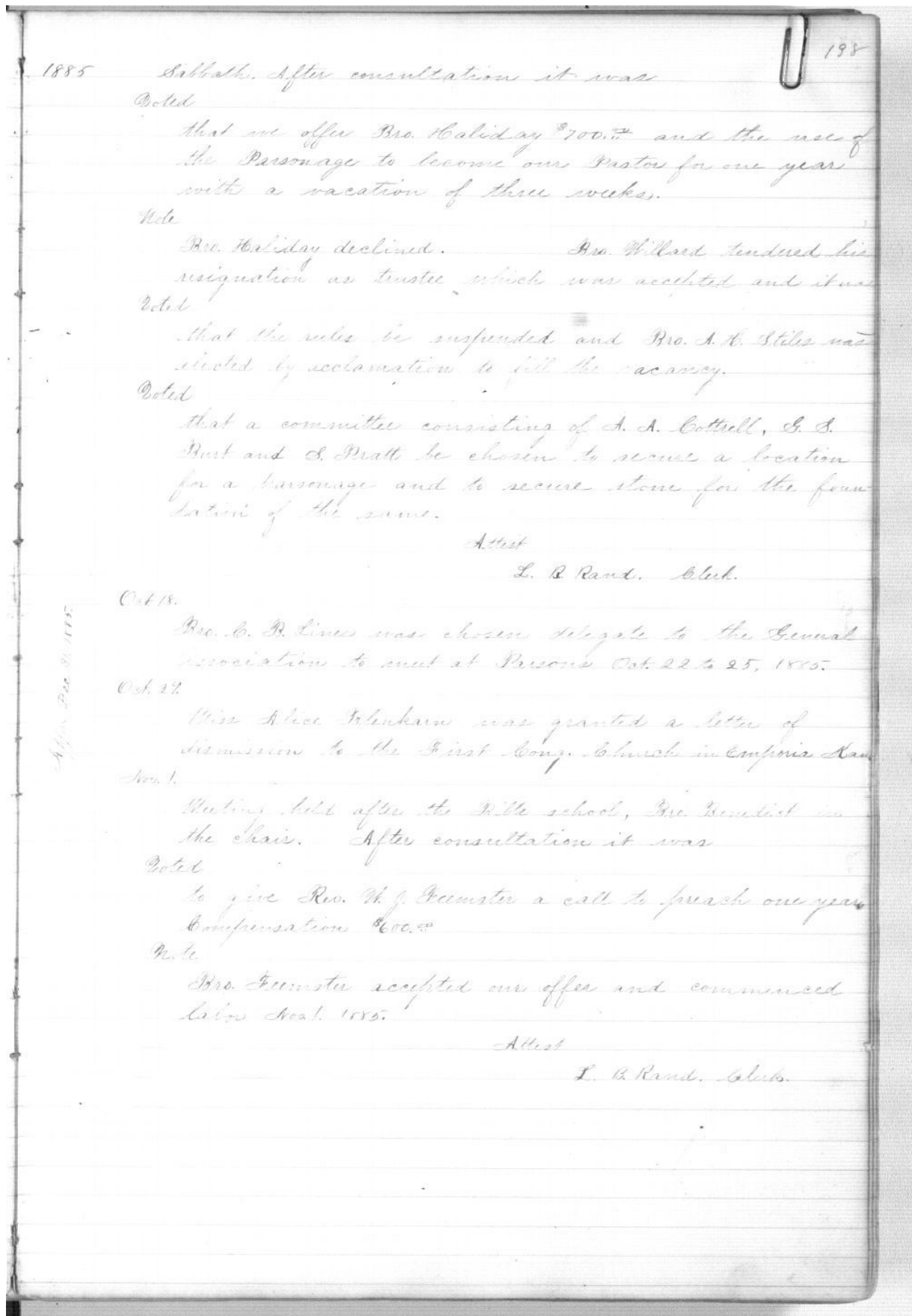
Attest
L. B. Rand Clerk.

Oct. 8. Thursday, Bro. Willard in the chair. Minutes of last meeting called for but not read. Report of committee to secure a Pastor called for. Bro. Benedict, chairman, reported that he had corresponded with several Ministers among them. Bro. Haliday who was with us last

Off. Sec. Dec. 21, 1885.



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1885

Sabbath. After consultation it was
Voted

that we offer Bro. Haliday \$700.00 and the use of
the Parsonage to become our Pastor for one year
with a vacation of three weeks.

Note

Bro. Haliday declined. Bro. Willard tendered his
resignation as trustee which was accepted and it was

Voted

that the rules be suspended and Bro. A. H. Stiles was
elected by acclamation to fill the vacancy.

Voted

that a committee consisting of A. A. Cottrell, G. S.
Burt and S. Pratt be chosen to secure a location
for a parsonage and to secure stone for the founda-
tion of the same.

Attest

L. B. Rand. Clerk.

Oct 18.

Bro. C. B. Lines was chosen delegate to the General
Association to meet at Parsons Oct. 22 to 25, 1885.

Oct 22.

Miss Alice Blenkum was granted a letter of
dismissal to the First Cong. Church in Emporia Kan.

Nov. 1.

Meeting held after the Bible school, Bro. Remick in
the chair. After consultation it was

Voted

to give Rev. W. J. Greenster a call to preach one year
Compensation \$600.00

Note

Bro. Greenster accepted our offer and commenced
labors Dec. 1, 1885.

