

THE COMPLETE
OF RECORDS

HOPWELL CHURCH

1808-1915



NEAR MORNING SUN
ISRAEL TWP., PREBLE CO., OH

- + Associate Reformed (Presby.)
- + later, United Presbyterian
- + still in use as "Historic Hopewell, Inc."

COMPILED BY
Marjorie Pexton Palmer

Dedicated to
the memories of

my aunt,
MISS ANNIS ELIZABETH PAXTON
1892-1978

who ignited my interest

and

MRS. LEILA "ILA" RAMSEY LEMON
1868-1964

whose records supplied
so much of the material
for this book

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HOPKINSON CHURCH

1808-1915



NEAR MORNING SUN
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Subject: INTRODUCTION, HISTORY
AND EARLIES RECORDS (1813)

THE EARLIEST RECORDS
of the
HOPEWELL CHURCH
(ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN)
near Morning Sun
Israel Twp., Preble Co., Ohio

August, 1813

At a meeting held at Hopewell meeting house on the second Friday of August, 1813. Samuel Wilie was chosen chairman. The meeting was constituted with prayer by David McQuiston.

John Patterson, Richard Sloan, Andrew McQuiston, John Wilie and Hugh Patterson were elected a committee to form a Constitution, which was done & was adopted.

John Patterson, Samuel Wilie, John Ramsey, Hugh McQuiston and James Brown were elected Trustees for one year.

A vote was taken & carried that six dollars be laid on each seat for the present year commencing this day to pay (for) supplies* and create a fund for the use of the Congregation. Concluded with prayer by John Patterson.

*"supplies" meant a minister

April 2, 1814

At a meeting held at Hopewell meeting house on the 2nd day of April, 1814 at which time the Rev. Mr. Porter preached, the following subscriptions was taken. We the subscribers of Hopewell Congregation promise to pay the sums annexed to our respective names to be appropriated for the purpose of obtaining the labors of the Rev. Alexander Porter amongst us.

*NOTE: Herewith follows a list of 50 men and women, all heads of households. The women are all widows. These records have been cut out of the Session Book and are among loose papers in Miami Univ. Library for Special Collections.

HOPEWELL CHURCH SUBSCRIPTIONS LIST

April 2nd 1814

John Allen	\$ 5	James Madill	\$10
William Allen	3	Mary McDill (widow	
Mary Archibald	1	of Thomas)	3
John Beard	5	Thomas McDill ✓	5
David Bonner	5	James McGaw	5
James Boyse	20	William McGaw	10
Robert Boyse	8	Andrew McQuiston	12
George Brown	15	David McQuiston	6
James Brown	15	Hugh McQuiston	12
Nathan Brown ✓	15	Gaven Mitchell	7
William Buck ✓	4	William Morris	5
John Caldwell	4	John Patterson	10
John Douglass	5	Samuel Patterson	6
Joseph Douglass	8	Samuel Patterson, Jr.	5
Robert Douglass	8	Joseph Pressly	6
Ebenezer Elliott ✓	12	Robert Pressly	10
David Phares/Fares	4	Hugh Ramsey	5
Jean Gamble	3	John Ramsey	10
James Jiles/Giles	2	William Ramsey, ✓ Sr.	7
William Leper	3	William Ramsey, ✓ Jr.	7
Andrew Martain	5	Richard Sloan	10
Mary Martain	3	Andrew Weed ✓	5
James McClurkin	6	John Wiley	6
Mathew McClurkin	5	Samuel Wiley	6
William McCreary ✓	8	John Wilson	5
David McDill ✓	10		

THE HISTORY
OF
HOPEWELL CHURCH

from the church records

In the years 1806 and 1807 several families, members of the Associate Reformed church, emigrated from the states of Kentucky and South Carolina and settled in the county of Montgomery (now Preble). In the summer of 1807 Mr. Risk favoured them with a sermon at the house of Wm. McCreary.

In 1808 they formed themselves into a society and in conjunction with the people of Concord petitioned the Presbytery of Kentucky for supplies ("supplies" means a minister) and in the month of Sept. Mr. Craig preached at the house of David McDill and organized the congregation.

Ruling elders were at the same time nominated and chosen by the congregation, namely, David McQuiston, John Patterson, Andrew McQuiston, James Boyse and Ebenezer Elliott, all of whom had been formerly ordained.

They continued to get some supplies of sermon from the Kentucky Presbytery and their numbers increased by emigration from different states, but a prospect of having a minister settled among them never opened until in the year of 1814 when the Rev. Mr. Alex. Porter, pastor of the A. R. Church at Cedar Springs, Abbeville, S. Car. came on a visit to the Western churches and at this place preached two Sabbaths and one week day.

At this time the congregation had increased to about 50 families who shortly presented a call for yearly salary for $\frac{2}{3}$ of his ministerial labors, and also the congregations of Hamilton and Concord for $\frac{1}{3}$ of his ministerial labors, \$166.66 $\frac{2}{3}$ with the understanding that as soon as the latter congregation could be otherwise provided for, the former would get the whole of his labors.

In Oct. 1814 Mr. Porter with his family came to his new pastoral charge at Hopewell. In July following, shortly after Mr. Porter's coming, the congregation was much enlarged by emigrations from S. Car. and six members were added to the session who had been formerly members of session in Carolina.

*From the records of Ila Ramsey Lemon: "The six new members of session were probably William Magaw, Nathan Brown, John Pressly, John Giles, John Pinkerton and Alexander Hamilton."

HISTORIC HOPEWELL, Inc.

A brochure tells the story of the building of this Hopewell Church in 1825 by Christians who "put first things first." They built it straight and strong with beauty in its simplicity.

The early Ohio Settlers worshipped here for 90 years. After its closing in 1915, an annual Homecoming was held on the last Sunday in August. This was discontinued in 1958. The fate of the old building was uncertain until 1964 when a group of interested people with the help of Rev. Donald Grady of the Fairhaven U. P. Church, Rev. John Britcher of the Morning Sun U. P. Church, Rev. Leslie Van Inwegen of the Oxford Seminary Church, Rev. Harvey Luce of the General Presbyterian Church in Dayton and legal assistance from Attorney Ernest Kruse of Dayton, formed an interdenominational organization.

William Simpson suggested the name "Historic Hopewell" and it was incorporated. It was their vision and belief that the building could again shelter and inspire worshipping people. The plan was not to take members from their own churches, but to provide a place of worship, where vacationers in Hueston Woods State Park could come, dressed casually during the summer months.

The first service was held May 31, 1964, at 8:45 A.M. with Rev. John Britcher speaking to 12 people in the east church yard.

That afternoon at 3:00, a meeting was held to incorporate the interdenominational, non-profit organization. Elected officers were as follows:

President	Mrs. Agnes Stubbs
Vice President	Mr. William Simpson
Recording Secretary	Mrs. Jean West
Corresponding Secretary & Treasurer	Mrs. Glenna Simpson
Trustees: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Earhart	
Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Tuttle	—Member before 1915 closing
Mr. and Mrs. Winburn Stewart	
Mr. and Mrs. John McCreary	
Mr. Paul Hays	—Descendant of Rev. Porter
Mrs. Martha Elyre	—Descendant of Rev. Porter

Mrs. Glenn Wright was appointed Statutory Agent but withdrew due to ill health and Mrs. Marion Crowell took her place.

Letters were sent out to inform friends and the services were publicized.

The meetings were held outside for two summers. Chairs, song books, and the Boy Scout's lectern from the Morning Sun U. P. Church was carried "out and in" by willing hands. Rev. Van Inwegen brought a small portable organ from the Oxford Seminary Church which was used in the outdoor services.

The blessings of beautiful weather, singing of the birds, buzzing of the bees and the fluttering butterflies were enjoyed by those attending in camping clothes at this quiet, peaceful spot.

The services were informal but inspiring and reverent. Children sat quietly on chairs or on blankets. The congregation sang joyously and sometimes a camper played the organ or led the singing. One Sunday A.M., when there was no speaker, a minister who was camping volunteered and a Boy Scout played the organ.

Offerings were generous, the speakers volunteered their service as did all workers. Gifts were sent in by friends, making it possible to repair and clean the church. Everyone who looks inside is inspired with its simplicity, strength and beauty

Services moved inside in 1966. More gifts were received, song books from Rev. and Mrs. Grady, folding chairs and a \$50 donation from Fairhaven Grange, a large cupboard from Fairhaven School, an outside toilet from Fairhaven U. P. Church, an American Flag which had flown over our capitol in Washington, D.C., from Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Hess of Morning Sun, and hymnals from Oxford Methodist Church.

The committee was grateful to Mr. Maynard Dils, manager of Hueston Woods State Park for signs and patrol service to Israel Township, for grass mowing and repair to culvert by Mr. Earl Parks. Rev. Harvey Luce mimeographed letters, Homer and Opal Tingle announced our services each week on their radio broadcast. The local papers, The Oxford Press, Palladium-Item of Richmond, and The Preble County News gave interesting coverage.

Mr. Ted Johnson set the R.E.A. electric pole in the church yard. Mr. Dwight Tuttle fixed the foundation and pointed up the bricks. Mrs. Glenna Simpson found a discarded church bulletin board in Eaton on which Mr. Marvin Somers printed a short history of the church.

Mrs. Mabel Simpson prepared material for the brochure about the Hopewell Church from 1805 to 1958. Thousands of these brochures have been given at the Sunday Services, placed in the Lodge, park offices, and many other places.

Gifts of money and collections have been generous, speakers, musicians and many workers have given their time to improve the grounds and building. It is not possible to give all the names but all who have helped in any way feel this is a worthwhile project.

The organ has been played by many. The messages have been brought by 39 speakers, many of whom took charge several times during the past six months.

Youth groups from Oxford Methodist Church, Morning Sun U. P. Church, Fairhaven U. P. Church, Bethany Methodist, Lutheran Youths from Richmond, Indiana, area, a group from Dayton and several Boy Scout groups have assisted in giving the services and helping greatly in the clean up work.

At least 30 denominations from all over the U.S., Canada, France, India, Sweden, England and the Republic of South Africa have been recorded in the guest register.

All officers were re-elected until 1968 when Mrs. Dwight Tuttle replaced Mrs. Glenna Simpson as recording secretary and treasurer.

After 8 years, the annual Homecoming was revived in August, 1966.

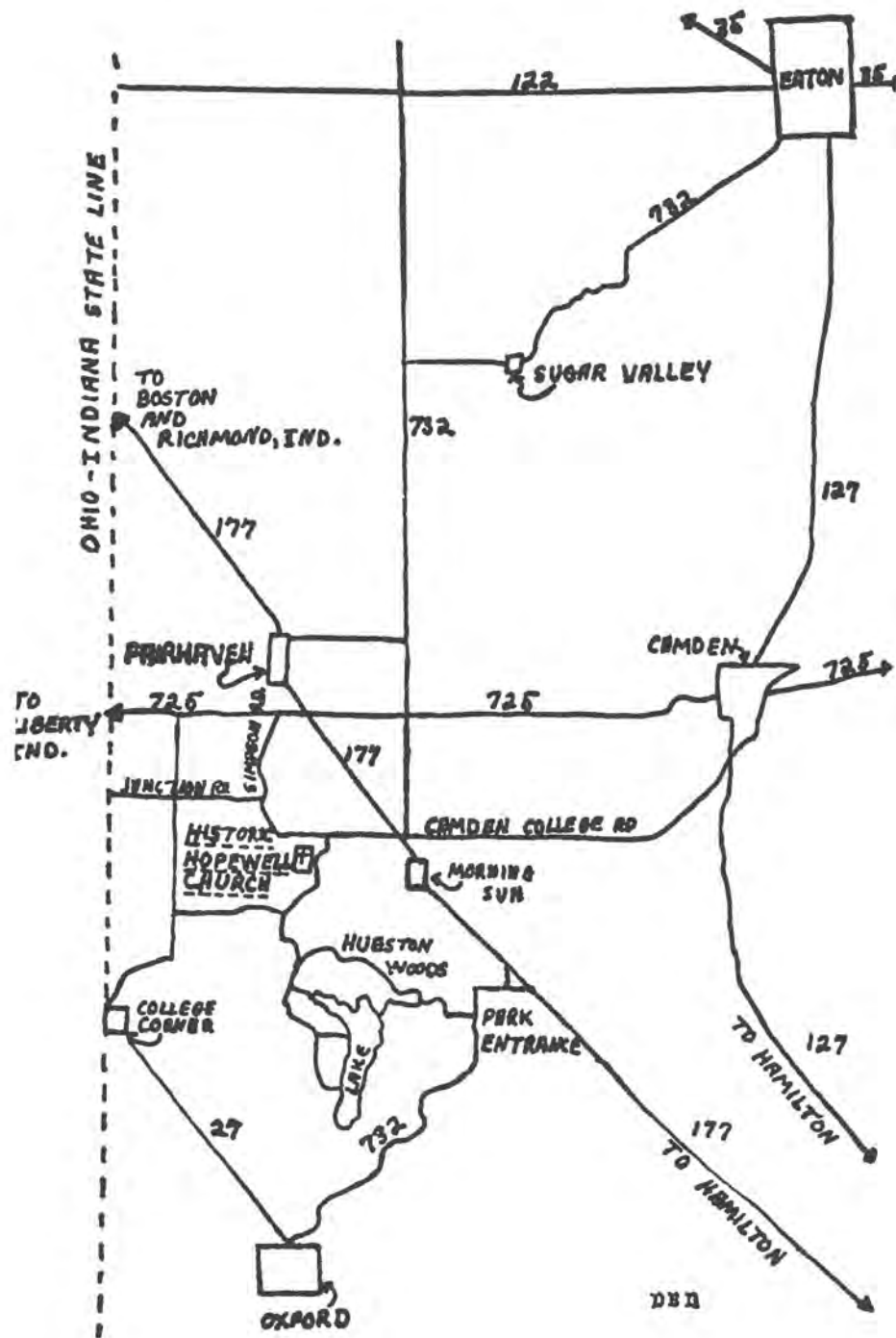
Commemorative Plates and Tiles were made with church picture on the face and a short history on the back. These may be purchased from Mrs. Dwight Tuttle, Oxford, Ohio.

This report of the progress of Historic Hopewell Service was started by interested Christians and encouraged by many. Recorder ministers, lay ministers, Sunday school teachers, school principals, school superintendents, university professors, businessmen, missionaries, a radio broadcaster, and an attorney at law were among the speakers.

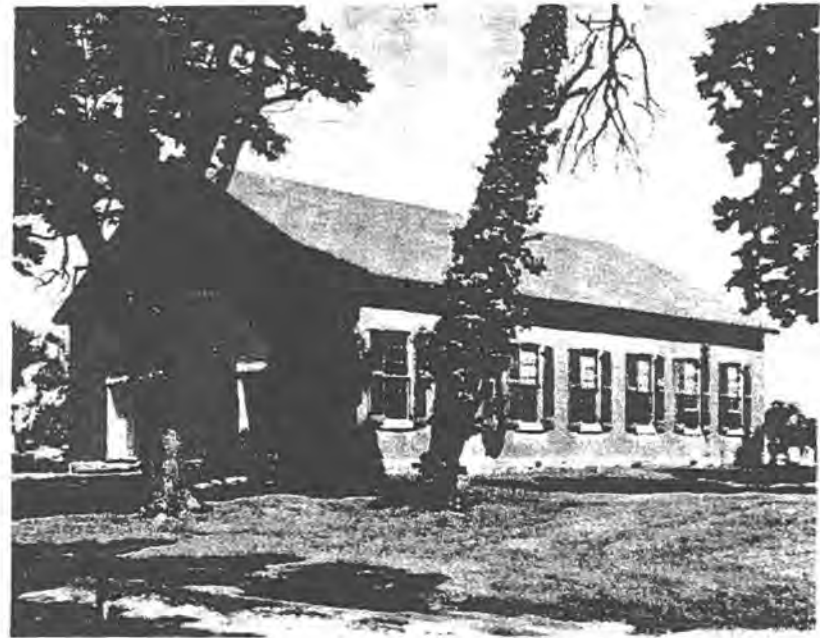
The executive committee thanks all who have helped and invite you to attend at least one service.

May God guide, direct and bless this work.

Services are held each Sunday Morning at 9:30 starting the last Sunday in May through the first Sunday in September—unless otherwise announced.



Historic Hopewell



ORIGIN 1808

ABANDONED 1915

Services are held each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m., Ohio time, from the last Sunday in May to the first Sunday in September.

Hueston Woods Park visitors are invited to attend in casual dress.

If interested in further information or in donating toward the restoration of this historic church, contact Mrs. Dwight Tuttle, Corresponding Secretary, 810 South College Avenue, Oxford, Ohio 45056.

Historic Hopewell

In the years 1806 and 1807, several families, most of whom were of Scotch-Irish descent and members of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, opposed to slavery, left their homes in South Carolina and immigrated to Israel Township, Preble County, Ohio.

These people held church services in their homes at first, and in 1808 built the first Hopewell Church building of logs, 30 by 30 feet. The name was chosen because many of the settlers came from Hopewell, S. C. Services were held without a regular pastor until 1814 when Dr. Alexander Porter left his charge at Abbesville, S. C., to accept a call to this church.

In the six years before the first pastor was installed, the church had grown such that 30 more feet were added to the original length of the building. The congregation then outgrew its 30 by 60 foot log church. According to church records of November 15, 1825, members of the congregation promised to pay a certain amount, half in money and half in produce, to the trustees of the church for the purpose of erecting a larger building. One hundred and sixteen people, heads of families, pledged to pay \$1,003.

The brick was made and burned in a kiln near the front of the church. The floor was paved with brick, everyone paving under his own pew. The men of the church did most of the labor, erecting a church 45 by 70 feet of Scotch architecture. The pulpit was in the middle of the West wall, five feet or more above the floor with a small window on each side. The main door was in the middle of the East side with a smaller door and two windows at each end of the church.

By 1834, the congregation had increased until it was too large for the building and the pastoral care of one minister. At that time, arrangements were made for building a new meeting place at Fair Haven where members from the North organized a new congregation. The church continued to be so crowded that as soon as word was received that a family was moving from the area, another family would immediately seek to purchase their pew. The peak membership of the church was around 400, which number did not include any children under the age of 12.

In 1837, three years after the Fair Haven Church was formed, members living near Oxford formed a church there. Twelve years later, in 1849, College Corner families built a church there. In 1876, 100 members from Hopewell joined with the former Beech Woods Reformed Presbyterian Church to erect a new building for the Morning Sun United Presbyterian Church.

About 1880, "Old Hopewell," now surrounded by the four new churches, was less crowded and at that time was completely overhauled and refurbished. The pulpit which hung on the West wall was removed and placed at the North end of the building. The main entrance, formerly opposite the pulpit, was changed to two doors at the South end. A vestibule was taken off the South end. A wooden floor was installed and a carpet placed which was sewn together by the women of the church. Some windows were enlarged and some at the end of the church were closed and the walls were papered. An interesting feature of "Old Hopewell" was a bench placed at the left side of the church specifically for any Negroes who might be passing through the area and desiring to worship. This area was a station on the underground railroad.

After the formation of the four daughter-churches and through deaths and removals, the congregation became weakened. The last minister was Dr. W. Edward Paxton who served from 1904 to 1915 when regular services were discontinued. A few years later, summer meetings or "homecomings," were held the last Sabbath of August every year until 1958 which was the 150th Anniversary of the establishment of the Hopewell congregation. It is hoped that these homecomings can be resumed.

Early names appearing in the records are Bell, Boyse, Brown, Caldwell, Douglass, Elliott, Gilmore, Hamilton, Herron, McDill, McGaw, McMillan, McCreary, McQuiston, Patterson, Paxton, Pinkerton, Ramsey, Simpson, Steale, Tuttle and Wright.

In the cemetery adjoining the church, both the first and last pastors of the church are buried. The first pastor, Rev. Alexander Porter (1770-1836), was born in South Carolina and served the church from 1814 to 1833. The last pastor, Rev. W. E. Paxton (1856-1952), was born in Israel Township, Preble County, Ohio, and served the church from 1904 to 1915. Seven other ministers served between the years 1883 and 1904.

HOPKINSON CHURCH

1808-1915



NEAR MORNING SUN
ISRAEL TWP., PREBLE CO., OHIO

Subject: CONGREGATIONAL
MEETINGS
1839-1916

The records of
CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

HOPEWELL CHURCH

1807-1915

Associate Reformed Presbyterian
later, United Presbyterian

These records cover the years
from 1839 until the final meet-
ing in 1916 after the abandon-
ment of the congregation.

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Jan. 28th 1839

Trustees elected: John Ramsey, Jr., John Graham, David
McQuiston, Jr., Robert Madill and Thomas C. Madill.

Jan. 27th 1840

Moved by E. Elliott, 2nded by James Boyse, that the Rev.
S. W. McCracken be paid as a stated supply until Jan. 1st
1840, at which time his salary will commence. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the money in the hands of the
Treasurer of the Education Society be paid to the Oxford
Theological Seminary, provided the members of Fairhaven
agree. Carried.

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Jan. 25th 1841

Committee appointed to attend to the doors of the Meeting House to conduct strangers to seats. Committee; Samuel Paxton, John Graham, Samuel Bell, Robert McDill. Committee appointed on ways and means to raise money; Rev. S. W. McCracken, Nathan Brown, Esq., Samuel Paxton, James Brown and Dr. McDill.

Jan. 31st 1842

Moved by D. McQuiston & 2nded by Hugh Elliott that Archibald Martin be chosen Singing Clerk to fill the vacancy made by resignation of Joseph McQuiston. Carried.

Trustees authorized to procure the first seat on the left of the south door for the use of colored persons when they come to the house of God, and that the congregation consider it their duty to encourage colored persons to attend on the ordinances of God's House.

Jan. 30th 1843

Trustees appointed; S. B. Graham, Andrew Hamilton, Matthew Wilson, James Brown, Jr. and Robert Paxton.

Collection to be taken for repairing the grave yard, purchasing tools for same and to purchase the seat voted at a previous meeting for the use of colored persons.

January, 1844

Moved and seconded that Wm. Wilson's title to his seat remain untouched. Carried. Moved & seconded that James McDill, Wm. Willson, Robert Rock, D. Madill & Nathan Sloan be requested to assist the singing clerk. Carried.

Resolved that the trustees inform the owners of seats who are now in other congregations and endeavor to get their consent that the seats may be set up and sold to the highest bidder and the proceeds of the sale be returned to the owner.

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Mar. 25th 1844

Special meeting. Resolution offered concerning the sale of seats owned by non-members of Hopewell, (Those who had been members and had gone on to other congregations) that the seats be sold to the highest bidder, owners receive what they had paid for seats, surplus to go to the use of the congregation. If seats do not bring first cost, owner to receive what the seats sell for.

Nathan Brown, Esq. objected, offered the resolution that "a committee be appointed to investigate existing regulations of seats in the meeting house and their operation and to report regulations for their future proposal". Carried.

Committee: Nathan Brown, Esq., Hugh Elliott, Ebenezer Elliott, Robert Paxton, Esq. & John Graham. N. Brown & Mr. Cramer appointed to "make a draft of the eave-troughs and probable expense of putting up the same".

May 15th 1844

Seat business settled by the following resolution offered by N. Brown, Esq., "that all seats now vacant or may hereafter become vacant, be sold according to the original articles of sale. Adopted.

June 15th 1844

"Mrs. Gillespie entitled to hold her seat during her membership in the congregation." All persons owning seats purchased since the original sale of seats to hand in to the Clerk the number of pew and price paid, also from whom purchased, to report within ninety days.

REGISTER OF PEWS IN HOPEWELL CHURCH, June 15, 1844
 (The original sale of pews was on Oct. 13, 1827)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Original price</u>	<u>Of whom purchased</u>	<u>New price</u>	<u>To whom transferred</u>
1.	\$6.25	R. Trustees	\$	Rev. S. W. McCracken
2.	9.75	George Ramsey		
3.	12.00	William Smith		D. Cree & Wm. Paxton
4.	12.75	Thomas Madill, Sr.		
5.	9.50	Richard Sloan, Sr.		
6.	8.13	Jonathan Paxton		
7.	8.00	of Thos. McDill 1/3	\$3.00	John Madill
8.	9.25	Hugh Ramsey		
9.	8.00	S. Paxton	8.00	S. Graham
10.	11.00	John & Jas. Marshall		Jos. & Henry Marshall (Spelled "Martial")
11.	8.00			
12.	9.00			
13.	7.43			
14.	9.00	Samuel Wright	6.00	Joseph Cramer
15.	7.63	Grizelle Craig 1/2		James McCreary 1/2
16.	7.00	Mr. Gillespie	12.00	Sam. Steele 1/2, Mr. White-
17.	7.57	George Hamilton	10.00	D. Ramsey man
18.	7.75			
19.	7.63			
20.	7.00	Mr. Gillespie		Mrs. Bennet 1/2
21.	8.25	Thomas Brown		
22.	8.75			
23.	7.16	Trustees	15.13	John Sloan
24.	7.75			
25.	7.68	A.? Martin	5.00	H. Brown, H. Blake
26.	7.50	Jane Ramsey	10.00	Mr. Crosier \$2
27.	7.56	S. Lessley	18.00	John Ramsey
28.	9.50	Wm. Gilmore		Nathan Sloan
29.	9.00	N. Brown		Eli Gilmore
30.	11.25	George R. Brown		
31.	12.25	Wm. McCain	26.00	Jas. Brown, Geo. Simp-
32.	14.25	George Simpson		son
33.	9.00	Hugh Madill		R. Sloan, Jr.
34.	9.00	Robt. Pinkerton	19.00	D & J Madill, Pd. 11
36.	8.25	R. & W. Paxton		R. Paxton
36.	10.00	D. McQuiston		
37.	11.00	A. Madill		H. McQuiston
38.	10.13	Israel Hamilton		
39.	10.50	1/3 J. Graham	2.16	2/3 redeemed
		2/3 Wm. McQuiston		
40.	10.00	James McQuiston		
41.	9.00	H. McQuiston		
42.	9.00	J. G. McQuiston	26.13	
43.	9.00	N. Brown, Jr.		
44.	8.75	D. Semple		in R. Marshall

REGISTER OF PEWS IN HOPEWELL CHURCH (continued)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Original price</u>	<u>Of whom purchased</u>	<u>New price</u>	<u>To whom transferred</u>
45.	\$8.00	T. C. Madill	\$22.00	
46.	12.25	D. McQuiston, Jr.		
47.	16.50	J. Caldwell		
48.	?	J.? Hamilton		James Brown, Sr.
49.	10.00	Matthew Wilson		
50.	10.75	J. Boyce		
51.	11.25	J. Duglass	14.00	
52.	10.50	E. Elliott		
53.	10.50	R. & J. Elliott	13.00	J. Ramsey, Pd. 13
54.	10.25	W. & John Elliott	10.00	J. Marshall, Pd. 10
55.	10.18	A. & J. Hamilton		
56.	10.25	E. Brown		
57.	8.00	J. Gray		
58.	8.00	Wm. Willson	4.00	
59.	8.50	J. Herron		M. McCay
60.	8.25	W. Gray		
61.	9.00	J. Smith	13.00	
62.	9.00	J. Buck ✓		
63.	9.25	J. McClenahan	5.00	Wm. Duglass, Pd. 5
64.	9.75	J. Pressley	4.00	A. Hamilton
65.	10.00	S. Weed		T. Paxton
66.	9.00	W. Buck ✓		
67.	10.50	D. McQuiston, Sr.	10.00	A. Bell ("Colored persons" crossed out)
68.	12.06	S. Bell		
69.	12.00	J. Brown		
70.	11.00	D. Bonner		
71.	11.31	T. Harper		
72.	11.50	R. Boyce		
73.	11.75	S. Herron		
74.	12.?	W. Willson?	—	?
75.	12.00	W. Bell		Samuel Buck, 1/2
76.	12.50	S. Buck ✓		
77.	10.25	A. Bower		R. Rock, 2/3

NAMES OF PEW HOLDERS, 1844

ASSESSMENT: A tax on pews in 1844 for repairs on Meeting House, putting up eave troughs, etc. Tax \$1.00 per pew. Tax continues 1845, \$1.00 per pew

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|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Rev, Sam. W. McCracken | 37. Andrew McQuiston |
| 2. W. George Ramsey | 38. J. Hamilton |
| 3. William Smith | 39. James Graham |
| 4. Thomas McDill, Jr. and
James Brown, Sr. | 40. M. John Graham |
| 5. Richard Sloan | 41. Hugh McQuiston |
| 6. Jonathan Paxton | 42. Joseph McQuiston |
| 7. John Madill | 43. Nathan Brown, Jr. |
| 8. Hugh Ramsey | 44. Robert Marshall |
| 9. Samuel B. Graham | 45. Thomas C. McDill |
| 10. Henry & Jos. Marshall | 46. David McQuiston, Jr. |
| 11. David Faris &
John McClurkin | 47. Mrs. Caldwell and
D. McQuiston |
| 12. Robert Gilmore &
George Simpson | 48. James Brown, Sr. |
| 13. Henry Bell | 49. Matthew Wilson |
| 14. Joseph Cramer | 50. M. Boyce |
| 15. Grizell Craig & Smith | 51. John Duglass |
| 16. Samuel Steele | 52. Ebenezer Elliott |
| 17. David Ramsey | 53. J. Ramsey, Sr. |
| 18. Joseph Stuart | 54. James Marshall |
| 19. Robert Patterson | 55. James Hamilton |
| 20. T. Little &
E. Gillespie | 56. Robert Brown |
| 21. S. & J. Ramsey | 57. William Willson |
| 22. James Brown, Jr. | 59. John Herron and
Mrs. McCay |
| 23. John Sloan | 60. William Gray |
| 24. Wm. & Mary McCreary | 61. James Smith |
| 25. H. Brown, H. Blake
Mr. Crozier | 62. John Buck |
| 26. John Ramsey | 63. Willim Duglass |
| 27. Nathan Sloan | 64. Alexander Hamilton |
| 28. Eli Gilmore | 65. Thomas Paxton |
| 29. Nathan Brown, Sr. | 66. William Buck, Sr. |
| 30. George R. Brown | 67. "Colored Persons" |
| 31. Joseph Brown and
John Simpson | 68. Samuel Bell |
| 32. George Simpson | 69. Thomas Brown |
| 33. Hugh McDill | 70. H. Bonner |
| 34. D. & J. Macdill | 71. Thomas Harper |
| 35. Robert & Wm. Paxton | 72. Robert Boyse |
| 36. David McQuiston | 73. Samuel Herron |
| | 74. John Hays |
| | 75. William Bell |
| | 76. Samuel Buck |
| | 77. Robert Rock |

REGISTER OF PEWS RELINQUISHED

<u>Name</u>	<u>Due</u>	<u>Rec'd.</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Present worth</u>
Wm. McQuiston	2/3	\$2.16	To which add tax \$1=	\$3.86
John Herron	\$4.00		to which add \$1 tax=	\$5.00
A. Bower 1/3	\$1.75		add tax $.33 \frac{1}{3}$ \$1.75	= \$2.08
John Herron occupied 9 years.			Original price from which	
deduct \$4.50 = \$4.00 + \$1 tax				= \$5.00
H. Blake and H. Brown run out--tax \$1				= \$1.00
1/2 vacant	\$1	add tax 50¢	= paid	\$1.50
J. Boyce	\$2.75		add tax \$1.00	= \$3.75
Samuel Smith				

APPLICATIONS FOR PEWS

April, 1845

Apr. 5	Mr. Crozier received #20,	paid tax	\$2.00
Aug. 8	R. Sloan, Jr. #33		
8	Wm. Buck, Jr. #55	paid	\$3.75
8.	Robert Bonner #50		
8.	Mary McCay #59		.50
8.	Mr. Whiteman #16	paid	.50

1846 David Cree #77 1/3

Aug. 1847 Martha Gilmore #28
Samuel Buck #75 1/2

1850

Feb. 15	John A. Brown		
Mar. 20	Samuel & William Graham		
Mar. 20	Andrew Brown		
May 15	David Cree # 3	1/2	
May 24	Madison Paxton #66	1/2	
May 24	James F. Bennett & mother	#20	
May 25	James Owens # 7	1/2	

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Feb. 5, 1845 Amendment:

Resolved that on all seats that have been or may be relinquished to the Trustees, the reduction on the seats shall be from the original sale, at 50¢ per year, and any persons, members and supporters in the congregation with family sufficient to fill it, may, according to the original articles of sale, have any vacant pew by applying to the Trustees and paying such sum, if any, as may have been paid to a former owner for its redemption. Such applicants shall be supplied according to the order of application.

Trustees elected: Joseph McQuiston, John Herron, John Sloan, Samuel Buck and A. McQuiston. Trustees to fix the stoves, and procure and set out a suitable number of shade trees in the church yard.

Mr. (Rev.) McCracken requested to attend the Sabbath Convention to be holden at Upper Springfield in April next and that his expenses be paid out of the contingent fund.

S. W. McCracken, Chairman
Hugh Elliott, Clerk

Jan. 26, 1846

Same Trustees elected. The Trustees authorized to whitewash and scour-out the church.

The Trustees authorized to issue a subscription for the purpose of putting in a new pulpit. Ebenezer Pinkerton, agent for Robt. Pinkerton, presented a claim for the sale money of seat No. 34. Allowed the redemption price of the seat No. 34 according to award of the committee of Presbytery.

Jan. 25, 1847

Trustees elected: James Brown, Jr., David McQuiston, Sr., Joseph Cramer, John Graham and William Gray. The treasurer authorized to collect dues and borrow the deficit necessary to defray the expenses of the congregation for the past year.

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Jan. 31, 1848

The treasurer & clerk having resigned, David McDill was elected in his stead. The former minutes were kept by Hugh Elliott.

Jan. 29, 1849

Moved by Joseph McQuiston and 2nd by Ebenezer Elliott that "Whereas the people belonging to this congregation in the vicinity of College Corner are desirous of a separate organization and in doing so do not wish to lose their right to hold their seats in Hopewell, therefore,

Resolved that they have the privilege of holding their seats until they obtain the stated ordinances by continuing to be supporters here." Carried.

Moved by David McQuiston that the congregation dispense with giving out the line in conducting the praises of God in said congregation. Carried.

Also moved and carried that should the foregoing resolution upon trial not prove satisfactory, the session are hereby authorized to instruct the clerk to return to the former practice.

(1) John Brown, (2) Hugh McQuiston and (3) Thomas McQuiston appointed singing clerks. Trustees authorized to purchase as much ground on the east side of the Meeting House lot as may think necessary for the convenience of the congregation. (for stables)

Trustees instructed to learn the cost of different kind of fencing suitable for enclosing the grave yard and report at a future meeting.

David McDill, Clerk

Feb. 2, 1850

On motion of John Simpson and Hugh McDill decided to take up a new subscription for the salary of the pastor Mr. McCracken. This sub. to be presented, by the mem-

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bers of session, to all the male members of the congregation, and others in their respective quarters. Also when presenting the subscription they call on those in arrears on the old subscriptions for settlement. Moved by Nathan Brown & David McQuiston that a committee of five be appointed to examine the condition of the Meeting House and fences around the yard & grave yard and estimate repairs.

John Sloan, John Graham, John Simpson, David McQuiston and Hugh McDill, said committee. These men also appointed Trustees for the year. William Gray, appointed collector of the Minister's salary.

Resolved that the tax received on seats for the payment of land adjoining the Meeting House not be refunded to the persons who paid it.

Moved by David McQuiston & John Simpson that a new pulpit be put in the Meeting House, provided money can be obtained by subscription.

Moved by William Gray, 2nd by John Graham that the congregation hereafter dispense with giving out the line in conducting the praises of God.

May 25, 1850

Committee on repairs reported the Meeting House roof had been repaired, and the present fencing with repairs would last a few years longer. A tax of one dollar was laid on each pew levied to meet the expense.

Jan. 27, 1851

Wm. Gray appointed Trustee in the place of Hugh McDill who declined serving another year. The other former Trustees reelected.

A tax of two dollars per levied to pay expense of repairing about the grave yard, etc. Resolved that contributions from persons not belonging to this congregation for use in repairing about the grave yard would be thankfully received and used for that purpose.

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Jan. 26, 1852

The Trustees reported that \$75 were needed to defray cost of repairs during the year. Tax of one dollar and a half levied on each pew. Trustees elected were Joseph G. McQuiston, Wm. McCreary, Henry Marshall, Nathan Sloan and D. McQuiston, Jr. On motion, James McDill was elected singing clerk.

Jan. 31, 1853

Trustees of last year continued. Trustees authorized to repair stoves or buy new ones as they may think best. Resolved to take a subscription to pay for new stoves and painting the seats.

Andrew McClenahan was elected singing clerk of the congregation. David McDill resigned office of Clerk and Treasurer of the congregation and Joseph Brown was elected.

David McDill, Clerk

Jan. 31, 1854

David McQuiston, Sr., John Sloan, J. G. McQuiston, Robert Wilson & John Graham were elected Trustees.

The trustees authorized to paint the pews, whitewash the house outside and inside and make new tables and seats for sacramental purpose. Moved & carried that a committee of five be appointed to assess the property of male members, and levy a tax on property so assessed sufficient to cover incidental expenses. Moved & carried that the trustees make a statement of the amount needed for repairs. (Levying tax on pews seems to be unpopular as one motion to that effect was withdrawn and another lost.)

Hugh Elliott was elected Treasurer of the Minister's Salary. A committee of five appointed to frame resolutions in relation to raising the Salary.

The committee recommended that each elder be authorized to circulate a subscription paper in his respective

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quarter and raise as much as he can. Adopted. The recommending committee consisted of John Graham, A. Hamilton, J. Simpson, J. G. McQuiston and Samuel Buck.

Joseph Brown, Clk.

June 3, 1854

David McQuiston, Sr. moved and seconded by J. Simpson that the pulpit be removed to the North end of the church and be remodeled and that the seats be changed to suit.

David Ramsey added to the motion that there be one door in the North end. This was accepted by the original mover. Yea's 18; Nay's 8.

Moved by J. Simpson, and by J. G. McQuiston that the trustees be authorized to cut off a vestibule off the South end of the church. Carried.

A committee of three appointed to act in place of the elders in raising the salary. Wm. Gray, John Graham and Hugh Elliott. Carried. Motion made by John Ramsey, Sr. 2nded by John Simpson. Joseph Brown, Clk.

Aug. 4, 1854

At this meeting all the resolutions passed at the last meeting, June 3, 1854, were rescinded and all the proceedings of the Annual Meeting, Jan. 31st 1854, were rescinded.

Moved by John Simpson & 2nd by Thos. McQuiston that the instructions to the trustees be reinstated and that they be further instructed to enlarge the windows, Carried.

Dec. 3, 1854

Moved by James McCreary, 2nd by Hugh McQuiston that the seats be sold to defray expenses of repairs. To be set up at from 10 to 14 dollars according to length and situation.

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Moved by Robt. Paxton, 2nd by Henry Marshall that the foregoing motion be amended by declaring the seats free and that the money for repairs be raised by subscription. Also that a committee of seven be appointed to assign each family their place of sitting, having respect to their convenience and wishes. The amendment as substituted carried. Ayes 40; Noes 17.

Carried that the assignment of seats be made today. The members of the appointed committee were John Buck, Robt. Patterson, Henry Marshall, Hugh Elliott, Joseph Stuart, J. G. McQuiston and David Ramsey.

Whereupon the meeting went into extrajudiciate conference for the purpose of choosing and appropriating seats. The above committee agreeing that members should choose their own seats and that they would act only on conflicting claims. D. M. McDill, Clk pro tem.

Jan. 27, 1855

Same trustees continued. Trustees authorized to build a wood house.

Mr. McCracken requested to state at each annual meeting the amount of salary he has received the past year.

On motion of J. G. McQuiston & Wm. Douglass, it was resolved to present the subscription papers for the minister's salary to the young men and request them to contribute to the support of the Pastor. Resolved that the congregation should give Mr. McCracken \$600 per year and that means be taken to raise that amount.

James Brown and Hugh Elliott being unwell, James Brown and Robert Paxton were appointed in their place on the committee to raise the Minister's Salary.

Jan. 28th 1856

The Trustees reported the amount expended in repairing the house, expense cancelled and a balance of cash on hand of \$2.75, subscr. 5.00.

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The trustees authorized to obtain the old saddle house for a wood house. Moved and seconded that the balance on hand of building fund be donated to John Graham for services rendered.

Committee on Pastor's Salary reported a subscription of \$619. Pastor reported that he had received in 1854 \$554.50. Resolved to take a subscription for the Synod, Missionary and Tract Society, etc. Joseph Brown was appointed Treasurer of said fund.

Trustees for the following year, Hugh Elliott, Samuel Graham, James McDill, Nathan Sloan and John Wallace.
Joseph Brown, Clerk

Jan. 26th 1857

Trustees report that having failed to get the saddle house for a wood house, they agreed to build a new one and contracted with James R. H. Bernard to build one for ___ dollars and owing to the difficulty of getting lumber sawed, it remained in an unfinished state.

The sexton authorized to close up the door in the North end of the Meeting house in the fall and keep it closed until Spring. Moved by John Simpson that a committee of five be appointed to dispose of the wood house and to make arrangement to build a wood and session house in connection with the Trustees of the Township. Committee appointed were John Simpson, D. McQuiston, H. Elliott, Wm. Gray and James McDill. Trustees of last year continued for another year.

The committee of five reported a resolution that the Trustees of Hopewell Congregation be instructed to confer with the Township Trustees to build a house jointly but should they not agree then the Trustees of Hopewell take measures to build a house. This was accepted, then reconsidered, and the original question was again put and carried.

Hugh Elliott reported on the Pastor's Salary. By deaths, removals & otherwise \$59.00 less than last year. Added to by new subscriptions \$13.00 leaving a loss of \$46.00.

The congregation was therefore instructed to raise their subscriptions about one fourth and elders be requested

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to hand around the subscription in their respective quarters. Carried that the congregation fall back on the old way of securing seats.

On motion of John Simpson the trustees were authorized to purchase a sofa and one dozen chairs. A collection was to be taken up to pay for chairs, sofa and sexton.
Joseph Brown, Clerk

Jan. 25th 1858

Trustees continued another year. Elders requested to present the subscription paper to the young men over 21 years or to give their names to some proper person who would do it.

Hugh Elliott was requested to make a full report of the Pastor's salary at the next Annual meeting. The trustees report unpaid bills as follows: To the sexton, \$35.00, For lightning rods, 1 Mattock and other items. Resolved to take up a collection for contingent expenses.
Joseph Brown, Clerk

Jan. 31st 1859

Joseph Brown resigned as Clerk & Treasurer and John Wallace was elected to fill his place. Trustees elected, Thos. McQuiston, David Ramsey, James Brown, Sr., Jeremiah Rankin and William Wilson.

Hugh Elliott reported on Pastor's Salary. Moved that John McDill, D. Alex. Gray and Thomas Ramsey be appointed singing clerks, and that they make some suitable arrangements to improve the music in the church. Isaac McCracken added to the list of singing Clerks.
John Wallace, Clerk

Sept. 19th 1859

Committee of three, Hugh Elliott, David McDill & John Simpson, appointed to draft resolutions giving expression to the feelings of the congregation respecting the affliction which has befallen us in the decease of our Pastor.

Resolutions reported and accepted, viz: "Whereas, God in his Providence has been pleased to afflict us by the death of our beloved Pastor, Rev. S. W. McCracken, who has been endeared to us by a pastorate of near twenty years, therefore

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Resolved That as a congregation, we would acknowledge the hand of God in this dispensation which has deprived us of a faithful and devoted pastor.

Resolved That we strive to emulate him in his deep toned piety, and earnest devotedness to the cause of Christ and love to the souls of men.

Resolved That we deeply sympathize with the family of the deceased in their bereavement and earnestly commend them to the care and protection of Him, who is the Father of the fatherless and the widows Judge.

Resolved That the secretary of this meeting be instructed to forward the foregoing resolutions to the "Presbyterian Witness", "The United Presbyterian of the West" and the "United Presbyterian of Pittsburg" for publication.

Congregation decided for the trustees to purchase two large stoves, to take the place of the old ones in the Meeting House, also to have the window blinds painted. Decided to pay supplies \$10.00 per day to take up subscriptions for supplies for four months, and to pay for repairs already made on the house.

Hugh Elliott to collect the salary due to Mr. McCracken.
Samuel Buck, Chairman John Wallace, Clerk

Jan. 30th 1860

Same trustees, Clerk and Treasurer continued for another year. Subscription to be taken for supplies for one year to be paid quarterly in advance to the Treasurer.

Dr. Brown's expenses to be paid, while on his recent visit & home. Subscription to be taken to defray his expenses. (Re Rev. McCracken?)

Resolved that they pay pulpit supplies \$8.00 per day and their expenses from the supply Fund.
Hugh McQuiston, Chairman John Wallace, Clerk

April 19th 1860

Called meeting for the purpose of making out a call for Rev. R. H. Pollock to become Pastor of Hopewell. Rev.

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J. Y. Schouller appointed by Presbytery to moderate the call.
John Wallace, Clerk

June 30th 1860

Meeting called for the purpose of rescinding action of former meeting. The Presbytery returned the call for Rev. R. H. Pollock. Reasons:
1st. A majority of the session did not sign.
2nd. A majority of the congregation did not sign.
3rd. The salary offered was inadequate.

July 30th 1860

Meeting called for purpose of making out a call for a pastor. Rev. J. Y. Scouller moderated the call for Mr. Joseph McHatton. Andrew Hamilton was appointed commissioner to carry said call to Presbytery. Call properly signed.
John Wallace, Clerk

Jan. 28th 1861

Trustees appointed Thomas Brown, Robert Brown, Robert Buck, James Wright, Andrew McClanahan. Moved that the minister's salary be paid semi-annually. Motion lost.

Decided that the congregation pay for supplies for another quarter.

Rev. J. Welsh, present
John Wallace, Clerk

Jan. 27th 1862

Meeting organized by prayer by Rev. Jos. McHatton. Constitution read. (A copy of the Constitution of the Church will be found elsewhere in these Hopewell papers.)

Same Trustees for another year. The trustees were authorized to fix the graveyard fence and build two Privies.

W. G. Ramsey, Clerk

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Jan. 26th 1863

Opened by prayer by Rev. J. B. Foster. John Simpson appointed to see Mr. Thomas Pinkerton if he has the minutes of Hopewell Congregation from its first organization, to get them if Mr. P. is willing to part with them & if he should not, to secure a copy of them.

James McDill, William Marshall, R. P. Gilmore, John Douglass, J. S. Brown & James Wright were elected trustees.

A subscription to raise money to pay off indebtedness of the congregation, also one to raise money to build a wood house on the church lot. Mr. McHatton was granted leave of absence to visit the 47th & 93rd Ohio, also the 37th Ind. Reg. and such others as he may find practicable to visit.

Thomas McQuiston & John McDill appointed a committee to arrange with singing clerks. W. G. Ramsey, Clk.

Jan. 25th 1864

Minutes of early Hopewell congregation not yet found. H. Elliott, John Sloan and Andrew Hamilton were appointed to procure a running history of Hopewell congregation from its commencement to the present time. D. Faris, James Brown, Jr., T. L. Ramsey, Samuel Hamilton & John Sloan elected trustees. W. G. Ramsey, Clk.

Jan. 31st 1865

Rev. Jos. McHatton & Hugh McQuiston were added to the committee on Church History. Decided to take a collection 1st Sabbath of every month for the Contingent Fund.

Congregation in favor of selecting a parsonage committee of five, to raise funds and purchase a lot and erect a parsonage. Committee: John Ramsey, Jr., Wm. Gray, David Ramsey, David Faris & Thomas McQuiston.

Trustees directed to put a gate between the Church and Grave yards. David Ramsey appointed Treasurer of the Pastor's Salary. John Simpson, Clk. Pro Tem

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June 10th 1865

Col. J. Wallace in the chair. Chairman of building committee reports \$1980.00 suscribed to the parsonage fund.

Aug. 12th 1865

Amount subscribed to Parsonage Fund \$2812.00. Trustees report a site for a parsonage can be procured on John Sloan's land opposite the Township House. Trustees instructed to procure a site and build a parsonage.

Aug. 21st 1865

Instructions to trustees on last meeting reconsidered and rescinded. Trustees instructed to procure the property of Mrs. McCracken for a parsonage. Trustees to make any necessary repairs. The pastor to pay the taxes annually.

Jan. 29th 1866

Trustees reelected but John Sloan and James Brown resigned. William Gray & James Wright chosen in their place and James McDill in place of David Faris, deceased.

Unity Congregation to be allowed to send an agent into this congregation to solicit aid in erecting a church in or near College Corner.

Trustees instructed to make some new seats in front and at the west side of the pulpit if practicable.

Apr. 23rd 1866

Trustees instructed to close the door in the North end of the church. Trustees also instructed to prosecute any one who disturbs the congregation while worshipping.

The seats in the S. West corner of the church be appropriated for the colored people, if Bower Rock assents. That there be an usher at each door to show strangers to a seat. John McDill & Thomas McQuiston appointed

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ushers and authorized to put strangers in the first vacant seat.

Jan. 28th 1867

John McDill resigned as singing clerk. On motion of Robt. Marshall, the prosecution of disturbers in meeting was ordered stricken out of minutes of Apr. 23, 1866.

Committee of five app't'd. to select a site for the session house. Robert Paxton, David Ramsey, Hugh Ramsey, Jr., Wm. Caskey and John C. McDill, trustees. Committee for session house site--R. Paxton, A. Hamilton, J. S. Rankin, R. Marshall & H. Elliott.

Andrew Gray and A. McQuiston appointed to assist in singing. Committee for session house site reported a site on the South hill of the church lot, the east end of the session house to be set to range with the west side of the church. Recommend that the trustees be authorized to erect a building 18 X 30 ft., 8 ft. on the west end of the building to be partitioned off for a wood house. Building to be either frame or brick as the trustees think most economical.

Committee to make an estimate of the cost of the building: Wm. Caskey, John Hamilton & Samuel Foster. Trustees to circulate subscription for the house before the work is commenced. Treas. of the Minister's Salary to present subscription to the young men who attend church. Regulations of the pews left to the clerk.

Any person having a pew and wanting to change may do so if there is a vacant pew without an applicant for the same.

The resolution granting three pews in the S.W. corner of the church for colored persons was rescinded, and the pews in front of the pulpit were appropriated for colored persons.

Parsonage Suscriptions to be collected if possible but without litigations. Those who have paid liberally to be released from further payment. Trustees authorized to build chimney at parsonage.

W. G. Ramsey, Clerk

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Apr. 27th 1867

Report of committee on cost of Session house report an estimate of \$572.20 for house 18 X 30 ft. Trustees authorized to raise the amount by subscription.

Motion made by Robert Marshall & carried that the trustees be instructed to keep the Meeting House and appurtenances thereto belonging, in a decent and respectable manner. May levy tax on the seats but not to levy tax on those not able to pay. Moved that the seats be painted and walls repapered.

Amended: That all the inside woodwork be painted. Motion to paint the pews cherry color--lost. The color of the pews left to the trustees.

Jan. 27th 1868

Motion of R. Sloan that the trustees keep a book of Dr & Credit. Motion of Samuel Hamilton that they elect their own treasurer.

Trustees reported they did not receive sufficient subscription to build session house. Trustees authorized to use enough of money on hand for repairs and to pay present indebtedness to James Harper, Sexton.

R. P. Gilmore, James I. Gilmore, D. A. Gray, James Marshall, Wm. Wilson elected trustees. W. G. Ramsey resigned as Clerk & Treasurer and S. R. Ramsey elected in his place.

Elders instructed to circulate a new subscription for Minister's Salary. The Treasurer of Minister's Salary to procure a book to take subscriptions in. Trustees authorized to take down and rebuild the session house the same size as now. W. G. Ramsey, Clerk

Jan. 25th 1869

Trustees report that they have done almost nothing. Report of Minister's salary \$998.00 on last year. Trustees elected: David McQuiston, Sr., Samuel McQuiston, John Sloan, Alexander Paxton and Samuel Graham.

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Moved by Hugh Elliott that the minister's salary be paid semi-annually in advance. Carried. Moved by Hugh McQuiston that the Trustees be authorized to build a new session house in connection with a wood house without instructions. Carried. S. R. Ramsey, Clerk

Mar. 29th 1869

Called meeting by the Trustees. The vote of a former meeting locating the session House south west of the church reconsidered. Decided the session house be set 35 ft. west of the church ranging with the south end of the church. The fence on the west side of the church be set in a line with the west side of the session house.

Moved Mr. Gordon be invited to lecture in the church on next Thur. & Friday evenings in reference to the manners & customs of India.

June 26th 1869

Trustees report the cost of Session house \$535.15. They were authorized to circulate a subscription book to raise money to pay for it. Trustees authorized to make a fence on a line with the south end of the Church and Session House. S. R. Ramsey, Clerk

Jan. 31st 1870

Trustees reported indebtedness of \$44.55. Trustees elected: John Buck, Wm. Caskey, James S. Brown, James I. Gilmore, Andrew McQuiston.

Motion of John Sloan that the balance on clock be paid out of contingent fund. Reported \$1170 paid on Minister's Salary last year. Adjourned with prayer by David McQuiston of Kansas.

Jan. 30th 1871

Trustees reelected. Pastor's Salary report--\$1080 pd. \$50 unpaid. Motion by Dr. R. Sloan that the pastor's

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salary be fixed at \$1200.00 until otherwise ordered. Carried. Trustees authorized to repair the parsonage and call on the congregation for money to pay for it.

Dr. Sloan moved that Prof. John Marshall take the singing in charge and call to his aid male & female. Carried. The choir requested to sit near the pulpit.

Jan. 29th 1872

Trustees elected: J. A. Elliott, I. McCracken, A. B. Rock, D. A. Gray and J. S. Ramsey. R. J. Brown elected Secretary & Treasurer. A. B. Gray & W. P. McQuiston appointed ushers. A collection for the contingent fund to be taken next Sat. Feb. 3, 1872.

Trustees instructed to put a pump in the well at the parsonage. Robt. J. Brown, Sec.

Jan. 27th 1873

On motion that the new & revised versions of the psalms be used in our church service. Carried. The resignation of John Marshall, choir leader accepted. John A. Elliott was chosen as leader of the choir. Trustees elected: J. A. Elliott, J. A. Brown, A. B. Rock, J. S. Ramsey & David Ramsey.

The stone fence on the east of the grave yard to be built due north and south.

June 13th 1873

Called meeting. Delegates elected to Presbytery, J. A. Elliott to represent the board of Trustees and David Ramsey to represent the congregation.

Jan 26th 1874

Rev. J. McHatton, Moderator. Trustees elected: Wm. Wilson, Dr. R. Sloan, Andrew Brown, S. Paxton & J. S. Brown. Constitution read. The motion to pay the pastor semi-

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annually in advance was rescinded and motion carried to pay the salary 1/2 in advance and the rest at the end of the year.

J. A. Elliott and R. J. Miller were appointed leaders of the choir. The seats were declared free, and the location of the choir was left to the leaders.

Feb. 10th 1874

New subscription for the pastor's salary for the year ordered to be taken. Trustees to ascertain what portion of the pastor's salary could not be collected and raise this by subscription.

Sept. 5th 1874

The session requested the congregation to give the pastor, Rev. J. MacHatton a vacation. Congregation granted a vacation of two months or longer.

Jan. 25th 1875

Trustees elected: A. C. McQuiston, John Marshall, Jas. McDill, Wm. Caskey and R. P. Gilmore. Report on Pastor's salary as follows:

1871:	\$1274.00	Paid.	Subscriptions not paid	\$55.00
1872:	\$1155.00	Paid.	Subscriptions not paid	\$44.00
1873:	\$1047.00	Paid.	Subscriptions not paid	\$59.00

The Collector of Pastor's salary, Mr. David Ramsey, was directed to collect the amount due in 30 days or take notes not to run more than 90 days. The motion to fix the pastor's salary at \$1200 was rescinded.

Mr. MacHatton gave notice that he would resign as pastor at the next meeting of Presbytery. R. J. Brown was appointed Treas. for the pastor's salary in Mr. David Ramsey's stead. The trustees to circulate a subscription to meet the delinquencies of salary.

Rob. J. Brown, Sec.

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Mar. 29th 1875

Called meeting to take some action in regard to Mr. Mac-Hatton's resignation as pastor.

Mr. Robert Marshall presented the following resolution which after considerable discussion was adopted: "Whereas our pastor at the late annual meeting gave notice to this congregation that he would offer his resignation at the next regular meeting of Presbytery, resolved that we acquiesce in his request." James McDill was appointed commissioner to Presbytery. Rob. J. Brown, Sec.

May 22nd 1875

Called meeting. The trustees were instructed to raise money for supplies for six months.

A resolution was presented from Morning Sun congregation asking Hopewell congregation to unite with them in building a church at Morning Sun.

The following resolution presented by Wm. Caskey was adopted: "Whereas the Morning Sun congregation proposed to Hopewell congregation to unite with them and build a church in Morning Sun

Therefore Resolved that leaving the building site entirely out of the question at present, we cordially invite Morning Sun to come and unite with us."

Mr. Hugh Elliott presented the following resolution: "Resolved that we the members of Hopewell Congregation in meeting assembled take this opportunity to express our sympathy with our late pastor in his affliction, and that we feel we have lost an able expounder of the word, a faithful pastor in visiting and catechising, and a sympathizing friend and adviser at the sick bed."

*NOTE: An ailing Rev. McHatton returned from Paris far short of his expected 6-8 month "vacation" tour of Europe. This may explain the lack of genuine grief by his former congregation. The spelling of his name remains a mystery. In the Session records, he was "McHattan, McHatten, Mc-Hatton"; the Congregational records added "MacHatton".

M. P. Palmer

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Jan. 31st 1876

Present board of trustees reelected. A proposition and resolution was presented from Morning Sun congregation. On motion this paper was laid on the table for the present. To continue taking collections on Sabbath until the expenses of the congregation were defrayed.

The following resolution was presented by Hugh McQuiston: "Resolved that we build a new church and locate it in Morning Sun and continue the name Hopewell and invite the members of Morning Sun congregation to unite with us and assist in building the church." Motion lost.

Reconsidered, and decided to vote by ballot. Laid on the table until next meeting.

Article 2nd of the Constitution (of Hopewell Church) was so amended to read as follows: "That every member of this congregation being in good standing shall be considered a member in all congregational meetings."

Adjourned to meet at 12 1/2 o'clock.

Same day & place at 12 1/2 o'clock

Resolution presented by Mr. Hugh McQuiston was presented and voted on by ballot. Result: 32 against, 31 for. Lost.

It was decided to take up a subscription for the purpose of building a new church on the site of the present church. J. A. Brown, R. P. Gilmore and A. C. McQuiston appointed to solicit subscriptions.

4 seats in the back of the church were donated for the use of the choir.

Feb. 22, 1876

The subscription committee for building new church had no report to make and were discharged. And motion for building a church rescinded.

A committee of 3 appointed to make estimates of costs for repairing the church: Wm. Caskey, R.P. Gilmore & James McDill said committee. Trustees to raise money to pay for supplies.

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Mar. 20, 1876

Committee on estimates and repairs made a verbal report. Objected. James McDill, A. C. McQuiston and John Marshall resigned as trustees. John Hamilton, Hugh Ramsey and W. P. McQuiston elected in their place.

Decided to pay traveling expenses of delegates to Presbytery and Synod out of contingent fund. W. P. McQuiston elected Treasurer; J. I. Gilmore, Secretary.

Trustees instructed to sell parsonage. It was decided to circulate subscription to raise funds to build a new House of Worship, in 1877, 1/2 subscription to be paid May 1, 1877, one half Jan 1, 1878. Said subscription not to be binding unless the sum of \$5000 be raised. A. P. Paxton, W. P. McQuiston & Hugh Ramsey to raise subscription. R. J. Brown, Sec.

* NOTE: One hundred members of Hopewell decided to unite with Morning Sun Congregation and help build a new church in the village of Morning Sun. They continued to worship with Hopewell until the New Church was built, uniting with Morning Sun by letter, Jan. 12, 1877. They had however helped in the building of the church in 1876 both by work and money. Their names are not mentioned in any of the transactions of the Hopewell Church from this time.
Leila Ramsey Lemon

**NOTE: On the following page is printed the Session Records of Dec. 28, 1876. It contains the names of the 101 persons granted certificates of dismissal to join Morning Sun congregation.

The Session had been granting certificates for persons wishing to join Morning Sun church for some time prior to this date and more certificates were granted after this date. This is merely the record of the mass exodus.

Hopewell Church never really recovered financially from this great loss of members. Elsewhere in this book are the reported number of Hopewell members: 1874-242 members, 1876-216 members, 1877-96 members, 1878-113 members and 1879-103 members.

Marjorie Paxton Palmer

*NOTE: Taken from Hopewell Church Session Records

Hopewell, Dec. 28, 1876 Session granted certificates of dismission to the following persons to connect with the Morning Sun congregation.

