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Meeting of Allegheny Presbytery.

The Presbytery of Allegheny met in the Sewickly Church, Tuesday, 10th inst., and organized by the selection of Rev. Cunningham, of Beaver, as Moderator, and Rev. E. E. Swift, as Clerk.

The forenoon session was occupied in attending to the routine business of Presbytery. Cross Roads meeting house was selected as the next place at which Presbytery should meet on the first Tuesday of September.

Mr. Richard Bard, Elder, Commissioner from the Central Presbyterian Church of Allegheny, presented a memorial, signed by quite a number of members and contributors of that Church, accompanied by copies of a correspondence of a number of members, with Dr. Plumer, their pastor. Mr. Bard stated that some of the persons whose names were attached to this memorial, were amongst the little number who had, seven years ago, organized the Central Presbyterian Church, and who had ever since aided in its support. Some of them were amongst the heaviest contributors towards the erection of their new edifice. They represented, in their families, some sixty members. He presented the memorial, accompanied by copies of the correspondence leading thereto, and asked that Presbytery read the papers; if the memorialists were deserving of censure, for violation of any Presbyterial rule, let them be censured. They desired the advice and counsel of Presbytery.

The memorial was, on motion, received and read by the Clerk. It is as follows:

MEMORIAL.

ALLEGHENY, June 6, 1862.

Presbytery of Allegheny City, Friends and Gentlemen:

Your memorialists, members and pew-holders in the Central Presbyterian Church of Allegheny City, laboring under sore grievance, respectfully present their case for your action and for your advice. These grievances are caused by the absence of sympathy between our Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Plumer, and ourselves, as he has led our religious devotions in these times of great calamity and affliction, when God, by a still way, growing out of rebellion to our Government, is punishing us for our sins, and threatening the overthrow of our great national privileges and blessings.

Certain members of our church and congregation entered into a correspondence with Rev. Dr. Plumer in reference to our difficulties, in the hope that all causes of grievance might be removed when there was a perfect understanding of each other, but failed to secure this much desired object. A congregational meeting was then regularly called, through the session of the church, and certain resolutions, which are herewith enclosed, presented for the consideration of the meeting.

Our pastor appeared in the meeting, claimed the "right" to preside, but waived it, and, in a speech of nearly two hours length, after the presentation of a substitute for the resolutions, which substitute was prepared, it is believed, by his suggestion; declared the meeting and resolutions unprophetical—denounced them as "congregationalism of the worst sort." And by the exercise of his pastoral and personal influence, by the presentation and advocacy of false issues, and by humiliating and urgent appeals for personal sympathy, defeated the object of said meeting, which was to consider among ourselves, as a congregation, the resolutions above alluded to.

These resolutions, containing expressions of our religious sentiments and feelings, in our present providential circumstances, and the hindrance which we experience to our edification, from the manner in which our pastor led our devotions, when, in prayer and thanksgiving, he presented our united petitions and grateful acknowledgments to God.

In view of these grievances we have been obliged to absent ourselves from the church, which, we have largely contributed to erect, as it is impossible, under the circumstances, to unite there in worship to our edification.

A copy of the correspondence with Dr. Plumer, which led to the congregational meeting, has been placed in the hands of Mr. Bard, the elder of our church, for examination by presbytery if desired.

In the bonds of christian courtesy and affection, very respectfully, yours.

Dr. Plumer stated that the correspondence presented was not entire. There had been four letters written to him, by his congregation, and four replies. He desired that the whole correspondence should be read. He entitled Presbytery that some of these letters were long, and might weary Presbytery. One of them covered thirty pages.

The correspondence, after some discussion, was read—the Clerk of Presbytery reading the letters addressed to Dr. Plumer, and that gentleman, at his own request, reading his replies. This occupied the entire afternoon, and a late hour in the evening. Presbytery adjourned until Wednesday morning, at eight o'clock. We cannot attempt even a synopsis of this voluminous correspondence, occupying nearly one hundred pages. The letters addressed by his people to Dr. P. were couched in the kindest spirit, setting forth causes for dissatisfaction in his congregation, arising out of the war in which we are now engaged, and the studied absence, alleged, as to any recognition of the existence of war—victory or success; and pleading for more pointed and specific prayers for our armies, as well for success to their arms. The answers to their letters were also elaborately friendly. Alas, the entire field of theology was gone over; the scriptures, church standards and other authorities, were quoted to prove that the writer occupied high and scriptural ground, while the complaints of the people were based, on this question, and on it alone, that the whole question on this question, and on it alone, that the whole question on this question, and on it alone, that the whole question