Attest

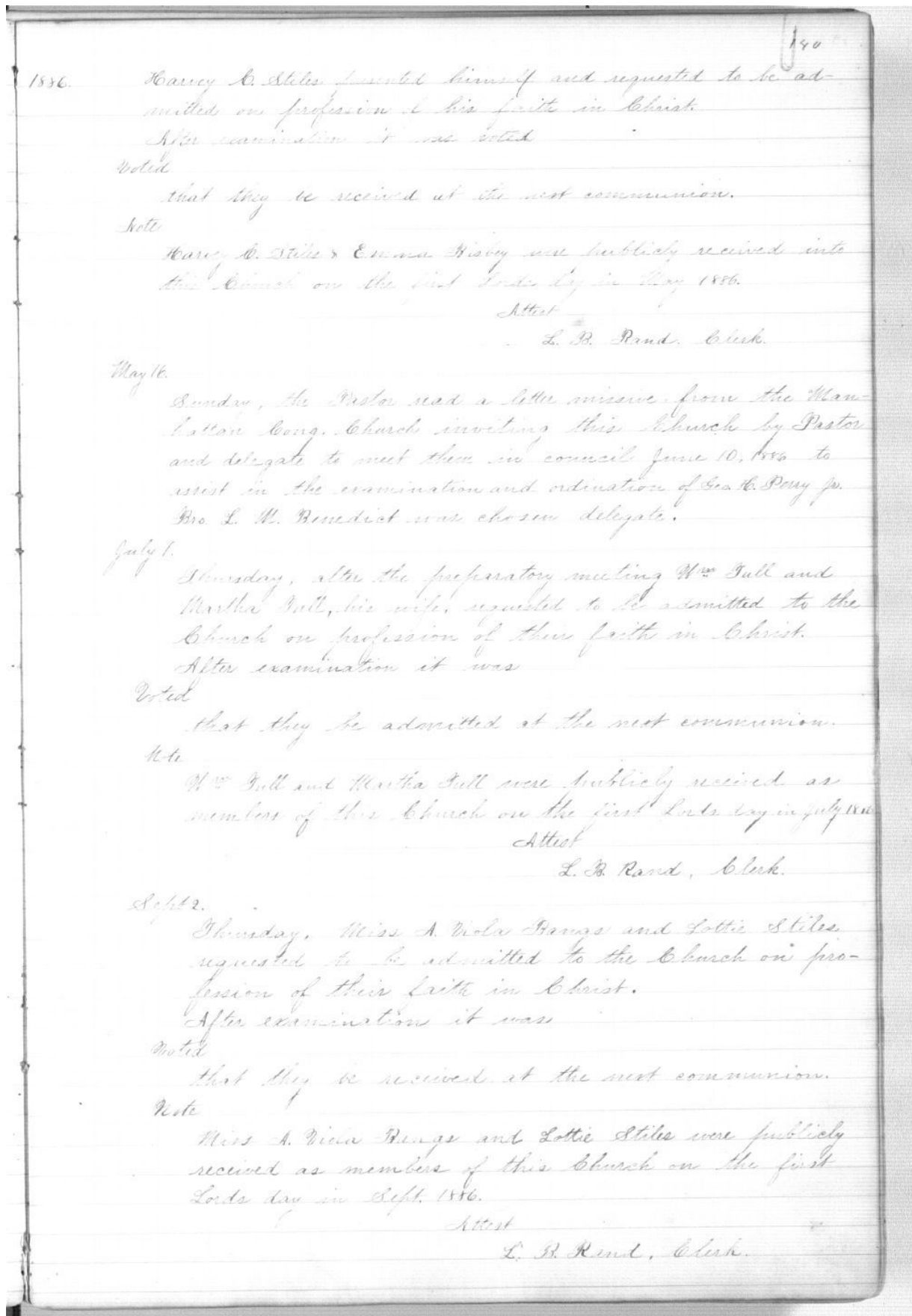
L. B. Rand. Clerk.