1. Bader, William F.
2. Bader, Mary R.
3. Bell, Nathan
4. Bell, Samuel H.
5. Bell, Elizabeth R.
6. Brown, James
7. Brown, Elizabeth
8. Brown, John C.
9. Brown, James H.
10. Brown, Caroline
11. Brown, Israel
12. Brown, Anna
13. Brown, James S.
14. Brown, Julia A.
15. Brown, Clara J.
16. Brown, Robert J.
17. Brown, Vinolia
18. Brown, William M.
19. Douglass, Eliza
20. Elliott, Hugh, Elder
21. Elliott, Elizabeth
22. Elliott, Sarah E.
23. Elliott, Edwin E.
24. Elliott, John A.
25. Foster, Benjamin
26. Foster, Emily H.
27. Foster, Nathan H.
28. Foster, Catherine
29. Foster, Hannah A.
30. Foster, Sarah S.
31. Foster, Nancy M.
32. Foster, Harry Y.
33. Faris, James I.
34. Faris, Caroline S.
35. Graham, Elmira
36. Hamilton, John
37. Hamilton, Martha E.
38. Hamilton, George S.
39. Hamilton, Martha J.
40. Hamilton, William R.
41. Hamilton, Mrs. Wm. R.
42. Hamilton, James
43. Hamilton, Sallie D.
44. K/Corngable, Lewis
45. Kemple, Peter
46. Kemple, Anna
47. Marshall, Joseph
48. Marshall, Elizabeth
49. Marshall, William H.
50. Marshall, Amelia
51. Marshall, John H.
52. Marshall, Robert
53. Marshall, Margery
54. Marshall, Sarah M.
55. Marshall, Mary A.
56. Marshall, Elizabeth J.
57. Marshall, Eleanor R.
58. Marshall, James L.
59. Marshall, Caroline E.
60. Murray, Elizabeth T.
61. Murray, Mattie
62. Mann, Kate M.
63. Mann, George W.
64. Mann, Emma
65. Mann, John A.
66. Mann, Sallie A.
67. McQuiston, Jane
68. McQuiston, Anna
69. McQuiston, Andrew C.
70. McQuiston, Nancy
71. McQuiston, Hugh, Elder
72. McQuiston, Elizabeth
73. McQuiston, Sarah M.
74. McNeely, Mary A.
75. McDill, James
76. McDill, Agness
77. McDill, Mary J.
78. Ramsey, Joseph S.
79. Ramsey, Sarah R.
80. Ramsey, Keturah
81. Ramsey, Mary S.
82. Robertson, David, Elder
83. Sloan, John
84. Sloan, Isabel
85. Sloan, Dr. Richard, Elder
86. Sloan, Mary
87. Sloan, Nathan C.
88. Sloan, Richard E.
89. Sloan, Nathan
90. Sloan, Marietta
91. Shaw, David R.
92. Smith, Alfred
93. Smith, Malinda
94. Wilson, William
95. Wilson, Jane
96. Wilson, Sallie A.
97. Wilson, Nathan M.
98. Wilson, Anna P.
99. Wilson, Jennie
100. Wilson, Charles
101. Wilson, Robert M.

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Apr. 29, 1876

Committee on subscription for building a new church at Hopewell reported \$4280.00 subscribed. Granted further time.
J. I. Gilmore, Sec.

Nov. 24, 1876

The Secretary-Clerk, James I. Gilmore, having been granted a certificate, Andrew Hamilton was chosen clerk. Went into an election for pastor resulting in a majority vote for Mr. William Richey but was not made unanimous.
Wm. Caskey, Clk. pro tem.

Dec. 5, 1876

Election for pastor. 1st ballot, Mr. Wm. Richey and Mr. W. Wright received the highest number of votes. 2nd ballot, resulted in a majority for Mr. Wright. Made unanimous. Mr. E. C. Simpson moderated the call for Mr. Wait Wright. Call signed by the members of the congregation. Mr. Caskey was appointed Commissioner to present the call to Presbytery.

Trustees to circulate a subscription among the members to ascertain the amount of salary the congregation can pay a pastor.
Wm. Caskey, Clk. pro tem.

Jan. 29, 1877

Trustees appointed: A. P. Paxton, Wm. Bell, Samuel Graham, Hugh Ramsey & Wm. Caskey. Section 2nd of Article III of the Constitution was amended so as to read that at any called meeting twelve members shall constitute a quorum.

Resolution adopted: "Whereas the parsonage of Hopewell Cong. is not suitably located and therefore inconvenient for a parsonage, therefore we instruct the Trustees to sell it and use the money for the benefit of Hopewell Congregation. Trustees instructed to make necessary repairs on the church building.

Robert Paxton, Jr. & Nathan Ramsey, Jr. be requested to conduct the singing for the congregation and that they invite other young persons to assist them.

James A. Brown, Chairman
Andrew Hamilton, Clerk

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Aug. 1, 1877 W. P. McQuiston, Chairman

Trustees to raise the balance due on repairs by subscription, also to ascertain the cost of reseating the church with new seats. Trustees also instructed to send invitations to Morning Sun, Fair Haven & Unity congregations to meet at Hopewell Aug. 18th at 2 P.M. to take into consideration the propriety of making the Hopewell graveyard a Township Cemetery.

Wm. Caskey, Clk. Pro Tem.

Aug. 22, 1877

Voted on a ballot for a pastor. 1st ballot, J. C. Campbell--30, J. Anderson--12, J. C. Merch--12, J.C. Roe--3. 2nd ballot, J. C. Campbell--34, J. Anderson--11, J. C. Merch--10. 3rd ballot, J. C. Campbell--39, J. Anderson--16. Campbell made unanimous.

Sept. 18, 1877

Rev. J. Y. Scouller moderated a unanimous call for Rev. J. C. Campbell of Frankfort Presbytery. Salary fixed at \$1000. Wm. Casket appointed commissioner to Presbytery to present the call.

Samuel Graham, Chairman
Andrew Hamilton, Clerk

Jan. 28, 1878

Trustees report the parsonage sold to David C. Ramsey for \$1500.00. Rec'd. \$500 cash, balance to be paid in two annual payments which are secured by note and mortgage. Received \$700 on Jan. 14th.

Meeting House repaired, reducing the size of the audience room by cutting off a vestibule of about 12 feet in width. Putting on a plain cornice, reroofing, papering and painting it.

Total cost of repairing, \$582.61. Money raised partly by subscription and partly by the envelope system.

We are indebted to James G. Harper for keeping the meeting house in order, \$500. Balance due on repairing meeting house, \$15.67. Deficiency in Minister's Salary, \$105. Contingent expense, \$5.

Trustees reelected. Wm. McQuiston appointed Collector of Minister's salary. John C. Brown & Nathan Harper appointed to lead the singing in the congregation.

A. B. Rock, Chairman
Andrew Hamilton, Clerk

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Oct. 12, 1878

Decided to deed to the Trustees of Israel Township a portion of the land belonging to the congregation for the purpose of a Public Burying Ground commencing at a point on the East line due east of the south post of the Iron Gate running thence due west thirty feet west of the fence around the church, thence south to the south line of the church property.

Hugh Ramsey, Chairman
Wm. P. McQuiston, Clk. pro tem.

Jan. 27, 1879

Graveyard fund to be paid into the contingent fund. Moved & seconded that the action of the Trustees in deeding less ground to the Township Trustees than ordered by the Congregation be approved.

Wm. Hays, Nathan L. Ramsey, Samuel Paxton, Andrew Brown and Robert Brown elected Trustees. Charles McDill and A. A. Graham appointed ushers. Deficiency of Pastor's salary to be paid out of the interest of the Parsonage money.

Resolved that we lend Rev. J. C. Campbell \$1000 (the \$300 he has received included) two years without interest from March 1, 1879, he paying the tax on the money.

Trustees instructed to pay indebtedness for repairs and lamps out of the interest of the parsonage money.

Andrew Hamilton resigned the office of Clerk. David Paxton elected Clerk. James A. Brown, Clk pro tem.

Jan. 27, 1880

Trustees instructed to collect interest due on the Parsonage and pay deficiency in the Pastor's salary.

Trustees elected: Samuel Graham, W. A. Douglass, A. N. McClenahan, Samuel Paxton, Thomas McQuiston. The Benevolent fund of the cong. placed in the hands of the Session. The Contingent funds in the hands of the Trustees.

Andrew Graham, Clk. pro tem

May 15, 1880

Trustees were instructed to repair and reseal the church at a cost not exceeding \$800. Hugh Ramsey, Chairman
D. B. Paxton, Clerk

Jan. 31, 1881

W. A. Douglass was elected Chairman for 1 year. \$200 deficiency on pastor's salary, decided for the treas. of the

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Trustees to loan the congregation \$150 of the parsonage fund, and to pay the \$50 obtained of the Board of Education to supplement the pastor's salary for last year.

Decided to let Rev. J. C. Campbell continue to have the money belonging to the parsonage fund another year at the customary rate of interest.

Resolved to let the amount subscribed for the pastor's salary be the salary expected. Decided to pay Mr. Harper the amount due him out of money in the treasury, to be repaid by weekly collections. James Brown, Chairman
W. A. Douglass, Clerk

Jan. 30, 1882

Deficiency in pastor's salary \$18.00. Decided to pay it out of the parsonage fund. Trustees elected: John Paxton, James Harper, Andrew Graham, Andrew Douglass & M. H. Marshall. Robert McQuiston elected Clerk for one year. Collection to be taken every Sabbath to pay Sexton's salary until amount is paid. Wm. Caskey, Chairman
Drumhead, Clerk

Jan. 29, 1883

Trustees instructed to take a collection every Sabbath during the year 1883 for contingent fund, except when other collections are to be taken.

The trustees were instructed to collect the interest on note of \$1000 held by Trustees of Hopewell Cong. against J. C. Campbell, Pastor of the Cong. Amount of interest, \$68.00.

On motion, the trustees instructed to make a present of the \$68 as collected to J. C. Campbell, Pastor. Trustees amount of indebtedness for expenses, \$42.97 and \$7.15 due to William McQuiston.

Decided to create a fund to pay expenses of ministers assisting at communion. Trustees to take up such collections and Treas. of trustees to pay the same.

W. A. Douglass was instructed to expend the money in his hands for wood, provisions, etc. For Ann Harbison said money was raised by collection.

Committee of three, Thomas McQuiston, W. M. Paxton & J. A. Brown to report on repairs for the church & expense of same. W. A. Douglass, Chairman
Andrew Graham, Clerk

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Feb. 24, 1883

Committee reported inexpedient to rebuild or remodel the church at this time, would require more money than could be raised.

Motion carried to reseat the church & make a partition across the North end of the church and other repairs needed. Committee to solicit aid for repairing church: W. A. Douglass, A. P. Paxton & James A. Brown.

W. A. Douglass, Chairman
Andrew Graham, Clerk,

Apr. 6, 1883

Trustees directed to reseat the church and make such repairs as needed for comfort and convenience. To paper the church.

Andrew Graham, Clerk

Dec. 5, 1883

Statement of trustees on repairs accepted and trustees instructed to collect balance on indebtedness by subscription.

Motion carried to acquiesce in the resignation of J. D. Campbell. Thomas McQuiston appointed to carry report of meeting to Presbytery at Hamilton, Ohio, Monday, Dec. 10, 1883,

Joseph Steele, Chairman
Andrew Graham, Clerk

Jan. 4, 1884

Called meeting. Motion that the congregation tender Rev. Hume thanks for his kind offer to unite his congregation with ours during the week of prayer and also his offer to preach for us at such times as we were unable to procure another minister.

The following paper adopted which Wm. Caskey was appointed to carry to Presbytery meeting at Richmond, Ind., Jan. 29, 1884. (The paper did not follow in the minutes, evidently had failed to be copied in the minutes. L.R.L.)

Wm. McQuiston, Chairman

Jan. 28, 1884

Annual meeting. Thomas McQuiston, Chairman. Trustees elected: W. A. Douglass, J. G. Harper, Andrew Graham, J.C. Paxton, A. P. Paxton. Trustees directed to use interest money of Parsonage fund minus \$52.63 due James Harper for the purpose of paying balance on church repairs, also to raise or borrow money to pay church debt.

Andrew Graham, Clerk

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

June 25, 1884

Called meeting for the purpose of making out a call for a pastor. 1st ballot: Rev. Huston--16 votes, Rev. McLaughlin--10 votes, Rev. Proudfit--1 vote. 2nd ballot: Rev. Huston--33, Rev. Proudfit--1, Rev. McLaughlin--1. 3rd ballot: Rev. Huston received a unanimous call.

Andrew Graham, Clerk

Sept. 9, 1884

Rev. Mr. Frazier of Oxford moderated a call for Rev. Mr. Huston. Call signed by all the members. Wm. McQuiston appointed to carry the call to Presbytery meeting at College Corner, Sept 30, 1884.

Andrew Graham, Clerk

Dec. 9, 1884

Moved & carried that hereafter the annual meeting of Hopewell be held on the 1st Monday of October. Same trustees for another year. W. P. McQuiston continued as Treas. of the Pastor's salary. Trustees instructed to find a location for a parsonage.

Rev. E. H. Huston, Mod'r.

Jan. 9, 1885

Called meeting. Two sites for Parsonage: on Charles Wilson's farm, \$250; on W. P. McQuiston's, \$100. Latter accepted.

The plans and specifications for a parsonage by Jonathan Paxton accepted and trustees authorized to build same.

Andrew Graham, Clerk

Apr. 4, 1885

Called meeting. To change the original plans of parsonage for a cheaper one. Plans shown by trustees accepted.

Trustees instructed to put cellar under house and make other improvements on the grounds as they think necessary.

Joseph C. Steele, Clk. pro tem.

Aug. 13, 1885

Report of trustees on the building of Parsonage accepted. Collection taken for Ann Harbison was \$8.90.

Motion carried to build a stable on the parsonage lot. Thomas McQuiston & Jonathan Paxton appointed to build it. Money to be raised by subscription.

Andrew Graham, Clerk

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Nov. 8, 1886

Annual meeting. Motion that a collection be taken Thanksgiving Day for Ann Harbison, to pay store bill. Committee on building reported. Accepted. Trustees elected: J. C. Paxton, Charles Harper, Thomas McQuiston, Samuel Brown & S. M. Paxton. S. M. Paxton, Clerk

Oct. 3, 1887

Treas. of Pastor's salary reported: 1885--\$635.75 paid
1886--\$538.25 Paid
ending Oct. 1, 1887 --\$235.25 paid

Motion for Pastor's salary to be paid semiannually in cash or in notes bearing 6% interest. Jonathan Paxton elected Treas. of Pastor's salary. Trustees instructed to circulate a new subscription paper for minister's salary. Same trustees reelected. S. M. Paxton, Clerk

Oct. 1, 1888

Deficit in Trustees' report--\$28.00. Treas. of Pastor's Salary instructed to make an effort to collect the 3rd year's salary. Collection to be taken Thanksgiving to pay Ann Harbison's store bill.

Moved that the collections on Communion Sabbath be discontinued for one year. Carried. Trustees elected: Thos. McQuiston, J. C. Paxton, S. M. Paxton, Alex. P. Paxton & John Graham. S. M. Paxton, Clerk

Jan. 28, 1889

"Whereas Rev. E. H. Huston gave notice to this congregation that he would offer at the next meeting of Presbytery his resignation. Resolved that we acquiesce in his request." Will inform Presbytery of this action by letter. S. M. Paxton appointed correspondent for the cong. S. M. Paxton, Clerk

Apr. 1, 1889

Treas. of Pastor's salary reported indebtedness to Mr. Huston to be \$57.08. Present board of Trustees retained. S. M. Paxton, Clerk

Feb. 24, 1890

Called meeting for purpose of calling a pastor. Dr. J. F. Hutchinson unanimously elected. Trustees to circulate subscription paper to see what salary they can pay a pastor. S. M. Paxton, Clerk

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Mar. 24, 1890

Rev. H. A. McDonald preached. Rev. Hume moderated a call for Dr. J. F. Hutchinson of the Presbytery of Indiana.

Business meeting, same day. Decided to build a cistern and put a veranda at the Parsonage.

Wm. Caskey, member of Session, appointed to attend Presbytery and carry the call for Dr. Hutchinson.

S. M. Paxton, Clerk

Oct. 6, 1890

Trustees reported cost of Parsonage Repairs, \$42.74. Present board of trustees elected. S. M. Paxton resigned, A. R. McClenahan elected to fill his place. J. E. Paxton elected treasurer of Pastor's Salary and of the Boards of the Church.

S. M. Paxton, Clerk

Mar. 2, 1891

Trustees report showed an indebtedness of \$23.86 for sexton, taxes, coal, etc. Instructed to take special collection to raise money to pay. Balance unpaid, \$64.50.

J. W. Graham, Chairman

A. R. McClenahan, Clk.

Oct. 5, 1891

Dr. J. F. Hutchinson, moderator. Reports, etc. Trustees reelected.

A. R. McClenahan, Clerk

Mar. 7, 1892

Reports for the Year: Balance not paid on Pastor's Salary, \$57.00; amt. paid Home Missions, \$47.98; amt. paid Foreign Missions, \$71.95; amt. paid Freedmens Missions, \$18.50, Seminary Fund, \$5.12. Total, \$148.55

Envelope system adopted for Pastor's Salary.

Rev. J. F. Hutchinson, Mod.

Oct. 3, 1892

Financial reports given. Trustees reelected.

Rev. J. F. Hutchinson, Mod.

Mar. 6, 1893

Amt. rec'd. on Pastor's Salary for the year: \$410.05

Balance due 31.10

Amt. subscribed 1892, \$391.00

\$441.15

.. .. 1893, \$389.00

Decided to paint the parsonage. A. R. McClenahan, Clerk

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Oct. 2, 1893

Rev. J. F. Hutchinson, Moderator. Reports made. Trustees reelected. J. E. Paxton resigned as treasurer of Pastor's Salary and Mission boards. W. P. McQuiston elected to fill the vacancy. A. R. McClenahan, Clerk

Mar. 5, 1894

Pastor's salary, amount received: \$308.50
 balance due: 95.00
 \$403.50

Received and paid, Rev. J. J. Huston: \$12.00
 Amount for Boards of Church: \$81.25
 Trustees report: receipts--\$29.47, expenses--\$17.03
 Trustees to pay from the Contingent fund to the Cong. of Sycamore--\$2.66 A. R. McClenahan, Clerk

Mar. 4, 1895

Treasurer's report of Pastor's Salary, Paid \$260.50
 Due 86.50
 Whole Amount \$347.00

Paid to Boards of the Church--\$41.26
 Balance in Trustees Fund-- \$10.03
 A. R. McClenahan, Clerk

Sept. 9, 1895

Called meeting. Wm. Caskey, Chairman. Resolutions presented by Benjamin Elliott and J. E. Paxton which after discussion was adopted. "It is with regret that we have been asked by Dr. Hutchinson to join with him in asking Presbytery to release him as Pastor of Hopewell congregation, but as he thinks it best we acquiesce in his request."

Matthew Marshall was appointed commissioner to Presbytery. Presbytery asked to supply us, through the Com. of Missions, preaching for half of the time for the remainder of the year, beginning with Oct. 6, 1895.

Trustees to circulate a subscription paper for supplies. J. E. Paxton appointed correspondent for the Cong. The Cong. tendered Rob Reid thanks for services rendered in assisting in cleaning walls and ceiling of the church. A. R. McClenahan, Rec. Sec.

Oct. 7, 1895

Rev. J. F. Hutchinson, chairman. Annual meeting. Officers reelected. Rev. Dr. Hutchinson was granted the privilege of occupying the Parsonage until the Cong. needed it. A. R. McClenahan, Sec.

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Aug. 12, 1896

Called meeting. Rev. S. H. McDill, Mod. The session through the Moderator nominated for members of session: J. C. Harper, J. W. Graham and J. E. Paxton. The Cong. nominated Wm. Scruggs. Ballot resulted as follows: J. E. Harper--18 votes, J. W. Graham--18 votes, J. E. Paxton--16 votes, Wm. Scruggs--13 votes.

Rev. S. H. McDill granted a vacation. Session to decide the length of time. Decided to make an effort to procure Rev. S. H. McDill for our regular pastor by the 1st Monday of Oct., 1896. A. R. McClenahan, Rec. Sec.

Oct. 5, 1896

Rev. S. H. McDill, Moderator. J. W. Graham elected Clerk for the year. Trustees reelected. Wm. McQuiston to circulate subscription paper for Rev. S. H. McDill as pastor and also to find the sentiment of the people.

A. R. McClenahan, Sec. protem

Notation in book: Rev. S. H. McDill preached his first sermon at Hopewell April 19, 1896 and last sermon Aug. 21, 1904.

Mar. 1, 1897

Rev. S. H. McDill, Chairman. Reports. Rec'd. for Boards of the Church--\$96.95; Rec'd. for Pastor's Salary-\$265.80. Trustees instructed to sell the Session House and make necessary repairs in Church building.

J. W. Graham, Record. Sec.

Oct. 4, 1897

Rev. S. H. McDill, Chairman. Reports accepted.

J. W. Graham, Clerk

Mar. 7, 1898

Rev. S. H. McDill, Chairman.

Treasurer's Report: Rec'd. first year, 1896, \$396.80
Balance due, 1896 \$20.00
Rec'd. second year, 1897, \$337.50
Balance due, 1897, \$127.18

J. W. Graham, Clerk

Oct. 3, 1898

Rev. S. H. McDill, Chairman. W. P. McQuiston resigned as treasurer; J. M. Paxton elected. Trustees reelected, with exception of A. P. Paxton, resigned. J. E. Paxton elected in his place.

J. W. Graham, Clerk

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Oct. 2, 1899

Thos. McQuiston, Chairman. Trustees report. Sale of 400 locust posts and the Session House to the Israel Township Trustees (reserving the privilege of using the coal house) and contributions to the Contingent Fund--\$125.93.

Expenses for the year: cost of splitting 400 posts and contract with Ed Wysong for papering church & vestibule and painting west end of Vestibule--\$115.33.
Balance on hand--\$10.60.

Trustees elected: Thos. McQuiston, J. C. Paxton, J. W. Graham, W. F. McQuiston, A. R. McClenahan. J. M. Paxton resigned as treas. of Pastor's Salary. J. W. Graham elected to same for 1 year, A. R. Clenahan elected Clerk for 1 year.
A. R. McClenahan, Rec. Sec.

Oct. 1, 1900

Rev. S. H. McDill, Chairman. Annual Meeting. Amt. rec'd. Pastor's Salary last year--\$365, ending Apr. 1, 1900. Amt. rec'd. Boards of Ch. last year--\$166.20.

Resolution presented: "Whereas, Hopewell Congregation has been refused aid asked for from the Board of Missions, Therefore

I. Resolved that we appropriate our Mission funds as a Congregation and as individuals to the support of our own Congregation instead of sending it abroad.

II. Resolved that this fund be contributed in the usual manner, and the report of same be given at our annual meeting, or that each one add the amount that they usually contribute to the mission fund, to their subscription to our pastor's salary and pay it in this manner.

III. Resolved that these resolutions given the contribution of this fund, from the date of their adoption, until our next annual meeting, 1st Monday of Oct., 1901.

A. R. McClenahan, Rec. Sec.

Oct. 21, 1900

The above resolutions were read to the congregation and on motion accepted and adopted. Committee of J. W. Graham and A. R. McClenahan.

Oct. 7, 1901

Rev. S. H. McDill, Chairman. Reports given. Pastor's Salary for year 1900--\$352.50. Trustees reelected. J. W. Graham elected Treas. for 1 yr., A. R. McClenahan elected Clerk for 1 yr.

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Oct. 6, 1902

Rev. S.H. McDill, Chairman. Reports given & accepted. Pastor's salary rec'd. 1901--\$379.00. From Mission Fund--\$20.00. Total: \$399.00. A. R. McClenahan, Rec. Sec. Trustees & other officers reelected.

Oct. 5, 1903

Rev. S. H. McDill, Chairman. Annual meeting. Reports given & accepted. Treas. report of Pastor's Salary for 1902--\$417.50. Mission money contrib. to this fund--\$21.00. Officers & Trustees reelected.

D. C. McQuiston elected Treas. of Mission Fund. As our Pastor's year begins April 19th, it was thought best and on motion, Hopewell Cong. will meet in Annual Meeting hereafter until we see fit to fix another date on the 1st Monday after the 2nd Sabbath of April.

A. R. McClenahan, Clerk

P. S. By a vote taken Sabbath Oct. 25, 1903, it was decided to defray one elder delegate's railroad fare to the regular meetings of Presbytery.

Apr. 11, 1904

Rev. S. H. McDill, Chairman. Annual meeting. All officers held over until April, 1905. Pastor's salary received--\$342.50. Mission Money received--\$123.55.

A. R. McClenahan, Sec.

Aug. 14, 1904

Rev. R. E. Paxton, Chairman. Called meeting. Paper to be presented to Presbytery expressing desire that Rev. S. H. McDill continue as pastor, but if he and Presbytery think it best that he should be released, we acquiesce in his request to be released. D. C. McQuiston elected Correspondent of the Congregation should Rev. McDill be released.

A. R. McClenahan, Rec. Sec.

Aug. 21, 1904

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Chairman. Object of meeting to instruct our correspondent to ask the Committee of Missions to assist us in obtaining preaching. Rev. W. E. Paxton asked to preach, Aug. 28, 1904. A. R. McClenahan, Rec. Sec.

Sept. 4, 1904

Rev. S. H. McDill, Chairman. Purpose of meeting, voting for a pastor. Vote 35 to 2 in favor of Rev. W. E. Paxton.

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Correspondent was instructed to ask Rev. S. A. Livingston (Committee of Missions) to moderate a call at an early date.
A. R. McClenahan, Rec. Sec.

Sept. 11, 1904

D. C. McQuiston, Chairman. Rev. S. A. Livingston to moderate a call for Rev. W. E. Paxton tomorrow, Sept. 12th. The elder delegate will present the call to Presbytery on Tuesday, Sept. 13, 1904. Trustees instructed to circulate a subscription paper for Pastor's Salary and to pay supplies.
A. R. McClenahan, Rec. Sec.

Apr. 10, 1905

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Chairman. Annual meeting. Pastor's Salary since beginning of Rev. Paxton's year, Oct. 2, 1904, \$186.50. Balance due Rev. McDill from Apr. 11, 1904 to Aug. 21, 1904, \$257.81. Rec'd. from Missions--\$164.06.

Annual meeting changed to 1st Monday of October. Rev. W.E. Paxton to report financial condition of the congregation to Presbytery. Officers & trustees reelected.
A. R. McClenahan, Sec.

Oct. 2, 1905

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Chairman. Annual meeting. Rent of Parsonage donated to Rev. Paxton. Reports received and adopted.
A. R. McClenahan, Sec.

Oct. 1, 1906

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Chairman. Annual meeting. Reports rec'd. and accepted. Pastor's Salary for the year--\$332.50. Mission Fund--\$161.43. Officers & Trustees re-elected.
D. C. McQuiston, Sec. Pro tem.

Oct. 7, 1907

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Moderator. Reports accepted. Amount of year's Salary to Pastor--\$262.00. Mission fund--\$369.69. Trustees reelected. D. C. McQuiston, Treas. of Pastor's Salary. C. H. McQuiston, Treas. of Mission Funds.
D. C. McQuiston, Sec. pro tem.

Oct. 5, 1908

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Moderator. Report of Pastor's Salary--\$362.00, Mission Fund--\$281.31. Rent on Parsonage--\$57.50. Trustees elected: Thos. McQuiston, W. P. McQuiston, J.M. Paxton, A. R. McClenahan, Roma Paxton. D. C. McQuiston

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elected Treas. of Pastor's Salary. Cora McQuiston elected Treas. of Mission Fund. Synod Fund and Expense of Centennial, Oct. 6 & 7th, 1908, to be paid out of contingent fund.
A. R. McClanahan, Sec.

Oct. 4, 1909

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Moderator. Pastor's salary reported--\$327. Mission Fund reported--\$291.81. Trustees Treas. reported on hand--\$150.54. A. R. McClanahan, Sec.

Oct. 3, 1910

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Moderator. Reports accepted. Pastor's salary paid--\$239.00. Mission Fund--\$231.70. Trustees report: new roof on church, etc. \$360.70. Balance from Oct. 4, 1909, \$150.51. Collection for year, \$47.52. Received on Sub. rent, etc. \$331.50--for a total of \$529.56. Balance on hand, \$168.86.

John McCouch elected Treas. of Pastor's Salary. L. E. Paxton elected trustee, other trustees reelected.
A. R. McClanahan, Rec. Sec.

Oct. 2, 1911

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Chairman. Pastor's Salary, \$221.00.
Trustees report: Expenses for year \$43.48
Balance on hand \$180.51
Mission Fund--Total received \$243.55
* Forwarded to R. J. Brown during Yr. \$225.55
Amount on hand \$18.00

Trustees & officers reelected.

A. R. McClanahan

*Notice, action taken Oct. 1, 1900 to add the mission fund to Pastor's salary does not seem to be in force during Rev. Paxton's pastorate. R. J. Brown was Presbyterial Treasurer. Leila Ramsey Lemon

Oct. 6, 1912

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Chairman. Treas. report for Missions--\$211.56. Report on Pastor's Salary--\$245.00. Anna W. Buck elected recording secretary. Same board of Trustees elected except W. P. McQuiston resigned, Samuel Tuttle elected in his place. Contingent fund, from Collections & Balance last year--\$214.62. Expenses for the year--\$59.50.
Anna W. Buck, Recording Sec.

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Oct. 5, 1913

Rev. W. E. Paxton, Chairman. Mission Treas. reported for the year--\$288.28. Report of Contingent Fund, Balance--\$137.02. Report of Pastor's Salary, on last year--\$90.00. Report on Pastor's Salary, for this year--\$246.00.

Mr. J. H. McCouch resigned as Treas. of Pastor's Salary & Mr. John Paxton elected in his place. Other officers & Board of trustees reelected. Anna W. Buck, Rec. Sec.

No meeting recorded for 1914

Sept. 9, 1915

"By order of the session of Hopewell church a meeting of the congregation was called Sept. 9, 1915 at 1:30 Sun Time for ecclesiastical and other purposes."

"The meeting duly authorized was called to order by Samuel G. Tuttleby by singing No. 310 and prayer by Rev. Livingston. Samuel G. Tuttleby was chosen chairman and Margaret McQuiston secretary. There were thirteen members present constituting a quorum."

"The movement that Hopewell disband was moved and seconded. The question was then open for discussion. By unanimous vote the motion that we disband was carried."

"It was moved and seconded that the present members of session are hereby instructed to present the petition of this congregation to the Commission of the First Presbytery of Ohio, now in charge of the Hopewell Congregation for an order and directions to disorganize the congregation and certify the members, as they desire, to other churches. The motion was unanimously adopted."

"The following resolution was presented and on motion was unanimously adopted: Resolved the trustees of this congregation be and are hereby ordered and directed to deed the church building and land on which it is located and contiguous thereto in trust to the Trustees of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America for the use of the United Presbyterian Church to direct the care of and use of said property for religious and educational uses having the following persons as custodians thereof: John M. Paxton, Samuel G. Tuttleby and D. C. McQuiston and on their inability or refusal to act, said Presbytery shall appoint proper persons from the present congregation to act as said members are capable of acting as custodians, and Presbytery shall consider the recommend-

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dation of any association that may be formed for preserving the said building in appointing custodians."

The said trustees of the congregation are hereby ordered and directed to sell the parsonage property and to turn the proceeds of said sale into the hands of said custodians for the upkeep and repair of said church building. The elders of the congregation are directed to properly dispose of all personal property of the congregation."

"The meeting to adjourn to meet at the same hour, Oct. 7, 1915 was carried. The closing prayer was offered by Rev. S. H. McDill."

"Samuel G. Tuttle, Chairman
Margaret McQuiston, Secretary"

Oct. 7, 1915

"Hopewell Congregation met as announced on Oct. 7, 1915. The meeting was opened by singing two verses of No. 211."

"The minutes of last meeting were read and accepted. The minutes of the last annual meeting were also read and approved."

It was moved that the trustees of Hopewell Church be ordered and directed to sell the parsonage property on or about Nov. 4, 1915. This motion was unanimously carried. Adjourned to meet Nov. 11, 1915. This motion was unanimously carried."

"Samuel G. Tuttle, Chairman
Margaret McQuiston, Secretary"

Nov. 11, 1915

"Hopewell Congregation met as authorized on Nov. 11, 1915. The meeting was opened by singing two verses of No. 199 and prayer by Rev. W. E. Paxton."

"The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. By request the minutes of Sept. 9, 1915 were reread. A report from the trustees of the sale of the parsonage property was given and unanimously approved. A motion was unanimously carried that Rev. Paxton visit the absent trustee, A. R. McClanahan, for the purpose of learning his approval of the said sale."

"A resolution that the congregation, taking into consideration that the term of the trustees had expired and that they were acting until their successors were appointed and that now proceed a full board of trustees, which resulted in the following being elected trustees: John M. Paxton, S. G. Tuttle, D. C. McQuiston, L. E. Paxton and W. M. Paxton."

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"The motion was carried that two ladies be appointed as additional custodians. Mrs. S. H. Farr and Miss Anna Buck were appointed."

"Rev. Paxton's suggestion that we prepare a resolution for extended preservation of present site was adopted. Adjourned to meet Dec. 2, 1915."

"S. G. Tuttle, Chairman
Margaret McQuiston, Sec.

Feb. 26, 1916

"The meeting was opened by singing No. 9 and praying the 'Lord's Prayer'."

The minutes of last meeting read and accepted. The following reports were submitted: Sabbath School & Mission Funds by Mina Paxton, Pastor's Salary by J. M. Paxton, From sale of the Parsonage by J. M. Paxton, Contingent Fund by A. R. McClanahan. All reports accepted.

Upon the resignation of J. M. Paxton to act as one of the custodians, it was moved and carried that the number of custodians be confined to the four already elected.

"All church books were to be handed over to Rev. W. E. Paxton as keeper in charge."

"This being our final meeting we adjourned."

"S. G. Tuttle, Chairman
Margaret McQuiston, Secretary"

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HOPKINSON CHURCH

1808-1915



NEAR MORNING SUN
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PREFACE

These Session Records of the Hopewell Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, May, 1850-Sept., 1872, have been abridged and, in some cases, annotated for historic and geographic backgrounds and for the understanding of now-obscure words, etc.

Only the final entry, Sept. 2, 1872, pages 26-27, has been copied in its entirety. All other minutes are equally detailed, listing the names of the men giving the opening and closing prayers, the names of all Ruling Elders present, reading and approving of the previous minutes and all the small details of running a large congregation.

It is hoped that all material of historical nature and of human interest has been retained. It may come as a surprise to some that over 100 years ago, dancing was declared a Sin. Even today, dancing is still a somewhat unresolved problem in some of the more strict churches.

Whenever possible, the original wording has been used; the spelling is also of the original records, if it can be understood. Almost throughout, "ordinances" was spelled "ordainances". "Neglect of ordinances" referred to "church attendance"; "Sealing ordinances" meant "Lord's Supper/Communion".

June, 1980

Marjorie Paxton Palmer

Hopewell, May 24, A.D. 1850

Session met and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator Mr. McCracken.

Members present: John Ramsey, John Buck, James Brown, Hugh McQuiston, George Ramsey & David M. McDill.

The following persons presented themselves for admission to the priveleges of the church and on examination were received, viz: MARGARET BUCK, RHODA HAYSE, CLARISSA HAMILTON, CAROLINE BROWN, JAMES H. BENNETT & ATALINE, his wife.

MRS. ELIZABETH BROWN was received on certificate from the Reformed Presbyterian Church (probably Beechwoods). Session then adjourned to meet tomorrow at ten oclock.

Hopewell, May 25, A.D. 1850

Session metthere is a difficulty existing between Martha Hayse, a member of this congregation, and Wm. Smith, a member of Unity (College Corner) Congregation, that the said Martha Hayes be advised to abstain from the ordinance of the Lord's Supper on tomorrow. D. M. McDill, Clerk

Hopewell, June 9, 1850

Dr. R. (Richard) Sloan, member of session, was appointed to attend Presbytery at its next meeting at Oxford on 18th Inst.

Hopewell, Aug. 2, A.D. 1850

Session met...MARY A. HART and JONATHAN C. PAXTON on personal examination were received to the fellowship of the church.

It having been understood by session that John Hayse was not admitted as a witness in the case of Wm. Smith before Presbytery on account of having spoken improperly with regard to the said Wm. Smith and having been requested to attend the present meeting of Session did so and stated that he believed he never used the expression attributed to him by And(rew) & Samuel Brown concerning Wm. Smith, in their deposition before Presbytery.

(Re the above matter, and "Samuel Brown made conflicting statements respecting a certain piece of writing said to have been written by Wm. Smith in which his name was used", the following men were requested to appear on the 9th at 9 PM: Samuel & Andrew Brown, John Hayse, James Bell, David & Israel & Alexander Gray.)

Hopewell, Aug. 9th 1850

Session met...Martha Hayse no longer had to abstain from the Lord's Supper.Andrew & Samuel Brown "stated that John Hayse did say in their hearing that the way Wm. Smith had acted was worse than a horse thief". "John Hayse stated that he had no recollection of having uttered such words and whilst he did not allow himself to speak in such a manner in relation to any member of the church yet he did not wish to be understood as charging the witnesses with stating anything but what they felt to be their convictions and admitted he might have said what made the impression on their minds which they testified."

John Hayse was therefore admonished to be more careful in future and the matter was dismissed.

The case against Samuel Brown was dismissed.

MARY McDILL was received on certificate from the A.R. Church at Oxford and HERVEY RAMSEY from the A.R. Church at Newbury, New York.

Certificates (of dismissal) were granted to MRS. RACHEL BOYCE and her daughters, ANNA & MARY JANE and her sons, DAVID & ANDREW F. BOYCE. David M. McDill, Clerk

October 20th A.D. 1850--George Ramsey to attend Synod

Hopewell, Oct. 25, A.D. 1850

"Mr. Robert Patterson having previously sent word to session that he had had a difficulty with a certain person near Camden which resulted in a personal rencounter, and that he was willing to meet with Session and make such acknowledgments as might be proper in the case, came forward at this time and made such acknowledgments as were satisfactory to session."

MR. JAMES McCracken & wife were received on certificate as members of this congregation.

March 16, 1851 A certificate was granted to MRS. NANCY BELL to join Fairhaven Church.

March 30th 1851 Certificates were granted to JAMES BROWN, Ruling Elder, his wife MARGARET, & their daughters MISS MARY BUCK & CAROLINE BROWN.

Hopewell, April 3rd 1851

The following persons were received upon personal examination, viz: J. SCOTT BROWN, MARGARET A. McQUISTON & JANE PAXTON. Certificates granted to JOHN GRAHAM & wife.

Hopewell, April 4th A.D. 1851

MARGARET STEWART was received on personal examination & a certificate granted to MRS. ELIZABETH MORRISON. On April 5th, MRS. NANCY McQUISTON & MRS. ELIZA ANN DOUGLASS were received on certificate from Fairhaven Session. On the same evening MR. JAMES McCracken was unanimously elected Ruling Elder.

April 3rd and onward

The Church had its own full-scale Judiciary Investigations, actually Courts, complete with sworn witnesses, signed testimony, Citations to appear, questioning by the Court, and "libels", formal written charges delivered to the accused.

In 1847, George Simpson and his wife, Nancy, had separated, and Mr. Simpson was under suspension by the church. In 1851 there was a divorce granted by the State and Mr. Simpson wanted his suspension lifted. Instead he got a Judiciary Hearing.

Witnesses included Samuel Smith, James O. Smith, Dr. A. W. Pinkerton, Dr. Richard Sloan (who never testified), Robert Paxton, Dr. Eli Gilmore and John Graham who had moved to Illinois or Iowa and never appeared. Robert Paxton and Samuel Smith seem to have been witnesses for Mr. Simpson. Mrs. Simpson had no witnesses nor was she present nor was she represented in any manner.

The only eye-witness complaint about Mrs. Simpson was "in Harvest at Mr. Simpson's, it appeared that a different table was set for the accused and the work hands from the rest of the family". Question by Court: "Did you see anything in Mrs. Simpson's conduct which led you to suppose that she was an imprudent woman?" Ans.: "Nothing more than stated."

Mrs. Simpson told Robert Paxton that she would not return unless Mr. Simpson gave assurance that he would treat her well. He refused, giving various reasons about faithfulness, squandering his property, neglect of domestic duties and "bruising him in the night when asleep".

Dr. Eli Gilmore had treated her twice, after separation, for intermittant fever. Mr. Simpson had no statement in his own defence.

".....unanimous Judgment of Session that the accused had entirely failed to Justify his conduct in living separate and apart from his wife. Suspension continued." The Simpsons legal divorce was of no importance to the case.

Hopewell, May 26 A.D. 1851

Certificates of dismissal were granted to MRS. ELVIRA NELSON, MR. THOMAS BROWN & wife and their sons, JAMES & ROBERT and daughter NANCY.

Aug. 5th 1851. MARY ANN HART & JONATHAN PAXTON were received on personal examination. (Mary Ann and Jonathan were previously received on Aug. 2, 1850). Oct. 5th, Andrew Hamilton to Synod in Indianapolis and James McCracken to Presbytery at Cincinnati.

Hopewell, Nov. 11th 1851

WILLIAM FRAZIER and his wife were admitted on personal exam., also JULIA A. BROWN. MRS. McCRACKEN & MRS. ELIZABETH ELLIOTT was received on certificate. Dec. 28th, James McCracken to Presbytery at Oxford.

Hopewell, April 1, 1852

The following persons were on personal examination received to full communion in the church: WILLIAM BUCK, WILLIAM H. McQUISTON, SAMUEL G. McQUISTON, WILLIAM R. MARSHALL, ELEN BUCK.

James H. Bennett suspended for teaching a dancing school during the past winter session. John Ramsey to attend Presbytery at Mt. Pleasant.

Hopewell, April 9, 1852

JOHN GRAHAM & GRIZZELLA his wife & JEREMIAH S. RANKIN on certificate were received as members of this church.

Hopewell, Aug. 14th 1852

The following persons were received on personal examination, viz: JAMES BROWN, JAMES M. RAMSEY, JOHN C. McCracken, SARAH A. PAXTON, MARTHA A. L. PAXTON, JANE McQUISTON, MARTHA A. McQUISTON, MARTHA J. McQUISTON, MARTHA J. GILMORE. Robert Marshall to attend Presbytery in Hamilton.

Hopewell, Aug. 28th 1852

MRS. RUTH SPROWL received on certificate from Fairhaven.

The case of James H. Bennett, suspended for teaching a dancing school during the past winter, came up. He said that he had no other means of supporting his family and if no other kind of employment could be found, he would be forced to continue.

The official ruling is as follows: "Whereas the business of teaching a dancing school is inconsistent with the word of God and the rules and practice of the A. R. Church founded thereon and hurtful in its tendency to Christian character and the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ." Suspension continued.

Sept. 19, 1852 John Buck to attend Presbytery and James McCracken to attend Synod at Xenia.

Nov. 12, 1852 ISAAC McCracken & FRANCES A. RAMSEY were received on personal examination.

Reports circulating against Hervey Graham for misrepresentation and unfair dealing with Mrs. Polly G. Smith in a certain horse trade. The case was dismissed later.

Hopewell, Nov. 13, 1852 MRS. ELLEN PATTERSON was received on Certificate from the General Assembly P. Church. Also SAMUEL McHAFFEY & JANE his wife, from the Fairhaven Congregation.

April, 1853 Certificates were given to MATILDA SMITH, ELIZABETH BROWN, WILLIAM McBRIDE AND ELIZA ANN, his wife.

May 13, 1853 The following persons were received on personal examination, viz: JAMES MARSHALL, LUCY RAMSEY, ELLEN STEWART, ELIZABETH JANE WILSON, SARAH BELL. On certificate GEORGE SIMPSON.

It was reported that James M. Ramsey had been at different times intoxicated since last communion. He was requested to abstain next Sabbath.

"It being known to some of the Session that Samuel McHaffey and his wife had engaged in keeping a toll gate on the public turnpike road on Sabbath as well as week days, it was also Resolved that they be kept back from sealing ordinances for the present."

Saturday, May 14, 1853 ROBERT HAYS & WIFE were received on certificate from Unity Church (College Corner).

Aug. 15th 1854 The following persons were received, to wit: FRANCIS WILEY, NATHAN R. BROWN, ROBERT GILMORE, WM. S. SLOAN, CATHERINE DOUGLASS, NANCY M. BROWN and on certificate JOHN C. BROWN.

Hopewell, Oct. 3, 1954 JOHN BROWN & WIFE were received on certificate from Fairhaven Church.

Nov., 1954 NANCY MARIA HERRON dismissed on certificate. WM. McBRIDE & WIFE & JAMES HAYS received certificates to connect with Fairhaven Church.

Hopewell, May 11, 1855 JAMES FULTON was received on personal examination and ELIZA BROWN, wife of JOSEPH BROWN, on certificate.

Aug. 10th 1855 JOHN HAMILTON & THOMAS B. GRAHAM & SARAH WILSON, JOHN WALLACE AND MARY, his wife, on certificate.

April 11th 1856 The following persons were received to wit, on certificate from Fairhaven, MARY HAMILTON, on personal examination GEORGE W. SIMPSON, JOHN P. MARSHALL & SAMUEL J. WILEY.

Aug. 19, 1856 The following persons were received to the full communion for the first time, to wit: JOHN C. McQUISTON & JAMES FOSTER.

Certificates were ordered to ANDREW BELL & WIFE to connect with Fairhaven. George Ramsey to attend Presbytery.

Dec. 6th 1856 The following were received on examination: SAMUEL GILMORE & MARGARET A. BUCK.

Dec. 18th 1856 MRS. HANNAH McCLANAHAN was received on certificate from the Free Presbyterian Church and certificates ordered for DAVID A. McQUISTON & WIFE to connect with Unity Church.

April 17th 1856 The following were received on examination: WM. McQUISTON, JOHN P. MARSHALL, MARGARET BROWN, JAMES BROWN and on certificate J. WM. CASKEY, DAVID P. GREY & WIFE.

Sept. 4th 1857 MARY McQUISTON was admitted on examination; MARTHA A. McDILL, JAMES DAVIDSON & MARY his wife, were received on certificate.

Nov. 26th 1857 ELEANOR RAMSEY & RUFUS JOHNSTON were received on personal examination to full membership.

Hopewell, Apr. 13th 1858 The following persons were admitted to full communion for the first time: MARY A. BROWN, CAROLINE BROWN, REBECKAH GRAHAM & SARAH MARSHALL.

April 17th, 1858 The following persons were received on certificate: WILLIAM McBRIDE & wife, ELIZA ANN, JOHN BROWN & his wife, RACHEL, SAMUEL PAXTON and his wife, MARY JANE.

Resolved: to expand the number of Ruling Elders. The names of Hugh Elliott, David Ramsey, Thos. M. Buck and Samuel McQuiston will be proposed to the Congregation.

Aug. 3rd 1858 David Ramsey sent in a paper declining ordination as Ruling Elder. The remaining 3 men were ordained.

Aug. 12th 1858 The following were on examination received into the church, to wit: ISRAEL F. BROWN, NANCY E. HAMILTON, REBECCA A. HAMILTON, CAROLINE E. McCLANAHAN, MARTHA A. GILMORE, EMMA DENNY, SAMUEL C. FOSTER & his wife, HANNAH A. FOSTER, & NANCY MARSHALL.

Aug. 14th 1858 ELIZABETH BONNER & CHARLOTTE McCRACKEN were received on personal examination.

Oct. 31st 1858 Certificates of dismissal were on application ordered for DAVID P. GRAY & HIS WIFE to connect with Shilow (Shiloh?) Congregation, Indiana.

Nov. 5th 1858 The following persons were received to the communion of the church on personal examination, to wit: ROBERT MILLER, THOMAS H. FOSTER, SAMUEL M. McCRACKEN, WILLIAM RAMSEY, WILLIAM MARSHALL, WILLIAM GRAHAM, MARY JANE McCREARY, MARY BONNER, CATHERINE WALLACE & SARAH RACHEL McQUISTON.

Nov. 6th 1858 The following persons were received on examination: JOHN J. WATT & his wife MATILDA; on certificate JOHN MAGEE & his wife REBECKAH from Ebenezer Cong. & J. MILLIGAN GRAHAM from Oxford Cong. A certificate of dismissal was ordered for MRS. REBEKAH SMITH to connect with Unity Cong.

April, 1859 The following persons were admitted to full communion for the first time, to wit: SAMUEL RAMSEY, ROBERT J. BROWN, SAMUEL M. McDILL. On certificate SAMUEL BROWN & his wife and ELLEN GILMORE.

Hopewell, May 1859 William Graham had been temporarily suspended due to certain scandalous and dishonest reports in rumor against him.

"After considerable consultation and deliberation it was unananimously agreed that inasmuch as Wm. Graham had been frequently dealt with by this Session for unchristian conduct by advice and admonition without apparently producing any salutary effect and as the cause of religion was being injured by his frequent impropriety of conduct.

Therefore, resolved that his suspension be continued and public intimation of this action of Session given."

The case of Hervey Graham was a violation of the eighth commandment and it appeared probable that a civil prosecution would be instituted, so he was suspended and given public intimation.

July 29th 1859 The following were received on personal examination: NATHAN L. RAMSEY, WILLIAM S. RAMSEY, ANDREW B. GRAY, JOSEPH H. RAMSEY, ANN MARSHALL, MARY MARSHALL, MARGARET A. THOMPSON, MARTHA A. GILMORE, NANCY G. GRAY. On certificate: ROBERT ROCK & RUTH, his wife, and AGNESS WALLACE.

Aug. 11th 1859 "Session met.....to consider the case of Wm. Ramsey of whom unfavorable reports have been in circulation for some time past.....unananimously agreed to prefer the following libel against said Wm. Ramsey.

Charge 1st: Using profane language in saying when speaking of reports in circulation about him last spring "they are all a pack of damned lies" or words to that effect. Also cursing and using profane language to Wm. Marshall at Nathan Sloan's at a certain time last spring or the present summer.

Charge 2nd: Using profane and obscene language at different times, particularly in a letter or communication to James Kennedy.

Charge 3rd: Slandering himself and other."
The self-slander consists of bragging about his sex life during the Spring to Fall of 1858.

Aug. 29th 1859 (This case seems to have all the validity of "high school locker room bragging". Who would mention his sex life, real or fancied, at a Spelling Match? Many witnesses appear to have been fellow classmates at Morning Sun Academy. The stories were circulated and a lot of teenagers found themselves involved in a Church Court case usually reserved for adults.)

Almost all boys in the Nov. 5, 1858 "Communicants Class" were witnesses. They were about 18 years old at the time of the trial; or about 17 years old in 1858 when all of this was started into the rumor-mill.

It is unknown which Wm. Ramsey was the accused. TWO Wm. Ramsey's were baptized in 1841; there were perhaps 5 or 6 Wm. Ramsey's living in the township. The patriarch of the many, many Ramsey families was William and each family usually had a son named William.

The full Court included Rev. S. W. McCracken, Andrew Hamilton, Hugh McQuiston, Robert Marshall, John Ramsey, John Simpson, Hugh Elliott, Samuel McQuiston, Dr. Richard Sloan and David M. McDill. Hugh McQuiston and Andrew Hamilton were appointed to conduct the examination on the part of the Court.

Amos Reese testified that the accused had called the charges "damned lies".

John Wilson said that Wm. Ramsey bragged of his conquests at a Spelling Match. James W. Johnson had heard the accused using profane language within the last 6 to 12 months. Wm. Wright swore he knew nothing about the case.

Samuel M. McCracken, son of Rev. McCracken, swore that Wm. Ramsey bragged of one occurrence at the beginning of the fall term of Morning Sun Academy and another at the close of school a year ago last June. Wm. Marshall told him "what I already knew". He had never heard accused use profane language.

Joseph G. Sloan supposed he had heard him (accused) use profane language but didn't remember any particular expression. Said Wm. Ramsey made no self-incriminating statement. Andrew McQuiston swore he knew nothing about the charges.

Thomas H. Foster swore that accused told him he sent James Kennedy a letter about Valentine time in answer to one he supposed was from Kennedy. Accused told him about a year ago last spring about a sexual encounter.

James Kennedy stated he received an anonymous letter dated Feb. 14th of an obscene character. Kennedy, when asked, could not produce the original letter but had what he called a copy.

Melancthon McMillan testified that Wm. Ramsey said the letter was a valentine. Also observed that it was common to send valentines anonymously. Also was told about a girl.

The letter-valentine was never read in Court because it was a copy, the handwriting could not be identified and the

matter was dropped. William C. Bernard heard Wm. Ramsey brag about some girls and had heard him swear by the Almighty and damn in conversation.

Wm. Ramsey told Israel Brown about the valentine and about a girl "when we were planting corn last spring a year ago". Israel Brown also testified that Wm. Marshall cursed Wm. Ramsey at Morning Sun Academy. The language was about as bad on one side as the other.

William Marshall was called as a witness but the accused objected "on the ground that he has been for some time and now is at enmity with said accused". It was then decided to hear the evidence of alleged enmity.

James F. Johnson swore he heard Wm. Marshall say he would use his revolver on the family if they did not look out, meaning the Ramsey family.

Wm. Marshall is reported to have said, before Johnson and James & Israel Brown, that if he passed Ramseys house, "death would be his portion". "But he said he would never commence first." "Did you ever hear accused say he would have revenge on Marshall if it should cost him his life?" "I did." At this point session was adjourned to meet the next day at 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer by the Moderator.

Rev. McCracken, the Moderator, was ill the next morning. On Sept. 10th he died.

Hopewell, Oct. 27th 1859 The case was resumed with Rev. J. Y. Schouler, Fairhaven minister, as Moderator; same Ruling Elders present.

After more testimony, Session concluded not to examine Wm. Marshall. It was resolved that evidence on the part of the Court be considered now closed.

"All Witnesses on behalf of the Session before being sworn were solemnly purged of malice against accused as the book of discipline directs."

Samuel Hamilton was recalled for the defence and quoted Israel Brown about the truthfulness of the reports "and he told me there was not a word of them true. They were all a pack of lies".

Hugh McQuiston and John Ramsey, Jr. were also witnesses for the defence and they relied on individual conversations with Israel Brown to refute previous testimony.

In time, William Ramsey was found guilty "of using & uttering profane language, of the sin of using and uttering obscene language and the sin and scandal of slandering himself and others.....suspended indefinitely from the privileges of the church".

The following persons were received to full communion of the church on examination, to wit: J. H. WILLIAMSON, NANCY E. BROWN & RACHEL HAWTHORN.

"By appointment of Presbytery, REV. JOSEPH McHATTAN moderated in Session on the 13th April 1860 for the first time and administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on the following Sabbath." (Written around the margin)

Hopewell, Apr. 13th 1860 The following persons were received on examination: JOHN P. BUCK, ROBERT PAXTON, MARTHA HERRON.

July 26th 1860 WILLIAM McBRIDE & WIFE were at their own request dismissed to connect with the U.P. Church at Vienna, Ind. The following persons were received on personal examination: ALEXANDER BAILEY & MARY JANE, his wife, MARGARET ANN DOUGLASS, ELIZABETH JANE GRAHAM & ELMIRA BELL. On certificate: JOHN A. ELLIOTT.

J. CALVIN McCracken was received on cert. Sept. 5, 1860.

WM. GRAHAM was dismissed by certificate Oct. 27, 1860.

NANCY M. FOSTER was dismissed by certificate Nov. 7, 1860.

MRS. RHODA HAYSE was dismissed by certificate Nov. 23, 1860.

THOMAS H. FOSTER was dismissed by certificate Nov. 26, 1860.

Nov. 16, 1860 The following persons were received by examination: JAMES D. HERRON, MARY M. HERRON, RACHEL M. GILMORE. On certificate: I. H. HUNT. J. H. WILLIAMSON was dismissed by certificate Nov. 29, 1860

April 12th 1861 The following persons were received on examination: BENJAMIN F. GRAHAM, MARY JANE MARSHALL, SINA LOUISA PAXTON, ELIZA JANE McQUISTON. On certificate: MRS. JANY/JENY McCracken & MARY A. GRAY.

WILLIAM GILMORE RAMSEY was received on certificate from Fair Haven Congregation, April 13th 1861. Also MALCOM McCOCHRAN/ M. COCHRAN from General Assembly Pres. Church.

David M. McDill, Clerk of Session, resigned said office and John Simpson was elected in his room.

Certificates were ordered for DAVID M. McDILL & MARTHA A., his wife, and SAMUEL M. McDILL to connect with Oxford congregation.

Hopewell, May 27th 1861 Certificates were granted to DAVID M. McDILL, MARTHA A., his wife, and SAMUEL M. McDILL to connect with Oxford Congregation.

July 21st 1861 Certificates were granted to JAMES DAVIDSON (a ruling Elder) and MARY, his wife, to connect with a Sister Congregation.

June 2nd & July 28th John Buck was appointed to attend the meetings in Richmond and Hamilton of Presbytery.

Aug. 23rd, 1861 The following persons were received on examination: GEORGE S. HAMILTON & MARGARET R. MARSHALL. Certificates were granted to ALEXANDER BAILEY & MARY, his wife.

Sept. 26th 1861 Robert Marshall was appointed to attend Presbytery at Monroe. Hugh Elliott, his alternate.

Oct. 6th 1861 Robert Marshall to attend Synod at Xenia.

Hopewell, Nov. 19th 1861 Held a conference in reference to the conduct of certain individuals implicated with dancing. Committee appointed to ascertain the facts. Mr. John Buck to confer with William Gilmore to ascertain his reasons for neglecting to attend the public ordinances. Rev. McHattan to interview James M. Ramsey to affect his restoration.

Nov. 22nd 1861 The committee (on dancing) conferred with Lucy Ramsey, Margaret Brown, Emma Denna and Mary Jane McCreary who had engaged in dancing. They acknowledged their error and promised to guard against it in the future.

Alexander Bailey, Nathan Bell and Elmira Bell admitted they had engaged in dancing but refused to give Satisfaction for so doing and were notified to refrain from Sealing ordinances until they confessed their error.

The same committee were reappointed to confer with Mr. Bailey, Nathan and Elmira Bell and effect their restoration to privileges. The time to do so left descretionary.

The following persons were received on examination: MARY GRIZZELLA RAMSEY & MARGARET A. SIMPSON.

Nov. 24th ELIZA DOUGLASS received on Certificate from the U.P. Church at Oxford. Dec. 29th John Ramsey to attend Presbytery at Fairhaven.

Feb. 23rd 1862 Certificates of dismissal granted to JOHN GRAHAM & GRIZZELLA, his wife.

Hopewell, March 3rd 1862 John Buck reported he can conferred with William Gilmore in reference to neglecting the ordinances (ordinances--church attendance, in this case), could not get any reason for such neglect nor any promise from him to do his duty. Andrew Hamilton to confer with Wm. Gilmore.

John Simpson added to the Committee (on dancing). Hugh McQuiston to confer with James L. Brown for various offences and John Ramsey to confer with Samuel Ramsey for violating the rules of this Church by dancing.

Hopewell, March 17th 1862 John Ramsey reported that Samuel Ramsey was not willing to refrain from the practice of dancing. Alex. Bailey, Nathan & Elmira Bell had been equally stubborn. After appointing John Simpson to attend Presbytery at Cincinnati, the following preamble and resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas it is understood by Session that Some of the Members of this Congregation have engaged in promiscuous dancing and whereas Such Conduct is a Violation of the Standards of the U. P. Church (see Larger Cat. [Catechism] Question 139)."

"Session have Resolved that those who have So Violated the Standards of the Church Should not enjoy the Sealing Ordinances (Communion) untill they promise to refrain from Such Conduct in the future."

ISRAEL H. HUNT was dismissed by certificate Mar. 26, 1862.

April 18th 1862 Joseph Ramsey promised to refrain from dancing in the future. JAMES I. FARIS was received on personal examination. April 19th 1862 VIOLET JANE BROWN was received on personal examination.

June 1st 1862 Samuel B. McQuiston to attend Presbytery at the first U.P. Church of Cincinnati. Aug. 3rd Voted to invite Unity (College Corner) to unite with us in celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Notice to be given Rev. Welsh. Aug. 14th Fairhaven Church to be invited to unite for celebrating the Lord's Supper.

Aug. 18th 1862 ANDREW C. McQUISTON & DAVID M. BONNER were received on examination. Aug. 22nd JAMES HAMILTON, JANE E. SLOAN & MARTHA F. WORDEN were received on exam. Aug. 24th DR. WM. H. GILMORE & MARY A., his wife, received from U.P. Church of Pope? Run, Illinois.

Hopewell, Sept. 30th 1862 Held a conference in reference to the time and manner of conducting district catechetical examinations. Thomas Buck to attend Presbytery at Oxford. Oct. 19th John Buck to attend Synod at Hopewell.

Hopewell, Nov. 5th 1862 The following persons were received on personal examination: THOMAS BROWN, JAMES S. BROWN, DAVID S. MARSHALL, MARY E. BROWN, RACHEL C. BONNER, HARRIET E. BONNER, MARY E. RAMSEY, SARAH S. FOSTER & CAROLINE S. WILSON. Nov. 12th 1862 ELENOR McDILL was granted a certificate of dismissal to connect with the U.P. Church of Unity. (College Corner)

Hopewell, March 24th 1863 "...Proceeded to consider the Book of Government and Discipline overtured to Presbyteries and Sessions with direction to vote Ay or Nay and report to the next General Assembly. Whereupon Session Resolved that the Appellate power of Assembly be limited to matters of Doctrine. Also the amendment submitted as a separate overture in Book 2nd, Chapter 12 and Section 2nd be rejected. Also that Ministers and Licentiates from other churches be received only as Probationers for one year."

The Book of Government and Discipline in its present form was rejected by a vote of Session. Hugh Elliott to attend Presbytery in the Mission Church in Cincinnati.

Hopewell, April 17th 1863 A conference with Nathan & Elmira Bell who wish to be restored to the privileges of the Church, promising in the future to conform to the rules of the Church. (re dancing). Request granted.

The following persons were received on personal examination: MARY MARGARET BROWN, GRIZZELLA CATHERINE BROWN, ANNA FOSTER, ANNA ELIZA MANN, MARY CATHERINE MANN, MRS. CAROLINE BROWN, TAMISON DUVALL, FANNY MARSHAL, JOHN C. HAMILTON & JAMES JOHNSON. April 18th 1863 Received on certificate: JOHN H. WATT & MATILDA, his wife, & MARTHA ANN KILLOUGH.

Hopewell, Aug. 6th 1863 Rev. McHattan & Hugh Elliott to confer with James M. Ramsey who has been suspended for several years.

"The case of Wm. Graham who was suspended several years ago was taken up and as said Wm. Graham has removed from our bounds and as Session has credible information that said Wm. Graham has connected with a Sect called Campbellites, therefore Resolved that the name of Wm. Graham be erased from our records. John Simpson was appointed to talk with Samuel Ramsey who has been deprived of Sealing ordinances for dancing.

Hopewell, Aug. 13th 1863 John Simpson to confer with Wm. Gilmore about neglect of public ordinances. Paragraph erased.

Andrew Hamilton appointed a delegate to Synod at Bloomington, Ia. (the then-abbreviation for "Indiana")

Hopewell, Aug. 21st 1863 James M. Ramsey acknowledged that he had been intoxicated at different times and also that he had used improper language and professed his Sorrow for the same and promised in the future to guard against these Sins. Restored to full privileges.

