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NO 1.

FOOT-WASHING SERVICE

At Pleasant Hill Church Sunday; Significance of the Ceremony.

The annual foot-washing services were held at Pleasant Hill Primitive Baptist church last Sunday, and as is usual on these occasions, a large congregation was in attendance. The house was crowded to its utmost capacity and many were unable to get inside of the building.



ELD. W. F. PARIS.

Rev. James R. Clark, the pastor preached, taking his text from Hebrews 1:8: "A Sceptre of Righteousness is the Sceptre of thy king dom." He drew a beautiful parallel between Queen Esther as a mediator for the Jewish people when they rested under the king's edict that meant death and Christ as a mediator for the world when it rested under the condemnation for sin. At the close of his sermon he explained the symbol of foot-washing as practiced by his people. He said that it was not an ordinance of the church like the sacrament, but that it was a symbol of christian humility, and christian activity; it was the symbol of the life of Christ; his was a life of humility and devotion, active devotion to those with whom he came in contact. He said to his disciples: "If I your Lord and Master have washed your feet, ye ought also to wash one another's feet." These were the words of the Master to his people, and this service was symbolical of the feeling, the regard, the love of one Christian for another. It expressed the Christ-like disposition of the followers of the Master to abase themselves in the service of their brethren. Christians owed it to each other to arrange their affairs so as to be able to serve each other in the spirit that we exemplify in the observance of this custom. Love, the greatest force in the world, moves to this kind of service and devotion to each other. The Master said we ought to do it, it teaches the lesson of humility and devotion, and for these reasons we practice it in the church.

After the discourse, arrangements were made for the service. Two seats facing each other were occupied by the women on one side of the pulpit, and the seats on the other side were occupied by the men. Water was brought and poured into a bowl and basins, and the pastor, removing his coat and tying a towel around his loins, explaining as he proceeded that this represented the manner of Christ when he washed the feet of the

disciples, proceeded to wash the feet of a brother. When he had finished, others took the basins and began washing the feet of each other. Snow white towels were plentifully supplied, and used, and as the ceremony proceeded, the old songs, so familiar to church people before the day of the church organ, were sung, and presently there was hand-shaking, and radiant faces, soon there was shouting, exhortations and expressions of joy, and it was a happy, earnest, devout people that met around the altar that day in the observance of a custom that is unknown in other churches.

Pleasant Hill church has no official connection with any other church or association. It withdrew from an association several years ago, because of some doctrinal differences and since that time has prospered and grown as an association unto itself. It now has a membership of 147, and there are no people in the country more devout, and more earnest in their christian lives than those who worship here. They live in peace with the world and with each other. They have no neighborhood quarrels, and they help each other in all things that go to make life pleasant. They are industrious and frugal, and no people have a better standing in the local business circles than the people of Pleasant Hill neighborhood.

ANOTHER SUIT

Against the County For Services in the Smallpox Epidemic.

Dr. J. J. Clark has filed suit against the county for \$940.75, for services in the smallpox epidemic. He alleges in the petition that he was on November 13, 1899, appointed by the local board of health—the plaintiff, J. R. Clark, M. D., and J. P. Pierce—as the physician whose duty it should be to give indigent patients throughout the county infected with smallpox his personal attention, and treat and care for them, and see that all persons suspected of having been exposed to said disease were isolated, and to make reports to the local board of health of all outbreaks of the smallpox in the county so that proper steps could be taken to suppress it.

"He says that immediately after he was so appointed and employed by said board of health he entered upon the performance of his said duties, and was actively engaged therein every day from the 12th day of November, 1899, until the 29th day of March, 1900, during which time he made trips, visited patients at Dycusburg, Fords Ferry, and various other parts of the county, and did treat smallpox patients, disinfect and fumigate houses, and hold post mortem examinations, and did perform many and various other duties and things necessary to be done in the suppression of said disease. An itemized statement of which will be filed herewith as soon as it can be made out, and the amount charged therefor, and which charges are and were reasonable, and which amount to a total sum of \$940.75." The plaintiff therefore prays judgment against Crittenden county for that amount.

COUNTY CONVENTION.