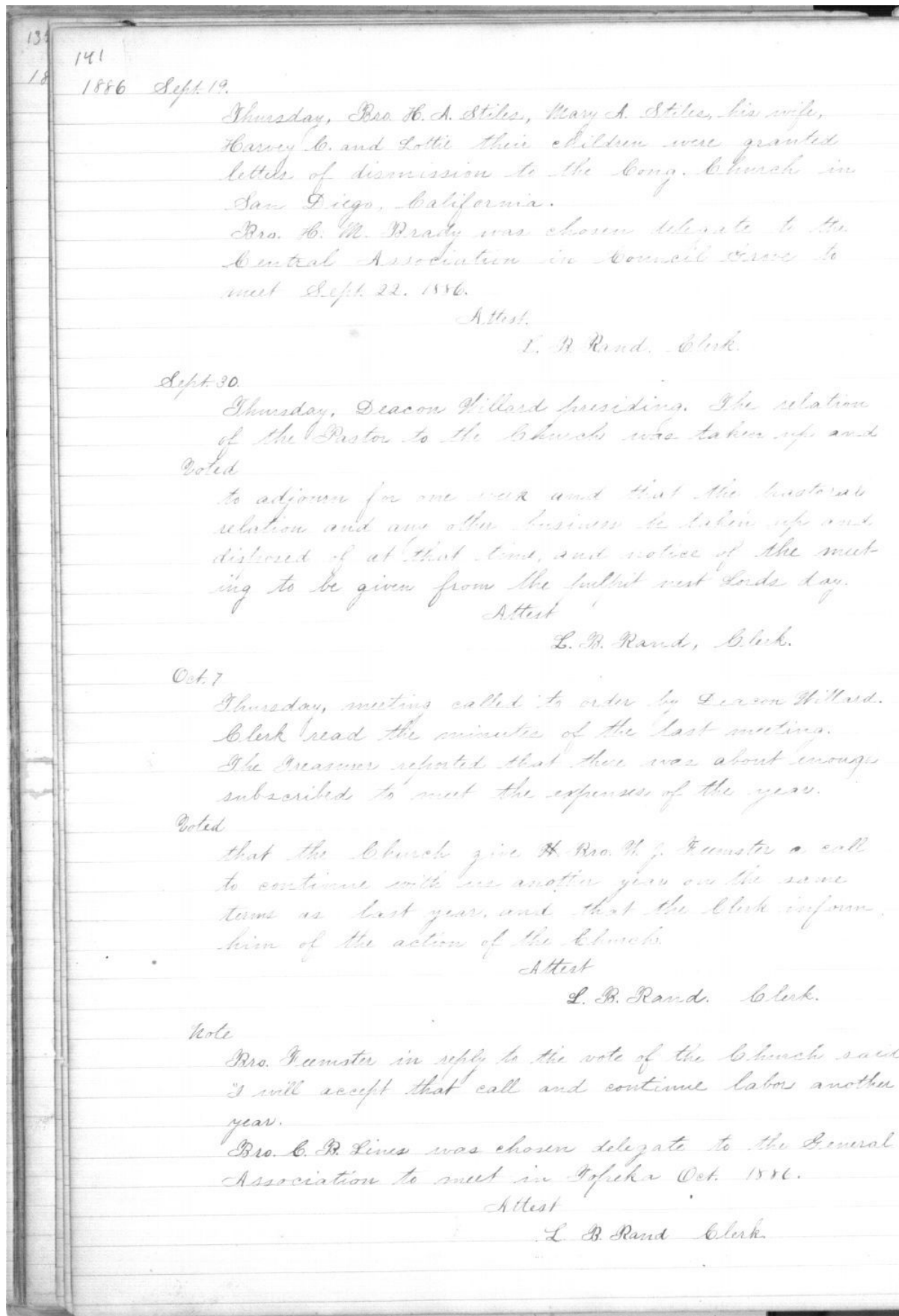
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1885 Dec. 31. Annual meeting, Bro. Willard presiding.
Clerk read the minutes of the last annual meeting
together with the other minutes of the year which
were approved. Also the minutes of the previous
year were approved.
Voted
to proceed to the election of officers with the follow-
ing result.
Treasurer L. M. Bene dict
Clerk L. B. Rand
Trustee C. L. Buel 3 years
Deacon J. A. Willard " "
Dis. Comm. Mrs. M. P. Bethell " "
Dis. Comm. Mrs. Maria White to fill
vacancy caused by the removal of Warren Brown.
All the officers were chosen by acclamation.
Voted
that the Treasurer deliver \$10.00 to the credit of Bro. H.
W. Brady as a partial compensation for his services
as chorist.
Frederick Brown presented himself and requested to
be admitted to the church on profession of his
faith in Christ. After examination it was
Voted
that he be admitted at the next communion.
Bro. H. J. Fremont presented a letter from the Pres-
byterian Church in South Pueblo, Colorado.
Voted
that he be received to full membership in this church.
Note
Frederick Brown was publicly admitted as a
member of this church the first Sabbath in Jan. 1886.
Attest
L. B. Rand, Clerk.
1886 Jan. 28
Bro. Milton St. John was granted a letter of dismission
to the Presbyterian Church in Harper, Iowa.
Attest
L. B. Rand, Clerk.
Apr. 27 Emma Bisher presented a letter from the Cong. Church
in Manhattan, Kansas.

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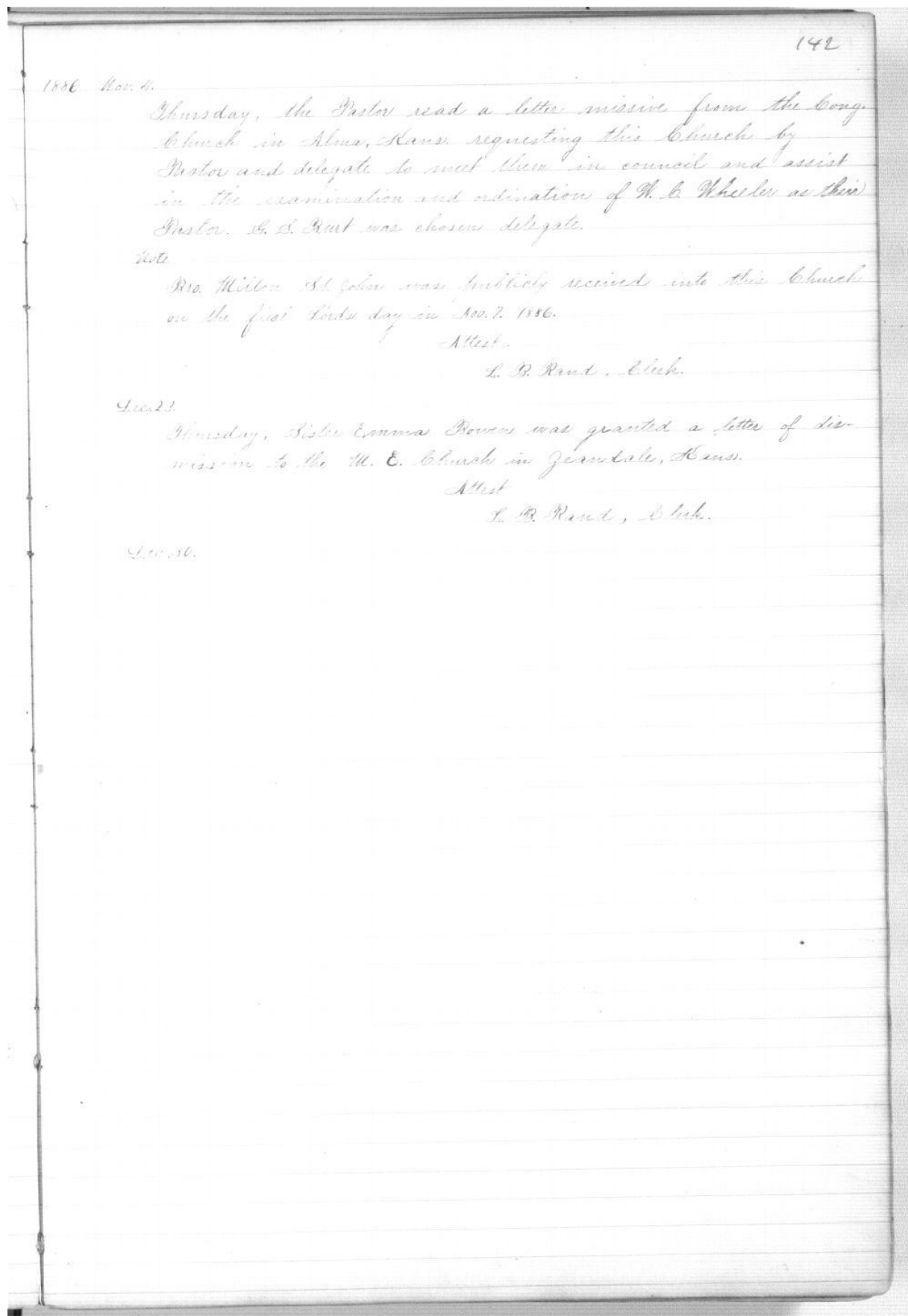


