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in February 11th 1828.

IV. The committee conferred with each other the condition of the Store No. I, which this year had an important deficit. The brethren expected still some discussions of Br. Senseman concerning some various points of the balance of the account.

September 21st 1829. - 82nd Session. - II. Regarding the Store No. I a close examination was made concerning the deficit, and after some explanations of Br. Senseman the entire matter received a quite different appearance. A check, which had been considered dubious, had not been taken into the stock, which gave cause for an apparent important deficit. If this check is taken up then a surplus of \$ 25,00 is shown. After a summary of the balanced accounts in the last 10 years, it was seen, that the store had not brought a loss for the Gemein-Diaconie, and ^{for} the Capital and buildings interest has been paid punctually, and although a small gain has been made, the brethren believed, that there was no reason as yet to hurry with the sale of the store.

Br. Hoeber had a talk with Br. Senseman regarding of some complaints concerning the management of the store.

IV. Br. William Clewel in Schoeneck desires to erect on the lot beside his house, which he has for rent, a smithy, which was permitted to him.

VII. Br. Hillman had again inquired about the resolution of the committee regarding the permission for water ^{from the Reed-Pond} for his tannery. That time already the committee had permitted him to lead a part of the water down to the tannery, and now it was resolved to allow him to put on a mouth-piece of one inch in diameter.

December 4th 1829. - 87th Session. - VI. The committee heard with gratitude that the U.A.C. had sent a gift of \$ 225,00 to the Diaconie as a help.

December 18th 1829. - 88th Session. - II. George Hahn received permission to move into Demuth's house after John Haus had declined to move into it.
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VI. It was announced, that Br. L. D. v Schweinitz is now proprietor of the Pennsylvania land, and that from the 4th of December all the leases must be given under his name, and Br. Hoeber had received a letter of power of attorney.

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January 8th 1830. - 89th Session. - V. Br. Rondthaler remarked, that complaints come to his ears about the two bakeries in the lower part of the village, and he asked the brethren, to consider, what could be done in this matter. Br. Rondthaler had spoken several times with the brethren Ricksecker and Miller, and although they testified, that they keep order, the complaints have not yet ceased. With grief have they heard, that they not only sell molasses, beer and mead, which is permitted to them, but also wine and cordial they are selling by retail. The brethren wished, that the brethren would keep ^{close to} the conditions, under which they can sell those articles. The brethren Rondthaler and Hoeber were asked, to speak to the above mentioned brethren again, because nobody else liked to do this.

January 22nd 1830. - 90th Session. - III. Br. Hoeber reported, that Br. Rondthaler and he had carried out the order and had talked with Br. Ricksecker, who was contented with the sale of small beer. He was willing, to sell no other beverages. But Br. Miller did not receive the message in a good meed and he also declared, that he is not willing to give up the sale of wine. The brethren told him firmly that he had no permission to continue the sale of wine. He also complained, that he did not get any orders for baking love-feast buns, about which he was informed. V. Br. Friedrich Miksch asked for a lot besides his son, in order to build on it a house next summer. Because probably on the latter lot not so soon a dwelling house will be built.

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not so soon a dwelling-house will be built, it was proposed to him, rather to build on this lot, and the other one he should leave for his son, so that the gapp which would result and which might remain for a long time, may be prevented.

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Members of the Over-Seer Committee, which according to the Synod of
1825, had been elected in February 5th 1830 for the third time.

I. Ex-Officio:

Nicolas Elias Hoeber, Warden and President; also Curator of the widows and Single sisters.

II. By Election:

1. Br. Franz Christian Danke with 14 votes. -----
2. Christian Busse with 13 votes. --
3. Charles A. Blech with 13 votes. ---
4. Gottfried Kern with 9 votes. --
5. Jacob Brunner with 9 votes. ---
6. Jacob Miksch with 8 votes. --
7. Christian Brunner with 9 votes.

February 12th 1830. - 91st Session. - IV. Br. Friedrich Miksch has received the first lot, which was meant for his son, and who will build on the second lot his own dwelling-house. The son will build a good-looking large building in the front of the lot, and there will be no gapp left, as one did fear.