John Simpson reported a conference with Wm. Gilmore who stated that he had done wrong in neglecting the ordinances and still had difficulties in his mind so that he could see his way clear to join in Sealing ordinances.

The following persons were received on examination: MRS. MARY ANN McNEALY & JOHN MONTEITH. On certificate from Old School Presbyterian Church (Covenanters): MRS. MATILDA BERNARD & MRS. ANNIE DOUGLASS. Sept. 27th 1863 Hugh McQuiston to attend Presbytery at Ebenezer.

Hopewell, Nov. 3rd 1863to confer with Nathan Ramsey about participating at the late election of Civil rulers.

Hopewell, Nov. 16th 1863 The following persons were received: On certificate from the Methodist Episcopal Church ESTHER BARTHELOW. On examination: JOSEPHINE MURRAY & JOHN H. MARSHAL. "The said John H. Marshall being in a delicate state of health and not expected to be able to unite with the Congregation in the celebration of the Lord's Supper on next Sabbath yet desiring publicly to confess Christ was received on private examination by the Moderator at his own home."

"The Committee appointed to confer with Nathan Ramsey failing to obtain a Satisfactory explanation for his voting for C. L. Valandingham, Session resolved to appoint Hugh McQuiston to propose the following questions to Nathan Ramsey which if answered Satisfactoraly would stay further proceedings. If not Satisfactory, the said Nathan Ramsey be requested to refrain from Sealing ordinances till Session obtain furtherlight on this matter."

"Question: Had you believed that in voting for C. L. Valandingham you were voting for the perpetuation and extension of Slavery would you have voted for him."

"Question: Had you believed that in voting for the said Valandingham you were voting for the right of Seccession would you have voted for him."

"Question: Do you feel that it was improper to vote for

a man who had been arraigned and condemned as a violator of an order from the Military authorities known as Order No. 38."

Hopewell, Nov. 20th 1863 Nathan Ramsey gave satisfactory answers to questions above proposed to him so far as to stay further process in this case.

The following applicants were received into membership: JOSEPH G. SLOAN, DAVID H. HAMILTON & SARAH RHINEHART. Nov. 27th 1863 & March 27th 1864 John Buck to attend Prebytery at Unity & Thomas Buck to attend Presbytery at Dayton.

Hopewell, April 15th 1864 Received on examination: ELIHU C. SIMPSON. On certificate: SABINA GRAHAM. Hugh Elliott to confer with James L. Brown who had been suspended for intoxication. April 16th 1864 James L. Brown confesses his fault (and) professes his Sorrow and is resolved by God's help to live the life of the Christian. Restored to privileges. June 12th 1864 Dr. Sloan to attend Presbytery at Concord Church.

Hopewell, Aug. 15th 1864. John Simpson reported that he had failed to accomplish any thing further than formerly reported with Wm. Gilmore. "Session held a conference in refference to monthly prayer meetings in the different districts of the Congregation, and the interests of the Congregation generally falling off in attendance...but was party attributed to the fact of so many men being called into the Millitary Service of our Country." Hugh McQuiston to attend Synod.

Hopewell, Sept. 2nd 1864 "...to confer with Samuel J. Wylie for neglecting the Ordainances and other unchristian Conduct." The following persons were received on exam: ADAM RANKIN, SAMUEL HERVEY MARSHALL, MRS. FRANCIS PATTERSON, MARY JANE BROWN, CLARA BROWN, WILLIAM MELANCTHON McCREARY. On certificate: MINERVA LANE. Samuel J. Wylie was invited before Session and confessed to the Sin of Intoxication and neglect of the ordainances and was restored. Sept. 25th 1864 Hugh Elliott to attend Presbytery.

Hopewell, Oct. 7th 1864 "Session held a conference in refference to the Spiritual interests of the Youth under our care, the result of which shewed that in some districts all of a proper age had connected with the Church by a publick profession while in other districts there was a

number who have not confessed Christ publicly and require prayerful effort to encourage them to discharge this duty."

Hopewell, Dec. 26th 1864 The following persons were received on personal examination: MRS. KETURAH RAMSEY, MARY MARSHAL, MARY ANN HAMILTON, MARY ELIZABETH SPROUL, WILLIAM H. SPROUL & JAMES MARSHAL. On certificate: MRS. ELIZA SIMPSON and her daughter, HATTIE, & MRS. KILLOUGH.

Hopewell, Dec. 30th 1864 James M. Ramsey came voluntarily before Session and acknowledged to the Sin of intoxication and professed his Sorrow and was restored to privileges.

Hopewell, March 28th 1865 A libel was preferred against Wm. Gilmore for neglect of the ordinances. March 10th 1865 (recorded after Mar. 28th). The libel reads thus: "Whereas it is a duty clearly revealed in the Bible that the members of the Church of Christ Should attend on the publick administrations of the word 'not forsaking the assembling of themselves together'. Nevertheless it is true that you Mr. Wm. Gilmore have for a number of years absented yourself from the house of God, you ought to be proceeded against according to the nature of your offence. By order of Session." Wm. Gilmore did not appear. John Buck to attend Presbytery at Hopewell.

April 4th and 11th, 1865 Wm. Gilmore did not appear. Hugh Elliott, Dr. Sloan and Hugh McQuiston be a committee to distribute the funds raised by this congregation for the poor. April 14th 1865 Hugh Elliott to see Israel Brown and Samuel McQuiston to see Nathan & Elmira Bell in reference to violating our rules on dancing.....

Hopewell, April 15th 1865 Nathan Bell refused to give satisfaction for violating the rules of this Church on dancing and also for breaking his promise made at a former time. Notified to refrain from Sealing ordinance. Elmira Bell made the required acknowledgments and promised to refrain from this practice in the future. April 16th 1865 Israel Brown promised to refrain from the practice of dancing in the future. June 4th 1865 Robert Marshal to attend Presbytery at Ebenezer.

Hopewell, July 31st 1865 Andrew Hamilton to attend Presbytery at Hamilton. Mr. Hamilton to confer with John Brown about rumors of unjust transactions with different people. Session thereafter to spend half an hour in devotional exercises.

Hopewell, August 12th 1865 Received on certificate: DAVID ROBERTSON (a ruling Elder) & MARY, his wife, from Brighton Congregation, Iowa. Mr. Robertson elected a ruling Elder. Sept. 17th 1865 David Robertson to attend both Synod and Presbytery. Oct. 30th 1865to confer with Nathan Bell for violation of the Church rule against dancing. Some time given in devotional exercises. Dec. 12th 1865 Nathan Bell refuses and wished to be relieved from further action. Dr. Sloan to confer with Mary Ann and Caroline Brown re violation of the rules about dancing.

Hopewell, Dec. 18th 1865 Received on personal exam: WILLIAM HAMILTON & WIFE, CALVIN HAMILTON, JAMES McCLANAHAN & NARCISSA PAXTON. Dr. Sloan reported that Mary Ann & Caroline Brown admitted that they had violated the rules of this Church by dancing and promised to refrain from this practice. Samuel McQuiston to confer with David M. Bonner re reports injurious to his standing as a member of this Church.

Hopewell, Dec. 22nd 1865 S. McQuiston reported that David M. Bonner sent word that he considered himself out of the church and did not desire any conference. Mr. McQuiston directed to try and get an interview with Mr. Bonner and press on him the duty of submitting to the Church. Samuel McQuiston to attend Presbytery at Oxford.

Hopewell, March 20th 1866 Rev. McHattan reported a conference with Nathan Bell which was Satisfactory to Session and the case was dismissed. At the last meeting a conference was held in reference to scandalous reports on the character of William Douglass, Sr. and Mr. Elliot & McQuiston were appointed to meet with him to ascertain the truth of the rumors. Mr. Douglass was present and gave a statement of his conduct that was not satisfactory with Session, then he left the room. While Rev. McHattan was writing the libel, some members had an interview with Mr. Douglass (who had remained out side of the house) and reported that Mr. Douglass was willing to admit that he might have been guilty of unchasten or improper actions and would submit to whatever Censure the Session thought proper to inflict. Mr. Douglass was admonished before the Court by the Moderator and the action of Session would be made publically to the Congregation on next Sabbath. Mr. Douglass promised to be doubly guarded in the future.

It was reported that David M. Bonner refused to talk or make any concession whatever. Hugh McQuiston to attend Presbytery at 2nd U.P. Church in Cincinnati.

Hopewell, April 23rd 1866 David M. Bonner finally acknowledged that he had "frequently drank too much and was Sorry for it and that he had resolved to abstain intirely from intoxicating drinks in the future. Session satisfied. Case dismissed."

"Reports being in circulation that Hugh B. Ramsey, John Ramsey, Jr. & James Ramsey were in the habit of frequenting drinking Saloons and also drinking too freely."

Robert Marshall investigated and ascertained James Ramsey to be entirely clear of the charge. In reference to John Ramsey, "he denies drinking any. Says he has seen its bad effects and will discourage it in others. In reference to Hugh B. Ramsey, he denies taking too much but, admits that he has taken it till he could feel it sometimes and claimed that there was nothing in the Constitution or rules of the Church prohibiting him from taking a dram when he was cold or wet."

"On motion of Mr. Marshal it was Resolved that the case of Hugh B. Ramsey be passed over for the present. Carried. The vote being so small Mr. Marshal moved a reconsideration of the resolution which was agreed to and Mr. Marshal was continued a committee to confer with Mr. Ramsey before our next communion."

Hopewell, May 4th 1866 The following persons were received on personal examination: ANDREW BOWER ROCK, MAGGIE McCREARY, ANNETTA MURRY, LIZZIE FOSTER, NANNIE BERNARD. Mr. Marshall had not seen Hugh B. Ramsey and was relieved from further action. May 5th 1866 MARY ANN WILSON was received on personal examination. July 1st, 1866 Dr. Sloan to attend Presbytery at Monroe.

Hopewell, July 17th 1866 "..... Held a conference in refference to reports on members of this congregation who are supposed to have taken part in breaking open the door that had been closed (bricked-up) in the north end of the Church. After a free exchange of views Session resolved to appoint a committee of three to ascertain if these reports were likely to be true & also to confer with the individuals charged and endeavor to make them Sensible of their error and request them to meet with Session in order that the matter might be Satisfactorily disposed of."

Hopewell, Aug. 7th 1866 The committee reported having failed to accomplish anything desirable in conference with those persons charged with knocking the door out of the North end of the Church. After exchanging views the Session resolved to postpone the case indefinitely.

NOTE: For Story of The Church House Door, including participants, see E. E. Elliott's version, elsewhere among Hopewell papers. S. McQuiston to confer with John Douglass re his request for a certificate. Aug. 31st 1866 The following persons were received on personal examinations: MALISSA MARGARET RANKIN & ADALINE McCLANNAHAN. Sept. 1st, 1866 "Reports being current that certain persons had violated the rules of this Church by dancing, Session resolved that each one should ascertain the facts in his own district and endeavor to reclaim the guilty and if they failed in this to notify them to refrain from Sealing ordinances untill they rendered Satisfaction." Sept. 30th 1866 Andrew Hamilton to attend Synod at Shilo, Ia. (Ind.) and Hugh Elliott to attend Presbytery in First U.P. Church, Cincinnati.

Hopewell, Nov. 12th 1866 "..... After conference in reference to using the psalms authorised by the Assembly, Session resolved that the leaders of Singing be requested to let the Congregation know the psalm they may sing as a voluntary so that the Congregation can join in the exercise."

Hopewell, Nov. 26th 1866 ".....After singing Psalm 127th, Elder Hugh McQuiston led in prayer." Received on personal examination: JULIA M. MARSHAL and FONETTA (NETTIE) C. HARPER. John Simpson to Presbytery at Hamilton.

Hopewell, Dec. 7th 1866 Received on personal exam: JOHN OWENS & MRS. SUSAN WILSON. Dr. Sloan appointed to confer with James and R. C. Hamilton in reference to reports of charging them with taking part in knocking out the door that was been closed in the north end of the Church. Mr. Elliott to confer with Israel Brown on the same matter and also to other reports injurious to his profession. Session then adjourned to meet after Devine Service tomorrow night.

Hopewell, Dec. 8th 1866 Dr. Sloan reported that the individuals above referred to confessed their fault, said they would guard against any error in their conduct. Israel Brown refused to make any confession and his case was deferred. Dr. Sloan to attend Presbytery at Fair Haven.

Hopewell, April 16th 1867 "James F. Johnson said the reason that he had not applied for a Certificate before this was that he expected to locate Somewhere in the bounds of this Congregation but as that was not likely to be the case soon, he wished a Certificate. He also admitted his neglect of attendance on the Ordanances owing to his location."

Hopewell, April 26th 1867 Received on certificate:
LOUIS WILLIAMS & MARY, his wife, & MRS. NANCY J. WRIGHT &
MRS. MARGARET H. GRAY. On personal examination: WILLIAM
A. DOUGLASS & ISSABELLA DOUGLASS. June 9th 1867
Hugh Elliott to attend Presbytery at Monroe. June 30th 1867
Robert Marshal to attend Presbytery in 1st U.P. Church in
Cincinnati.

Hopewell, Aug. 30th 1867 The following persons were
received on certificate: MRS. ELIZA H. SIMPSON, THEODORE
SIMPSON, GEORGE W. SIMPSON AND JAMES M. MCGEE on personal
examination. (It is uncertain which were exam & certif.)
Sept. 29th 1867 John Simpson to attend Second U. S. Synod
of the West in Bellbrook. Oct. 15th 1867 Also to
attend Presbytery in Dayton.

Hopewell, Dec. 3rd 1867 MARY JANE BELL was received
on exam. Israel Brown expressed a desire to be restored
to privileges. David M. Bonner stated that he been in-
toxicated and that he confessed he was Sorry for it and pro-
mised to refrain from this fault in the future. Report ap-
proved. Dr. Sloan to confer with James L. Brown and Kate
Mann in reference to dancing.

Hopewell, Dec. 6th, 1867 Israel Brown confessed that
he was sorry that he had taken part in knocking the door
out of the north end of the church and said he never would
do the like again if he kept his senses and also that he
was sorry that he had again engaged in dancing and would
refrain from it in the future. Kate Mann acknowledged
that she had danced and promised to refrain from this
practice in the future.

Case against Israel Brown to be dropped. Clarissa & Mary
Elizabeth Hamilton in reference to their violating our rules
by dancing. Dec. 7th 1867 Clarissa & Mary Elizabeth
Hamilton both acknowledged that they had danced and promis-
ed to refrain from dancing in the future. "Elder Robert
Marshall presented a request from his daughter-in-law, Mrs.
Maggie Marshal being a member of the Old School Presbyterian
Church, he stated that Session all knew her circumstances
as well as he did, asking the privilege of Communing on to-
morrow." Vote was negative.

Hopewell, Dec. 25th 1867 "Session had a conference in
reference to the admission of members to Occasional Com-
munion from other denominations. After a free exchange of
opinion it was moved by Robert Marshall and seconded by Dr.
Sloan that the application of Mrs. Marshall be granted. A
record of the ayes and nays being called for the result was

as follows--ayes, Robert Marshal, Dr. Sloan, Samuel B. Mc-
Quiston & John Simpson; nays--Andrew Hamilton, Hugh Mc-
Quiston & John Ramsey not voting. Dec. 29th 1867 Dr.
Sloan to attend first Presbytery in Sycamore Church.
Jan. 19th 1868 Subject of next meeting: What is the
duty of a Session to their Pastor.

Hopewell, Feb. 3rd 1868 Thomas Buck wanted his vote
from Dec. 25th changed from aye to nay. It was voted that
that the action of Session in the case of Mrs. Marshall be
reconsidered. Moved by Dr. Sloan and seconded by John Simp-
son that this Session will not entertain any application for
privileges to Sealing ordanances outside of the U.P. Church.
Decided in the negative.

Moved by Robert Marshall and seconded by John Simpson that
the Pastor be requested to use at least one of the new ver-
sion of the psalms each day in the public worship of God
and that the pastor give notice to the Congregation pre-
vious to their introduction. Carried. Moved that a col-
lection be taken by the Congregation to procure a Suffic-
ient number of psalm books for the use of the Congregation.
Carried. March 31st 1868 John Buck to attend Presby-
tery at Unity Church (College Corner).

Hopewell, April 17th 1868 The case of Israel Brown was
dismissed. The following persons were received on personal
examination: SAMUEL F. COLESMITH, MICHAEL S. HOCKERSMITH,
SAMUEL A. BUCK, SAMUEL H. BELL, JOHN CALVIN HERRON, ROBERT
WILSON, ROBERT J. SIMPSON, HENRIETTA ELLIOTT, MAGGIE Mc-
QUISTON, VENOLIA SHAW.

Hopewell, April 18th 1868 reported that William
Bell had been guilty of unchristian conduct by violently
endeavoring to enforce authority in the school where his
children were in attendance. Mr. Bell said he was Sorry
and would be on his guard and not do the like again.
June 14th 1868 John Ramsey to attend Presbytery in Rich-
mond.

Hopewell, Aug. 3rd 1868 2 Elders to confer with William
Bell in reference to a case of veracity. (Case later dis-
missed) One Elder to confer with G. C. Herron & others in
reference to connection with Secret Associations. (This
refers to the Odd Fellows in Fairhaven.)

Moved that Session accept the control of Sabbath School.
Carried. Sept. 13th 1868 Hugh Elliott to attend
the Second U.P. Synod of the West in Piqua. Oct. 4, 1868
Hugh McQuiston to attend Presbytery at Fairhaven.

Hopewell, Oct. 27th 1868to confer with Michael S. Hockersmith re intoxication....inquire into validity of reports injurious to the Christian character of Robert Paxton, Jr. and Joseph Sloan....confer with James L. Brown re injurious reports to his Christian character.

Session unanimously agreed to endorse the action of the Youths Meeting of the Congregation to endow a Scholarship in Italy. Also recommended that the Youths appoint someone in each Elder's district to collect clothing or money to be sent to the Nashville Mission.

Hopewell, Nov. 4th 1868 Michael S. Hockersmith and Robert J. Simpson appeared before Session and acknowledged that they had been intoxicated and promised to refrain from a like Sin in the future. Case of Joseph Sloan dismissed.
Nov. 17th 1868 Robert Paxton, Jr. appeared before Session and acknowledged that he had been intoxicated and promised to refrain from a like Sin in the future.

Hopewell, Nov. 21st 1868 MRS. ELIZABETH MURRAY applied for admission, having a certificate from the Methodist Episcopal Church dated 1851, but was received on examination. THOMAS GRAHAM applied for privileges but as he expressed a difficulty in his mind in reference to Infant baptism, he was advised to wait for further light. Dec. 8th 1868 Samuel B. McQuiston to attend Presbytery.

Hopewell, Feb. 11th 1869 Received on personal exam: JOHN MARSHALL & REBEKAH, his wife. Committee to confer with Elmira Graham. Also with David Marshal re absenting himself from the public ordinances and with Andrew Kolar? for the same neglect. "Session Resolved that a roll of the members be kept and that any member absenting himself from a regular meeting will be required to give Satisfactory reasons for absence."

Hopewell, Mar. 9th 1869 Elmira Graham stated that Hervey Bell and Israel Brown had both danced at her house and she had not approved it herself. Mar. 30th 1869 Reported a conference with Israel Brown and Harvey Bell re dancing. Dismissed. Edler Hamilton to replace Thomas Buck to attend Presbytery. Conference with James Brown & Caroline, his wife, for neglect of public ordinances.

Hopewell, Apr. 23rd 1869 David Marshal had been attending the Reformed Church (Morning Sun Church, formerly called Beechwoods) except on communion Sabbaths and he had not decided to change his ecclesiastical connection

with us but wished time to reflect. Dr. Sloan reported that Andrew Kohler expected to be more punctual in attending to the public ordinances. SAMUEL F. HOCKERSMITH received on personal examination. June 13th 1869 Dr. Sloan to attend Presbytery at Hopewell.

Hopewell, Aug. 21st 1869 William Hamilton & wife came and he acknowledged that he had done a good many things wrong for which he was Sorry and wished to be restored. Granted. ...intimation of his restoration be publicly announced to the Congregation. Oct. 3rd 1869 David Robertson to attend Presbytery at Fairhaven. Oct. 10th 1869 Dr. Sloan appointed a delegate to Synod at Oxford. Nov 18th 1869 S. H. Bell confessed guilty to intoxication and was Sorry. Case dismissed. Nov. 26th 1869 A committee to confer with any who may have violated our rule by dancing.

Hopewell, Dec. 3rd 1869 A conference with Mary Jane and Maggie McCreary acknowledging that they had danced and promised to refrain from it in the future. The following persons were received on examination: ALBERT S. BROWN, JOHN C. BROWN, WILLIAM T. BROWN & ROBERT S. PAXTON. Dec. 4th 1869 "Dr. Sloan reported that Lizzie Foster said that all she had stated in refference to members of Session drinking beer was only hearsay and she did not wish to be understood as preferring charges against any one. Said Lizzie Foster acknowledged that she had violated our rule on dancing and promised to try and refrain in the future."

Hopewell, Jan. 21st 1870 The following persons were received on personal examination: WILLIAM HARMAN & MALICA, his wife, NEWTON LUCUS, JAMES HENRY BUSH, JOANNA BRISTO, NATHAN C. HARPER, GEORGE WALLACE, ROBERT A. DOUGLASS, IRENE C. HARPER & ELIZABETH J. SIMPSON. Mr. Hamilton to confer with Harvey Bell.

Hopewell, Feb. 5th 1870 The following persons were received on personal examination: DAVID C. RAMSEY & MARY S. RAMSEY, his wife, DAVID B. PAXTON, JAMES A. SLOAN, JOHN L. RANKIN, NATHAN M. WILSON, EVALINE F. WILSON, CLARA FOSTER, SARAH E. ELLIOTT & DAVID GRAY on certificate. Feb. 15th 1870 ...to confer with Lizzie Foster or her father (as they thought best) re her neglect of the Sealing ordinance of the Supper. April 3rd 1870 Dr. Sloan to attend Presbytery in Hamilton. May 6th 1870 Report re Harvey Bell accepted, to be restored to privileges. Report on Lizzie Foster accepted.

Hopewell, May 7th 1870 The following persons were received on personal examination: MRS. ANNA KEMPLE, MRS. HANNAH O. WILSON & NANCY C. BELL. On certificate MRS. REBECCA J. CASKY. May 15th 1870 PETER KEMPLE received as a member. June 12th 1870 Hugh McQuiston to attend Presbytery at Sycamore.

Hopewell, Aug. 15th 1870 David Ramsey acknowledged intoxication and profane swearing and promised to refrain from these Vices in the future and try to live a better life. To confer with Robert Paxton re taking part at a dance at Mr. William Houston's. Aug. 19th 1870 The interview with Robert Paxton satisfactory. Case dismissed. Oct. 2nd 1870 Hugh Elliott to attend Presbytery at Hopewell. Samuel B. McQuiston to attend Synod at Idaville, Indiana.

Hopewell, Nov. 18th 1870 NANCY ELIZABETH BELL received on examination. S. H. Bell did not appear for intoxication charges. David Ramsey denied intoxication but admitted use of profane language. Case dismissed.

Hopewell, Dec. 26th 1870 The following person was received on personal examination: LUCINDA JANE MCGEE. David Ramsey and Harvey Bell to be conferred with.

Hopewell, April 11th 1871 The following persons were received on personal examination: MRS. ELIZABETH R. BELL, ALFRED SMITH, ELINDA SMITH. JAMES A. SLOAN was received back to membership on his certificate of dismissal not having had an opportunity of using same. A committee to see James Hamilton in regard to having permitted a dance to be held in his house.

Hopewell, April 15th 1871 CATHERINE B. HAMILTON & JENNIE MARSHAL applied for membership and were received on personal examination. James Hamilton admitted that he had done wrong in permitting a dance to be held in his house. Aug. 1st 1871 On motion William Caskey, Robert P. Gilmore, David Ramsey, Sr. & James A. Brown were nominated for the office of ruling elders. Elders to be elected on Sat., Aug. 19th inst.

Hopewell, Aug. 5th 1871 (this date is wrong or it was recorded late) David Ramsey, Wm. Caskey, Isaac L. McCracken & Samuel Paxton who were elected to the office of ruling elder at the meeting of the congregation, appeared before Session and declined to serve, giving as a reason for so

Resolved 2nd That whenever Mr. Hamilton makes a satisfactory confession to this Session we will willingly give him a certificate.

Resolved 3rd That the Clerk be directed to furnish the 1st Presbytery of Ohio with a copy of the proceedings in the case of Mr. Hamilton. Wm. Caskey to attend next meeting of Presbytery.

Hopewell, June 9, 1882 James A. Brown was reelected Superintendent of Sabbath School without limitation of time.

Robert McQuiston was reelected Secretary and Treasurer of the Sabbath School.

On examination MARY E. RAMSEY and LYDIA MARTHA HAYS were received into membership.

June 10, 1882 IDA MAY YEAKLE and WILLIAM YEAKLE were received on examination; EDWARD PAXTON on certificate.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That we respectfully ask the 1st Presbytery of Ohio to instruct Mr. Andrew Hamilton to submit to the authority of Hopewell Session.

June 18, 1882 Wm. Caskey, James A. Brown and Hugh Ramsey to meet with the Committee appointed by the 1st Presbytery at Oxford on the 22nd of June 1882 for the purpose of settling the difficulty between Mr. Hamilton & Session.

Hopewell, Sept. 19, 1882 Committee report is as follows: Your Committee respectfully report that it met with the Committee appointed by the 1st Presbytery of Ohio on the 22nd of June 1882 and accepted the following confession as a final settlement of the difficulty between Mr. Hamilton and the Session of Hopewell congregation.

Mr. Hamilton's paper: I hereby sincerely regret that I used language offensive to the Session of Hopewell at any of its meetings. And this I do to meet the resolution adopted by the said Session at its meeting Sept. 28, 1880 in which it refused me a certificate of Standing and dismissal. This acknowledgement to be accepted by the Session in lieu of that requirement in said resolution.

Oxford, June 22, 1882 (signed) Andrew Hamilton

On the 22nd day of June, Mr. ANDREW HAMILTON was granted and received a certificate of standing and dismissal to connect with Fair Haven congregation.

On the 3rd of Sept. certificates were granted to EDWARD PAXTON and MRS. FANNIE WILSON. ALEXANDER G. McDILL was granted a certificate to connect with the congregation of Springfield, Ohio.

Church. ALBERT C. MAGEE, EVA J. MARSHALL & SARAH MARSHALL.
(Caps have been added.)

Minutes of last meeting were read & approved. Thomas M. Buck, Clerk of Session, offered his resignation. On motion of Dr. Sloan his resignation was accepted & William Caskey elected Clerk of Session.

On motion of Dr. Sloan, Andrew Hamilton & William Caskey were appointed a committee to correct the church roll of members and report to Session.

On motion of John Ramsey, Dr. Sloan & James A. Brown were appointed a committee of confer with Mrs. Bristo, Miss Annetta Murray & Mrs. D. Ramsey for absenting themselves from the preaching of the word and report to Session.

On motion of Dr. Sloan, James A. Brown was appointed a committee to examine into charges made against Mrs. Nathan Foster by William Foster.

Adjourned with prayer by Andrew Hamilton to meet on Next Friday at 1 & 1/2 Oclock, P.M.

William Caskey, Clerk

HOPEWELL CHURCH MARRIAGES

James B. Ramsey m. Eliza Tuttle, 1 May 1861, Rev. Jos. McHattan

John McDill m. Mary McQuiston, 15 May, 1861

Thomas McQuiston m. Talithia Harper, 17 July, 1861

George S. McDill of Union Co., Indiana m. Elleanor Ramsey
13 Nov 1861 by Rev. Joseph McHattan

James Brown m. Caroline Devoll, 31 Dec 1861

Israel Brown m. Ann Mann, 20 June 1867

Isaiah Douglass m. Anie Patterson, 22 Jan 1863

Edward M. Armstrong m. Mary Ann Brown, 6 Dec 1864

William Wright m. Mary E. Ramsey, 21 Dec 1864

James Hamilton m. Sarah Newton, 14 Dec 1864

James A. Wright m. Lizzie J. Wilson, 17 Feb 1865

Dr. George Gray m. Eveline Bonner, 6 June 1865

James I. Faris m. Caroline Wilson, 12 Oct 1865

William Martin (of Illinois) m. Mary Ann Brown, 11 Jan 1866

Andrew C. McQuiston m. Anna Foster, 16 Jan 1866

A. (Andrew) B. Rock m. Francie Worden, 22 Feb 1866

William S. Sloan m. Lida Harris, 15 May 1866

James Marshall m. Catherine Brown, 26 Sept 1866

Andrew Gray m. Maggie H. Harper, 1 Oct 1866

John Owens m. Sallie Foster, 16 Nov 1866

Samuel F. Hockersmith m. Mattie A. Gilmore, 4 Dec 1866

Joseph Ramsey m. Maggie McMillan, 12 Dec 1866

James Johnson m. Emma Denna, 20 Dec 1866

^{William}
~~James~~ McBride m. Martha A. Killough, 21 Sept 1866 *Correct for M.P.P.*

Joseph Ramsey m. Sallie R. McQuiston 25 Dec 1866

HOPEWELL CHURCH MARRIAGES

Samuel R. Ramsey m. Mary A. Wilson, 24 Jan 1867

✓ John Buck m. Minnie Lane, 3 Oct 1867

James McGee m. Caroline Brown, 17 Oct 1867

Thomas Graham m. Elmira Bell, 23 Oct 1867

Samuel Colesmith m. Nancy J. Brown, 29 Oct 1867

Samuel Wylie m. Rachel C. Bonner, 30 Oct 1867

John Marshal m. Maggie Levan, 27 Nov 1867

David Marshal m. Lida Johnson, 19 Dec 1867

Nathan Sloan m. Mrs. Marietta Shaw, 21 Jan 1868

George W. Simpson m. Josephene Murry, 26 March 1868

Joseph Brown of Warren Co., Ill. m. Katie Wallace, 31 Dec 1868

William A. Douglass m. Mary G. Ramsey 2 Mar 1869

Joseph Harris of Hamilton Ohio m. Jenny E. Sloan, 18 May 1869

James I? Gilmore m. Mary Elizabeth Hamilton, 12 Dec 1867

William Caskey m. Rebecca J. Ramsey, 1 Sept 1869

Hugh Ramsey m. Clarissa Hamilton, 30 Sept 1869

NOTE: These are marriages of Hopewell Church members, NOT marriages performed in Hopewell Church. There was not a marriage performed inside the church until the 1970's.

M.P.P.

RECORD OF DEATHS OF
HOPEWELL CHURCH MEMBERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Joseph Marshal	Died June 8, 1861
Mrs. Ellen Patterson, age 44 years	Sept. 23, 1861
Miss Grizzella Craig	Died Aug. 10, 1861
John C. McQuiston, died May, 1862 of Typhoid (May, 1862) fever at Meadow Bluff, Virginia. A volunteer in the Military Service of the United States, Was brought home and Interred June 17,	1862
Mrs. Jane Graham (widow)	Died June 6, 1862
Mr. John Magee	Died July 4, 1862
James D. Herron Died in the Hospital at Nashville, Tennessee. A Volunteer in the Millitary Service of the United States.	Died Jan. 17, 1863
Miss Elizabeth Douglas	Died Feb. 7, 1863
Miss Rachel Hawthorn	Died Feb. 18, 1863
James S. Brown	Died Mar. 30, 1863
Mrs. Mary Ann Sloan	Died Apr. 26, 1863
James B. Ramsey from wounds received May the 19th in the battle at Vicksburgh. A volunteer in the Service of the United States. Was brought home and interred July 9, 1863	Died June 22, 1863
Matthew Wilson	Died June 24, 1863
George S. Hamilton. A volunteer in Company G, Ninety third Reg't. O.V.I. Died at Nashville, Tenn.	Aug. 19, 1863
Nathan R. Brown. A volunteer in Company D Forty Seventh Reg't. O.V.I. and Regimental Colorbearer. Died at Memphis, Tenn. Oct. 3, 1863	
Samuel Buck	Died Nov. 22, 1863

HOPEWELL DEATHS (continued)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
John Monteith, a member of Company A. in 156th Reg't. O.N.G. Died at Cincinnati in Hospital of Billious fever	June 22, 1864
William Buck	Died July 1, 1864
Samuel M. McCracken, a Volunteer in Company D, O.V.I. Was wounded in battle near Atlanta and died.	July 22, 1864
Miss Margaret Ann Thompson	Died Oct. 16, 1864
Mrs. Sabina Graham	Died Feb. 11, 1865
William Melancthon McCreary	Died June 13, 1865
Miss Esther Barthelow	Died Aug. 12, 1865
Mr. David Faris Of injuries received by being thrown from his waggon, fracturing his skull (skull) & being unconscious for six days.	Died Oct. 16, 1865
Hugh Ramsey, Sr. 87th year of age	Died Oct. 27, 1865
Mrs. Sarah Wilson	Died Apr. 16, 1866
Colonel John Wallace	Died Apr. 18, 1866
William Gray	Died July 12, 1866
John Brown	Died Sept. 20, 1866
Robert Brown	Died Mar. 8, 1867
Mrs. Mary Jane Paxton	Died May 16, 1867
Harriet E. Simpson	Died June 4, 1867
Mrs. Jane Bell	Died July 12, 1867
Samuel Bell	Died Sept. 1, 1867
Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, 96th year	Died Nov. 21, 1867
Robert M. Wilson	Died Dec. 19, 1867
Mrs. Jane McDill, consort of Thomas McDill	Died Feb. 3, 1868

HOPEWELL DEATHS (continued)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
James Wright	Died Jan. 30, 1969
Mrs. Mary Ann Ramsey	Died Feb. 8, 1869
Mrs. Katharine Faris	Died Apr. 19, 1869
William Douglass	Died May 5, 1869
Thomas Foster	Died May 27, 1869
David H. Hamilton	Died June 18, 1869
Mrs. Adaline Hamilton	Died Oct. 14, 1869
Mrs. Nancy McQuiston	Died Jan. 16, 1870
David McQuiston, Sr.	Died March 4, 1870
Dr. George William Simpson	Died June 23, 1870
Miss Lizzie Foster	Died Aug. 17, 1870
Mrs. Francis Wright	Died Oct. 17, 1870
Mrs. Hannah O. Wilson	Died Dec. 27, 1870
James Sloan	Died May 5, 1870
Robert Paxton	Died (Jan. 30, 1872)
Samuel Hamilton	Died Mar. 14, 1872
Mrs. Rachel Hamilton	Died Apr. 11, 1872
Mrs. Mary McDill	Died Aug. 2, 1872
Died at Bloomington, Indiana in the 98th year of her age, supposed to be the last of those who were members at the organization of Hopewell. (Her stone reads "97th year". Widow of Thomas McDill, first burial in Hopewell Cem., d. June 13, 1813, supposedly of results of War of 1812.)	
Miss Sarah Ramsey	Died Sept. 3, 1872

Note: These dates do not always correspond with the dates on the stones. It is quite possible that these dates may be the more accurate since they were recorded, probably, at the time of the funeral. Monuments are put up much later.

* These dismissals are recorded only in the 1835-1879 "Baptismal Records, etc." and are added here to make the records more complete. They are not included in the Index.

DISMISSED BY CERTIFICATE FROM HOPEWELL CHURCH

June 8, 1863	J. C. <u>McCracken</u>
August, 1863	Gennie E. <u>McCracken</u> , his wife
November, 1863	Mrs. Margaret <u>Smith</u>
	Mr. William H. <u>Gilmore</u>
Sept. 2, 1864	Mary Ann <u>Gilmore</u> , his wife
	John J. <u>Watt</u>
	Matilda <u>Watt</u> , his wife
Dec. 30, 1864	Samuel J. <u>Wylie</u>
Feb. 28, 1865	Miss Charlotte A. <u>McCracken</u>
May 25, 1865	Mrs. Lizzie J. <u>Wright</u> , nee <u>Wilson</u>
November, 1865	Mrs. Eveline <u>Gray</u> , nee <u>Bonner</u>
Dec. 18, 1865	Mrs. Mary <u>McCracken</u>
Jan. 29, 1866	Mrs. Mary Anne <u>Martin</u> , formerly <u>Brown</u>
Feb. 18, 1866	Mr. R. C. <u>Porter</u>
	Mariah <u>Porter</u> , his wife
March, 1866	Mrs. Ann <u>McNealy</u>
May 4, 1866	Mrs. Mary E. <u>Wright</u> , nee <u>Ramsay</u>
May 17, 1866	William S. <u>Sloan</u>
Sept. 31, 1866	Mr. John <u>Douglass</u>
	Mrs. Eliza <u>Douglass</u> , his wife
Oct. 17, 1866	Mr. Robert <u>Rock</u>
	Mrs. Ruth <u>Rock</u>
	Mr. William H. <u>Sproul</u>
	Miss Mary E. <u>Sproul</u>
	Mrs. Nancy <u>Marshall</u>
	Mr. James <u>Marshall</u>
	Miss Ann <u>Marshall</u>
	Miss Mary <u>Marshall</u>
	Miss Fanny <u>Marshall</u>
Nov. 26, 1866	Mr. James <u>McClanahan</u>
	Mrs. Martha A. <u>McBride</u> , formerly <u>Killough</u>
Dec. 7, 1866	Mr. Joseph <u>Brown</u>
	Mrs. Eliza <u>Brown</u> , his wife
	Miss Nancy E. <u>Brown</u>
	Miss Violet J. <u>Brown</u>
	Mary M. <u>Brown</u>
	Grizzella C. <u>Brown</u>
	Mrs. Eliza <u>Simpson</u>
	Miss Hattie <u>Simpson</u>
	Theodore <u>Simpson</u>
	Mr. George W. <u>Simpson</u>
Apr. 26, 1867	Mr. James F. <u>Johnston</u>
Oct. 3, 1867	Mrs. Margaret A. <u>Major</u> , formerly <u>Douglass</u>

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Oct. 28, 1867	Mrs. Carrie <u>McGee</u> , formerly <u>Brown</u>
Dec. 23, 1867	Mrs. Rachel C. <u>Wylie</u> , formerly <u>Bonner</u>
March, 1868	Mrs. Nancy J. <u>Wright</u>
Mar. 15, 1868	Mrs. Emma <u>Johnson</u> , formerly <u>Denny</u>
	(The next two names have been crossed out with notation, "Certificate returned".)
Mar. 31, 1868	Mr. George W. <u>Simpson</u>
	Mrs. Josephene <u>Simpson</u> , his wife
Apr. 19, 1868	Miss Maggie <u>Bonner</u>
May 5, 1868	Mrs. Eliza H. <u>Simpson</u> see 12/7/66
	Mr. Theodore <u>Simpson</u>
Aug. 16, 1868	Mr. Benjamin F. <u>Graham</u>
May, 1868	William G. <u>Ramsey</u>
Nov. 21, 1868	Joseph G. <u>Sloan</u>
Jan. 4, 1869	Mrs. Catherine <u>Brown</u> , nee <u>Wallace</u>
	Miss Aggie <u>Wallace</u>
Miss	Miss Maggie A. <u>Simpson</u>
Jan. 7, 1869	Mr. Joseph <u>Ramsey</u>
Mar. 9, 1869	Mr. Samuel F. <u>Colesmith</u>
	Mrs. Nancy <u>Colesmith</u> , his wife
	Mr. Michael S. <u>Hockersmith</u>
Mar. 21, 1869	Mr. Samuel <u>Brown</u>
	Mrs. Mary <u>Brown</u> , his wife
	Mr. William A. <u>Douglass</u>
	Mrs. Mary G. <u>Douglass</u> , his wife
Apr. 23, 1869	Mr. David M. <u>Bonner</u>
Aug. 17, 1869	Mr. John <u>Owens</u>
	Mrs. Sallie <u>Owens</u> , his wife
	Mrs. Mary A. <u>Graham</u>
Aug. 20, 1869	R. C. <u>Hamilton</u>
	Elihu C. <u>Simpson</u>
Oct. 2, 1869	Mr. David <u>Marshall</u>
October, 1869	Mrs. Sabina <u>Ramsey</u>
	Miss Martha <u>Ramsey</u>
December, 1869	Mrs. Jenny <u>Harris</u> , formerly <u>Sloan</u>
Jan. 5, 1870	Mr. Robert <u>Miller</u>
	Mrs. Margaret Ann <u>Miller</u> , his wife
Feb. 15, 1870	Mr. Samuel <u>Gilmore</u>
	Mrs. Ellen <u>Gilmore</u> , his wife
Feb. 28, 1870	Mr. Samuel A. <u>Rankin</u>
May 6, 1870	Mrs. Lucy A. <u>Baily</u> , formerly <u>Ramsey</u>
June 12, 1870	Mr. Samuel H. <u>Marshall</u>
	Mrs. Mary <u>Marshall</u> , his wife
Aug. 15, 1870	Mr. Jeremiah S. <u>Rankin</u>
	Mrs. Mary Jane <u>Rankin</u>
	Miss Malissa Margaret <u>Rankin</u>
	Mr. John Logan <u>Rankin</u>

DISMISSED BY CERTIFICATE FROM HOPEWELL CHURCH

Aug. 19, 1870	Mrs. Matilda <u>Bernard</u> Miss Nannie (Nancy) <u>Bernard</u>
Nov. 6, 1870	Mr. John <u>Buck</u> (Ruling Elder) Mrs. Grizzella <u>Buck</u> Miss Katherine <u>Brown</u> Mr. James A. <u>Sloane</u>
Nov. 24, 1870	Mr. Thomas <u>McQuiston</u> and Talitha <u>McQuiston</u> , his wife Mr. James <u>McCreary</u> and Mrs. Ann <u>McCreary</u> , his wife Miss Hattie (Harriet) A. <u>Harper</u> Miss Mary J. <u>McCreary</u> Miss Maggie A. <u>McCreary</u> Mr. Thomas L. <u>Ramsey</u> and Grizzella <u>Ramsey</u> , his wife Mr. John C. <u>McDill</u> and Mary <u>McDill</u> , his wife Mr. Henry <u>Marshall</u> and Sarah <u>Marshall</u> , his wife Miss Mary J. <u>Marshall</u> Mr. William <u>Douglass</u> and Martha Jane <u>Douglass</u> , his wife Mrs. Martha <u>Caldwell</u> Mr. S. B. <u>McQuiston</u> (Ruling Elder) Mrs. Martha <u>McQuiston</u>

The Hopewell Session, from whom all Certificates of Dismission were issued, records no dismissals in the Session Minutes after June, 1863. All 1863-1870 dismissals were recorded in this book only.

Marjorie Paxton Palmer

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Lane, Minerva (Minnie)	16, 29	Lucus, Newton	24
Levan, Margaret (Maggie)	29		

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Magee, Albert C.	27	Magee, John	7
Magee, John	30	Magee, Mrs. Rebeckah	7

Mann, Anna Eliza	14, 28	Marshall, Mary	8
Mann, Mary Catherine	14, 21	Marshall, Mary	17
Marshall, Ann	8	Marshall, Mary Jane	11
Marshall, Catherine [Brown]	28	Marshall, Nancy	7
Marshall, David S.	14, 23	Marshall, Mrs. Rebekah	23
Marshall, Eva J.	27	Marshall, Robert (Elder)	4, 9
Marshall, Fanny	14		12, 21, 22
Marshall, James	28	Marshall, Samuel Hervey	16
Marshall, James	17	Marshall, Sarah	7
Marshall, Jennie	25	Marshall, Sarah	27
Marshall, John	23	Marshall, William 7, 8, 9, 10	
Marshall, John	29	Marshall, William R.	4
Marshall, John H.	15	Martin, Mary Ann [Brown]	28
Marshall, John P.	6	Martin, William	28
Marshall, Joseph H.	30	Miller, Robert	7
Marshall, Julia M.	20	Monteith, John	15, 31
Marshall, Lida [Johnson]	29	Morrison, Mrs. Elizabeth	3
Marshall, Mrs. Margaret		Murray, Annetta	19, 27
(Maggie)	21, 22	Murray, Mrs. Elizabeth	23
Marshall, Margaret [Levan]	29	Murray, Josephine	29

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McBride, Mrs. Eliza Ann	5, 6, 7	McDill, George S.	28
McBride, James	28	McDill, Jane [Caldwell]	31
McBride, Martha A. [Killough]		McDill, John C.	28
	28	McDill, Martha A. [Magaw]	
McBride, William	5, 6, 7		6, 11, 12
McClanahan, Adaline	20	McDill, Mary	2
McClanahan, Caroline E.	7	McDill, Mary [McQuiston]	28
McClanahan, Mrs. Hannah	6	McDill, Mary [Young]	32
McClanahan, James	18	McDill, Samuel M.	7, 11, 12
McCracken, Charlotte	7	McDill, Thomas A.	26
McCracken, Isaac	5	McGee, Caroline [Brown]	29
McCracken, J. Calvin	11	McGee, James M.	21, 29
McCracken, James (Elder)	2, 3	McGee, Lucinda Jane	25
	4, 5	McHaffey, Mrs. Jane	5
McCracken, Mrs. Jany/Jeny	11	McHaffey, Samuel	5
McCracken, John C.	4	McHatton, Rev. Joseph	11, 14
McCracken, Mrs..	4		18, 26
McCracken, Samuel M.	7, 9, 31	McMillan, Margaret (Maggie)	28
McCracken, Rev. Samuel W.	9	McMillan, Melancthon	9
McCreary, Wm. Melancthon	16, 31	McNealy, Mrs. Mary Ann	15
McCreary, Margaret (Maggie)		McQuiston, Andrew	9
	19, 24	McQuiston, Andrew C.	13, 28
McCreary, Mary Jane	7, 12, 24	McQuiston, Anna [Foster]	28
McDill, David M. (Elder)	1, 2	McQuiston, David	32
	9, 11, 12	McQuiston, David A.	6
McDill, Ele(a)nor	14	McQuiston, Mrs. David A.	6
McDill, Eleanor [Ramsey]	28	McQuiston, Eliza Jane	11

McQuiston, Hugh (Elder)	1	McQuiston, Mary	6, 28
9, 16, 18, 20, 22,	25	McQuiston, Mrs. Nancy	3
McQuiston, Hugh	10	McQuiston, Samuel B. (Elder)	7, 9, 18, 20, 22, 23, 25
McQuiston, Jane	4	McQuiston, Samuel G.	4
McQuiston, John C.	6, 30	McQuiston, Sarah Rachel	7, 28
McQuiston, Margaret (Maggie)	22	McQuiston, Talithia [Harper]	28
McQuiston, Margaret A.	2	McQuiston, Thomas M.	28
McQuiston, Martha A.	4	McQuiston, William	6
McQuiston, Martha J.	4	McQuiston, William H.	4

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Nelson, Mrs. Elvira	4	Newton, Sarah	28
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Owens, John	20, 28	Owens, Sarah (Sally)[Foster]	28
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Patterson, Anie (Annie)	28	Paxton, Narcissa	18
Patterson, Mrs. Ellen	5, 30	Paxton, Robert	3
Patterson, Mrs. Frances	16	Paxton, Robert	11, 23, 25
Patterson, Robert	2	Paxton, Robert S.	24
Paxton, David B.	24	Paxton, Samuel	25
Paxton, Jane	2	Paxton, Sarah A.	4
Paxton, Jonathan C.	1, 4	Paxton, Sina Louisa, "Louisa S." later	11
Paxton, Martha A. L.	4	Pinkerton, Dr. Alexander W.	3
Paxton, Mrs. Mary Jane	31		

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Ramsey, Clarissa [Hamilton]	29	Ramsey, James M.	4, 5, 12, 14, 15
Ramsey, David, Sr. (Elder)	25, 26	Ramsey, John (Elder)	1, 9, 12, 22, 26, 27
Ramsey, David (Jr.?)	25	Ramsey, John, Jr.	10, 19
Ramsey, David C.	24	Ramsey, Joseph H.	8, 13, 28
Ramsey, Eleanor (Ellen)	6, 28	Ramsey, Joseph S.	28
Ramsey, Eliza [Tuttle]	28	Ramsey, Mrs. Keturah [Waldron]	17
Ramsey, Frances A.	5	Ramsey, Lucy	5, 12
Ramsey, Hervey	2	Ramsey, Margaret (Maggie)	[McMillan] 28
Ramsey, George (Elder)	1, 6	Ramsey, Mary A. [Wilson]	29
Ramsey, James B.	28, 30	Ramsey, Mrs. Mary Ann	32
Ramsey, Hugh, Sr.	31	Ramsey, Mary E.	14, 27
Ramsey, Hugh	29	Ramsey, Mary Grizzella	12, 29
Ramsey, Hugh B.	19		
Ramsey, James	19		

Ramsey, Mrs. Mary S.	24, 277	Rankin, Malissa Margaret	20
Ramsey, Nathan L.	8, 15, 16	Reese, Amos	9
Ramsey, Rebecca Jane	29	Rhinehart, Sarah	16
Ramsey, Samuel R.	13, 14, 29	Robertson, David (Elder)	18, 24
Ramsey, Sarah	32	Robertson, Mrs. Mary	18
Ramsey, Sarah (Sally) R. [McQuiston]	28	Rock, Andrew Bower	19, 28
Ramsey, William	7, 8, 9, 10	Rock, Frances [Worden]	28
Ramsey, William Gilmore	11	Rock, Robert	8
Ramsey, William S.	8	Rock, Mrs. Ruth	8
Rankin, Adam	16		
Rankin, Jeremiah S.	4		
Rankin, John L.	24		

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Shaw, Mrs. Marietta	29	Sloan, Lida [Harris]	28
Shall, Venolia	22	Sloan, Mrs. Marietta [Shaw]	29
Simpson, Elihu C.	16	Sloan, Nathan	8, 29
Simpson, Mrs. Eliza	17	Sloan, Dr. Richard (Elder)	1, 9, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27
Simpson, Mrs. Eliza H.	21	Sloan, William S.	28
Simpson, Elizabeth J.	24	Smith, Alfred	25
Simpson, George	3	Smith, Elinda	25
Simpson, Dr. George William	2, 29, 32	Smith, James O.	3
Simpson, Hattie	17, 31	Smith, Samuel	3
Simpson, John (Elder)	9, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22	Smith, Mrs. Mary G. (Polly)	5
Simpson, Josephine [Murray]	29	Smith, Matilda	5
Simpson, Margaret A.	12	Smith, Mrs. Rebekah	7
Simpson, Mrs. Nancy	3	Smith, William	1, 2
Simpson, Robert J.	22, 23	Sproul, Mary Elizabeth	17
Simpson, Theodore	21	Sproul, William H.	17
Sloan, James A.	24, 25, 32	Sprowl, Mrs. Ruth	4
Sloan, Jane E. (Jenny)	13, 29	Stewart, Ellen	5
Sloan, Joseph G.	9, 16, 23	Stewart, Margaret	3

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Thompson, Margaret A.	8	Tuttle (Tuttley?) Eliza	28
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Valandingham, C. L.	15
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Wallace, Agness	8	Wilson, Matthew	30
Wallace, Catherine (Kate)	7,29	Wilson, Nathan M.	24
Wallace, George	24	Wilson, Robert	22
Wallace, Lt. Col. John	6,31	Wilson, Robert M. (Sr.)	31
Wallace, Mrs. Mary	6	Wilson, Mrs. Sarah [Leech]	31
Watt, John H.	7, 14	Wilson, Mrs. Susan	20
Watt, Mrs. Matilda	7, 14	Worden, Frances	28
Wiley, (Wylie?) Francis	5	Worden, Martha F.	13
Williams, Louis	21	Wright, Elizabeth J. [Wilson]	28
Williams, Mrs. Mary	21	Wright, Mrs. Frances	32
Williamson, J. H.	11	Wright, James A.	28
Wilson, Caroline S.	14, 28	Wright, James C.	32
Wilson, Charles A.	26	Wright, Mary E. [Ramsey]	28
Wilson, Elizabeth Jane	5, 28	Wright, Mrs. Nancy J.	21
Wilson, Evaline F.	24	Wright, William	9, 28
Wilson, Mrs. Hannah O.	25,32	Wylie/Wiley, Samuel J.	6,16,29
Wilson, John	9	Wylie, Rachel C. [Bonner]	29
Wilson, Mary Ann	19, 29		

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JULY 17 & AUG. 7, 1866
& DEC. 6, 1867

THE STORY OF THE OLD CHURCHYARD DOOR

by E. E. Elliott

References to this matter are in the Hopewell Session records of July 17 and Aug. 7, 1866 and Dec. 6, 1867.

Their names were Jim, John, Bill, Calvin and Charley Hamilton; Jim and Israel Brown; Harve and Andy Bell, only there is some doubt as to Andy.

They were all in some way related to each other and were known as members of the Clan Hamilton. Of course they were all Scotch-Irish, descendants of the families who had migrated from South Carolina to Ohio when the new territory was opened for settlement. The Browns were full cousins to the Hamiltons and the Bells were full cousins to all of them. The patriarch of the clan, who would have been called the chieftain if he had lived in his ancestral Scotland 300 years earlier, was old George Hamilton, but he didn't get into the mix-up himself and doesn't figure in the story except as head of the clan.

It was just after the finish of the War of the Rebellion (Civil War) and it is significant that all of these men had worn the uniform except Charley, who was a trifle too young to march when the others went. There were others in the clan who had marched who never came home again. This martial relationship is here related simply to show that military experience and training, supposed to develop a submissive habit of mind toward order and discipline, doesn't always work that way, but frequently the opposite. All of these boys were big chaps, a characteristic of the Hamilton blood, most of them were six feet or more, except the oldest brother, Jim, who made up this deficiency by being the leader by his force of character.

All of this should be helpful to an understanding of this strange story and the influence back of it.

Now this group, numerous as they were in this community, made up only a fraction of a large body of people who had migrated from the South to the North in the early years of the 19th century, chiefly because of their hatred of slavery. In their canvas-covered wagons they had brought their belongings, their household gear, their old world speech, their mental habits and above all, their religion, all of which rooted back through northern Ireland to the lochs and glens of Scotland. They were tenacious of their faith and determined in their convictions; almost the first thing these migrants had done when they reached the promised land of freedom and liberty, to which they had given the name it still retains, "The Land of Israel"¹, was to get together and organize a congregation and build a meeting house of logs.

¹ An inordinate number of counties, townships and towns were named for naval heroes of the "Tripoli Wars". Israel Twp. was named for Commodore Israel; Preble Co. for Capt. Preble of Portland, Maine. "Historical Collections of Ohio, General and Local Histories", Henry Howe, 1848

In this church every family had its own place to sit. It would have been a breach of ecclesiastical decorum to have attempted to violate the traditions of the pews. If your family failed to attend the church service, the fact was evident to everyone there, as the vacant pew was mute evidence of that fact. Now the Hamiltons were conspicuous because of their size and numbers and the space they claimed as their own was in full view of everyone in the audience and hard by the famous entrance frequently referred to as "The Graveyard way". The Hamiltons lived over two miles from the church and as the roads were sometimes in bad condition, they were often a trifle late in arriving. They all came together in a comodious vehicle built something like a modern school bus. Usually they picked up along the way some of their relatives and the arrival was always an event. They would swing into their own stall in the horse sheds and falling in behind their old father, they would pass through the churchyard to the rear door and file in one by one and take their seats, always waiting for their occupancy, and in full view of the congregation. It was sometimes embarassing to the preacher who had to pause until the contingent had settled down. How long this had been going on no one could tell; it is likely for several generations since all the families represented were of pioneer stock. It had gone on so long that it had become the usual and expected thing and the Hamiltons, like true Scotch-Irish, looked upon the procedure as an inalienable right and the business of no one else.

Then occurred the great event. To tell the rest of the story, I must pass from the general narrative to the specific and detailed account of a personal eye witness.

My father was one of the elders of the church, a member of the august session, as it was called, that ruled with true Scotch thoroughness. Our family pew was well toward the front and afforded a close-up view of the Hamilton reservation and the back entrance. I was but a little chap, a very little chap, who was keen to see everything that went on. I well remember the fascination of watching for that door to open and the family of big boys and girls to file in and settle down for the service, although I was but a five year old. Impressions on a child's consciousness are sure to remain in vivid perspective throughout later years.

I can see them yet as they came through the door. Old Uncle George Samuel, the two girls, the mother was not there for a marble slab nearby marked her resting place. Then came the five boys, in age and stature, men. Sometimes a cousin or other relatives might sit with them and just a few seats away other members of the clan used to sit; Elder Andy Hamilton himself, the various Browns, Bells, the Rocks. Perhaps it was the lingering spirit of interdependence of the ancient Highlands and it would even seem that the farther the migrant Scotch and Scotch-Irish wandered from their "ain countree", the more intensified became the racial traits. This group was not the only one in that psalm-singing congregation known as "brithers all".

Now back to the story of the old back door: There came a Sabbath Day when, as the people assembled as usual and settled themselves for the service, that their eyes were immediately focussed on the Amen Corner. The graveyard door was missing; the outline was plainly to be seen but the space it had occupied was now filled in with brick and mortar. The Amen pews were still there but to the astonishment of all, they were vacant--the Hamiltons were not there. Whether they had come as usual, only to find their accustomed entrance barred and had then returned home or whether they had been appraised of the abandonment and had shown their displeasure by their absence was never known.

The congregation, undisturbed, worshiped as usual and gathered, as usual, under the old locust trees in front of the building and forgot the sermon in the momentous event and its possible consequences. Another week soon passed and this church's devoted people converged again from all points within the sphere of influence, on the old sanctuary at the usual time.

As each attendant arrived and tied his team in the horse sheds, he became aware that something had happened. There were excited groups at both front and rear of the church with the majority gathered at the rear. Right before their eyes was a scene of desolation and destruction. Where only the week before, the old entrance had passed into the discard through the agency of brick and mortar, there, in its place, was a gaping hole with an ungodly challenge to all the godly and law-abiding.

There, as I pushed to the inner circle of the surrounding ring, I saw the very implement of destruction, discarded and thrown to one side as no longer of use. It was a heavy beechen log, eight or ten feet long and almost a foot in diameter, a veritable battering ram, the primitive weapon of ancient fighting men against ancient gates and bars. No man alone could have lifted this log and done this evil deed. No two or three even could have had the physical strength to have done it, but a half dozen sturdy shoulders, lifting in unison and taking a run of half a dozen paces could and did, in a few moments, wreck the wall and undo all the work of a skilled bricklayer.

You could see that this dastardly attack against a sanctified edifice, built and devoted to public worship, had been timed with the purpose of affronting the church people to an extreme degree. The deed had been committed in the darkness of the late Saturday night or early Sabbath morning. The congregation would not have known of it until they gathered for church at eleven o'clock. No time was there to repair the damage or even to clear away the debris. The beech log had done the work effectively. The attack was not from within but from without the church.

That was always the way with battering rams. It must have been pushed with pent-up animosity as well as with physical

force for the bricks to have been hurled far within and to have been scattered over pews and pulpit with the greatest disorder.

Along with other curious youngsters I took in the details of the destruction and mingled with the gaping crowd until the hour for service arrived and then slowly and reluctantly we passed through the big doors on the front and filed into our seats.

The minister found a cleared space behind the pulpit and took his stand while the excited congregation quieted down.

Just as the service was about to begin, a wave of astonishment swept through the audience as they saw filing through the wrecked entrance, the suspected perpetrators of the dastardly deed. One by one in single file, they picked their way through the broken mass of brick and mortar and took their usual seats in full view of the astonished congregation. All of my life long I have held that scene in my memory as a perfect illustration of the self control of the Scotch-Irish race. This was not the place and neither was it the time to be diverted from the sacred performance of the day.

The minister announced the Psalm, the leader of the music snapped his tuning fork and lifted the tune in which all joined lustily.

Not an allusion to the situation fell from the minister's lips as he preached his sermon. I have often wondered why he didn't abandon his text and use the occasion to deplore the powers of evil. He might have drawn on Bible history for many effective applications had he so chosen--Jericho's walls tumbling down or the destruction of the temple at Jerusalem, but that was not the Scotch-Irish way. The only suggestion that anything unusual had happened was the announcement of a meeting of the Session for the following day.

If that meeting was actually held or any action was taken then or afterwards I cannot say. If anything was done, the old Session records, which are still in existence, should reveal it. During the following week the door space was again filled in, the debris cleared away and a serious-minded congregation assembled as usual on the holy day and engaged in their customary services.

After long years I still ponder over the mysterious denouement of the strange affair. Evidently nothing punitive seemed to have taken place and today I wonder why. The outcome of this escapade was far out of the ordinary run of misdemeanors for it was an act of sacrilege, punishable by both the rule of the church and the law of the land, yet neither seemed to have entered into the case. Certain factors and deductions may be suggested.

The Hamilton group included a large number of church members and supporters. They were descendants of original pioneers and old-timers. The participants in this outrage were all young men knit together by the ties of kinship. To have excommunicated any or all of the miscreants would have created a breach among the members that would have worked immense harm. Another powerful but sentimental reason may be given:

Practically all of these young men were returned soldiers. Some of them had seen comrades fall at Vicksburg or had marched with other neighbor-boys with Sherman. Soldier comradeship is binding and there were scores in that assembly who had fought together, and in the old cemetery at the rear were the mounds and monuments of many who had given their lives for the same causes that had led their ancestors out of the land of the slave to the land of the freeman.

There had been no real hostility to the church in the escapade, no antagonism to authority. Rather it was a demonstration against the interference with personal rights and privileges, that spirit that has checked oppression and maintained liberty more than once during our national career.

Perhaps the boys carried their demonstration beyond the bounds of decency and reason but in the long run there had been nurtured in the hearts and minds of these people a spirit of tolerance willing to close their minds to intolerance and allow a possible cause for injury to fall into desuetude and forgetfulness. And it was well. For one thing, the ties that knit the Hamilton clan together began to slacken. One by one, the boys married and set up homes of their own. Jim Brown had already taken a separate pew in the church with his bride. Israel Brown located on the farm down on the hills of Four Mile Creek. Bill Hamilton got interested in some of the developments in farming machinery and became something of a celebrity. Calvin who had shouldered his rifle when only sixteen, redeemed himself by graduating from the University (Miami) and entering the ministry. Charley, six feet tall at fourteen, later migrated to a western state where he married and became an estimable citizen.