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1886 Nov. 6.

Thursday, the Pastor read a letter missive from the Cong. Church in Alma, Kans. requesting this Church by Pastor and delegate to meet them in council and assist in the examination and ordination of H. B. Wheeler as their Pastor. L. B. Runt was chosen delegate.

Note

Bro. Milton St. John was publicly received into this Church on the first Lords day in Nov. 7. 1886.

Attest

L. B. Runt, Clerk.

Dec. 23.

Thursday, Sister Emma Powers was granted a letter of dismission to the M. E. Church in Jerroldale, Kans.

Attest

L. B. Runt, Clerk.

Dec. 30.

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1886 Dec. 30

Annual meeting Thursday, the Pastor presiding. Mrs. Katie Jones and George S. Hunt Jr. requested to be admitted as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ. After examination it was

Noted

that they be admitted at the next communion.

Note

Mrs. Katie Jones and George S. Hunt Jr. publicly received as members of this Church on the first Lords day in Jan 1887.

Noted

to proceed to the annual election of Officers with the following result.

Treasurer	L. M. Benedict	& yes
Trustee	A. G. Stiles	"
Dea. Connor	A. B. Lins	"
Treasurer	L. M. Benedict	"
Clerk	L. B. Rand	"

All the officers were chosen by acclamation.

Bro. Connor was chosen deacon to fill vacancy caused by the removal of H. S. Stiles.

The Treasurer was instructed to turn any fishes in his possession that are of no value to the Church. The Treasurer made his annual report which was accepted and is as follows.

Total receipts on Feb. 1st 1887 on salary

\$ 617.17

Additional rec^d

\$ 61.21

Jan. Congregational Union

5.00

Mar. A. M. A.

15.30

May Bible Society

6.30

Oct. A. B. C. F. M.

14.00

Nov. C. M.

22.00

Dec. Special C. M.

1.40

Special for Chasterton S. C. Church sent by Pastor

8.60

Marie Adlof scholarship in excess of interest

8.95

Collections in S. C. Ch. B. B. Treas.

\$ 35.54

Nett receipts from festival.

\$ 54.00

Womans Missionary society

\$ 37.20

Disbursements Womans Miss. Society

\$ 37.20

See next page condensed & simplified

Added Dec. 22, 1887

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	Dr.		1890 Cr.
1886. Total receipts on Sub.	\$617.17	Total paid on Salary	\$617.17
Total receipts W. M. C.	59.20	Total disbursements W. M. C.	59.20
Total ad. in S. S.	33.84	" " S. S.	33.84
Total from festival	54.00	" expenses	76.21
Additional receipts	67.21	" disbursements of Special Col.	91.55
Total receipts of Special Col.	51.55	Cash on hand	45.00
	<u>\$922.97</u>		<u>\$922.97</u>
Attest			
L. B. Rand Clerk.			

1887 April.

Theodore Christman was granted a letter of dismission to the Cong. Church in Alma Kans.

May 26.

Thursday, the Pastor presiding, Henry Willard requested that his name be dropped from the roll of this Church.

Noted

that the matter be postponed until the Thursday before the September conference.

Attest

L. B. Rand Clerk.

July 20

Thursday, Mrs. A. S. White and Martha J. White his wife were granted letters of dismissions to the Cong. Church in San Diego or any other Church of Christ.

Attest

L. B. Rand Clerk.

Sept. 1.

Thursday, at a regular business meeting of the Church, a letter of dismission was read from the Cong. Church at Westmoreland calling a council to meet Sept. 13, 1887 to examine for ordination R. C. Morse. Bro. L. M. Benedict was elected delegate to represent the Church with power to choose a substitute provided he does not attend.