March 12th 1820. - 93d Session. - III. Br. David Michael had asked to carry on the cabinet-trade, which was granted to him.

March 15th 1830. - 94th Session. - I. The inspector of the Institute had asked to buy George Ricksecker's house. Because the same needed much repair, the house was estimated to \$ 750,00. The committee consisting of the 3 brethren Jacob Miksch, Christian and Jacob Brunner had been sent to inspect the house. That committee had also marked out the boundary of the

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lot of the house, $89\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide and 140 feet deep, of which goes off a piece before the house, 44 X 22 feet, in order to have before the corpse-house sufficient place. The question was put, whether the house for the price of \$ 750,00 should be offered to the Inspector of the Institute, and it was answered in the affirmative unanimously. And so the house was sold for the price.

III. Br. Miller had sent a mortgage over all his lands to Br. Hoeber with the remark, that this may satisfy his creditors. The committee believed, that it would be well, to see whether Br. Miller is paying his rent and interest, in time, if not one will talk to him.

IV. In the plan of the village is a lane between the building-lots, which have been promised to Br. Friedrich Miksch and his son, there has been laid out a lane, and the question is, whether it shall be made there and how large it shall be. Because between Br. Joseph Stoz and Br. Miller^{are} four lots and 32 feet, the thought was expressed, to make two lanes, each $16\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide in opportune places, but finally one preferred to have only one lane of 30 feet at the same place, as it is given in the plan, and then one should make the condition, that it should be built on the corner. This was resolved.

April 16th 1830. - 96th Session. - I. It was related, that Br. Proske with his daughter had moved into Demuth's house.

April 30th 1830. - 97th Session. - Br. Hoeber reported to the Committee, that what he had heard from the Inspector over our land at the Blue Mountain, Mr. Riegner, where the mountain-fire recently had done some damage to our land there.

IV. Br. Hoeber reported, that Br. Miller had paid his rent and interest and that he had desired, that some repair should be made at his house. Some brethren will go to his house and see, what repair must be made.

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July 28th 1830. - 99th Session. - In the sisters house the sad case has happened, that the single sister Rosina Christ has lost the use of her mind. For the consequences/^{sake}for herself and for others it is necessary, that she is taken away from the Sisters house. We have to consider, what shall be done with her. The Elder conference and the Over-Seer Committee assembled for a meeting to talk the matter over. The most desirable would be, if that sister could be put to somebody in the village, where somebody is able and willing to take care of her, but there is perhaps nobody, who would and could do it. The proposal was then made, that a room for her should be fixed in the shed besides the bake=house, and when somebody could be had who would take care of her, it would be nice. The brethren Jacob Brunner and Gottfried Kern will go there and look at the place.

August 13th 1830. - 101st Session. -It had pleased our Lord, to take away his faithful servant Br. Nicolaus Elias Hoeber, warden and president of Over-Seer Committee, August 4th, and Br. Rondthaler ordered by the P.H.C. took upon him to take care of the current business of the Over-Seer Committee.

II. The repair at Miller's house was discontinued until a new Warden will be there.

IV. The bond, which had been received from Br. Miller will have to be written again on account of the death of the Warden, Br. Hoeber. For lawful reasons Br. von Schweinitz will have to write it.

November 12th 1830. - 105th Session. - Concurrent Conference. - I. Br. Rondthaler introduced Br. J. G. Kummer, who had received a call as warden to Nazareth, and who together with his family arrived here in August 5th, to the Committee. By a little lovefeast the new-comers were welcomed. Then Br. J. G. Kummer was unanimously appointed as President.

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IV. A certain Michael Reiter had reported as a buyer of about 100 acres Bellinger's of/land near the mountain. After the matter was talked over, and the desire was expressed, that one would like to sell if possible the entire piece, even if it is for a smaller price, the brethren Kummer and Busse were ordered to go and see the land, so that one has a better knowledge about the condition and value of the land.

