

Philadelphia June 14th 1836

A stated meeting of the Board of Trustees, was held in evening, at the Residence of Bro. John M. Brown. - Moderator in the Chair. The Board being called to order, the minutes of the preceding, were read and on motion adopted.

Members in attendance, John M. Brown, Jacob Coleman, Doct. J. S. Jones, Peter Whiteman, Augustus Weiser, and P. Eringer.

Committee for soliciting subscriptions &c for Pastor's Salary reported Progress, on motion the report was accepted and Committee continued. Committee of Investigation, reported favorably of Miss Mary Out, Sibbick Whiteman, Mrs. Trinkle, Rosannah Dierer, and Mrs. Harriet Weiser, - The report was accepted, and on motion resolved, the persons therein mentioned, were elected members of the society. -

Committee on Session rooms, reported progress, on motion the report was accepted and Committee continued. -

Thomas Anderson's Bill for Sundry extra duties at the Church, including, 20 nights attendance to the discussions between Rev. Abel C. Thomas, and Wm. L. McCalla, was presented and read, amounting to \$34 6/100 - on motion the Bill was ordered to be paid - On motion the Board adjourned to meet again at this place, on the 2nd Tuesday evening in July

P. Eringer Secty

Philadelphia June 21st 1836 -

The regular annual Election for Church officers was held this evening at the Second Independent Church of Christ. The Moderator appointed John Eckstein and Henry A. Beck Judges, to conduct said election, which resulted in the choice of

- John M. Brown, Moderator
- Jacob Coleman, Treasurer
- Philip Eringer, Secretary
- Yerkes Lammman
- Doct. J. S. Jones } Trustees for 3 years
- Wm. Taylor
- Wm. Brown for 1 year, the unexpired term of P. Eringer
- Andrew Miller
- Augustus F. Weiser } Deacons
- J. C. Hefz
- Peter Whiteman
- Wm. Sterne
- George Nile

in the Year 1826	{	For Purchase of Pews . . . \$ 194.80	}	\$ 621.90
		" Burial Ground . . . 215. -		
		" Smith's note & Inst. - 212.10		
" " 1827	{	" Purchase of Pews . . . \$ 25. -	}	252. -
		" Burial Ground . . . 77. -		
		" Rent of Cellar . . . 150. -		
" " 1828	{	" Burial Ground . . . \$ 58.52	}	133.52
		" Cellar Rent . . . 75. -		
" " 1829		Not any thing		
" " 1830	{	" Rent of Cellar . . . \$ 187.50	}	600.50
		" Burial Ground . . . 55. -		
		" Burial Lots . . . 350. -		
		" Windows & frames . . . 8. -		
" " 1831	{	" Rent of Cellar . . . \$ 200. -	}	375. -
		" Burial Ground Lots - 175. -		
" " 1832	{	" Rent of Cellar . . . \$ 200. -	}	221. -
		" Sale of Stores . . . 21. -		
" " 1833	{	" Rent of Cellar . . . \$ 200. -	}	256. -
		" Store . . . 6. -		
		" Burial Ground Lot . . . 50. -		
" " 1834		" Rent of Cellar		200. -
" " 1835	{	" Rent of Cellar . . . \$ 200. -	}	250. -
		" Burial Gr. Lot . . . 50. -		
" " 1836		" Rent of Cellar		200. -

In answer to the 4th item of inquiry. They report that it appears from the Books, that there is now rented

37 whole pews at \$15 each	is . . .	\$ 450. -
63 sittings - at \$3	" - " - - -	189. -
27 do - - - at \$2	" - " - - -	54. -
29 do - up stairs at \$2	" - " - - -	58. -
		<u>\$ 751. =</u>

In answer to the 5th item of enquiry. They report that it is shown in a former part of this report, that there has been paid in money and stocks for fee simple rights to pews \$2864.31 And there was donations in money and building

materials, for which stock was to have issued to the Church	746.35
And Thos. J. Gordon ordered stock to be issued to the Church for his Commisarios	422.62
Total	\$ 4033.28

Which amt. would entitle the Church to 161 shares of Stock. - And also there appears from the Books to be about 190 shares of stock in the hands of individuals. -)

The Committee in answer to the last resolution, Report that at the present time, they are unable to agree upon any