The Democrats Pass Resolutions and Appoint Delegates.

The Democrats of Crittenden county met in mass convention at the court house in Marion on Saturday, June 9, 1900, in response to the call of county chairman.

The meeting was called to order promptly at 2 o'clock p. m., by L. W. Cruce, County Chairman. P. C. Stephens was chosen chairman and M. F. Pogue, Secretary.

Upon motion the chair was directed to appoint a committee on resolutions. He appointed the following: O. M. James, J. W. Blue, T. H. Cochran, J. W. Skelton, P. D. Maxwell, John Casner and W. H. Clark.

The committee reported the following which was unanimously adopted:

The Democrats of Crittenden county in convention assembled pursuant to the call of the State Committee, to send delegates to the city of Louisville, to send delegates to the National Democratic Convention, which meets at Kansas City, Mo., July the 4th, and be it resolved by the Democrats of this county, that first: We demand the re-affirmation of the Chicago platform, which was adopted at Chicago by the Democratic National Convention in 1896, and we declare our belief that it is a second declaration for the independence of our people; and it stands out as a bold, brave defy of a scarce dollar held alone by the rich, and utters a challenge to corporate greed, and stands out as the hope offered to a people oppressed and outraged by the money trusts and all other trusts of which it is the prolific mother.

We declare that we stand for the Government of Washington and Jefferson, and we therefore denounce the un-American policy of the Republican party in attempting to drive this Republic of the Fathers into a Monarchy of Hanna and trusts.

We denounce the Porto Rican tariff bill, as a indefensible surrender of the Constitution and laws into the hands of trust magnates and those who are fattening off of the misfortunes of a stricken people.

We declare that liberty is as dear to the inhabitants of the Philippine islands as it is to Cuba, and as dear to both as it was to our Colonies of the Revolution, and we therefore, demand our pledge to Cuba be carried out and they be given their liberty, and that the Philippine islands be treated in the same manner, and that a war commenced in liberty's name be ended in liberty's name; that our brave soldiers be withdrawn and the war ended.

We denounce the thousands of trust which have been given birth by a reckless Republican administration, which by unlawful and unfair combination lower the price when producers have to sell and raise it when labor has to buy, and we demand that they be forced into the same open competition which our farmer meets with his products, and that the laborer meet with his toil.

We congratulate the people of Kentucky upon their recent victory, and with pride point to the fact that every Court from the Circuit Court of this State to the Supreme Court of the Nation, has declared that we were right and that we stood by the law, and it is a matter of congratulation that the cause of Governor Goebel and the Democracy was so just, that a partisan court could not avoid

the righteousness of their contention.

We instruct our delegates to vote only for those Democrats as delegates to Kansas City, who were heart and soul for Bryan and the Chicago platform in 1896, as we believe that none but pioneers should be on guard.

We demand that our delegates shall vote to instruct Kentucky's delegates to the National Convention to vote for that matchless champion of the rights of all the people, that giant of giants, William J. Bryan, who blazed the way for the victory that but awaits us in the next campaign, when he is elected in triumph to the Presidency.

We instruct our delegates to cast the vote of this county for Hon. John L. Grayot, of Smithland, for delegate from this district to the National Convention, and to vote for Hon. Ward Headley for elector from this Congressional district.

We select the following delegates to the Louisville Convention, namely: J. W. Blue, W. H. Clark, Tom Clifton Ollie M. James, Fred Casner, Wm. DeHaven, Bud Brantley, Jeff Clement, Marion Pogue, J. E. Dean, P. K. Cooksey, Owen Boaz, W. W. Millikan, Wm. Barnett, Foster Threlkeld, Ed. Flanary, Lucy Moore, C. E. Donakey, G. C. Wathen, Henry Wood, Eli Nunn, J. S. Newcomb, B. F. Walker, Geo. Foster, John Worley, C. S. Nunn, P. C. Stephens, Bob Nunn, George Cruce, Pete Northorn, R. C. Walker, L. A. Weldon, Harmon Flanary.

And said delegates will vote as a unit upon all questions, and carry out the instructions here given.