November 26th 1830. - 106th Session. - II. The two brethren, Kummer and Busse, who had been inspecting Bellinger's land at the Blue Mountain had returned and they had convinced themselves, that the land is worth \$ 4,00 per acre, and that also a piece of 100 acres can be cut off and can be sold without doing damage to the other piece. The committee remained by the intention to sell Mr. M. Reiter a piece of that land, and especially because one had heard since the last session, that his circumstances are such, that one can sell the land without hesitation, for it is safe that he will pay. Another man by name Mebus had also asked for land there, but as buyer he was refused; at best one could leave to him under certain conditions the piece of land, which is left.

IV. Br. Kummer declared, that with the wages of \$ 320,00 per year he would not have enough, and he asked, because the Gemein-helper (Pastor) receives \$ 360,00, also for \$ 360,00, for the Warden formerly, before Br. Hoeber, whose family was quite small and voluntarily put down his ^{about} salary/\$ 40,00, had also received \$ 360,00. The request was considered fair, because Br. Kummer's family for several reasons is necessarily more expensive, than the one of his predecessor was, and in the congregations was the ^{usually} salary/fixed according to the needs of the brethren and sisters. It was also remarked, that Br. Kummer keeps the accounts in the Gemein-Diaconie himself and by doing so a great expense is saved for the same.

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Gemein-Diaconie. In the next Session the Salary of \$ 360,00 was granted by the Committee.

December 30th 1830. - 110th Session. - IV. From the Elder-Conference through Br. Kummer, the president, some complaints were made against Br. Ch. Moeller, who was selling strong drinks in his house, which had been forbidden to him by the Gemein-Direction, and if he has no license according to the law of the country, he is acting detrimental to the law.-- The committee was convinced, that Br. Ch. Moeller was guilty of several things, which will be of disadvantage for the character of the congregation, and it expressed the desire, that Br. Rondthaler and Br. Kummer should/put before Br. Moeller the disapprobation of his proceedings, and that he should be urged to abolish all disorder from his house of Br. Sam. Ricksecker
-----The committee thought also that a kind admonition/would be expedient and necessary.

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January 21st 1831. - 112th Session. -III. Br. John Seyfried had asked for permission, to put up on the south-side of his barn a thrashing-machine. The president and two other brethren were ordered by the Committee to go and see the place, and see also whether it would be for the disadvantage of the building of whether it would come too near to the neighbour. The Committee would then give its consent and the promise, that regarding the compensation it should be dealt with him as one did with Br. Whitesell.

January 28th 1831. - 113th Session. - II. Br. Jacob Brunner was appointed a Forest-Inspector with the approval of the Elder-Conference and which office he will take over in April 1st this year. Till then Br. Chr. Peissert will keep his office and he will receive the fixed compensation.

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to the Congregation and will be appointed as teacher for the Hall.

May 20th 1831. - 122nd Session. - II. Br. Rondthaler related, that the brethren of the Elder-Conference this morning had had a ^{complete} talk with Br. Senseman concerning the actual taking over ^{of} the Gemein-Store on his own account and now the members of the Elder-Conference come together with the brethren of the Over-Seer Committee in a concurrent conference, in order to expose the matter further and to come to a final conclusion of it. After this the president read the balance of the accounts of March 12th, which showed a deficit of \$ 1148,21, and he mentioned, that he by a close examination he had found, that Br. Senseman with the best intention but without knowledge of the late warden Br. N. E. Hoeber, he had during the last 10 years advanced money from his private property which amounted \$ 1400,00, in order to keep the business of the store in good motion. He had had the good hope, that better times will allow him to take back the money, which he had advanced, but until this day is has not happened. Although the president did not want to set this way of acting for a precedence in similar cases, he made the proposal to Br. Senseman, that he should make a reduction of 10% instead of 5% from the stock of goods, by which the Gemein-Diaconie would amount to \$ 1619,56; and besides this he would have to pay interest from ^{last} March 12th for the half of the remaining stocks, and the other half he would have to pay in three equal parts in three years following one after the other, namely the first third in 1832, the other in 1833, and the third in 1834, with 5% interest after the end of each term.

Although the procedure of Br. Senseman could not be approved, one acknowledged that the matter had happened and that nothing could be done and the brethren agreed to it, that the proposals of Br. Kummer ^{could be considered} as the best

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best under such circumstances, which could be made. The voting was postponed for the next meeting.

