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UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH LANSINGVILLE

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MINUTES OF THE SESSION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Associate Congregation of Hamden organized in full Oct. 32st, 1848. When **Mr. John Bryce** and **Mr. Thomas Lawrence** both of whom having been previously elected were ordained to the Office of Eldership. After their ordination, the Session was constituted with prayer by the **Rev. W. J. Clehand** when the following persons were admitted to the full communion of the Church-**Mr. And Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Crawford, John Nichol and Wife.** (The other members of the Congregation having been received at a previous meeting March 2nd).

Upon the following day the Sacrament by the Lords Supper was dispersed by **Mr. Cleland.**

Associate Congregation of Delhi at the Turnpike was organized July 1st, 1848 when **Mr. John McFadden** and **Mr. George Wight** (the latter having been formerly an Elder) were ordained to Ruling Elder.

After the Session had been constituted by prayer by **Mr. Cleland**, the following persons were received with the Communion of the Church - **Mrs. Wight, Elisabeth Wight, Mrs. Euphemia McFadden, Margaret McFadden, Mr. Robert Smith, Mrs. Moscript, George Moscript, Mrs. McNee and Mrs. Slone.**

The Sacrament of the Lords Supper was dispensed upon the following Sabbath, by **Mr. Cleland.**

Mr. Graham of Bovina assisting the above Congregation by unanimous consent unite together. Feb. 26th, 1849 and agreed to build a House of Worship in the Village of Lansingville and to go under the name of the Associate Presbyterian Congregation of Lansingville.

The following is the report of the Committee, which had been appointed at a previous meeting in the Village of Hamden to wait in the Brethren of the Congregation at the turnpike in reference to a union between the two congregations.

Your committee would respectfully report that he waited on the leading members of the Congregation at the Turnpike, viz: **Messrs. George Wight, John McFadden, Robert Smith and George Moscript**, with whom he had a conjoint conference in the Village of Delhi on the 20th inst, and they manifested their willingness to unite with their brethren of Hamden and form one Congregation with the understanding houses that the Church be in Lansingville.

Lansingville **W. J. Cleland, Com.**

Feb. 21st, 1849

The above report was accepted and adopted and it was unanimously agreed to unite with the Congregation at the Turnpike and build a house of worship in the Village of Lansingville as soon as practicable and until a house could be erected, it was agreed to obtain, if practicable, the use of the Church in the Village. A committee was appointed for that purpose consisting of **Jas. Renwick & George Adam.**

Robert Smith was added to the Board of Trustees.

Adjourned

Duncan McFarland, Chairman

W. J. Cleland, Clerk pro tem

The U. P. Congregation of Lansingville was first organized Feb. 26th, 1849 under the name of “*The Associate Congregation of Lansingville*” by **Rev. William J. Cleland**, whose labors they enjoyed the one third of his time until (left blank) when the West Delhi Cong. Agreed to take him all his time.

Being there destitute of a Pastor and to a great extent of preaching only occasional supply they agreed to extend a call to **Mr. R. D. Williamson**, a Licentiate then laboring in the bounds of Albany Pres. To become their Pastor. The call was by him accepted and on Thursday May 5th, 1859 was ordained and installed Pastor of said Congregation.

Rev. Mr. Lee of Bovina preached from Ps. 72-19 and presided. **Rev. Mr. Cleland** of West Delhi addressed the Pastor and **Rev. Mr. Dorman** of New York Pres. Addressed the Cong.

Lansingville

May 7th, 1859

Session met at the call of the moderator and by him was opened with prayer. Present **Mr. John Bryce, George Wight** and **John McFadden**. The following persons were admitted to the Communion of the Church - **Mrs. Jane Smith** on certificate from the Pres. Church of Delhi, **O.S.** and **Mrs. Mary Forester** upon certificate from the U.P. Cong. Of West Delhi.

On motion **Mr. Bryce** was elected Sessions Clerk. Session took a recess till Monday.

Monday after preaching met for adjournment. Closed with prayer by the moderator.

John Bryce, Clerk

R.D. Williamson, moderator.

Aug. 7th, 1859

Session convened at the call of the moderator. Opened with prayer. Members all present. On motion it was agreed to have the dispensation of the Supper in this Cong. On the third Sabbath of September. The Friday previous to be observed as a day of fasting and humiliation.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer by the moderator.

John Bryce, Clerk

R.D. Williamson, moderator

Sept. 16th, 1859

Session met and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present. It was agreed after consultation to dispense with preaching on Monday and instead of that have a brief sermon after communion services on Sabbath morning. Notice was given to the Session that **Mrs. Jane McDonald** requested her certificate of membership. The moderator was requested to converse with her and if she still desired it that he should furnish her with one.

Session took a recess will Saturday, Sept. 17th.

Sept. 17th, 1859

Saturday noon Session met. Members present - **Wight, McFadden & Bryce**. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The following persons were then admitted to the Communion of the Church - **Mrs. Annie VanAkin**, upon examination & profession and **Mrs. Sarah McDonald** upon certificate from the Baptist Church in Ithaca, Tompkins Co., NY.

Took a recess till Sabbath evening.

Sept. 18th, 1859

Sabbath evening after preaching for adjournment. Adjourned. Closed with prayer by the moderator.

R. D. Williamson. Moderator

John Bryce, Clerk

Jan. 15th, 1860

Session met at the call of the moderator and by him was constituted with prayer. Members present **Messrs. Bryce and Wight**. After some consultation it was agreed to have the dispensation of the Supper in this Cong. At least three times each year and that the Sat. of Feb. 1860 be the time for having the next. The Friday previous to be observed as a fasting & humiliation and prayer. Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

John Bryce, Clerk

R.D. Williamson, Moderator

Feb. 4th, 1860

Session convened at the Church. Opened with prayer. Present, **Rev. R. D. Williamson**, Mod., Elders **McFadden, Wight** and **Bryce**. The minutes of the two preceding meetings were adopted. The following persons were then admitted to the membership of the Church - **Mrs. Mary Titus & Miss Matilda S. Cruikshank**. Took a recess till Sabbath evening. Sabbath evening Session met and adjourned. Closed with prayer.

John Bryce, Clerk

R. D. Williamson, Mod.

May 13th, 1860

Session met at the call of the moderator. Present **Rev. R. D. Williamson**, moderator, Elders, **Wight, Lawrence** and **Bryce**. Agreed to have the dispensation of the Supper in this place on the third Sabbath of June.

Mr. Bryce was appointed to attend next meeting of Prebytery. A motion was made to have some additional Elders elected. After discussion, it was laid on the table till next meeting of Session. Adjourned to meet the third day of June. Closed with prayer.

June 3d, 1860

Session met pursuant to adjournment. Members all present. On motion the subject laid on the table at the previous meeting was taken up and after further consultation it was agreed that three additional Elders be elected and that the election take place on Monday the 18th day of June after the Communion.

R.D. Williamson, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

June 16th, 1860

Session met at the call of the moderator. Members present - **Rev. R. D. Williamson**, Mod., Elders **Bryce, Wight & Lawrence**. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. It was agreed that the election of Elders should be by ballot and that the Session as such should

make no nominations but the whole matter of nomination to the Congregation. **Mr. James Close, Mrs. Mary Close and Mr. John Taylor** having made application were upon examination and profession received with the full communion of the Church.

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer by Mod.

R.D. Williamson, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Election of Elders

June 18th, 1860 - Election

After sermon by **Rev. Mr. Dorman** of New York Pres. the Congregation was called to order by **Mr. Williamson** and after prayer for divine direction proceeded to the election of Elders which resulted in the choice of **Mr. George Adam, Mr. Robert Ballantyne** and **Mr. James McFadden**. **Mr. McFadden** having declined the other two were on Friday Oct. 5th, 1860 duly set apart to the office of Ruling Elder by prayer and their names added to the roll of members of Session.

R.D. Williamson, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Sat. Oct. 6th, 1860

Session met. Opened with prayer. Members present - **Rev. R. D. Williamson**, mod., Elders **Bryce, Lawrence, Adam & Ballantyne**. Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted. **Mr. James Ballantyne** who had been lying out of church privileges for some time past on account of his connection with the Odd Fellow Society, reported through the moderator that he was disclaimed any connection with it and desired to be restored to former privileges. Session readily granted his request. **Mr. Robert Ballantyne** was appointed to inform him of the action of Session.

Mrs. Jane Chambers having asked her certificate of membership to unite with P. P. Church of West Kortright. The moderator was directed to furnish her with one. Session took a recess till Sabbath evening.

Oct. 7th, 1860

Sabbath evening. Session resumed its sitting. **Mr. Forester** was reported as not having communed. The moderator was requested to converse with him & know his reasons and report at next meeting.

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer by mod.

R.D. Williamson, mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Jan. 2nd, 1861

Session met at the call of the moderator & by him opened with prayer. Members present **R.D. Williamson**. Mod., Elders **John Bryce, George Adam & Robert Ballantyne**. On motion "*The Book of Discipline*" which was overturned to the Session was taken up, received and with a few amendments, adopted. Elder **George Wight** was appointed to attend the next meeting of Prebytery. **George Adam** his alternate. It was agreed to have the dispensation of the Supper in this place on the 2d Sabbath of Feb, the Thursday previous to be observed as a day of humiliation & prayer. **Mrs. Louisa Crawford** and **Mr. & Mrs. Forester** were reported as absenting themselves from the House of Worship. The first for more than a year the two last for a shorter time. The moderator was requested to talk with **Mrs. Crawford & Mr. Adam** with **Mr. & Mrs. Forester** and know their reasons and report next meeting.

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer.

R.D. Williamson, mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Feb. 9th, 1860

Session met at the call of the moderator. Members present, **Bryce, Adam & Ballantyne**. Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted. **Messrs. Williamson** and **Adam** appointed at a previous meeting to confer with **Mrs. Crawford & Mr. & Mrs. Forester** for their not attending church, reported, physical inability in both cases. Report accepted. **Mr. Bryce** afterwards reported that **Mrs. Crawford** had through another member requested her certificate. Agreed not to grant her request until she in person ask it or otherwise make known her reasons for so doing. **Miss Fannie B. Cruikshank** was upon examination and profession received into the full communion of the church. Took a recess till Sabbath evening.

Feb. 10th, 1860, Sabbath Evening

Sabbath evening. Session met for adjournment. Closed with prayer by mod.

R.D. Williamson, mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Lansingville, June 22nd, 1861

Session met at the church and was opened with prayer by the moderator. Members all present. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. The following persons were then admitted to full membership in this congregation - **Mrs. Jane Brisack** upon certificate from the U. P. Cong. Of West Kortright and **Mr. John Tweedie and his Wife** from the U. P. Congregation of West Delhi. **Mr. Williamson** owing to the circumstances under which he was placed felt it to be his duty to resign the pastoral charge of this congregation and informed Session of his intention so to do at the next meeting of Pres. Aug. 6.

Stating however his willingness to remain should the congregation obviate the present existing difficulties.

Session remained open till Sabbath evening after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper When it adjourned. Closed with prayer by the modera-

tor.

R.D. Williamson, mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Lansingville, Sep. 21st, 1861

Fall Sacrament

Session met at the Session rooms and was opened with prayer by the moderator. Members all present except **Mr. Lawrence**. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Robert Wight upon examination & profession was then admitted to the full communion of this church. **Mrs. Taylor** formerly **Mrs. McClarin** requested a certificate of membership which was granted. **Mrs. Louisa Crawford** also requested a certificate of membership but owing to her non-attendance upon public ordinances and her utter refusal to support them since the first of January 1860, Session could grant her one only refs to that date. **Mr. John Bryce** was appointed to attend the meeting of Presbytery in Lansingville 24th of Sep. After a free interchange of opinion upon the general interest of the Congregation Session took a recess till Sabbath evening after the dispensation of the Last Supper when it met and adjourned.

R.D. Williamson, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Lansingville, June 21st, 1862

Session met at the Session room and was opened with prayer by the moderator. Members were all present.

Mr. Robert Smith upon examination and profession was then admitted to the full communion of the church.

Sessions then took a recess till Sabbath evening after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper when it met and adjourned.