And so with the cousin, John Hamilton, whose father belonged to the Session of the church. I can see him yet, as a year later, awkward and red-faced, he ushered his bride into his father's family pew which adjoined our own.

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of that scene of desecration today.

The participants are all gone. Most of them are sleeping in the old churchyard hard by the scene of their midnight raid three quarters of a century ago. Each Decoration Day the memorial flags beside the marble markers wave their story of remembrance, not of the old abandoned door whose outline in the wall is still to be seen, but of patriotic services and useful careers, placed there by the friendly and loving hands of those who can both remember and forget.

Footnote: "E. E. Elliott, son of Hugh Elliott, grandson of Ebenezer Elliott, graduated Monmouth College, farmed several years and then went West--was a Professor in Univ. of Idaho. His wife sent me several papers about events in Israel Twp. E. E. was born on Elliott farm, SE of Morning Sun, Ohio.
--Ila Lemon"

NOTE: Edwin Ebenezer Elliott was born Oct. 16, 1860 and was over 75 years old when this was written. "Three quarters of a century ago." His florid style of rhetoric dates back to his youth; it was a form also favored by the Clerks of Session of Hopewell Church.

It is curious that in this lengthy narrative Mr. Elliott at no time identifies the church. It is indeed Hopewell Church.

The history of The Incident: From the records of Hopewell Church Congregational Meetings, April 23, 1866, "Trustees instructed to close the door in the North end of the church. Trustees also instructed to prosecute any one who disturbs the congregation while worshiping". Jan. 28, 1867 (after The Incident), ".....the prosecution of disturbers in meeting was ordered stricken out of minutes of April 23, 1866."

The Hopewell Church Session, which had its own judicial system and had suspended members for "refusal to stop the practice of dancing", took an amazingly tolerant stand. At their meeting the following day, there was general discussion and the usual committee was formed to investigate.

At the following meeting, the committee reported failure to find evidence and the matter was tabled indefinitely. It was not entirely forgotten for almost a year and a half later, the Session got a belated confession from Harvey Bell.

Marjorie Paxton Palmer

HOPKINSON CHURCH

1808-1915



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Subject: SESSION RECORDS, 1872-1916
INCLUDES BAPTISMS, ADMISSIONS
AND DISMISSALS (INCOMPLETE)

Hopewell, Sept. 2, 1872 "The Session met and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator (Rev. McHatton). Members present: Rev. Joseph McHatton, John Ramsey, Andrew Hamilton, Dr. (Richard) Sloan, Hugh Elliott, David Ramsey, Thomas M. Buck, James A. Brown and William Caskey.

On examination and profession of their faith in Christ the following persons were received into membership of this congregation: ALBERT C. MAGEE, EVA J. MARSHALL and SARAH MARSHALL.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Thomas M. Buck, Clerk of Session, offered his resignation which was accepted. And William Caskey was elected Clerk of Session.

Andrew Hamilton and William Caskey were appointed a committee to correct the Church roll of members and report to the Session.

Dr. Sloan and James A. Brown were appointed a committee to confer with Mrs. Bristo, Miss Annetta Murray and Mrs. D. Ramsey for absenting themselves from the preaching of the word and report to the Session.

James A. Brown was appointed a committee to investigate charges made against Mrs. Nathan Foster by William Foster and report to the Session.

Adjourned to meet Sept. 6, at half past one O'clock P.M. Prayer by Andrew Hamilton."

William Caskey, Clerk

** (Hereafter, all Minutes of Hopewell Session will be condensed and limited to the historic and human interest aspects of these records. Unless noted, the members of Session will be the same persons listed above. In the next meeting, Sept. 6th, it took 12 lines to identify all present, etc. and to learn that there was no business to transact.)

Hopewell, Sept. 6, 1872 No business to transact.
Sept. 7, 1872 EMMA L. RAMSEY was received on examination. James A. Brown reported the charges made against Mrs. Nathan Foster to be false.

Hopewell, Oct. 7, 1872 James A. Brown to be delegate to Synod. David Ramsey reported an interview with Tamison Duvall. She is now a member of the United Brethern Church. The Session therefore ruled that her name be erased from the roll.

The Clerk of Session was granted an order to draw on the treasurer of the Contingent fund to the amount of five dollars to pay for a book in which to keep the minutes of Ses-

sion and church records.**(Note: It is that book that is now being copied. There is much space at the back of the book for data on church members.)

Dr. Sloan and Wm. Caskey were appointed a committee to endeavor to Secure the missing records of the Session. (They were unsuccessful. The preceding Book of Session Minutes, May, 1850-Sept., 1872, was found in a sale of old books and is now privately owned.)

Hopewell, Nov. 25, 1872 Certificates of dismissal were granted to MRS. JANE HERRON, JOHN C. HERRON and NARCISSA HERRON, his wife. And also on Sept. 30th, to THOMAS M. BUCK and MARGARET BUCK, his wife, and to ISAAC L. McCRACKEN and ELLEN McCRACKEN, his wife. Jan. 6, 1873 Hugh Elliott to attend Presbytery at Hamilton, Ohio.

Hopewell, Jan. 17, 1873 The committee on correction of the Church roll of members reported. The Clerk instructed to incorporate the roll of church members and of the ruling Elders into the records of Session. The roll to contain the names of all who have acted as ruling Elders in Hopewell Congregation from its organization to the present time. Elders John Ramsey and Dr. Sloan were late.

The following persons were received: On certificate, MRS. MARGARET GILMORE, on examination FRANCES M. RAMSEY.

Hopewell, Jan. 18, 1873 John Marshall offered his resignation as leader of the Congregational Singing. On motion he was requested to continue until the Annual Meeting of the Congregation.

Hopewell, Feb. 23, 1873 Certificates of dismissal were granted to WILLIAM R. MARSHALL and SARAH MARSHALL, his wife. A congregational prayer and conference meeting was appointed to be held on the first Tuesday of every month at two O'clock P.M. Feb. 24, 1873 No business.

Hopewell, Mar. 11, 1873 Session Spent a Short time in devotional exercises after which the following paper was adopted:

Whereas Dancing is not promotive to the glory of God, nor the Salvation of Souls, And unfits those who engage in it for the right discharge of duties which they owe to God; And their fellow men. And has caused the circulation of reports detrimental to the cause of Christ, therefore:

Resolved 1st That dancing is inconsistent with the teachings of the word of God, And the practice of this congre-

gation, And members are earnestly entreated to desist therefrom.

Resolved 2nd That we request heads of families to assist us in this duty by refusing to permit dancing in their houses.

Resolved 3rd That we use our influence in a private way to remedy this evil.

Elder Andrew Hamilton was appointed a delegate to Presbytery.

Hopewell, April 1, 1873 The Members of Session and the teachers of the Sabbath School held a conference and appointed the 2nd Sabbath of April to open and reorganize the School.

Hopewell, Apr. 15, 1873 The committee to confer with Mrs. David C. Ramsey, Miss Annetta Murray and Mrs. Bristo reported. Report accepted and the committee discharged.

April 25, 1873 The following persons were received into membership: On certificate, RICHARD E. SLOAN; on examination, EMMA P. PAXTON.

Hopewell, June 13, 1873 Dr. Sloan to attend Presbytery at Hopewell. James A. Brown and Wm. Caskey to represent the Congregation before Presbytery and answer such questions as Presbytery will propose to them concerning the Spiritual interests of the congregation.

Hopewell, Aug. 5, 1873 It was reported at a previous meeting of Session that Miss Annetta Murray is a member of the Campbellite Church. Therefore resolved that her name be erased from our roll. Elder James A. Brown was late.

Hopewell, Aug. 26, 1873 Certificates of dismissal were granted to ALBERT C. MAGEE, ELIZA BROWN & MARGARET BROWN. And also in April to JAMES I. FARIS & WIFE.

On motion our pastor was requested to read the preamble and resolutions on dancing to the congregation at some suitable time.

James A. Brown was appointed to confer with James H. Bush in regard to unchristian conduct and neglect of the ordinance of the Lord's Supper. William Caskey to confer with Mr. and Mrs. Harmon in regard to neglect of ordinances.

Hopewell, Aug. 27, 1873 Elders John Ramsey, James A. Brown, Hugh Elliott and Andrew Hamilton were late for the meeting. The following persons were received into membership: On certificate, ROBERT J. MILLER, MRS. MARIA FOSTER

and GRIZZELL McDILL; on examination, CAROLINE M. ELLIOTT, SARAH F. BROWN & EMMA J. ANDERSON. Aug. 30, 1873 SAMUEL MCHATTON was received on examination. Oct. 5, 1873 Hugh Elliott to attend Presbytery at Sycamore. Oct. 12th Andrew Hamilton to attend meeting of Synod at Princeton, Indiana.

Hopewell, Dec. 28, 1873 Session agreed to have the ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered Sometime during the month of January, 1874. James A. Brown to attend Presbytery at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Hopewell, Jan. 18, 1874 ADA E. MOREN was received on examination. Jan. 27, 1874 Committee to confer with Mr. and Mrs. Harmon reported and were discharged. Committee to confer with James H. Bush requested to be relieved from duty. Granted.

The following questions were proposed for discussion:

1st. Is it worshipping God to Sing psalms at Sabbath School celebrations?

2nd. Should we require applicants for admission to membership in this congregation to give their assent to the principles of the United Presbyterian Church?

Hopewell, Jan. 30, 1874 The following persons were received on examination: WILLIAM H. MARSHALL, MRS. AMELIA MARSHALL, ELLIE R. MARSHALL, MATHEW H. MARSHALL, JOSEPH L. MARSHALL, GEORGE W. MANN & LEWIS CORNGABLE.

Mar. 1, 1874 Certificates of dismissal were granted to MRS. REBECCA MAGEE, JAMES M. MAGEE & LUCINDA J. MAGEE.

Apr. 5, 1874 Andrew Hamilton to attend Presbytery at Monroe, Ohio.

Hopewell, April 14, 1874 Certificates of dismissal were granted to MARY A. WALLACE & GEORGE G. WALLACE. Also to ROBERT PATTERSON & FRANCES PATTERSON, his wife. Hugh Elliott soon appeared and took his Seat.

The Sabbath School teachers of last year were reappointed for the coming year. Mrs. R. J. Caskey offered her resignation as teacher which was accepted, and Miss Sallie Wilson was appointed to fill her place. Miss Clara Brown was appointed to teach the class formerly taught by Mrs. Faris.

Hopewell, April 28, 1874 The following persons were received on examination: HARRY Y. FOSTER, WILLIAM M. BROWN, and DAVID R. SHAW.

John Ramsey was appointed to confer with Benjamin Foster and James A. Brown to confer with Nathan Foster in reference to the neglect of having the ordinance of baptism administered to their children.

John Ramsey to confer with Jame H. Bush and David Ramsey to confer with Mr. and Mrs. Harmon with reference to neglecting the word and ordinances of God's house.

Hopewell, May 1, 1874 Members present, David Ramsey and William Caskey. John Ramsey and Andrew Hamilton soon appeared. About half an hour after Session was constituted Hugh Elliott and James A. Brown appeared.

The following persons were admitted into membership: on examination, MARGARET J. GRAHAM, ELIZA E. McCLENAHAN and ANNIE E. BROWN; on certificate, JAMES NEWTON.

At the request of John Ramsey, James H. Bush appeared before Session and gave his reasons for neglecting the ordinance of the Lord's Supper. After some conversation with Session, his difficulties appeared to be removed for the present.

David Ramsey reported an interview with Mr. and Mrs. Harmon. Their case was laid over for the present.

Committee to confer with Benjamin Foster reported that Mr. Foster promised to have the ordinance of baptism administered to his children, if they were willing, as soon as convenient.

Hopewell, June 14, 1874 Certificates of dismissal were granted to J. M. ANDERSON & EMMA J. ANDERSON, his wife.
July 14, 1874 Elder James A. Brown reported that Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Foster would have their children baptized soon. Whereas, reports have come to Session derogatory to the Christian character of James H. Bush (drunkenness and using profane language) that he be, and hereby is, suspended from the privileges of the Church. Cited to appear before Session to answer the charges reported against him. Adjourned to meet Sabbath evening after Sermon.

Hopewell, July 19, 1874 After Sermon, Session met to hear the report in the case of James H. Bush and it was reported that his whereabouts could not be ascertained.

Hopewell, July 28, 1874 Committee reported that James H. Bush could not be found. Whereas, Session having twice endeavored to cite Mr. Bush to appear and answer to the charges against him but failed because of his absence, therefore, Resolved, that the action of Session in the

case of James H. Bush be publicly announced to the congregation on next Sabbath. Which was done by the Moderator.

Elder David Ramsey was appointed a Committee to confer with Mr. and Mrs. Harmon and request them to appear before Session and give their reasons for absenting themselves from the public ordinances of God's house.

** (Mr. and Mrs. Harmon and Mr. Bush were some of the "colored persons" in the Hopewell congregation.)

Hopewell, Sept. 1, 1874 David Ramsey reported an interview with Mrs. Harmon and requested her and her husband to appear before Session but they did not appear. Their case was laid on the table for the present. Dr. Sloan to attend Presbytery at Hopkinsville, Ohio.

Hopewell, Sept. 4, 1874 The following persons were received on examination: WILLIAM F. BADER, MARY R. BADER, his wife, ROBERT M. WILSON & MARY F. HAMILTON.

Hopewell, Sept. 5, 1874 JOHN A. MANN was received on examination. The hour for Services in the church having arrived, the Moderator requested Dr. Sloan to take the chair. After which the following action was taken by the Session.

Whereas, our pastor is not in the enjoyment of good health at present, therefore

Resolved, That we the members of Hopewell Session, recommend that the congregation grant him a vacation. Our pastor to decide what time would be most suitable for him, and the congregation to decide the length of the vacation.

A congregational meeting was called immediately after Services and the above action was read by the Clerk to the congregation. Oct. 11, 1874 William Caskey to attend Synod at Spring Hill, Indiana.

Hopewell, Jan. 3, 1875 A certificate of dismissal was granted to ROBERT S. PAXTON. John Ramsey to attend Presbytery at College Corner. Mar. 14, 1875 A certificate of dismissal was granted to MRS. ISABELLA IRWIN, formerly ISABELLA DOUGLASS.

Hopewell, March 16, 1875 James A. Brown to confer with William Ramsey in reference to his absenting himself from the public ordinances of God's house and also to the report of his being several times intoxicated.

John Ramsey appointed to cite Mr. William Harmon to appear before Session.

Hopewell, Mar. 23, 1875 James A. Brown reported a conference with Wm. S. Ramsey. His reason for nonattendance on public ordinances was that he applied for his certificate over a year ago but did not receive it; and also in reference to the report of his being intoxicated, he replied, "If you can prove it, go ahead".

Hugh Elliott appointed to hold further conference with Wm. S. Ramsey and try to persuade him to return to his duty.

John Ramsey reported that he served the citation on Mr. Wm. Harman but he failed to appear. Wm. Caskey to cite him again.

Whereas the Moderator of this Session notified the congregation at the late annual meeting held Jan. 25th that he would offer his resignation of the Pastoral charge of Hopewell congregation at the next meeting of Presbytery, therefore, Resolved. That we request a meeting of the congregation to take whatever action they may think proper in this case.

Hopewell, Apr. 5, 1875 John Ramsey, as usual, was late. Hugh Elliott reported an interview with Wm. S. Ramsey who denied the intoxication charge and said he would like to attend church. Report accepted.

Andrew Hamilton was appointed a delegate to attend the meeting of Presbytery at Hopewell on April 6th at 2 P.M.

Jas. A. Brown to confer with Mr. Peter Kemple about a report of his being intoxicated about a year ago at College Corner, and if he denies the reported charge, the committee will investigate the matter.

Hugh McQuiston to ascertain what evidence there is (if any) to prove the report of Wm. S. Ramsey being intoxicated.

William Caskey to cite Wm. Harmon and also Mrs. Melissa Harmon to appear before Session.

Hopewell, Apr. 27, 1875 At the late meeting of the 1st Presbytery of Ohio at Hopewell, April 7th 1875, Rev. Joseph McHatton was released from the Pastoral charge of Hopewell congregation.

A paper was received from Morning Sun congregation inviting Hopewell congregation to unite with them and build a church at Morning Sun.

Wm. Caskey and Andrew Hamilton were appointed a committee to inquire into the purpose of the paper.

The Committee submitted the following to the Session which was approved and sent to the Morning Sun congregation.

"To the members of the Morning Sun congregation. The Session of Hopewell respectfully make the following inquiry. Is it your desire to immerge the two congregations into one before you commence building your house of worship."

Hopewell, May 10, 1875 The Session of Morning Sun was invited to meet with the Session of Hopewell and hold a conference as to the practicability of uniting the two congregations.

Hopewell, May 15, 1875 Members present from Morning Sun congregation: James Cook, William McCreary and Samuel B. McQuiston. Members of Hopewell: John Ramsey, Hugh Elliott, Hugh McQuiston, David Ramsey, James A. Brown and William Caskey.

Resolved That we the members of Morning Sun congregation propose to the members of Hopewell congregation to unite with us in building a church at Morning Sun.

Signed John Wright, Char
John C. McDill, Sec

After discussing the above proposition, both Sessions expressed a desire for the union of the two congregations, providing they could be united Satisfactorily.

The following resolution was then passed. That we call a meeting of the congregation on Saturday before the Communion immediately after Services to consider the proposition from Morning Sun congregation.

Resolved That we invite the Morning Sun congregation to unite with us in the celebration of the Lord's Supper on the 4th Sabbath of May.

After hearing a letter read from M. M. Brown stating the condition and wants of Lincoln College, Session ordered a collection to be taken next Sabbath week for said College.

Hopewell, June 13, 1875 James A. Brown to attend Presbytern at Dayton, Ohio. Session to invite Rev. H. P. Jackson to administer the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on the 4th Sabbath of August. Aug. 20, 1875 Rev. H. P. Jackson, Moderator pro tem. Certificate of Standing was granted EVA J. JOHNSTON, formerly MARSHALL, to connect with Morning Sun congregation. David Ramsey to attend Synod at Bellefontaine, Ohio. Aug. 29, 1875 Session met and granted a certificate of dismission to connect with the Oxford congregation, Ohio, to MRS. GRIZZELL McDILL. Sept. 19, 1875 Granted a certificate of dismission to ROBERT WILSON to connect with a Sister congregation at Monmouth, Ill.

Hopewell, Sept 26, 1875 Hugh McQuiston to attend Presbytery at Fair Haven. Oct. 26, 1875 Could not find sufficient evidence to prove the charge of intoxication against Peter Kemple. Case dismissed.

Dr. Sloan to confer with David C. Ramsey regarding intoxication and neglecting the public ordinances of God's house. A certificate of dismission was granted J. C. HAMILTON.

Hopewell, Nov. 5, 1875 Resolved, That Wm. Harmon and Melissa, his wife, be and hereby are Suspended from the Sealing ordinances of God's house, till they return from the error of their way and give evidence of repentance.

Wm. S. Ramsey refused to appear before Session and said that he did not consider himself a member of the church. Resolved, That Wm. S. Ramsey be and hereby is Suspended from the Sealing ordinances of God's house, till he returns from the error of his way and gives evidence of repentance.

The Clerk was instructed to notify Wm. S. Ramsey, Wm. Harmon and Melissa, his wife, of the action of Session in their cases.

Dr. Sloan reported that he did not confer with David C. Ramsey, but saw him several times under the influence of liquor and heard him use profane language. He too was suspended.

Hugh McQuiston was appointed to confer with Louis Williams in regard to neglecting the public ordinances of the church and report to Session.

Hopewell, Nov. 21, 1875 Received on certificate, THOMAS MCQUISTON. Dec. 4, 1875 Received on examination, CHARLES H. HOCKERSMITH. Dec. 19, 1875 Dr. Sloan to attend Presbytery at Hamilton, Ohio. Dec. 26, 1875 SAMUEL A. BUCK received on certificate. Certificates of dismission were granted to MRS. MARGARET BUCK, JOHN P. BUCK, & MINERVA J. BUCK, his wife, and MARGARET A. BUCK. Also to ISRAEL H. GRAY and HATTIE GRAY, his wife, and D. A. GRAY & MARY ANN GRAY.

Hopewell, Jan. 16, 1876 Certificates of dismission were granted to HUGH B. RAMSEY, MARTHA C. RAMSEY, FRANCES M. RAMSEY, DAVID RAMSEY, MARY RAMSEY, FANNIE I. GILMORE & MATILDA BERNARD. Jan. 23, 1876 A certificate of dismission was granted to CLARA WRIGHT, formerly CLARA FOSTER.

Hopewell, Feb. 16, 1876 A certificate of dismission was granted to MRS. MARY A. WHITE, formerly MARY BROWN.

Committee appointed to confer with Mr. Louis Williams reported that Mr. Williams' horse died some time ago and it was too

far for he and his family to walk to church, but said they would attend preaching as soon as they could get another horse. Report accepted. Mar. 19, 1876 Wm. Caskey to attend Presbytery at Dayton, Ohio.

Hopewell, March 26, 1876 A certificate of dismissal was granted to MRS. JOSEPH SIMPSON. And also on Apr. 2nd to MR. ANDREW B. GRAY & MARGARET GRAY, his wife.

Apr. 9, 1876 A certificate of dismissal was granted to MRS. EVALINE F. GILMORE, formerly EVALINE WILSON.

June 11, 1876 Andrew Hamilton to attend Presbytery at Richmond, Indiana. June 27, 1876 Whereas Mrs. Bristo has for over a year neglected the public ordinances Resolved, That her name be dropped from our roll.

Whereas Wm. Harmon and Melissa, his wife, have been suspended since Nov. 5, 1875 and are at present living outside of the bounds of this congregation, Resolved, that their names be dropped from our roll.

Dr. Sloan to confer with Mrs. Mary S. Ramsey and ascertain why she does not attend church.

Hopewell, July 25, 1876 Dr. Sloan reported that Mary S. Ramsey said we would like to attend church and that her husband had promised to take her but always found some excuse for not fulfilling his promise. She said when there would be preaching in town that she expected to go and take her children with her.

Hugh Elliott and Dr. Sloan to investigate reports in circulation injurious to the Christian character of David R. Shaw.

The Clerk was instructed to ask W. H. French, D.D. to administer the Lord's Supper at Hopewell some time during the month of August.

Hopewell, Aug. 8, 1876 Dr. Sloan reported that he found evidence strong enough to convince him that David R. Shaw is guilty of using profane language.

John Ramsey reported that he talked with Hervy Bell who acknowledged that he had been intoxicated and promised that he would endeavor to do his duty, in the future and that he hoped it would be the last time that he would ever be intoxicated. Session was Satisfied with his statement.

Mr. Hamilton and James A. Brown to investigate reports injurious to the Christian character of Samuel R. Brown.

Hopewell, Aug. 17, 1876 Mr. Hugh McQuiston to confer with David R. Shaw and if he would not promise to quit using profane language and return to his duty to request him to abstain from Sealing Ordinances until further action is taken in his case.

Andrew Hamilton and James A. Brown reported that they found evidence sufficient to Satisfy them that Samuel R. Brown has been guilty of using profane language and also of the Sin of Sabbath desecration and intoxication. At first he admitted the charges but afterwards when Specifications were made he would neither admit nor deny.

Hopewell, Aug. 19, 1876 Dr. Sloan and Hugh Elliott were late. The following persons were admitted on examination: JOHN WILSON PAXTON and IDA A. GRAY.

Conferred with David R. Shaw who admitted that he had been guilty of using profane language but would refrain from it in the future. He expressed his Sorrow for the past and said he would try to do his duty and live a Christian life. Report accepted as Satisfactory and the case dismissed.

Hopewell, Aug. 20, 1876 The following persons were received into membership: on certificate, MARY C. McDILL and MRS. E. HAMILTON; on examination, SARAH MELISSA BROWN and MATTIE MURRAY. The latter was admitted to the ordinance of baptism.

Hopewell, Sept. 17, 1876 Andrew Hamilton to attend Synod at Hamilton. JONATHAN T. ATKINS was received on certificate.

Certificates of dismissal were granted for MARGARET GILMORE and JAMES I. GILMORE to connect with Fair Haven congregation. Elder Hugh McQuiston to attend Presbytery at Monroe. Certificates of dismissal were granted to LOUIS WILLIAMS and MARY WILLIAMS, his wife, on Nov. 12th 1876.

Hopewell, Dec. 24, 1876 William Caskey was appointed a delegate to attend the approaching meeting of Presbytery to meet at Cincinnati on the first Tuesday of Jan. 1877.

Hopewell, Dec. 28, 1876 Session granted certificates
of dismissal to the following persons to connect with the
Morning Sun congregation.

1. Bader, William F.
2. Bader, Mary R.
3. Bell, Nathan
4. Bell, Samuel H.
5. Bell, Elizabeth R.
6. Brown, James
7. Brown, Elizabeth
8. Brown, John C.
9. Brown, James H.
10. Brown, Caroline
11. Brown, Israel
12. Brown, Anna
13. Brown, James S.
14. Brown, Julia A.
15. Brown, Clara J.
16. Brown, Robert J.
17. Brown, Vinolia
18. Brown, William M.
19. Douglass, Eliza
20. Elliott, Hugh, Elder
21. Elliott, Elizabeth
22. Elliott, Sarah E.
23. Elliott, Edwin E.
24. Elliott, John A.
25. Foster, Benjamin
26. Foster, Emily H.
27. Foster, Nathan H.
28. Foster, Catherine
29. Foster, Hannah A.
30. Foster, Sarah S.
31. Foster, Nancy M.
32. Foster, Harry Y.
33. Faris, James I.
34. Faris, Caroline S.
35. Graham, Elmira
36. Hamilton, John
37. Hamilton, Martha E.
38. Hamilton, George S.
39. Hamilton, Martha J.
40. Hamilton, William R.
41. Hamilton, Mrs. Wm. R.
42. Hamilton, James
43. Hamilton, Sallie D.
44. K/Corngable, Lewis
45. Kemple, Peter
46. Kemple, Anna
47. Marshall, Joseph
48. Marshall, Elizabeth
49. Marshall, William H.
50. Marshall, Amelia
51. Marshall, John H.
52. Marshall, Robert
53. Marshall, Margery
54. Marshall, Sarah M.
55. Marshall, Mary A.
56. Marshall, Elizabeth J.
57. Marshall, Eleanor R.
58. Marshall, James L.
59. Marshall, Caroline E.
60. Murray, Elizabeth T.
61. Murray, Mattie
62. Mann, Kate M.
63. Mann, George W.
64. Mann, Emma
65. Mann, John A.
66. Mann, Sallie A.
67. McQuiston, Jane
68. McQuiston, Anna
69. McQuiston, Andrew C.
70. McQuiston, Nancy
71. McQuiston, Hugh, Elder
72. McQuiston, Elizabeth
73. McQuiston, Sarah M.
74. McNeely, Mary A.
75. McDill, James
76. McDill, Agness
77. McDill, Mary J.
78. Ramsey, Joseph S.
79. Ramsey, Sarah R.
80. Ramsey, Keturah
81. Ramsey, Mary S.
82. Robertson, David, Elder
83. Sloan, John
84. Sloan, Isabel
85. Sloan, Dr. Richard, Elder
86. Sloan, Mary
87. Sloan, Nathan C.
88. Sloan, Richard E.
89. Sloan, Nathan
90. Sloan, Marietta
91. Shaw, David R.
92. Smith, Alfred
93. Smith, Malinda
94. Wilson, William
95. Wilson, Jane
96. Wilson, Sallie A.
97. Wilson, Nathan M.
98. Wilson, Anna P.
99. Wilson, Jennie
100. Wilson, Charles
101. Wilson, Robert M.

** (Note: On Jan. 31, 1876, the resolution to unite with the Morning Sun congregation lost by a single vote: 32 against, 31 for. At the same meeting, they amended the Constitution of Hopewell Church to allow ALL members to vote instead of heads of households only. In 1876 there were a reported 216 members, yet only 63 voted. In 1877 there were a reported 96 members.)

(The spirit of the resolution differed sharply from the amiable semi-agreement between the Hopewell and Morning Sun Sessions reported heretofore by William Caskey, Session Clerk. The resolution read: "Resolved, That we build a new church and locate it in Morning Sun and continue the name Hopewell and invite the members of the Morning Sun congregation to unite with us and assist in building the church".)

At a meeting of the Session of the Morning Sun congregation held Jan. 12, 1877 it was decided that David R. Shaw who was certified with others from the Session of Hopewell, cannot be received as a member of this congregation until there is an investigation by the Session of Hopewell of certain reports derogatory to his Christian character and Standing.

Hopewell, Jan. 20, 1877 "The Clerk was instructed to send the following paper to the Session of Morning Sun.

Whereas, there are no charges on our book against David R. Shaw and the reports in circulation derogatory to his Christian character did not come to our knowledge in time for investigation before granting the certificates asked for. And whereas, we certified him to the Session of Morning Sun stating that there were reports in circulation derogatory to his Christian character (The case was dismissed Aug. 19, 1876) therefore,

Resolved 1st That David R. Shaw is dismissed from the Hopewell congregation.

Resolved 2nd That the matter now rests entirely between the Session of Morning Sun and David R. Shaw."

Hopewell, Feb. 4, 1877 Certificates of dismissal granted to CAROLINE E. ELLIOTT and MINNA ELLIOTT.

April 3rd James A. Brown to attend Presbytery at Oxford.

June 10th Andrew Hamilton to attend Presbytery at Morning Sun.

Aug. 8th The Session could not see their way clear to grant David P. Gray a certificate and on motion the Clerk was instructed to request Mr. Gray to appear and give his reasons for absenting himself from God's house.

Hopewell, Aug. 10, 1877 Session met at the Session house and was constituted with prayer by Rev. John Anderson, Moderator, pro tem.

The following persons were received on examination: ARTHUR A. GRAHAM, JAMES M. ALLEN, CHARLES R. McDILL, NANCY C. PAXTON, MELVINA J. McMILLAN, MARTHA J. BELL, IDA M. BROWN, and MARY MARSHALL. Aug. 11th ROBERT McQUISTON received on certificate. WILLIAM M. PAXTON received on examination.

Charges injurious to the Christian character of Wm. T. Brown having come to the knowledge of Session, he was notified to refrain from Sealing ordinances till the charges could be investigated.

Hopewell, Aug. 22, 1877 Samuel R. Brown appeared and acknowledged that he had used profane language and desecrated the Sabbath day. He promised relying upon God for Strength to forsake his Sins and live a Christian life.

Wm. T. Brown appeared and promised to live a Christian life, relying upon God for Strength. Both brethren requested the prayers of the congregation on their behalf. And were willing that the above should be read from the pulpit.

James A. Brown to attend Synod at Bloomington, Indiana on Sept. 27, 1877. William Caskey to attend Presbytery at Unity (College Corner), Indiana on Sept. 25, 1877.

Hopewell, Dec. 1, 1877 (Written in the margin: "Rev. J. C. Campbell accepted the call from Hopewell and took charge of the congregation on the first Sabbath of October, 1877. But was not installed till March 26, 1878.")

Session met at the Session house and was constituted with prayer by the Mod., Rev. J. C. Campbell.

Resolved, That Session request the Superintendent and teachers of the Sabbath School to continue the School till the Annual Meeting of the congregation and then let the congregation decide whether the School shall be continued or closed during the remainder of the winter.

Resolved, That in the judgment of this Session, the election of three additional members is necessary.

Resolved, That Monday after our communion be appointed for election of Elders.

Resolved, That Session make no nominations.

Resolved, That Andrew Hamilton be appointed to attend Presbytery at Hamilton on Dec. 17, 1877.

Hopewell, Jan. 11, 1878 The following persons were received on examination: EMMA BROWN and MAGGIE J. RAMSEY. On certificate: ELIZA JANE CAMPBELL, MARY G. CAMPBELL, MARGERET C. CAMPBELL, SARAH B. DALES CAMPBELL, JOSEPH C. STEEL,

MARY J. STEEL, MARTHA PAXTON, WILLIAM HAYS, ELIZABETH JANE HAYS & CAROLINE McDILL.

Certificates of dismissions were granted to JENNIE BROWN to connect with Morning Sun congregation and also to ROBERT P. GILMORE & RACHEL C. GILMORE to connect with Unity (College Corner) congregation. Recess to meet at call of Mod'r.

According to previous arrangements the election for Ruling Elders was held on Monday after Communion Jan. 14th which resulted in the election of William Bell, Hugh Ramsey and Andrew B. Rock. Public notice was given to the congregation that these brethern would be ordained in due time providing no lawful objections be laid in against them.

March 12th. A certificate of dismission was granted to DAVID C. RAMSEY to connect with Morning Sun congregation.

Hopewell, Feb. 12, 1878 Wm. Bell, Hugh Ramsey and Andrew B. Rock the Elders elect were examined as to the acceptance of the office. Their view in undertaking it and their qualifications for it and also on dicipline. The examination was Sustained. The congregation to be notified on next Sabbath of their acceptance of the office of Ruling Elder, accompanied by the edict. The time of their ordination left to the discretion of the Moderator.

The committee to confer with David C. Ramsey reported that Mr. Ramsey expressed his Sorrow for his Sin and promised relying upon God for Strength to try and do better in the future. Report accepted. (Footnote: "Resolved, That David C. Ramsey be and hereby is restored to the privileges of the church." [This resolution should have been inserted in the above minutes. Wm. Caskey, Clerk] The above-listed March 12th dismission of David C. Ramsey to the Morning Sun church seems to have been a misplaced footnote.)

Hopewell, Feb. 26, 1878 On Sabbath Feb. 24th, The Moderator announced to the congregation that the Elders elect would be ordained on Tuesday, Feb. 26th. Services to begin at 11 o'clock. On the day appointed the congregation met, and the Session was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. After a very instructive Sermon by Rev. J. F. Black of Oxford on Spiritual growth, the Elders elect were ordained to the office of Ruling Elders by prayer and the laying on of the hands of the Session.

Hugh Ramsey to attend Presbytery at Hopewell Feb. 26, 1878.

Hopewell, March 30, 1878 Session made out the following list of officers and teachers and made arrangements to

reorganize the Sabbath School on the first Sabbath of April.

Superintendent	James A. Brown	Rev. J. C. Campbell
Secretary	David. B. Paxton	
Treasurer	Albert McDill	

Teachers: William Bell, Hugh Ramsey, Andrew B. Rock, Samuel M. Paxton, Samuel Graham, Wm. Caskey, Andrew N. McClenahan, Nathan L. Ramsey, Nancy C. Bell, Mattie Paxton, Lizzie Hamilton, Lizzie Harper, Martha A. McQuiston, Isabel Graham, Margaret McQuiston, Melvina J. McMillan, Eliza J. Campbell, Mary G. Campbell, Mattie Ramsey and Mary A. Paxton.

April 21st MRS. F. ELLEN BROWN received on certificate from the Presbyterian congregation of Somerville, Ohio.

Hopewell, May 24, 1878 The following persons were received on examination: EDGAR W. BAKER, BELLE A. HAYS, MAGGIE E. HAYS. Mr. Baker was admitted to the ordinance of baptism.

Whereas, the Committee appointed to confer with Wm. S. Ramsey reported that Mr. Ramsey stated that he had turned from the error of his ways and that he would endeavor to do right in the future, and desired to be restored to the privileges of the church and also asked for a certificate, therefore: Resolved, That Wm. S. Ramsey be and hereby is restored to the privileges of the church and also that his request for a certificate be granted. James A. Brown to attend Presbytery at Dayton on June 3, 1878. Resolved, That collections for the Boards of the church be taken monthly.

Certificates granted to MARY PAXTON & SINA L. PAXTON to connect with Unity congregation.

Hopewell, Aug. 16, 1878 William Caskey and Andrew Hamilton were appointed to confer with David P. Gray regarding his absenting himself from the ordinances of God's house, and if his reasons are Satisfactory to the Committee they are authorized to give him and his daughter a certificate of dismissal from Hopewell congregation.

Received on certificate: MISS ANN HARBISON. On Aug. 17 GERTRUDE SLICKER was received on examination. James A. Brown and A. B. Rock were appointed to divide the congregation into six districts. Sept. 17, 1878 John Ramsey to attend Synod at Morning Sun, Ohio on the first Tues of Oct. 1878 at 2 o'clock p.m.

Hopewell, Oct. 15, 1878 The Committee appointed on David P. Gray's case reported. The Clerk reported in favor of granting Mr. Gray a certificate. Mr. Hamilton reported ver-

bally stated that he was unwilling to grant Mr. Gray a certificate and gave his reasons why. Reports accepted and after some discussion, Mr. Gray's case was laid on the table for the present. A certificate was granted to IDA A. GRAY.

Oct. 20, 1878 A certificate granted to MELVINA J. GIL-
ESPIE McMILLAN. Nov. 30th A certificate granted
to MRS. MAGGIE McCREARY, formerly MAGGIE BROWN.
Dec. 19th A certificate of dismissal was granted to
ADDIE (ADA) E. MOREN.

Hopewell, Jan. 10, 1879 Received on examination: DAVID
EDWARD PAXTON. Jan. 26th Certificates were grant-
ed to CHARLES H. HOCKERSMITH and RACHEL MARIA HOCKERSMITH,
his wife, to connect with Unity congregation.
Feb. 24th Certificates were granted to JAMES H. ALLEN
and NANCY R. ALLEN, his wife, to connect with Fair Haven
congregation. March 10th Certificates were
granted to NATHAN C. HARPER, SAMUEL R. BROWN and F. ELLEN
BROWN. Mar. 29th A. B. Rock to attend Pres-
bytery at Morning Sun, Ohio, April 1, 1879. John Ramsey
asked for a leave of absence which was granted. The Treas-
urer was instructed to send \$45 of the Sabbath School col-
lections to the Board of Home Missions.

(A committee had long been struggling to complete a "report
on Narrative and State of religion and also the congregational
Statistics". No records can be found of this undertaking.
It was completed on April 15, 1879.)

(The records are usually detailed as to who was late and who
was absent. A typical meeting and the minutes follows:)

Hopewell, Friday, April 18, 1879 10 o'clock a.m. Same
place (Hopewell Session house). Session convened and was
opened with prayer by the Mod. (Rev. Campbell). Members pre-
sent: Jas. A. Brown & Wm. Caskey. Shortly after Session was
constituted, John Ramsey & Wm. Bell appeared and took their
Seats. Absentees: And. Hamilton, Hugh Ramsey, A. B. Rock.

The following action was taken in Charles McDill case. Where-
as Charles McDill has been guilty of the Sin of intoxication,
and whereas he appeared before Session & expressed his Sorrow
& repentance for his Sins. And also promised total absti-
nence from intoxicating liquors in the future. Therefore,
Resolved, That he be and hereby is restored to the Seal-
ing ordinances of God's house.

Jas. A. Brown was elected Treasurer of the Benevolent Con-
tributions of the congregation for one year. Session took
a recess till half past 10 o'clock tomorrow. Same
place, Apr. 19th, 10 1/2 o'clock a.m. Session convened and

was opened with prayer by the Mod. Members all present except And. Hamilton and A. B. Rock who Soon appeared.

On examination and profession of their faith in Christ, the following persons were received into membership of this congregation; ALEX. GILMORE McDILL, WALTER MCHATTON McDILL, SAMUEL McCracken PAXTON, ANDREW REESE McCLENAHAN and SUSANNA RACHEL HARPER.

JOHN C. HAMILTON appeared before Session and Stated that he neglected to get his certificate from the Session of the United Presbyterian congregation of Indianapolis, and he further stated that he had for some time neglected his duty and promised to do better in the future. He was received into membership of this congregation. Adjourned with prayer.
William Caskey, Clerk

Hopewell, June 8, 1879 Hugh Ramsey to attend Presbytery at Oxford on June 10, 1879. Aug. 9, 1879 KATIE M. BROWN was received on examination. Aug. 19, 1879 Wm. Caskey to attend Presbytery at Monroe, Ohio.
Sept. 7th Hugh Ramsey to attend Synod at Piqua, Ohio on Oct. 3, 1879. Sept. 16th ROBERT S. PAXTON was received on certificate.

At an informal meeting held Dec. 7th Mr. Andrew Brown requested certificates for himself and his family. James A. Brown and A. B. Rock were appointed a Committee to visit Mr. Brown and ascertain his reasons for asking for his and his family's certificates.

The Committee appointed to visit Mr. Brown reported that he stated that the reason that he and his family asked for their certificates was ill treatment received at the hands of A.P. Paxton.

Wm. Caskey and Hugh Ramsey to confer with A. P. Paxton and Andrew Brown and endeavor to reconcile them if possible.

Jan. 11, 1880 Wm. Caskey to attend Presbytery at Hamilton, Ohio, Jan. 12, 1880.

Hopewell, Jan. 17, 1880 The following persons were received on examination: ANDREW N. GRAHAM, NANCY G. PAXTON and HARRIET EVALINE McQUISTON. On certificate: WILLIAM A. DOUGLASS and MARY G. DOUGLASS, his wife.

The Pastor reported having examined Miss Ella Graham on the 20th day of Dec., 1879, and recommended her as a proper person to be received to baptism and the membership of this congregation. He also reported her death on the following day, Dec. 21st, 1879.

The committee appointed to confer with A. P. Paxton and

Andrew Brown asked for further time for investigation which was granted. Mr. John Ramsey asked for and was granted a leave of absence.

Mr. James A. Brown was elected Treasurer of the benevolent contributions of the congregation for one year.

Hopewell, Mar. 16, 1880 James A. Brown, David B. Paxton and Wm. Caskey were appointed a Committee to prepare the report of the Sabbath School and report to the permanent committee on Sabbath Schools.

Wm. Caskey, Hugh Ramsey and James A. Brown were appointed to prepare the report on Narrative and State of religion.

Wm. Caskey, Wm. Bell, James A. Brown and Wm. McQuiston were appointed a Committee to prepare the Statistical report of the congregation.

James A. Brown was reelected Superintendent of the Sabbath School for the ensuing year. John W. Graham was elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Sab. School for the ensuing year.

Robert S. Paxton, Calvin Brown and Albert Brown were appointed to lead the congregational Singing.

Resolved, That after the apportionment is filled the balance of the Sabbath School contributions be given to Home Missions.

Hopewell, Mar. 25, 1880 Report on Narrative and State of religion read and adopted. The Statistics were read and adopted. The report of the Sabbath School was adopted without reading.

Wm. Bell to attend Presbytery at Dayton, Ohio. Apr. 20th Wm. Bell's excuse for non attendance at Presbytery was sustained. The report of Sabbath School was reconsidered and the answer to the question, "What are your greatest hindrances?" stricken out.

A. B. Rock and Wm. Bell were appointed a Committee to visit Mr. Samuel Hockersmith and ascertain whether he followed the directions given in the Divine law, Matt. 18: 15-17*, before handing in the paper containing the charges made against Mr. Andrew Hamilton (Elder) and if not why not and report at the next meeting of Session.

*Matthew 18: 15. Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. 16. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. 17. And if he shall

neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church; but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican.

James A. Brown offered his resignation as Superintendent of the Sabbath School which was not accepted.

Hopewell, Apr. 23, 1880 The Committee appointed to visit Mr. Samuel Hockersmith reported that after calling his attention to the directions given in Matt 18: 15-17 they asked him if he had complied with these directions and he answered No. And when asked why he did not, he said he did not know that he was required to do so.

Whereas, the Committee had shown him his fault in this matter, therefore, Resolved, That no further action is necessary at present. James A. Brown to inform Mr. Hockersmith of the action of Session and give him the instruction that he needs to enable him to do his duty in this case.

May 15th MRS. MARIA F. GRAHAM was received into membership on examination. Mr. Hockersmith to be informed of the time of next meeting of Session. (Aug. 5, 2 P.M.)

Hopewell, Aug. 5, 1880 Members all present except Andrew Hamilton, Hugh Ramsey and A. B. Rock who appeared soon after Session was constituted.

A paper was presented by Mr. Samuel Hockersmith containing charges against Mr. Andrew Hamilton. See paper No. 1. After reading the paper and giving the parties an opportunity to settle the matter between themselves which proved a failure, Session accepted the paper and took steps to proceed to trial.

(No hint as to the nature of the disagreement is given in these Minutes of Session. Charges were made on separate papers, "See paper No. 1", which do not exist today.)

Hopewell, Aug. 18, 1880 The paper presented at the last meeting by Mr. Hockersmith containing charges against Andrew Hamilton, was taken up and read. See paper No. 1. To the 1st and 2nd charges, Mr. Hamilton plead limitation of time. Session decided in Mr. Hamilton's favor. The 3rd charge Mr. Hockersmith abandoned. The 4th and 5th charges Mr. Hockersmith produced no evidence to prove.

Mr. Hamilton produced no evidence. The parties were heard and removed. And after considering the case Session gave the following decision. Whereas Samuel Hockersmith failed to produce any evidence of the truth of the charges against

Mr. Hamilton therefore, Resolved, That the case be and hereby is dismissed.

Immediately after adjournment Mr. Hamilton came in and upon hear the decision of Session asked for certificates for himself and family.

Hopewell, Sept. 11, 1880 SAMUEL E. BROWN was received on examination. Wm. Caskey to attend Presbytery at Sycamore.
Sept. 19th A. B. Rock to attend Synod.
Sept. 28th DAVID B. PAXTON and MARTHA PAXTON, his wife, were granted certificates of dismissal to Iowa.

Mr. Hamilton having asked for certificates for himself and his family, Session not being informed who were included in his family laid the request on the table till the next regular meeting with the exception of his own case.

Session took the follow action in Mr. Andrew Hamilton's case. Whereas, Mr. Andrew Hamilton, a member of this Session, has requested his certificate and Whereas, he has charged this Session with unfaithfulness in carrying out the discipline of the church. And also used language unbecoming a Christian gentleman, therefore, Resolved, That his request be not granted until he shows evidence of repentance and acknowledges his Sins, and also that the Clerk be instructed to send a copy of this paper to Mr. Hamilton by mail.

Hopewell, Nov. 16, 1880 Mr. Andrew Hamilton being present his case was taken up, and after considering it for some time the following action was taken. Whereas, Mr. Hamilton stated that it was his opinion that Session put a wrong construction on the language that he used at the former meeting and that he had no acknowledgements to make, therefore, Resolved, That his statement is not satisfactory.

Certificates were granted to JOHN C. HAMILTON, REBECCA A. HAMILTON and NANCY E. HAMILTON and also to JONATHAN ADKINS and MARY ANN ADKINS, his wife.

Hopewell, Dec. 10, 1880 MARTHA ANN RAMSEY was received into membership on examination. Miss Ramsey was not baptized and arrangements were made to administer the ordinance of baptism to her tomorrow which was attended to by the Mod.

JAMES McCLENAHAN presented himself as an applicant for membership. He stated that he had been a member of the Presbyterian church but through neglect of duty he lost his membership. But relying upon promised grace he said he resolved to forsake his Sins and live a Christian life. Therefore he was received into membership.

Dec. 11, 1880 Wm. Caskey to attend Presbytery.

Dec. 17, 1880 GERTRUDE SLICKER was granted a certificate to connect with Oxford congregation.

Feb. 27, 1881 William Caskey to attend Presbytery at Oxford, Ohio, Tuesday, March 1st 1881.

(While it was required that each congregation's book of Minutes of Session be annually carried to Presbytery for inspection and approval, this book was inspected every two or three years. The next notation is: "Approved by order of Presbytery, March 1st 1881, Oxford, Ohio. Elihu C. Simpson, Clerk".)

Hopewell, Mar. 12, 1881 John W. Graham, Treasurer and Secretary of the Sabbath School offered his resignation, which was accepted. John C. F. Harper was elected Treasurer and Robert McQuiston was elected Secretary of the Sabbath School.

Mar. 21, 1881 Certificates were granted to THOMAS A. McDILL and CAROLINE McDILL, his wife.

May 17, 1881 It having appeared that Common Fame charges James McClenahan with unchristian conduct in two particulars, viz, The Sin of intoxication and profane swearing, therefore, Resolved, That James McClenahan be requested by the Moderator to appear at the next meeting of Session and answer to the above charges.

June 18, 1881 The Moderator (Rev. Campbell) reported that he requested James McClenahan to appear before Session. But for certain reasons he declined coming today.

Hopewell, Aug. 16, 1881 The Session of Hopewell was appointed by Presbytery to prepare and present subjects for discussion at their next meeting. The Moderator submitted the following programme which was approved by Session.

1st The propriety, advantage of, and how to conduct testimony meetings. Mal. 3:16, Ps. 66:16. (Malachi, 3:16. Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.) (Psalms, 66: 16. Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul.)

2nd Praise Meetings--Is(aiah), 12:4 and Ps(alms), 67.

3rd Inquiry Meetings--Acts 2:37 and John 3:2,3.

4th What is the duty of Session to those who engage in social dancing.

Dr. Harris and James I. Faris appeared as a Committee from the Session of Morning Sun, requesting the following item to be inserted in the programme prepared by this Session for discussion at the next meeting of Presbytery.

What is the duty of Session to those who justify social dancing?

A. B. Rock was appointed a delegate to the next meeting of Presbytery at Hopewell.

Hopewell, Aug. 24, 1881 CHARLES R. McDILL, ANNIE E. McDILL, his wife, and A. B. ROCK (Elder) and MARTHA F. ROCK, his wife, requested their certificates. Their request was granted and the Clerk was instructed to furnish them as soon as convenient.

The request for certificates for ANDREW BROWN and ELIZA BROWN, his wife, JOHN C. BROWN and EMMA BROWN, his wife, and WILLIAM T. BROWN and IDA BROWN, his wife, was taken up. (Andrew Brown being present by request of Session).

And whereas, we have learned that they have been received into Unity congregation on certificate if they can get them, or on examination if they fail to procure certificates, and whereas, a person cannot be a member of two congregations at the same time, therefore, Resolved

1st That the request be laid on the table until we receive further information concerning the action of the Session of Unity in this matter.

2nd That the Clerk of this Session be directed to ask the Session of Unity for a certified copy of the action taken in the case of Andrew Brown and his wife, John C. Brown and his wife and also William T. Brown and his wife, at their meeting on the 19th day of Aug. 1881.

Hopewell, Sept. 13, 1881 At an informal meeting of Session, a Committee was appointed to prepare a paper containing the statements of the parties named in the minutes of last meeting.

The Committee presented their report this morning which was adopted and the Clerk was instructed to present the report accompanied by a copy of the action of Unity Session taken in this case to the 1st Presbytery of Ohio today. The Clerk presented the paper as directed by Session.

The two following questions were asked in the paper presented to Presbytery: 1st Under the jurisdiction of which Session are the above named parties? Presbytery answered: Hopewell Session.

2nd What is the courtesy and morality that should exist between the Sessions of neighboring congregations?
Presbytery's answer: The Golden Rule.

Hopewell, Oct. 8, 1881 Robert S. Paxton tendered his resignation of the positions he held as leader of the choir and Teacher in the Sabbath School. His resignation was accepted.

Whereas, James McClenahan was guilty of the Sin of intoxication about the 1st of last May, and whereas he has been guilty of the Same Sin several times since last May and pleads guilty to the charges. But after refusing to appear before Session and shows no evidence of true repentance and reformation, therefore,

Resolved, That he be and hereby is suspended from the sealing ordinances of God's house until he gives evidence of true repentance and reformation.

William Bell was appointed a delegate to Synod at Springfield, Ohio, and also to the Sabbath School convention which will meet before the Synod meets.

Session took a recess till after Sermon. After Sermon, Session convened and MRS. MARTHA F. STEEL was on examination and profession of her faith in Christ received into membership of this congregation. And the ordinance of baptism was administered to her Sabbath morning before Sermon. Session took a recess till after Communion Services. After Communion Services, Session adjourned with prayer.

Hopewell, Oct. 25, 1881 On motion the request of Andrew Brown for certificates was taken up and the clerk was instructed to give the following certificates to those who are included in the request.

That ANDREW BROWN and ELIZA BROWN, his wife, JOHN C. BROWN and EMMA BROWN, his wife, and WILLIAM T. BROWN and IDA M. BROWN, his wife, and ALBERT S. BROWN are members in the United Presbyterian congregation of Hopewell, in the county of Preble, State of Ohio, and are hereby dismissed at their own request, is attested this 25th day of Oct., 1881.

Dec. 25, 1881 William Caskey to attend Presbytery at Unity, Ind. on Tues., Dec. 27, 1881. (Unity U.P. Church was located in the Indiana side of College Corner which is bisected by the Ohio-Indiana State Line.)

Hopewell, Jan. 18, 1882 Session met at the Session house. Members present: Hugh Ramsey, James A. Brown and Wm. Caskey. John Ramsey soon appeared.

On examination and profession MICHAEL YEAKLE and NANCY E. YEAKLE, his wife, were received into membership.

Jan. 21, 1882 The following persons were received on examination: MARY MINA PAXTON, SINA McCANDLESS PAXTON and CORA PAXTON.

Jan. 22, 1882 Rev. John Williamson assisted with the Communion Services.

Apr. 10, 1882 Hugh Ramsey to attend Presbytery at Morning Sun on Apr. 11, 1882 at 2 o'clock p.m.

Apr. 30, 1882 The Clerk was instructed to send a written notice to Mr. Andrew Hamilton requesting him to meet with the Session on May 16th for the purpose of settling the difficulty between Session and himself.

Hopewell, May 16, 1882 The Clerk of Presbytery furnished the Session with a copy of the Action of the 1st Presbytery of Ohio in Mr. Hamilton's case.

Mr. Hamilton failed to meet with the Session according to a notice sent to him. Whereupon the Session took the following action.

Whereas, the 1st Presbytery of Ohio at its meeting held at Morning Sun, Ohio, on April 11th, 1882, advised the Session of Hopewell to give Mr. Andrew Hamilton "a certificate of dismissal at its earliest convenience". Presbytery stated in its paper that the difficulty between Mr. Hamilton and the Session "seems to be a misunderstanding as to the meaning of some expressions made use of by Mr. Hamilton in the presence of said Session". And Presbytery further stated in its paper, "that it would be in the interest of peace and prevent further agitation, and also that Mr. Hamilton expressed a sincere regret to its committee that language susceptible of such construction should have been made use of by him, and whereas we believe the difficulty is not in the meaning but in the application which Mr. Hamilton made of the language that he used in the presence of the Session, and whereas we are not aware that the withholding of Mr. Hamilton's certificate is disturbing the peace or likely to produce any more agitation than any other similar case and whereas, we believe Mr. Hamilton is guilty of the charges preferred against him by this Session, and that it would be fostering a spirit of disobedience to give Mr. Hamilton without making a confession to this Session, and whereas the word of God forbids us to do evil that good may come and we prefer to obey God rather than men, therefore, (It is uncertain when the end of the quote from the Presbytery report appears.

Resolved 1st That we respectfully decline following the advice of the 1st Presbytery of Ohio.

Resolved 2nd That whenever Mr. Hamilton makes a satisfactory confession to this Session we will willingly give him a certificate.

Resolved 3rd That the Clerk be directed to furnish the 1st Presbytery of Ohio with a copy of the proceedings in the case of Mr. Hamilton. Wm. Caskey to attend next meeting of Presbytery.

Hopewell, June 9, 1882 James A. Brown was reelected Superintendent of Sabbath School without limitation of time.

Robert McQuiston was reelected Secretary and Treasurer of the Sabbath School.

On examination MARY E. RAMSEY and LYDIA MARTHA HAYS were received into membership.

June 10, 1882 IDA MAY YEAKLE and WILLIAM YEAKLE were received on examination; EDWARD PAXTON on certificate.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That we respectfully ask the 1st Presbytery of Ohio to instruct Mr. Andrew Hamilton to submit to the authority of Hopewell Session.

June 18, 1882 Wm. Caskey, James A. Brown and Hugh Ramsey to meet with the Committee appointed by the 1st Presbytery at Oxford on the 22nd of June 1882 for the purpose of settling the difficulty between Mr. Hamilton & Session.

Hopewell, Sept. 19, 1882 Committee report is as follows: Your Committee respectfully report that it met with the Committee appointed by the 1st Presbytery of Ohio on the 22nd of June 1882 and accepted the following confession as a final settlement of the difficulty between Mr. Hamilton and the Session of Hopewell congregation.

Mr. Hamilton's paper: I hereby sincerely regret that I used language offensive to the Session of Hopewell at any of its meetings. And this I do to meet the resolution adopted by the said Session at its meeting Sept. 28, 1880 in which it refused me a certificate of Standing and dismissal. This acknowledgement to be accepted by the Session in lieu of that requirement in said resolution.

Oxford, June 22, 1882 (signed) Andrew Hamilton

On the 22nd day of June, Mr. ANDREW HAMILTON was granted and received a certificate of standing and dismissal to connect with Fair Haven congregation.

On the 3rd of Sept. certificates were granted to EDWARD PAXTON and MRS. FANNIE WILSON. ALEXANDER G. McDILL was granted a certificate to connect with the congregation of Springfield, Ohio.

Oct. 27, 1882 Session met; Rev. J. C. Campbell, Moderator. Members all present. On examination EMMA BROWN and ELLIE BROWN were received as members. MARY ALICE SHEPHERD was granted a certificate of standing and dismissal. Session took a recess until one and a half o'clock [sic] tomorrow. Oct. 28th MARGARET ELIZABETH BELL was received on examination. Rev. D. M. Ure assisted with communion services on Oct. 29th.

Hopewell, Nov. 21, 1882 Session met at the session house. Resolved, That Session request the Moderator to see Mrs. Martha Steel and ascertain the reasons why she and her husband were living apart. Hugh Ramsey to see Mr. Joseph C. Steel and ascertain the reasons why he and his wife were living apart.

Resolved, That the funds be raised this year by subscription for the following Boards of the Church: Home Mission, Foreign Mission, Freedmens Mission and Church Estension. Each Elder to attend to his own district.

Jan. 20, 1883 No business. Rev. J. Y. Scouller, D.D. assisted with Communion services on Sabbath, Jan. 21st.

Jan. 29th A certificate of dismissal given to ROBERT McQUISTON to connect with Morning Sun Church. Feb. 20th Hugh Ramsey reported that he saw Mr. J. C. Steel and that Mr. Steel stated that his wife left him without any reasons known to him and that she refused to return and live with him. Resolved, That the case be laid on the table for the present.

Resolved, That William P. McQuiston be appointed to take charge of the choir and use his influence to improve the Singing and reorganize the choir. The following persons were appointed Sabbath School teachers: W. J. Paxton, Maggie Campbell and Nannie Bell. Mar. 20th W. J. Paxton accepted the appointment to teach Sabbath School. The others declined to accept.

William Caskey, Clerk

Hopewell, April 17, 1883 A conference was held on the propriety of the contemplated Three Quarter Centennial [sic] of Hopewell Congregation and the names of several ministers suggested as suitable persons to take part in the exercises on the occasion. June 16th Members all present except the Clerk who soon appeared. On examination EVA JANE STEEL was received on examination. June 19, 1883 Mr. Samuel Graham to teach class No. 4 in Sabbath School.

Nov. 17, 1883 Session met and was constituted with prayer by Rev. J. C. Campbell, Moderator. Members present: James A. Brown, William Bell and William Caskey. On examination the following were received into membership: CARRIE FLORENCE McQUISTON, EVA CAROLINE McQUISTON, MINA ARABEL HARPER,

JOHN WILLIAM BROWN and JAMES WARREN SMITH. MRS. SARAH PAXTON was received on certificate from Unity (College Corner) congregation.
William Caskey, Clerk

Hopewell, Nov. 24, 1883 Members all present, Elder Hugh Ramsey appointed to preside. At an informal meeting held Nov. 21st, Wm. Caskey and Wm. Bell were appointed a committee to visit Mr. (Rev.) J. C. Campbell and confer with him in regard to certain reports in circulation injurious to his Christian character. Said committee was also instructed to confer with various parties and learn the nature of the reports in circulation touching Mr. Campbell's reputation and report at the next meeting of Session.

The committee appointed respectfully report that we visited the parties as directed and learned of the nature of the reports touching Mr. Campbell's reputation and that we also visited Mr. Campbell and stated to him the reports in circulation touching his ministerial reputation. And after holding a lengthy conference, Mr. Campbell stated to your committee that his usefulness was done here and that he would offer his resignation at the first meeting of Presbytery and demand an investigation.

Report accepted and further action by session considered unnecessary. On Sabbath morning, Nov. 25th, Mr. Campbell sent by Dr. Paxton the following notice, "I expect to be released from the responsibility of Hopewell Pastorate at the first meeting of our Presbytery. (Signed) J. C. Campbell." Mr. Campbell was released by Presbytery Dec. 26, 1883.

Hopewell, Dec. 29, 1883 After holding a lengthy conference on what is the best thing to do in our present distracted condition, session concluded to go on in the path of duty, seeking devine guidance as we go forward. Rev. Samuel A. Buck invited to preach on the 1st and 2nd Sabbaths of Jan.

Jan. 6, 1884 SARAH DALES CAMPBELL was granted a certificate of dismissal. James A. Brown to attend Presbytery at Richmond, Indiana. Feb. 19th NANNIE C. BELL was granted a certificate to connect with the United Presbyterian congregation of Bloomington, Indiana.

Apr. 12, 1884 On examination of following persons were received into membership: SARAH ANNA McQUISTON, MARY SALINA PAXTON, MRS. LAURA HARPER and MARY E. HAYS. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper tomorrow, April 13th, at Hopewell by Rev. W. F. Maclaughlan. June 21st Session appointed a congregational meeting on June 24th to consider the propriety of making out a call for a Pastor. Aug. 2nd Rev. E. H. Huston, Moderator pro. tem. IDA ISABEL DOUGLASS and ROSA BROWN received as members on examination. William Caskey, Clerk

Sept. 20, 1884 The Clerk presented a written request from MRS. ELIZA J. CAMPBELL asking Session to grant her and her daughter, MAGGIE, their certificates of dismissal. After some discussion the request was laid on the table for the present.

Sept. 27th The request of MRS. ELIZA J. CAMPBELL was taken up and after some discussion, Session agreed to grant two certificates "up to the time when they ceased worshipping at Hopewell". Record of the votes: Yeas, Hugh Ramsey, Wm. Bell and Wm. Caskey; Nays, James A. Brown; excused from voting, John Ramsey.