May 27th 1831. - 123d Session. - II. The committee agreed with the decision of the Elder-Conference: "To sell the Gemein-Store to Br. C. D. Senseman." - His debts to the Gemein-Diaconie amounts to \$ 7415,53. - After this a sketch of an Agreement from Br. Senseman/^{was} preliminary handed in, which was read.

May 27th 1831. - IV. The balance of the account of the INN was read. There is a profit of \$ 81, 28 $\frac{1}{4}$. From this Br. Haman received a gift of 15%. The inventory is as much as possible put down.

August 26th 1831. - 129th Session. - III. The Status of the Gemein-Diaconie account/^{of May 31st} was read. It appears with \$ 15 604,32 $\frac{1}{4}$ more passiva than Activa.

September 6th 1831. - 130th Session. - II. Br. Henry Clewel brought before the committee the request for the building-lot above Br. Jacob Clewel, on which he intends to build still a work-shop in the fall, because his hopes to succeed with Br. Thomas Clewel had failed. By the prospect that the building of a dwelling-house will follow, one had no reason to refuse the request. He only has to settle with the single sisters, who have the land in possession.

September 9th 1831. - 131st Session. - II. Because there are no special difficulties with the single sisters regarding the place, which Br. H. Clewel wishes for building and which can easily be cleared off, the request of Br. H. Clewel was granted by the Committee. III. It was found necessary, that a committee, consisting of the brethren Busse, Jacob Brunner and Kummer, should mark out Br. H. Clewel's building-lot and at the same time they should take care of the Gradirung of the upper street.

September 23d 1831. - 132nd Session. - II. The plan of Br. H. Clewel's

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work-shop, which he is about to build, was laid before the committee and it was granted.

III. It should be suggested to Br. H. Clewel, in order to have as much as possible the same situation as the lot which is situated on the east-side of the street and which belongs to Br. Geo. Ricksecker, it should rise at least 3 feet 5 inches in the front by 70 feet up, and according to this statement he should let erect his buildings.

September 30th 1831. - 133d Session. - VI. It was resolved, that the Store building, which is used by Br. Senseman, should be insured in Easton.

October 14th 1831. - 134th Session. - IIII. The president asked the present members, to see at the place, whether according to the plan of the village, on which there are not only streets marked, but also alleys, one should look away, because through it the future use of the northern Alley in the upper part of the village could be improved, if one after the Fourth instead of the Fifth building-lot north of the square one would transfer said Alley, whereby also for this time Br. A. G. Kern could be assigned a certain lot for his boardyard, because the Alley does not need to be opened at once.

October 21st 1831. - 135th session. - I. c) Br. Benjamin Clewel, who is married and belongs to the Schoeneck Congregation has the desire to move with his entire family to the village of Nazareth. Br. Clewel intends besides carrying out his trade as tailor, to make cigars, and teach occasionally music, and by this he hopes to make a living.

II. The Committee gave its approval to it, "that Br. C. H. Miller with the approval of Br. von Schweinitz, to whom his lying property through a mortgage has been assured to the Gemein-Diaconie in Nazareth, and which since some months is standing on record, and that the said mortgage could be returned to him again", when he on the 1st of November would

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pay still \$ 1600,00 besides the \$1000,00, which he had paid about 3 weeks ago, then his debt/would be decreased to about \$ 800,00.

VI. The committee conferred with each other about the Alley in the northern part of the village, and unanimously it was resolved, that the same should run along the fourth house-lots above the square.

October 28th 1831. - 136th Session. - III. The committee gave its consent to the request of Br. Benjamin Clewel, who desires to move from Schoeneck to Nazareth .

IV. It was permitted that one copy of "Furdon's Digest of the Laws of Pennsylvania" should be bought for the Gemein-Diaconie, which will be available for the brethren and sisters 's use by the Warden.

November 11th 1831. - 137th Session. - I. Br. Peter Moore, a member of the York-Congregation, and who is living now in Bloomfield, Perry County, in this State , had applied to the Gemein-Direction in Nazareth with the request, to live here and to practise as Physician, and to be received with his family as members of the Nazareth Congregation. - With this announcement connects the Elder-Conference the thought, that by the acceptation of the same, it should be made known to Br. P. Moore as condition for his moving here, that he first has to finish his medical studies, in order to carry out his profession here as graduated physician.