Bro. C. B. Lins was elected delegate to represent the Church at the Central Association to be held at Alma, Kans. Sept. 25-30. 1887.

Noted

unanimously that according to Henry Willard's request, his name be dropped from the Church roll and that he be no longer considered a member of this Church.

Attest H. J. Gurneys acting Secy.

Approved Dec. 27, 1887



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1887 Sept. 11 At a call meeting of the Sabbath School a letter
missive was read from the Cong. Church at
Madura calling a council to meet at Alma on
Sept. 27, 1887 to examine Miss Emma Newman with
a view to ordination, and inviting this Church to
be represented by Pastor and Delegate.
Bro. A. B. Little was elected Delegate.
Attest
L. B. Rand Clerk.

Sept. 22
Thursday, Bro. Willie L. B. Heavin was granted a letter
of dismission to the Cong. Church in San Diego
Cal. or any other Church of Christ.
Attest
L. B. Rand Clerk.

Oct. 2.
Sunday, Bro. Frank A. Hunt was granted a letter of
dismission to the Cong. Church in Kansas. He was
Bro. L. W. Benedict was chosen delegate to the Gen.
Association to meet at Wichita with power to pro-
vide a substitute in case he could not attend
himself.
Attest
L. B. Rand Clerk.

Oct. 13.
Thursday, Bro. W. Hunt in the chair. The relation
of the Church to our Pastor was taken up. There
being no one present it was laid over and the meeting
adjourned for one week.
L. B. Rand Clerk.

Oct. 20
Thursday, Bro. Willard presiding, Minutes of last meeting
read and it was
Voted
to give Bro. Gunster a call to continue with us an-
other year as our Pastor on the same terms as last
year.
Adjourned L. B. Rand Clerk.

note
Bro. Gunster accepted our call to continue with us
another year as our Pastor, from Nov. 1, 1887.
L. B. Rand Clerk.

After Dec. 29, 1887.

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1887 Dec. 29 Annual meeting. The Pastor H. J. Brewster presiding		140
Minutes of last annual meeting read and approved. also minutes of other meetings read and approved. The Treas. made his annual report which was accepted, and ordered placed on record, and is as follows.		
Receipts from subscriptions Sunday collections and festivals	70. 686.05	
Special collections and monthly concerts	116.29	
Normans Board	53.00	
Total	855.34	
Disbursements		
Paid on Pastors salary	963.94	
Incidental Expenses	52.11	
A. B. C. F. M.	\$25.75	
Miss Wright	20.00	
A. H. M. Society	44.25	
New West Ed. Soc.	11.60	
Miss. Lester	33.00	
A. H. M. Society	2.75	
A. B. "	7.00	
Cong. Union	8.00	
Edw. J. Scholarship	1.75	
A. M. Association	13.00	
Total disbursements	866.34	
Balance due Pastor	47.69	
H. M. Brody Treas.		
Officers elected as follows		
Annual, H. M. Brody Treas., L. B. Rand Clerk,		
Treas. A. D. Connor Deacon, A. A. Cottrell Trustee. Mrs. Mattie Tull N. Comm.		
Bro. R. M. Benedict being absent from the state tendered his resignation as Deacon which was not accepted,		
Ella M. and Fannie G. Noyes applied for admission to the church on their profession of their faith in Christ. after examination it was voted that they be admitted,		
Note. Ella M. and Fannie G. Noyes were publicly received as members of this church on the first Lords day in Jan.		
Attest L. B. Rand		
Clerk		
1888 March 15. Sister Emma Jones was granted a letter of		
dismissal to the 1st Cong. Church in Compton Cal.		
Attest L. B. Rand Clerk		

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1888 May 3 After the preparatory service the following persons presented themselves for examination. Bertha E. Rowley, Laura M. Newel, Mame B. Thompson and Nellie B. Thompson and requested to be admitted as members of the Church on confession of their faith in Christ, after examination it was voted that they be admitted.
The Pastor and Deacon Willard were appointed a Comm. to see May Willard and Nellie Cotton, with a view to their uniting with the Church. The Comm. in this case recommended that they be received May 6th which was concurred in.
Rev. H. T. Blunkarn his wife and daughter Alice and son Osborn presented letters from the first Cong. Church in Oswego City Ks. Voted that they be received at the next Communion, and as Bro. Blunkarn and wife and Alice were formally with us, they be not required to publicly give their ~~assent~~ assent to the confession of faith and covenant.
Note Bertha E. Rowley, Laura M. Newel, Mame B. Thompson, Nellie B. Thompson, Mary E. Willard and Nellie A. Cotton were publicly received into this Church on the first Lord's day in May (6) 1888 on their confession of their faith in Christ at the same time Rev. H. T. Blunkarn his wife Alice Blunkarn and Osborn Blunkarn were received by letter.
Attest L. B. Rand Clerk
1888 July 8th Bro. Henry S. Corroon was granted a letter of Dismission to the Dutch Reformed Church in Freehold N.J.
1888 Sep 3rd The Pastor read a letter missive from the Cong Church at Mount Union Pott. Co. Ks. inviting this Church to meet them in Council Sep. 13th for the purpose of recognizing them as a Cong. Church, Bro. H. T. Blunkarn was chosen delegate.
The Pastor read letter missive from the Manhattan Cong. Church inviting this Church to be present at an Ecclesiastical Council to meet in the Cong. Church in Clay Centre Ks. Sep. 26th with the Churches of the central Ass. to examine, and if qualified for the office, to ordain Bro. Jeremiah E. Platt as an Evangelist. Sister St. John was chosen as delegate to the central Association and to the above Council.
Our Pastor W. J. Beemster tendered his resignation as Pastor to take effect Nov. 1st 1888. Meeting appointed for Oct 4th to consider the same.