REV. E. H. HUSTON commenced his ministerial labors at Hopewell congregation on the 1st Sabbath of Oct., 1884 and was installed Oct. 28th, 1884. Hugh Ramsey to attend Synod at Indianapolis on the 21st of Oct., 1884, at 7:30 p.m.

Hopewell, Oct. 18, 1884 Certificates of dismissal to R. S. PAXTON and MARY G., his wife. Feb. 7, 1885 MRS. MAGGIE HUSTON received on certificate. Resolved, That the collection for Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Board of Church Extension and Freedmens Missions to be taken by subscription, each Elder to canvas his own quarter.

May 16, 1885 MISS SARAH JANE HARPER was received on examination. Certificates of dismissal were granted to ARTHUR A. GRAHAM and MARY F., his wife, to connect with the Presby. Church at Liberty, Ind. Mr. James A. Brown, Supt. of Sabbath School, reported that he had supplied too vacant classes with teachers, Mrs. Maggie Huston and Miss Mattie Bell.

Aug. 31, 1885 JAMES WARREN SMITH dismissed on certificate to connect with Fair Haven congregation. A committee appointed to draft a series of resolutions in reference to the death of Father (John) Ramsey. Elder James A. Brown resigned as Supt. of Sabbath School for health reasons; Miss Mina Harper was appointed Secretary of the Sab. School.

Hopewell, Sept. 26, 1885 On motion the case of Joseph C. Steel, which has been lying on the table for some time, was taken up. Resolved, That there is no grounds for process against Mr. Steel. A certificate of dismissal granted MRS. BELL FISHER, formerly Hays, to connect with Fair Haven U.P. congregation.
William Caskey, Clerk

Oct. 5, 1885 MRS. MARTHA ANN BROWN given a certificate of dismissal to connect with Unity Cong., Ind. (NOTE: The Ohio-Indiana state line runs through the center of College Corner. The church was then in Indiana; the church built later is in Ohio.)

Nov. 11, 1885 MISS DELLIE PAXTON resigned as Sabbath School teacher. The series of resolutions respecting the death of Father Ramsey were adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased God in his providence, to call to his heavenly home our aged father, John Ramsey, who for about forty five years was a member of this Session.

Resolved 1, That recognizing the right of our Heavenly Father to do as he will with his own, we bow Submissively to his will.

2 That we bear testimony to the Christian faithfulness, zeal and godly example of Father Ramsey, who was a living epistle known and read of all with whom he came in contact.

3. That by this providence, we, as members of Session, are admonished to be more dilligent and faithful in the service of our Master, knowing that our time on earth is Short.

4. That we tender our symphy [sic] to the bereaved family and commend them to that One, who has Said "I will be a Father unto you and ye shall be my sons and daughters".

5. That a copy be sent to the United Presbyterian (magazine) for publication and also a copy be sent to the bereaved family.
Rev. E. H. Huston, Mod. William Caskey, Clerk

Nov. 22, 1885 Cert. of dismissal granted MISS SUSIE R. HARPER to connect with Presby. church, Derby, Kansas. Mrs. Ella Harper to take Dellie (Della) Paxton's class. Elder James A. Brown was elected Treasurer of Sabbath School Funds.
Dec. 9th Certs. of dismissal granted to MR. NATHAN L. RAMSEY and wife, MARY E., to connect with Morning Sun congregation.

Hopewell, Feb. 13, 1886 Certificates of dismissal granted to JAMES G. HARPER and LAURA, his wife, and also to SARAH J. and MINA A. HARPER. The following were received on examination: WILLIAM L. RAMSEY, WILLIAM E. SCROGG, JAMES EMRY PAXTON, ELLIE E. DOUGLASS and ANNIE OLLIE BROWN. Wm. Caskey to confer with Walter McDill in regard to floating rumors injurious to his Christian character. Sept. 4th Resolved, That the Sabbath School close for the winter on the last Sabbath of Oct. Oct. 17th James A. Brown to attend Synod at Spring Hill, Indiana on Oct. 19th at 2 o'clock [sic] p.m. Dec. 26th ROBERT MILLER and his wife, MARGARET ANN MILLER, received on certificate from Presby. church, Eaton, Ohio.

Feb. 4, 1887 WILLIAM R. REED and his wife, MAGGIE, received on cert. from Reformed Presby. cong. of Idaville, Ind. MILTON BROWN received on examination and baptism. Feb. 6th MAGGIE M. McQUISTON received on exam. Mar. 16th Session resolved to reopen the Sab. School on the first Sab. in April.

May 18, 1887 MR. JAMES G. HARPER, MRS. LAURA HARPER and MINA HARPER were received on cert. from Kansas. Oct. 8, 1887

Oct. 8, 1887 Cert. of dismissal to MRS. MARY J. HARRIS, formerly Bell, to connect with the U.P. Church at Pioneer City, Neb.

Oct. 30, 1887 Cert. of dismissal granted to MICHAEL YEAKLE, wife, NANCY, and son, WILLIAM, and daughter, IDA MAY.

Hopewell, Jan. 20, 1888 MISS NARCISSA HOCKERSMITH and CORA T. McQUISTON were admitted on examination. MRS. SUSAN RAMSEY and MISS MARY ANN RAMSEY were admitted on exam. and baptism. May 19th MR. SAMUEL E. BROWN granted cert. of dismissal. Mr. Samuel Paxton appointed Sec. of Sab. School. Sept. 22nd Committee to confer with Joseph C. Steel with reference to his neglecting public ordinances.

Hopewell, Jan. 29, 1889 REV. E. H. HUSTON was released from the pastoral charge of Hopewell congregation by the First Presbytery of Ohio. Apr. 6th Report on conversation with Joseph C. Steel unsatisfactory. Committee to confer with Wm. A. Douglass in reference to reports injurious to his Christian character. James A. Brown, Supt. of Sab. School; S. M. Paxton, Secretary; same teachers as last year except two who resigned and John Paxton and Miss Cora Paxton to take their places. Mrs. Irene McQuiston was appointed teacher of the Infant class.

June 6, 1889 Joseph C. Steel stated to committee that he would rather attend church at Morning Sun because it is more convenient for him to do so and his girls would rather go there. Certs. of dismissal issued to J. C. STEEL and EVA J. STEEL, daughter. June 19th William A. Douglass appeared before the Session, acknowledged his faults and promised by the grace of God to endeavor to do better in the future. Sept. 9th Cert. of dismissal granted to MRS. MAGGIE HUSTON to connect with Utica, Ohio congregation.

Nov. 30, 1889 Rev. J. T. Wilson, Moderator pro. tem. Certs. of dismissal granted to JAMES G. HARPER, wife LAURA and daughter MINA to connect with Richmond, Ind. congregation. Admitted on examination MARY E. DOUGLASS and ELSIE J. CASKEY. William Caskey, Clerk

Hopewell, Feb. 17, 1890 JOHN W. BROWN granted cert. of dismissal. Apr. 20th REV. J. F. HUTCHISON, D.D., Moderator. MISS MARY ANN WILSON received on examination. Certs. of dismissal granted to JAMES A. BROWN (Elder), his wife, ELLEN, and daughters ELLIE and ANNA to connect with Morning Sun congregation and MRS. LYDIA FISHER to connect with Fair Haven. May 2nd MISS MARTHA ELIZABETH WILSON received on examination. The Sacrament of baptism administered to ANNA and MATTIE WILSON.

May 4, 1890 MRS. MARTHA HUTCHISON and MINNIE HUTCHISON were received on certificate. (Presumably the wife and daughter of the new minister.)

Dec. 7, 1890 Certificate of dismission granted to MRS.
N. C. PAXTON GREGG. William Caskey, Clerk

Hopewell, Jan. 18, 1891 Certificate of dismission granted
to WALTER M. McDILL and his wife, KATIE M., to unite with the
2nd Church of Xenia, Ohio. Jan. 23rd Admitted on examin-
ation CHARLES ETRESS PAXTON, ROMA CAMPBELL PAXTON and CLAYTON H.
McQUISTON. Jan. 26th MR. SAMUEL HOCKERSMITH and his wife,
MARTHA, were granted certificates of standing and dismissal.

May 16, 1891 Certificates of dismissal were granted to
J. W. PAXTON and wife to connect with Presby. Church in
Liberty, Indiana. Aug. 15th Mistress Minnie Mosa, who
by conduct some time ago, deprived herself of the privileges
of the Church, volentarily appeared before Session and ex-
pressed her sorrow for her sins and promised to endeavor to
live a Christian life in the future and asked to be restored
to the privileges of the Church. After considering her case,
Session unanimously agreed to restore her privileges.

Dec. 12th MRS. M. J. McDILL granted a cert. of dismissal.
William Caskey, Clerk

Hopewell, Apr. 10, 1892 Elder Hugh Ramsey to attend
Presbytery at Dayton, Ohio. Sept. 4th JOSEPH RAMSEY
was received on examination. William Caskey, Clerk

Hopewell, Feb. 25, 1893 MARION McQUISTON was received
on examination. May 4th MRS. NARCISSA N. WRIGHT, formerly
Hockersmith, was dismissed by cert. to Morning Sun, Ohio.
June 8th MILTON BROWN and wife, MARGARET JESSIE, were dis-
missed by certificate. June 18th SAMUEL M. PAXTON and
wife, MAGGIE, granted certificated to unite with Unity con-
gregation, College Corner, Ind. MISS MAGGIE M. WILSON and
MISS EMMA WILSON were received on examination and were bap-
tized. July 1st A cert. of Standing and dismissal was
granted MRS. MINNIE MOSA. Sept. 30th Mr. Benjamin Elliott
came to us certified as a ruling Elder and was elected to the
office of Ruling Elder in this congregation today. Dec. 24th
Session met to give WILLIAM A. DOUGLASS a cert. of dismissal.

Hopewell, Feb. 24, 1894 The following persons were re-
ceived on examination: WALTER R. DOUGLASS, DAVID CLYDE
McQUISTON, ANNA A. CASKEY and MARY I. BLANCHE PAXTON.
July 22nd SAMUEL GRAHAM received on exam. Jan. 12, 1895
JOHN R. FOSTER received on exam. A certificate of dismissal
was granted to MRS. EMMA L. RAMSEY HEITSMAN to connect with
Fair Haven United Presby. congregation. Jan. 13, 1895 A
certificate of dismission was given by the Clerk to WILLIAM L.
RAMSEY to connect with the Fair Haven Congregation.
William Caskey, Clerk

Nov. 25, 1895 The Clerk gave ELDER HUGH RAMSEY and his son, JOSEPH RAMSEY and daughter, MAGGIE J. RAMSEY, and granddaughter, ANNA RAMSEY, certificates of dismissal to connect with Fair Haven congregation. (This was the last entry by William Caskey, who had been Clerk of Session since 1872.)

Hopewell, April, 1896 REV. S. H. MCDILL began labors as stated supply in this congregation on the 3rd Sabbath of April, 1896. (He also became the Clerk.) June 11th Rev. E. B. Stewart of San Francisco, Cal. assisted with Communion services today. Aug. 12th Election of new elders: Mr. Charles Harper, 18 votes; Mr. John Graham, 18 votes; Mr. James Emry Paxton, 16 votes; Mr. Wm. Scruggs, 13 votes. Oct. 12th Certificate granted to MISS ELSIE CASKEY. Oct. 30th MRS. SARAH MCDILL was received on certificate. (Mrs. Sarah [Shannon] McDill was the wife of Rev. Samuel Hampton McDill.) Since last Communion, ELMER ROSS HARPER and MARTHA PAXTON were baptized. Nov. 10th Rev. S. H. MCDILL was installed as pastor.

Hopewell, Jan. 24, 1897 MR. JOHN PAXTON received by examination. June 10th Those who were elected elders some months ago, not having accepted, another election was held today resulting in the election of John Graham, 16 votes; Mr. Charles Harper, 12 votes; and Mr. Emry Paxton, 12 votes. Aug. 1st Mr. Charles Harper and Mr. J. Emry Paxton were ordained and installed as elders. Mr. Paxton was chosen Clerk. Oct. 19th It was moved and seconded that we (the Session) meet every three months. Oct. 23rd EDNA MAY MCDILL was baptized. Rev. Samuel McDill was assisted by his father, Rev. Nathan C. McDill, during the Communion services.

Dec. 13, 1897 The following officers were elected to Sabbath School: Supt.-J. M. Paxton, Ass't. Supt.-Mammie Douglass, Sec.-Emma Wilson, Asst. Sec. Clayton McQuiston, Treas.-Rosa Brown. J. M. Paxton refused to act and Miss Maggie McQuiston was elected in his stead. Each class was given the right of choice as to teachers. J. M. Paxton elected Singing Clerk; J. Emry Paxton and Cora McQuiston, assistants.

Hopewell, Jan. 23, 1898 Certificate of dismissal granted to DELCENA J. PAXTON, NANNIE G. and MARY S. PAXTON to connect with Unity Church at College Corner. July 24th MISS MATTIE IRENE McQUISTON received into membership on examination. Certificate granted to JONATHAN PAXTON to College Corner, Ohio. July 24th MRS. ELSIE CASKEY TUTTLEY was received by certificate. The following members were received on examination: MR. SAMUEL G. TUTTLEY, MISS LUCY AGNES WILSON. Miss Wilson was baptized. Dec. 6th The following officers were elected for Sabbath School: Supt.- Anna McQuiston, Assistant Supt. -

Cora McQuiston, Sec.- Ida Douglass, Asst. sec.- Mina Paxton
Treas.-Lizzie Bell (referred; Cora Paxton elected), J. M. Paxton,
Cora McQuiston and Magdalen McQuiston, leaders of the singing

Hopewell, Apr. 3, 1899 Admitted on certificate: MISS
FLORENCE SCROGGS, JOHN H. SCROGGS, EARL SCROGGS and ARTHUR
SCROGGS. May 7th Received on examination, CARL DOUGLASS
and FRED GRAHAM and by certificate, MRS. ETHEL BUCK from
College Corner. Oct. 8th Rev. Warnock assisted at Com-
munion services. J. E. Paxton, Clerk

Hopewell, 1900 Session met June 8 & 10 and Oct. 3 & 5;
meetings were promptly adjourned.

Hopewell, Jan. 11, 1901 MRS. CAROLINE FESSENDEN was re-
ceived by certificate and her daughter, MARTHA JEANNETTE
FESSENDEN, by profession of her faith (examination).
Jan. 12th ELSIE McDILL received by profession of faith.

Hopewell, Jan. 12, 1902 THOMAS MARION BUCK was received
into the church on profession. Mar. 30th MRS. CLARA EWING
MCQUISTON was received by certificate from Fairhaven.
May 24th MRS. SARAH M. PAXTON was received by certificate
from M. E. Church of College Corner. Oct. 25th ANNA
ISABEL GRAHAM and JESSIE AGNES PAXTON were received on pro-
fession. ("Profession" now used instead of "examination")

Hopewell, Jan. 10, 1903 CHARLES H. BUCK received on
profession. Jan. 18th MARION N. PAXTON received on pro-
fession.

Hopewell, June 11, 1904 LOTUS HUSTON PAXTON was received
on profession of faith. Aug. 7th Certificates issued to
MRS. SARAH H. McDILL and daughter, ELSIE, when called for.
(Rev. S. H. McDill was still the Moderator of Session but
clearly intended to leave.)

Hopewell, Mar. 18, 1905 (REV. WM. EDWARD PAXTON appeared
as Moderator without previous notice.) The following persons
were received as members by profession of their faith in Christ:
MISS EUNICE H. PAXTON and MISS MARY E. GRAHAM. Charles Harper
was the nominee for delegate to Assembly in Washington, Iowa.

June 16, 1905 J. W. Graham, 26 votes, and Samuel G. Tuttle, 29
votes, were elected to the office of Ruling Elders. Mr.
Graham did not accept. Sept. 10th Ordination services
for Samuel G. Tuttle as Ruling Elder in Hopewell Session.
Nov. 26th MRS. MARGARET BUCK, MISS ANNA BUCK AND MISS LOTTIE
BUCK were received into membership on certificates from the

College Corner U. P. congregation. Elder J. CHARLES HARPER, MRS. ELLA HARPER, his wife, and his sons, FRANK and HARRY, were granted certificates when called for to connect with the Santa Ana, California, congregation.

Hopewell, Mar. 18, 1906 MISS NETTIE FESSENDEN was granted a certificate to connect with the Presby. Church, Camden, Ohio.
Sept. 2nd Certificate to MISS EUNICE PAXTON who has removed. Elder William Bell had died since the last meeting.

Hopewell, Mar. 22, 1907 Mr. Reese McClanahan and Mr. Clyde McQuiston were elected new elders but both said that they could not see their way clear to accept at this time.
Mar. 24th MR. LAWRENCE E. PAXTON AND MRS. LUCY POSTON were admitted on profession of faith. Oct. 1907 Clayton McQuiston and John M. Paxton were elected as new elders.

Hopewell, Apr. 3, 1908 MRS. SARAH J. WILSON was admitted to membership on profession. The following were received on certificate from the M. E. Church, Radnor, Ind.: MR. JOHN MCCOUCH, MRS. IDA MCCOUCH and JAMES MCCOUCH. ROBERT GORDON and ANNA RUTH, children of John M. and Millie Paxton (were baptized.)

Apr. 5, 1908 MRS. BLANCHE WITTER, formerly Paxton, was certified to College Corner. HERBERT MINOR BUCK was received as a member on profession. Aug. 30th MRS. MARY NORWOOD PAXTON was received on certificate from the Presby. church.
Dec. 20th MR. JOHN BELL on renewal of his profession and and MRS. FANNIE BELL, his wife, on profession, were received as members.

Hopewell, Mar. 27, 1909 MR. WILLIAM POSTON was received as a member on profession and baptism. Certificate of dismissal was issued to MR. JOHN GRAHAM and wife, SINA, and children, FRED, ISABEL and MARY, to Fort Morgan, Colo. U. P. Church and MRS. MARY HAYS to Fairhaven and MISS CORA PAXTON to College Corner.

Hopewell, March, 1910 Session having failed to secure an elder at the last election and Elder Benjamin Elliott having died, it was decided to ask again for 2 additional elders. Mr. John M. Paxton and Mr. D. Clyde McQuiston were elected.
May 8th Mr. John Paxton did not accept. Mr. Clyde McQuiston presented himself for ordination. After answering the formula of questions prescribed, he was ordained by prayer and laying on of the hands of session and was installed an elder in the Hopewell congregation.

Hopewell, Feb. 4, 1911 . The following were received on profession of their faith: MISS EDNA LOUISA TUTTLEY and MR. DWIGHT CASKEY TUTTLEY and their names were added to our roll. The following were certified to College Corner congregation: MRS. ETHEL BUCK, MR. MARION BUCK, MR. CHARLES BUCK, MR. HERBERT BUCK and MRS. MARTHA ELLIOTT. Dec. 17th Certificates to MR. LOTUS PAXTON and to MR. MARION PAXTON.

Hopewell, Apr. 7, 1912 The pastor conducted preparatory services (for Communion) on Fri. and Sat. at 2 PM. Before the Sermon and Communion, the child of Wm. Poston was baptized. S. G. Tuttle to attend Presbytery at Cincinnati.

Oct., 1913 Session met and adjourned after Communion.

Hopewell, Oct. 11, 1914 MISS CORA and MISS MATTIE McQUISTON were granted certificates to Morning Sun Church. MR. ROBERT and MISS MARTHA McQUISTON and MISS LORETTA and MISS MARGARET POSTON were admitted on profession.

Nov. 29th MR. SATER FARR and MRS. PEARL FARR, his wife, having been members of the M. E. Church but not having their letters of dismissal from the church from which they had removed into our bounds yet have regularly attended our church for several years, met with Session and requested to be taken into this Congregation. They were received and their daughter, RUTH, on profession of her faith and baptism, added to our roll.

Hopewell, June 7, 1915 Prior to meeting, certificates had been issued to MR. JOHN MCCOUCH and MISS MARTHA RAMSEY to unite with College Corner congregation. Certificates were also granted to MRS. SARAH J. WILSON to unite with Fair Haven and to MR. ROMA PAXTON to unite with Morning Sun congregations. Aug. 2nd . A meeting of the congregation was called for Sept. 9, 1915 at 1:30 Sun time.

Nov. 11, 1915 Session met and was constituted with prayer by Rev. W. E. Paxton. By motion the new communion set to be returned to the (blank) Miss Margaret McQuiston and the old communion sets to be preserved with the church, the linens to be divided among the present members of the congregation and that the books be left in the pews. Rev. W. E. Paxton was asked to take charge of the different records and books of Hopewell congregation and with this request he complied.

March 16, 1916 Session met at the home of Samuel Tuttle. The business brought before the meeting was to endorse the certificates granted by the Commission of the First Presbytery of Ohio. The certificates were found to be correct and they were mailed to the different members. Session adjourned with prayer.

HOPEWELL CHURCH

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HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION
TREASURERS' REPORTS

PREFACE

While the Treasurers' Reports book for Hopewell Church runs from 1850-1912, only the 1850-1861 records are now included. The remaining years will be finished after other Hopewell records with higher historic priorities have been completed.

These 1850-1861 Treasurers' Reports are included only to give a three-sided view of the Hopewell Congregation for this period in time: The Congregational Meetings, the Session Records and the Treasurers' Reports.

This has been a very frustrating recording because most of the Treasurers, generally, could not tell a Debit from a Credit. These records have been corrected for accuracy.

John Wallace was a splendid Treasurer during his tenure. When he took over the accounts in 1859, the previous year's operating expenses had been \$37.13. In 1859 they were \$584.92. Apparently he left in mid-year 1861 for the Civil War in which he was a Lt. Col. He died in April, 1866, age 37, and is buried in Hopewell Cemetery.

August, 1979

Marjorie Paxton Palmer

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

<u>A.D. 1850</u>	in account with David M. McDill	<u>Db.</u>
	Cash on hand as per last report	\$21.55
	Cash for wine furnished College Corner Church	1.00
May 25	Collection for contingent fund	14.33
Aug. 10	.. .. ..	15.86
Oct. 4	Cash paid by Wm. McCreary for Shingles	1.40
	Tax received on Seats (pew tax)	61.00
		\$115.14
	Amount paid out	100.82
	Balance on hand	\$ 14.32

<u>AD 1851</u>	in account with D. M. McDill	<u>Db.</u>
	Balance on hand as per last Report	\$ 14.32
Apr. 5	Collection for contingent fund	14.17
Aug. 9	.. .. ..	12.62
Nov. 15	.. .. ..	11.80
	Amount received from tax on Seats	120.00
	Old window sash sold	.25
		\$173.16
	(Amount paid out, see page 5)	166.01
	Balance on hand	\$ 7.15

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in account with David M. McDill

<u>AD 1850</u>		<u>Cr.</u>
Feb. 2nd	To cash paid Thos. McQuiston for keeping Meetinghouse	\$ 8.00
.. ..	Cash paid for nails to repair fence	.10
.. ..	To cash refunded for tax on seats	
.. ..	David Cree	.50
.. ..	John Sloan	1.00
.. ..	Joseph Brown	.50
Feb. 10	James Brown, Jr.	1.00
.. ..	David Faris, Sr.	.50
.. ..	James Brown, Sr.	1.00
.. ..	Mary Buck	1.00
.. ..	James Crozier	1.00
May 25	To cash paid John McClanahan for repair- ing Meetinghouse fence	1.00
.. ..	To cash paid Thos. McQuiston, balance due him for keeping Meetinghouse	17.00
.. ..	To cash for lightning Rods	9.40
July 12	To cash paid Robert Wilson for repairing Meetinghouse Roof	7.65
Aug. 10	To cash paid N. Brown for bread on three sacramental Occasions	6.00
Sept. 6	To cash paid Furgeson & Matson for spouting for evertroughs	2.26
Oct. 4	To cash paid John Graham on his order	20.00
Nov. 28	To cash paid over to the Trustees	12.00
.. ..	To cash paid Joseph Brown for wine	4.25
.. ..	To cash paid for this book	.66
		<u>\$100.82</u>

<u>A.D. 1851</u>		<u>Cr.</u>
Jan. 27	To cash paid John Graham, balance on his order	\$40.00
.. ..	To cash paid D. McQuiston for keeping the Meetinghouse	25.00
.. ..	To cash paid the Trustees	15.00
Apr. 5th	Cash pd. Geo. Ramsey, expences to Synod	2.75
Apr. 7th	Cash Paid Trustees	20.00
.. ..	Cash paid Edward Bernard for wine	.50
.. ..	Cash paid for Session Book	.66
Aug. 9th	Cash paid Trustees	13.00
.. ..	Cash paid for wine	2.50
Aug. 11	Paid A. McQuiston his bill for hauling & sawing	14.00
Aug. 15	Paid the Trustees	10.00
Nov. 15	Cash paid N. Brown for bread	6.00
.. ..	Cash paid Joseph Brown for wine	1.60

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

1851 (continued)		
Repeat from page 2.	Amount received	\$173.16
	Amount paid out	166.01
	Balance on hand	<u>\$ 7.15</u>

<u>AD 1852</u>	in account with David M. McDill	<u>Db.</u>
	Balance on hand as per last report	7.15
Apr. 10	Collection for contingent fund	14.38
	Col. for contingent fund	25.14
	Col.	13.46
	Tax received on seats	51.25
		<u>\$111.38</u>
	Amount paid out	91.56
	Balance on hand	<u>\$19.82</u>

<u>AD 1853</u>	in account with Joseph Brown	<u>Db.</u>
May 21	Collection	15.10
July 15	600 brick sold to David McQuiston	3.00
	1 gate	.62
Oct. 31	Cash	11.72
Feb.	Cash by Subscription	39.00
	Received of D. McDill, late Treasurer, balance on hand	19.82
	Tax on Seats levied Jan. 6th 1852	15.00
	Collection	11.15
	Amount received	<u>\$115.41</u>
	Amount paid out	88.65
	Balance on hand, carried over Jan. 30th 1854	<u>\$26.76</u>

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

1851 (continued)		<u>Cr.</u>
Jan. 26, 1852	Cash Paid Trustees	\$ 9.00
	Treasurer's Fees	6.00
	(including page 3)	<u>\$166.01</u>

<u>AD 1852</u>	in account with David M. McDill	<u>Cr.</u>
Jan. 26	By cash paid A. Hamilton, expences to Synod	3.50
.. ..	By cash paid D. McQuiston for keeping Meetinghouse	6.75
.. ..	Cash paid Trustees	29.25
Apr. 10	Paid D. McQuiston on his Order	18.25
.. ..	Paid John Ramsey, expences to Presbytery	.58
.. ..	Paid Nathan Brown for bread	2.00
Oct. 28	Paid Trustees	5.50
.. ..	.. ..	10.63
.. ..	Paid Joseph Brown for wine	4.00
.. ..	.. Trustees	7.00
.. ..	Paid Joseph Brown for nails	1.10
.. ..	Nathan Brown for bread	2.00
.. ..	Treasurer's fees	6.00
.. ..	Pd. John Simpson his Acc't. in part	5.00
		<u>\$91.56</u>

<u>AD 1853</u>	in account with Joseph Brown	<u>Cr.</u>
Jan.	Paid David McQuiston for service as sexton	25.00
..	Paid Thomas McQuiston for service as sexton	25.00
..	Paid David McQuiston for strap hinges	3.00
Apr. 20	Paid at Oxford	.40
May 21	Gallon of wine	1.25
July 15	Paid David McQuiston, Sr. for hauling	5.00
Sept 15	Paid J. Ramsey, Sr. for bread	4.00
Oct.? 8	.. .. .. .	2.00
.. 10	Cash for Stoves	15.00
.. ..	Paid Thos. McQuiston for haul(d)ing	2.00
.. ..	Treasurer's fees	6.00
		<u>\$88.65</u>

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

<u>1854</u>	in account with Joseph Brown	<u>Db.</u>
Jan. 31	Balance on hand, brot over	26.76
Mar. 25	Cash by Collection	13.00
Aug. 12	Cash by Collection	14.09
Nov. 6	Cash by Collection	13.99

<u>1855</u>		<u>Db.</u>
May 12	Cash by Collection	14.72
Aug. 11	Cash by Collection	14.12
Nov. 24	Cash by Collection	28.75
		.25
Jan. 29, 1856	J. Ramsey for Tablecloth	4.00
	Amount received '55/'55	\$129.68
	Amount paid out	125.65
	Balance on hand, Jan. 28, 1856	<u>\$4.03</u>

<u>1856</u>		<u>Db.</u>
Apr. 13	Cash by Collection for Missionary in Cincinnati	30.92
Apr. 14	Cash by Collection	17.51
Apr. 21	Cash by (can't read)	5.00
Oct.	Cash by Collection	15.44
Dec. 6	Cash by Collection	14.37
	Amount received	<u>\$87.27</u>
	By ba. brot on	63.47
	Amount on hand, Jan. 26, 1857	<u>23.80</u>

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

<u>1854</u>	in account with Joseph Brown	<u>Cr.</u>
Mar. 25	By 1 1/2 gal wine @ \$1.25	\$ 1.88
May 4	By cash to John Ramsey, Sr. for Bread	2.00
June 3	By (buy) Shovel & Spade @ \$1.00	2.00
Sept.	By cash to John Buck, traveling expenses	4.75
Nov. 4	By (buy) 1 1/2 gal Porto wine @ \$2.75	4.12

<u>1855</u>		<u>Cr.</u>
Mar. 12	By cash, paid J. Graham for keeping house	\$25.00
May 12	By cash, paid George Ramsey to Synod	9.30
.. ..	By 1 gal wine	1.25
Aug. 11	By (buy) 1 gal wine short	1.00
Aug. 13	By cash, J. Ramsey (unclear)	4.00
Nov. 30	By cash, J. McQuiston	13.60
	By cash, J. McQuiston	1.50
Dec. 22	By cash, J. Ramsey, Sr.	2.00
	By 1 gal wine	1.25
	Treasurer's Fees for 1/55 & 1/56	12.00
Jan. 28, 1856	Paid John Graham	35.00
	Paid Rev. Dodds	5.00
	(Expenditures for 1854 & 1855)	<u>\$125.65</u>

<u>1856</u>		<u>Cr.</u>
Apr. 12	By 7 pts wine	\$ 1.12
Apr. 14	By cash to Hugh McQuiston, Synod expenses	8.00
Apr. 17	By cash to Rev. McCune	23.00
Aug. 5	By cash to John Buck, Synod expenses	3.00
	By cash to George Ramsey, Presbytery exp.	1.85
Nov. 13	C? McQuiston, Sr. 1 kg W. Lead (paint?)	2.50
	.. .. 1 1/2 qt. Spts. Turpentine	.37
.. ..	By cash to Samuel Graham for scrubbing house (church)	5.00
	By cash for 1 Broom	.25
Dec. 6	By 1 1/2 gal wine	3.38
Jan. 20	By cash to J. Ramsey, Sr. 3 Ocasions	6.00
By cash	By cash to David McQuiston, Sr.	3.00
	Treasurer's Fees	6.00
		<u>\$63.47</u>

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

<u>1857</u>	Treasurer	<u>Db.</u>
Mar. 9	Cash by Collection	\$28.50
	Amount brot over	23.80
Apr. 18	Cash by Collection	12.72
Sept. 5	Cash by Collection	12.41
Nov. 28	Cash by Collection	10.19
	Amount received	<u>\$87.62</u>
	Credit brot over	87.10
	Amount on hand, Jan. 25, 1858	<u>\$.52</u>

<u>1858</u>	Treasurer	<u>Db.</u>
	Amount on hand, Jan. 25, 1858	\$.52
	By Mrs. Brown	.50
Mar. 8	By Collection	31.35
Aug. 13	Cash	4.76
	Amount received	<u>\$37.13</u>
	Credit brot over	37.13
	Balance	<u>.00</u>

<u>1859</u>	John Wallace, Treasurer	<u>Db.</u>
Jan. 31	To amount rec'd. of Hugh McQuiston	\$ 5.15
Feb. 13	Received by Collection, contingent	34.19
Mar. 20	Received from Home Mission Fund	55.50
Mar. 26	Received from Collection for Contingent fund	16.24
May 1	Received from Col. for Foreign Mission	89.23
June 26	Received from Col for Assembly's Fund	22.52
Aug. 6	Collection for Contingent Fund	14.77
Oct. 16	Collection for Missions in Cincinnati	34.37
Oct. 29	Collection for Contingent Fund	16.13
Nov. 24	Collection for Thank Offering	22.13
Nov. 27	Collection for Egyptian Building Fund	66.15
Dec. 11	Collection for Egyptian Building Fund from Sabbath School	16.00
Dec. 18	Collection for Home Missions (Deficiency)	61.35
Jan. 8	Collection for Amer. Missionary Society	28.00
Jan. 22	Collection for Foreign Missions	102.79
		<u>\$584.92</u>

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

<u>1857</u>	Treasurer	<u>Cr.</u>
	By amt. paid Wm. McQuiston	\$30.00
	By amt. paid Hugh Elliott	22.00
	Bote Luster? & sacks	.15
	By wine & jug	3.80
	By cash paid Hugh Elliott	13.00
	By cash, Pitcher to church	.80
Oct. 12	By cash to John Ramsey, Sr.	1.00
Nov. 11	By cash to D. McDill	6.35
Dec. 22	By cash to John Ramsey (2 communion occasions)	4.00
Jan. 25	Treasurer's fees	6.00
		\$87.10

<u>1858</u>		<u>Cr.</u>
Feb. 12	Scrapers & Screws	\$.88
Mar. 9	Amt. paid S. W. McCracken (Rev.) on acc't.	1.25
Mar. 15	By amt. paid Robert Wilson per order of Trustees	6.00
Apr. 2	Brush	.50
Apr. 7	John Simpson	2.50
Apr. 10	Wm. McQuiston (sexton)	10.00
Apr. 16	1 gal wine	1.00
May 12	Wm. McQuiston	15.00
		\$37.13

<u>1859</u>	John Wallace, Treasurer	<u>Cr.</u>
Feb. 14	By cash paid J. R. H. Bernard & John Wallace for Paper, fixing seats, etc.	\$ 4.80
Feb. 28	By cash paid Samuel Graham for taking care of the Meeting House	34.00
Mar. 26	By cash paid Rev. Mr. McCune	5.00
Mar. 26	By cash paid Murray & Bernard for wine	1.00
Mar. 29	By cash paid Samuel Graham	6.00
Apr. 6	By cash paid Thos. Buck, expense to Synod	5.00
May 16	By cash paid (Rev.) S. W. McCracken, Home Mission	55.50
May 16	By cash paid (Rev.) S. W. McCracken, Foreign Mission	89.23
Aug. 19	By cash paid John Ramsey, Sr. 2 communions	4.00
Oct. 16	By cash paid David McDill for Rev. J. Y. Scouller the amount for Missions in Cincinnati	34.37

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HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

1859 John Wallace, Treasurer Db.
 The debits for 1859 are listed on
 page 8. The total amount was \$584.92

<u>1860</u>	John Wallace, Treasurer	<u>Db.</u>
Jan. 30	To balance on hand Contingent Fund	\$14.08
	To balance on hand Assembly's Fund	22.52
Feb. 5	Collection for Board of Publications	30.70
Feb. 17	By cash received from Trustees for Contingent Fund	12.65
	For Contingent Fund	2.50
Mar. 11	By cash for Lawrence & Rochester Churches	31.86
Mar. 18	By cash for Xenia Seminary Synod's Fund	34.00
Apr. 14	By cash for Contingent Fund	14.90
Apr. 15	Collection for Home Missions	60.20
June 24	Collection for A. & F. Christian Union	29.73
July 29	Collection for Contingent Fund	14.40
Sept 16	Collection for American Missionary Society	26.69
Nov. 17	Collection for Contingent Fund	15.27
Nov. 18	Collection for Home Missions	68.24
Nov. 25	Collection for Sunday School Union	34.03
Nov. 29	Collection for Kansas Sufferers, Thanksgiving	36.62
	Collection for Kansas Sufferers	6.38
Dec. 20	Collection for Foreign Missions	81.50
		<u>\$536.27</u>
	Cash from Trustees for Cont. Fund	3.00
		<u>\$539.27</u>
	Trustees overpaid Clerk	9.75
	Total money received	<u>\$529.52</u>

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

<u>1859</u> (continued) John Wallace, Treasurer		<u>Cr.</u>
Nov. 16	By cash paid John Ramsey, Sr. (for Communion)	\$ 2.00
Aug. & Nov.	By cash paid Murray & Bernard for wine	5.00
Dec. 23	By cash paid for Egyptian Building Fund & Home Mission (deficiency) per J. Y. Scouller	82.15
Jan. 9	By cash paid by Hugh Elliott for American Missionary Society	61.35
Jan. 14	By cash paid to the Bible Society	28.00
Jan. 27	Mailed a draft to T. B. Rich, Collection for Foreign Missions	22.13
	Treasurer's Fees	102.79
		6.00
		<u>\$548.32</u>
Jan. 30	Collection for Assembly's Fund on hand,	22.52
	Amount of Contingent Fund on hand	14.08
		<u>\$584.92</u>

<u>1860</u> John Wallace, Treasurer		<u>Cr.</u>
Jan. 30	By cash paid Wm. McQuiston for taking care of the Meeting House	\$14.00
Feb. 18	By case paid Wm. McQuiston	13.00
Mar. 12	By cash mailed to James McCandless Collection for Board of Public S.	30.70
Mar. 19	By cash paid Rev. Gowdy for Xenia Seminary	34.00
Apr. 21	By cash paid John Ramsey, Sr. for one Communion	2.00
Apr. 28	By cash mailed to Lawrence & Rochester Churches	31.86
Apr. 28	By cash paid Rev. J. P. Smart, Home Mission Fund	60.20
May 4	By cash paid Rev. J. Y. Schouller, Assembly's Fund	22.52
May 5	By cash paid Wm. McQuiston, Sexton fees	12.92
July 8	By cash paid Rev. J. Y. Scouller for A. & F. Christian Union	29.73
July 8	By cash paid Murray & Bernard for wine	2.50
Sep. 15	By cash paid John Ramsey, Sr., Communion	2.00
Oct. 1	By cash mailed Rev. J. G. Brice for American Missionary Society	26.69
Nov. 23	By cash pd. Rev. J. Y. Schouler for Home Mission	68.24
Nov. 25	By cash pd. B. W. Chidlaw, S. S. Union	34.03
Dec. 1	By cash pd. John Ramsey, Sr., 1 Communion	2.00
Dec. 1	By cash pd. Rev. J. Y. Schouler, amount for Kansas	43.00

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HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

<u>1860</u>	John Wallace, Treasurer	<u>Db.</u>
	The debits for 1860 are listed on page 10. The total amount was	\$529.52

<u>1861</u>	John Wallace, Treasurer	<u>Db.</u>
Jan. 28	Balance of Contingent Fund on hand	\$12.63
	Amount of Collection for Foreign Missions	84.00
	Cash received from Trustees for Contingent Fund	2.50
	Cash received for Foreign Missions	9.00
Feb. 10	Cash received by Collection for Board of Education	32.00
Feb. 17	Cash received by Collection for Synod's Fund	43.00
Feb. 24	Cash received by Collection for Church Extension	30.50
Mar. 24	Cash received for Contingent Fund	21.60
Apr. 7	Collection for Home Missions	59.00
Apr. 13	Collection for Contingent Fund	15.00
Apr. 14	Collection for Board of Education	35.00
May 5	Collection for Rev. Frazer, Syrian Mission	24.34
June 23	Collection for Rev. McCune's S. School Mission in Cincinnati	11.79
June 30	Collection for Synod's Fund	30.87
July 28	Collection for the return of Rev. Irwin to Oregon	29.53
	Total money received	<u>\$440.76</u>
Aug. 18	Amount collected for Missions	70.00

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

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<u>1860</u>	<u>Cr.</u>
Treasurer's Fees	\$ 6.00
Jan. 28, 1861 Collection for Foreign Missions	81.50
Amount Contingent Fund	19.38
Cash from Trustees for Cont. Fund	3.00
Returned to Trustees	9.75
	\$539.27
Deduct Trustees overpaid	9.75
	\$529.52

<u>1861</u>	<u>Cr.</u>
John Wallace, Treasurer	
Jan. 28 By cash paid J. G. Harper, Sexton fees	\$10.00
Jan. 28 By cash paid Rev. J. Y. Schouler, Foreign Missions	93.00
Feb. 11 By cash paid Rev. J. Y. Schouler Board of Publications	32.00
Feb. 22 By cash paid Rev. Schouler, Synod's Fund	43.00
Mar. 29 By cash paid J. G. Harper, Sexton fees	24.00
Mar. 29 By cash paid Rev. J. Y. Schouler, E.Ext.	30.50
Apr. 12 By Cash paid Rev. J. Y. Schouler (for J. Simpson) Home Missions	59.00
Apr. 15 By cash paid J. G. Harper, Sexton fees	6.00
Apr. 15 By cash paid John Simpson, Dr. Clokey's Expenses	3.60
Apr. 22 By cash paid Rev. J. Y. Schouler for Board of Education	35.00
May 5 By cash paid Rev. Frazer	24.34
May 6 By cash paid John Ramsey, Sr., Communion	2.00
May 6 By cash paid Bernard & McCracken for Wine	2.50
June 25 By cash paid Rev. W. C. McCune per J. C. McCracken	11.79
July 16 By cash paid Rev. J. Y. Schouler, Synod's Fund	30.87
July 29 By cash paid Rev. J. Y. Schouler, for Rev. Irwin for Oregon	29.53
Treasurer's fees	2.00
On hand	1.63
	\$440.76
Aug. 18 Amount paid Rev. J. Y. Schouler, for J. Simpson, Foreign Missions	70.00

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

<u>1861</u>	W. G. Ramsey, Treasurer	<u>Db.</u>
Aug. 24	By cash of (from) John Wallace	1.63
Aug. 24	By cash for Foreign Mission	1.00
Aug. 25	By cash for Foreign Mission	.50
Aug. 25	Collection for contingent fund	12.76
Sept 26	Collection for American Missionary Society	21.00
Oct. 13	Collection for Rev. Levi, Converted Jew	17.01
Nov. 5	Collection for Board of Church extension	29.71
Nov. 5	Collection for contingent fund	10.12
		<u>\$93.79</u>

HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

<u>1861</u>	W. G. Ramsey, Treasurer	<u>Cr.</u>
Aug. 24	Cash paid J. Y. Scouller for Foreign Missions	1.00
Aug. 27	Cash paid John Ramsey, Sr. for Communion	2.00
Sept. 9	Cash paid Bernard & McCracken for wine	3.75
Sept 12	Cash paid Rev. J. Y. Scouler for Foreign Missions	.50
Sept 27	Cash sent by Mail from Morning Sun to Rev. J. G. Brice, Winchester, Md.	21.00
Oct. 11	Cash to Rev. Joseph M. McHatten for Rev. Levi	11.01
Nov. 5	Draft sent Wm. M. Claybaugh for Church in Iowa City	29.71
Dec. 26	Cash paid John Ramsey, Sr.	2.00
Jan. 27, 1862	Cash paid J. G. Harper, Sexton	16.76
		<u>\$93.79</u>

Nov the 9th 1846

2 kegs white lead	"	9 ⁰⁰	40
8 lbs Spanish whiting	"		20
1/2 gallon turpentine	"		50
5 sheets Sarsaparil	"		10
15 lights glass	"		75
1/2 gallon Linseed Oil	"		87 1/2
2 latches 25 per	"		50
for hauling paint & oil			25
			<u>\$ 6:77 1/2</u>

To painting at the meeting house	16	50
To boarding	"	2.00
		<u>\$ 25.27 1/2</u>

to paint & oil & turpentine		
left from painting		1 62
		<u>29.65</u>

By Cash Received	"	12.00
		<u>11.65</u>

Balance due		00
by Cash		65

W. D. Smith

Nov. the 9th 1846

2 kegs white lead	..	\$3.40
8 lbs. Spanish whiting	..	.40
1/2 gallon turpentine	..	.50
5 sheets sanpaper [sic]	..	.10
15 lights - glass	..	.75
1 1/2 gallon linseed oil	..	.87 1/2
2 latches - 25 per	..	.50
for hawling [sic] paint & oil		<u>.25</u>
		\$6.77 1/2
To painting at the meeting house		\$16.50
To boarding		<u>2.00</u>
		\$25.27 1/2
To paint & oil & turpentine left from painting		<u>1.62</u>
		\$23.65
By Cash Received		<u>12.00</u>
		\$11.65
By Cash Received		<u>5.00</u>
Balance due		\$6.65

Wm. Smith

HOPWELL CHURCH

1808-1915



NEAR MORNING SUN
ISRAEL TWP., PREBLE CO., OHIO

Subject: *REV. ALEXANDER PORTER'S
VISITATION NOTES OF FAMILIES
AND NEW COMMICANTS RECORDS*

-1819-1833-

*- INDEX OF HOPWELL FAMILIES
- INDEX OF NEW COMMUNICANTS*

This notebook is no new "Historic Find". It had been passed down through his descending families as a curious memento of Rev. Alexander Porter, first permanent minister of Hopewell Church (1814-1833).

The notebook was written in a very obscure form of shorthand and for over 130 years it was interesting but meaningless.

The late Homer Hays Irwin undertook the thankless task of finding out if it could be transcribed. The following pages will show that there was also a considerable amount of translation involved.

Research has disclosed that there were hundreds of forms of shorthand at that time. An 1850 book on the subject reported shorthand dating back into the 18th century and that in the early 1800's, almost every journalist had his own form of shorthand.

I wrote to Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., from which Rev. Porter was reported to have graduated, to learn if it was a subject taught at that college.

Martha C. Slotten, Archivist and Curator of Special Collections for Dickinson College, noted that while Alexander Porter had not graduated from Dickinson, he had studied Theology with Charles Nisbet, their first president.

Clearly Ms. Slotten had many inquiries and had acquired a sizeable dozier on Rev. Porter and Hopewell Church, including a photocopy of a letter to a friend from Carlisle in 1790--"nothing much of substance in it".

Where Rev. Porter learned his brand of shorthand will probably always be a mystery. But we are blessed to have his transcribed and translated records.

These records are distributed with the permission of Homer Irwin's widow, Mrs. Ione A. Irwin, 255 S. West Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126.

Marjorie Paxton Palmer

LISTING OF FAMILIES AND NAMES OF FAMILY MEMBERS
WHO WERE ASSOCIATED WITH THE HOPEWELL CHURCH
FOR THE YEARS 1819 THROUGH 1833
Isreal Township, Preble County, Ohio

The Rev. Alexander Porter kept in his notebook a very complete list of the families of his congregation as well as families of his "visitation" as he called them, some of whom may not have been members. It appears from the position of the names on the page of the notebook that the first two names in a family listing are the parents, followed by the names of the children in the order of decreasing ages. Further division of the children seems to be into groups of those above 16 years of age and those below that age. This designation is in shorthand and is not certain, so no attempt has been made to the following copy to make this distinction.

It will be noted in some family listings that two names are given for a person, the last name being different from that of the parents of the family. We can think of three possible explanations for this. In pioneer days the average life span was much less than it is today. As a result there probably were many orphans. At that early time it is not likely that orphanages were easily reached. It would have been the responsibility of relatives, neighbors, or friends to provide for orphaned children until they were old enough to care for themselves. Another possible explanation is the system in use at that time called "indenture" in which the services of a young person, usually an orphan, were sold by his guardian for a fixed number of years to someone who would teach him a trade, or merely benefit from his services. A third explanation is that one or more of the children's grandparents or other relatives were living with the family.

*(NOTE: In most cases, the different "last name" of the child was actually the child's middle name. There are some orphans but they were living with grandparents of the same family name. Live-in relatives are listed last.)

The listing of families and family members is given for several different years, in which there are many duplications of family listings, but in some cases variations in the listings of family names. This makes possible a cross check on the names and the correct spelling of names. It

will be noted that the spelling of some names is different from that in use today. Nearly every family had at least one "Eitsy" which we would spell "Betsy" today. The Rev. Porter wrote e and i to look so much alike that in many cases the decision as to which it should be had to be made according to its use in a known word. In some of the "Eitsy" listings the i's were dotted, so we believe that is the correct spelling. His spelling of Elisabeth or Elisa uses s where we now use z. It is probable that some unfamiliar names were spelled according to the way they sounded. It must be remembered that this was a personal notebook, and that the Rev. Porter made notes good enough for his own use, but that he did not expect someone 140 years later to be trying to read them.

In the following listing of families for several different years, where duplicate listings have been noticed, a cross reference number has been added in parentheses preceding the wife's name. This number is the number of the duplicate family listing from some other year.

Question marks following names in the following list indicate doubt as to what spelling was intended. All spelling is as given in the notebook as far as can be determined. Many entries in the Rev. Porter's notebook are written quite small, and in some cases, the ink is quite faded. A good reading glass was used and was of considerable help in determining some of the names listed.

It is believed that this list of the names of families and family members of those associated with the Hopewell Church in pioneer days will be of great value in the future to those who are trying to trace their family histories back to this time in Preble County. It probably establishes the family names and the names of the children of some of the first families to move to this region. It is probable that no other such list exists. Every precaution should be taken to insure that the original notebook record is preserved for posterity.

Wm. H. J. J. J.
*(NOTE: Interchangeable names for women were far more common in the early 19th century. Some were used on tombstones. In addition to our modern "Margaret/Peggy", "Sarah/Sally" and "Elizabeth/Betty/Betsy", there were: "Jane/Jean", "Mary/Polly", "Martha/Patsy", "Agnes/Nancy", "Jennet/Janet/Jenny/Ginny", "Isabella/Ibby/Ibley", "Rebecca/Becky" and "Abigail/Abba/Abbie".

"Jane/Jean" and "Agnes/Nancy", in particular, make record-searching difficult until it is realized that they are true alternate names.)

NOTES WRITTEN IN ENGLISH FROM THE
 REV. ALEXANDER PORTER'S NOTEBOOK
 IN THE POSSESSION OF MRS. ETNYRE

Families: 1818?

No. 1

Parents

And'w Weid
 Nancy
 Samuel
 Betsy Clark
 Nathanul
 Jn. Pressly

10. Thomas Macdill
 Martha

11. Samuel Macdill
 Ginny

Peggy
 Mary Ann
 Ginny
 John
 Beth
 Sarah
 Nancy
 Rachel

2. Kirby ? Weid
 Lillian
 Nathanul
 Nancy
 Betsy
 Polly
 Martha
 Peggy

12. John Elliott
 sister Jane
 2nd. child widow

3. Samuel Herron
 Ann

James
 Jane
 John
 Peggy ?
 David
 Alex'r Porter

13. William Leaper ?
 Grisella
 Susanah
 Ginny
 John
 Polly
 Jimison
 William
 Samuel

4. Rob't Buck
 Mary
 William
 John

14. John McClurkin
 Peggy
 Thos.
 Nathanul
 David

5. James Smith
 Ann

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15. John Patterson ?
 Mary
 Jane

16. David Boyse
 Ginny
 Polly
 Bitsy

17. John Buck
 Nancy
 Mary
 Wm.
 John
 Nancy Moore
 Sam Buck

Half Brother of John - Mac ancestor who came north with his half-brothers, while his four sisters stayed with his mother who had re-married. Sam didn't get along with the step-father !!

18. Mary Macdill
 John
 Thomas
 Robert
 Peggy
 David
 Andis ?
 Ellonar ?
 Geo'g ?
 Clonar Mahin ?

19. James Macdill
 Peggy
 Thomas
 Ginny
 Peggy
 Samuel
 John
 Patsy
 Polly Bitsy
 William Alex'n Ct.

20. Joseph Prissy
 Becky
 James
 Polly
 Sally
 David
 John
 Deborah
 Wm. Sam

21. John Brown
 Becky
 James
 Thomas
 Hugh Madill
 Grizla ?
 James

22. William Buck
 Peggy
 Mary
 Peggy
 Ginny

23. Isrial Hamilton
 Flora
 Nancy
 Elisabeth
 Harry ?
 Ann
 Peggy
 Jane
 Robert ?

24. Daniel Elliott
 Peggy
 William

25. James Boyse
 Polly
 Mary
 Bitsy
 John
 James (adopted)
(unable to read)

26. William Pinkerton
 Abba
 Polly

27. Thomas Pinkerton
 Peggy
 Bitsy
 Nancy Clark

28. Jane Sutton
(50) Bitsy Elliott
Mathew
Joseph Elliott
Thos. Sutton
29. Robert Elliott
Bitsy
30. William Magaw
Mary
Sally
William
31. John Harthorn^w
Jane
Benjamin Clark
32. David Harthorn^w
Polly
Lucy
Mary
Sam'l
Peggy
James
33. Moses Magaw
Isabella
John
Mary Ann
34. James Magaw
Elonar
35. Samuel Wiley
Mary
Ann
Bitsy
John
Peggy
Joseph
Samuel
Sally
36. James Jiles
Peggy
John Patterson
Polly
Susanah
Jane
Peggy
37. Robert Pressly
Elisabeth
Bitsy Ann
Ebenaezer
Nancy
Sam
Robert
38. John Beard ?
Mary
Samuel
John
Bitsy Jane
Nancy
39. James Marshall
Elisabeth
Henery
Jane Joseph
Polly Whitiker
John Elisa
40. John Pinkerton
Mary
Ann
John
James
Robert
George
Ebenaezer
Mary
41. Hugh Porter
Elonar

42. Alex'n Hamilton
 (64) Polly
 Polly
 Jane Gamble
 Richard Norris
 Sophia
 Henery
 Lucy
 Moriah
 Thos.
 Catherina
 Stephen
 Peter
 George

43. Robert Boyse
 Ginney
 Polly
 William
 John Hopewell
 Anny
 Samuel
 Rob't Archer

44. James Foster
 Polly
 Bitsy
 Jane
 James Chambers
 Sam'l Couples
 Mary
 John
 Patsy Nisloer ?

45. John Foster
 (69) Elisabeth
 Hugh
 Sam'l Coz'by (or Coz'ley)
 Samuel
 And'w
 Alex'n
 Jane
 Bitsy
 John
 James

46. Samuel Bell
 (63) Ginny
 And'w
 John
 Ja's

47. Wm. Ramsey
 Martha
 James
 Bitsy
 Samuel
 George
 Ginney
 Nancy
 Patsy
 David

48. Hugh Ramsey
 Francis
 John
 Ja's
 Bitsy
 Wm. Sably ?
 Polly Johnston
 David Shepheard
 Hugh

49. Richard Sloan
 (58) Polly
 Peggy
 Polly
 James
 Bitsy
 John
 Nathen
 Richard
 Elihu
 Mary Arshbell

50. Nathen Brown
(62) Ginny (or Genny)

Grossy
Catty
Ja's
Polly
Peggy
Bitsy
Joseph
John
Nancy

51. William Gilmore
Martha

James
William
Sobina
Sam'l Baldrege
Elli
Sallay Jane
Betsy Bradly

52. Joseph Steele
(51) Jane

Jane
John Martin
Samuel
Liliann
Elisa

(Numbering series changed
without explanation)

43. Robert Gamble
Ibby

John
Mary
Elisabeth

44. Martha Foster
(52)

Robert
Sally
Alexander

45. Peggy Harris
(53)

James
Michal
John
Nancy
Robert
Anny
Feby Hannah

46. Michal Kirkim
(57) Agness

Matilda McFall

47. John Jiles
(54) Prudence

Sally
Peggy
Mary
Susanah
Wm. Elliott
John D.
Nancy
John Jas.

48. James Beard
Prudence

Hugh
Rob't
John
Mary
Jas.
Bitsy
Patsy

49. John Allen
(55) Nancy

Andrew
Jas. Jr.
Henry
Rob.
Mary
Esabella

50. Jas. Allen
 (56) Elanor
 John
 And'w
 Mary Jo's
 Joseph
 Rob.
 Henery

51. Adam Soladay
 (99) Mary
 Polly
 Bitsy
 Frederick
 Pheby
 Henery
 Jacob
 Jn.
 Cooty

52. Nathen Brown, Jr.
 (85) Bitsy
 Sally
 Elisabeth
 William Lamb

53. John Ramsey
 (60) Elisabeth
 William
 George
 Polly
 Hannah
 Patsy
 Jane
 Preston
 Sally

54. Benjamin C. Livan
 Hannah
 Elonar
 Marg't
 William
 John Ervin

55. John Wilson
 (81) Ibley
 John McClure
 Clery
 Mary

56. Samuel Patterson
 (80) Susanah
 William
 John
 Rob't
 Ginny
 Becky

57. James Buck
 (49) Polly

57. Robert Smyth (asnumbered)
 (79) Mary
 John
 Anny

58. Alex'r Hamilton
 Elisabeth

59. John Duglas
 Susanah
 Joseph
 Nancy
 John Benjamin
 William
 Riachel Biars

60. Samuel Duglas
Rosannah, mother

61. George Brown
(90) Bitsy
George
Jane
Grisela
Sally

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70. Thos. Brown
Bitsy
John

71. Robert Miller
Nancy
Jane McBroan
Nancy Bell

72. William McBain
Polly
Bitsy
Hannah
John
Hugh
Mary Matilda
Rob.
Sally

73. William Bell
(70) John
Martha
Thos.
James
Peggy
Samuel
William

74. Mary Martin
(71) Martha "

75. And'w Martin
(72) Nancy
Rob't
Arch.
John

76. John Hamilton
Bitsy
Nancy
Catty
Jane
Bitsy

77. Thos. Madill,
Ginney
David
Polly
Wm.

78. Sam'l Hamilton
(74) Jane
George
Isrial
John
James
Nancy
Rob.
Jane
Polly Ann
Elisabeth Smyth

79. And'w McQuiston
(61) Ginney
James
Bitsy
Ginny
Sally
David
Ibley
William Hugh

8.

80. David Phares
Caty
 John
 Martha

81 David Sample
(77) Sally
 Rosanah
 Margire
 Rob't

82. Hugh McQuiston
Margret
 William
 Joseph
 David
 Archb'd
 Hugh
 David McQuiston

83. James Brown
(78) Bitty
 Polly
 Rob't
 George
 James
 Elisa

84. Jonathan Paxton
Nancy
 Rob't
 William
 Patsy
 Sam'l
 Reachel
 James
 Thomas
 Elli
 Madison
 Sally
 Sobina
 Jonathan

85. John Brown
Bitsy
 Alex'r Porter

86. Jonathan Caldwell
(102) Nancy

87. John Milligan
(65) Ginny
 Sally
 Grizella
 Mary
 Becca Farmer

89. Grizella (as Numbered)
 Grizella —

Admitted to communion on
personal examination March 26, 1819

1. Joseph Steele and his wife
2. Jane "
3. Jonathan Caldwell
4. Polly Brown
5. Sobina Gilmore
6. Thos. Macdill
7. Marg't Jiles
8. Bitsy Foster
9. Mary Ann Madill
10. Ginny "
11. Jane Patterson

Admitted to communion on
personal examination Aug't 15, 1819

1. James Gilmore
2. Sam'l Buck
3. James Herron
4. Jane Herron
5. Susan Leaper ?
6. Ginny "
7. Anny Wiley
8. Sally McQuiston
9. And'w Foster
10. Jane Foster
11. Robt. Foster
12. Sally Foster

A Table of Hopewell Cong'n for 1820

Families	Parents	Children	Six other column headings in shorthand, meaning unknown
93	173	311	
Total Number 574			

Admitted to communion on certificates April 9, 1820

Rachel Robinson
 George Simpson
 Ann " wife
 Elonar Mcabin

On examination

- | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Joseph Robinson | 5. Robert Paxton |
| 2. Robert Gilmore | 6. James Pressly |
| 3. Patsy, his wife | 7. Elisa Hamilton |
| 4. William Gilmore | 8. Eben'r Pinkerton |

Admitted to the Lords Table on personal examination Aug't 20th. 1820

- | | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Thos. Harper | 6. Alex'r P. Lessly |
| 2. His wife | 7. And'w Alin |
| 3. Ebin'r Duglas | 8. Martha Gray |
| 4. George Ramsey | 9. Polly Ramsey |
| 5. Jane Hudgins | 10. Alex'r Porter |

Admitted to the Lords Table on personal examination April 29th. 1821

- | | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Ginny Ramsey | 8. Bitsy Boyse |
| 2. Hannah Ramsey | 9. Bitsy Wiley |
| 3. John Herron | 10. Ginny Madill |
| 4. James Brown | 11. Peggy Madill |
| 5. John Elliott | 12. Polly Ann Stewart |
| 6. John Gray | 13. Mary Tobosay ? |
| 7. Mary Porter | |

Visitation list for the year 1821

- | | |
|--|---|
| <p>1. And'w Weid
Nancy
 Sam'l
 Bitsy Clark
 Nathanul
 John Pressly
 Martha Gray
 And'w Gray</p> | <p>6. John Patterson
 Mary
 Blaik
 Jane</p> |
| <p>2. Jonathan Paxton
Nancy
 William
 Samuel
 James
 Thos.
 Elli
 Madison
 Sally
 Sobina
 Jonathan
 Sarah Irwin
 Sally McKnulty</p> | <p>7. Sam'l Patterson
Catty
 Sam'l
 Anny
 James Bowshirt</p> |
| <p>3. Robert Gilmore
Patsy
 Sarah Jane
 James Addeson
 Jonathan Paxton</p> | <p>8. John Buck
Nancy
 Mary
 William
 Nancy Moore
 Ginny
 Sam'l Buck</p> |
| <p>4. Robert Buck
Mary
 William
 John
 James
 Bitsy Jane</p> | <p>9. Mary Madill
 Thos.
 David
 And'w Elloner
 James
 Elloner Malun</p> |
| <p>5. Samuel Herron
Ann
 James
 Jane
 John
 Peggy
 Polly Caldwell
 David
 Alex'r Porter</p> | <p>10. David Boyse
Ginny
 Polly
 Bitsy</p> |
| | <p>11. Alex'r McCrackin
Rebecca
 Sarah Jane
 Marg't Ann</p> |
| | <p>12. James Smith
Ann
 Isobus
 James
 John
 Eliza
 William</p> |

11.