Who paid by	Stock pd.	Cash pd.	Amt. up	Stock
Samuel Nettles	\$ -	\$ 62 50	Henry Kreider	100 -
Thomas G. Thomas	125 -	-	Henry A. Becke	85 72
William Taylor	135 -	75 -	John Melcher	150 -
Tracy Taylor	100 -	-	Wm Weis	50 -
George Savitz	50 -	14 29	Wm Skinner	25 -
Charles Rodger	-	200 -	Yerkes Laurman	25 -
E. J. Scott	150 -	-	Geo. D. Hoink	50 -
Jonathan Johnson	75 -	-	John Yeager	25 -
Jas. Mc. Cormick	50 -	-	Johns & Linnard	-
James Vice	250 -	-	Washington Vice	50 -
Jacob Culp	250 -	-	Shabod Fortner	50 -
John Eckstein	125 -	-	John Newman	75 -
John M. Brown	75 -	25 -	Danl. Jeffries	50 -
Michael Brown	50 -	-	Geo. Peterman	50 -
Samuel Gilbert	50 -	50 -	Jacob Peterman	25 -
		\$ 1475. -	Amt. of Stock \$ 2285.72	
		\$ 426.79	Amt. of Cash .. 578.59 total 2864.21	

In answer to the second item of enquiry. They report that the annual receipts for Pew rents, are as follows

Year	Treasurer	Amt.
1824	J. F. Gordon	\$ 909.9
1825	Do.	754.7
1826	James Vice	696.3
1827	Do.	552.7
1828	J. M. Brown	326.9
1829	Do	410.4
1830	Do	596.7
1831	Do	293.7
1832	Do	261.4
1833	Do	472.0
1834	Do	353.0
1835	Do	272.1
1836	Do	665.8

The accounts for 1828 appear to be for only a part of the Year. In answer to the 3rd. item of inquiry. They report that the receipts from other sources have been as follows.

in the Year 1824	for Purchase of Pews	\$ 153.59	} \$ 1375
	" Burial Ground	103. -	
	" Loan	1098. -	
	" Subscriptions	19.31	
" " 1825	" Clear Rent	\$ 75. -	} 105.
	" Subscriptions	30. -	

Philadelphia April 10th 1837 -

A Stated meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this evening at the usual place. Moderator in the Chair. The minutes of the preceding meeting, were read, and on motion the same were adopted. Members in attendance John M. Brown, John Eckstein, Jacob Coleman, Peckes, Gaurman and P. Caringer. - Committee on Session made no report, Committee Continued. - Committee on Subscriptions &c for Pastor's Salary reported progress. - Committee of Investigation appointed in Feb. last, reported progress. - Committee appointed to engage a Leader for the Choir reported progress. -

On motion the Board adjourned, to meet at this place the 2nd Tuesday evening in May.

Philip Caringer
Secy

Philad^a. May 9th 1837.

A Stated meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this evening at the usual place. Moderator in the Chair. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted. Members in attendance, John M. Brown, John Eckstein, Jacob Coleman, Andrew Miller, Doct J. S. Gorns, and P. Caringer. -

It was on motion resolved that the Committee on Session Room &c be, for the present, discharged, from the duties of their appointment.

Committee on Subscriptions &c for Pastors Salary reported progress, on motion the report was accepted and Committee Continued.

Committee of Inquiry, submitted the following report, which was read and on motion the same was accepted.

To the Board of Trustees of the 2nd Independent Church of Christ.

The Committee appointed at the stated meeting in February, under a Preamble and Resolutions, which in the minutes of said meeting is fully set forth, Respectfully submit the following report, viz:

That Mr. Jas. M. Brown, Secy and Treasurer of the Board of Managers of the Association &c. very politely furnished them with all the books and papers necessary for the prosecution of the enquiries they were directed to make. In answer to the first item of inquiry they were directed to make, viz:

How much money (or Stock) has been received for the fee simple right to Pews in the said Church, and the names of the individuals who have paid the same; they report

over

and number of shares he or she holds of the same. - Resolved, that the said Committee be instructed to report to the Board, whether there is any, and if any what is the best plan for relieving the Church from the incumbrance that is on it.