P. S. Maxwell, O. M. James, J. W. Blue, T. H. Cochran, Wm. H. Clark, J. W. Skelton, J. F. Casner, Convention adjourned.
P. C. STEPHENS, Chrmn.
M. F. POGUE, Sec'y.

TEMPERANCE ADDRESS.

The Inter-Denominational Anti-Saloon League Sends a Speaker Here.

Mr. J. M. Likens, who represents the inter-denominational Anti-saloon League, will lecture at the C. P. church in Marion on Thursday evening, June 21, at 8 o'clock. Miss Jennie Sharp, of Muncie, Ind., accompanies the speaker and will furnish music for the occasion; she is said to be a very fine singer. The lecture is free and everybody is invited.

PIANO RECITAL.

Mrs. H. A. Ingram's class will give a piano recital at the opera house Friday night, June 22. The class will be assisted by some of the best vocal and elocution talent in Marion. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

Deeds Recorded.

R. E. Threlkeld to Wm. S. Lowery, 103 acres for \$2,500.
H. L. Cully to Paducah Coal and Mining Co., 10 acres for \$125.

A WESTERN TRIP.

EDITOR PRESS:—A party of emigrants, including myself, started on May 3, from Gainesville, a tour over the West. We loaded our wagon with first camping outfit and started to follow the Ft. Worth and Denver Railroad 'cross the plains into New Mexico, then to turn South to the Rio Grande River, and home from southwest Texas. There is no season of the year when Texas presents so lovely a scene as in May and June, hence we expected great things and a pleasant trip. Thus it was till we

struck the plains. In way of explanation we will here state the object of our trip. With some it was for pleasure and sight seeing only, while others hoped to find something worth settling in the way of land.

The last Legislature passed an act placing twenty-three million acres of school lands on the market on the 23rd of May at \$1 to \$1.50 per acre, one fourth cash, the balance in 40 years of equal annual payments with interest at 3 per cent.

Now back to the beginning: We passed through Montague, Clay, Wichita, Wilbarger, Hardaman, Childress and Donley counties, striking the plains in Donley county. Crops are unusually good, especially wheat. We never saw finer prospects for wheat in our lives than are found around Wichita Falls in Wichita county.

We layed over at Vernon in Wilbarger county, and took a view of the surrounding there. From Vernon we passed through the towns or Quanch, Childress, Memphis and Clarendon, where, at present, our course is obstructed on account of so much mud. We reached Clarendon on the 21st and found it had been raining on the plains for a month. Now Clarendon is at the foot of the great Staked Plains. We dared not bring our wagons on the plains for the soil is black and four good horses are required to draw a light chuck wagon 'cross the plains, therefore I left the camp at Clarendon and took the train and came to Amarilla, 350 miles west of Gainesville. I am going back and join our party, and as we can not proceed as we expected, our course will be changed to south 'long the foot of the plains some 250 miles to South Central Texas, then home in a Northeast direction. We hope to get home by July 1st.

Stock is the principal industry West of Montague county and almost totally here in the Panhandle. Coming up we passed through one pasture sixty miles wide and one hundred and twenty miles long. A pasture as large as Crittenden county, is no uncommon thing here. It has rained more in the Panhandle this spring than was ever known here before. Grass is fine, the plains are, in places, most covered in water.

Amarilla is the best town in West Texas, and a prettier and more lovely country than the Staked Plains is not to be found on earth.

We find most of the school land settled or fenced by the cattle kings and it is hard to do anything with them.

We have a sufficient amount of artillery with us for enlistment in the Transval war, yet game has not suffered much. Lots of wolves, antilopes and prairie dogs. I've heard the prairie dogs bark until they haunt me at night.

Has cleared up to-day; I aim to return to Clarendon, join our crowd and proceed to-morrow toward the Rio Grande.

Respectfully,
F. J. CLEMENT.
Amarilla, Tex., May 22.

Lock Jaw.
Ed. H. Hardin, China Springs, Texas, says: "One large dose of Morley's Wonderful Eight cured my mare of lock-jaw. It was a wonderful cure and saved me a \$65.00 animal." Sold by agent in every town. Free trial bottles at Oume's

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