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1888 Oct 4th Meeting Thursday Oct 4th Bro. Hillard presiding
 The meeting was called to consider the resignation of our Pastor
 Mr. J. Fenster. Voted that his resignation be accepted
 Voted that Brethren Limes Root and Benedict be a Comm. to draft
 resolutions expressive of the feelings of the Church toward Bro. Fenster
 Voted that a special Comm. of three be appointed. Breth. Benedict, Corrows
 and Cottrell were appointed said Comm. adjourned.
 L. B. Rand clerk

Oct 28th Bro. Hillard presiding. Two of the Comm. on resolutions
 reported, recommending Bro. Fenster our late Pastor as a man of high
 moral character and an earnest, fearless, faithful and successful
 minister of Christ, and that the best wishes of the Church go with him
 in his work for the Master, wherever he may be called to labor.

Nov. 1st Miss Emma Bisbey requested a letter of dismission.
 Voted that final action be deferred until the annual meeting
 1889 Jan 3rd

Deacon Hillard presiding. Minutes of last annual meeting
 read, also the minutes of the other meetings of year and approved.
 The application of Emma Bisbey for a letter of dismission was
 referred to disciplin Comm.,
 Voted to proceed to the elections of officers. with the following results
 Annual officers H. M. Brady Treas. L. B. Rand clerk
 Triennial " John Hill Trustee, J. F. Hillard deacon,
 " " H. M. P. Cottrell disciplin Comm.
 The Treas. made a partial report, which was laid on the
 table, and it was voted that he make his report on the first
 sabbath after it is ready.
 Voted that we employ Bro. Bleukarn to preach every alternate
 sabbath (when he is at liberty) for the present. adjourned
 L. B. Rand clerk

Jan. 6th
 Voted to suspend its rules, and receive Lillian E. F. Bleukarn to
 the fellowship of the Church, on confession of her faith in Christ,
 who thereupon entered into covenant with the church
 attest L. B. Rand clerk

Jan. 20th
 Sisters Sarah A. Platt and Bertha M. Platt were granted
 letters of dismission to the Cong. Church in Westminster Cal.



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16	1889 Feb. 3 ^d	Informal meeting, Bro. Willard presiding
		Motion was made to invite Rev. Henry S. Payne to become our pastor for one year, (compensation \$600) which was carried
		The Treas. made his annual report which was accepted and ordered placed on record, Adj. until Thursday Feb. 7 th at 2 P.M.
		L. B. R. and Clerk
		Note Bro. Payne accepted the call of the church and began labors the first Lords day in April
		Treas. report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1888
		Receipts on hand Jan. 1 st 1889 \$50.34
		by collections on subscriptions and sabbath collections 450.56
		Festival fund 5.00
		from Iron clad Lumber Co. 4.73
		W. B. Tull work on Parsonage 2.75
		Special Coll. Oct 28 105.23
		Sabbath School Coll. 39.63
		Total 657.94
		Benevolent Collections
		Y. H. M. Society 39.50
		Special Coll. 96.30
		Y. P. S. C. E. 8.85
		Total 144.65
		Sum. total 802.59
		Disbursements
		Paid. W. J. Peemster back salary \$50.34
		" " ten months " 300.00
		" H. T. B. Linkern 12.50
		" Rev. C. Richards 8.25
		" " Schroob 5.67
		" " B. Platt 6.02
		" " S. J. Shu 4.57
		" " R. D. Parker 5.27
		Total to ministers 579.32
		Incidentals, for repairing the Parsonage \$7.48
		" Paid Sexton 16.18
		" " for minutes of Association 3.00
		" Total 26.63



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1889	Paid out for Missions		150
	.. Cong Union	\$ 3.76	
	.. A. B. C. F. M., Miss Knight	21.26	
	.. famine in Turkey	4.50	
	.. regular collections	16.60	
	Total to American Board	42.26	
	A. H. Missions	42.55	
	Paid Mrs. Pickett	3.60	
	.. Miss Lester	10.00	
	.. New West Ed. Society	16.00	
	Total paid H. Missions	72.05	
	Paid A. M. Association	10.66	
	.. A. C. F. Education	.60	
	.. A. B. Soc.	17.90	
	Total to Missions	106.40	
	Paid out for S. S. supplies		
	.. J. E. Blatt	\$8.00	
	.. for Childrens Day expenses	2.25	
	.. " papers cards &c.	8.50	
	.. " Quaker paper & S. S. supplies	14.15	
	.. " Incidentals W. H. M. Soc.	.51	
	Total for S. S.	33.71	
	Sum total	191.62	
		11.07	
	Bal. on hand Total	812.59	
Feb 7 th	Adjourned meeting Bro. Hellard presiding,		
	Minutes of annual meeting and of last meeting read and approved		
	Rev. H. J. Reimster desired a letter of dismission to the first		
	Cong. Church in Portland Ore., which was granted		
	Voted that the trustees be instructed to sell the parsonage		
	property for \$3000 or more, provided the terms are satisfactory		
	Voted that the chairman appoint G. S. Root to secure a parsonage		
	site near the church,		
	Voted that we offer Bro. Blukam \$500 Per. Sabbath to preach		
	for us for the present, except when we have a candidate		
	adjourned for one week		
	L. B. Band clerk		

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Voted that the trustees be instructed to apply to the Cong. Union for aid in building parsonage,
Voted that the trustees be instructed to close the bargain with Mr. McElvey on the parsonage, and place the notes on interest
Voted that the trustees be requested to canvass the community to secure subscriptions to build the parsonage, and report next week,
adj to meet next Thursday at 3 P.M.