John Service, Moderator John Bryce, Clerk

Sat. Oct. 30, 1862

Session met at the Session room. Was opened with prayer by **Hu Mac Hatton**, moderator pro tem. Members of Session present, **Bryce, Ballantyne & Wight**.

Miss Ella Adam appeared before Session with a view to membership in the church and on examination and profession was admitted to full communion.

Sab. Morning, Oct. 31, 1862

Session again convened. **Mr. John Douglas** with certificate from the Church of Scotland appeared before Session asking membership in this church and on giving his full assent to her distinction, principles was admitted. Session again held over. Sermon preached from Col. 19-20 verses and the Sacrament dispensed after which Session met & adjourned.

Hu MacHatton, mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Friday, Sept. 4th, 1863

Session met at the Session room and was opened with prayer by the moderator. Members present, **Bryce, Adam, Wight & Ballantyne**. There being no special business before session after some consultation on the general interest of the congregation it took a recess till after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath and sermon on Monday when it met and adjourned. Closed with prayer by the moderator.

Jas. McNeal, moderator **John Bryce**, Clerk

June 24th, 1864

Session met in Session room and opened with prayer by moderator. Members present **Wight, Lawrence, Adam, Ballantyne and Bryce**. No business came before them. Took a recess & next day met the 25th. No business before the recess until after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath. They met again. Members all present. Closed with prayer by the moderator.

John Service, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

June 8th, 1865

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present were **Wight, Adam, Ballantyne & John Bryce**. The following parties applied for membership viz: **Mrs. H. Holmes, Mrs. Varnnel Mein, Mrs. Robt. Dodds, Mr. Peter Auld, Mrs. William Bryce, Miss Mary Bryce, Miss Margaret McFarlane** and after giving their full consent to the distinction, principle of the U. P. Church were admitted and after which the Session took a recess until June 10th.

Rev. Andw. Thomas, moderator. **John Bryce**, Clerk

June 10th, 1865

Session met in the Session room and was again opened by prayer by the moderator. The following members were present, **Wight, Adam, Ballantyne and Bryce**. **Mrs. Jane Bryce** on presenting a certificate from the U. P. Church in Delhi was admitted a member. **Mr. James Chambers** appeared also for membership and upon his giving assent to the distinctive principles with U. P. Church and likewise being duly examined was thereafter admitted a member.

Rev. Andw. Thomas. Moderator **John Bryce,** Clerk

Sabb. Afternoon June 11th, 1865

The Session took a recess from Saturday until after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper when it was closed by prayer by the moderator.

Rev. Andw. Thomas, Mod. **John Bryce,** Clerk

Oct. 7th, 1865

Session met in the Session room and was opened with prayer by the moderator, **Rev. John E. Taylor.** Members present were **Wight, Ballantyne, Adams and Bryce.** The following persons applied for membership, **Benjamin F. Tiffney, Archibald McFaden, Janette McFaden, Bell McFaden, Eliza Dodds, Janette Bryce, Elisabeth Bryce and Isabell Bryce** and after giving their full consent to the distinctive principles of the U. P. Church were admitted after which the Session took a recess until Sabbath Oct. 8th.

Rev. John E. Taylor, moderator **John Bryce,** Clerk

Oct. 8th

Session met in the Session room and was closed by prayer by the moderator **Rev. John E. Taylor.** The following members were present, **Wight, Ballantyne, Adams and John Bryce.**

Rev. John E. Taylor, moderator **John Bryce,** Session Clerk

June 22nd, 1866

Session met in the Session room, was opened with prayer by Moderator, **Rev. John E. Taylor.** Members present **Wight, Adams, Ballantyne and Bryce.** The following persons were admitted to communion of the U. P. Church of Lansingville on examination and profession - **Mrs. Alex. Fowler, Miss Sarah Dodds.**

On certificate from the First Presbyterian of Delhi, **Mr. Peter Arbuckle and Wife,** from the U. P. Church West Delhi, **Mr. John Ballantyne and Wife.**

June 24th

Session met after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper and closed with prayer by the moderator the **Rev. Peter Smealie. John Bryce**

Oct. 19th

Session met in Session room. Members present **Rev. John E. Taylor**, moderator and **Wight, Ballantyne and Bryce**.

Mrs. Martha Burritt appeared before Session and giving her consent to the principles of the U. P. Church on examination was admitted to Church membership.

Oct. 20th

Session met in Session room. Was opened by prayer by moderator **Rev. John E. Taylor**. Members all present. No business before Session. Session adjourned until Sabbath after communion.

Oct. 21st

Session met in Session room. Members all present. ____ closed by prayer by **Rev. John E. Taylor**, moderator. **John Bryce**, Clerk of Session

June 29th, 1867

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by **Rev. D. S. McHenry**, moderator. Members present, **Geo. Wight, Sr., Jno. Bryce, Geo. Adams, and Robt. Ballantine**. The following persons were on examination admitted to the Baptism and the communion of the church after baptism. **Alexr. Lewis, Jr., Misses Emma A. Knowles, Mary E. Knowles, Miss Mary Taylor**. The following persons were received on certificate from the Session of the U. P. Cong. Of West Delhi, **Mr. William Jamison, Mrs. Mary Jamison, Miss Margaret Jamison & Miss Janette Jamison. Mr. Alexr. McLachlan (Andes Cong.)**. Session took a recess. Met on Sabbath evening after the dispensation of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

D. S. McHenry, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Oct. 5th

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator **Rev. D. S. McHenry**. Members present **Messrs. Geo. Wight, Sr., Jno. Bryce, Geo. Adams & Robt. Ballantine**. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The following persons were on motion admitted to membership in the church. On examination, **Mr. Donald McLachlan**. On certificate from the O. S. Pres. Church, Delhi, **Miss Elisabeth Wight**. Took a recess until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath. Met on Sabbath afternoon after communion. Closed with prayer.

D. S. McHenry, moderator **John Bryce**, Clerk

May 30th, 1868

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator, **Rev. D. S. McHenry**. Members present, **Messrs. Wight,**

Bryce, Adams and Ballantine. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The following persons were admitted to membership in the church. On examination **Miss Judith Ann McFadden, Mrs. Elisabeth McFadden.** On certificate from the Session of West Delhi, **Mr. Robt. McFarlan, Mrs. B—— McFarlan.** From the Session of Bovina, **Mr. Walter Stott & Mrs. Mary Stott.** From the Sessions of New Kingston, **Mrs. Walter Thompson. Mrs. Louisa Crawford** having returned the certificate of **dismission** which was formerly given her by Session with satisfactory explanation, her name was placed upon the Cong. Roll of members. On motion **Mr. Wm. Jamison, Mrs. Mary Jamison, Miss Margaret Jamison and Miss Janette Jamison** were granted certificates of dismissal to connect themselves with the U. P. Cong. Of Walton. Session took a recess until Sabbath afternoon. Aft. Sab. Session met after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

D.S. McHenry, mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Sept. 1st.

Session met in the church at the call of the mod. And was by him constituted with prayer. Members present, **Messrs. Geo. Wight, Sr., Jno. Bryce and Robt. Ballantine.** The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. On motion **Mr. Jno. Bryce** was appointed delegate to the Sess. Roll of New York at its approaching meeting in Broadalbin. **Mr. Robt. Ballantine,** his alternate. **Mr. Robt. Ballantine** was appointed to attend the meeting of the Pres. of Delaware to be held in Burlington, Sept. 29th. On motion, Session agreed to have the Sac. Of the Lord's Supper dispensed on the 3d Sab. Of Oct. On motion Session adjourned, closed with prayer by **Robert Ballantine.**

D. S. McHenry, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Oct. 17th

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the Mod. **D. S. McHenry.** Members present, **Messrs. Geo. Wight, Sr., Geo. Adams, John Bryce and Robt. Ballantine. Mr. Roswell M. Brant & Mrs. Elisabeth C. Brant** were received into membership in the Church on profession and **Mr. Peter McEwan & Mrs. Catharine Wight** on certificate. Took a recess until Sab. Afternoon after the dispensation of the Sac. Of the Lord's Supper. Afternoon Session met and adjourned.

D. S. McHenry, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

April 6th, 1869

Session met in the Church and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Messrs. Geo. Wight, Sr., Jno. Bryce and Robt. Ballantine.** The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. On motion Session agreed to have the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper dispensed on the second Sabbath of May. Proceeded to revise the roll of membership. On motion **Mr. John Ballantine, Jr. & Mrs. Margaret Ballantine (his wife)** were granted on certificate a dismissal. On motion **Mr. Jno Bryce** was appointed to attend the next regular meeting of Presbytery. **Geo. Adams** his alternate. On motion Session adjourned. Closed with prayer by **R. Ballantine.**

D. S. McHenry, mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

May 8, 1869

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator, **D. S. McHenry**. Members present **Messrs. Geo. Wight, Geo. Adams, Jno. Bryce and Robt. Ballantine. Mrs. Geo. Wight, Jr. and Miss Maggie Renwick** after examination were on motion admitted to membership in the church. **Mr. and Mrs. John Ballantine** were on motion granted a certificate of dismissal. Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath. After which Session adjourned. Closed with prayer by the moderator.

D. S. McHenry, mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Oct. 23d, 1869

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the Mod. Present **Messrs. Robt. Ballantine, Geo. Adams, Geo. Wight, Sr. and Jno. Bryce. Miss Kate Hutson and Miss Grace McFarlan** were, after examination, on motion admitted to membership in the church. **Mr. John Taylor**, on motion, was granted a certificate of dismissal. Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath. On motion adjourned. Close with prayer.

D. S. McHenry, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

The minutes of the Session of Lansingville were approved by Presbytery up to this date.

Stamford, N.Y. Apr. 27th, 1870 **R. Stewart**, Clerk, Pres.

April 30th, 1870

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Members present **Messrs. George Wight, Sr., George Adams, John Bryce, Sr. and Robert Ballantine**. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. **Mr. Robt. Murray** was received on certificate, as a member of the congregation. Session took a recess until Sabbath afternoon. Session met on the afternoon of Sabbath, after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and adjourned with prayer by **Mr. Geo. Adams**.

D. S. McHenry, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Oct. 7th, 1870

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Messrs. Geo. Wight, Sr., Jno. Bryce, Sr., Geo. Adams & Robt. Ballantine**. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Session reviewed the roll of membership of the Cong. **Mrs. Taylor** and **Miss Mary Taylor** were granted certificates of good standing and dismissal from the Cong. Adjourned to meet on

the next day. Same place Saturday Oct. 3rd Session met and without transacting any business. Took a recess until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on the ensuing Sabbath. Sabbath afternoon Session met and adjourned. Closed with prayer by **Geo. Wight, Sr.**

D. S. McHenry, Mod. Jno. Bryce, Sr., Clerk

Endorsed by **R. B. Taggart**. Clerk

Lansingville April 25th, 1871

May 2nd, 1871

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Messrs. George Wight, Sr., Geo. Adams, John Bryce and Robt. Ballantine**. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Proceeded to examine the roll of the Congregation after which Session adjourned to May 6th at half past 12 o'clock. Closed with prayer by **Geo. Adams**. Same place May 6th ½ past 12 o'clock. Session met. Members present as above. Without handling any business, Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Sabbath afternoon Session met and adjourned. Closed with prayer by the moderator.

D.S. McHenry, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Oct. 7th, 1871

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Messrs. John Bryce, Robt. Ballantine, Geo. Wight and Geo. Adams. Mr. James Russell** was admitted to membership in the Cong. on certificate from the Presbyterian Church, Hamden, N.Y. and **Mr. James McFadden** on certificate from the U. P. Church San Francisco, Cal. **Miss Annie McEwen** was admitted to membership in the Church on examination. Session took a recess until Sabbath afternoon. Sabbath. After the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Session met and adjourned. Closed with prayer by **Mr. John Bryce**.

D. S. McHenry, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

May 18th, 1872

Session met in the Session room (and the Pastor of the Cong. being absent from sickness) was constituted with prayer by **Rev. A. M. Smeallie**. Without transacting any business Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath. Sabbath afternoon Session met and adjourned. Closed with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

A. M. Smeallie, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Oct. 26th, 1872

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Messrs. Geo. Wight, Sr., John Bryce, Sr., Geo. Adams and Robt. Ballantine.** On motion **Mrs. Martha Brant** was given a certificate of standing and dismissal from the Cong. Session took a recess until Sabbath afternoon. Sabbath afternoon Session met after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and the close of religious services and adjourned with prayer by **John Bryce, Sr.**

D. S. McHenry, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Approved by Order of Presbytery this 29th day of April, 1873.