IV. It was related, that by a change of the stage-proprietors it would be found necessary, that we should have in the INN-buildings more stables for the horses.

VIII. Because the recorder of the Minutes of the Over-Seer Committee, Br. C. A. Blech has received soemwhere else an employment and has resigned as recorder and consequently leaves an open place in the Committee.

It was recommended, that the two-years election, which will be due in

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February next year, but which various officials desire to have it performed as soon as possible.

November 21st 1831. - 139th Session. - II. After a thorough consideration of the request of the mentioned Br. Peter Moore, the necessity would arise, to have a second Physician in our village was recognized in general, but some members had doubts, wether it would not be advisable in this case to get first the approval of the Gemein-council. The committee came finally to the conclusion, that he as a member of the Brethren's congregation and as a man of an honest character he would have the privilege, but he should make it his duty, as soon as it is possible after his moving here, he should appear as a graduated physician and should carry on his profession. Bro. and Sister Moore will after their arrival here, which will be next spring, be looked at as members of the Nazareth congregation.

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Members of the Over-Seer Committee, which according to the Synod of 1825, had been elected in November 28th 1831 for the fourth time.

I. Ex-Officio:

1. Johann Gottlob Kummer, Warden and President; also Curator of the widows and Single sisters.

II. By Election:-

- 2. Franz Christian Danke. --- 3. Johann Heinrich Kluge.-- 4. Jacob Brunner. -- 5. Christian David Busse. -- 6. Christian Brunner. ---
- 7. Samuel Ricksecker. --- 8. Christian David Senseman.

November 30th 1831. -- 139th Session. - I. Br. J. H. Kluge was elected as Recorder of the Minutes of the Over-Seer Committee and Br. J. G. Kummer as President unanimously.

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II. Regarding the leases, which will soon expire, shall be written in the english language.

December 30th 1831. - 143d Session. - II. The preseident put before the committee the request of Mr. Hoffman, to receive the permission to rent a room in the village and to practise as physician. The Over-Seer Committee believed, that the request in this case is useless and a decision for his sake is unnecessary.

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January 13th 1832. - 144th Session. - V. The president remarked, that the demand for the Mineral Black is great and that it is therefore necessary to dig more for it.

February 3d 1832. - 146th Session. - II. The president made the proposal that one should let take a survey of the INN and that one should inquire in Easton, what the Policy is for the insurance against the fire.

III. The president reported, that The barrack for Whitesell should be 50 feet long, 24 feet wide and 18 feet high, and that they should be divided in 4 divisions.

March 2nd 1832. - 148th Session. - III. The president remarked that Br. A. Whitesell is willing to haul the necessary materials for the building of his barrack as it is usually done, but he desires to receive compensation for the food, which the workmen will get, which was granted to him, when he will be satisfied with 20¢ per person for a day.

March 23d 1832. - 149th Session. - II. The president put before the committee the sketch of the house, which Br. Benjamin Clewel on the lot NO. 62, which is adjacent to Br. John Beitel's lot, which he received recently. -- At the same time the President remarked, that Br. B. Clewel had expressed the desire not to build at the corner. The circumstances ap-

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appeared to the committee in such a way, that it could not be permitted, because in this case his house would not stand opposite of Br. Josua Miksch's house.

April 7th 1832. - 150th Session. - Con^{current} Session. - The brethren Rondthaler and Herman were present, which had come in order to confer with the brethren of the Over-Seer Committee regarding the additional building of a dining-hall on the East-side of the Hall.

At the same time was present for the first time Br. Chr. R. Hoeber who had been elected in the place of Br. S. Ricksecker, who had resigned. I. The Gemein-helper, Pastor, in the name of the E.C. put before the Committee the request of Mr. Charles Mohr, for the premission to join the congregation in Nazareth. He remarked at the same time, that Sister Mohr, who seemingly had always kept to the congregation desires however to be considered in every respect as a member of the same.

The request of both was unanimously granted to them.