13. Sam'l Smith
Martha
Mary
James
Oliver

14. Thos. Madill
Martha
Samuel
David

15. John Elliott

16. David Bonir
Marg't
Hugh
John
Robt.
Mary
Gannit
James
Sam'l

17. Sam Madill
Ginny
Mary Ann
Ginny
John
Bitsy
Sarah
Nancy
Riachel

18. Wm. Leaper ?
Grisella
Susanah
John
Polly
Jamison
Wm.
Samuel

19. John McClerkin
Peggy
Thos.
Mathew
David
Wm.
James
Henery

20. Thos. Harper
Jane
John
Bitsy
Thos.
James
Abigal

21. David Gray
Nancy
Nancy
James
Martha
John
Wm.
David

22. Isreal Hamilton
Jane
Nancy
?
Mary
And'w
Peggy
Jane
Rebecca

23. Wm. Buck
Peggy
Mary
Peggy
Ginny
Wm.
Sally
John
Rob't

12.

24. James Boyse
Polly
Mary
Bitsy
John
James (adopted)
James Worth

31. Thos. Pinkerton
Peggy
Bitsy
Nancy
William A.
Moriah

25. Joseph Pressly
Polly Ann
James
Deborah
Sally
David
John
Wm.
Samuel
Joseph Taylor

32. Wm. Pinkerton
Abby
Polly
John
Wm. Alon'o

26. John Brown
Becky
James
Thos.
John
Peggy

33. Sam'l Wiley
Mary
Anny
Bitsy
John
Peggy
Joseph
Sam'l
Sally
James
baby

27. Robert Elliott
Bitsy
Ruthu Phenis

34. Moses Magaw
Isabella
Mary Ann
Sally Jane

28. Samuel Elliott
Peggy
Wm.
John Foster
Alvin Snorey ?

35. John Harthorn^w
Jane
Benjamin Clark
Mary Lindsay
Sarah

29. Wm. Magaw
Mary
Sally
Billy

36. Richard Morris
Sophia
Henry
Lucy
Mariah
Thos.
Catherine
Stephen
Peter
George
John

30. Joseph Robinson
Riachel
James Harris

13.

37. George Simpson
Ann

James
Rob't
Wm.
Gennit
Jane
George
John
Eben'r
Thos.

38. James Marshal
Elisabeth

Henry
Jane
Joseph
Polly Whitman
John
James

39. James Jiles
Peggy

John Patterson
Polly
Susanah
Jane
Peggy
James
Reachel

40. John Brown
Bitsy

Alex'r Porter
James
Mary Ann
Elisabeth

41. John Pinkerton
Mary

Ann
James
Robert
George
Ebinazer
Mary

42. Reub'n Weid
Lilian

Nath'l
Nancy
Bitsy
Polly
Lotty
Matty
Peggy
Sally Jane

43. Rob't Boyse
Reachel

Polly
Wm.
John
Anny
Sam'l
Rob't
Joseph Laba (or Lata) ?
Mary Jane

44. James Stewart
Betty

Polly Ann
Adam
Lissey
Jane

14.

45. William Gilmore
Martha
William
Sobina
Sam'l Baldrige
Sally Jane
Bitsy Bradly

46. James Gilmore
Bitsy
Eli
Wm. Ramsey
Mary Agnes

47. Hugh Ramsey
Franky
John
James
Betsy (or Bitsy)
Wm.
Sally
Polly Johnston
David Shepherd
Hugh
Patsy

48. Wm. Ramsey
Martha
Sam'l
George
Ginny
Nancy
Patsy
David

49. James Buok
(57) Polly
Rob't
Wm. Jonthon
Alex'r Porter

50. Jane Sutton
(28) Bitsy Elliott
Mathew Sutton
John Sutton
Thomas Sutton

51. Joseph Steele
(52) Jane
Jane
John Martin T.
Samuel
Liliann
Elisa
Wm. Smith
Joseph Knox

52. Martha Foster
(44) Robert
Sally
Alex'r

53. Peggy Harris
(45) James
John
Nancy
Rob't
Ann
Feby Hannah

54. John Jiles
(47) Prudence
Sally
Peggy
Mary
Susan
Nancy
John
James
Robert
Theby
Patty
Caroline

15.

55. John Allen
(49) Nancy

And'w
James
John
Henry
Rob't
Mary
Isabella
Wm.

56. James Allen
(50) Elonar

John
And'w
Mary
James
Joseph
Rob't
Henry
Thos.
Nancy Jane
Mary Allen

57. Michal Kirkim
(46) Angess (probably Agnesa)
Matilda McFall

58. Richard Sloan
(49) Polly

Peggy
Polly
James
Bitsy
John
Nathan
Richard
Elihu
Mary
Archibald
John Herron
Nancy
Morris

59. Alex'r Hamilton
Bitsy

John
Sam'l Brown
Hugh B.

60. John Ramsey
(53) Elisabeth

Wm.
George
Polly
Hannah
Patsy
Jane
Preston
Sally

61. And'w McQuiston
(79) Ginney

Bitsy
Sally
David
Isabella
William Hugh
Jeney Caldwell
Andrew Caldwell
Mary Caldwell

62. Nathan Brown
(50) Ginny

Grossy
Catherine
James
Polly
Peggy
Bitsy
Joseph
John
Nancy

16.

63. Sam'l Bell
(46) Ginny

And'w
John
James
Sam'l Bell
Wm.
Nathen
Reachel
Fannie

64. Alex'r Hamilton
(42) Polly

Polly
Bitsy
Jas.
Sally
John

65. John Milligan
(87) Ginny

Sally
Grizzela
Sam'l Jr.
Rebecca Farmer

66. Mrs Craig
Grisela Craig

67. James Madill
Margret

Thomas
Ginney
Peggy
Sam'l
John
Patsy
Polly
William Alex'r
James Porter

68. Thos. Ramsy
Polly

Sally
Alex'r Grimes
James Elliott
Nathan
Wm. Kirkin
John

69. John Foster
(45) Betty

Hugh
Sam'l Cogley
Samuel
And'w
Alex'r P.
Jane
Bitsy
John
James

70. Wm. Bell
(73) Violate ?

John
Martha
Thos.
James
Peggy
Wm.
Bitsy
Nancy

71. Mary Martin
(74) Martha

72. And'w Martin
(75) Nancy

Rob't
Arch'bd
John
And'w
Isabella

17.

73. Thomas Brown
Bitsy

John
Ginny
And'w
Sam'l
Wm.

78. James Brown
(83) Bitsy

Polly
Robert
George
James
Elisa

74. Sam'l Hamilton
(78) Jane Hamilton

George
Isrial
John
James
Nancy
Rob't
Jane
Polly Ann
Elisabeth Smyth

79. Robt. Smith
(57) Mary

John
Mary Ann
Samuel
Elisa Jane

80. Sam'l Patterson
(56) Rosanah

John
Robt.
Ginny
Becky

75. David Madill
Isabella

Archib'd
Bitsy
Elonar Swan

81. John Wilson
(55) Ibbby

John McClure
Nancy

76. David Pharis
(80) Catty

John
Martha
David

82. Clery Wilson
(55) Mary

83. Hannah Swan

77. David Sample
(81) Sally

Rosanah
Margirie
Rob't
Charles
David
baby

84. Hugh McQuiston
(82) Margt.

William
David
Arch'bd
Hugh
David McQuiston
Polly Lata

18.

85. Nathen Brown (Jr.)
(52) Bitsy

Sally
Elisabeth
Mitchel
Mathew
Mary Jane
James Mitchel
Reachel Farmer

90. George Brown
(61) Bitsy

George
Jane
Grizla ?
Sally
Mary
Elisabeth Taylor

86. William McCrarey
Molly

Sally
Polly
Jane
Adam
William
John McCartney

91. Thos. Madill
Ginny

David
Polly
Wm.
Isabella
Nathan

87. James McQuistan
Peggy

Jane
Caroline
Martha
And'w

92. John Hamilton
Bitsy

Nancy
Caty
Jane
Bitsy
Alex'r
Sam'l
Molly
And'w

88. Robert Duglas
Jane

Polly
Anny
John
Bitsy
Jane
Peggy
Rosanah

93. Hugh Madill
Grizla ?

James
Ibby
Jane

89. Joseph Duglas
Margret

Joseph
John
Martha
Becky
Peggy Ann
Rob't
Jas.
Ross
Mary

94. Ebin'r Elliott
Nancy

James
Wm.
John
Ebin'r
Hugh
Isiah
David
Mrs. Mitchel

95. John Caldwell
Martha
 John Patterson
96. Robert Gamble
Isabella
 John
 Marg.
 Elisabeth
 Sam'l
 Jane Gamble
97. William McCain
Polly
 Bitsy
 Hannah
 John
 Hugh
 Marg.
 Matilda
 Rob
 Sally
98. Rob't Miller
Nancy
 Jane McCroan
 Nancy
 Bill
 Wm. McCrone
 Sam'l
99. Adam Solady
(51) Mary
 Polly
 Bitsy
 Frederick
 Pheby
 Isabella
 Henry
 Jacob
 John
 Catty
100. Hugh Porter
Elonar
 James B.
 Alex'r P.
 Elisabeth
101. John Brown
(21) Elisabeth
 Alex'r P.
 James R.
 Elisabeth
102. Jonathan Caldwell
(86) Nancy
 Mary
 Martha
 Jane
 Alex'r Porter
103. Sam'l Graham
Sally
 Harriate Paxton
104. Hugh Bonner
Susanah
 Marg't
105. Sam'l Paxton
Reachel
 Patty
 Samuel and Sarah Whiteman
 Peggy
 James
 Wm.
 George
 Harriet
 Elis.
 Sally Whiteman
106. Archib. Madill
 Jane

20.

107. Wm. Ramsey
Sarah Ramsey

109. George Ramsey
Nancy Ramsey
Elisa Jane
John Gamble

108. Eben'r Douglas
Jane

Ebin'r
Elliott
Alex'r

110. Wm. Killough
John "
James "
Jane "
Marg't "

Eight numbers given, each with shorthand designation,
meaning not known: 191, 16, 73, 21, 366, 9, 5, 100
Total 681
Communicants 273

Persons examined for admittance to the Lord's Table Jan'r 1822

1. John Ramsey	7. Polly Brown
2. Henry Marshal	8. Jane Marshal
3. Rob't Madill	9. Polly Pressly
4. Isreal Hamilton	10. Polly Boyse
5. Polly Ann Douglas	11. Wm. Paxton
6. Peggy Madill	12. Sam'l Gilmore

These were admitted April 14th. 1822

Persons admitted Aug. 12, 1822 on certificate

1. Nancy Ramsey

On personal examination

1. Wm. Paxton	5. Sally Whiteman
2. Wm. Boyse	6. Polly Paxton
3. John Sloan	7. Sally McBreasy ?
4. Polly Pressly	8. Reachel Paxton

Families of my visitation list above

- | | |
|--|---|
| <p>1. James Whiteman
Rebecca " & 6 children</p> <p>2. James Pressly
Elisa
Rebecca Thompson</p> <p>Number 3 omitted</p> <p>4. John Marshal
Nancy
Robert
Joseph
Jane</p> | <p>5. James Graham
Peggy
George
Samuel
Joseph</p> <p>6. Wm. Irwin
Wife (widower at this time)
James
Mary Ann
George
Wm. Arthur
Elisabeth Jane</p> <p>Thos. Gilmore
Peggy
Wm. Davidson
Thos.
(cannot read)
Jas. Morgan ?
Martha Leacky
Johny</p> |
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Persons admitted to communion upon certificate at our October
Sacrament 1822.

Samuel Graham
his wife

James Graham
his wife

Persons admitted to communion on certificate April 1823

Sarah Whiteman
Reuben Weid & wife
James Pressly
Black Sporig ? & wife (possibly negro)

Persons admitted on examination to comm. Aug. 10, 1823

James Smith	Caty Ochiltree
John Bell	Peggy Wiley
John Madill	Matilda McFall
John Hamilton	Hannah McKain
Robert Simpson	Bitsy Foster
James Simpson	James Whiteman & wife Rebecca

on certificate John Marshel

Persons examined & admitted to com'n April 26--1824

1. William Gray	11. Nancy Ramsey
2. James Allen	12. Patsy Ramsey
3. James Harris	13. Peggy Brown
4. Robert Brown	14. Rob't Patterson
5. Archib'd McQuiston	15. Thos. Gilmore wife
6. David McQuiston	16. Peggy
7. Mary Pinkerton	17. David Williamson wife
8. Nancy Hamilton	18. Elisabeth
9. Rebecca Farmer	19. Ginny Patterson
10. Isabella McQuiston	

1. John Ramsey	4. Wm. Gray & Polly
Jane	5. Archibald Madill & Peggy
2. Ezra Miller	6. James Elliott
Nancy	Sarah
3. James Haris	
Bitsy	

Families visited above the ?

1. James McCracken	2. Rob't Paxton
R. Cathrine	Polly
Sally	Agnus Gilmore
Elonar	
John	
Alex'r	

23.

3. Sam'l Buck
Peggy Thos.

9. James Gray
Peggy Martha Jane

4. James Smith
Polly Anny
baby

10. Wm. Migaw
Reachel
baby

5. James Whiteman
Rebecca Marg't
Sarah
Elisa
Sam'l
Thos.
Nancy
James

11. Sam'l Ramsey
Soluna Wm.
Wm. Gilmore

6. Gabriel Smith
Pheby

12. Jonas Seebrist ?
Nancy Polly
James
Wm.
Cassy
Sam'l
Hannah
Harvy ?
Hannah Paxton

7. Wm. Gilmore
Mary James Boyse

13. William Wilson
Polly Ann

8. Sarah Whiteman
Sally
Jane
Rob't

14. George Ramsey
Wife, mother, baby

In Hopewell congregation these are Families, Parents, Parent

Families	119
Parents	204
Parent (possibly 1 parent)	14

Seven other numbers preceded by shorthand notations

Hopewell congregation according to my visitation list of 1825 contains

Families	119
Parents	204
Parent (possibly 1 parent)	14
Communicants	301
Whole No.	746

Five other numbers designated by shorthand notations

List of persons admitted to com'n April 10, 1825

On certificate Wmssn, Stewart, Hart
On examination

1. James Seebrist ?	9. Sam'l Paxton
2. Ebn'r Elliott	10. John Wiley
3. George Brown	11. Ezra Miller
4. James Ramsy	12. Sam'l Baldrige
5. James Hamilton	13. Polly Seebrist ?
6. David Madill	14. Peggy Gray
7. James Porter	15. Mary Hamilton
8. John Herron	16. Patsy Porter

Persons admitted to com'n April 18th. 1826 on examination

1. Martha Ramsey	8. James Paxton
2. Patsy Ramsey	9. David Gray
3. Martha Gilaspy	10. Micheal Harris
4. Reachel Farmer	11. Nathen Sloan
5. Ann Sue ?	12. Hugh Elliott
6. Nancy Harris	13. Bitsy Moore
7. James Pressly	

Persons admittgd to com'n on examination Aug.t 13th. 1826

1. John Allen	8. Molly Boner
2. Wm. Simpson	9. Jane Boner
3. John Allen	10. Bitsy Madill
4. Bitsy Ramsey	11. Peggy Herron
5. Mary Giles (probably spelled "Jiles" elsewhere)	12. Martha Bell and on certificate
6. Nancy Weed (or Weid)	13. John Fullerton
7. Sally Pressly	

Families added to my visitation

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1. James Gray
Peggy
Martha Jane | 4. David McQuiston
Ginny
Sam'l Boner |
| 2. John Gray
Nancy | 5. John Patterson
Ginny |
| 3. James Pinkerton
Sally | 6. Hugh Smith |
| | 7. John Elliott
Polly |

Persons admitted to comm'n on examination April 8th. 1827

- | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Wm. Gray | 6. Sam'l Weed |
| 2. John Boyse | 7. John Giles (or Jiles) |
| 3. James Paxton | 8. Moriah Lu (or possibly Lee) |
| 4. And'w Madill | 9. Sam Ramsy |
| 5. Sam'l Madill | 10. Jane Porter |

On certificate

1. Sam'l McQuarns ?
2. Martha " his wife
3. Sam'l Hamilton

Persons admitted to com'n on examination March 30, 1828

- | | |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1. James McCrery | 8. Thos. Sutton |
| 2. Rob(t Marshall | 9. John Boyse |
| 3. Richard Sloan | 10. Bitsy Weid |
| 4. And'w Bell | 11. Ellinor Macdill |
| 5. Hugh McQuiston | 12. Gennit Simpson |
| 6. And'w Hamilton | 13. Jane Steel |
| 7. James Brown | 14. John Macdill |

Persons admitted to com'n Nov. 9th. 1828
on personal examination from the world

- | | |
|-----------------------|---|
| 1. Sam'l Benit | 6. Polly Gill |
| 2. His wife | 7. On personal examination
and certificate from the
Gen. As. Henry Bell |
| 3. His daughter Susan | 8. Jane Boner on exam'n from
the Ref.'d Church |
| 4. " " Rebecca | |
| 5. " " Sophia | |

Persons admitted to com'n April 12th. 1829 on examination

- | | |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Miles Miller | 9. Hannah Paxton |
| 2. John Foster | 10. Bitsy Brown |
| 3. Thomas Bell | 11. Peggy Hamilton |
| 4. Nancy Macdill | 12. Jane Brown |
| 5. Sarah Macdill | 13. Bitsy Weed |
| 6. Polly Herron | 14. Ann Boyse |
| 7. Mary Buck | 15. Susan Giles |
| 8. Jane Simpson | 16. Martha Graham |

On certificates

- | | |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Mathew Wilson | 7. Martha Wilson wid. |
| 2. and wife Gennet | 8. and daughter Bitsy |
| 3. Mathew Graham | 9. Sarah Marg't Gilmore |
| 4. and wife Gennet | 10. Sarah McBride |
| 5. David Black | 11. Ginny Stewart |
| 6. Robert Crawford | |

Persons admitted to com'n April 11, 1830 on certificate

- | | |
|------------------------|--|
| 1. Jane McQuiston | 4. Sam'l Lessley &
Harriet his wife |
| 2. Elisabeth McQuiston | |
| 3. Margret McQuiston | |

On personal examination

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Andrew Graham | 11. William Paxton |
| 2. John Wilson | 12. Isaiah Elliott |
| 3. Joseph Marshall | 13. William Pressley |
| 4. George Brown | 14. Sarah Reed (possibly Rud) |
| 5. David Ramsey | 15. Patsy Maddill |
| 6. Preston Ramsey | 16. Polly Marshall |
| 7. James Boyse | 17. Hadisa Gilaspie |
| 8. Elihu Sloan | 18. Elvira Gilmore |
| 9. Mathew Gilaspie | 19. Mary Ann Boyse |
| 10. John Bell | 20. Elisa Herron |

At the August sacram't admitted upon examination

1. David Nelson

Admitted upon personal examination to the Lord's Supper
April 10th. 1831

1. John Graham	9. Polly Giles
2. Robert Harris	10. Polly Weed
3. Adam Stewart	11. Lissey Stewart
4. Jane Hamilton	12. Wm. Wilson
5. Nancy Hamilton	13. Mary Ann Gilmore
6. Caty Hamilton	14. Martha Wilson
7. Ann Harris	15. William Anderson student
8. Marg't Graham	

On certificates

1. James B. Miller	6. James McQuiston
2. ? Barbara his wife	7. Elisabeth his wife
3. William McCaw	8. Alex'r Lessly
4. Mary his wife	9. Elisabeth his wife
5. Wm. Boyse	10. John Wilson student

Persons admitted to com.n on examination April 1, 1832

1. David Pressly	7. Robert Graham
2. Charles McCachan ?	8. Daniel Dial
3. Wm. Ramsey	9. Polly Macdill
4. James Bell	10. Elisa Brown
5. Joseph Wiley	11. Sarah Paxton
6. And'w Allen	12. Martha McGee

On certificate

Thos. Atkins & wife
Jas. Bell

The Supper administered Aug't 29 1832

Admitted on certificate

Mary Fullerton

John & James Bonner occasional
Wilson Blain "

The Supper administered Nov. 11th. 1832
 Admitted upon personal knowledge On certificate

1. Arthur Orr and	Thos Atkins and wife
2. wife Jane	James Milton & wife
3. John Orr and	David Robinson & wife
4. wife Jane	Wm. Anderson & wife
	Silas Glover & wife
	Wm. Douglas Jn'r.

In all 15 com.'ts

The Supper administered April 21--1833

Persons admitted on certificate

1. Hugh English and his	7. & 8. Mrs. Waugh & daughter
2. wife Mary Ann	
3. Isabella Elliott	
4. Wm. Anderson and	
5. wife and mother-in-law	
6. Mrs. E. McCrakin	

On personal examination

1. James Bonner	14. Rebecca Hamilton
2. Samuel Bonner	15. Sally Ramsy
3. David Herron	16. Susan Jiles
4. James Young	17. Jane Jiles
5. William Smith	18. Matilda McHavin
6. William Graham	19. Rachel Macdill
7. William McCrery	20. Bitsy Pinkerton
8. George Moore	21. Elisa McHu
9. John Pressly	22. Peggy Paxton
10. Joseph McCrery	23. Mary Buck
11. Mary McBride	24. Nancy Jiles
12. Jane Hamilton	25. Peggy Bell
13. James English	26. Elsy Bell

Above copied March 18, 1964
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*Do these two
entries seem
confusing to
you?*

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1808-1915



NEAR MORNING SUN
ISRAEL TWP., PREBLE CO., OHIO

Subject: BAPTISMS, 1835-1870
ALSO ADMISSIONS & DISMISSALS
1850-1870

PREFACE

These baptismal records do not record more than a fraction of the births and baptisms in the large Hopewell congregation. The reasons are unknown. Some families may not have known of the existence of this book. It supercedes a book that listed parents and entire families.

This book was lost for 10-12 years. Some births and baptisms were filled in after the book resurfaced. This book was started after the departure to the new (1834) Fairhaven Church of both Rev. Alexander Porter, retired, and John Pinkerton, long-time clerk of Session and a master record keeper.

The majority of adult Admissions and Dismissals did not move from one area to another but, instead, moved their membership to another "daughter church" which was closer to their homes. These include: Fairhaven A.R.P. (Assoc. Reformed Presby.) Church (1834), Oxford A.R.P. Church (1837) and Unity A.R.P. Church (1849) in College Corner. The Admissions also included brides and grooms of Hopewell members. Some members did not like the new church as well as Old Hopewell and returned. Some families moved their membership to the Morning Sun, formerly Beechwoods, Church.

There is a 12-year gap in the Admissions records; those missing names have been added by taking them from the 1850-1872 Hopewell Sessions Records.

Maiden names, when known, are included in brackets. If any reader can supply more information, please contact me. This is the 1st of many drafts of this book.

I'm seeking the full names of the fathers and the names of the mothers in the baptismal records. I will supply some names in the Index. For instance, all the "James Brown's" weren't the same man, but there is difficulty in distinguishing them.

Any added information would be most helpful in making these Hopewell Church records comprehensive and accurate.

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BELL, James Riley	Andrew & *Mary [McGee] Bell July 20 (no year)		
BELL, Rachel Nancy	Andrew & *Mary Bell 13 Aug. 1854		14 Apr. 1855
BELL, Wm. John Stevely	Wm. & *Sarah [McCollum] Bell		20 Sept 1859
BELL, Susannah Elmira	William & *Sarah Bell		26 Apr. 1863
BELL, Martha Jennet	William & *Sarah Bell 25 Feb. 1861 -one date in error-		2 Jan. 1861
BELL, Margaret Elizabeth ...	William & *Sarah Bell 14 Sept 1864		22 Jan. 1865
BELL, Nathan Edward	William & *Sarah Bell 26 Nov. 1867		18 Apr. 1868
BELL, Jenny Ollive [sic] ...	Elmira Bell 7 Oct. 1869		19 Nov. 1870
BERNARD, Frances Matilda ...	Mrs. Matilda Bernard 27 Sept 1849		20 Nov. 1863
BERNARD, Nancy Matilda	Mrs. Matilda Bernard 22 Oct. 1851		20 Nov. 1863
BERNARD, Mary Rebecca.....	Mrs. Matilda Bernard 11 Jan. 1854		20 Nov. 1863
BERNARD, Catherine Agnes ...	Mrs. Matilda Bernard 17 Jan. 1858		20 Nov. 1863
BERNARD, Eva	Mrs. Matilda Bernard 2 Mar. 1860		20 Nov. 1863
BLAKE, William E.?	Henry Blake 27 June 1844		8 Sept. 1852
BONNER, Nancy (*J.)	John & *Jane [McClure] Bonner 2 July 1835		23 Aug. 1835
BONNER, Margaret Jane	Robert Bonner 6 Nov. 1836		9 July 1837
BONNER, David Willson	Samuel & *Martha [Wilson] Bonner *(1837)		1837
BONNER, John Jamison	Hugh & *Susannah [Leeper] Bonner 16 Aug. 1837		1837

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BONNER, Eliza Ann	11 Aug. 1840	Hugh & Susannah Bonner	4 Sept. 1840
BONNER, Elizabeth	*(1841)	Samuel & *Eliza [Brown] Bonner	22 May 1841
BONNER, Mary McQuiston	23 Mar. 1841	Robert & *Sarah [Reid] Bonner	13 June 1841
BONNER, Rachel Caroline	15 Jan. 1846	Robert & *Sarah Jane Bonner	10 May 1846
BROWN, Nathan Rickey	7 Oct. 1835	James & *Eliz. [Scott] Brown	28 Dec. 1835
BROWN, Sarah Jane	6 Mar. 1836	Thomas Brown	29 Aug. 1836
BROWN, Nancy Maria	1 July 1838	James Brown	Aug. 1838
BROWN, Caroline		Robert Brown	2 May 1841
Brown, William James	16 Nov. 1841	James Brown, Jr.	1841
BROWN, James Smith	*(ca June 1844)	John A. & *Rachel Brown	11 Aug. 1844
BROWN, William Thomas	18 Dec. 1851	John *A. & Rachel Brown	27 June 1852
BROWN, Nancy Maria		Hamilton Brown	8 Sept. 1852
BROWN, Vilot [sic] Jane		J. Scott & *Julia Brown	8 Sept. 1852
BROWN, Albert Scott	*(4 May 1852)	Andrew & *Eliza [Smith] Brown	
BROWN, Clara Jane	7 Oct. 1851	James Brown, Jr.	7 Dec. 1852
Brown, no name		Joseph Brown	6 Apr. 1856
✓ BROWN, Flora Margaret	1 July 1856	James A. & *Ellen [Buck] Brown	2 Feb. 1857

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BROWN, William Martin	J. Scott & *Julia [Robtson.] Brown		13/15 Apr. 1861
BROWN, Joseph McHatton	Andrew & *Eliza [Smith] Brown		7 July 1861
BROWN, Samuel Elwood	James A. & *Ellen [Buck] Brown ✓		6 Apr. 1862
BROWN, John C. Robertson ...	J. Scott & *Julia [R.] Brown		6 Nov. 1862
BROWN, Sarah*(Ann)	John A. Brown		28 June 1863
BROWN, Laura	James Brown		4 Oct. 1863
BROWN, William John	James A. & *Ellen [Buck] Brown ✓		16 Apr. 1864
BROWN, Bertha Elizabeth	J. Scott Brown		6 Nov. 1864
BROWN, John Elmer	James Brown		5 Mar. 1865
BROWN, Eliza Margaret	John Brown		5 Nov. 1865
BROWN, Jane Luella	James *A. & Ellen Brown		5 May 1866
BROWN, Nathan Stanley	J. Scott Brown		2 Dec. 1866
BROWN, Ella Milben	James A. & *Ellen/Eleanor Brown ✓		5 Apr. 1868
BROWN, Mary Vinolia	Israel & *Ann [Mann] Brown		9 Aug. 1868
BROWN, James Arthur Scott ..	J. Scott & *Julia Brown		1 May 1870
BROWN, George Rickey	James A. & *Ellen Brown ✓		7 May 1870
BUCK, Rachel Caroline Bonner ..	Samuel & *Marg. [McDill] Buck ✓		30 Aug. 1835

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✓ BUCK, Samuel Alexander	Thomas McD. & *Marg. [Wmson.] Buck 27 Nov. 1851		Feb. 1852
✓ BUCK, William Hervey	Thos. McD. & *Margaret Buck *(16 Sept 1856)		8 Mar. 1857
✓ BUCK, Anna Williamson	Thomas M. & *Margaret Buck 16 Sept 1862		15 Mar. 1863
✓ BUCK, Thomas Minor	Thomas McDill & *Margaret Buck 30 Dec. 1864		2 July 1865
✓ BUCK, Armitie Dales	Thomas McD. & *Margaret Buck 6 June 1868		21 Nov. 1868
✓ BUCK, Effie Margaret	John (P.) & *Minerva [Lane] Buck 25 July 1868		7 Feb. 1869

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COLESMITH, Mary Emma	Sam'l. F. & *Nancy J. [Brown] Colesmith		21 Nov. 1868
CRAIMER (Cramer), David Ramsey .	Jos. & *Mary [Ramsey] Craimer 17 July 1839		
CRAIMER, Francis Mariah	Joseph & *Mary Craimer		13 June 1841
CRAIMER, Joseph Sanford	Joseph & *Mary Craimer 12 June 1852 (*52 in error)		30 Oct. 1850
CREE, Robert Anderson	David Cree 21 Jan. 1847		24 May 1847

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DOUGLASS, Benjamin Baldrige..	William Douglass 19 Sept 1852		
DOUGLASS, James Clinton	Robert Douglass		6 May 1855

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DOUGLASS, Samuel Joseph		William Douglass	4 Oct. 1857
DOUGLASS Robert Newton.....		William, Jr. & *Martha Jane	
Mary Elizabeth (twins)	8 Sept. 1857	[McQuiston] Douglass	6 Dec. 1857
DOUGLASS, Martha Caroline ..	5 Feb. 1860	Wm. Jr. & *Martha J. Douglass	28 July 1860
DOUGLASS, Archibald David ..	15 Jan. 1862	Wm. Jr. & *Martha J. Douglass	27 July 1862
DOUGLASS, John Albert		Isaiah & *Annie [Patterson] Douglass	10 July 1864
DOUGLASS, Essa Maggie Jennet .		Wm., Jr. & *Martha Douglass	5 May 1866
DOUGLASS, no name		Isaiah & *Annie Douglass	Sept. 1866
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ELLIOTT, Henrietta Elizabeth .		Hugh & *Eliz. [Robtson.] Elliott	22 Apr. 1855
ELLIOTT, David Robertson ...	14 Apr. 1857	Hugh & *Elizabeth Elliott	14 Aug. 1857
ELLIOTT, Edwin Ebenezer	16 Oct. 1860	Hugh & *Elizabeth Elliott	13 Apr. 1861
ELLIOTT, Julia Irene	21 Apr. 1863	Hugh & *Elizabeth Elliott	19 July 1863
ELLIOTT, Annis Martin	23 Nov. 1865	Hugh & *Elizabeth Elliott	5 May 1866

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FOSTER, Sarah Sayers		Samuel C. & *Hannah A. Foster	Sept 1858
FOSTER, J. Anna		Samuel C. & *Hannah A. Foster	Sept 1858
FOSTER, Elizabeth Moren	*(1851)	Samuel C. & *Hannah A. Foster	Sept 1858
FOSTER, Clara Brown		Samuel C. & *Hannah A. Foster	Sept 1858
FOSTER, George Alfred		Samuel C. & *Hannah A. Foster	Sept 1858
FOSTER, William Eugene	24 Nov. 1861	Samuel C. & *Hannah A. Foster	3 Aug. 1862
FOSTER, Frank	29 Nov. 1863	Rev. J. B. Foster	15 May 1864
FOSTER, Claude	*(1866)	Samuel C. & Hannah A. Foster	1 Sept. 1866
FOSTER, Laura		Samuel Foster	1 Sept. 1866

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GILLESPIE, Joseph Caldwell .	18 Aug. 1842	Ebenezer Gillespie	11 Sept 1842
GILMORE, Ginevra [sic]	24 Sept 1861	Samuel *B. & Ellen [Brown] Gilmore	19 Apr. 1862
GILMORE, George Brown	24 July 1863	Samuel *B. & Ellen Gilmore	21 Nov. 1863
GILMORE, Robert Vincent	14 Sept 1859	Samuel *B. & Ellen Gilmore	
GILMORE, William Wallace ...	28 Oct. 1865	Samuel *B. & Ellen Gilmore	5 Aug. 1866
GILMORE, Mary Edna	15 Feb. 1868	Samuel *B. & Ellen Gilmore	21 Nov. 1868
GLENN, Almarinda Elizabeth .		James Glenn	28 Mar. _____

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-G- continued			
GRAHAM, Andrew N. Mc.	James & *Margaret? Graham *(1836)		10 July 1836
GRAHAM, William Andrew	John *W. & G. W. Graham *ca 1841		25 Apr. 1841
GRAHAM, Richard Coleman	Joseph Graham 3 Sept. 1851		7 Dec. 1852
GRAHAM, Samuel Newton	Samuel Graham		6 May 1855
GRAHAM, William	J. H. Graham		11 Apr. 1856
GRAHAM, Martha Isabella	George Graham		13 Dec. 1857
GRAHAM, David Wallace	John *W. & G. W. Graham 30 Nov. 1856		28 Feb. 1857
GRAHAM, Samuel	J. W. Graham 2 Dec. 1857		2 May 1858
GRAHAM, Margaret Jessey	Samuel Graham 30 June 1861		Sept 1861
GRAY, John Mooney	James Gray 30 Dec. 1824		1 Mar. 1835
GRAY, Israel Alexander	John Gray 11 May 1835		6 Sept 1835
GRAY, David Baxton	David Gray 8 May 1836		12 June 1836
GRAY, Mary Elizabeth Jane ..	Wm. & *Mary [Hamilton] Gray 27 Oct. 1847		June 1838
GRAY, Andrew Bower	William & *Mary Gray 11 Oct. 1840		24 Jan. 1841
GRAY, James Stephenson	John Gray 20 Jan. 1841		28 Feb. 1841
GRAY, William Ramsey	David Alex. & *Mary A. [Ramsey] Gray 15 Oct. 1860		12 May 1861
GRAY, Jane Esther	D. Alexander & *Mary A. Gray 7 Aug. 1862		6 Nov. 1862
GRAY, Mary Josephene	D. Alex. & *Mary Ann Gray 15 July 1864		6 Nov. 1864

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GRAY, George Randal	Andrew (B.) Gray
15 July 1867	7 Dec. ? 1867
GRAY, Lorenza Lackey	D. Alex. & *Mary [Ramsey] Gray
*(26 Mar. 1868)	4 Oct. 1868
GRAY, Adda Viola	Andrew Gray
5 Dec. 1869	5 Feb. 1870
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HAMILTON, Mary E.	George Hamilton
4 Oct. 1836	
HAMILTON, Nancy Elizabeth ..	Andrew Hamilton
	11 Sept 1842
HAMILTON, Ada Jane	John Hamilton
13 Feb. 1862	23 Aug. 1862
HAMILTON, Hannah Jane	Samuel Hamilton
27 Mar. 1863	4 Oct. 1863
HAMILTON, Hannah Issabel [sic] .	John Hamilton
7 July 1863	1 May 1864
HAMILTON, Mary Luella	John Hamilton
5 Sept 1865	5 May 1866
HAMILTON, Joseph Lincon [sic].	Samuel Hamilton
18 Apr. 1866	4 Nov. 1866
HAMILTON, Clara Jane	James & *Sarah [Newton] Hamilton
11 Nov. 1867	31 Aug. 1868
HAMILTON, Edwin Smith	John Hamilton
27 Apr. 1867	18 Apr. 1868
HAMILTON, Martha Ellen	James & *Sarah Hamilton
29 Sept 1869	7 May 1870
HARMON, William Birney	William Harman
8 June	5 Feb. 1870
HAYS, Dianthe Jane	John Hays
6 Oct. 1852	28 Nov. 1852
HARPER, Fonetta Clementine .	James & *Marg. [Paxton] Harper
19 Sept 1851	19 Nov. 1851

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NAMES.	WHEN BORN.	PARENTS' NAMES.	WHEN BAPTIZED.
-H- continued			
HARPER, Nathan Corry	17 Jan. 1854	James & *Margaret [Paxton] Harper	6 May 1855
HARPER, John Charles Fremont .	19 Sept*1856	James & *Margaret Ann Harper	1856
HARPER, Hannah Elizabeth ...	27 Apr. 1858	James G. & *Margaret Ann Harper	25 July 1858
HARPER, Samuel Haddon	*(1860)	James G. & *Margaret Ann Harper	23 Sept 1860
HARPER, Susannah Rachel	3 Dec. 1862	James G. & *Margaret Ann Harper	26 Apr. 1863
HARPER, Sarah Jane	13 Oct. 1865	James G. & *Margaret Ann Harper	5 May 1866
HARPER, Mina Arabella	18 Feb. 1867	James G. & *Margaret Ann Harper	31 Aug. 1867
HERRON, Maria Ann	3 Mar. 1835	John & Rebecca *[Farmer] Herron	10 May 1835
HERRON, James Douglass	31 May 1839	John & *Jane [Douglass] Herron	—
HERRON, Margaret Elizabeth .	28 Jan. 1842	John H. & *Jane Herron	Mar. 1842
HOCKERSMITH, Nancy Narcissa .	9 Nov. 1868	Samuel M. & *Martha [Gilmore] Hockersmith	24 Apr. 1869

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KIRKHAM, Martha Jane	10 Aug. 1828	Noted in this column: "Time of baptism not known nor reported"	
KIRKHAM, Robert Hays	6 Jan. 1830		
KIRKHAM, James Russel (twins)	19 Dec. 1832	*No parentage listed. Probably the children of Jonathan and Eliza [Hays] Kirkham	
KIRKHAM, Martin Luther	2 Dec. 1835		

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NAMES.	WHEN BORN.	PARENTS' NAMES.	WHEN BAPTIZED.
-K- continued			
KOHLAR, Clarence Herbert ...	Andrew Kohlar 9 Nov. 1868		24 Apr. 1869
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McCLENENHAN, Sarah	William McClenehan *(2 Mar. 1840)		2 May 1841
McCLENAHAN, Eliza Ellen	Andrew N. & *Hannah McClenahan 15 Jan. 1861		5 May 1861
McCLANAHAN, Andrew Reece ...	Andrew N. & *Hannah McClanahan 23 Jan. 1864		8 May 1864
McCRACKEN, Samuel Montfort .	Rev. S. W. & *Catherine McCracken		26 Feb. 1842
McCRACKEN, Samuel Rankin ...	James McCracken 4 Aug. 1851		28 Sept 1851
McCRACKEN, Joseph Leach	Rev. Samuel W. & *Cath. McCracken 25 Aug. 1852		13 Nov. 1852
McCRACKEN, Frank Monfort ...	Isaac & *Ellen McCracken 3 Dec. 1860		5 May 1861
McCRACKEN, Sarah Catherine .	James C. & *Gennie McCracken 1861		19 Apr. 1862
McCRACKEN, Myeta [sic] Catherine .	Isaac & *Ellen McCracken 27 Mar. 1863		19 July 1863
McCRACKEN, Charlie Samuel ..	Issac & *Ellen McCracken		1 Sept 1866
McCracken, Lee Stewart	Isaac & *Ellen McCracken 10 Jan. 1869		1 Aug. 1869
McCREARY, William M.	James & *Annie [Cook] McCreary 26 Jan. 1846		1847
McDILL (Madill), Matthew Hervey .	Samuel & Martha Madill 7 Apr. 1835		4 May 1835
MADILL, Eliza Ann	John & *Jennet [Simpson] Madill 8 Dec. 1835		27 Mar. 1836
McDILL, Sarah Jane	John & *Jennet McDill 5 Aug. 1838		26 Nov. 1838
MADILL, Martha Agness	Robert & *Mary [Porter] Madill 10 Apr. 1841		May 1842

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NAMES.	WHEN BORN.	PARENTS' NAMES.	WHEN BAPTIZED.
-Mc- continued			
Mc/MADILL, Martha Jane	John & *Eliza [McCracken]	Madill	7 Aug. 1842 11 Sept 1842
MADILL, Margaret Jane	Wm. C. & *Maria [Pinkerton]	Madill	*(5 Jan. 1843) 26 Feb. 1843
McDILL, Mary	David M. & *Mary [Wilson]	McDill	30 July 1845 21 Sept 1845
McDILL, John McCracken	John & *Eliza [McC.]	McDill	16 Nov. 1846 11 Apr. 1847
McDILL, Samuel Newton	James & *Agnes [Paxton]	McDill	5 Nov. 1851 25 Jan. 1852
McDILL, Edward Reid	David M. & *Mary [Wallace]	McDill	10 July 1851 31 Aug. 1851
McDILL, John Calvin	Thos. C. & *Mary A. [Paxton]	McDill	23 May 1855 12 Sept 1855
McDILL, Mary Jane	James & *Agnes [Paxton]	McDill	22 July 1856 1856
McDILL, Robert Charles	Thos. C. & *Mary [Paxton]	McDill	15 Sept 1857 28 Mar. 1858
McDILL, Walter McHatton	Thomas C. & *Mary	McDill	17 Jan. 1860 8 July 1860
McDILL, William McCracken ..	John C. & *Mary [McQ.]	McDill	9 July 1862 23 Nov. 1862
McDILL, Alexander Gilmore ..	Thos. C. & *Mary [Paxton]	McDill	26 June 1862 27 Dec. 1863
McDILL, Jenny Agness	John C. & *Mary [McQ.]	McDill	*(27 May 1869) 3 Oct. 1869
McHATTON, no name	Rev. Joseph McHatton		8 July 1860
McHATTON, Samuel Biceher ...	Rev. Joseph McHatton		18 Jan. 1863
McHATTON, Stella	Rev. Joseph McHatton		15 Mar. 1866 8 Dec. 1866
McHATTON, Burtis Leander ...	Rev. Joseph McHatton		21 Aug. 1869 6 May 1870
McNEALY, William Edwin	Mrs. Ann McNealy		14 Jan. 1859 30 Nov. 1863

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NAMES.	WHEN BORN.	PARENTS' NAMES.	WHEN BAPTIZED.
-Mc- continued			
McNEALY, Elmer Ellsworth ...	Mrs. Ann McNealy 22 Feb. 1861		30 Nov. 1863
McQUISTON, Martha Agness ...	David, Sr. & *Janet [McDill] McQ. 30 May 1836		3 July 1836
McQUISTON, Andrew Chestnut .	David (Jr.) & *Sarah [McDill] McQ. 9 Jan. 1840		8 Mar. 1840
McQUISTON, Mary	David & *Janet [McDill] McQuiston *(18) Oct. 1840		6 Dec. 1840
McQUISTON, Sarah Rachel	David & (Janet [McD.] McQuiston 21 Jan. 1843		12 Mar. 1843
McQUISTON, William Milton ..	David B. & *Elizabeth [McClurkin] McQuiston 15 Dec. 1856		6 Apr. 1856
McQUISTON, Sarah Agness	Thos. M. & *Eliza [Bonner] McQ. *(21 July 1856)		1856
McQUISTON, Martha Cariline [sic] .	Thos. & *Eliza McQuiston 17 July 1858		Oct. 1858
McQUISTON, Eliza Alice	Wm. P. & *Mary [Bonner] McQ. 29 Aug. 1861		26 Jan. 1862
McQUISTON, Robert Milton ...	Thos. & *Talitha [Harper] McQ. 16 Jan. 1863		2 Apr. 1863
McQUISTON, Harriet Evaline .	Thos. & *Talitha McQuiston *(2 June 1866)		1 Sept 1866
McQUISTON, Ida	Andrew C. & *Johanna [Foster] McQuiston 26 Aug. 1867		7 Dec. 1867
McQUISTON, Eva Caroline	Wm. P. & *Mary [Bonner] McQ. 11 Dec. 1867		18 Apr. 1868
McQUISTON, Carrie Florence .	Thos. & *Talitha McQuiston *(26 June 1869)		21 Aug. 1869
McQUISTON, David Clement ...	Andrew C. & *Johanna McQuiston *(1870)		5 Feb. 1870
McQUISTON, Sarah Anna	Wm. P. & *Mary [Bonner] McQ. 12 Feb. 1870		7 May 1870

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NAMES.	WHEN BORN.	PARENTS' NAMES.	WHEN BAPTIZED.
-M-			
MILLER, Martha Jane	James B. Miller 21 Sept 1834		1835
MILLER, Arthur McQuiston ...	Robt. & *Marg. [McQuiston] 6 Aug. 1861	Miller	22 Aug. 1862
MILLER, Marion Mills	Robt. & *Margaret Ann Miller 27 Sept 1864		31 Dec. 1864
MARSHALL, John P.	Henry & *Martha [Ramsey] 7 June 1836	Marshall	10 July 1836
MARSHALL, David Semple	Robt. & *Margery [Semple] 14 Apr. 1840	Marshall	5 July 1840
MARSHALL, Joseph C.	Henry & * Sarah [McCreary] 8 June 1842	Marshall	8 Aug. 1842
MARSHALL, Margaret Rosanna .	Robt. & *Margery S. Marshall Sept 1843		Apr. 1844
MARSHALL, Emaline Jane	Joseph Marshall 31 Dec. 1851?		12 Apr. 1852
MARSHALL, Sarah Matilda	Robert & *Margery S. Marshall 16 Oct. 1850		27 Apr. 1851
MARSHALL, Mary Jane	William Marshall 15 Jan. 1861		2 June 1861
MARSHALL, Margaret	Joseph Marshall		29 Dec. 1861
MARSHAL, Newton Henry	James L. & *C. E. Marshall 6 Feb. 1862		1 June 1862
MARSHAL, James Edward	Joseph Marshal 5 Mar. 1863		11 Oct. 1863
MARSHALL, Laura Agness	Wm. R. & *Sarah [McClanahan] M. *(10 Oct. 1863)		16 Apr. 1864
MARSHALL, Lydia Martha	James Marshall 22 Dec. 1863		1 May 1864
MARSHALL, Lilla Jane	James Marshall		1 Sept 1866
MARSHALL, Sarah Minie [sic] Lavenia .	William R. Marshall *(11 June 1866)		8 Dec. 1866
MARSHALL, Wilber [sic] Clarence .	John Marshall 26 May 1868		7 Feb. 1869

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NAMES.	WHEN BORN.	PARENTS' NAMES.	WHEN BAPTIZED.
-M- continued			
MARSHAL, Isabel	14 May 1859	John & *Rebecca Marshal	24 Apr. 1869
MARSHAL, Lucy Jane	10 Jan. 1861	John & *Rebecca Marshal	24 Apr. 1869
MARSHAL, Elizabeth Sarah ...	25 Sept 1863	John & *Rebecca Marshal	24 Apr. 1869
MARSHAL, Ann Mariah	24 Sept 1866	John & *Rebecca Marshal	24 Apr. 1869
MARSHAL, Mathew Richard	28 Oct. 1868	John & *Rebecca Marshal	24 Apr. 1869
MARSHAL, Henry	*(2 Oct. 1868)	William Marshall	24 Apr. 1869
MARSHAL, Robert William		John & *Marg. [Levan] Marshal	5 Dec. 1869
MARSHAL, Lara [sic] Allice .		James & *Catherine [Brown] M.	

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OCHILTREE, James Meikle [sic] .	17 Sept. 1836	James & *Katherine [Paxton] Ochiltree	15 May 1837
OCHILTREE, James	*(13 Mar. 1839)	Thos. & *Eliz. [Hamilton] Ochil.	28 Dec. 1840?
OWENS, James Orr	21 July 1851	James & *Sallie [Foster] Owens	3 Nov. 1851
OWENS, *(Cora)	13 Aug. 1867	James & *Sallie Owens	18 Apr. 1868
OWENS, Edwin		James & *Sallie Owens	24 Apr. 1869

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PAXTON, Thomas Harper	16 July 1834	Wm. G. & Cath.*[Dihei] Paxton	4 May 1835
PAXTON, Martha Ann Lackey ..	25 Jan. 1835	Robt. & *Mary [Gilmore] Paxton	10 May 1835
PAXTON, Sarah Savill	25 July 1835	George Paxton	1835

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NAMES.	WHEN BORN.	PARENTS' NAMES.	WHEN BAPTIZED.
-P- continued			
PAXTON, Margaret Jane	Jonas Paxton 3 Nov. 1835		3 Jan. 1836
PAXTON, Robert	William & ?Eliz. K. Paxton 25 Jan. 1837		15 May 1837
PAXTON, Samuel Dihel	Wm. G. & *Cath. [Dihel] Paxton 4 July 1838		26 Nov. 1838
PAXTON, Sina Leniza (Louisa S.)	Robert G. & Mary A. Paxton 21 Nov. 1840		14 Mar. 1841
PAXTON, Jonathan "Perry" ...	Wm. G. & Catherine Paxton 12 Sept 1840		22 May 1841
PAXTON, David E.	Wm. G. & Catherine Paxton. 20 Nov. 1850		5 Oct. 1851
PAXTON, David Blair	Alex. P. & *Rosanna [Wilson] P. 19 Dec. 1851		25 Apr. 1852
PAXTON, John Wilson	Alex. P. & *Rosanna Paxton *(5 Oct. 1854)		8 Apr. 1855
PAXTON, Albert Sylvester ...	John C. & *Mary [Pinkerton] P. 16 Nov. 1854		17 June 1855
PAXTON, William Edward	John C. & *Mary Ann Paxton 7 Oct. 1856		8 Mar. 1857
PAXTON, Delcina Jane	Jonathan & *Eliz. [McQ.] Paxton 20 Apr. 1856		1857
PAXTON, Nancy Catherine	Alex. P. & *Rosanna Paxton *(23 Nov. 1857)		June 1858
PAXTON, William Monfort	Sam. & *Mary J. [Simpson] Paxton 14 Nov. 1857		13 Aug. 1858
PAXTON, Sarah Permilia [sic]	Alex. P. & *Rosanna Paxton 11 Oct. 1860		5 May 1861
PAXTON, Samuel McCracken ...	Jonathan, Jr. & *Eliz. Paxton 29 July 1861		18 May 1862
PAXTON, Lawrence E.	John C. & *Mary Ann Paxton 2 May 1862		22 Mar. 1863
PAXTON, Sarah McCandless ...	Alex. P. & *Rosanna Paxton 22 Sept 1862		5 Apr. 1863
PAXTON, Nancy Gilmore	Jonathan & *Elizabeth Paxton 10 Oct. 1864		12 Mar. 1865

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NAMES.	WHEN BORN.	PARENTS' NAMES.	WHEN BAPTIZED.
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PAXTON, John McDill	16 Dec. 1864	Samuel & *Mary J. [Simpson] Paxton	12 Aug. 1865
PAXTON, Mary Minnie (Mina) .	14 Dec. 1864	John C. & *Mary [Pinkerton] P.	20 Aug. 1865
PAXTON, Cora	2 Aug. 1865	Alex. P. & *Rosanna Paxton	29 Apr. 1866
PAXTON, James Emry	22 May 1868	Alex. P. & *Rosanna Paxton	24 Apr. 1869
PORTER?, John Wilson	25 Jan. 1860	Cook Porter?	13 May 1860
PRESSLY, Israel Hamilton ...	30 Oct. 1836	James & *Eliza Pressly	3 Jan. 1837

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RAMSEY, Elizabeth Jane	4 Oct. 1835	David & *Mary [Marshall] Ramsey	31 Jan. 1836
RAMSEY, James W.	7 Sept 1836	John & *Jane [Marshall] Ramsey	9 Oct. 1836
RAMSEY, Martha Jane	1 Jan. 1837	George & Martha *[Ramsey] Ramsey	14 May 1837
RAMSEY, Esther Mariah	3 May 1840	George & Martha Ramsey	12 June 1840
RAMSEY, Eleanor	*(31 May 1840)	John & *Mary [Brown] Ramsey	28 June 1840
RAMSEY, Joseph Henry	*(1840)	David & *Mary [Marshall] Ramsey	24 Jan. 1841
RAMSEY, William Alexander ..		William & Jane Ramsey	25 Apr. 1841
RAMSEY, William Henry		John & Jane Ramsey	13 June 1841
RAMSEY, Mary Grizel	22 June 1844	John & Mary [Brown] Ramsey	11 Aug. 1844
RAMSEY, William Alexander ..	5 June 1846	Hugh B. & *Martha [Gilmore] Ramsey	Apr. 1847
RAMSEY, Albert Feilden	25 Aug. 1851	John Ramsey	28 Nov. 1851

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NAMES.	WHEN BORN.	PARENTS' NAMES.	WHEN BAPTIZED.
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RAMSEY, Samuel Lawrence ...	Hugh Ramsey 13 May 1851		24 Aug. 1851
RAMSEY, Sarah Elizabeth ...	Hugh B. & *Martha [Gilmore] 11 June 1862	Ramsey	26 Apr. 1863
RAMSEY, Samuel Gilmore	Thos. & *Grizella [McDill] 13 Apr. 1862	Ramsey	19 Oct. 1862
RAMSEY, Charles Gilmore ...	James M.-*Martha [Gilmore] 22 Apr. 1857	Ramsey	18 Oct. 1863
Ramsey, James Edwin	James M. & *Martha G. 25 May 1859	Ramsey	18 Oct. 1863
RAMSEY, David Waldron	Wm. S. & *Keturah [Waldron] 14 Apr. 1865	Ramsey	14 Apr. 1865
RAMSEY, Mary Ida	Wm. S. & *Keturah W. *(24 May 1862)	Ramsey	14 Apr. 1865
RAMSEY, Joseph Howard	James M. & *Martha G. *(1865)	Ramsey	5 May 1866
RAMSEY, James Calvin	Hugh Ramsey 19 Oct. 1865		5 May 1866
RAMSEY, Leila Jane	Jos. S. & *Sarah R. [McQuiston] 25 Feb. 1868	R.	18 Apr. 1868
RAMSEY, William Herbert ...	Hugh Ramsey 10 Sept 1868		6 June 1869
RAMSEY, Oliver Homer	James M. & *Martha G. *(1868)	Ramsey	11 Aug. 1869
RAMSEY, Lester Verna	Wm. S. & *Keturah W. *(6 July 1868)	Ramsey	5 Dec. 1869
RAMSEY, Olena Jane	David C. & *Mary S. 21 Apr. 1869	Ramsey	5 Feb. 1870
RAMSEY, Sabina Cora	Samuel R. & *Mary A. [Wilson] 16 Oct. 1869	R.	7 May 1870
RANKIN, Malisia [sic] Margaret .	Jeremiah S. & Mary J. 16 Oct. 1852	Rankin	6 Mar. 1853
RANKIN, John Logan	Jeremiah S. & *Mary Jane 24 June 1855	Rankin	24 June 1855

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RANKIN, Haddassah Issabella [sic]	1862	Jeremiah & *M. J. [Sloan] R.	4 May 1862
RANKIN, William McKee	20 June 1868	Jeremiah S. & *Mary Jane Rankin	14 June 1869
ROCK, Liza Emiline		John & Adaline Rock	5 July 1840
ROCK, Ruth Abigail [sic]	19 Sept 1862	Robert & Ruth Rock	9 Nov. 1862
ROCK, Leurina	7 Dec. 1867	Andrew Bower & *Frances [Worden] Rock	18 Apr. 1868
ROCK, Curtis Elvin	16 July 1870	Andrew B. & *Frances W. Rock	19 Nov. 1870
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SIMPSON, Martha Ann	24 Aug. 1836	Robert & Martha *[Porter] Simpson	25 Sept 1836
SIMPSON, Laura Jane	15 Aug. 1851	John & *Martha [McQuiston] Simpson	5 Oct. 1851
SIMPSON, Sarah Eliza	25 Jan. 1861	John & *Martha McQ. Simpson	31 Mar. 1861
SIMPSON, George William	21 Nov. 1839	John & *Margaret [McQuiston] Simpson	date unknown
SIMPSON, Margaret Ann	14 Nov. 1846	John & *Martha [McQuiston] Simpson	date unknown
SIMPSON, Elihu Calvin	6 Aug. 1849	John & *Martha McQ. Simpson	date unknown
SIMPSON, Robert James	10 Dec. 1853	John & *Martha McQ. Simpson	date unknown
SIMPSON, Elizabeth Josephene [sic]	3 Oct. 1856	John & *Martha Simpson	date unknown
SIMPSON, Margaret Elizabeth	31 Mar. 1869	Dr. Geo. W. & Jos. [Murray] S.	31 Aug. 1869
SLOANE, Andrew McQuiston	1835	John & Isabella*[McQuiston] Sloane	10 May 1836

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SLOANE, William Simpson ...	Nathan & *Jane [Simpson] Sloane		
	2 Jan. 1836		21 Feb. 1836
SLOAN, James Andrew.....	Dr. Richard & ¹ Mary [Caldwell] Sloan		
	8 May 1851		22 June 1851
SLOAN, Richard Elihu ...	Dr. Richard & ¹ Mary [Caldwell] Sloan		
			20 Sept 1857
SLOAN, John Milton	Dr. Richard & Mary Sloan		
	9 Nov. 1861		19 Apr. 1862
SMITH, William Rankin	James R. & *Mary [Paxton] Smith		
	21 Apr. 1836		12 June 1836
SMITH, John B.	William & *Mary [Buck] Smith		
	28 Aug. 1836		9 Oct. 1836
SMITH, James *(III)	James R. & *Mary [Paxton] Smith		
	16 Sept 1838		26 Nov. 1838
SMITH, Sarah McCracken	James R. & *Mary [Paxton] Smith		
	13 Dec. 1840		28 Feb. 1841

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WALLACE, John Wm. Hervey ..	John & *Mary A. Wallace		
	25 Aug. 1857		28 Mar. 1858
WALLACE, Robert Brown	John & *Mary A. Wallace		
	22 July 1859		8 Aug. 1860
WALLACE, William Harvey ...	John & *Mary A. Wallace		
	2 Apr. 1862		22 Aug. 1863
WATT, Mary C.	John J. & *Matilda Watt		
	16 Dec. 1847		date unknown
WATT, Lucy C.	John J. & *Matilda Watt		
	27 Nov. 1851		date unknown
WATT, Evarilla	John J. & *Matilda Watt		
	15 May 1857		date unknown
WATT, Lydia	John J. & *Matilda Watt		
	1 Aug. 1862		14 Aug. 1864

¹Dr. Richard Sloan's first wife was Haddassah M. Gillespie, m. 6 June 1833. Her stone is broken with no date of death. Dr. Sloan married, secondly, Mary Caldwell, date unknown.

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WILLIAMS, James Lawrence ..	Louis & *Mary Williams	
27 Feb. 1867		31 Aug. 1867
WILLIAMS, Ellie Eliza	Louis & *Mary Williams	
2 Feb. 1870		20 Aug. 1870
WILSON, Elizabeth J.	Wm. & *Jane [Pressly] Wilson	
2 June 1836		10 July 1836
WILSON, Laura Grizella	Wm. & *Jane [Pressby] Wilson	
Sept 1856		15 Feb. 1857
WILSON, Robert Mills (Jr.).	Robt. M. & *Sarah [Leech] Wilson	
4 Apr. 1860		8 July 1860
WILSON, Edwin Ernist [sic].	Robt. M. & *Sarah L. Wilson	
1 Mar. 1863		26 July 1863
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WILSON, Sarah Leech	Robt. M. & *Sarah [Leech] Wilson	
6 Oct. 1865		25 Mar. 1866
<p>"The parents being in feeble health the Services were held at their own house & witnessed by a small audience."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * * * *</p>		
WILSON, William Maxwell ...	J. S. Wilson	
19 May 1866		23 June 1867
WRIGHT, John Wilber ..	James C. & *Frances [Ramsey] Wright	
7 May 1863		25 Oct. 1863
WRIGHT, Etris Carey ..	James C. & *Frances [Ramsey] Wright	
12 Apr. 1866		1 Sept. 1866
WRIGHT, William Shermen [sic] .	Mrs. Nancy J. [Creelman] Wright	
21 June 1866		27 Apr. 1867

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<u>ADULT BAPTISMS</u>			
There is a 10 year gap in records: Aug. 1844 to Aug. 1854			
BELL, Latha		Baptized	25 Aug. 1844
BLAKE, Henry C.		in his 23rd year	25 Nov. 1842
*BRISTO, Mrs. Joanna		age 23 years	1870
BROWN, Mrs. Caroline		age 23 years	18 Apr. 1863
*BUSH, James H.		age 29 years	1870
DENNY, Emma		Baptized	14 Aug. 1854
DUVALL, Tamison		age 15 years	18 Apr. 1863
GILMORE, Mary		in her 21st year	13 Aug. 1841
HAMILTON, Mrs. Sarah		Baptized	12 Aug. 1865
*HARMON, William		age 32 years	5 Feb. 1870
*HARMON, Mrs. Malissa		age 21 years	5 Feb. 1870
HAYSE, James		Baptized	24 Aug. 1844
JOHNSON, James		age 24 years	18 Apr. 1863
KEMPLE, Mrs. Anna		Baptized	7 May 1870
*LUCAS, Newton		age 24 years	1870
McCLANAHAN, Caroline		Baptized	14 Aug. 1854
MANN, Mary Catherine		age 17 years	18 Apr. 1863
MARSHALL, Mary		Baptized	Aug. 1859
MILLER, Robert		Baptized	1858
MURRAY, Josephene		age 15 years	20 Nov. 1863
MURRAY, Miss Annetta		Baptized	5 May 1866
RAMSEY, Mrs. Mary S.		Baptized	1870
THOMPSON, Margaret Ann		Baptized	Aug. 1859
WATT, John J.		Baptized	1858
WILSON, Hannah O.		Baptized	7 May 1870

*Identified as "colored persons" in the admissions records

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Members were admitted either by Personal Examination, (Exam.), by the session of Hopewell Church or by written Certificate, (Cert.), from another church in which they were in "good standing".