J. B. Lee, Session Clerk

May 17th, 1873

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Messrs. John Bryce, Sr., Geo. Adams and Robert Ballantine.** The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. **Mr. John B. Chalmers and Mrs. Mary Chalmers & Mrs. Duncan** were received on certificate from the Free Church of Scotland. Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and the close of religious exercises on Sabbath. Met and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

D.S. McHenry, Mod. John Bryce, Sr., Clerk

Oct. 11th, 1873

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Members present **Messrs. Geo. Adams, John Bryce, Sr. and Robt. Ballantine.** The minutes of last meeting were read and approved. **Messrs. John McLachlan and Charles B. McHenry** were on examination received into membership in the Church. On motion **Mrs. Sarah Connor** was granted a certificate of standing and dismissal to connect with the U. P. Cong. of Andes, N.Y. Took a recess until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath. Sabbath afternoon met at the close of religious services and adjourned with prayer.

D. S. McHenry, Mod. John Bryce, Sr., Clerk

May 30th, 1874

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Members present **Messrs. John Bryce, Sr., Robert Ballantine and George Adams.** The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. **Miss Nancy Chambers and Miss Jennet Kent** were on examination received as members of the Church. Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath. Sabbath afternoon Session met after the close of religious services and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

D. S. McHenry, Mod. John Bryce, Sr., Clerk

Oct. 10th, 1874

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Members present **John Bryce, Sr., George Adams and Robt. Ballantine.** The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. **Mrs. Nancy B. Fife** was received on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of Bovina and **Miss Ada C. McHenry** on examination. On motion **Mr. James Chambers, Mrs. Christina Chambers & Miss Nancy Chambers** were granted certificates of dismission of connect with the U. P. Church of Walton. Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath when it adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

D. S. McHenry, Mod. **John Bryce, Sr.**, Clerk

July 3d, 1875

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Messrs. Jno. Bryce, Sr., Geo. Adams and Robert Ballantine.** On **Miss Sarah Russell** was received on examination and **Mr. Joseph S. Raitt and Mrs. Mary F. Raitt** were received on certificate as members of the Church. Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper when it adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine.**

D. S. McHenry, Mod. **Jno. Bryce, Sr.**, Clerk

Oct. 9th, 1875

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Messrs. Jno. Bryce and Robert Ballantine.** There being no business to be transacted, Session met in the afternoon of Sabbath after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

D. S. McHenry, Mod. **Jno. Bryce, Sr.**, Clerk

June 16th, 1876

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the **Rev. J. H. Turnbull**, moderator. Members present **John Bryce, Sr., Geo. Adams & Robt. Ballantine.** **Mr. Charles Russell** was received on examination. There being no further business Session took a recess until Sabbath afternoon. Session met in the afternoon of Sabbath after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper & adjourned with prayer by **Robert Ballantine.**

John Bryce, Sr., Clerk

Sept. 16th, 1876

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the **Rev. J. C. Hammond**, moderator. Members present **John Bryce, George Adams, Robert Ballantyne**. There being no special business before the meeting, they took a recess until after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath afternoon. Met and adjourned with prayer by **Rev. J. C. Hammond**.

John Bryce, Session Clerk

June 1st, 1877

Session met in Session room and was constituted with prayer by the **Rev. Arney S. Biddle**, the moderator. Members present **John Bryce, Robert Ballantyne and George Adams. Miss Ester Maynard** was received on certificate from the U. P. Congregation of Bovina. There being no further business, Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath. Session then met and was adjourned with prayer by the **Rev. A. S. Biddle**.

John Bryce, Session Clerk

Oct. 27, 1877

Session met in Session room and was constituted with prayer by the **Rev. W. J. Cooper**, the moderator. Members present **John Bryce, George Adams and Robert Ballantyne**. There being no business before the Session, Session adjourned until after the dispensation of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Sabbath. Session then met and was closed with prayer by the **Rev. W. J. Cooper**.

John Bryce, Session Clerk

June 1, 1878

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by **Mr. John Bryce**. Members present **Messrs. John Bryce, George Adams & Robt. Ballentine**. On motion **Wm. H. Gerowe, Mrs. Alice J. Gerowe, Mr. John B. Mabel, Mrs. Mary A. Mabel, Mr. George Elliot, Mrs. Jane Elliot** were received on certificate. Also on motion **Mrs. Homer R. Pettis, Mrs. Margaret Ann Pettis, Mr. Wm. J. Glendinning, Mrs. Ellen G. Glendinning, Mrs. Mary E. Wannemacher, Miss Helen Knowles, Miss Mary S. Kent, Messrs. James Kent, Peter J. Auld, Andrew Auld, Robt. W. Ballantine, John W. Ballantine, John A. Ballantine, George Young, James A. Chambers** after examination and profession were admitted membership in the Church. Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper. Session met and on motion adjourned. Closed with prayer by **Ths. Telferd**.

Ths. Park, Mod. **John Bryce, Sr.**, Clerk

June 23rd, 1878

Session met in Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **John Bryce, George Adams, Robt.**

Ballantine. On motion, **Mr. Ths. Young and Mrs. Margaret Young** after examination and profession were admitted membership in the Church. Session adjourned with prayer by **John Bryce.**

Thomas Park, Mod. John Bryce, Sr., Clerk

June 23d, 1878

Session met in Session room and was constituted with prayer by the mod. All the members present. On motion **Mr. Alfred M. Covert and Mrs. Alice Covert** were received on certificate from the 1st Pres. Church of Delhi. Adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine.**

Ths. Park, Mod. John Bryce, Sr., Clerk

July 14th, 1878

Session met in Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **John Bryce & Robt. Ballantine. Mr. Jas. Chambers & his wife & his daughter, Nancy** were received as members on certificate from the U. P. Cong. at Walton. Adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine.**

Ths. Park, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Approved by Presbytery to date. **Arney S. Biddle**, Clerk of Pres.

Sept. 11, 78

Sept. 28, 1878

Session met in Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **John Bryce, George Adams and Robert Ballantine.** After examination & profession the following persons were admitted membership in the Church - **George Currie, Mrs. Margaret Currie, Miss Maggie Currie, Wm. Currie, David Currie, Miss Libbie Ballantine, Lizzie M. Scott, Mary B. Ballantine, Gussie L. (can't read), Carry Bryce, Aschable R. Henderson, Mrs. Nancy Henderson, John Chambers, Ths. Ballantine, Mrs. Elisabeth Barnhart, Ephie Adams, Anna Dean, Mrs. Harriet Tiphany, Mary J. Combs.** Session took a recess. Met same place Sept. 29, '78 and received on examination & profession **Adeilia Freelove Bostwick, Matilda Knowles.** Session took a recess. Met after communion services and adjourned with prayer.

Thomas Park, Mod. John Bryce, Sr., Clerk

May 24, 1879

Session met in Session room, and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

(Members present **John Bryce, Robt. Ballantine and Geo. Adams**). After examination & profession of their faith **Miss Ella Holmes, John Henderson and James A. Ballantine** were admitted into full membership in the Church. Also **Mrs. Ths. Park** on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of Fairfax, Iowa. Session took a recess until after communion services May 25, '79. When it met and was adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

Thomas Park, Moderator **John Bryce**, Clerk

Approved by the Pres. of Delaware to this date.

Sep. 8th, 1879 **A. M. Smeallie**, Clerk

Oct. 18, '79

Session met in Session room, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Members present **John Bryce, Geo. Adams and Robt. Ballantine**. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A consultation was held as to the propriety of enlarging our Session. All the members thought it would be for the best interests of the congregation to elect some new elders. The committee supporting the examination and profession of **George Adams, Jr.**, whose bodily affliction prevented his coming before Session, recommended him being received into full membership of the Church. On motion he was so received. After examination and profession of his faith **Steven Titus** was admitted into full membership in the Church. Also **Miss Maggie Clement** on certificate from U. P. Church of Andes, N. Y. Session took a recess until after communion services when it met and was adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

Thomas Park, Moderator **John Bryce, Sr.**, Clerk of Session

Dec. 3, 1879

Session met, at the call of the Moderator, in the Parsonage and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Members present **John Bryce and George Adams**. After consultation in regard to giving **Mrs. Sarah McLaury** a certificate (she had been gone from the bounds of the Cong. for nearly two years). On motion the Clerk was authorized to grant her a certificate of good standing up to the time when she left. Adjourned with prayer.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce, Sr.**, Clerk

May 29, 1880

Session met, in the Session room, and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **John Bryce, George Adams & Robert Ballantine**. Minutes of two previous meetings were read and approved. Clerk reported that he had issued certificates to **Mrs. Sarah McLaury, Mr. & Mrs. Steven Titus, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Gerowe**. After examination and profession on motion **Mrs. Clara Robinson** was admitted to the rite of baptism and full communion with the Church. Session took a recess until after the Sacrament when it adjourned with

prayer by the Moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Oct. 16, 1880

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Members present **John Bryce, George Adams, Robt. Ballantine**. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. There being no further business, Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper, when it met and was adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, C.S.

Approved by the Pres. of Delaware this date.

Delancey Dec. 28th, 1880 **A.W. Smeallie**, Clerk

March 15, 1881

Session met in compliance with the call of the moderator at the house of **John Bryce**. And was opened with prayer. Members present **John Bryce, George Adams and Robt. Ballantine**. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Session proceeded to fill out report for the ecclesiastical year ending March 31st, 1881. After which Session adjourned.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, C. S.

May 28, 1881

Session met in Session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **John Bryce, George Adams and Robt. Ballantine**. After examination and profession of their faith **Robert Davidson, Frank Doig, Miss Lizzie Chambers and Aggie Ballantine** were received into full membership of the Church. **Mrs. John Henderson** asked to be received into the membership of the Church. Session thought she was not quite ready for such a step and advised her to think the matter over more fully and seek through prayer and meditation a clearer evidence of Gods work of peace in her soul. Session took a recess until after the communion when it met and adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Oct. 15, '81

Session met in the Church and was constituted with prayer by the Mod. Members present **John Bryce, Geo. Adams and Robert Ballantine**. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. **Mrs. Andrew Scobie and Mrs. Isaac Scobie** were received on certificate from congre-

gation of West Delhi. After examination and profession of their faith **Miss Marcia Russell and Miss Lizzie Stott** were received into full membership of the Church. Session took a recess until Oct. 23, 1881 when it met and after consultation over the spiritual needs of the congregation adjourned with prayer.

Thomas Park, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Dec. 13, 1881

Session met, at the call of the moderator, in the house of **Robt. Ballantine**, and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **John Bryce, George Adams and Robt. Ballantine**. Thirty minutes were spent in prayer and conference. On motion **Miss Alice Dolinay** name was dropped from the roll of membership because of her removal and whereabouts unknown. On motion at the election of elders on Sat. Dec. 17, '81, the vote be taken by ballot. **Robt. Ballantine** was appointed to attend the meeting of Pres. on Dec. 28th. Adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Election of Elders

Dec. 17. 1881

After sermon by the pastor, the congregation was called to order and the Moderator stated the object of the meeting (Notice having been given two weeks previous) and after prayer for divine direction proceeded to the election of elders which resulted in the choice of **Messrs. George Wight, James Chambers and John B. Mable**. The result was publicly announced by the moderator.

Jan. 7, 1882

Session met at the parsonage and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **John Bryce and Robt. Ballantine**. The elders elect were examined as to their acceptance of the office, their views in undertaking it, and their qualifications for it. These persons were approved and declared their willingness to accept the office. Jan. 7 & 8 being the day appointed for their ordination, and the edict having been served according to the direction of the Book Session went to the Church and proceeded to the ordination service.