III. The committee took now up the main-object of this session, namely the request of the Inspector of the Hall, Br. Herman, an additional building on the East-Side of the Hall. The advantages and disadvantages were discussed. It was then resolved, that a committee appointed by the president, consisting of the brethren C. D. Busse, J. Brunner and Fr. C. B. Danke, should together with Br. Herman and the president go to the Hall and look the place over and in the next Session a suitable plan of the building should be put before the committee.

V. Br. Jacob Brunner should like to know, whether the Alley on the south-side of Br. Benjamin Clewel's lot will be opened immediately, because it will lead through his lot, and he intends to put a fence on the side. It was resolved, that the appointed land for this time shall be divided between him and Br. Benjamin Clewel, so that everyone receives 15 feet.

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June 1st 1832. - 153d Session. - V. ^{Br. Kummer} President mentioned, that Br. Henry Beitel want to build a house on his land, above Mr. Leibert's, and he asked therefore for permission, the necessary stones for that building, about 50 to 60 cart-loads, to take the stones from his fields, which also was granted to him.

VI. The balance of the accounts of the Sister Diaconie and the INN were communicated to the Over-Seer Communities. The Sister's diaconie had a surplus of \$ 80,27½ and the Inn had a surplus of \$ 70,78. From the latter amount received Br. Haman 15%; and the Sister's Diaconie gave from their surplus \$ 50,00 to the Gemein-Diaconie.

June 18th 1832. - 154th Session. - II. Br. Goettling made the request to carry on the trade of chair-making, and if he could not make his living with that trade, he would also do cabinet-maker's work; and he will do it in the erected house of Br. C. H. Miller. The Committee had given its permission.

June 18th 1832. - 154th Session. - III. It was reported, that Br. Jos. Stoz' brick-works together with the dwelling-house and all what belongs to it were about to be bought by Br. Andr. Whitesell, who had not before obtained the consent of the Gemein-Direction, and which was considered by the committee, and the same gave the permission to his request to possess the house in the village.

Regarding the probable changes, which would have to be made in the ^{new} lease, concerning the use of the water from the so-called "BIG SPRING", the quarry for limestones, and the search for loam or clay for bricks, one came to the conclusion, to transfer these matters to a committee of 3 brethren, which will be appointed by the president. Those brethren shall then confer about it at the place, and then they shall report about it to the Committee.

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IV. The president announced, that by a geological examination of the Nazareth Land some days ago by Dr. Seinisch of Bethlehem, he had been advised by the latter one, at the present not to dabble in searching for pit-coals, because there are no so-called Anthracite coals here, and probably there may be there Bituminous coals, but the expenses for the digging etc. by the present price of the wages would cost more, than the income would be worth, except the mine is extraordinary rich and not too deep.

July 13th 1832. - 155th Session. - I. The president related, that he with some brethren had seen the "Big Spring" below Br. Jos. Stoz' lot, and it was found in a neglected condition, and with great expenses it could be put into good shape. But Br. Whitesell is no more interested in the Big Spring. The president proposed also, that the border-line of Stoz' lot should run more in a straight line.

Br. Whitesell is willing \$ 8,00 for the stone-quarry, which Br. Stoz had used and for which Br. Stoz requested the amount. Br. Stoz is also willing, if Br. Whitesell is short of loam or clay, to let him have a part of the Haman's land.

August 10th 1832. - 156th Session. - II. It was laid before the committee the new surveying of the former Stoz' land, which in designation and statement of the village-building-lots found on the same, deviate from the old, and it was approved. Therefore/^{only} a house-lease will have to be drawn up for Br. A. Whitesell and the remaining land will be given to him for his use without a lease. Regarding the use of the water from the Big Spring an agreement between Br. Miksch and Br. Whitesell shall be made, according to which each one of them shall use the spring certain days.

September 7th 1832. - 158th Session. - I. The Water-conduit treasury

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had a deficit of \$ 238,14.

October 5th 1832. - 159th Session. - IV. The president remarked, that the expenses for the arrangement of the warehouse of the Old Store to a music-hall surmounted the sum of \$ 60,00 somewhat. The brethren resolved notwithstanding of that not to raise the former rent.