In accordance with the above suggestion, and for the accomplishment of the views therein contained, it was on motion resolved by John Beckstein, that a Committee of three persons of this board be appointed, whereupon Andrew Miller, Philip Erringer & William Stearns, were selected upon said Committee. -

Jacob Coleman, Treasurer, reported a statement of the funds of the Society, wherein a balance of \$27.00 was due him by the same. - On motion the same was adopted. - On motion the Board adjourned

Philip Erringer
Secy

Philadelphia March 21st 1837

A Stated meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Second Independent Church of Christ was held this evening at the usual place -

Moderator J. M. Brown, in the Chair. The meeting having come to order, the minutes of the preceding meeting were read and on motion resolved the same were adopted. Members in attendance

John M. Brown, Wm Taylor, Wm Stearns, Henry A Beck, Jacob Coleman, and P. Erringer. - Committee appointed to engage

Mr. Mc Dowell for Sexton, reported of having engaged him at \$70 per annum. - He reported also of having notified Thos. Anderson the late Sexton, to discontinue his services from and after the 1st day of

April next ensuing. - Committee on Session Rooms, made no report. - Committee on Subscriptions for Pastor's Salary reported

progress. - Committee appointed to communicate the reply of the Board to Abel C. Thomas, in answer to his request, reported

of having performed the same. - Committee of Investigation reported progress. - The report of the Committee appointed

to engage Bro. Jacob W. Colladay as leader of the Choir, which was deferred from last meeting, was taken up and read, when on

Motion resolved that \$100 be struck out and that \$50 per annum be inserted - whereupon the report so amended was read and

accepted. - The Committee was accordingly instructed to engage Bro. Jacob W. Colladay for that amount. - Messrs H. A. Beck & John

Bill for Oil &c furnished to the Church, amounting to \$79 7/100, was read and on motion resolved, the same was ordered to be paid

The application of Chas. Mc Millon, for the use of the Church, to hold a concert of music was read, when on motion resolved that the

request application be not granted. - On motion the Board was adjourned

Philip Erringer
Secy

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Mr. McDowell as worthy to fill the situation of Sexton, believing him to be of good moral character and of sober & industrious habits - We has offered & agreed to accept the same for Twenty Dollars per annum. The report being accepted, it was on motion resolved that the committee be authorized to engage Mr. McDowell at \$70 per annum, for one year, to be paid quarterly; under the consideration of his not sailing; to be liable of being discontinued at any time by the board. A Communication from Bro. A.C. Thomas, was presented to the Board, asking for a Contribution of \$100 - to go, to the liquidating of the debt, incurred by the Society at Lombard St. in the improvement of their "Old Temple of Truth" - when it was on motion resolved that a Committee be appointed, to state to him in answer, that in consequence of being poor in funds, we are totally unable to show in this request our generosity, which is a source of much regret &c. - Whereupon the Secretary was appointed said Committee; The following Preamble and Resolutions, offered by Andrew Miller, was read and on motion the same were adopted, viz:

Whereas it is ordained and established by Article XI of the "Articles of Association for the purchase of a lot of ground and erecting thereon a house for Divine worship for the Second Independent Church of Christ, Called Universalists &c" that the building erected by the managers of the Association aforesaid shall be for the use and behoof of the said Second Independent Church &c, to hold meetings for Divine Worship and Church business therein forever, and for the members of the said Church to bury their dead in said lot of grounds, on such terms as the said Church shall from time to time prescribe, and whenever said Church shall have paid to the association aforesaid, the purchase money of said lot, and the cost of erecting the building thereon to be erected, then the said building and the said lot of ground shall be conveyed to the said Church freed and discharged from all claims and trusts whatever." And whereas, it is further ordained and established by Article XII of the Articles of Association aforesaid "that the Managers of said Association shall have a right to dispose of the fee simple right to pews in the said building and to take and receive all pew-rents, and other rents growing out of said building and all monies that shall become due and payable for the burial of the dead, in said grounds and the purchase money which shall be received for the fee simple right to pews in the said building, shall form a fund for the purchase of the stock of the said association and shall be vested therein by the Managers aforesaid in the name of the Moderator of the said Church for the use of the same and the said Moderator shall have power to vote on such stock &c". Therefore Resolved, that a committee of three members of this Board be appointed whose duty it shall be, to ask permission of the Board of Managers aforesaid, to examine their books and papers, for the purpose of obtaining the following information, viz: 1st. How much money (or stock) has been received for the fee simple right to pews in the said Church and the names of the individuals who have paid the same. 2nd. What has been the annual receipts for pew-rents. 3rd. What has been the annual receipts from other sources. 4th. What number of sittings are now rented and what is the annual price per sitting. 5th. How many shares of stock of said Association is held by the said Second Independent Church &c, and how many by individuals and the names of each individual