After sermon by **Mr. L. E. Hawk**, the moderator, briefly narrated the proceeding already had. Then the candidates presented themselves before the congregation. The formula of questions having been asked and properly answered the moderator proceeded to set apart the candidates by prayer and the laying in of the hands of the Session. After which he exhorted both officers and people to their respective duties. Their names were added to the roll of members of Session. And the above received of the ordination inserted in the minutes. Session took a recess. Session met again the same day in the church and after examination and profession of her faith, **Mrs. John Henderson** was received into full membership of the church. **Mr. John Clark and wife** were also received on certificate from the 1st Presbyterian Church of Delhi. Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper when it met and was adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

Thomas Park, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

March 14, '82

Session met in the parsonage and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present except **John B. Mable**. The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and approved. The treasurer of Session presented his annual report showing that the congregation for the past year raised \$132.00 for mission and \$17.00 for Sabbath School. **James Chambers and George Wight** were appointed as an auditing committee and reported the report of treasurer correct. The pastor was chosen as treasurer for next year. The church roll was revised and 118 members reported. Session dismissed by certificate **Mrs. A. Fitch and Mrs. Helen Taylor. Robt. Ballantine** was appointed to attend the next meeting of Presbytery and **John Bryce** his alternate. The pastor was allowed leave of absence during May & June. **George Wight** was appointed to secure a place for preaching during the repairing of the church. Session adjourned with prayer by **R. Ballantine**.

Thomas Park, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

Approved by Pres. up to this date. **A. M. Smeallie**

Kortright Aug. 18th, 82

Sept. 16, '82

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **J. Bryce, R. Ballantine, G. Adams, G. Wight, J. Chambers and J. B. Mable**. After examination and professing their faith, **Mrs. Stephen Hammond & Miss Maggie A. Henderson** were admitted into full membership of the Church. **Mr. James Mc Cracken** wife were rec'd as members on certificate from the W. P. Congregation of Kortright. Also **Miss Gebu Hudson** on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of Cabin Hill. Session spent one half hour in prayer and conference. Took a recess until after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper. Sept. 17, 1882. Met and adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.

John Bryce Sr., Clerk Thomas Park, Mod.

Jan. 13, 1883

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. All the members were present except **John Bryce**. On motion after examination & profession of their faith, **Miss Myrtle Bugby & Miss Ella Signor** were rec'd into full membership of the Church. **Mrs. McNaught** was rec'd on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of Bovina. On motion the following resolution was passed in reference to the Quarter Centennial fund. "That we recommend this Quarter Centennial Memorial to the benevolence & prayer of our congregation." Took a recess until after communion then adjourned with prayer.

Thomas Park, Mod. John Bryce, Clerk

March 28, 1883

Session met at the call of the moderator in the house of John Bryce and constituted with prayer. Members present **John Bryce, Robt. Ballantine, and James Chambers**. The treasurer of session presented his annual report which was rec'd and adopted. This report showed that the cong. during the past year raised ninety-dollars for missions, one hundred and twenty six dollars for Quarter Centennial fund, twelve hundred and fifty-dollars for congregation purposes and general contributions twelve dollars, making in all including the salary twenty two hundred and seventy eight dollars. \$18.52 per member. The S. S. contributed \$59.75 for its own expenses.

John Bryce as principal with **Robt. Ballantine** as alternate was appointed to attend the next meeting of Presbytery. Adjourned with prayer.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

June 15, 1883

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present. Minutes of the last two meetings read as recorded and approved. A paper was presented in regard to the restoration of **Mrs. Mary Chalmers** and after discussion the whole subject was referred to a committee consisting of **Robt. Ballantine, Jas. Chambers and John Bryce**. Said committee to report today. On motion **Mrs. Jennie King** was received on certificate from the congregation of Cabin Hill. **Mrs. Louisa Crawford** asked to be received back into full membership of the church. She stated that she had never used the certificate given her by this Session and also that she was so situated that she could not attend regularly the ordinance of God's house. The session being satisfied granted her request and on motion restored her to full membership of the church. On motion **John B. Mabel** as principle and **George Wight** as alternate was appointed a delegate to the next regular meeting of presbytery. **Geo. Wight** was appointed to secure the wine for the communion and instructed to buy unfermented wine. On motion adjourned until Saturday at two o'clock. Closed with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

June 5, 1883

Session met at the same place on Saturday June 15, 1883 and was opened with prayer by **Jas. Chambers**. The Committee in the petition of **Mrs. Mary Chalmers** reported that in their judgment further information was needed. The report was received & adopted. **Mrs. Mary Chalmers** was then called before Session and examined in regard to her further action and present confession and penitence for her past sin. The following paper was then by motion put before the Session.

That

*Whereas, **Mary Chalmers** was suspended on June 16, 1876 from full communion in the church on the grounds of living as the wife of **John Calmers** under an illegal marriage and Whereas she claims to have been ignorant of the fact that her marriage was unlawful until so informed by this session and,*

*Whereas she has been convinced of her sin and turned from it by being legally married to the said **John Calmers** and whereas she expresses*

deep sorrow that she fell into such a sin, and manifests true repentance and feels that she has received forgiveness of God, and earnestly petitions this session to be received back into the full members of the Church,

*Therefore Resolved that **Mrs. Mary Chalmers** be restored to the full membership of the church, and that a public statement of the whole transaction be made from the pulpit and also that we recommend her to the Christian lives and prayers of the congregation thus fulfilling the law of Christ as recorded in Gal. 6; 1-2.*

The Ayes and Nays were asked and the vote was as follows:

Thomas Pars Aye

John Bryce Nay

George Adams Aye

Robt. Ballantine Aye

Jas. Chambers Excused from voting

George Wight Aye

John Mabel Aye

The moderator declared the motion carried and the paper adopted.

On motion **Mrs. Isaac Scobie** was received on certificate from the 2nd Pres. Church of Delhi. Session took a recess until after communion and was then adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Oct. 5, 1883

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present except **Mr. Geo. Adams**. One half hour was spent in prayer and conference. On motion **Robt. Ballantine** was appointed as principle and **Geo. Wight** as alternate to attend the meeting of (?) at York, N.Y. on Oct. 11. Session took a recess until Saturday at 12 m. Met again on Saturday there being no other business, took a recess to meet at the call of the moderator. Sabbath morning met in session room, and on motion after examination and profession of his faith, **Robert E. Salton** was received into full membership of the church. After the services of the Lord's Supper, session adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Jan. 12, 1884

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present. After examination & profession of their faith on motion **Mr. Anthony Lambrecht & wife, Mrs. Henry Pettis, Mrs. ___ Link** were received into full membership of the church. Also **Mr. & Mrs. Edward Berry and Mrs. Daniel Murray** were received on certificate respectively from Baptist Church Town Reformed Presbyterian Church Walton and M. E. Church, Hamden. The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. Session approved the organization of a woman's missionary society. Took a recess until after the observance of the Lord's Supper. After which adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk of Session

March 18, 1884

Session met in the house of **James Chambers** and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **John Bryce, Robt. Ballantine, Jas. Chambers and George Wight**. The treasurer of session presented the annual account of the Treasury which was audited and adopted. The roll of the congregation was revised and corrected. The moderator reported the granting of a certificate of dismissal to **Miss Maggie J. Clement** which was approved. The annual statistics of the congregation were made out. It was resolved petition Presbytery to change the name of the congregation from Lansingville to DeLancey. **Jas. C. Chambers** was appointed as a delegate to the next regular meeting of Presbytery. Adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce, Sr.**, Clerk of Session

May 24

Session met in session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. On motion the following persons were received into the membership of the church on certificate from U. P. Cong. of Andes. **Jas and Jennett and Isabella Armstrong** from U. P. Church First Delhi, **Wm. Duff &** from M. E. Church Delhi, **Mrs. Wm. Duff** from 1st Pres. Church, Delhi. **James Mable and wife**, and in examination & profession of their faith. **Henry Pettis and Fanny Bush**. Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper when the session met and adjourned with prayer by the **Rev. R. D. Williamson**.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk of Session

Oct. 25

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **Mr. Jas. Chambers**. Members all present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. After examination and profession of their faith **Mr. Edmund Bugby and Daniel S. Ballantine** were received into the full

membership of the church. Session appointed **Jas. Chambers** to attend meeting of Pres. at North Hamden, Nov. 5. Also **Robt. Ballantine** to attend next regular meeting of Pres. at North Kortright. Took a recess until after the dispensation of the supper after which session met and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Jan. 10, '85

Session met in session room and was constituted with prayer by **Mr. James Chambers**, members all present except **John Bryce**. After examination & profession of their faith, **Mrs. Morgan Robinson** and **Mrs. Edward Bugby** were received into full membership of the church. Took a recess until after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper after which session met and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

March 17, 1885

Session met in the pastor's study and was constituted with prayer offered by **Mr. Robt. Ballantine**. Members present **Robt. Ballantine, Jas. Chambers, George Wight, J. B. Mable**. Minutes of previous meeting read as recorded & approved. Mr. Archi Henderson's name was restored to the roll. **Mr. Daniel Currie** was suspended from church privileges for general misconduct. The roll was revised. The treasurer reports were received, audited and approved. The annual report made out. Adjourned with prayer by **James Chambers**.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

June 6, 1885

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present but **John Bryce**. Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved as recorded. **Mr. &** were received into the full membership of the church. Also **Miss Ann Murray** all on certificates and **Miss Joan Nichol** on examination and profession of her faith. Adjourned with prayer.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Sept. 26, '85

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **Mr. James Chambers**. Members all present but **John Bryce**. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. On motion **Mr. Geo. E. Salton and Addie, his wife**, were recd. into full membership of the church on examination and profession of their faith. Took a recess until after the communion of the Lord's Supper. Then adjourned with prayer.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Dec. 2, '85

Session met at the call of the Mod. in the Pastor's study and was constituted with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**. Members present. **R. Ballantine, Jas. Chambers and Geo. Wight**. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. On motion **Mrs. John A. Ballantine** was recd. on certificate into the full membership of the church. **Robt. Ballantine** was appointed to attend meeting of Pres. at West Delhi on Dec. 29. After a general conference on the spiritual state of the church, adjourned with prayer by James Chambers.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce**, Clerk

Approved to this date by Delaware Presb. at West Delhi, Dec. 29th, 1885.

Leslie E. Hawk, State Clerk

April 3, 1886

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present, **Jas. Chambers, George Wight and J. B. Mable**. After examination and profession of her faith, **Mrs. Lucy Ballantine** was admitted into the full membership of the church. **Alex. Lewis, Sr. & Wife** were received on certificate from the Pres. Congregation of Hays City, Kansas. Session took a recess to meet on Monday at the house of **George Wight**.

April 5, 1886

Session met at the house of **Geo. Wight** and was opened with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**. Members present **R. Ballantine, J. Chambers, G. Wight & J. B. Mable**. Proceeded to revise the roll and found an increase of twelve with a decrease of two making a net fair of ten. Reporting one hundred and fifty members. Mission money raised \$161.00 for congregational purposes, \$350.00 salary, \$900. total for all purposes. \$1410.00 average per member \$9.33. **Mr. George Wight** was requested to secure grapes and make wine for communion keeping it in a unfermented state. Session adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce, Sr.**, Clerk

Oct. 7, '86

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present except **John Bryce, Sr.** Minutes of the two previous meetings read and approved as recorded. Certificates of dismissal were reported as given to **Geo. Adams, Jr.** and **Morgan Robinson**. **Mrs. Augusta Vankurren** and **Miss Jennie Russell** were received into the full membership of the church in examination and profession of their faith. Took a recess until Saturday.

Oct. 9, '86

Same place Saturday at 1 p.m. Session met and was led in prayer by **Robert Ballantine**. **Mr. James Fiffe, James Boyce and his wife, and Samuel (unreadable)** were received into the full membership of the church on examination and profession of their faith. **Mr. & Mrs. James Boyce** and **Mrs. Vankurren** were admitted to the rite of Baptism. Session took a recess to meet at the call of the moderator.