March 21st Bro. Willard presiding Minutes of last meeting and of meeting Feb. 7th read and approved,
Voted that we adopt the plan submitted by Comm. on plans for a parsonage, and proceed to build without delay
Voted that a building Comm. be chosen to let the contract to build a parsonage including a cistern, fence stable out house &c, at not to exceed \$10000 Boeth, Pratt, Rust and the trustees were chosen said Comm. adj. for one week.
L. B. Rand clerk

May 2^d
Our pastor, Rev. Henry S. Payne presented letters for himself and wife from the Cong. Church in Sedgwick Kansas
Voted that they be received to full membership, and that Bro. Blunkum be requested for behalf of the Church to extend to them the right hand of fellowship, on the next Lords day. Minnie E. Cotton and Stetta A. St John requested to unite with the Church on profession of their faith in Christ, after examination it was voted that they be received at the next communion
Note, Minnie E. Cotton and Stetta A. St John were publicly received as members of this church on the first Lords day in May.
Bro. Blunkum in behalf of the church extended the right hand of fellowship to our pastor H. S. Payne and Eliza Payne his wife and welcomed them as members of the church

July 2nd
Alice Allen was publicly admitted as a member of this Church on profession of her faith in Christ, she having previously been examined, and received by vote of the Church
attest L. B. Rand clerk

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The pastor presiding. Voted that H. M. Brady's resignation as Chorister of Church services, be accepted.

Voted that Mr. Organist and Mrs. Coltrill have charge of the music until a regular Chorister is chosen.

Voted that the trustees be instructed to furnish the treasurer with the subscription list, and that he be instructed to make a partial financial report next month's Sabbath.

The following persons were admitted to fellowship, by vote of the Church, Mrs. Sallie Earl and Willis G. Heaver by letter, Henry Earl Mrs. Ann B. Spillman James Enlow, and Hattie Newell, by confession. Voted that Bro. Payne be a Comm. to examine James Enlow and Hattie Newell, before services on Sep. 1st.

H. M. Brady Sec. Protest.

Vote Henry Earl James Enlow Hattie Newell and Ann B. Spillman were publicly received as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ, on the first Lords day in Sep.

At the same time Mrs. Sallie Earl, and Willis G. Heaver were rec. by letter.

Oct. 2nd attest L. B. R. and clerk

Brothers L. M. Benedict and O. O. Coltrill were chosen delegates to State Association to meet at Manhattan Oct. 24-28 1889.

Nov. 1st

Rev. N. T. Blunkham, his wife and daughter Alice and Lillian were granted letters of dismission to the Cong. Church in Strong City Mo.

Nov. 17th

The Pastor read letter coming from the Alma Cong. Church inviting this Church to meet them by Pastor and delegates in council Nov. 26th at 3 P.M. to advise in regard to the resignation of their Pastor W. P. Wheeler. Bro. G. S. Burt was chosen delegate.

to W. C. Kellogg
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1890 Jan 2nd
Annual meeting, at 11 A.M., the Pastor H. S. Payne presiding
Bro. Burt Chosen Clerk Bro. Tom Devotional meeting for 3 hrs.
Mrs. Sarah Enlow presented letter from M. E. Church Wabaunsee
Voted that she be read at the next communion.
Mrs. Myra Enlow and Maud Enlow requested admission to the church
on profession of their faith in Christ. Voted that the Pastor be Comm.
to examine them, and that they be read at the next communion.
The roll of membership was then read, and Boeth. Benedict and
Willard were chosen a Comm. to revise the same.
The J. P. S. C. reported in regard to their work.
A. C. Cottrell made the report of the trustees
S. B. Burt Supt. made the report of the S. S. work. all the above
reports were accepted and adopted
The following resolutions were unanimously passed, recognising
the valuable services of S. R. Weed in surveying parsonage lots
making out deed contracts &c. and the members of the First
Church of Christ of Wabaunsee extend to him our sincere thanks.
On motion adj. until 12 P. M.,
Meeting assembled at 12 P. M., the Comm. chosen to revise the
roll, reported, report accepted and Comm. discharged.
Voted to take up the report separately, when the following
members were referred to the Pastor viz., James Beck
James Hubbard, Mrs. Ellen Paul, John Bisbey, Alice Bisbey
Geo. D. Ensign, Mrs. Lydia Ensign, Mrs. David McKeir
Mrs. Martha Elliott, Mrs. Katie Stebbins, Lathrop P. Weaver
Albert Robinson and Mrs. Fannie Langdon.
Voted that the following names be dropped from the roll.
H. N. Green, Mrs. G. E. Green, Herbert Green, Grant Green
Isaac Isbell, Will Isbell, Milton McLean, Mrs. Susie Pordie
Emma Bisbey, Geo. R. Paul, Ida Cleland, Jacob L. Richards
and Mrs. Letitia Richards.
The Clerk read minutes of annual meeting and of the
other meetings of the year which were approved.
The Treas. made a partial report. Voted that it be laid over, and that
he make a full report in two weeks.
The Clerk was requested to make his report in two weeks from
to day
Voted that the number of the trustees be increased to five. yeas 9 nays 7.