the report was accepted, and Committee discharged.
Treasurer Reported the Balance of Funds on hand to be \$20 51/100. Committee on Sepiron Room reported progress, the report was accepted and Committee Continued.

Committee of Investigation reported favorably of Mr. Ezra Austin, when on motion resolved that he be elected a member of this Society. On motion that a Committee be appointed for soliciting subscriptions &c for Pastor's Salary whereupon Doct. J. J. Zane, John C. Hef and P. Bringer were appointed said Committee for the ensuing three months.

Bill of Sexton for Sunday extra work, amounting to \$4 64/100 was read and on motion the same was ordered to be paid.

Bill of Andrew Miller for Stationary &c was read and on motion the same was order to be read, amounting to \$26 87/100

Mr. Andrew Miller making the board acquainted of his intention of vacating the leading of the Choir, through his inability of giving his attention regularly - when it was on motion resolved that the singing Committee be requested to procure another Leader, and that Brother Miller be respectfully requested to continue until another person can be procured.

On motion resolved that a Committee of three persons be appointed to procure another sexton - whereupon William Taylor, Mr. Sterne and P. Bringer, were appointed.

On motion the Board adjourned to meet at this place on the Evening of the 2nd Tuesday in Feb.

Philip Bringer

Philadelphia Feby. 14th 1837 -

A stated meeting of the Board of Trustees, was held this evening at the usual place. Moderator John M. Brown in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. Members in attendance, John M. Brown, Jacob Coleman, John Eckstein, William Sterne, Peter Whitman, and P. Bringer. - Committee on Sepiron Room, made no report in consequence of the Committee not being in attendance.

Committee on Soliciting Subscriptions &c for Pastor's salary, reported progress. Committee for Procuring another Leader for the Choir, reported through their Chairman as follows, viz: The singing Committee unanimously recommended the engagement of Jacob W. Colladay as leader of the singing at a salary of one hundred Dollars per annum, he having agreed to undertake it for that sum. - In consequence of not having a full meeting of the Board, it was on motion Resolved that the report be laid over until the next stated meeting of the Board. Committee appointed to procure another sexton, reported of having attended to the duties assigned them, by recommending

to take the necessary measures to have it erected as soon as convenient,
whereupon Jacob Coleman, Yerkes Kaurman, and Doct. J. S. Jones,
were appointed on said Committee. - Applicants for Membership
The application of Mr. Ezra Austin, was received and read;
when on motion resolved the same was referred to the Committee
of Investigation. -

On Motion the Board adjourned, to meet
at this place on the 2nd Tuesday evening in December next

P. Cringer
Secty

Philadelphia Dec- 13th 1836 -

In consequence of not having a quorum, there was
no meeting of the Board this evening -

P. Cringer
Secty

Philad^a December 20th 1836. -

A Stated Semi-annual Church meeting was held this
evening at the Second Independent Church of Christ. -

The Moderator John M. Larson in the Chair. The minutes
of the last Church meeting were read and on motion adopted.
The minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees
were read and approved. The Committee on procuring
copies of the Plan of Church government, reported in full,
when on motion the Committee was discharged. -

The Report of the Committee respecting the erecting
of Session House, was read for the information of the
meeting. - No other business being before the meeting
it was on motion Resolved that we adjourn -

P. Cringer
Secty

Philadelphia Jan'y 10th 1837 -

A Stated meeting of the Board of Trustees was held this
evening at the usual place. Moderator being absent from the
City, it was on motion resolved that Jacob Coleman act as
Moderator for this meeting. The minutes of the ~~last~~ meeting
were read and adopted. - Members in attendance
Jacob Coleman, William Sterne, Doct. J. S. Jones, Mr. Taylor,
Andrew Miller, & P. Cringer. - Committee on Soliciting Sub-
scriptions &c for Pastors Salary reported verbally. - on motion the