Oct. 10, 1886

Session met after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **John Bryce, Sr.**, Clerk

Jan. 15, 1887

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **James Chambers**. Members present **R. Ballantine, G. Wight, Jas. Chambers and J. B. Mable**. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as recorded. The moderator reported the granting of certificate to **Samuel Han(?)**, **Ella Signor, Wm. Duff & wife. Robt. Ballantine** was appointed Clerk of Session in place of **John Bryce, Sr.** because of the latter's infirmities. Session voted to hold its next annual meeting at **J. B. Mable's** house. After examination and profession of their faith the following persons were admitted to the rite of baptism and into the full membership of the church. **Mr. M. C. McNaught, James Wilson & his wife Jessie Wilson, Mrs. Alexander McFarlane and William Wilson and Mrs. Charles Bagley**. Session took a recess until after the sacrament of the supper when they met and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **Robt. Ballantine**, Clerk

March 28, '87

Session met for regular annual meeting at the house of **Elder Mable** and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Geo. Wight and J. B. Mabel**. The treasurer presented the following accounts which was audited and adopted. Foreign mission \$57, Home mission \$50, Freedman (?) mission \$15, Church extension \$10, Education \$2, Publication \$2, Ass. Fund \$2, Ministerial relief \$5, Salary \$900, General contributions \$60, Congregational purposes \$360. Total \$1447. Average per member \$9.64. The general welfare of the congregational was considered and thanks offered unto God for his goodness and watchful care over the flock.. Five members were called during the year to a better home we trust. Session felt the need of greater diligence in watching and caring for the souls under our charge. Adjourned with prayer by **George Wight**.

Thomas Park, Mod. **Robert Ballantine**, Clerk

June 11, 1887

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **Jas. Chambers**. Members present except **John Bryce** who is at home through infirmity of years. Mr. George Hymers was received into the membership of the church in examination and profession of his faith. Also

Mrs. Hattie Nicol on certificate from the Presbyterian Church of Downsville. After the dispensation of the Lord's Supper adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **Robert Ballantine**, Clerk

Sept. 18, 1887

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present. The following persons were received into the members of the church in examination and profession of their faith. **Mr. James B. Foote and his wife, Mr. Wesly (?) Terry and his wife, Mr. Wilber Orr and his wife, Mr. Phillip McFarlane and his wife, Mr. Alfred Bagley and his wife, Mr. Alexander McFarlane and Miss Emmagine Bagley**. Nine of them were baptized. Session gave certificate to **Miss Jennie Russell and Mrs. Eliza Berry**. Session took a recess until after the communion. Met and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **Robt. Ballantine**, Clerk

Jan. 14, 1888

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by **James Chambers**. Members present were **Jas. Chambers, Geo. Wight and J. B. Mable**. Minutes of the last three meetings were read and approved as recorded. **Miss Eliza Berry** having returned from Denver gave back her certificate and was received into the full membership of the Church. **Mr. Charles Bishop and John McFarlane** were received on examination and profession of their faith. Session took a recess until Sabbath morning when **Miss Ratchel Mable and Myra May McFarlane** were received on examination & profession of their faith. **John McFarlane & Myra May McFarlane** were admitted with baptism. After the dispensation of the Lord's Supper, session adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **Robt. Ballantine**, Clerk

April 2, 1882

Session met at the house of **Robt. Ballantine** and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present except our aged **Brothers Bryce & Adams**. The roll was received. The report of the session treasurer was received and adopted. **James Chambers** was appointed to attend the meeting of Presbytery at Bovina April 3rd, '88. After conference adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **Robert Ballantine**, Clerk

June 16, 1888

Session met at the church and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. All the members were present except **Father Bryce**. The following persons were received and admitted into full membership of the church on examination & profession of their faith: **William Mallory, Julia**

A. Mallory, Bell C. Lewis, Wilson T. Raitt, Lucy Raitt, Edwin N. Miller, Tina Ballantine. David S. Ballantine (?) of whom were baptized. **John B. Mable** was appointed to attend the next meeting of Presbytery at Andes, N.Y. Minutes of the two last meetings were read and approved. Took a recess and adjourned after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robt. Ballantne, Clerk

Approved to this date by the U. P. Presbytery of Delaware.

Andes, June 26th, 1888 **Leslie G. Hawk, S.C.**

Oct. 6, 1888

The Session met in the church and was constituted prayer by Robert Ballantine. Members present were R. Ballantine, Jas. Chambers, G. Wight and J. B. Mable. The following members were received on examination and profession of their faith: **Mrs. Archie Henderson, Miss Mary Johnston and Miss Nellie Shaver.** After the dispensation of the Lord's Supper met and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robt. Ballantine, Clerk

Jan. 19th, 1889

Session met in the Session room and was constituted with prayer by **James Chambers.** Minutes of former meeting read and approved as received. **Mary and John Chalmers** were received in examination and profession of their faith into the full communion of the church. Took a recess until after communion met and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robt. Ballantine, C.

April 2, 1889

Session met at the home of **Elder James Chambers** and was constituted with prayer by the **Elder George Wight.** Members present **Chambers, Wight & Mable.** Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as received. Proceeded to revise to roll of church members. Had an increase by profession of thirteen and a decrease of five by death and of fifteen by removals leaving membership of one hundred fifty. Report of Treasurer: Paid pastor's salary of \$900; Congregation purposes \$386.00; F.M. \$72; H. M. \$48; Freedmen's M. \$20.00; C. Ex. \$30; Education \$5; Publication \$1; Sas. Fund \$3.00; Ministerial relief \$6; General Contributions \$64. Total contributions \$1535. Average per member \$10.23.

Sabbath School Report: Average attendance one hundred five conversions. Contributions H. M. \$20; F. M. \$25; C. Ex. \$10. School expenses \$23; County Association \$10. Total \$88.

Session felt grateful to God for what he has done for us and in prayer reconsecrate their all to Jehovah, looking for and earnestly seeking

greater blessings the coming year. We felt especially glad that our several dead died in the triumphs of faith. God grant that all of us may finish our cause with joy. Adjourned with prayer.

Thomas Park, Mod. R. Ballantine, C.

June 8, '89

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **Elder Jas. Chambers**. Members all present except **John Bryce and Geo. Adams** both of whom are excused from active duty on account of infirmity of years. The following members were received into the full membership of the church in certificate. **Mrs. Jennie Gray** and in examination & profession **Miss Ida Miller, Lottie Terry, Robert Ballantine and Jane Ballantine. Mrs. Miller & Miss Terry** were admitted to the rite of baptism. Certificates of dismissal were given to **Mrs. Jane Knowles, Mrs. Alex. Lewis & Miss Mary Lewis** to united with Walton U. P. Congregation. **Robert Ballantine** was appointed to attend the next meeting of Presbytery at Delancey. Took a recess to meet at the call of the moderator.

June 9

Same place Sabbath morning received **Jas. Ballantine and Ann Dougal** on examination & profession of their faith. Met after the observance of the Lord's Supper and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robert Ballantine, Clerk

Oct. 5, '89

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **James Chambers**. Members all present. On motion the minutes of last meeting was approved as recorded. **Mr. & Mrs. J. S. Murray** on certificate from the 1st Church Delhi. **Mr. & Mrs. William Oliver** on certificate from Bovina. After the dispensation of the Lord's Supper adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robt. Ballantine, Clerk

Jan. 25, 1890

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **Robert Ballantine**. Members all present. **Mr. Henry Loos and Miss Kitty Terry and Mrs. William Carmen and Miss Lillian Carmen** were received on examination and profession of their faith. Also **Mrs. Henry Loos** on certificate from the M. E. Church, Middletown. After the dispensation of the Lord's Supper adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robt. Ballantine, Clerk

April 1st, 1890

Session met at the house of **Mr. George Wight** and was constituted with prayer by **Elder Chambers**. Members all present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as recorded. Revised to church roll. During the year twenty were received into the full membership of the church. Twelve by examination and profession and eighty by certificate. Four of our members have been called, we trust, to the church triumphant. Funeral Texts Ps. 116:7; Rev. 8:18; 1 Sam. 20:18; John 11:28. **Bro. Wm. Mallory who died Sept. 28; Sister Jennie Russell who died Jan. 4; Mother Harriet Salton who died Feb. 10 and Bro. Archibald Henderson who died March 10.** These all fell asleep in the blessed assurance of immortality and eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord. They have removed into other parts of our Master's vineyard. Our prayers follow them seeking the divine blessing to rest upon them and the people among whom they now serve the Lord. Our contributions are not large but we do beseech the master to accept and bless our few mites for the salvation of souls.

We gave for foreign missions \$78; S.S. \$20; Total \$98.00. Home Missions \$45; S.S. \$15, Total \$60. Church extension \$28; S.S. \$15, total \$43. Freedman's Mission \$20; S.S. \$16, total \$36. Ministerial Relief \$5; assembly fund \$3; Education \$5; General contributions \$351. Congregational purposes \$126; Salary \$900. Making a total of \$1584.

May God make us more and more liberal and larger sharing in the mission work of his Kingdom.

As a Court of God's house, we confess our sins and our shortcomings and fervently pray for pardon and a new baptism of the Holy Spirit upon ourselves and all our people. We offer special praise and thanksgiving for the peace and good will and brotherly love which continues among our people. May we seek more earnestly the best gifts faith, hope and charity. "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." After a session of Bible reading and prayer session adjourned.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robert Ballantine, Clerk

May 24, 1890

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **Robert Ballantine**. Members all present. On motion the following members were received into the full membership of the church. On certificate from the Presbyterian Church of Otego, NY, **Mr. & Mrs. Charles Combs and Miss Lena Combs**. From the M. E. Church, Delhi, **Alex Baily**. From the M. E. Church, Hamden, **Mrs. Thomas Hotchkiss**. From the U. P. Church, Kortright, **Maggie McLaury**. On examination & profession of their faith, **Stewart Hymers and his wife Mary, Edwin Hotchkiss**. After the dispensation of the Lord's Supper adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robert Ballantine, Clerk

Oct. 18, 1890

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **George Wight**. Members all present. Minutes of the last meeting read and approved as recorded. On motion **J. B. Mable** as principal and **Robt. Ballantine** as alternate were appointed to attend the Dec. meeting of

presbytery at Garrattsville. The following were admitted into the full membership of the Church. On certificate from the M. E. Church, **Mrs. Peter Penny** and from the Baptist Church, Delhi, **Mrs. Andrew Buckham**. On examination and profession of their faith, **George Klukardtte and Frank L. Stewart** (baptized) and **Mrs. William Russell Wilson**. Session took a recess to meet at the call of the moderator. After the observance of the Lord's Supper, session met and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robert Ballantine, Clerk of Session

Jan. 10, 1891

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **Elder James Chambers**. Members all present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as recorded. **Mrs. Mary Jane Lyons** was received into full membership of the Church on examination and profession of her faith.

After due deliberation it was resolved to suspend **Frank L. Stewart** from the Church because of openly, willfully and defiantly speaking in a manner (?) of the Church and the holiness of life required by the Church, and also because of false statements concerning an interview with the pastor concerning a previous sin with which he was charged. **George Wight** was appointed to notify him of this action. Session took a recess until after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper. After which met and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robt. Ballantine, Clerk

March 31, '91

Session held its annual meeting at the house of **Robert Ballantine** and was constituted with prayer by **George Wight**. Elders all present except **J. B. Mable**. Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved as recorded. **Peter T. Ballantine** was on examination and profession of his faith received into the full membership of the church. Revised the church roll. During the year 16 were received into the membership of the church. 9 by examination and profession, 7 by certificate. One member died, **Mr. Charles Russell** who fell asleep Feb. 25 and was buried Feb. 27. Funeral text Ps. 146:9. One members was suspended. Ten moved away leaving a net gain of four making our membership 160. We have given to the work of the gospel as follows: F. M. \$86 & S.S. \$23, total \$109. H. M. \$68, S.S. \$20, total \$88. Free. M. \$30, S.S. \$24, total \$54. Church Ex. #30, S.S. \$12, total \$42. Ministerial Relief \$5. Ass. Fund \$2, Education \$3, Church Bell \$228. Other expenses including salary & donations, etc. \$1263. Making a grand total of \$1804 or \$11.27 per member. These gifts we lay upon the altar of our Lord and ask him to accept of them for his own name sake. We could have done better and ought to have done more in winning souls. We feel grateful to God that so many are spared & for his continual blessing. We enter the coming Church year with new hopes and determination to be more faithful to him who has loved us and given himself for us. Session took a recess until after dinner. When they met and spent a profitable time in scriptural reading and earnest prayer each member taking part. Adjourned with prayer.

