

Evening of the day previous and held a public meeting that evening at the Meeting house which notwithstanding the unfavorable weather was well attended and was a time of refreshing - The next morning at 10 o'clock nearly all the members who could do so gathered - There was first a meeting for worship in which there was a good deal of exercise in the duties and privileges of a meeting - At the close of this a member of the Committee John V. Parker to a point occupied the seat at the table and formally opened the Reparative Meeting by reading the Minutes of Baltimore Monthly and Quarterly Meetings establishing it - This was followed by reading a list of the present members and officers (overseers) of Bendersville Meeting - All of the above were spread upon the Minutes of the Reparative Meeting and permanent organization was then effected by the appointments of George Holston and Sarah Mumma as Clerks.

for the ensuing year - The meeting met jointly, the men and women sitting together. The further business of the meeting was conducted in an orderly and lively manner all the members taking much interest in the proceedings - It was decided to make the preparative meeting the occasion for discussing the various matters connected with the needs and work of the local membership, such as the Bible School, Cottage Meetings, Care of the Meeting house &c. They also agreed to read and consider portions of the Discipline at those times.

The Committee is thankful to report that there appeared to be a very much increased interest and encouragement felt among the members of Bendersville at the establishment of the Reparative Meeting and it is believed that the step will result in adding strength and stability to the Meeting at that place.

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