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MINUTES

OF THE

Long-Run Association,

*Heid at Long-Run Meeting House, Jefferson County,
September 10th and 17th, 1803.*

THE Introductory Service was performed by brother John Taylor, from the 5th verse of the 2nd chapter of Psalms—Therefore are beloved brethren, we are glad to see you, and to see you in the work of the Lord, for as soon as we know, that your journey is not in vain in the Lord.

Brother James Dupuy chosen Moderator, and brother William Ford, Clerk.

Letters from the following Churches were read, and the Messengers names mentioned.

Agreed that brethren John Taylor, William Keller, John Penny, together with the Moderator and Clerk, be a Committee to arrange the business for the Association.

| Churches | Messengers | Received by | Received by | Received by | Received by | Received by | Received by |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| BEARGRASS, | { Geo Hiker, Joseph Keiser, Lemuel Baldwin, | 1 | | | | | |
| BRASHMAN'S CREEK, | { Jas. M Quade, Cary Wells, David Standford, Daniel Colgan, | 1 | | | | | |
| CRIMMITH'S RUN, FOX RUN, | { John Muddle, Robert Tyler, William Ford, Benjamin Yare, | 1 | | | | | |
| BUCK and FLY CREEK, | { Reuben Smith, George Carr, Wm. Kester, Jos. Stone, John Spitzer, | 1 | | | | | |
| BUCK CREEK, | { James Smith, Saml. Taylor, John Taylor, William Keller, John Penny, John Keckler, | 1 | | | | | |
| HARRON'S CREEK, | { William Keller, John Penny, John Keckler, John Neuhart, Jan. Mendenhall, Isham Bridges, | 1 | | | | | |
| LONG-RUN, | { Benjamin Erlinger, | 1 | | | | | |
| SALT RIVER, | { John Penny, Edmund Waller, Martin Ueberback, | 1 | | | | | |
| RIDGE, | { Isaac Edwards, Stephen Shipman, | 1 | | | | | |
| TICK CREEK, | { Philip Webber, Jas. Dupuy, John Barth, | 1 | | | | | |
| SILVER CREEK, | { Geo. Newland, Elisha Carr, Jas. M-Coy, | 1 | | | | | |
| PLUCK and BUCK CREEK, | { Isaac Ellis, John Taylor, Daniel Applegate, Isaac M-Coy, Uriah Glover, Isaac Whittaker, | 1 | | | | | |
| SIX MILE, | { Jas. Edwards, Wm. Tool, Abram Cook, Jos. Lewis, John Metcalf, | 1 | | | | | |
| EIGHTEEN MILE, | { John Coons, Littleton Robertson, William Dawkins, John Dupuy, | 1 | | | | | |
| CORN CREEK, | { John Taylor, David Owen, Drakeford Gray, | 1 | | | | | |
| ROCK LICK, | { Robert Lowden, Ralph Cotton, William Jones, | 1 | | | | | |
| BUCK'S BRANCH, | { William Torr, | 1 | | | | | |
| FLOTT'S FORK, | { Danl. Stark, Jonathan Stark, Geo. James, Jos. Stark, Abraham Stark, | 1 | | | | | |
| CANE and BACK RUN, | { James Anderson, Jesse Jones, Jesse Drake, George Markwell, | 1 | | | | | |
| LITTLE MOUNT, | { Stephen Ashby, Jonathan Ruble, Daniel Wise, Nelson Newland, | 1 | | | | | |
| SULPHUR FORK, | { Samuel Nelson, Joel Jackson, | 1 | | | | | |
| SOUTH LONG-RUN, | { Hinson Hubbs, John Matthews, David White, | 1 | | | | | |
| LICK BRANCH, | { Hadley Head, George Buchannon, John Burton, | 1 | | | | | |
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Ministering Brethren present, (not including) were invited to a seat.