Thomas Park, Mod. Robert Ballantine, Clerk

April 12, '91

Session met in the pastor's study at the call of the moderator and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **George Wight, J. B. Mable and James Chambers**. On motion the following were received on examination and profession of their faith into the full membership of the church. **Miss Christina Salton and Mrs. George Howard**. Adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **Robert Ballantine**, Clerk

June 6, 1891

Session met in session room and was constituted with prayer by **Robert Ballantine**. Members all present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as recorded. After examination and profession of their faith, **Charles Hotchkiss and Wm. Hutson** were received into the full membership of the church. By mutual agreement between the session and **James Fiffe**, who had been mistaken in a fault, notwithstanding previous admonitions he was suspended from the sealing ordinance of the church until such time as is deemed best for him to be restored again to all the privileges of the church. **Mrs. Willis Gray** was dismissed by certificate, also **Miss Christina Salton**, also **Frank L. Doig**. After communion services session adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **Robert Ballantine**, Clerk

Oct. 10th

Session met in the church and was constituted with prayer by **James Chambers**. Members all present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. On motion the following members were admitted in examination and profession of their faith. **Adam B. Bartholomew and his wife, Fannie J. Harry, Henry Launt and Rosie Finkle**. Took a recess until after the communion of the Lord's Supper when session met and adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Thomas Park, Mod. **Robert Ballantine**, Clerk

March 29

Session met at the house of **J. B. Mable** and was constituted with prayer by **James Chambers**. Members all present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as recorded. **Mrs. H. M. Seaman and Mrs. Thomas Park** were at their own request dismissed to unite with the Cong. of Walton. Session took action concerning the death of the Session member, **John Bryce**, which passed, was ordered to be printed in the Christian Instructor and given to the bereaved family and recorded in the Session Book.

Session proceeded to make out the annual report which was as follows: Contributions Foreign Missions \$77; Home Missions, \$57; Freedmen's Missions, \$12; Church Extension \$22; Education \$2; Assembly Fund \$2; Ministerial Relief \$5; General Contributions \$201; Salary \$1000; Congregational expenses \$200. Total contributions \$1578. Average per member \$10.05.

The Church roll was carefully revised. There was an increase of nine on profession of their faith. Five adults baptisms. Six of our loved ones were called to the upper and better Kingdom.

May 20, '91

Our beloved sister **Miss Kate Hutson** fell asleep in Jesus. She suffered four months most intensely, still not a murmur or complaint and the Lord brought her up out of great tribulation to the blessed master (?) multitude on the above date. Funeral text Rev. 7:11.

Mrs. George Howard died May 29. This dear sister had a peaceful death, glad to follow her darling baby who went to the mansion home two weeks before. Funeral text Ps. 23:1.

Ray Mable entered into rest on the morning of July 15. This young disciple so gentle so kind so unmanly so cherished like in all her department, fell asleep after ten months sickness. Her last words to pastor a few moments before the end, "I am not afraid, Jesus is with me". Very large

funeral. Text Mark 5:36.

Mrs. Andrew Scobie was taken from us Dec. 27. This mother in Israel was one of the salt of the earth. An eminent woman of faith & love. Funeral text Ps. 127:2

John Bryce, our Session Elder, finished his way on Dec. 30 and was buried on New Years Day. His beloved wife joined him just in one week. He was ninety years of age. She was ninety two. Sixty years they lived together. (?) a happy life and useful life and triumphant death. His funeral text Rev. 3:5. Hers 11 Sam. 1:23.

These leave only gone before us and we hope to meet them in the Kingdom of Glory.

Six others left our borders and are gone to other parts of the visible church. May the blessing of our covenant Jehovah follow those and keep them faithful. We have 157 actual members in the field. If each were wholly consecrated what a power for the Lord in our neighborhood. One blessing makes us specially thankful and that is peach and brotherly love still prevail among all our people. And while we have our discouragements and our hindrances yet we thank God and take courage. We have many help and many farms. Lord continue thy blessing and peace among us.

Session spent a pleasant time in prayer and conference. Many voices being heard in this part of our annual meeting. Thus pleasantly and may we not hope profitably closed our fourteenth annual meeting as pastor and session and although we are now part, may the cong. continue to grow and flourish and be blessed and be a blessing to the community among whom it is located.

Adjourned with prayer.

Thomas Park, Mod. J. B. Mable, Clerk

This action on the death of John Bryce, Senior, Member of Session, was taken at our annual meeting March 29, 1892 and placed upon the record by order of the Session.

Thomas Park, Mod. J. B. Mable, Clerk

BRYCE -The following action was taken by the session of DeLancey in view of the death of John Bryce, who died in a good old age (90 years), and whose amiable wife followed him to the same mansion home, just one week after at the ripe age of 92. This worthy couple walked together sixty-four years, and were known far and near for their more than common liberality and piety and devotion to the Church. Scores of ministers have found a Bethel under their roof. To their steadfast efforts the DeLancey congregation owes much for its present and past history of usefulness and prosperity. Not a friend or foe of Christ in all the township of Hamden, N.Y., where they lived over sixty years, who did not take knowledge of them that they had learned of Jesus, and were just what they professed to be. The two sons and three daughters left to mourn their loss are all active members of the same congregation, and may well rise up and call the memory of such parents blessed.

The session at its regular annual meeting to review the year's work, took the following action:

WHEREAS, God on Dec. 30, 1891, has taken up to heaven our brother and senior member, John Bryce, who had been a ruling elder in this session during forty-three years, and who was a just man, and one who feared God above many; therefore

RESOLVED

- 1. That we bow in living submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.*
- 2. That we bless the Lord who has not left us comfortless, or made us to sorrow as those who have no hope; for we believe where Jesus is, there is also his servant our brother.*
- 3. That we thank God for sparing his life so many years, and making it so useful to us as a session and to the congregation through his steadfast faith and constant love and unconditional obedience and great benevolence and strong courage and exemplary life in the home and community and church.*
- 4. That the members of this session be admonished to great fidelity and fuller consecration in every good work and work.*
- 5. That we commend his children, who are called to mourn the loss of the best of Christian parents, to the grace, comfort and consolation of their Lord and Savior. We trust that they will not forget that God spared their father and mother to be truly helpmeets to each other sixty-four years, that they were lovely and pleasant in their lives and in their death they were not divided; for we trust that both are now clothed in white raiment, and that Jesus has not blotted their names out of the book of life, but has confessed them before his Father and*

his angels.

6. That we make a minute of this in our sessional record, and publish these resolutions in the CHRISTIAN INSTRUCTOR and present a copy of them to the bereaved family.

By order of Session. James Chambers

Robert Ballantine

George Wight

J. B. Mable

These minutes were approved by Presbytery at the regular meeting in Walton, April 19, 1892.

J. D. Gibson, Mod. L. E. Hawk, Clerk

May 28, 1892

Session met in session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator **Rev. R. T. Doig**. Members present, **Ballantine, Chamber & Wight**. Minutes of last meeting were not present. No other business. On motion we take a recess to meet at call of the moderator. Session met Sabbath morning. **Jas. Fyffe** who by mutual consent had been temporarily suspended was unanimously restored to church privileges. After communion services session adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

R. T. Doig, Mod. J. B. Mable, Clerk

Oct. 8, 1892

Session met in session rooms and was constituted with prayer by the moderator, **Rev. A. M. Smealin**. Members present **Ballantine, Chambers, Wight & Mable**. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. After examination and profession of his faith, **Alexander McDougall** was received into the full membership of the church. **Mrs. Jane Tuttle** was received into this church on certificate from the Delaware U. P. Cong. The following persons were dismissed by certificate: **Mrs. Horace Seamon, Mrs. Ida Miller, Mrs. John Chalmers, Mary Chalmers, Mr. & Mrs. Wilson Raitt and Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Foote**. After communion services session adjourned with prayer by **Elder Chambers**.

A. M. Smealin, Mod. J. B. Mable, Clerk

April 4th, 1893

Session held its annual meeting at the home of **Jas. Chambers** and was constituted with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**. Members all present.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. During the year two were received into the full membership of the church. One by profession and one by certificate. One has died during they year and three have removed.

The report for the year was made out and forwarded to the Clerk of Presbytery. The church roll was revised, after which session adjourned with prayer by **Jas. Chambers.**

J. B. Mable, Clerk of Session

May 20th, 1893

Session met in session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator **Rev. C. W. Tarr.** Members all present. **Geo. Wight** was appointed delegate to presbytery and **Robt. Ballantine** his alternate.

Charles Bagley, Maude Bagley and Maggie Loos were on profession of their faith, received into full membership. Session took a recess at the call of the moderator. Met Sabbath morning. **Jane Young & Fannie Hutson** were received into full membership. Another recess was taken till after communion when session adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

C. W. Tarr, Moderator **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Nov. 18th, 1893

Session met in session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present, **Wight, Ballantine & Mable.**

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. After examination and profession of their faith, **Mrs. Selinda Bush, Clarence Bush, Anson Combes, Edith Combes, Clifford Pettis, Herbert Pettis, Frank Pettis, John Beers, Jessie Bagley, Lizzie Granlees, Robt. Nichol & Margaret Nichol** were received by certificate from the Presbyterian Church Hamden & the 2nd U. P. Church, Kenia O., respectively.

Session took a recess till after communion and was adjourned with prayer by **Geo. Wight.**

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Dec. 10th, 1893

Session met in the church at the call of the moderator. Members present **Ballantine, Wight & Mable.** **J. B. Mable** was appointed delegate to presbytery at Kortright Center Dec. 19th. **Geo. Wight** was appointed alternate.

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Dec. 22nd, 1893

Session met in the pastors study at the call of the moderator. Members present **Ballantine, Wight & Mable**. Opened with prayer by the Mod. Resolutions of regret & sympathy were passed regarding the death of our beloved brother **Elder James Chambers**. Resolutions to be published in the United Presbyterian & Christian Instructor & one copy to be sent to his bereaved family. Resolved to elect 3 new elders & that the election be held the 2nd Thursday in January 1894.

Adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. **J. A. Mable**, Clerk

CHAMBERS- Dec. 10, 1893, at his home near Hamden, N.Y., Mrs. James Chambers, "fell asleep."

In his death the church has lost one of those good, staunch Scotch United Presbyterians. He was born in Scotland in 1820, and at an early age came to this country and settled in Delaware County, N.Y.

He dearly loved the Church of his choice and has been for many years an active and faithful member. For the past eleven years he has served the Church and his Master as an ruling elder in the Delancey United Presbyterian congregation. During his last sickness he exhibited wonderful patience, and to those who were privileged to know his personal religious experiences in the last days of his life, his testimony to the sustaining grace of Jesus, will ever be a helpful memory.

The following paper was adopted by the session of DeLancey congregation:

WHEREAS, Since our last meeting, it has pleased our Heavenly Father to call from us one of our oldest members, Mr. James Chambers, Sr., who departed this life Sabbath, Dec. 10, 1893;

RESOLVED,

- 1. That we bow submissively to him who doeth all things well, and recognize in our brother's death a call to greater earnestness in the Master's cause.*
- 2. That while we miss his presence, we cherish his memory. Every faithful to his duties as a member of this session, ever attentive to all matters pertaining to the kingdom and the Church of his choice, he was one who will long be missed in our congregation and the Church.*
- 3. That we tender to the wife, the sons, and daughters our heartfelt sympathy, and commend them to the Savior whom he loved.*
- 4. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased; a copy be place on the minutes of session, and a copy be published in the church papers.*

J.A.M.

Feb. 10th, 1894

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Members present **Ballantine, Wight & Mable. Robt. Chambers, George W. Salton & Jas. Kent**, having signified their intention to accept the office of ruling elder "to which they were duly elected" were examined and approved. After examination and profession of their faith, **George Hotchkiss, Wm. Hotchkiss, Katherine Hotchkiss, Mable Russell, Lillian J. McNaught, Marshall D. McNaught, Robt. B. Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Malcolm J. McGregor & Anna L. McGregor** were received into full membership of the church. **Geo. W. Griffin** was received by certificate from the U. P. Church of Meridale. In the case of **Frank L. Stewart**, suspension was removed & he was restored to full church privileges. After communion of the Lord's Supper, session adjourned with prayer by **Geo. Wight**.