<u>WHEN RECEIVED</u>	<u>HOW</u>	
26 July 1860	Exam.	BAILEY, Alexander
.. .. ..	..	BAILEY, Mrs. Mary Jane, his wife
13 Nov. 1863	Cert.	BARTHELOW, Esther
24 Aug. 1844	Exam.	BELL, Latha
10 Aug. 1849	..	BELL, Nathan
13 May 1853	..	BELL, Sarah
26 July 1860	..	BELL, Elmira
3 Nov. 1867	..	BELL, Mary Jane
17 Apr. 1868	..	BELL, Samuel H.
5 May 1870	..	BELL, Miss Nancy C.
18 Nov. 1870	..	BELL, Miss Nancy Elizabeth
24 May 1850	Exam.	BENNET, James H.
.. .. ..	..	BENNET, Mrs. Ataline, his wife
21 Aug. 1863	Cert.	BERNARD, Mrs. Matilda
4 May 1866	Exam.	BERNARD, Maggie (Margaret)
8 Nov. 1844	Exam.	BONNER, Grizelle
.. .. ..	..	BONNER, Martha Jane
14 Aug. 1858	..	BONNER, Elizabeth
15 Nov. 1858	..	BONNER, Mary
18 Aug. 1861	..	BONNER, David M.
5 Nov. 1862	..	BONNER, Rachel Caroline
.. .. ..	..	BONNER, Harriet E.
Apr. 1846	Exam.	BOYSE, David
.. .. ..	..	BOYSE, Andrew Foster
21 Jan. 1870	Exam.	BRISTO, Mrs. Joanna
Apr. 1846	Exam.	BROWN, Lucinda
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Nancy Y.
13 Apr. 1849	..	BROWN, William
10 Aug. 1849	..	BROWN, Margaret
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Nancy
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Robert
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Mary R.
24 May 1850	..	BROWN, Caroline
3 Apr. 1851	..	BROWN, J. Scott
11 Nov. 1851	..	BROWN, Julia A.
14 Aug. 1852	..	BROWN, James
15 Aug. 1854	..	BROWN, Nathan R.
..	BROWN, Nancy Maria
..	Cert.	BROWN, John C.

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<u>WHEN RECEIVED</u>	<u>HOW</u>	
3 Oct. 1854	Cert.	BROWN, John
..	BROWN, Mrs. , his wife
11 May 1855	Cert.	BROWN, Mrs. Eliza, wife of Joseph
17 Apr. 1857	Exam.	BROWN, Margaret
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, James
13 Apr. 1858	..	BROWN, Mary A.
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Caroline
17 Apr. 1858	Cert.	BROWN, John (A.)
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Mrs. Rachel, his wife
12 Aug. 1858	Exam.	BROWN, Israel F.
Apr. 1859	..	BROWN, Robert J.
..	Cert.	BROWN, Samuel
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Mrs. , his wife
27 Oct. 1859	Exam.	BROWN, Nancy E.
19 Apr. 1861	Exam.	BROWN, Violet Jane
5 Nov. 1862	..	BROWN, Thomas
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, James Smith
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Mary E.
17 Apr. 1863	..	BROWN, Mrs. Caroline
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Grizzella Catherine
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Mary Margaret
2 Sept 1864	..	BROWN, Nancy J.
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, Clara
3 Dec. 1869	..	BROWN, Albert S.
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, John C.
.. .. ..	..	BROWN, William T.
Apr. 1845	Exam.	BUCK, Mary J.
7 Aug. 1846	..	BUCK, Sarah
24 May 1850	..	BUCK, Margaret
1 Apr. 1852	..	BUCK, Samuel
.. .. ..	..	BUCK, Ellen
6 Dec. 1856	..	BUCK, Margaret A.
13 Apr. 1860	..	BUCK, John P.
6 Dec. 1867	Cert.	BUCK, Mrs. Minerva [Lane]
17 Apr. 1868	Exam.	BUCK, Samuel A.
21 Jan. 1870	Exam.	BUSH, James H.
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17 Apr. 1857	Cert.	CASKEY, J. William
5 May 1870	Cert.	CASKEY, Mrs. Rebecca J. [Ramsey]
13 Apr. 1861	Cert.	COCHRAN, Malcom M.
17 Apr. 1868	Exam.	COLESMITH, Samuel F.
8 Nov. 1845	Exam.	CREE, David

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<u>WHEN RECEIVED</u>	<u>HOW</u>	<u>-D- continued</u>
4 Sept. 1857	Cert.	DAVIDSON, James
.	DAVIDSON, Mrs. Mary, his wife
12 Aug. 1858	Exam.	DENNY, Emma
8 Nov. 1844	Exam.	DOUGLASS, John
.. .. ..	..	DOUGLASS, Martha
15 Apr. 1851	Cert.	DOUGLASS, Mrs. Eliza Ann
15 Aug. 1854	Exam.	DOUGLASS, Catherine
26 July 1860	..	DOUGLASS, Margaret Ann
21 Aug. 1863	Cert.	DOUGLASS, Mrs. Annie
26 Apr. 1867	Exam.	DOUGLASS, William A.
..	DOUGLASS, Isabella
21 Jan. 1870	..	DOUGLASS, Robert A.
17 Apr. 1863	Exam.	DUVALL, Tamison
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11 Nov. 1851	Cert.	ELLIOTT, Mrs. Elizabeth
26 July 1860	..	ELLIOTT, John A.
17 Apr. 1863	Exam.	ELLIOTT, Miss Henrietta
5 Feb. 1870	..	ELLIOTT, Sarah Elsie
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18 Apr. 1861	Exam.	FARIS, James I.
19 Aug. 1856	Exam.	FOSTER, James
12 Aug. 1858	Exam.	FOSTER, Samuel C.
.. .. ..	..	FOSTER, Mrs. Hannah A., his wife
15 Nov. 1858	..	FOSTER, Thomas H.
5 Nov. 1862	..	FOSTER, Sarah S.
17 Apr. 1863	..	FOSTER, Anna
14 Mar. 1866	Cert.	FOSTER, Mr. Thomas
4 May 1866	Exam.	FOSTER, Lizzie (Elizabeth)
5 Feb. 1870	..	FOSTER, Clara
11 Nov. 1851	Exam.	FRAZIER, William
..	FRAZIER, Mrs., his wife
11 May 1855	Exam.	FULTON, James
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8 Nov. 1844	Exam.	GIBSON, William
Apr. 1845	..	GIBSON, Jennett
8 Nov. 1845	Exam.	GILMORE, Nancy
7 Aug. 1846	..	GILMORE, Elvira J.
10 Aug. 1849	..	GILMORE, William
14 Aug. 1852	..	GILMORE, Martha J.
15 Aug. 1854	..	GILMORE, Robert
19 Aug. 1856	..	GILMORE, Samuel
12 Aug. 1858	..	GILMORE, Martha A.

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<u>WHEN RECEIVED</u>	<u>HOW</u>	<u>-G- contintued</u>
Apr. 1859	Exam.	GILMORE, Ellen
29 July 1859	..	GILMORE, Martha A.
16 Nov. 1860	..	GILMORE, Rachel M.
24 Aug. 1862	Cert.	GILMORE, Dr. William H.
.. .. ..	..	GILMORE, Mary Ann [Stewart], his wife
9 Apr. 1852	Cert.	GRAHAM, John
.. .. ..	..	GRAHAM, Mrs. Grizzella, his wife
10 Aug. 1855	?	GRAHAM, Thomas B.
13 Apr. 1858	Exam.	GRAHAM, Rebeckah
15 Nov. 1858	..	GRAHAM, William
26 July 1860	Exam.	GRAHAM, Elizabeth Jane
12 Apr. 1861	..	GRAHAM, Benjamin F.
15 Apr. 1864	Cert.	GRAHAM, Mrs. Sabina [Paxton]
Apr. 1845	Exam.	GRAY, Jane
26 Oct. 1849	..	GRAY, Israel Hamilton
.. .. ..	..	GRAY, David Alexander
17 Apr. 1857	Cert.	GRAY, David D.
.. .. ..	..	GRAY, Mrs. Elizabeth [Weed], his wife
29 July 1859	Exam.	GRAY, Andrew B.
.. .. ..	..	GRAY, Nancy G.
12 Apr. 1861	Cert.	GRAY, Mary A.
26 Apr. 1867	Cert.	GRAY, Mrs. Margaret H.
5 Feb. 1870	Cert.	GRAY, David
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Apr. 1845	Exam.	HAMILTON, Mary Jane
26 Oct. 1849	..	HAMILTON, Samuel
24 May 1850	..	HAMILTON, Clarissa
10 Aug. 1855	Cert.?	HAMILTON, John
11 Apr. 1856	Cert.	HAMILTON, Mary, from Fairhaven
12 Aug. 1858	Exam.	HAMILTON, Nancy E.
.. .. ..	..	HAMILTON, Rebecca A.
23 Aug. 1861	..	HAMILTON, George S.
22 Aug. 1862	..	HAMILTON, James
17 Apr. 1863	..	HAMILTON, John C.
20 Nov. 1863	..	HAMILTON, David H.
26 Dec. 1864	..	HAMILTON, Mary Ann
12 Aug. 1865	..	HAMILTON, Mrs. Sarah [Newton]
18 Dec. 1865	..	HAMILTON, William
.. .. ..	..	HAMILTON, Mrs. Adaline
.. .. ..	..	HAMILTON, Robert C.
21 Jan. 1870	Exam.	HARMON, Mr. William
.. .. ..	..	HARMON, Mrs. Melisa, his wife
26 Nov. 1866	Exam.	HARPER, Fonetta "Nettie" C.
21 Nov. 1868	Cert.	HARPER, Harriet A.
21 Jan. 1870	Exam.	HARPER, Nathan C.
..	HARPER, Irene C.

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<u>WHEN RECEIVED</u>	<u>HOW</u>	-H- continued
2 Aug. 1850	Exam.	HART, Mary A.
27 Oct. 1859	Exam.	HAWTHORN, Rachel
23 Aug. 1844	Exam.	HAYS, James
24 May 1850	..	HAYS, Rhoda
14 May 1853	Cert.	HAYS, Robert
.. .. ..	..	HAYS, Mrs. , his wife
23 Aug. 1844	Exam.	HERRIMAN, Eliza
13 Apr. 1849	Exam.	HERRON, Nancy J.
13 Apr. 1860	..	HERRON, Martha
16 Nov. 1860	..	HERRON, James D.
.. .. ..	..	HERRON, Mary M.
17 Apr. 1868	..	HERRON, John Calvin
17 Apr. 1868	Exam.	HOCKERSMITH, Michael S.
23 Apr. 1869	..	HOCKERSMITH, Samuel F.
13 Apr. 1860	Exam.	HUNT, I. H.
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26 Nov. 1857	Exam.	JOHNSTON, Rufus
17 Apr. 1863	..	JOHNSTON, James
-J-		
5 May 1870	Exam.	KEMPLE, Mrs. Anna
15 May 1870	..	KEMPLE, Mr. Peter
26 Dec. 1864	Cert.	KILLOUGH, Mrs.
26 Apr. 1867	Cert.	KOHLAR, Andrew
..	KOHLAR, Mrs. Angeline, his wife
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2 Sept 1864	Cert.	LANE, Minerva
21 Jan. 1870	Exam.	LUCAS, Newton
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17 Apr. 1858	Cert.	McBRIDE, William
..	McBRIDE, Mrs. Eliza Ann, his wife
18 Dec. 1856	Cert.	McCLANAHAN, Mrs. Hannah
12 Aug. 1858	Exam.	McCLANAHAN, Caroline E.
18 Dec. 1865	..	McCLANAHAN, James
31 Aug. 1866	..	McCLANAHAN, Adaline
20 Aug. 1870	Cert.	McCLURE, Mrs. Jane
8 Aug. 1845	Exam.	McCLURKIN, James

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<u>WHEN RECEIVED</u>	<u>HOW</u>	-Mc- continued
25 Oct. 1850	Cert.	McCRACKEN, Mr. James
..	McCRACKEN, Mrs. James
11 Nov. 1850	..	McCRACKEN, Mrs.
14 Aug. 1852	Exam.	McCRACKEN, John C.
12 Nov. 1852	..	McCRACKEN, Isaac
14 Aug. 1858	..	McCRACKEN, Charlotte
15 Nov. 1858	..	McCRACKEN, Samuel M.
5 Sept. 1860	Cert.	McCRACKEN, J. Calvin
12 Apr. 1861	Cert.	McCracken, Mrs. Gennie E., his wife
15 Nov. 1858	Exam.	McCREARY, Mary Jane
2 Sept. 1864	..	McCREARY, William M.
4 May 1866	..	McCREARY, Maggie (Margaret)
8 Nov. 1845	Exam.	McDILL, Nathan C.
.. .. .	..	McDILL, Caroline
13 Apr. 1849	..	McDill, John
.. .. .	..	McDILL, Grizelle
9 Aug. 1850	Cert.	McDILL, Mary
4 Sept. 1857	Cert.	McDILL, Martha A.
Apr. 1859	Exam.	McDILL, Samuel M.
5 Nov. 1858	Cert.	McGEE, John
.. .. .	..	McGEE, Rebecca, his wife
30 Aug. 1867	Exam.	McGEE, Mr. James
26 Dec. 1870	..	McGEE, Miss Lucinda Jane
Apr. 1845	Exam.	McHAFFHEY, Grace Ann
13 Nov. 1852	Cert.	McHAFFHEY, Samuel
.. .. .	..	McHAFFHEY, Mrs. Jane, his wife
23 Aug. 1844	Exam.	McKAY, Catherine
21 Aug. 1863	Exam.	McNEALY, Mrs. Mary Ann
20 Aug. 1870	Cert.	McNEALY, Mrs. Ann
8 Nov. 1844	Exam.	McQUISTON, Samuel
8 Aug. 1845	..	McQUISTON, Hugh
.. .. .	..	McQUISTON, Andrew
.. .. .	..	McQUISTON, Elizabeth
26 Oct. 1849	..	McQUISTON, David
3 Apr. 1851	..	McQUISTON, Margaret A.
15 Apr. 1851	Cert.	McQUISTON, Mrs. Nancy
1 Apr. 1852	Exam.	McQUISTON, William H.
.. .. .	..	McQUISTON, Samuel G.
14 Aug. 1852	..	McQuiston, Jane
.. .. .	..	McQUISTON, Martha A.
.. .. .	..	McQUISTON, Martha J.
19 Aug. 1856	..	McQUISTON, John C.
17 Apr. 1857	..	McQUISTON, William
4 Sept. 1857	..	McQUISTON, Mary
15 Nov. 1858	..	McQUISTON, Sarah Rachel

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<u>WHEN RECEIVED</u>	<u>HOW</u>	<u>-Mc-continued</u>
12 Apr. 1861	Exam.	McQUISTON, Eliza Jane
18 Aug. 1861	..	McQUISTON, Andrew C.
17 Apr. 1868	..	McQUISTON, Sarah Margaret
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17 Apr. 1863	Exam.	MANN, Anna Eliza
..	MANN, Mary Catherine
13 May 1853	Exam.	MARSHALL, James
11 Apr. 1856	..	MARSHALL, John P.
17 Apr. 1857	..	MARSHALL, John P.
13 Apr. 1858	..	MARSHALL, Sarah
12 Aug. 1858	..	MARSHALL, Nancy
15 Nov. 1858	..	MARSHALL, William
29 July 1859	..	MARSHALL, Ann
.. .. .	..	MARSHALL, Mary
12 Apr. 1861	..	MARSHALL, Mary Jane
23 Aug. 1861	..	MARSHALL, Margaret R.
5 Nov. 1862	..	MARSHALL, David S.
.. .. .	..	MARSHALL, Mary E.
17 Apr. 1863	..	MARSHALL, Fannie (Frances)
13 Nov. 1863	..	MARSHALL, John H.
2 Sept. 1864	..	MARSHALL, Samuel H.
26 Dec. 1864	..	MARSHALL, Mary
.. .. .	..	MARSHALL, James
26 Nov. 1866	..	MARSHALL, Sallie M.
17 Apr. 1868	Cert.	MARSHALL, Mrs. Maggie (Margaret) E.
11 Feb. 1869	Exam.	MARSHALL, Mr. John
.. .. .	..	MARSHALL, Mrs. Rebecca, his wife
15 Nov. 1858	Exam.	MILLER, Robert
21 Aug. 1863	Exam.	MONTEITH, John
13 Nov. 1863	Exam.	MURRAY, Josephene [sic]
4 May 1866	..	MURRAY, Annetta
21 Nov. 1868	..	MURRAY, Mrs. Elizabeth
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7 Dec. 1866	Exam.	OWENS, John
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13 Nov. 1852	Cert.	PATTERSON, Mrs. Ellen
2 Sept. 1864	Exam.	PATTERSON, Mrs. Frances
Apr. 1845	Exam.	PAXTON, Eliza
Apr. 1846	..	PAXTON, Nancy L. (Jr.)
26 Oct. 1849	..	PAXTON, Agnes
2 Aug. 1850	..	PAXTON, Jonathan Caldwell
3 Apr. 1851	..	PAXTON, James

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<u>WHEN RECEIVED</u>	<u>HOW</u>	<u>-M- continued</u>
14 Aug. 1852	Exam.	PAXTON, Sarah A.
..	PAXTON, Martha A. L.
17 Apr. 1858	Cert.	PAXTON, Samuel
.. .. ..	..	PAXTON, Mary Jane, his wife
13 Apr. 1860	Exam.	PAXTON, Robert
12 Apr. 1861	..	PAXTON, Sina Louisa (Sina Leniza)
18 Dec. 1865	..	PAXTON, Narcissa
3 Dec. 1869	..	PAXTON, Mr. Robert S.
5 Feb. 1870	..	PAXTON, David Blair
Apr. 1845	Exam.	PRESSLY, Jane
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23 Aug. 1844	Exam.	RAMSEY, Hugh
8 Nov. 1844	..	RAMSEY, William G.
Apr. 1845	..	RAMSEY, Martha Agnes
.. .. ..	..	RAMSEY, Hervey [sic]
.. .. ..	..	RAMSEY, Eliza
13 Apr. 1849	..	RAMSEY, Sarah J.
29 Oct. 1849	..	RAMSEY, Thomas
.. .. ..	..	RAMSEY, James B.
9 Aug. 1850	Cert.	RAMSEY, Hervey [sic]
14 Aug. 1852	Exam.	RAMSEY, James M.
12 Nov. 1852	..	RAMSEY, Frances A.
13 May 1853	..	RAMSEY, Lucy
26 Nov. 1857	..	RAMSEY, Eleanor
15 Nov. 1858	..	RAMSEY, William
Apr. 1859	..	RAMSEY, Samuel
29 Jan. 1859	..	RAMSEY, Nathan L.
.. .. ..	..	RAMSEY, William S.
.. .. ..	..	RAMSEY, Joseph H.
13 Apr. 1861	Cert.	RAMSEY, William Gilmore
22 Nov. 1861	Exam.	RAMSEY, Mary Grizella
5 Nov. 1862	..	RAMSEY, Mary E.
26 Dec. 1864	..	RAMSEY, Mrs. Keturah [Waldron]
17 Apr. 1868	Cert.	RAMSEY, Mrs. Sarah [McQ.], wife of Jos.
5 Feb. 1870	Exam.	RAMSEY, David C.
.. .. ..	..	RAMSEY, Mrs. Mary S., his wife
9 Apr. 1852	Cert.	RANKIN, Jeremiah S.
2 Sept. 1864	Exam.	RANKIN, Samuel A.
31 Aug. 1866	..	RANKIN, Malissa Margaret
5 Feb. 1870	..	RANKIN, John L.
20 Nov. 1863	Exam.	RHINEHART, Sarah
12 Aug. 1865	Cert.	ROBERTSON, Mr. David
.. .. ..	..	ROBERTSON, Mrs. Mary
29 July 1859	Cert.	ROCK, Robert
..	ROCK, Mrs. Ruth, his wife
4 May 1866	Exam.	ROCK, Andrew Bower

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<u>WHEN RECEIVED</u>	<u>HOW</u>	<u>-S-</u>
12 Aug. 1865	Cert.	SHAW, Mrs. Marietta
17 Apr. 1868	Exam.	SHAW, Venolia
13 May 1853	Cert.	SIMPSON, George
11 Apr. 1856	Exam.	SIMPSON, George W.
22 Nov. 1861	..	SIMPSON, Margaret A.
15 Apr. 1864	..	SIMPSON, Elihu C.
26 Dec. 1864	Cert.	SIMPSON, Mrs. Eliza
.. .. ..	..	SIMPSON, Hattie (Harriet), her dau.
18 Dec. 1865	Exam.	SIMPSON, Theodore
30 Aug. 1867	Cert.	SIMPSON, Mr. George W.
.. .. ..	..	SIMPSON, Mrs. Eliza H.
.. .. ..	..	SIMPSON, Mrs. Theodore
17 Apr. 1868	Exam.	SIMPSON, Robert J.
3 Dec. 1869	..	SIMPSON, Miss Maggie A.
21 Jan. 1870	..	SIMPSON, Elizabeth J.
15 Aug. 1854	Exam.	SLOAN, William S.
22 Aug. 1862	..	SLOAN, Jane E.
20 Nov. 1863	..	SLOAN, Joseph G.
5 Feb. 1870	..	SLOAN, James A.
10 Aug. 1849	Exam.	SMITH, Catherine
28 Aug. 1852	Cert.	SPROWL, Mrs. Ruth
26 Dec. 1864	Exam.	SPROWL, William Headly
.. .. ..	..	SPROWL, Mary Elizabeth
23 Aug. 1844	Exam.	STEEL, Martha
7 Aug. 1846	Exam.	STEWART, Mary Anne
14 Apr. 1851	..	STEWART, Margaret
13 May 1853	..	STEWART, Ellen
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29 July 1859	Exam.	THOMPSON, Margaret A.
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10 Aug. 1855	Cert.	WALLACE, John
..	WALLACE, Mrs. Mary, his wife
15 Nov. 1858	Exam.	WALLACE, Catherine
29 July 1859	Cert.	WALLACE, Agnes
21 Jan. 1870	Exam.	WALLACE, George B.
6 Nov. 1858	Exam.	WATT, John J.
.. .. ..	..	WATT, Mrs. Matilda, his wife
7 Aug. 1846	Exam.	WHITEMAN, Rachel Jane
15 Aug. 1854	Exam.	WILEY, Francis
11 Apr. 1856	..	WILEY, Samuel J.

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<u>WHEN RECEIVED</u>	<u>HOW</u>	<u>-W- continued</u>
26 Apr. 1867	Cert.	WILLIAMS, Mr. Louis
..	WILLIAMS, Mrs. Mary, his wife
27 Oct. 1859	Exam.	WILLIAMSON, James H.
8 Nov. 1845	Exam.	WILSON, Andrew McQuiston
.. .. .	..	WILSON, Margaret Ann
13 May 1853	..	WILSON, Elizabeth Jane
10 Aug. 1855	Cert.	WILSON, Mrs. Sarah [Leech]
5 Nov. 1862	Exam.	WILSON, Caroline L. S.
5 May 1866	Cert.	WILSON, J. S.
.....	Exam.	WILSON, Mary Ann
7 Dec. 1866	..	WILSON, Mrs. Susan
17 Apr. 1868	..	WILSON, Robert M.
5 Feb. 1870	..	WILSON, Nathan M.
.. .. .	..	WILSON, Evaline F.
5 Mar. 1870	..	WILSON, Hannah O.
8 Aug. 1845	Exam.	WORDEN, Curtis
22 Aug. 1862	..	WORDEN, Martha F.
26 Apr. 1867	Cert.	WRIGHT, Mrs. Nancy J. [Creelman]

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23 Aug. 1861	BAILEY, Alexander
..	BAILEY, Mrs. Mary, his wife
6 May 1870	BAILEY, Mrs. Lucy Ann [Ramsey], wife of Robt.
15 Mar. 1851	BELL, Mrs. Nancy (to Fairhaven)
19 Aug. 1856	BELL, Andrew
..	BELL, Mrs. Mary, his wife ..
19 Aug. 1870	BERNARD, Mrs. Matilda
..	BERNARD, Miss Nannie (Nancy)
19 Apr. 1868	BONNER, Miss Maggie (Margaret)
23 Apr. 1869	BONNER, Mr. David
9 Apr. 1850	BOYSE, Mrs. Rachel [Lotta], widow of Robt.
..	BOYSE, Miss Anna A., step-dau.
..	BOYSE, David A., son (all to
..	BOYSE, Andrew Foster, son Fairhaven
..	BOYSE, Miss Mary Jane, dau. Church)
30 Mar. 1851	BROWN, James, Ruling Elder (To
..	BROWN, Mrs. Margaret, his wife Fairhaven
..	BROWN, Miss Mary Buck, dau. Church)
..	BROWN, Miss Caroline
26 May 1851	BROWN, Mr. Thomas (all to Fairhaven)
..	BROWN, Mrs. Ann Brown, his wife
..	BROWN, James, son
..	BROWN, Robert S., son
..	BROWN, Miss Nancy, dau.
Apr. 1851	BROWN, Elizabeth
7 Dec. 1866	BROWN, Mr. Joseph (all to Fairhaven)
..	BROWN, Mrs. Eliza, his wife ..
..	BROWN, Miss Nancy E. ..
..	BROWN, Miss Violet J. ..
..	BROWN, Mary M. ..
..	BROWN, Grizzella C. ..
4 Jan. 1869	BROWN, Mrs. Catherine [Wallace]
21 Mar. 1869	BROWN, Mr. Samuel
..	BROWN, Mrs. Mary, his wife
6 Nov. 1870	BROWN, Miss Katherine
6 Nov. 1870	BUCK, Mr. John, Ruling Elder
..	BUCK, Mrs. Grizzella [Brown], his (2nd) wife

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24 Nov. 1870	CALDWELL, Mrs. Martha [McDill], wife of John
9 Mar. 1869	COLESMITH, Mr. Samuel F.
..	COLESMITH, Mrs. Nancy J. [Brown], his wife

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21 July 1861 DAVIDSON, James
 DAVIDSON, Mrs. Mary
 31 Sept 1866 DOUGLASS, Mr. John
 DOUGLASS, Mrs. Eliza, his wife
 21 Mar. 1869 DOUGLASS, Mr. William A.
 DOUGLASS, Mrs. Mary G. [Ramsey], his wife
 24 Nov. 1870 DOUGLASS, Mr. William
 DOUGLASS, Mrs. Martha Jane [McQuiston], wife

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Nov. 1863 GILMORE, Dr. William H. (to Fairhaven)
 GILMORE, Mary Ann [Stewart], his wife ..
 15 Feb. 1870 GILMORE, Mr. Samuel B. *(to Fairhaven)
 GILMORE, Mrs. Ellen, his wife [Benn]
 3 Apr. 1851 GRAHAM, John
 GRAHAM, Mrs. John
 3 Feb. 1862 GRAHAM, John
 GRAHAM, Mrs. Grizzella, his wife
 16 Aug. 1868 GRAHAM, Mr. Benjamin F.
 16 Aug. 1869 GRAHAM, Mrs. Mary A.
 31 Oct. 1858 GRAY, David D.
 GRAY, Mrs. Elizabeth C. [Weed], his wife
 Nov. 1865 GRAY, Mrs. Eveline [Brown]

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20 Aug. 1869 HAMILTON, R. C.
 24 Nov. 1870 HARPER, Miss Hattie (Harriet) A.
 Dec. 1869 HARRIS, Mrs. Jenny E. [Sloan]
 Nov. 1854 HAYS, James
 Nov. 1854 HERRON, Nancy Maria
 9 Mar. 1869 HOCKERSMITH, Mrs. Michael S.

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26 Apr. 1867 JOHNSTON, Mr. James F.
 15 Mar. 1869 JOHNSTON, Mrs. Emma [Denny]

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26 July 1860 McBRIDE, William to Vienna, Ind.
 McBRIDE, Mrs. Eliza Ann, his wife
 26 Nov. 1866 McBRIDE, Mrs. Martha A. [Killough]
 26 Nov. 1866 McCLANAHAN, Mr. James

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-Mc- continued

8 June 1863	McCRACKEN, J. Calvin
..	McCRACKEN, Mrs. Gennie E., his wife
28 Feb. 1865	McCRACKEN, Miss Charlotte A.
18 Dec. 1865	McCRACKEN, Mrs. Mary
24 Nov. 1870	McCREARY, Mr. James
..	McCREARY, Mrs. Annie [Cook], his wife
..	McCREARY, Miss Mary Jane
..	McCREARY, Miss Maggie (Margaret) A.
26 May 1861	McDILL, David M. to Oxford
..	McDILL, Martha A. [Magaw], his wife
..	McDILL, Samuel M.
12 Nov. 1862	McDILL, Elenor [sic] to College Corner
24 Nov. 1870	McDILL, Mr. John C.
..	McDILL, Mrs. Mary [McQuiston], his wife
28 Oct. 1867	McGEE, Mrs. Carrie (Caroline) [Brown]
Mar. 1866	McNEALY, Mrs. Ann
24 Nov. 1870	McQUISTON, Mr. Thomas M.
..	McQUISTON, Mr. Talitha [Harper], his 3rd wife
..	McQUISTON, Mr. Samuel B., Ruling Elder
..	McQUISTON, Mrs. Martha [Douglass], his wife

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3 Oct. 1867	MAJOR, Mrs. Margaret A. [Douglass]
17 Oct. 1866	MARSHALL, Mr. James
..	MARSHALL, Mrs. Nancy
..	MARSHALL, Miss Ann
..	MARSHALL, Miss Mary
..	MARSHALL, Miss Fannie (Frances)
2 Oct. 1869	MARSHALL, Mr. David
12 June 1870	MARSHALL, Mr. Samuel H.
..	MARSHALL, Mrs. Mary, his wife
24 Nov. 1870	MARSHALL, Mr. Henry
..	MARSHALL, Mrs. Sarah [McCreary], his 2nd wife
..	MARSHALL, Miss Mary Jane
29 Jan. 1866	MARTIN, Mrs. Mary Ann [Brown]
5 Jan. 1870	MILLER, Mr. Robert
..	MILLER, Mrs. Margaret Ann [McQuiston], his wife
4 Apr. 1851	MORRISON, Mrs. Elizabeth

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26 May 1851	NELSON, Mrs. Elvira J. [Gilmore]
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17 Aug. 1869 OWENS, Mr. John
 OWENS, Mrs. Sally [Foster], his wife

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18 Feb. 1866 PORTER, Mr. R. C.
 PORTER, Mrs. Maria, his wife

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May 1868 RAMSEY, Mr. William G.
 7 Jan. 1869 RAMSEY, Mr. Joseph
 Oct. 1869 RAMSEY, Mrs. Sabina [Gilmore]
 RAMSEY, Miss Martha
 24 Nov. 1870 RAMSEY, Mr. Thomas L.
 RAMSEY, Mrs. Grizzella [McDill], his wife
 28 Feb. 1870 RANKIN, Mr. Samuel A.
 15 Aug. 1870 RANKIN, Mr. Jeremiah S.
 RANKIN, Mrs. Mary Jane [Sloan], his wife
 RANKIN, Miss Malissa Margaret
 RANKIN, Mr. John Logan
 17 Oct. 1866 ROCK, Mr. Robert to Fairhaven
 ROCK, Mrs. Ruth, his wife ..

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7 Dec. 1866 SIMPSON, Dr. George W.
 SIMPSON, Mrs. Eliza
 SIMPSON, Miss Hattie (Harriet) E.
 SIMPSON, Theodore
 31 Mar. 1868 SIMPSON, Dr. George W.
 SIMPSON, Mrs. Josephine [Murray], his wife
 5 May 1868 SIMPSON, Mrs. Eliza H.
 SIMPSON, Mr. Theodore
 4 Jan. 1869 SIMPSON, Miss Maggie (Margaret)
 20 Aug. 1869 SIMPSON, Elihu C.
 17 May 1866 SLOAN, William S.
 21 Nov. 1868 SLOAN, Joseph G.
 6 Nov. 1870 SLOAN, Mr. James A.
 Apr. 1853 SMITH, Matilda
 6 Nov. 1858 SMITH, Mrs. Rebecca (to College Corner)
 Aug. 1863 SMITH, Mrs. Margaret
 17 Oct. 1866 SPROWL, Mr. William H.
 SPROWL, Miss Mary Elizabeth

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4 Jan. 1869 WALLACE, Miss Aggie (Agnes)

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2 Sept. 1864	WATT, John J. (to Fairhaven)
.	WATT, Mrs. Matilda, his wife
16 Nov. 1860	WILLIAMSON, James H. (d. 1862, Civil War)
25 May 1865	WRIGHT, Mrs. Lizzie (Elizabeth) J. [Wilson]
4 May 1866	WRIGHT, Mrs. Mary E. [Ramsey]
Mar. 1868	WRIGHT, Mrs. Nancy J. [Creelman]
30 Dec. 1864	WYLIE, Samuel J.
23 Dec. 1867	WYLIE, Mrs. Rachel C. [Brown]

HOPKINSON CHURCH

1808-1915



NEAR MORNING SUN
ISRAEL TWP., PREBLE CO., OHIO

Subject: MEMBERSHIP / SUBSCRIPTIONS LISTS
1814-1915
(INCOMPLETE)

THE EARLIEST RECORDS
of the
HOPEWELL CHURCH
(ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN)
near Morning Sun
Israel Twp., Preble Co., Ohio

August, 1813

At a meeting held at Hopewell meeting house on the second Friday of August, 1813. Samuel Wilie was chosen chairman. The meeting was constituted with prayer by David McQuiston.

John Patterson, Richard Sloan, Andrew McQuiston, John Wilie and Hugh Patterson were elected a committee to form a Constitution, which was done & was adopted.

John Patterson, Samuel Wilie, John Ramsey, Hugh McQuiston and James Brown were elected Trustees for one year.

A vote was taken & carried that six dollar be laid on each seat for the present year commencing this day to pay (for) supplies* and create a fund for the use of the Congregation. Concluded with prayer by John Patterson.

*"supplies" meant a minister

April 2, 1814

At a meeting held at Hopewell meeting house on the 2nd day of April, 1814 at which time the Rev. Mr. Porter preached, the following subscriptions was taken. We the subscribers of Hopewell Congregation promise to pay the sums annexed to our respective names to be appropriated for the purpose of obtaining the labors of the Rev. Alexander Porter amongst us.

(Herewith follows a list of 50 men and women, all heads of households. The women are all widows.)

HOPEWELL CHURCH SUBSCRIPTIONS LIST

April 2nd 1814

John Allen	\$ 5	James Madill	\$10
William Allen	3	Mary McDill (widow	
Mary Archibald	1	of Thomas)	3
John Beard	5	Thomas McDill	5
David Bonner	5	James McGaw	5
James Boyse	20	William McGaw	10
Robert Boyse	8	Andrew McQuiston	12
George Brown	15	David McQuiston	6
James Brown	15	Hugh McQuiston	12
Nathan Brown	15	Gaven Mitchell	7
William Buck	4	William Morris	5
John Caldwell	4	John Patterson	10
John Douglass	5	Samuel Patterson	6
Joseph Douglass	8	Samuel Patterson, Jr.	5
Robert Douglass	8	Joseph Pressly	6
Ebenezer Elliott	12	Robert Pressly	10
David Phares/Fares	4	Hugh Ramsey	5
Jean Gamble	3	John Ramsey	10
James Jiles/Giles	2	William Ramsey, Sr.	7
William Leper	3	William Ramsey, Jr.	7
Andrew Martain	5	Richard Sloan	10
Mary Martain	3	Andrew Weed	5
James McClurkin	6	John Wiley	6
Mathew McClurkin	5	Samuel Wiley	6
William McCreary	8	John Wilson	5
David McDill	10		

1820-1825

HOPEWELL CHURCH "SALERY PAPERS"

These papers are remarkable by their mere existence over 150 years later. Eleven pieces of "plain brown wrapping paper" were laid together, folded and sewed along the folds with needle and thread to make a 22-page booklet.

The almost-illegible handwriting compares to other samples of Rev. Alexander Porter's writings. He was the first Hopewell Church minister, 1814-1833. These were probably started as working notes and intended for formal copying later. There are scribbles of arithmetic. Rev. Porter had reason for concern as to whether he would receive his \$500 annual salary as agreed upon in 1814. 2/3's of the salary was to be paid by Hopewell Church. "Salery Papers" is written across the first page.

It is most probable that these notes were never recopied because they do not represent an accurate listing of Heads of Households in the congregation. Much money was collected by John Pinkerton and some others.

John Pinkerton was a trusted and honored collector. He was the Clerk of the Hopewell Church Session, and since no Treasurer was elected or appointed, that was probably one of his duties as Clerk. Mr. Pinkerton was a Justice of the Peace, and later, first Clerk of the School Board and a State Legislator. He accompanied Rev. Porter to Ohio in early-1814 to seek new homes.

For clarity, modern abbreviations will be used: "Sr." for "Sen./Sen^r/Major", ditto marks instead of "D^o".

An Index for "Salery Papers" will follow at the end of Page 18. Page 19-20 was torn out; Pages 21-22 have only mathematics.

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Jan. 27, 1820	Rec'd. from William Gilmore, Sr.	\$?
..	Rec'd. from Gavin Mitchel	5
..	Rec'd. from Adam Soladay	2
Feb. 8th	Rec'd. from Moses Magaw	2
dates can	Rec'd. from John Brown	12
no longer	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	12
be read		

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<u>1820</u>	Rec'd. from John Buck	\$3
the dates	Rec'd. from Thomas Pinkerton	3
can no	Rec'd. from John McClerkin	4
longer	Rec'd. from Robert Douglas(s)	6
be read	Rec'd. from John Brown	?
on Page 1	.. .. .	10
	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	12
	Rec'd. from James McDill	10
	Rec'd. from John Brown	2
	Rec'd. from John Brown	5
	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	6
	Rec'd. from Samuel Smith	3
	Rec'd. from David Gray for 1819	2
 1820	5

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July 27, <u>1820</u>	Rec'd. from Robert Buck, in half	\$2
Aug.	Rec'd. from David Elliott in ?	1.50
Nov..2	Rec'd. John Pinkerton, Col'r.	28
	Rec'd. from John Brown	2.12
	Rec'd. in favor of John Brown	?
Dec. 25	Rec'd. John Pinkerton, Col'r.	7
Jan 5, <u>1821</u>	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	4
(torn)	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	6
July 2	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	2
	Rec'd. from David Semple	7.50
July 23	Rec'd. from Andrew Martin	5
Nov. 3, 1821	Rec'd. from Andrew Weed	5
	Rec'd. from Hugh Porter	3
	Settled for this year and received	<u>500</u>
	And a ballance remains to be carried	
	over to the year 1820	15.60

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For the Year Ending Oct 20, 1920		??
July 27, <u>1820</u>	Rec'd. from Sam'l. Patterson, Jr.	5
	From Wm. Ramsey, Sr. by John Pinkerton	10
Aug 1	Rec'd. from Ebenezer Douglas	2
Nov 2, <u>1820</u>	Rec'd. from Swan	2
	Rec'd. from John Patterson	5
	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	7.50
	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	4.?
	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	24
Nov. 22	Rec'd. from James Boyse	20

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Nov., <u>1820</u>	Rec'd. from Joseph Elliott	\$ 5
Dec. 2	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	4
Dec. 8	Rec'd. John Pinkerton, Col'r. *	11
Dec 9	Rec'd. from Thomas Madill	5
Dec 15	Rec'd. John Pinkerton, Col'r.	3
Dec 16	Rec'd. from Richard Sloan	11
20	Rec'd. from Wm. McCreary, in part	4
	.. .. .. .. ..	4
25	Rec'd from Jonathan Paxton	9
28	Rec'd. from Samuel Madill, in part	5
29	Rec'd. from Jonathan Caldwell	3
	Rec'd. from James Brown by Jonathan Caldwell	8
	Rec'd. from James Brown in full	4
30	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton, Col'r.	11.??

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Jan. <u>1921</u>	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton, Col'r.	\$18.40
Jan. 5	Rec'd. from John Harthorn (Hawthorn)	2
	Rec'd. from Moses Magaw	1
	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	7.69
15	Rec'd. from James Giles	2
	Rec'd. from Hugh Ramsey	1
	Rec'd. from John Ramsey	10
26	Rec'd. from Ebenezer Elliott	12
Feb. 1	Rec'd. from Sam'l. Patterson, Sr.	6
	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton, Col'r.	7
8	Rec'd. from John Caldwell	6
17	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton, Col'r.	22
28	Rec'd. from Hugh McQuiston in plank	10.69
	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton, Col'r.	5
Mar. 3	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton, Col'r.	4
9	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton, Col'r.	3
	Rec'd. from	12
Apr. 2	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton, Col'r.	23
2	Rec'd. from John McClerkin	3
May 10	Rec'd. from Mrs. Mitchell	5
12	Rec'd. from John Cathcart	2
20	Rec'd. from Hugh McQuiston	7.37 1/2

* John Pinkerton, Collector

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June 28, 1821	Rec'd. from Moses Magaw by John Brown	\$1
July 2	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	4.
	Rec'd. from David Semple	7.50
	Rec'd. from Andrew McQuiston	4
	Rec'd. from Robert Boyse	8
July 23	Rec'd. from Andrew Martin	5
July 25	Rec'd. from David Phares (Faris)	5
Aug. 20	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton, Col'r.	4
Oct. 30, 1821	Rec'd. from	4
..	Rec'd. from Col'r.	2
Nov. 2	Rec'd. from Wm. Buck by J. Pinkerton	3
.. ..	Rec'd. from Nathan Brown, Jr. by John Pentecost	2.75
Nov. 13	Rec'd. from Andrew Weed	5
Dec. 7	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	4
	Rec'd. from Samuel Herron	5
	Rec'd. from John Milligan	5
	Rec'd. from Samuel Bell	5
	Rec'd. from James Buck	2.
	Rec'd. from Jonathan Caldwell	part of
	Rec'd. from John Foster	page
	Rec'd. from Hugh Porter	missing

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Dec. 27, 18__	Rec'd. from Joseph Pressly	\$5
	Rec'd. from Robert Smith	3
	A ballance from the year 1819	15.60
	Rec'd. from John Allen for 1819	5
Jan. 14, 1821?	Rec'd. from John Allen for this year	5.
	Rec'd. from William Leaper	7.
Feb. 9th	Rec'd. from Thomas Brown	4
	Rec'd from Samuel Hamilton 13 bushels wheat	6
	.. .. John Pinkerton, Col'r.	2
	Rec'd. from Reuben Weid (Weed)	5
	Rec'd. from James Smith	3
	Rec'd. from John Andrews	4
	Rec'd. from Joseph Douglas(s)	8
	Rec'd. from Jane Madill	10

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For the year 1821

Jan. 1, 1821	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	\$5
Feb. 2	Rec'd. from Samuel Patterson, Jr.	?
July 2	Rec'd. from David Semple	7.50
Aug. 20	Rec'd. from John Patterson	5.
Oct. 29	Rec'd. from William McCreary	8
Nov. 2	.. .. William Ramsey, Sr.	10
22	.. .. John Cathcart	2
30	.. .. James Buck	2
Dec. 7	.. .. John Pinkerton	3
	.. ..	8
	Rec'd from John Milligan	2.87 1/2
	.. .. Jonathan Paxton	9
Dec. 10	.. .. William Bill (Bell)	4
	.. ..	1.
Dec. 21	.. .. David Madill	5.50
 John Pinkerton, Col'r.	6.91
Dec. 27 William Buck	3
 Hugh Porter	3
 Joseph Pressly	?

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Dec. 27, 1821	Rec'd. from Samuel Patterson	\$6
 Thomas Ramsey	3
 Samuel Smith	2
 James Brown	12
	.. .. George Brown	10
Jan. 12, 1822	Rec'd. from John Pinkerton	3
	.. .. Adam Soladay	2
	.. .. Joseph Steel (Steele)	3.56 1/2
	.. .. John Allen	5
14	.. .. Robert Boyse by Hugh Porter	1
	.. .. John Pinkerton	3
22	.. .. John Pinkerton	3
25	.. .. David Madill	4.50
31	.. .. Nathan Brown, Sr.	15.
Feb. 9	.. .. David Bonner	5
	.. .. Thomas Brown	4
	.. .. Samuel Bell	5
Feb. 13	.. .. Nathan Brown, Jr.	6
	.. .. Richard Sloan	10
 Jane McQuiston	8
 John Pinkerton, Col'r.	4
 Eleanor Meabin (Mayben)	1
 John Pinkerton	7.50

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Mar. 4, 1822	Rec'd. from	Thomas Madill	\$5
12	John Pinkerton	2
	John Foster	10
23	John Ramsey	10
27	.. ..	Thomas Harper	2
	.. ..	James Madill	10
Apr. 5	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	6
	.. ..	Reuben Weed	5
15	.. ..	John Pinkerton,	2.50
	.. ..	John Pinkerton	4
May 23	.. ..	Moses Magaw	2
	.. ..	John Milligan	2.12 1/2
June 10		James Smith	2
June 16	.. ..	John Harthorn (Hawthorn)	2
Nov. 18	.. ..	John Pinkerton	12
	.. ..	John Andrews	4
	.. ..	John Caldwell	4
	.. ..	Grizell Craig	2
	.. ..	James Giles	2
	.. ..	Jane Gamble	1
	.. ..	Mary Madill	4
	.. ..	Richard Morris	4
	.. ..	Andrew Weed	5
		Carried over a ballance from 1820	6.62 1/2
Nov. 22	Rec'd. from	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	10

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July 15, 182?	Rec'd. from	Daniel Elliott for 1820 and 1821	\$6
Dec. 23	Rec'd. from	Robert Buck for 1819-\$1, for 1820-\$3, for 1821-\$3	7
Jan. 2, 1823	Rec'd. from	Joseph Steele	8.80
	.. ..	Samuel Hamilton	4.50
	.. ..	Hugh Madill	4.
	.. ..	John Cathcart	2
Mar. 10	.. ..	Samuel Wiley for Joseph Pressly	2
	.. ..	James Smith	9
	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	8
	.. ..	John Brown, Jr.	4
	.. ..	David Phares (Faris)	5
	.. ..	Alexander Hamilton for 1820-\$2, for 1821-\$2	4
	.. ..	Jane Hamilton, 1819 & 1820	9
	.. ..	Robert Douglass	?
	Jonathan Caldwell	?
	Joseph Duglas (Douglass)	8.62 1/2
Oct. 2	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	5

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Oct. 7, 1823	Rec'd. from	John Giles for 2 years	\$6
Nov. 26	Daniel Elliott	7
	John Pinkerton	6
	Robert Smith	?
	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	?

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For the year 1822

	Rec'd. from	Reuben Weed	\$2.50
	William Bell	2.50
Aug. 14	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	8
Sept. 10	.. ..	.. ..	8
Oct. 10	.. ..	John Killough	1
Oct. 21	.. ..	James Killough	1
Oct. 21	.. ..	Elenor Maebin (Mayben)	7
	.. ..	William McCreary	8
Nov. 8	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	10
19	.. ..	.. ..	8
	.. ..	James Elliott	4
	.. ..	Richard Morris	3
22	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	37
23	.. ..	John Patterson	5
29	.. ..	Jonathan Paxton	5
Dec. 3	.. ..	Joseph Pressly	5
	.. ..	James Buck	2
17	.. ..	Dr. George Brown	10
21	.. ..	John Milligan	5
Jan. 4, 1823	Robert Buck	3
	Nathan Brown, Sr.	15
6	David Madill	8
	James Giles	2
	Moses McGaw	2

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Jan. 20, 1823	John Andrews	\$4
	John Harthorn (Hawthorn)	2
	David Boyse by Eli Straten	2.50
	.. ..	William Bell	2.50
22	.. ..	Robert Gilmore	2
	.. ..	Jenny McQuiston	3
	Joseph Steel	4
	Hugh Madill	4
Feb. 3	Mary Madill	4
	Adam Soladay	2
	Robert Duglas (Douglass)	6

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Feb. 3, 1823	Rec'd. from	Jonathan Paxton	\$3
14	Thomas Madill	5
	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	11
	.. ..	John Buck	3
	.. ..	David Boner (Bonner)	5
	.. ..	Hugh Boner (Bonner)	2
Mar. 21	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	4
	.. ..	Samuel Herron	5
	.. ..	William Buck	3
	.. ..	Jinny McQuiston	4
	.. ..	Jonathan Paxton	1
	.. ..	James Smith	3
May 9th	.. ..	John Pinkerton	4
	John Brown, Jr.	4
	Hugh Porter	3
15	Samuel Smith	2
	John Caldwell	6
	Samuel Hamilton	8

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May 22, 1823	Rec'd. from	Jane Gamble	\$1
	James Brown	12
	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	22
31	David Phares (Faris)	5
June	.. ..	Samuel Paxton	2
	.. ..	Nathan Brown, Jr.	6
	.. ..	Alexander Hamilton	2
12	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	5
	.. ..	Jonathan Caldwell	3
Aug. 11	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	10
	.. ..	Samuel Patterson, Sr.	2
	.. ..	Robert Elliott	2
Oct. 2	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	2
	.. ..	John Giles	3
	.. ..	Thomas Ramsey	3
Nov. 30	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	4
	.. ..	John Pinkerton	8
	.. ..	David Boyse	8
Dec. 5	.. ..	David Semple	6
26	.. ..	James Madill	10
Jan. 2, 1824	.. ..	Thomas Brown	4
Feb. 9	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	3
	David Gray for 1821-1822	10
Mar. 8	John Pinkerton, col'r.	5
	John Foster	10

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Apr. 21, 1824	Rec'd. from	John Ramsey in cash	\$10
	John McClurkin for 1821, 1822 & 1823	6
June 18	.. ..	David Elliott for this year and also (no year)	3
Oct. 23	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	2
	Richard Morris	1
	John Allen	5
	Martha Foster	6
	Grizell Craig	2
	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	8.25

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March, 1823	Rec'd. from	Wm. Irwin in leather	\$4
	Jonathan Paxton in hay	9
June 2	James Buck	2
	.. ..	James Brown, Jr.	4
August 1	.. ..	Robert Elliott	2
15	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	3
	.. ..	Eloner Mabin (Mayben)	1
Oct. 2	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	2
21	.. ..	David Marshall	8
27	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	50
	.. ..	Samuel Smith	2
Nov. 30	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	33
Dec. 15	.. ..	.. .. ..	15
26	.. ..	James Madill	10
31	.. ..	John Pinkerton in weaving	7.50
Jan. 2, 1824	.. ..	Thomas Brown	4
	John Buck	3
Feb. 2	William Bell	5
9	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	3
	20
	David Gray	5
	William Buck	3

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Mar. 8, 1824	Rec'd. from	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	\$7
	John Caldwell	6
10	David Boner (Bonner)	5
13	John Foster	6
15	Robert Buck	1
Apr. 21	John Ramsey	10

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Apr. 21, 1824	Rec'd. from	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	\$4
June 24	John Pinkerton	4.50
July 8, 1824	Molly Madill	4
16	.. ..	Hugh Madill	4
	.. ..	James McQuiston	3
	.. ..	Daniel Elliott	3
28	.. ..	James Brown	12
Aug. 4	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	8
Sept. 2	.. ..	James Marshall	3
23	.. ..	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	2
	.. ..	Robert Gamble	2.62 1/2
	.. ..	Alexander Hamilton	1.50
		and	.50
	James Hamilton	3
	Samuel Herron	5
	John Harthorn (Hawthorn)	2
	Hugh McQuiston	8

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Dec. 28, 1828	Rec'd. from	Richard Morris	\$3
Jan. 5, 1825	Nathan Brown, Jr.	1
	John Allen	5
	.. ..	Martha Foster	2
	.. ..	Jane Gamble	1
	.. ..	James Elliott	4
	.. ..	Grizell Craig	2
	.. ..	Samuel Lessly	2
	.. ..	Moses McGaw	2
	.. ..	Joseph Pressly	5
	.. ..	John Giles	3
	.. ..	Joseph Douglas (Douglass)	8
	.. ..	George Simpson	8
	.. ..	David Faris	5
	.. ..	David Sample	5
Apr. 13, 1825	.. ..	John Wilson	2.81 1/4
	.. ..	David Boyse	3
	.. ..	William Irwin	3
	.. ..	Joseph Caldwell	3
June 29	John Pinkerton, Col'r.	6
	Robert Miller	4
	Widow Mitchel	2
	Reuben Weid, (Weed)	2
	Robert Buck	3

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1825?	Rec'd. from William Gilmore	\$20
 Robert Smyth	2
 Robert Gilmore	2
 Michel Kirkum (Kirkham)	
	in produce	8
	.. .. James Smyth	3
	.. .. Isreal (Israel) Hamilton	3
	.. .. Samuel Paxton	7
	.. .. Hugh Porter	3
	.. .. James Giles	2
	.. .. Richard Morris	4
 John Brown, Sr.	4
 Joseph Steel	4
 Adam Saladay	2
 Daniel Elliott	2
 Thomas Harper	2

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Madill, James, 1, 9, 13, 15
Madill, Mary, 9, 12, 16
Madill, Samuel, 3
Madill, Thomas, 3, 9, 12
Magaw, Moses, 1, 4, 5, 9, 11, 17
Marshall, David, 15
Marshall, James, 16
Martin, Andrew, 2, 5
Mayben, Eleanor, 8, 11, 15
Miller, Robert, 17
Milligan, John, 5, 7, 9, 11
Mitchell, Gavin, 1
Mitchell, Widow/Mary, 4, 17
Morris, Richard, 9, 11, 14, 17, 18

Patterson, John, 7, 11
Patterson, Samuel, Sr., 4, 8, 13
Patterson, Samuel, Jr., 3, 7
Paxton, Jonathan, 3, 7, 11, 12, 15
Paxton, Samuel, 13, 18
Pinkerton, John, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17
Pinkerton, Thomas, 2
Porter, Hugh, 2, 5, 7, 8, 12, 18
Pressly, Joseph, 6, 7, 10, 11, 17

Ramsey, Hugh, 4
Ramsey, John, 4, 9, 14, 16
Ramsey, Thomas, 8, 13
Ramsey, Wm., Sr., 7

Semple, David, 2, 5, 7, 13, 17
Simpson, George, 17, 18
Sloan, Richard, 3, 8
Smith/Smyth, James, 6, 9, 10, 12
Smith/Smyth, Robert, 6, 10, 18
Smith, Samuel, 8, 12, 15
Soladay, Adam, 1, 8, 12, 18
Steele, Joseph, 8, 10, 12, 18
Straton, Eli, 12
Swan, _____, 3

Weed, Andrew, 2, 5, 9,
Weid/Weed, Reuben, 6, 9, 11, 17
Wiley, Samuel, 10
Wilson, John, 17

SUBSCRIPTIONS LIST
for
HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

1825

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Allen, John | 36. Giles, James |
| 2. Bell, Samuel | 37. Giles, John |
| 3. Bell, William | 38. Gilmore, James |
| 4. Bonner, David | 39. Gilmore, Robert |
| 5. Bonner, Hugh | 40. Gilmore, Thomas |
| 6. Boyse, David | 41. Gilmore, William |
| 7. Boyse, James | 42. Gilmore, William, Jr. |
| 8. Boyse, Robert | 43. Graham, Samuel |
| 9. Brown, Elizabeth | 44. Cray, David [sic] |
| 10. Brown, George R. | 45. Hamilton, Alexander |
| 11. Brown, John, Major | 46. Hamilton, Alexander (saddler) |
| 12. Brown, John, Jr. | 47. Hamilton, Israel |
| 13. Brown, Nathan | 48. Hamilton, Jane (widow) |
| 14. Brown, Nathan, Jr. | 49. Hamilton, John |
| 15. Brown, Thomas | 50. Harper, Thomas |
| 16. Buck, James | 51. Hawthorn, John |
| 17. Buck, John | 52. Herron, Samuel |
| 18. Buck, Robert | |
| 19. Buck, Samuel | 53. Irwin, William |
| 20. Buck, William | |
| 21. Caldwell, John | 54. Leper, Grizell |
| 22. Caldwell, Jonathan | 55. Lesslie, Samuel |
| 23. Craig, Grizell | |
| 24. Douglas, Ebenezer | 56. McClurkin, John |
| 25. Douglas, Joseph | 57. McCreary, Widow (Mary) |
| 26. Douglas, Robert | 58. McKain, William |
| | 59. McQuiston, Hugh |
| 27. Elliott, Daniel | 60. McQuiston, James |
| 28. Elliott, Ebenezer | 61. McQuiston, Jane |
| 29. Elliott, James | 62. McQuiston, William |
| 30. Elliott, Robert | |
| 31. Fares, David | 63. Madill, Archibald |
| 32. Foster, Andrew | 64. Madill, David |
| 33. Foster, John | 65. Madill, Hugh |
| | 66. Madill, James |
| 34. Gamble, Robert | 67. Madill, Mary (widow) |
| 35. Gamble, Jane [sic] | 68. Madill, Samuel |
| | 69. Madill, Thomas, Esq. |
| | 70. Madill, Thomas, Jr. |
| | 71. Magaw, Moses |

1825 HOPEWELL CHURCH Subscriptions List, continued

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|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 72. Magaw, William | 92. Ramsey, Hugh |
| 73. Marshall, James | 93. Ramsey, John |
| 74. Marshall, John | 94. Ramsey, Samuel |
| 75. Mayben, Widow (Eleanor) | 95. Ramsey, Thomas |
| 76. Miller, Robert M. | 96. Ramsey, William |
| 77. Milligan, Jane | |
| 78. Mitchel, Widow | 97. Seacrist, Jonas |
| 79. Morris, Richard | 98. Semple, David |
| | 99. Simpson, George |
| 80. Patterson, John | 100. Sloan, Richard |
| 81. Patterson, Samuel | 101. Smith, James |
| 82. Paxton, Jonathan | 102. Smith, Robert |
| 83. Paxton, Samuel | 103. Smith, Samuel |
| 84. Pinkerton, James | 104. Solod(a)y, Adam |
| 85. Pinkerton, John | 105. Steel, Joseph |
| 86. Pinkerton, Robert | 106. Sutton, Matthew |
| 87. Pinkerton, Thomas | |
| 88. Pinkerton, William | 107. Weed, Reuben |
| 89. Porter, Hugh | 108. Wiley, Samuel |
| 90. Pressly, James | 108. Williamson, David |
| 91. Pressly, Joseph | 109. Wilson, John |

Listed under None (for "Non")
Subscribers

- 110. Caldwell, Jane
- 111. Elliott, Betsey
- 112. Lessly, Hugh
- 113. Ramsey, George
- 114. Pressly, Jane "for So. Carolina bill"

The average pledge was \$3-\$4. Some were paid
"By note", another "By weaving".

HOPEWELL CHURCH
SUBSCRIPTION LIST

1826

- | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Allen, John | 36. Gamble, Robert |
| 2. Bell, Samuel | 37. Giles, James |
| 3. Bell, William | 38. Giles, John |
| 4. Bennet, Samuel* | 39. Gilmore, James |
| 5. Bonner, David | 40. Gilmore, Robert |
| 6. Bonner, Hugh | 41. Gilmore, William |
| 7. Boyce, James | 42. Gilmore, William, Jr. |
| 8. Boyse, David | 43. Graham, James |
| 9. Boyse, Robert | 44. Graham, Samuel |
| 10. Brown, Elizabeth | 45. Hamilton, Alexander |
| 11. Brown, Dr. George* | 46. Hamilton, Alex. (Saddler) |
| 12. Brown, John, Sr. | 47. Hamilton, Israel |
| 13. Brown, John, Jr. | 48. Hamilton, Jane |
| 14. Brown, Nathan, Sr.* | 49. Hamilton, John |
| 15. Brown, Nathan, Jr.* | 50. Harper, Thomas |
| 16. Brown, Thomas | 51. Harris, James & wife |
| 17. Buck, John | 52. Ha(w)thorn, John |
| 18. Buck, Robert | 53. Herron, Samuel |
| 19. Buck, Samuel | |
| 20. Buck, William | 54. Irwin, William |
| 21. Caldwell, Jane* | 55. Leiper, Grizell* |
| 22. Caldwell, John | 56. Lessly, Hugh |
| 23. Caldwell, Jonathan | 57. Lessly, Samuel |
| 24. Craig, Grizzell | |
| 25. Douglass, Joseph | 58. McClurkin, John |
| 26. Elliott, David* | 59. McCreary, Widow (Mary/Molly) |
| 27. Elliott, Daniel | 60. McKain, William |
| 28. Elliott, Ebenezer | 61. McQuiston, David |
| 29. Elliott, Jane | 62. McQuiston, Hugh |
| 30. Elliott, John | 63. McQuiston, James |
| 31. Elliott, Robert | 64. McQuiston, Jane* |
| | 65. McQuiston, William |
| 32. Faris, David | 66. Madill, Archibald |
| 33. Foster, Andrew | 67. Madill, David |
| 34. Foster, John | 68. Madill, Hugh* |
| 35. Fullerton, Mr.* | 69. Madill, James |
| | 70. Madill, Mary |

* Indicates name added later or paid-up for the year 1827
Crossed-out names have been retained; it usually meant Removal
From The Area.