Agreed unanimously, that this association be constituted, on the Philadelphia Baptist confession of Faith, excepting some things contained in the third and fifth articles. It construed so as to make God the author of sin. Also, in the thirty first article, respecting laying hands on newly Baptized persons: that the using or performing that ceremony, be no bar to fellowship.—And that an oath before a Magistrate be not considered a part of religious worship, as contained in the twenty fourth article of the same.

Agreed that we conform to the rules of Decorum, adopted by the Salem association, until it may be convenient to form rules of our own.

The church at Port-william (heretofore connected with the Elkhorn association) petitioned by Lester for a seat with us, and was accordingly received.

Brethren Reuben Smith, and Isaac [redacted] were appointed to prepare a Circular Letter, and bring it forward to-morrow.

And then adjourned 'till to-morrow.

Met according to adjournment—The Long-run Church came forward with their Letter, and some distresses appearing among the members, in so much, that they were divided into a majority, and a large minority: Whereupon a Committee was appointed, to enquire into the nature of those distresses; who report they consider the minority to be Long-run Church; with which report the association concurred.

A complaint was laid in against Fox-run Church, by William Marshall, stating that the Arisep System of Faith were prevalent among them. The association therefore appoint, Brethren Philip Webber, James Dupuy, Moses Scott, Samuel Winslev, David Standiford, John Taylor, John Penny, George Waller, Isaac Ellis, William Kellar, Thomas White and Reuben Smith, or a majority of them, a Committee to enquire into that business, at Fox-run meeting house, on the fifth Saturday in October; and make report of their proceedings therein, at our next annual meeting.

Agreed, that we annually correspond with the Elkhorn and Salem associations; and that Brethren John Taylor, and William Kellar be our messengers to that of Elkhorn, and also that they write the corresponding letter.—Brethren John Penny, and George Waller, to attend the Salem, and to write the letter of correspondence to the same.

Brethren James Dupuy, William Ford, Isaac Ellis, are appointed a Committee, to form rules of Decorum.

Agreed, to appoint quarterly meetings: the first at Sulphur Fork, the third Saturday in November, to be attended by Brethren John Taylor, and John Penny; the second at Burks branch, the third Saturday in April, to be attended by Brethren Moses Scott, James M'Quade, and George Waller; the third at Silver Creek, the third Saturday in July, to be attended by Brethren, Reuben Smith, George Waller, and John Dupuy.

The circular letter was brought forward and approved.

A Baptist Church on East Floyd's petitioned for admission into this association, who were cordially received and took their seat.

Brother William Ford to write the circular letter for the ensuing year, and Brother James Dupuy to assist him.

The churches of our union, are advised, not to send more than two or three messengers, to represent them in future.

Made Collection for printing the minutes, and Brethren William and Joseph Kellar, to superintend the business, and distribute them when printed.

Agreed, that our next annual meeting, be held at Six Mile meeting house, the first Saturday in September.

Brother William Kellar to preach the introductory Sermon, and in case of failure, Brother Reuben Smith.

WILLIAM FORD, *Clerk.*

JAMES DUPUY, *Moderator.*

CIRCULAR LETTER.

To the Churches with whom we are in Union.

DEAR BRETHREN,

Through the goodness of God, we have been favored, with meeting together agreeably to our appointment,—and in token of our love to you, we now call your attention to that endearing term, *Peace*, peace in a nation, neighborhood or family, constitute them happy; but more especially in a Church or community of Christians.—Then in order to obtain that desirable object, we should be engaged in a strict search of the Scriptures, in order to find what is our duty to God, and each other, with an humble dependence on God for his aid; but when we neglect our duty, it has a tendency to break peace, as the Apostle James saith, “whence come wars and fightings among you,”—is it not because you have not paid attention to the exhortation of the Apostle, where he saith, “let not sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in the lust thereof,”—be of one mind, live in peace, and the God of love and peace shall be with you.

WILLIAM FORD, *Clerk.*

JAMES DUPUY, *Moderator.*