J. W. McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Feb. 28

The preliminaries to the ordination of Elders having been carried out as prescribed by the book of Government, **Robt. Chambers, Geo. W. Salton & James Kent** were duly ordained and installed ruling elders. Session adj. with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

J. A McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Mar. 20, 1894

Session held its annual meeting at the house of **Geo, Wight** and was constituted with prayer by **Robt. Chambers**. Members present - **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers, Salton & Kent**. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. During the past year, thirty-three persons united with the church. Twenty seven were by profession & six by certificate. The annual report was made out and forwarded to presbytery.

It was moved and carried that the envelope system for raising money for Missions be adapted. The pastor was elected treasurer of session. **Robt. Chambers** was appointed to assist the treasurer in making arrangements for carrying out the above plan. **Robt. Chambers** was elected delegate to presbytery at Oneonta. Closed with short devotional exercises.

John A. McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Approval

Approved to this date by the U. P. Presbytery of Delaware.

Oneonta, N.Y. March 21, 1894 **John A. McConnelee**, S.C.

Aug. 12, 1894

Session met in the session room & was constituted with prayer by **Robt. Chambers**. Members present - **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers, Salton & Kent. John G. Hamilton, Mrs. John G. Hamilton, & Helen McEwan** were received on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of West Delhi.

Mrs. Mary Chalmers & John G. Chalmers were received on certificate from the Presbyterian Church, Downsville. **Cassie Redmond & Mrs. Mary Harder** were received on profession of their faith & **John B. Chalmers** was received on a renewal of his profession. After communion services Session adjourned with prayer by **Geo. Wight**.

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Sept. 2, /94

Session met in the church at the call of the mod. Members all present. **Geo. W. Salton** was appointed delegate to Presbytery at Delaware, Sept. 3.

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Sept. 16/94

Session met in the church at the call of the mod. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable & Chambers**.

Resolutions of respect in the death of **Geo. Adams**, the session member of our session were adopted & ordered published in the Christian Instructor. The fall communion was appointed to be held the last Sabbath in October.

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Nov. 3rd, 1894

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by **Geo. Wight**. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers, Salton & Kent**.

On profession of their faith, **John Terry, Anna Bostwick & Marcia Bostwick** were received into full membership of the church. **Libbie Hamilton** was received on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of West Delhi.

Resolved that the session meet every two months for conference and prayer. After the dispensation of the Lord's Supper, session adjourned with prayer by **James Kent**.

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. J. B. Mable, Clerk

Feb. 2nd, 1895

Session met in the session rooms and constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers, Salton & Kent.**

Mrs. John A. Ballantine was received on certificate from the 1st Baptist Church of Walton, N.Y. & **Mrs. Martha E. Chambers** was received on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of Cabin Hill.

On profession of their faith, **Nelson B. Simmons, Florence Oliver & Jessie Chalmers** were received into full membership.

After the dispensation of the Lord's Supper, session adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Chambers.**

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. J. B. Mable, Clerk

April 2, 1895

Session held its annual meeting in the session room and was constituted by reading a portion of scripture and prayer by the moderator.

Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Kent & Chambers.**

Messrs. Wight & Kent were appointed auditing committee. They reported the books correct. Report accepted.

Resolved that special collections be taken up in June & October for janitor.

Resolved that the Assembly fund be paid out of the money raised by the envelope system.

James Kent was appointed delegate to presbytery to be held in Bovina.

During the year seventeen persons have united with this church. Eight by certificate & nine by profession. There has been four deaths and thirteen removals during the year.

Session adjourned with prayer by **Geo. Wight.**

J. A. McConnelee, Mod J. B. Mable, Clerk

June 1st, 1895

Session met in the session rooms and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers,**

Kent & Salton.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. **John Beckwith, Anna Beckwith & Jennie Beckwith** were received on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of Cabin Hill.

After the dispensation of the Lord's Supper, session adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Aug. 20, 1895

Session met in the session room at the call of the moderator & was constituted with prayer by te mod. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers, Kent & Salton**.

A petition from the Young Peoples Society asking permission to use an organ in their services was denied by a vote of 4 to 2.

Resolved that **Geo. Wight** prepare a paper giving reasons to the C. E. Society why their petition was not granted.

Mr. Ballantine was appointed delegate to Presbytery at Burlington. **Mr. Wight** to be his alternate.

Adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Chambers**.

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Aug. 30th, 1895

Session met in the church at the call of the mod. & was by him opened with prayer.

Robt. Ballantine was appointed delegate to attend a special meeting of Presbytery to be held in the church at DeLancey on Wednesday, Sept. 3d.

As the pulpit was about to become vacant, **Geo. Wight** was elected correspondent for the session.

The session elected **Robt. Chambers** treasurer, vice **J. A. McConnelee** 'resigned'. Session closed with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

J. A. McConnelee, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Oct. 19, 1895

Session met in the session rooms & was constituted with prayer by the mod. pro tem. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Cham-**

bers, Kent & Salton. As no business came before the session a recess was taken till after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper on the following Sabbath & was adjourned with prayer by **Geo. W. Salton.**

N.L. Heidger, Mod. pro tem John B. Mable, Clerk

Oct. 20, 1895

Our beloved missionaries **H. J. Kyle & wife, John W. Ballantine & wife** were with us today. **Rev. Kyle** preached the sermon & **Ballantine** gave an address after the tables were served and preached at the opening service. This was the last Sabbath they spent in their native land. The following Saturday they sailed for India followed by the prayers & best wishes of our congregation.

John B. Mable, Clerk

Jan. 11, 1896

Session met in the session room & was constituted with prayer by **J. B. Mable.** Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers, Kent & Salton.** The following persons were received into the full membership of the church on profession of their faith. **Jeanette Eadie, Furchi (?) Keene, Stella Keene, Thomas Middlemast, Henry Holmes, John Roda & Mrs. Roda.** By certificate **Mrs. N. L. Heidger** from the Fifth U. P. Church, Philadelphia. **Thomas & Mrs. Thomas Scott** from the U. P. Church, Walton, **Wm. M. & Mrs. Wm. M. Lee** from the U. P. Church of Bovina.

Session took a recess till after the dispensation of the Lord's Supper & was then adjourned with prayer by **Geo. W. Salton.**

N.L. Heidger, Mod. J. B. Mable, Clerk

Feb. 28, 1896

Session met in the parsonage at the call of the mod. Members present **Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent.** Opened with singing & prayer by the moderator.

Report on Junior Society was read & approved. Resolved that **Mr. Heidger** act as our representative in that society.

Resolved that the pastor be furnished with a book to keep the minutes of the day to be paid for out of the general fund.

Resolved that the books belonging to the S. S. Library be called in.

Resolved that **Mr. Heidger** be granted a vacation of two Sab. in April.

The following named persons elected to constituted the chair, **Jas. Kent, Will Lee, Florence Oliver, Lillian J. McNaught, Mrs. C. S.**

Hymers, Jennie Beckwith, D. M. & Mrs. D. McMurray, Jas & Mrs. Jas. Chambers, Wm. & Mrs. Wm. Hutson, Mrs. Robt. Chambers and that **James Kent & Wm. Hutson** be the leaders.

Adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Chambers**.

N. L. Heidger, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Mar. 27, 1896

The annual meeting of Sessions was held at the parsonage & was opened with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers, Kent & Salton**. Minutes of last meeting were read & approved.

Anna & Alex McDougall were at their own request granted certificates of dismissal. The roll was revised. We report 181 members, 5 were put on the side roll & 7 were removed in death.

Geo. W. Salton was appointed delegate to Presbytery at Cabin Hill. **James Kent** to be his alternate.

Communion to be observed here the latter part of May. Session recommended **Jas. Kent & Robt. Chambers** for S. S. Superintendent & **David Ballantine & Charles L. Bagley** for assistants. **J.B. Mable** was elected Secretary & **Geo. Wight** was elected treasurer.

Session adjourned with prayer by **Geo. W. Salton**.

N. L. Heidger, Mod. **J. B. Mable**, Clerk

Approved by Presbytery at Cabin Hill April 14, 1896 **J. P. Pollock**, S.C.

June 1897

Session met in the session and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present.

On profession of their faith the following persons were received with full membership: **James O. Fyffe, Bell Fyffe, Mary E. Fyffe, Seth O. Conklin, Jessie Wannemacher, Mrs. Hattie A. McKee, Josie Bostwick, John M. Bostwick, Mrs. Annis Bostwick, Geo. R. Terry, John R. Bryce, Lilly M. Maxwell, Frances Henderson, Mrs. David Ballantine, John McKee**.

After communion and Sabbath session was adjourned with prayer by the mod.

N. L. Heidger, Mod. **Jno. B. Mable**, Clerk

Sept. 1897

Session met in session rooms and was constituted with prayer by the mod. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers & Salton.**

Robt. C. Carman & Mrs. Robt. C. Carman were received on certificate from the M. E. Church of Walton and the following were received on profession of their – **Andrew Scobie, David Clark, Florence B. Roda, Lula K. McPhail, Jennie Scobie, Jessie Clark, Nettie McKee, Mable V. McKee, Alfred M. Owen & Mrs. Mary B. Owen.**

Session adjourned with prayer by the Mod.

N. L. Heidger, Jno. B. Mable, Clerk

Jan.15, 1897 (?)

Session met at the parsonage and was constituted with prayer by the moderator.

It was resolved that the collection for missions at this time be divided between the Freedmens Mission Church extension & the Minor boards.

Resolved that **Robt. Chambers** procure the bread for communion.

Session extended a vote of thanks to **Mrs. Mable** for furnishing the bread for several years past.

The roll was revised & nine members put on the side roll.

Tracy M. Blanchard & Mrs. Ellen Blanchard were received as members on certificate from the Baptist Church of Oneonta & **Clara G. Blanchard and Mrs. Annie Gniter (?)** were received on profession of their faith.

Session took a recess till after communion on Sabbath where it was adjourned with prayer by **Geo. W. Salton.**

N. L. Heidger, Mod. J. B. Mable, Clerk

Apr. 3, 1897

Session met at the parsonage and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers and Salton.**

Report of previous meeting read and approved.

Resolved that the Superintendent of the Sabbath School shall be elected annually and shall be eligible for but two consecutive terms.

Resolved that those members who do not contribute for the support of the gospel for one year shall be visited by the trustee in their respective district and the reason for their not contributing must be given to the session for their consideration

Resolved that delegates to Presbytery be chosen in alphabetical order and the delegate elected shall hold over till the next regular meeting.

N.L. Heidger, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

May 28, 1897

Session met in the church & was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present.

Eugene Keene & Mary E. Kent were received into the church on profession of their faith.

After closing with prayer by **Jas. Kent**, session took a recess till Sat. at 2:30 p.m.

G.W. Salton opened with prayer.

Robt. Rhynel was received on certificate from the church of Scotland and **Robt. P. Salton & Mrs. Anna Salton** from the Delaware U. P. Cong.

Closed with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine** & took a recess till Sabbath morning.

After communion session adjourned with prayer by

N.L. Heidger, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Oct. 16, 1897

Session met in the church & was constituted with prayer by the Mod. Members present, **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers & Salton.**

Mrs. William Nichol was granted a certificate of dismissal. **Mr. & Mrs. Henry Pettis & son, Frank** were granted certificates of dismissal in good standing up to the time they left the bounds of this Cong.

Ordered that \$2.00 be paid to **Mr. Oliver** for caring for horses during a previous meeting of Presbytery.

The session recommended that families select seats to be used as their family pews.

After communion session adjourned with prayer by **Geo. Wight.**

N. L. Heidger, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Feb. 11, 1898

Session met in the session rooms & was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members all present.

Mrs. John Adams was rec'd on certificate from the 2nd Pres. Church of Delhi. **John Adams & Mrs. Isaac Finch** were rec'd on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of Cabin Hill & **Mr. Mrs. David A. Oliver** were received on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of Bovina.