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A Circular was received from a Committee appointed at the General Convention, for the purpose of remaining the remains of John Murray, an early preacher of the everlasting Gospel in America, to Mount-Albion Cemetery at Boston, and the erection of a suitable Monument to his memory. The circular being read, it was on motion resolved that a Collection be taken up next Sunday one week, morning and evening, and the proceeds be remitted towards aiding the expense, on the objects above stated, and that the Pastor of this Society be requested to take his own method for soliciting said Contributions at the time specified. — It was on motion resolved that an order be drawn on the Treasurer, for the sum of Four Dollars, and the same to be paid to the Sexton, in accordance to a resolution passed at the annual Church meeting. — It was on motion resolved that the Building Committee's attention be directed to the proper warming of the Church, during the ensuing winter, and also of replacing the lost Carpeting. —

On Motion the Board adjourned

P. Eringer

Secty

Philad^a. Nov. 8th 1836 -

A Stated meeting of the board was held this evening at the usual place. — Moderator in the Chair. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and adopted. — Members in attendance, John M. Brown, John Eckstein, Mr. Taylor, Doct. J. S. Gons, Yerkes Sawaman, A. Miller, & P. Eringer. — Committee on Sepion-room, reported verbally, the inexpediency at present, of converting a sepion room under the Church, the report was accepted and Committee discharged. — Committee on Soliciting Subscriptions &c for Pastor's Salary, reported progress, on motion the report was accepted and Committee Continued. — Committee of Investigation reported favorably of Menophan Fine, A. Bergfelt, and Mrs E. Bergfelt, the report was accepted, and the different individuals were unanimously elected Members of the Society. — Committee on Warming Church and replacing the lost Carpeting, reported progress, on motion the report was accepted and Committee Continued. —

It was on motion resolved that a Committee of three, be appointed to enquire into the expediency of erecting a building for the purposes of a session Room &c on the N. E. Corner of the Church Lot, fronting on Crown St. and if found expedient



The Moderator taking the Chair, and the Stated Church meeting coming to order, the Election was announced by the Moderator to the meeting. The minutes of the last stated meeting were read and adopted. It was on motion resolved by John Eckstein, that the title of Second Universalist Church, contained in said minutes be changed, to the Second Independent Church of Christ.

On motion resolved that the several minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees be read for the information of this meeting. On motion resolved the same were approved. The Committee appointed to procure two hundred copies of the Church Government, not having rendered their report, were continued.

It was on motion resolved that the Trustees be requested to pay to Thomas Anderson (sexton), four Dollars for his attendance to the four evening meetings of Bro: A. C. Thomas, in reviewing the discussion, between the Rev: Wm L. McCalla and himself. The business of the meeting being gone through, it was on motion that we adjourn. — P. Erringer

P. Erringer
Secy

Philad^a Sep. 13th 1836 —

A Stated meeting of the Board was held this evening at the usual place. Moderator in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting of the Board, were read and on motion the same were adopted. Also the minutes of the Annual Church meeting were read. Members in attendance Jno. M. Brown, John Eckstein, Wm Taylor, Jacob Coleman, Yerkes Saurman, Wm Sterne, and P. Erringer. Committee on Soliciting subscriptions &c for Pastor's Salary, reported of having collected \$57 and handed the same to the Treasurer. The report was read and accepted, and on motion the Committee was discharged. Committee on Sepion Room, reported progress, and offered the following resolution, viz: Resolved that the whole Board of Trustees meet at the Church, on Monday afternoon Sep. 26th inst at 4 o'clock, to determine for themselves the propriety or impropriety of the very important measure under consideration of the Committee. — The report and resolution, were read, and on motion the same were adopted — On motion that a Committee for Soliciting &c subscriptions for Pastor's Salary, be appointed, whereupon the Moderator appointed Jacob Coleman, J. Saurman, & Wm Sterne, ~~was placed~~ on said Committee.

Applicants for Membership, Zenophon Fine, Arnold Bergfeld, and Mrs Elizabeth Bergfeld, were recommended for Membership, when on motion resolved they were referred to the Committee of Investigation —