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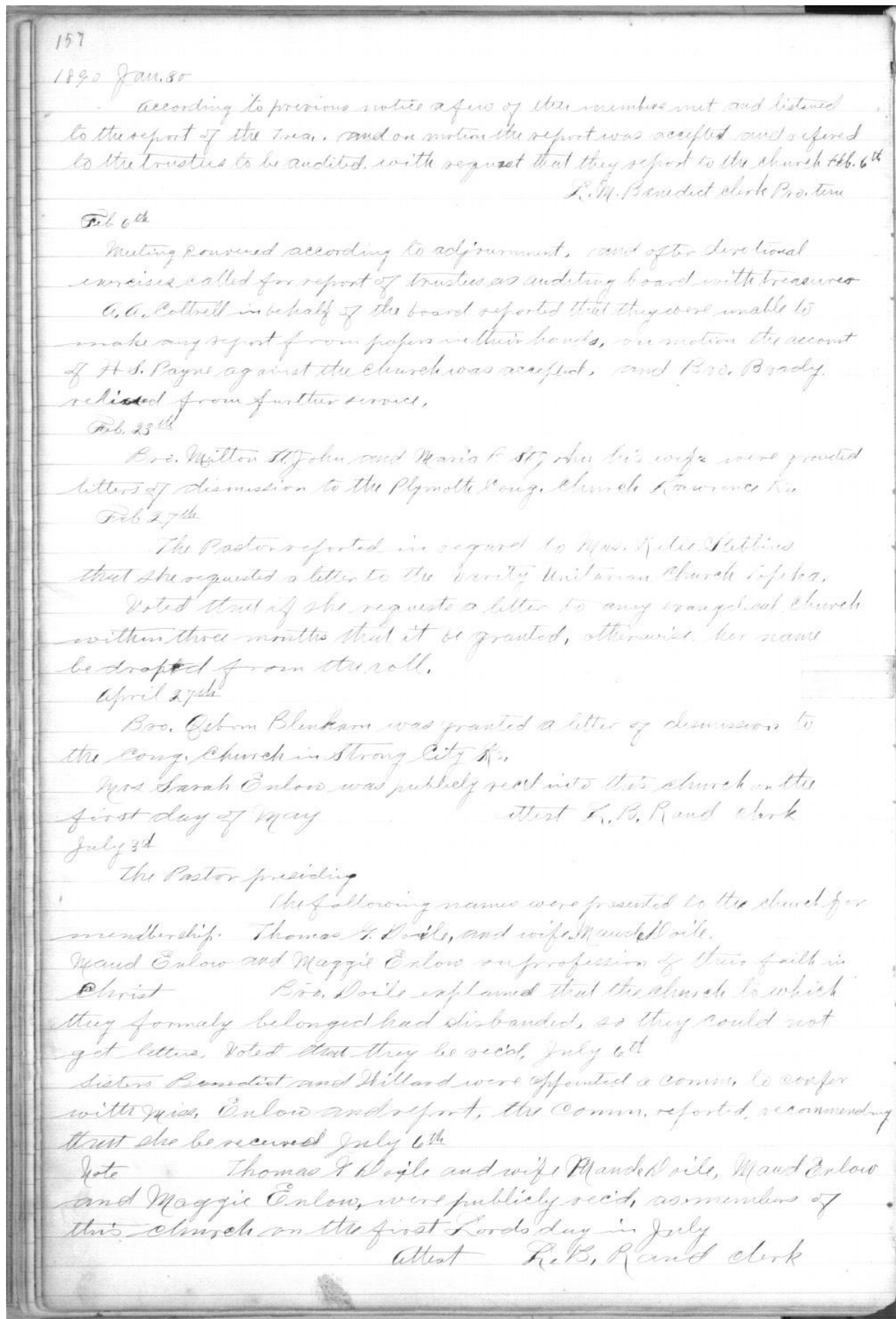
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1890 Jan 2nd
 Voted to proceed to the election of officers with the following result
 G. S. Burt Jr. Treas., L. B. Rand Clerk, H. B. Jones, Chorister
 J. F. Conrow assistant Chorister. Miss Hinnie Cotton Organist
 Voted to suspend election and adj. until Jan. 16th 1890 at 2 P. M.

Jan 16th
 adj. Annual meeting. Pastor presiding
 Minutes of the last meeting read and approved
 Voted to reconsider the vote of the last meeting increasing
 the number of trustees to five, ^{information} the same was rescinded
 The election of officers was then resumed, and A. H. Stites was
 chose trustee L. M. Benedict Deacon, and J. F. Hillard Vis. Comm.
 The officers of the Church are as follows
 Pastor Rev. Henry S. Payne
 Annual officers
 Deacons L. V. Conrow Trustees A. H. Cottrell
 .. J. F. Hillard .. John Hiel
 .. L. M. Benedict .. A. H. Stites
 Annual officers
 Treas. G. S. Burt Jr. Clerk L. B. Rand
 Chorister H. B. Jones assistant Chorister J. F. Conrow
 Organist Miss Hinnie E. Cotton

— The Clerk made his annual report which was accepted and adopted
 the following resolutions were adopted
 First, that the trustees furnish the Treasurer with a copy
 of the subscription lists in their hands before the first ^{and of the} yr.
 and report to him any addition to the same. from time
 to time
 Second. That the Trustees, and Treasurers of the different
 benevolent societies, S. S. C., report to the Treas. at least two
 weeks before the annual meeting, and that all bills
 against the Church be presented by that time
 Third. That the Treas. report shall show not only the amts.
 rec'd and disbursed by him, but the amt. of unpaid subscript.
 and the indebtedness of the Church at the close of the year
 Fourth That public notice of these resolutions be given
 on the first Sunday in Dec. of each year, so that the
 Treas. shall be able to make a full report at the annual meeting
 Adj. Attest L. B. Rand Clerk

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