Recess taken till the 12th when session was opened with prayer by **Geo. Wight**. **Alexander Scobie** was received on profession of his faith.

Motion made & carried that the resolution adopted at a previous meeting recommending that families select seats be rescinded.

N. L. Heidger, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Mar. 25, 1898

Session met at the parsonage & was constituted with praises. Service reading of Scriptures & prayer by **Geo. Wight**. Member present **Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent**.

On motion resolved that hereafter the report to the general assembly shall not include members who have been absent two years.

On motion the names of **Mr. & Mrs. J. H. McCrackey** be dropped from the rolls & that the clerk be instructed to so inform them.

The following nominations for officers for the Sabbath school was made:

John Chambers, S.S.

James Fyffe, Assistant S.S.

Anna Beckwith, Secretary

Florence Oliver, Treasurer

Christina Ballantine, Librarian

Adjourned with prayer by **Geo. W. Salton**.

N. L. Heidger, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

May 27, 1898

Session met in the session rooms and was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent**.

Allan Anderson was received as a member by a certificate from the U. P. Cong. Walton.

Session took a recess till Saturday. Having no further business session adjourned till after communion on Sabbath & then adjourned with prayer by **Geo. Wight**.

N. L. Heidger, Mod. **Jno. B. Mable**, Clerk

Examined & approved by Pres. at its meeting in No. Kortright, Sept. 20, 1898.

J. B. Pollock, S.C.

Oct. 21, 1898

Session met in the session room & was constituted with prayer by the Mod. Minutes read & approved. Members present, **Ballantine, Wight, Mable & Chambers**.

Mrs. Fleming was received on certificate from the Dutch Reformed Church of Brookdale, N. J.

Peter Fleming was received on profession of his faith.

Mrs. Emily Culver was received on certificate from the Congregational Church of Sidney, N.Y.

Session took a recess till after services on Saturday when **Geo. H. Currie, Lee J. Wannemacher & Russell A. Salton** were received on profession of their faith.

James Kent was instructed to see **Frank L. Stewart**.

Sabbath morning **Mary McNaught** was received into the church on profession of her faith.

After receiving the communion session adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Chambers**.

N. L. Heidger, Mod. **Jno. B. Mable**, Clerk

Feb. 17, 1899

Session met in the session rooms & was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present

Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent.

Minutes of last meeting was read and approved. Session took a recess till Sat. at 12:30 p.m.

The following persons were admitted & received as members of the church: **Mrs. Allan Andersen, Fremont Oliver, Pearl Oliver, Howard Salton, Edith Salton & Edmund Conklin.**

Geo. Wight was nominated as delegate to the General Assembly with **John B. Mable** as alternate.

Geo. Wight was also appointed as delegate to represent this Cong. at the next meeting of Presbytery & **James Kent** alternate.

The clerk was directed to call a Congregation meeting at least two weeks previous to the meeting of the Presbytery.

N.L. Heidger, Mod. John B. Mable, Clerk

Mar. 27, 1899

Session met at the parsonage & was constituted with prayer by the Mod. Members present **Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent.**

Minutes of last meeting read & approved. **Robt. Chambers & Jas. Kent** were appointed a committee to audit accounts of treasurer. Com. reported vouchers correct.

Rev. N. L. Heidger resigned as treasurer of session & **Jas. Kent** was elected to fill the vacancy.

John B. Mable was elected correspondent of session.

The following named officers for the Sabbath School was approved by session:

Superintendent **John Chambers**

Assistant “ **James O. Fyffe**

Treasurer **Florence Oliver**

Secretary **Marcia Bostwick**

Voted that we have the same amount & kind of literature as previous year & that presents both for larger & smaller scholars will be provided the same as last year. The names of **Jas. O. Fyffe, Pearl Oliver & Mary E. Kent** were added to the choir. The persons dismissed during the year were **Thomas Ballantine, Robt. W. Ballantine, Alfred M. Owens & Wife, Mrs. Sarah Russell & Mable Russell.**

Adjourned with prayer by **Chambers & Kent.**

N.L. Heidger, Mod. John B. Mable, Clerk

June 24, 1899

Session met in the session room & was constituted with prayer by **Rev. Geo. W. Robinson**, moderator. Members present **Wight, Chambers & Kent**.

Chambers was elected clerk pro tem. An invitation was extended to **Mrs. Dickey** of Buffalo to commune with us the Sabbath following. **Chambers** was delegated to present the invitation.

Recess taken till Sabbath morning. After receiving the communion session adjourned with prayer by the moderator.

Signed **Geo. W. Robinson**, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Sept. 30, 1899

Session met in the session room and was constituted with prayer by the moderator, **Rev. E. M. Milligan**. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable & Chambers**. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Jane Knowles was received on certificate from the United Presbyterian Congregation of Walton. A special invitation to commune was extended to **J. K. Hood, Thomas Logan & Mr. & Mrs. John Logan & George Wight** was delegated to extend the invitation.

A recess was taken till after communion on Sabbath when the session was adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.

E. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Jan. 27, 1900

Session met in the session room & was constituted with prayer by the Moderator, **Rev. E. M. Milligan**. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers, Salton & Kent**. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from **Rev. Gurden (?)** of Cabin Hill in regard to the Assembly funds & Rock Rift Mission was laid on the table till we received further information concerning the matter.

A recess was taken till after communion on Sabbath when session was adjourned with prayer by **Geo. Wight**.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Mar. 28, 1900

Session met in the session rooms & was constituted with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**. **Mr. Ballantine** was elected moderator pro tem. Mem-

bers all present. The roll was revised & officers elected. **Jas. Kent** was elected treasurer, **John B. Mable** elected Clerk, **Robt. Chambers** was appointed commissioner to represent Cong. at the next meeting of Presbytery at Walton, Apr. 10th, **Robt. Ballantine** his alternate, **John B. Mable** appointed delegate from session & **Geo. W. Salton** alternate. Adjourned.

Robt. Ballantine, Mod. Pro Tem **John B. Mable**, Clerk

June 16, 1900

Session met in the session rooms & was constituted with prayer by the mod. **Rev. John G. King**. Members all present. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mrs. Elizabeth Biggar was received on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of Delaware.

A recess was taken till after communion on Sabbath & was then adjourned with prayer by

Signed **John G. King**, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Sept. 25, 1900

Session met at the home of **Geo. Wight** & opened with reading a scripture lesson by the Mod. & prayer by **Robt. Chambers**. Minutes of last meeting read & approved. **Geo. W. Salton** was appointed delegate to Synod at Philadelphia Communion was appointed for 2nd Sab. in Nov. Treasurer was instructed to pay the deficiency due the Rock Rift Cong. out of the home mission collection. Adjourned with prayer by **Jas. Kent**, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Nov. 10, 1900

Session met in session rooms & was constituted with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine** & reading a scripture by the mod. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers, Kent & Salton**. **Misses Margaret & Mary Agnes Sutherland** were received into full membership on certificate from the U. P. Cong. of Cabin Hill. **Ida Bell Figgart** was received on profession of her faith. Session took a recess till Sabbath morning when **Mr. & Mrs. John Logan & Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Logan** were received on certificate.

After dispensing communion session was adjourned with prayer by the mod.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Jan. 13, 1901

Session met at the call of the mod. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent**. On motion Treasurer was directed to pay the amount due Synod for the year 1900. On motion it was resolved not to have a winter communion & take up a collection for missions

sometime during the winter. On motion session directed that a collection be lifted on the 2nd Sab. in Feb. for the Delaware County Bible Society. Adjourned.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Apr. 1, 1901

Session met at the home of **Geo. Wight** & was constituted with prayer by **Jas. Kent**. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent**. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

The roll of membership was revised & there is now on the roll 184 active members.

The annual report of Congregational Statistics was made out.

The following nominations for officers of Sabbath School was made:

Supt. John Bostwick

Assistant Supt. Christina Ballantine

Sec. Mary Kent

Treas. Lillian J. McNaught

Jas. Kent was elected treas. of session & **John B. Mable** clerk of same. **Robt. Chambers** was chosen to represent session at the next meeting of Presbytery to be held at Andes, Apr. 9th & **James Kent** to be his alternate.

Session took action in regard to the overture that comes before the next gen. assembly. For repeal, **Milligan, Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent. 5** Against repeal, **Ballantine 1.**

Session adjourned with prayer by **John B. Mable**.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

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June 22, 1901

Session met in the session room & was constituted with prayer by **George Wight**. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent**. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

On examination & profession of their faith, **Mrs. John Conklin & Samuel Conklin** were received into full membership of the church & by certificate **John Holmes** from the U. P. Cong. of Majors, Nebraska; **Mrs. Anson Combes** from the Congregational Church of Roscoe, N.Y. & **Mrs. Robt. Granlees** from the Baptist Church of Delhi, N.Y.

After the dispensation of the Lord's Supper session was adjourned with prayer by the mod.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Sept. 22, 1901

Session met at the call of the mod. & was constituted with prayer by **Robt. Chambers**. On motion session granted the pastor leave of absence for the month of October. On motion **John B. Mable** was chosen delegate to meeting of Presbytery at Burlington, N.Y. **Robt. Ballantine** alternate.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Nov. 9, 1901

Session met in the session rooms & was constituted with prayer by the Mod. **Dr. J. S. T. Milligan**. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent**. There being no business to be transacted a recess was taken till after communion on Sabbath when session was adjourned with prayer by the Mod.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

April 2nd, 1902

Session met at the home of **Robt. Chambers** & was constituted with prayer by **Geo. Wight**. Members present **Ballantine, Wight, Chambers, Mable & Kent**. Minutes of last meeting recd & approved. The roll was revised.

The following nominations for officers of Sabbath School was made:

Supt. John Bostwick

Assistant Christina Ballantine

Sec. Mary Kent

Trea. Lillian J. McNaught

Geo. Wight was appointed delegate to Presbytery at Bovina. **Jas. Kent** was elected treas. of sessions & **John B. Mable** elected clerk. Session adjourned with prayer by **Robt. Ballantine**.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

June 7, 1902

Session met in the session room & was constituted with prayer by **Jas. Kent**. Members present **Wight, Kent & Chambers**. **Robt. Chambers** was elected clerk pro tem.

Mrs. Wineta (?) A. Roda was received on certificate from the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of near Kenia, Ill. **Mr. Mrs. Wm. Hymers** were received on certificate from the West Delhi U. P. Cong. & **Mrs. Theodore Brant** was received on re-profession.

After communion on Sabbath, session adjourned with prayer by the Mod.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Oct. 11, 1902

Session met in the session room & was constituted with prayer by the moderator. Members present **Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent**. Minutes of last meeting read & approved. On profession of their faith the following named persons were received into the membership of the church:

Wm. Henry Kent & Misses Fannie Brant & Mattie Oliver. It was voted to give the Oneonta Congregation \$25.00 to be taken out of the collection on Sabbath.

On invitation to commune with us on the morrow was extended to **Miss Anna Gregg & Miss Jzcusmuth (?) Agnew** of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Session adjourned to meet Sabbath morning. Session voted to give the pastor a vacation of four Sabbaths in the near future. On motion it was unanimous vote that the board of trustees be notified to see that the janitor takes proper care of the church. **Robt. Chambers** to notify the trustees. Session took a recess till after communion when it was adjourned with prayer by **Rev. Marvin Thompson** of Gilchrist Memorial Congregation.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk

Apr. 7, 1903

Session met at the home of **John B. Mable** & was constituted with prayer by **Robt. Chambers**. Members present **Wight, Mable, Chambers & Kent**. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

The roll was revised & we have now 180 active members. There were three deaths & four removals during the year.

John Bostwick was appointed S. S. Superintendent. **Christina Ballantine** Assistant Supt., **Mary Kent**, Secretary & **Lillian J. McNaught**, Treasurer. **James Kent** was elected Treas. of session & **John B. Mable** Clerk; **James Kent** was appointed as delegate to Presbytery to be held in DeLancey Apr. 14th & **Geo. Wight**, alternate.

Session adjourned with prayer by the Mod.

A. M. Milligan, Mod. **John B. Mable**, Clerk.

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