HOPEWELL CHURCH SUBSCRIPTION LIST--1826

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 71. Madill, Samuel | 94. Porter; Hugh |
| 72. Madill, Thomas, Exq. | 95. Pressly, James |
| 73. Madill, Thomas, Ia.? | 96. Pressly, Joseph |
| 74. Magaw, Moses | |
| 75. Magaw, William | 97. Ramsey, George, Sr. |
| 76. Magaw, William, Jr. | 98. Ramsey, George |
| 77. Marshall, James | 99. Ramsey, Hugh |
| 78. Marshall, John | 100. Ramsey, Samuel |
| 79. Mayben, Widow (Eleanor) | 101. Ramsey, Thomas |
| 80. Miller, Robert M. | 102. Ramsey, Widow |
| 81. Mitchell, Widow | 103. Ramsey, William Sr. |
| 82. Morris, Richard | |
| | 104. Seacrist, Jonas |
| 83. Patterson, John | 105. Semple, David |
| 84. Patterson, Robert | 106. Simpson, George |
| 85. Patterson, Samuel | 107. Sloan, Richard |
| 86. Paxton, Jonathan | 108. Smith, James |
| 87. Paxton, Robert | 109. Smith, Robert |
| 88. Paxton, Samuel | 110. Smith, Samuel |
| 89. Pinkerton, James | 111. Soladay, Adam |
| 90. Pinkerton, John | 112. Steel, Joseph |
| 91. Pinkerton, Robert* | 113. Sutton, Matthew |
| 92. Pinkerton, Thomas | |
| 93. Pinkerton, William | |
114. Weed, Nancy (widow of Andrew)
115. Weed, Reuben
116. Wiley, Samuel
117. Wilson, John

Whole amount--\$421.50

HOPEWELL CHURCH
COLLECTION LIST

****1828****

- | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Bell, Samuel | 40. Gilmore, William |
| 2. Bell, William | 41. Gilmore, William, Jr. |
| 3. Bennet, Samuel | 42. Graham, James |
| 4. Bonner, David | 43. Graham, Samuel |
| 5. Bonner, Hugh | |
| 6. Boyse, James | 44. Hamilton, Alexander |
| 7. Boyse, Robert | 45. Hamilton, Israel |
| 8. Brown, Elizabeth | 46. Hamilton, Jane |
| 9. Brown, George R. | 47. Hamilton, John |
| 10. Brown, James, Sr. | 48. Harper, Thomas |
| 11. Brown, James, Jr. | 49. Ha(w)thorn, John |
| 12. Brown, John | 50. Herron, Samuel |
| 13. Brown, Nathan | |
| 14. Brown, Nathan, Jr. | 51. Irwin, William |
| 15. Brown, Thomas | |
| 16. Buck, James | 52. Leiper, Grizzel |
| 17. Buck, John | |
| 18. Buck, Robert | 53. Madill, Archibald |
| 19. Buck, Samuel | 54. Madill, David |
| 20. Buck, William | 55. Madill, Hugh |
| | 56. Madill, James |
| 21. Caldwell, Jane | 57. Madill, Mary |
| 22. Caldwell, John | 58. Madill, Robert |
| 23. Caldwell, Jonathan | 59. Madill, Samuel |
| 24. Craig, Grizzel | 60. Madill, Thomas |
| | 61. Madill, Thomas, Jr. |
| 25. Elliott, Daniel | 62. Magaw, Moses |
| 26. Elliott, Ebenezer | 63. Magaw, William |
| 27. Elliott, James | 64. Magaw, William, Jr. |
| 28. Elliott, John | 65. Marshall, James |
| 29. Elliott, Robert | 66. Marshall, Widow |
| | 67. Mayben, Widow |
| 30. Farès, David | 68. Miller, Ezra |
| 31. Foster, Andrew | 69. Miller, Robert M. |
| 32. Foster, John | 70. Moore, Widow |
| 33. Foster, Samuel C. | 71. Morris, Richard |
| 34. Fullerton, John | 72. McClurkin, John |
| | 73. McCreary, Mary |
| 35. Gamble, Robert | 74. McKain, William |
| 36. Giles, James | 75. McQuiston, David |
| 37. Giles, John | 76. McQuiston, Hugh |
| 38. Gilmore, James | 77. McQuiston, Jane |
| 39. Gilmore, Robert | 78. McQuiston, James |

HOPEWELL CHURCH COLLECTION LIST--1828

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 79. McQuiston, Joseph | 99. Ramsey, Samuel |
| 80. McQuiston, William | 100. Ramsey, Thomas |
| | 101. Ramsey, Widow |
| 81. Patterson, John | 102. Ramsey, William, Sr. |
| 82. Patterson, Robert | |
| 83. Patterson, Samuel | 103. Semple, David |
| 84. Paxton, Jonathan | 104. Simpson, George |
| 85. Paxton, Robert | 105. S.... James |
| 86. Paxton, Samuel | 106. Sloan, Richard |
| 87. Pinkerton, James | 107. Smith, James |
| 88. Pinkerton, John | 108. Smith, James |
| 89. Pinkerton, George | 109. Smith, Robert |
| 90. Pinkerton, Robert | 110. Smith, Samuel |
| 91. Pinkerton, Thomas | 111. Steel, Joseph |
| 92. Pinkerton, William | 112. Sutton, Mathew |
| 93. Porter, Hugh | |
| 94. Pressly, James | 113. Weed, Nancy |
| | 114. Weed, Reuben |
| 95. Ramsey, Hugh | 115. Wiley, Samuel |
| 96. Ramsey, John, Jr. | 116. Wilson, John |
| 97. Ramsey, George, Sr. | 118. Wilson, Mathew |
| 98. Ramsey, George, Jr. | 119. Wright, Samuel |

There is a list on the back of one page of the people who had additionally paid. Many of them were paying on their 1829 pledge, particularly the widows.

There were also the following names that do not appear on the previous list.

Bell, William	Gray, David
Black, David	Gray, James
Crawford, Robert	Gray, John
Marshall, Robert	Gray, Nancy
Pinkerton, Ebenezer	Gray, William

The following names were crossed off of the original list, although some of them are marked "paid" later. Whether they were deceased, moved or merely in a snit with the church--that sometimes happened--is not known.

Wm. Buck, Grizzel Craig, Jane Caldwell, Andrew Foster, Robert M. Miller, Widow Mayben, Widow Moore, Thos. Ramsey, George Ramsey, Sr. and Robert Smith.

HOPEWELL CHURCH
SUBSCRIPTION LIST

**** 1830 ****

1. Bell, Henry	\$2.	41. Gilmore, William, Sr.	\$10
2. Bell, Samuel	5.	42. Gilmore, William, Jr.	5
3. Bell, William	5.	43. Graham, Andrew	\$2.
4. Bennet, Samuel	4.	44. Graham, James	1.50
5. Bonner, David	4.	45. Graham, Matthew	4.
6. Bonner, Hugh	2.	46. Graham, Robert C.	4.
7. Boyse, James	7.	47. Graham, Samuel	2.
8. Boyse, Jane	2.	48. Gray, James	2.
9. Boyse, John	5.	49. Gray, John	2.
10. Boyse, Robert	4.	50. Gray, William	2.
11. Brown, Elizabeth	5.50		
12. Brown, George, Jr.	3.	51. Hamilton, Alexander	2.50
13. Brown, George G.	8.	52. Hamilton, Israel	4.
14. Brown, James, Sr.	4.	53. Hamilton, George	2.
15. Brown, James, Jr.	5.	54. Hamilton, John	6.
16. Brown, Nathan	10.	55. Hamilton, John, Jr.	1.50
17. Brown, Nathan, Jr.	7.	56. Harper, Thomas	2.
18. Brown, Thomas	4.	57. Hart, Hugh	2.
19. Brown, Robert	3.	58. Ha(w)thorn, John	2.
20. Buck, James	2.	59. Herron, James	2.
21. Buck, John	5.	60. Herron, John	2.
22. Buck, Robert	3.	61. Herron, Samuel	3.
23. Buck, Samuel	2.		
		62. Leiper, Grizzell	1.50
24. Caldwell, Jonathan	3.	63. Lessly, Hugh	3.
25. Caldwell, John	6.	64. Lessly, Samuel	3.
26. Craig, Grizzell	1.		
		65. Madill, Archibald	6.
27. Elliott, Ebenezer	7.	66. Madill, David, Sr.	4.
28. Elliott, James	3.	67. Madill, David, Jr.	2.
29. Elliott, John	1.50	68. Madill, Hugh	6.
30. Elliott, Robert	2.	69. Madill, James	7.
31. Elliott, William	2.	70. Madill, Mary	1.
		71. Madill, Robert	3.
32. Fares, David	3.	72. Madill, Samuel	8.
33. Foster, John	4.	73. Madill, Thomas, Sr.	5.
34. Foster, Samuel C.	3.	74. Madill, Thomas, Jr.	2.
35. Fullerton, John	3.	75. Madill, Thomas, 2 Jr.	4.
		76. Madill, Thomas, Ia.?	2.
36. Gamble, Robert	2.	77. Magaw, Moses	2.
37. Giles, James	4.	78. Magaw, William, Sr.	4.
38. Giles, John	3.	79. Magaw, William Jr.	2.50
39. Gilmore, James	2.	80. Marshall, Henry	2.
40. Gilmore, Robert	3.	81. Marshall, James	4.

HOPEWELL CHURCH SUBSCRIPTION LIST--1830

82. Marshall, Robert	\$2.	110. Pressly, James	\$2.
83. Miller, Ezra	2.	111. Scott, Robert	4.
84. Morris, Richard	4.	112. Semple, David	5.
85. McClurkin, John	2.	113. Simpson, George	5.
86. McCreary, Mary	6.	114. Sloan, John	3.
87. McKain, William	2.	115. Sloan, Richard	5.
88. McKee, John	4.	116. Sloan, Richard, Jr.	2.
89. McQuiston, David	3.	117. Smith, James	2.
90. McQuiston, David, Jr.	6.	118. Smith, James, Jr.	2.
91. McQuiston, Hugh	6.	119. Smith, Samuel	2.
92. McQuiston, Jane	2.	120. Stuart, Elizabeth	2.
93. McQuiston, James	5.	121. Stuart, James	1.50
94. McQuiston, William	3.	122. Sutton, Matthew	2.
95. Patterson, John	3.	123. Ramsey, George	2.
96. Patterson, Robert E.	2.	124. Ramsey, Hugh	6.
97. Patterson, Samuel	2.	125. Ramsey, John	2.
98. Paxton, Jonathan	9.	126. Ramsey, Samuel	2.
99. Paxton, Robert	2.	127. Ramsey, Widow	3.
100. Paxton, Samuel	5.	128. Ramsey, Wm., Sr.	5.
101. Pinkerton, Ebenezer	3.	129. Weed, Nancy	2.
102. Pinkerton, George	3.	130. Weed, Reuben C.	2.
103. Pinkerton, James	2.	131. Wiley, Samuel	4.
104. Pinkerton, John	5.	132. Wilson, John	2.
105. Pinkerton, Robert	3.	133. Wilson, John	1.
106. Pinkerton, Thomas	3.	134. Wilson, Martha	2.
107. Pinkerton, William	3.	135. Wilson, Matthew	6.
108. Porter, Alex., Jr.	5.	136. Wright, Samuel	2.
109. Porter, Hugh	3.		

In this particular year, the annual pledge toward the salary of Rev. Alexander Porter averaged about \$2.42 per family.

1830 was a very good year; pledges were high (\$470 toward the \$500 salary) and \$457 were collected--all in cash.

In other years, payments were sometimes made in whatever each family could give in lieu of cash: "weaving, flower (flour), timber", etc. Some years "Paid by Note" was a frequent notation.

M. P. Palmer

NOTE: This record of the 1834 Charter Membership of the FAIRHAVEN CHURCH, Israel Twp., Preble Co., Ohio, is shown only to indicate why over 50 families would thereafter be missing from the Hopewell Church membership lists.

The formation of the FAIRHAVEN A.R.P. CHURCH

Preble County, Ohio

August 18th 1834

We the subscribers in the neighbourhood of Fairhaven desirous of having the ordinances of Christ administered to us and to our families being members of and adherent to the Associate Reformed (Presbyterian) Church hereby bind ourselves and our heirs to pay yearly and every year so long as we remain subscribers the sums hereunto annexed unto our names for support of Jeremiah Morrow whom we expect to become our fixed Pastor and in testimony hereof we do hereunto subscribe our names.

Subscribers names

Atkins, Thomas	\$ 5
Beaty, David	3
Bene, James H.	5
Boyse, James	25
Boyse, John H.	20
Brown, George	8
Brown, John	15
Caldwell, John	5
Cook, Wiatt	4
Crane, Lee	3
Elliott, James	10
Elliott, Robert	5
English, Andrew	6
English, James	5
Foster, John, Esq.	5
Foster, John P.	5
Foster, Samuel C.	3
Foster, William	6
Gillespie, Mathew	5
Gilmore, Sam'l. B.	2
Gilmore, William	20
Gordon, Morton	15
Graham, Mathew	6
Herron, James	10
Henderson, William	3
Ha(w)thorn, John	5
Lessly, Samuel	8
Lessly, Alexander	10

Subscribers names

Lessly, Hugh	\$ 6
Madill, David	5
Madill, Thomas	10
Magaw, William Jr.	15
McGaw, John	5
McGaw, William, Sr.	4
Nicol, Mathew	5
Orr, John	10
Patterson, John	5
Paxton, Eli	2
Pinkerton, Ebenezer	10
Pinkerton, George	15
Pinkerton, James, Sr.	20
Pinkerton, James	3
Pinkerton, John	8
Pinkerton, Robert	4
Pinkerton, Thomas	15
Pinkerton, William	15
Porter, Rev. Alex., Sr.	8
Porter, Alexander, Jr.	25
Porter, Hugh	10
Ricky, David	5
Simson, Robert	5
Sloan, Richard, Jr.	20
Stilson ?, Silvanus	2
Wiley, John	4
Wiley, Samuel	3

Subscription for Supplies
HOPEWELL CONGREGATIONAL BOOK

1839

1. Bell, Henry
2. Bonner, Hugh
3. Boyse, James
4. Boyse, Robert
5. Brown, George R.
6. Brown, James, Sr.
7. Brown, James
8. Brown, Joseph
9. Brown, Joseph
10. Brown, Nathan, Sr.
11. Brown, Nathan, Jr.
12. Brown, Robert
13. Brown, Thomas
14. Buck, John
15. Buck, Samuel
16. Buck, William, Jr.
17. Douglass, William
18. Elliott, Ebenezer
19. Elliott, Hugh
20. Faris, David
21. Foster, Samuel C.
22. Garver, C.
23. Graham, John
24. Graham, Samuel
25. Hamilton, George
26. Hamilton, Israel
27. Herron, S.
28. Madill, A.
29. Madill, David
30. Madill, John
31. Madill, John
32. Madill, Robert
33. Madill, Samuel
34. Madill, Thomas C.
35. Marshall, Henry
36. Marshall, Joseph
37. Marshall, Robert
38. McCreary, James
39. McDill, David
40. McQuiston, Archibald
41. McQuiston, David, Jr.
42. McQuiston, Hugh
43. McQuiston, Joseph G.
44. McQuiston, William
45. Patterson, Robert
46. Paxton, Robert
47. Paxton, Samuel
48. Ramsey, David
49. Ramsey, George
50. Ramsey, Hugh
51. Ramsey, John
52. Simpson, George
53. Simpson, John
54. Sloan, John
55. Sloan, Nathan
56. Sloan, Richard
57. Smith, Samuel
58. Smith, William
59. Stephenson, William
60. Stuart, Joseph

HOPEWELL CHURCH
SUBSCRIPTION LIST

Sept 10th 1834

Preble County, Ohio

We the Subscribers, members of the Associate Reformed Church at Hopewell, desirous of having a fixed Pastor and willing to give him a sufficient maintenance and having in expectation that the Rev. Andrew Bower will accept a call to become our Pastor do hereby covenant and agree to pay him yearly and every year so long as we remain subscribers the sums annexed to our names from and after his settlement among us.

Subscribers names	Subscribers names
1. Bell, Henry	29. Elliott, Robert
2. Bell, John	30. Elliott, William
3. Bell, Samuel	31. English, Hugh P.
4. Bell, William	
5. Bennet, Samuel	32. Faries (Faris) David
6. Bonner, David	33. Foster, Samuel C.
7. Bonner, Hugh	34. Fullerton, John
8. Bonner, John	
9. Bonner, Robert	35. Giles, John, Sr.
10. Bonner, Samuel	36. Gillespie, William
11. Boyce, James	37. Gilmore, Robert
12. Boyse, Jane	38. Gilmore, Samuel
13. Brown, George R.	39. Gilmore, William Sr.
14. Brown, James, Sr.	40. Graham, Andrew
15. Brown, James	41. Graham, James
16. Brown, Nathan	42. Graham, John
17. Brown, Nathan, Jr.	43. Graham, Robert C.
18. Brown, Robert	44. Graham, Samuel B.
19. Brown, Thomas	45. Gray, David D.
20. Buck, James	46. Gray, James
21. Buck, John	47. Gray, John
22. Buck, Robert	48. Gray, William
23. Buck, Samuel	
24. Buck, William	49. Hamilton, Alexander
	50. Hamilton, Andrew
25. Caldwell, John	51. Hamilton, George S.
	52. Hamilton, Israel
26. Elliott, Ebenezer	53. Hamilton, John
27. Elliott, Hugh	54. Harper, Thomas
28. Elliott, Isaiah	55. Herron, John
	56. Herron, Samuel

HOPEWELL CHURCH SUBSCRIPTION LIST--1834

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|-----------------------------|---|
| Madill, also see McDill | 95. Paxton, Jonathan |
| 57. Madill, D.? M. | 96. Paxton, Robert |
| 58. Madill, David, Sr. | 97. Paxton, Samuel |
| 59. Madill, Hugh | 98. Paxton, Samuel, Jr. |
| 60. Madill, James | 99. Paxton, William |
| 61. Madill, Mary | 100. Paxton, William G. |
| 62. Madill, Robert | 101. Pinkerton, James |
| 63. Madill, Samuel | 102. Pinkerton, Robert |
| 64. Madill, Thomas, Sr. | 103. Pressley, James |
| 65. Madill, Thomas | |
| 66. Marshall, Henry | 104. Ramsey, David |
| 67. Marshall, James | 105. Ramsey, George |
| 68. Marshall, Robert J. | 106. Ramsey, Hugh |
| 69. Miller, James B. | 107. Ramsey, John |
| | 108. Ramsey, Preston B. |
| 70. McBride, Sarah | 109. Ramsey, Samuel |
| 71. McCaw, William | 110. Ramsey, William, St. |
| 72. McClurkin, John | |
| 73. McCreary, James | 111. Semple, David |
| 74. McCreary, William | 112. Simpson, George |
| 75. McDill, also see Madill | 113. Sloan, John |
| 75. McDill, John | 114. Sloan, Nathan |
| 76. McDill, Samuel, Sr. | 115. Sloan, Richard, Sr. |
| 77. McDill, Thomas C. | 116. Smith, James R. |
| 78. McGaw, Moses | 117. Smith, Samuel |
| 79. McKain, William | 118. Smith, William |
| 80. McQuiston, Archibald | 119. Stewart, Joseph |
| 81. McQuiston, David, Sr. | 120. Stuart, Jane |
| 82. McQuiston, David, Jr. | 121. Sutton, Matthew |
| 83. McQuiston, Hugh, Sr. | 122. Swan, Benjamin C. |
| 84. McQuiston, Hugh | |
| 85. McQuiston, James, Sr. | 123. Weed, Nancy |
| 86. McQuiston, James, Jr. | 124. Wiley, Samuel |
| 87. McQuiston, Jane | 125. Wilson, Martha,
mother of Matthew |
| 88. McQuiston, William | 126. Wilson, Matthew |
| | 127. Wilson, William |
| 89. Orr, A.? E.? | |
| | 128. Young, James |
| 90. Patterson, John | |
| 91. Patterson, Robert C. | |
| 92. Paxton, Eli | |
| 93. Paxton, George | |
| 94. Paxton, James | |

REGISTER OF PEWS IN HOPEWELL CHURCH, June 15, 1844
 (The original sale of pews was on Oct. 13, 1827)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Original price</u>	<u>Of whom purchased</u>	<u>New price</u>	<u>To whom transferred</u>
1.	\$6.25	R. Trustees	\$	Rev. S. W. McCracken
2.	9.75	George Ramsey		
3.	12.00	William Smith		D. Cree & Wm. Paxton
4.	12.75	Thomas Madill, Sr.		
5.	9.50	Richard Sloan, Sr.		
6.	8.13	Jonathan Paxton		
7.	8.00	of Thos. McDill 1/3	\$3.00	John Madill
8.	9.25	Hugh Ramsey		
9.	8.00	S. Paxton	8.00	S. Graham
10.	11.00	John & Jas. Marshall		Jos. & Henry Marshall (Spelled "Martial")
11.	8.00			
12.	9.00			
13.	7.43			
14.	9.00	Samuel Wright	6.00	Joseph Cramer
15.	7.63	Grizelle Craig 1/2		James McCreary 1/2
16.	7.00	Mr. Gillespie	12.00	Sam. Steele & Mr. Whiteman
17.	7.57	George Hamilton	10.00	D. Ramsey
18.	7.75			
19.	7.63			
20.	7.00	Mr. Gillespie		Mrs. Bennet 1/2
21.	8.25	Thomas Brown		
22.	8.75			
23.	7.16	Trustees	15.13	John Sloan
24.	7.75			
25.	7.68	A.? Martin	5.00	H. Brown, H. Blake
26.	7.50	Jane Ramsey	10.00	Mr. Crosier \$2
27.	7.56	S. Lessley	18.00	John Ramsey
28.	9.50	Wm. Gilmore		Nathan Sloan
29.	9.00	N. Brown		Eli Gilmore
30.	11.25	George R. Brown		
31.	12.25	Wm. McCain	26.00	Jas. Brown, Geo. Simpson
32.	14.25	George Simpson		
33.	9.00	Hugh Madill		R. Sloan, Jr.
34.	9.00	Robt. Pinkerton	19.00	D & J Madill, Pd. 11
36.	8.25	R. & W. Paxton		R. Paxton
36.	10.00	D. McQuiston		
37.	11.00	A. Madill		H. McQuiston
38.	10.13	Israel Hamilton		
39.	10.50	1/3 J. Graham 2/3 Wm. McQuiston	2.16	2/3 redeemed
40.	10.00	James McQuiston		
41.	9.00	H. McQuiston		
42.	9.00	J. G. McQuiston	26.13	
43.	9.00	N. Brown, Jr.		
44.	8.75	D. Semple		in R. Marshall

REGISTER OF PEWS IN HOPEWELL CHURCH (continued)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Original price</u>	<u>Of whom purchased</u>	<u>New price</u>	<u>To whom transferred</u>
45.	\$8.00	T. C. Madill	\$22.00	
46.	12.25	D. McQuiston, Jr.		
47.	16.50	J. Caldwell		
48.	?	J.? Hamilton		James Brown, Sr.
49.	10.00	Matthew Wilson		
50.	10.75	J. Boyce		
51.	11.25	J. Duglass	14.00	
52.	10.50	E. Elliott		
53.	10.50	R. & J. Elliott	13.00	J. Ramsey, Pd. 13
54.	10.25	W. & John Elliott	10.00	J. Marshall, Pd. 10
55.	10.18	A. & J. Hamilton		
56.	10.25	E. Brown		
57.	8.00	J. Gray		
58.	8.00	Wm. Willson	4.00	
59.	8.50	J. Herron		M. McCay
60.	8.25	W. Gray		
61.	9.00	J. Smith	13.00	
62.	9.00	J. Buck		
63.	9.25	J. McClenahan	5.00	Wm. Duglass, Pd. 5
64.	9.75	J. Pressley	4.00	A. Hamilton
65.	10.00	S. Weed		T. Paxton
66.	9.00	W. Buck		
67.	10.50	D. McQuiston, Sr.	10.00	A. Bell ("Colored persons" crossed out)
68.	12.06	S. Bell		
69.	12.00	J. Brown		
70.	11.00	D. Bonner		
71.	11.31	T. Harper		
72.	11.50	R. Boyce		
73.	11.75	S. Herron		
74.	12.?	W. Willson	—	?
75.	12.00	W. Bell		Samuel Buck, 1/2
76.	12.50	S. Buck		
77.	10.25	A. Bower		R. Rock, 2/3

REGISTER OF PEWS RELINQUISHED

<u>Name</u>	<u>Due</u>	<u>Rec'd.</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Present worth</u>
Wm. McQuiston	2/3	\$2.16	To which add tax \$1=	\$3.86
John Herron	\$4.00		to which add \$1 tax=	\$5.00
A. Bower 1/3	\$1.75		add tax $.33 \frac{1}{3}$ \$1.75	= \$2.08
John Herron occupied 9 years.			Original price from which	
deduct \$4.50 = \$4.00 + \$1 tax				= \$5.00
H. Blake and H. Brown run out--			tax \$1	= \$1.00
1/2 vacant	\$1		add tax 50¢ =	paid \$1.50
J. Boyce	\$2.75		add tax \$1.00	= \$3.75
Samuel Smith				

APPLICATIONS FOR PEWS

April, 1845

Apr. 5	Mr. Crozier received #20,	paid tax	\$2.00
Aug. 8	R. Sloan, Jr. #33		
8	Wm. Buck, Jr. #55	paid	\$3.75
8.	Robert Bonner #50		
8.	Mary McCay #59		.50
8.	Mr. Whiteman #16	paid	.50

1846 David Cree #77 1/3

Aug. 1847 Martha Gilmore #28
Samuel Buck #75 1/2

1850

Feb. 15	John A. Brown		
Mar. 20	Samuel & William Graham		
Mar. 20	Andrew Brown		
May 15	David Cree # 3	1/2	
May 24	Madison Paxton #66	1/2	
May 24	James F. Bennett & mother	#20	
May 25	James Owens # 7	1/2	

NAMES OF PEW HOLDERS, 1844

ASSESSMENT: A tax on pews in 1844 for repairs on Meeting House, putting up eave troughs, etc. Tax \$1.00 per pew. Tax continues 1845, \$1.00 per pew

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|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Rev, Sam. W. McCracken | 37. Andrew McQuiston |
| 2. W. George Ramsey | 38. J. Hamilton |
| 3. William Smith | 39. James Graham |
| 4. Thomas McDill, Jr. and
James Brown, Sr. | 40. M. John Graham |
| 5. Richard Sloan | 41. Hugh McQuiston |
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| 7. John Madill | 43. Nathan Brown, Jr. |
| 8. Hugh Ramsey | 44. Robert Marshall |
| 9. Samuel B. Graham | 45. Thomas C. McDill |
| 10. Henry & Jos. Marshall | 46. David McQuiston, Jr. |
| 11. David Faris &
John McClurkin | 47. Mrs. Caldwell and
D. McQuiston |
| 12. Robert Gilmore &
George Simpson | 48. James Brown, Sr. |
| 13. Henry Bell | 49. Matthew Wilson |
| 14. Joseph Cramer | 50. M. Boyce |
| 15. Grizell Craig & Smith | 51. John Duglass |
| 16. Samuel Steele | 52. Ebenezer Elliott |
| 17. David Ramsey | 53. J. Ramsey, Sr. |
| 18. Joseph Stuart | 54. James Marshall |
| 19. Robert Patterson | 55. James Hamilton |
| 20. T. Little &
E. Gillespie | 56. Robert Brown |
| 21. S. & J. Ramsey | 57. William Willson |
| 22. James Brown, Jr. | 59. John Herron and
Mrs. McCay |
| 23. John Sloan | 60. William Gray |
| 24. Wm. & Mary McCreary | 61. James Smith |
| 25. H. Brown, H. Blake
Mr. Crozier | 62. John Buck |
| 26. John Ramsey | 63. Willim Duglass |
| 27. Nathan Sloan | 64. Alexander Hamilton |
| 28. Eli Gilmore | 65. Thomas Paxton |
| 29. Nathan Brown, Sr. | 66. William Buck, Sr. |
| 30. George R. Brown | 67. "Colored Persons" |
| 31. Joseph Brown and
John Simpson | 68. Samuel Bell |
| 32. George Simpson | 69. Thomas Brown |
| 33. Hugh McDill | 70. H. Bonner |
| 34. D. & J. Macdill | 71. Thomas Harper |
| 35. Robert & Wm. Paxton | 72. Robert Boyse |
| 36. David McQuiston | 73. Samuel Herron |
| | 74. John Hays |
| | 75. William Bell |
| | 76. Samuel Buck |
| | 77. Robert Rock |

MEMBERSHIP ROLL

for

HOPEWELL CHURCH

near Morning Sun

Israel Twp., Preble Co., Ohio

Rev. James C. Campbell, Minister

Jan. 26, 1882

Bell, Mary J.	Hamilton , married a Graham
Bell, Mattie J..	Mary F.
Bell, Nannie C.	Hamilton, Sarah J.
Bell, Sarah	Hays , married a Fisher
Bell, William	Bell A.
Brown, Ellen	Hays, Elizabeth J.
Brown, John T.	Hays, Maggie E.
Brown, Juliet	Hays, William
Brown, Mary A.	Herbison, Ann
Brown, Robert S.	Marshall, Joseph L.
Brown, Katie M.	Marshall, Mary
Brown, Samuel E.	Marshall, Mary A.
Brown, Sarah F.	Marshall, Mathew H.
Caskey, Rebecca J.	McDill, Alexander G.
Caskey, William	McDill, Mary
Campbell, Eliza	McDill, Thomas (Dead)
Campbell, Maggie C.	McDill, Walter
Campbell, Mary G.	McQuiston, Harriet E.
Douglass, Mary G.	McQuiston, Irene
Douglass, William A.	McQuiston, Margaret
Graham, Andrew N.	McQuiston, Martha A.
Graham, Arthur A.	McQuiston, Mary
Graham, Elizabeth	McQuiston, Robert
Graham, Idabell (Died)	McQuiston, Thomas
Graham, John W.	McQuiston, William P.
Graham, Maria F.	McClenahan, Andrew N.
Graham, Margaret Jessie	McClenahan , married a Harper
Graham, Samuel	Eliza E.
Harper, Charles J. F.	McClenahan, Hannah
Harper, James G.	McClenahan, James
Harper, Susanna R..	McClenahan, Reese
Harper, nee McClenahan	Paxton, Alexander P.
Eliza E.	Paxton, Cora
Hockersmith, Martha J.	Paxton, Deleenia J.
Hockersmith, Samuel	Paxton, Elizabeth J.
Hamilton, Andrew	Paxton, Emma Porter

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Paxton, John C.	Ramsey, Clarissa
Paxton, Jonathan	Ramsey, Emma I.
Paxton, Mary A.	Ramsey, Hugh
Paxton, Mary Mina	Ramsey, Jennie
Paxton, Nancy Cate	Ramsey, John
Paxton, Nancy Gilmore	Ramsey, Nathan L.
Paxton, Robert G.	Ramsey, Maggie J.
Paxton, Robert Simpson	Ramsey, Mary
Paxton, Rosanna	Ramsey, Mattie A.
Paxton, Samuel M.	Ramsey, Mattie J.
Paxton, Samuel McCracken	Steele, Joseph C.
Paxton, Sarah Melissa	Steele, Martha F.
Paxton, Sina McCandless	Yeakle, Michael
Paxton, William M.	Yeakle, Nancy E.
Paxton, Wilson John	Total membership--98

MEMBERSHIP INCREASE

Paxton, Cora
Paxton, Mary Mina
Paxton, Sina M.
Steele, Mrs. Martha F.
Yeakle, Michael
Yeakle, Nancy E.

DECREASE BY CERTIFICATE
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Adkins, Jonathan F.
Adkins, Mary Ann
Brown, Albert S.
Brown, Andrew
Brown, Eliza
Brown, Emma
Brown, Ida
Brown, John Calvin
Brown, William T.
Hamilton, John C.
Hamilton, Nancy E.
Hamilton, Rebecca A.
McDill, Annie E.
McDill, Charlie R.
Rock, A. B.
Rock, Martha F.

DEATHS

Paxton, David Edward
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HOPEWELL CHURCH
MEMBERSHIP LIST

March, 1880

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Adkins, Jonathan T. | 39. Graham, Andrew N. |
| 2. Adkins, Margaret A. | 40. Graham, Arthur A. |
| | 41. Gray, Mary |
| 3. Baker, Edgar W. | |
| 4. Bell, William | 42. Hamilton, Sarah P. |
| 5. Bell, Sarah | 43. Hamilton, Mary F. |
| 6. Bell, Mary J. | 44. Hamilton, Andrew |
| 7. Bell, Nancy C. | 45. Hamilton, Rebecca A. |
| 8. Bell, Mattie J. | 46. Hamilton, Nancy E. |
| 9. Brown, James A. | 47. Hamilton, John C. |
| 10. Brown, Ellen | 48. Harper, James G. |
| 11. Brown, Sarah F. | 49. Harper, John C. F. |
| 12. Brown, Andrew | 50. Harper, Lizzie |
| 13. Brown, Eliza | 51. Harper, Susanna R. |
| 14. Brown, John C. | 52. Hays, William |
| 15. Brown, Albert S. | 53. Hays, Elizabeth J. |
| 16. Brown, William T. | 54. Hays, Bell A. |
| 17. Brown, Ida M. | 55. Hays, Maggie E. |
| 18. Brown, Robert S. | 56. Hockersmith, Samuel F. |
| 19. Brown, Juliet | 57. Hockersmith, Martha A. |
| 20. Brown, Mary A. | |
| 21. Brown, John T. | 58. McDill, Thomas C. |
| 22. Brown, Sarah M. | 59. McDill, Mary J. |
| 23. Brown, Katie M. | 60. MacDill, Alex. G. |
| 24. Brown, Emma | 61. McDill, Thomas A. |
| | 62. McDill, Caroline |
| 25. Campbell, Eliza J. | 63. McDill, Charles R. |
| 26. Campbell, Mary G. | 64. McDill, Annie E. |
| 27. Campbell, Maggie C. | 65. McDill, Walter Mch. |
| 28. Campbell, Sallie B. D. | 66. McClenahan, Andrew N. |
| 29. Caskey, William | 67. McClenahan, Hannah |
| 30. Caskey, Rebecca J. | 68. McClenahan, Eliza E. |
| | 69. McClenahan, Andrew R. |
| 31. Douglass, William A. | 70. McQuiston, Margaret |
| 32. Douglass, Mary G. | 71. McQuiston, Martha |
| | 72. McQuiston, William P. |
| 33. Gilmore, Nancy | 73. McQuiston, Mary |
| 34. Graham, Samuel | 74. McQuiston, Thomas |
| 35. Graham, Isabell | 75. McQuiston, Irene |
| 36. Graham, John W. | 76. McQuiston, Robert |
| 37. Graham, Margaret J. | 77. McQuiston, Harriet E. |
| 38. Graham, Elizabeth | |

HOPEWELL CHURCH
MEMBERSHIP LIST

1880- CONTINUED

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 78. Marshall, Mary A. | 100. Paxton, Emma P. |
| 79. Marshall, Matthew H. | 101. Paxton, William M. |
| 80. Marshall, Joseph L. | 102. Paxton, Robert S.. |
| 81. Marshall, Mary | |
| | 103. Ramsey, John |
| 82. Newton, James | 104. Ramsey, Mary |
| 83. Newton, Nancy M. | 105. Ramsey, Martha J. |
| | 106. Ramsey, Nathan L. |
| 84. Paxton, Jonathan | 107. Ramsey, Jane |
| 85. Paxton, Delceina J. | 108. Ramsey, Hugh |
| 86. Paxton, David E. | 109. Ramsey, Clarissa |
| 87. Paxton, Samuel McC. | 110. Ramsey, Emma S. |
| 88. Paxton, Nancy G. | 111. Ramsey, Maggie J. |
| 89. Paxton, Robert G. | 112. Rock, Andrew B. |
| 90. Paxton, Elizabeth J. | 113. Rock, Martha T. |
| 91. Paxton, Alexander P. | |
| 92. Paxton, Rosanna | 114. Steel, Joseph C. |
| 93. Paxton, John W. | 115. Slicker, Gertrude |
| 94. Paxton, Nancy C. | |
| 95. Paxton, David B. | <u>Names added later</u> |
| 96. Paxton, Martha | Hays, Walter Clarence |
| 97. Paxton, John C. | Herberson, Ann |
| 98. Paxton, Mary A. | Newton, Clarence Marion |
| 99. Paxton, Samuel M. | |

Deaths-- 1
Baptisms-- 2

Received on Certificate-- 3
Received on Examination--10
13

Total membership-- 115

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DISMISSALS

Hopewell, Dec. 28, 1876 Session granted certificates
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Morning Sun congregation.

1. Bader, William F.
2. Bader, Mary R.
3. Bell, Nathan
4. Bell, Samuel H.
5. Bell, Elizabeth R.
6. Brown, James
7. Brown, Elizabeth
8. Brown, John C.
9. Brown, James H.
10. Brown, Caroline
11. Brown, Israel
12. Brown, Anna
13. Brown, James S.
14. Brown, Julia A.
15. Brown, Clara J.
16. Brown, Robert J.
17. Brown, Vinolia
18. Brown, William M.
19. Douglass, Eliza
20. Elliott, Hugh, Elder
21. Elliott, Elizabeth
22. Elliott, Sarah E.
23. Elliott, Edwin E.
24. Elliott, John A.
25. Foster, Benjamin
26. Foster, Emily H.
27. Foster, Nathan H.
28. Foster, Catherine
29. Foster, Hannah A.
30. Foster, Sarah S.
31. Foster, Nancy M.
32. Foster, Harry Y.
33. Faris, James I.
34. Faris, Caroline S.
35. Graham, Elmira
36. Hamilton, John
37. Hamilton, Martha E.
38. Hamilton, George S.
39. Hamilton, Martha J.
40. Hamilton, William R.
41. Hamilton, Mrs. Wm. R.
42. Hamilton, James
43. Hamilton, Sallie D.
44. K/Corngable, Lewis
45. Kemple, Peter
46. Kemple, Anna
47. Marshall, Joseph
48. Marshall, Elizabeth
49. Marshall, William H.
50. Marshall, Amelia
51. Marshall, John H.
52. Marshall, Robert
53. Marshall, Margery
54. Marshall, Sarah M.
55. Marshall, Mary A.
56. Marshall, Elizabeth J.
57. Marshall, Eleanor R.
58. Marshall, James L.
59. Marshall, Caroline E.
60. Murray, Elizabeth T.
61. Murray, Mattie
62. Mann, Kate M.
63. Mann, George W.
64. Mann, Emma
65. Mann, John A.
66. Mann, Sallie A.
67. McQuiston, Jane
68. McQuiston, Anna
69. McQuiston, Andrew C.
70. McQuiston, Nancy
71. McQuiston, Hugh, Elder
72. McQuiston, Elizabeth
73. McQuiston, Sarah M.
74. McNeely, Mary A.
75. McDill, James
76. McDill, Agness
77. McDill, Mary J.
78. Ramsey, Joseph S.
79. Ramsey, Sarah R.
80. Ramsey, Keturah
81. Ramsey, Mary S.
82. Robertson, David, Elder
83. Sloan, John
84. Sloan, Isabel
85. Sloan, Dr. Richard, Elder
86. Sloan, Mary
87. Sloan, Nathan C.
88. Sloan, Richard E.
89. Sloan, Nathan
90. Sloan, Marietta
91. Shaw, David R.
92. Smith, Alfred
93. Smith, Malinda
94. Wilson, William
95. Wilson, Jane
96. Wilson, Sallie A.
97. Wilson, Nathan M.
98. Wilson, Anna P.
99. Wilson, Jennie
100. Wilson, Charles
1. Wilson, Robert M.

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INCORPORATED 1758

Presbyterian Ministers' Fund



SUITE 914 COMMONWEALTH BUILDING

PHILADELPHIA, PA. February 1, 1916.

PERRY S. ALLEN,
PRESIDENT.

Rev. W. Paxton,
College, Corner, O.

Dear Sir and Brother:-

If you will pardon a personal reference, I would like to tell you that in the time I have been in the Management of the Ministers' Fund it has paid to its policyholders and their beneficiaries in death claims, endowments, dividends and surrender allowances, about \$4,000,000, and in addition thereto it has accumulated over \$7,000,000 to the credit of its policyholders, with over \$22,000,000 of insurance on their lives for the protection of loved ones to whom it will all be paid in due time.

It is a startling fact, moreover, that during this same time about 25,000 of our American Protestant Clergy have died, about 40% of whom left no provision for their family, and only about 10% of whom left such adequate provision as was necessary to meet their requirements.

In the experience of life only two possible appeals can be taken. One is taken to the heart. In the heart of every true full manhood will be found the love of wife and children, and the sense of sacred obligation to protect same and to make such provision as may be possible for their tender care when he is gone. This appeal should be heard and heeded and the necessary provision should be made at once to relieve conditions which otherwise must bring hardship and suffering.

The other appeal is taken to the head and calls for the quality of good judgment in determining the way such provision should be made, and when, and where. In answer to this last appeal we want to submit that in the case of 99% of our clergy, life insurance is the only way open for such provision; and we want further to submit that the Ministers' Fund is the only place our clergy should insure their lives until they have its limit. There is not an agent of any life insurance company who is informed and honest, as they uniformly are, who would not advise you in this way. We have hundreds and hundreds of letters from our policyholders and others, certifying this fact.

We are enclosing an application, which we will ask you to kindly fill out and mail to us, so that we may submit our insurance proposition. It will cost you nothing to do this, and we hope you will attend to it at once. We can assure you it will be to your advantage to do so.

Hoping to hear from you by return mail, we remain

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Perry S. Allen".

President.

HOPEWELL CHURCH

Written in pencil on the back of this letter are the following names:

Bell, John	Paxton, Mr. John
Bell, Lizzie	Paxton, Mrs. Millie
Buck, Mrs. Margaret	Paxton, Mont
Buck, Anna	Paxton, Emma
Buck, Charlotte	Paxton, Lawrence
Farr, Mr. Sater	Paxton, Mary
Farr, Mrs. Pearl	Paxton, Mina
Farr, Ruth	Paxton, Anna
Marshall, Matthew	Poston (here spelled "Posten")
Miller, Mrs. Margaret	Poston, Mr. William
McClenahan, Reese	Poston, Loretta
McQuiston, Miss Martha	Poston, Margaret
McQuiston, Mrs. Mary	Ramsey, Mrs. Susan
McQuiston, Anna	Tuttley (spelled "Tettley")
Mcquiston, Margaret	Tuttley, Mr. Samuel
McQuiston, Mr. Clyde	Tuttley, Mrs. Elsie
McQuiston, Mrs. Clara	Tuttley, Edna
McQuiston, Robert	Tuttley, Dwight
McQuiston, Martha	

It is assumed that this was the total and final Hopewell Church roll when the congregation was abandoned.

The altar cloth was divided and each family received a section of it. It was a fitting memento for an historic church which had been the spiritual home for hundreds of families for a span of almost 110 years.

HOPKINELL CHURCH

1808-1915



NEAR MORNING SUN
ISRAEL TWP., PREBLE CO., OHIO

Subject: CERTIFICATES

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for
PERSONS or FAMILIES
CERTIFIED
TO
HOPEWELL CHURCH

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1. Atkins/Adkins, Thomas & wife,	Cedar Springs, S.C.	1831	
2. Anderson, Robert & wife, Mary	Adams Co., OH	1833	
3. Beard, John & wife, Mary	Massies Creek, Green Co., OH	1811	
4. Bell, Henry	Presby. Church, Seven Mile, OH	1823	
5. Bell, Samuel	Tuscarora Church, PA	1831	
6. Black, David	Cedar Springs, SC	1828	
7. Boyd, Nancy	Massies Creek, Green Co.	1829	
8. Boyse, David	Abbeville Dist., SC	1816	
9. Boyse, James and wife, Mary	Long Cane, Abbeville, Dist., SC	1808	
10. Boyce, James	Long Cane, Ab'ville, SC	1807	
11. Boyse, Robert & wife, Jensey	Little River, SC	1807	
12. Boyse, Wm. M.		1830	
13.	A. R. Church, Pittsburgh, PA		
14. Brown, Elizabeth, nee Scott	A. R. Church, Seven Mile, OH	18287	
15. Brown, John	Hopewell Church, SC	1834	
16. Brown, Margaret	Hopewell Church, SC	1834	
17. Brown, Nathan	Kings Creek Creek Church, SC	1813	
18. Brown, Thomas and wife, Nancy	Presby. Church, Newcomb,	1835	
19. Brown, Jennet (widow)	A. R. Church, Hopewell, SC	1834	
20. Caskey, William	prob. early 1840's West Fork, Adams Co., OH		
21. Craig, Grizell, Sen. (widow of Rev. John Craig)	Jonathans Creek, Perry Co., OH	1816	
22. Craig, Grizella,	Jonathans Creek, Perry Co., OH	1833	
23. Crawford, Robert	Cedar Springs Church, SC	1828	

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25. Douglass, John and wife, Martha	Hopewell Church, SC	1834	
26. Duglas, Joseph and wife, Margaret	Tuscarora, Mifflin Co., PA	1807	
27. Duglas, Martha	Tuscarora, Mifflin Co., PA	1809	
28. Douglass, William	Concord Church, OH from PA	1832	
29. Elliott, Ebenezer and wife, Esther	ARP Church at Union, Chester Dist., SC	1806	
30. Elliott, Mrs. Isabella	Presby. Church, Hanover	1832	
31. Elliott, Margaret, nee Mitchel	A. R. Church, Xenia, OH	1815	
32. Elliott, Nancy, nee Boyd	Massies Creek, Greene Co., OH	1826	
33. Elliott, Sarah A., nee Hearn	A.R. Church, Chillicothe, OH	1842	
34. English, Andrew and Martha	Cedar Springs, SC	1815	
35. English, Hugh and wife	Cedar Springs, SC	1832	
36. English, John and Isabel	Cedar Springs, SC	1815	
37. Foster, Andrew and wife	Mt. Pleasant Church, Monroe, OH	1832	
38. Foster, Jane (widow)	Cedar Springs, SC	1815	
39. Foster, James, Sr.	Cedar Springs, SC	1833	
40. Foster, John G.	Cedar Springs, SC	1834	
41. Foster, John and wife, Elizabeth	Cedar Springs, SC	1814	
42. Foster, Martha	Blount Co., Tenn.	1815	
43. Foster, Peggy,	Cedar Springs, SC	1814	
44. Foster, Capt. William and wife, Margaret	Cedar Springs, SC	1833	
45. Fullerton, Isabella	Mt. Pleasant, Monroe, OH	1832	
45. Fullerton, John	Monroe, Butler Co., OH	1826	
46. Gibson, Mary, (widow)	Cedar Springs, SC	1816	
47. Giles (Jiles), James and wife Margaret	Cedar Springs, SC	1814	

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48. Gillespie, Eliza Jane	Fairhaven, OH	1842	
49. Gillespie, Mathew and wife	Fairhaven, OH	1842	
50. Gilmore, Margaret, nee McMechan	Presby. Church, Seven Mile, OH	1829	
51. Gilmore, William	Rockbridge Co., VA	1818	
52. Glover, Silas and wife	Generostee, SC	1832	
53. Gordon, Gilbert	Generostee, SC	1833	
54. Gordon, Morton and wife, Hester	Clear Creek, Warren Co., OH	1833	
55. Gordon, Neal	Generostee, SC	1833	
56. Graham, James and Margaret	High Bridge, VA	1822	
57. Graham, Matthew and wife	Todd Co., KY	1829	
58. Graham, Robert C. and wife	Todd Co., KY	1829	
59. Graham, Samuel and wife, Sally	Presby., High Bridge, VA	1821	
60. Graham, Mrs. Sarah	Henry Co., KY	1806	
61. Gray, David and wife, Nancy	A.R. Church, Shiloh, Nicholas Co., KY	1813	
62. Hamilton, Margaret Ann	Presby. Church, Camden, OH	1842	
63. Hamilton, Samuel	Hopewell Church, SC	1826	
64. Harris, Mrs. Ellen	Pres. Church, Camden, OH	1841	
65. Hart, Hugh	A. R. Church, Tuscarora, PA	1824	
66. Henderson, William and wife	Generostee, SC	1833	
67. Knox, Martha (widow)	Mt. Pleasant, Butler Co., OH	1835	
68. Leiper, Susannah	Shiloh, Noeholas Co., KY	1811	
69. Lesslie, Alexander and wife	Cedar Springs, SC	1831	
70. Lesslie, Samuel and wife, Harriet	Cedar Springs, SC	1829	
71. Lessly, Miss Keziah	Cedar Springs, SC	1833	
72. McCaw, John and wife, Ann	Hopewell Church, SC	1833	

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73.	McCaw, Miss Sarah		1833	
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74.	McCaw, William and wife, Mary		1830	
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75.	McCaughan, John and wife		1830	
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76.	McBryde, Mrs. Sarah		1829	
		Cedar Springs, SC		
77.	McClurkin, nee Leiper, Susannah		1811	
		Shiloh, Nicholas Co., KY		
78.	McCreary, Mrs. Ann, nee Cook		1843	
		Beechwoods Church, Preble Co., OH		
79.	McCreary, William and wife, Mary		1806	
		Ebenezer A. R. Church, SC		
80.	McDill, Archibald and wife, Margaret		1838	
		Fairhaven Church, OH		
81.	McDill, James and wife, Margaret		1807	
		Ebenezer Church, SC		
82.	McDill, Samuel and wife, Jennet		1816	
		Hopewell Church, SC		
83.	McDill, Thomas and wife, Mary		1809	
		Hopewell Church, SC		
84.	McClenahan, Mrs. Jane		1838	
		West Fork, Adams Co., OH		
85.	McClenahan, John and wife		1836	
		West Union Presby. Church		
86.	McClenahan, Mary Ann, Nancy, Margaret		1836	
		West Union Presby. Church		
87.	McClenahan, William		1834	
		West Union Presby. Church		
88.	McGaw, Jane P.		1833	
		Cedar Springs & Long Cane, SC		
89.	McGaw, Mary P.		1833	
		Cedar Springs & Long Cane, SC		
90.	McDonald, L.	Generostee, SC	1833	
91.	McNeely, Mary	Blount Co., Tenn.	1815	
92.	McQuerns, Samuel and wife, Martha		1826	
		Head Spring, SC		
93.	McQuiston, Andrew and wife, Jennet		1807-1809	
		Ebenezer Church, SC		
94.	McQuiston, Elizabeth, nee Hoge		1828	
		A.R. Church, Seven Mile, OH		
95.	McQuiston, James and wife, Margaret		1841	
		Shiloh, Rush Co., IN		
96.	McQuiston, Jané & Martha, daughters		1841	
		Shiloh, Rush Co., IN		
97.	Marshall, James and wife, Elizabeth		1817	
		Bethel, Georgia		
98.	Marshall, John and wife, Nancy		1822	
		Presby. Church, Ireland		

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99. Marshall, Matthew and wife, Sarah	Bethel, Georgia	1817	
100. Martin, Archibald F. and wife, Jane	Shiloh, Rush Co., IN	1840	
101. Mebin (Mayben), mother of Mary McDill	Hopewell Church, SC.	1819	
102. Millen, James and wife, Hannah	Union, SC	1832	
103. Miller, James B. and wife, Letitia	Hopewell Church, SC	1829	
104. Miller, Barbara	Hopewell Church, SC	1829	
105. Mitchell, Elizabeth	Cherry Fork, Adams Co., OH	1814	
106. Mitchell, Gavin and wife, Sarah	Cherry Fork, Adams Co., OH	1813	
107. Mitchell, Ruth, mother of Marg. Elliot	Tirzah, Xenia, Greene Co., OH	1815	
108. Morrison, Andrew and wife, Margaret	New Providence, Greene Co.	1833	
109. Orr, Arthur P. and wife Lydia	A.R. Church, Hamilton, OH	1833	
110. Paxton, Catherine, nee Dihel	Presby. Church, High Bridge, VA	1830	
111. Paxton, George and wife, Margaret	Shiloh, Rush Co., IN	1839	
112. Paxton, Mrs. Hannah, wife of Madison	Caesars Creek, Green Co., OH	1843	
113. Paxton, Samuel and wife, Rachel	Presby. Church, High Bridge, VA	1821	
114. Paxton, Mrs. Hannah	Tomm's Creek, Emmetsburgh, prob. MD	1823	
115. Porter, Mrs. Mary (wife of Rev. Porter)	Cedar Springs, SC	1814	
116. Porter, Hugh, (son of Rev. Porter)	Cedar Springs, SC	1814	
117. Porter, Nancy and Betty (dau's.)	Cedar Springs, SC	1814	
118. Pressly, David and wife Jane/Jean	Cedar Springs, SC	1814	
119. Pressly, James	A.R. Church, Shiloh, Rush Co., IN	1842	
120. Pressly, John	Cedar Springs, SC	1814	
121. Pressly, Samuel	Cedar Springs, SC	1814	
122. Pressly, Robert and wife, Elizabeth	Cedar Springs, SC	1812	
123. Ramsey, Hugh and wife, Frankie	A.R. Church, Jessamine Co., KY	1808	

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125. Ramsey, Nancy		1822	
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125. Robertson, David and wife		1832	
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126. Robinson, Rachel		1819	
	Mt. Pleasant, Monroe, Butler Co., OH		
127. Secrist/Seacrist, Jonas and wife Nancy		1823	
	Tommes Creek, Emmitsburg, MD		
128. Semple, David and wife, Sarah		1815	
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129. Simpson, George and wife, Ann		1820	
	A.R. Church, Hamilton, OH		
130. Snodgrass, Mary, wife of Wm. Irwin		1824	
	Clear Creek, Warren Co., OH		
131. Sterret, Sarah (Semple)		1815	
	Lewistown, PA		
132. Stevenson, William J.		1838	
	Hopewell, Preble Co., OH		
133. Stewart, James		1825	
	Mansfield, Richland Co., OH		
134. Stewart, Joseph and wife		1830	
	Buffalo Church, Perry Co., PA		
135. Stuart, James and wife, Elizabeth		1815	
	Cedar Springs, SC		
136. Stuart, Mrs. Jane		1829	
	Cedar Springs, SC		
137. Swan, Benjamin and wife, Hannah		1817	
	Mt. Pleasant, Monroe, Butler Co., OH		
138. Taylor, Mrs. Hannah		1833	
	Presby. Church, Oxford, OH		
139. Taylor, Isabella		1835	
	Presby. Church, Oxford, OH		
140. Torbits, Samuel P.		1825	
	Rockbridge Co., VA		
141. Waugh, Mrs. Sarah and dau., Eliza		1833	
	Clear Creek, Warren Co., OH		
142. Warnoc(k), Margaret		1804	
	Lesington, KY		
143. Weed, Andrew and wife, Agnes (Nancy)		1811	
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144. Weed, Elizabeth		1814	
	Cedar Springs, SC		
145. Weed, Reuben and wife, Liliias		1814	
	Cedar Springs, SC		
146. Wiley, John and wife, Sarah		1811	
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147. Wiley, Samuel and wife, Mary		1812	
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149.	Willson, John	Hopewell Church, SC	1830	
150.	Wilson, Matthew and wife, Jennet	Todd Co., KY	1829	
151.	Wilson, Old Mrs. (Martha) and Betsey	Todd Co., KY	1829	
152.	Wylie, Joseph and wife, Mary	A.R. Church near Lexington, KY	1815	
153.	Young, John	Generostee, SC	1833	

SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOC. REFORM. PRESBY. CHURCHES, represented in Hopewell, Preble County, Ohio

Cedar Springs, spelled "Cedar Spring" in modern records, but since Rev. Alex. Porter wrote most of the pre- to 1814 certificates, Springs will suffice.

In Bradley, Abbeville Co.*, SC, 1782-1813, A.R. of So.

Long Cane, Long Cane, Abbeville Co.*, SC, 1771-1813, A.R. of So.

Little Creek, (these churches were sometimes called Upper and Lower Long Cane), Long Cane, Abbeville Co.*, SC. 1791-1807

Little River, Youngs, Fairfield Co.*, SC, 1789 (to A.R. of So. 1844)

Hopewell, Black Stocks, Chester Co.*, SC, 1794-1831 (A.R. of So.)

Rocky Creek, 1782, change to Hopewell 1794, John Boyce, Pastor

Kings Creek, Prosperity, Newberry Co.*, SC, 1793-1824, A.R. of S.

Indian Creek, 1770 (Burg), changed to Kings Creek, 1793

Generostee, Moffatsville, Anderson Co., SC, 1797-1824, A.R. of S.

Ebenezer, Haxlewood, Chester Co., SC, Dist. of Fairfield on certificates, 1791-1831, A.R. OF So., 1832.

Head Springs, Newberry Dist., SC, A.R. Church of the South, 1826.

Union, Haxlewood, Chester Co.*, SC, 1790 (to A.R. of S.-1832)

Canon Creek, Newberry, Newberry Co.*, SC, 1770-1824, A.R. of So.

Early Hopewell Certificates from nine old established Assoc. Reformed Congregations in South Carolina. Five Counties represented.

*NOTE: South Carolina had Districts instead of Counties early on.

Approximately 100 families came from South Carolina, or are represented here with certificates. Excluding those from Ohio, South Carolinians comprised about two-thirds of the early congregation.

Many families from Kentucky had come there via South Carolina. Many members of Rev. Alexander Porter's Cedar Springs and Long Cane congregations had come to Hopewell Church in Preble Co., OH, prior to 1814.

September 4, 1814 certainly must have left Rev. Porter with writer's cramp. He signed the majority of certificates that day, including those for his wife and children. Thereafter, the Porters and a large part of his congregation left for Ohio. All certificates are signed as Abbeville DISTRICT.

From the records of LEILA "ILA" RAMSEY LEMON

EARLY CHURCH CERTIFICATES

FOR

HOPEWELL CHURCH

Israel Twp., Preble County, OH

Copied in 1934

1.
Joseph Duqlas (Douglass) and Margaret, his wife, certified from the Associate Reformed Church at Tuscarora, County of Mifflin and State of Pensilvania (Pennsylvania)

26th of Oct. 1807

By Thomas Smith, V.D.M.

(Margaret's maiden name was Smiley)

Wm. Hart
Robt. Black Ruling
Thomas Dobbs Elders

2.
James McDill & his wife Margret certified from Assoc. Reformed Church at Ebenezer in District of Fairfield, state of South Carolina.

Given at Ebenezer
20th day of March AD 1807
(Margaret's maiden name was Chestnut)

By John Hemphill, Minister

Wm. Bonner Ruling
John Simonton Elders

3.
Mrs. Sarah Graham certified from congregation in Henry Co. (and her children) (Drennon's Creek, Henry Co., KY)

Nov. 24th 1806

In the absense of the session,

Andrew Fulton, M.V.D.

4.
William McCreary and Mary his wife certified from Ebenezer Congregation in District of Fairfield in State of South Carolina.

Given at Hopewell
18th of April AD 1806

By John Hemphill, Minister

John McDill
Andrew McQuiston Ruling
James Strong Elders

(Mary's maiden name--Douglass)

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| 3. Allen, James | 42. Elliott, Isaiah |
| 4. Allen, John | 43. Elliott, James |
| 5. Adkins/Atkins, Thomas | 44. Elliott, John |
| 6. Bell, Samuel | 45. Elliott, Robert |
| 7. Bell, William | 46. Fares/Faris, David |
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| 9. Bonner, Hugh | 48. Foster, John |
| 10. Bonner, John | 49. Foster, John Pressly |
| 11. Bonner, Robert | 50. Foster, Martha, widow |
| 12. Boyce, James | 51. Gamble, Robert |
| 13. Boyse, David | 52. Giles/Jiles, James |
| 14. Boyse, John H. | 53. Giles/Jiles, John |
| 15. Boyse, Robert | 54. Gillespie, Martha |
| 16. Brown, George R. | 55. Gilmore, James |
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| 21. Brown, John, Major | 60. Gilmore, William, Jr. |
| 22. Brown, John | 61. Graham, James |
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| 29. Buck, Robert | 68. Hamilton, Alexander
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| 30. Buck, Samuel | 69. Hamilton, Andrew |
| 31. Buck, William | 70. Hamilton, George S. |
| 32. Caldwell, Jonathan | 71. Hamilton, Israel |
| 33. Caldwell, John | 72. Hamilton, Jean, widow
of Samuel |
| 34. Cook, Wiatt | 73. Hamilton, John |
| 35. Craig, Grizell, widow
of Rev. John | 74. Hamilton, John, Jr. |
| 36. Dihel, Daniel | 75. Harper, Thomas |
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| 81. Ha(w)thorn, John | 122. Marshall, John |
| 82. Henderson, William | 123. Martin, Andrew |
| 83. Herron, James | 124. Martin, Mary, widow |
| 84. Herron, John | 125. Miller, Ezra |
| 85. Herron, Samuel | 126. Miller, James B. |
| 86. Kirkham, Michael | 127. Miller, Robert |
| 87. Lee, Anna | 128. Milligan, Jean, widow |
| 88. Lessly, Alexander P. | 129. Moore, George |
| 89. Lessly, Samuel | 130. Morris, Richard |
| 90. McClurkin, John | 131. Morrow, Rev. Jeremiah |
| 91. McCreary, Mary, widow
of William | 132. Moore, Betsey, temp.
resident |
| 92. McKain, William | 133. Orr, John |
| 93. McKee, John | 134. Patterson, John |
| 94. McQuiston, Archibald | 135. Patterson, Robert |
| 95. McQuiston, David | 136. Patterson, Samuel, Sr. |
| 96. McQuiston, David, Jr. | 137. Patterson, Samuel, Jr. |
| 97. McQuiston, Hugh | 138. Paxton, James, Jr. |
| 98. McQuiston, Hugh, Jr. | 139. Paxton, Jonathan |
| 99. McQuiston, James | 140. Paxton, Robert |
| 100. McQuiston, Jane, widow
of William | 141. Paxton, Samuel, Sr. (IV) |
| 101. McQuiston, Joseph G. | 142. Paxton, Samuel, Jr. (V) |
| 102. McQuiston, William | 143. Paxton, William |
| 103. Madill, Archibald | 144. Pinkerton, Ebenezer |
| 104. Madill, Hugh | 145. Pinkerton, George |
| 105. Madill, David, Sr. | 146. Pinkerton, James |
| 106. Madill, David | 147. Pinkerton, John |
| 107. Madill, James | 148. Pinkerton, Robert |
| 108. Madill, John | 149. Pinkerton, Thomas |
| 109. Madill, Mary, widow
of Thomas | 150. Pinkerton, William |
| 110. Madill, Robert | 151. Porter, Rev. Alexander |
| 111. Madill, Samuel | 152. Porter, Alexander, Jr., M.D. |
| 112. Madill, Samuel, Jr. | 153. Porter, Hugh |
| 113. Madill, Thomas, Esq. | 154. Pressly, James |
| 114. Madill, Thomas, Jr. | 155. Pressly, James, student |
| 115. Madill, Thomas, Corp. | 156. Pressly, Joseph |
| 116. Madill, Thomas | 157. Ramsey, David |
| 117. Magaw/McGaw, Moses | 158. Ramsey, George, Sr. |
| 118. Magaw/McGaw, William | 159. Ramsey, George, Jr. |
| 119. Magaw, William, Jr. | 160. Ramsey, Hugh |
| | 161. Ramsey, Dr. John |
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| 169. Simpson, George | 183. <u>Williamson, David</u> |
| 170. Simpson, Robert | 184. <u>Wilson, John</u> |
| 171. Sloan, John | 185. Wilson, Matthew |
| 172. Sloan, Richard | |
| 173. Sloan, Dr. Richard, Jr. | |
| 174. Smith, James | |
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| 176. Smith, Robert | |
| 177. Smith, Samuel | |
| 178. Steele, Joseph | |