November 17th 1832. - 161st Session. - III. The president remarked, that an outside member of the Schoeneck-congregation by name of Schneider has bought the house of Br. J. C. Ricksecker in Schoeneck.

November 30th 1832. - 163d Session. - IV. The president remarked, that a former request of Br. Nathanael Miksch for permission, to break stones in the "Sink-Loch" (Sink-hole) on the Long meadow, had been granted according to his wishes.

December 28th 1832. - 164th Session. - I. The single brother Josiah O. Beitel was granted unanimously his desire, to become a house-possessor in our village.

IV. Regarding the erection of a shed for Br. A. Whitesell near the barn as shelter for his cattle, it was resolved that it should be permitted without advance of money but with the furnishing of the wood.

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II. Regarding of a request of Dr. P. E. Moore for a lodging in the old Brethren's house, which had been inhabited until recently by Br. Bute, it was resolved, to let him have it from the 1st of April for a rent of \$ 22,00 per year.

III. The president brought before the committee a request of Br. John Seyfried, to burn lime in the open field, with the intention to improve a part of his field, which was permitted to him with the agreement, that the wood should be given to him for that purpose, and also the pit-coal

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pit-coal for the price, which they have to pay by Siegfried's or in Bethlehem, with the understanding, that he has to care for the cost of the hauling.

March 8th 1833. - 168th Session. - IV. The president remarked, that the single sister E. Schmick wishes to buy the house, which belonged formerly to her brother, and she asked at the same time for information, whether she is permitted to possess a house in the village. The committee had no objection in this case, but one believed, that every case of this kind should be considered first.

March 28th 1833. - 172nd Session. - II. The request of Br. J. Haman, which he had made in a former Session, and which had been postponed, was taken up in this session. He had asked for permission to start a tobacco-manufactory, which should be carried on by Mr. Wm. Trost with the intention, to let his son learn this business. After a thorough consideration the committee gave its consent. His son Jacob should learn by this opportunity the tobacco-business and later on he could take it over from his father and carry it on himself. Of course, if that should take place, he would first have to report it at the proper place.

September 16th 1833. - 180st Session. - II. The president related, that he has had a conversation with Br. Fr. Miksch concerning the sale of his house to the Gemein-Diaconie, but that he was not inclined to put the price for it. And it was in favour that some men should estimate the value of the house.

The Over-Seer Committee could not agree to this, and the brethren resolved, to offer him at the most \$ 1500,00.

III. The president reported, that Br. C. H. Miller has now decided ^{to buy} the house, in which he has been living, and he offered at the same time \$1900,00 and Br. John Beitel, junior as security for the same, inclusive the ware-

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warehouse, which by a former proposal was excepted by the Diaconie. The committee accepted this offer under the condition, that he settles the matter with the warehouse with Br. C. H. Beck, on whose lot the warehouse is standing. The details were left to the president.

September 30th 1833. - 181st Session. - II. The president related that Br. F. Miksch is satisfied with the offered \$ 1500,00 for his house. The next day, October 1st, he wishes to turn the house over to the Gemein-diaconie.

III. The president related, that through the sudden death of Br. Chr. H. Miller the negotiations into which one had entered with him regarding the sale of the house, in which he had lived, has been interrupted. Br. John Beitel, junior, has now asked for the house, and he is satisfied with the conditions, which had been proposed to Br. Miller. The decision about this request had been postponed.

October 18th 1833. - 183d Session. - II. Br. P. Kern had asked, whether the Gemein-Diaconie in Nazareth would not take over his house by purchase. It was then resolved, that one would enter negotiations with Br. Kern, and that one would offer him for his house with the fences and improvements, which he had made, \$ 1600,00. - The resolution of the Over-Seer committee was communicated to Br. P. Kern, and he was satisfied with it.

IV. The former house of Br. Miller was left to Br. P. Kern for the same price, which he had offered, under the same conditions, that he should settle with Br. C. H. Beck, on which the warehouse was standing.

V. The request of Br. Edwin Wolle, to start a 3d store in Br. J. Haman's house, was granted.

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January 24th 1834. - 190th Session. - III. G. Fradneck was permitted a

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a lodging, because Br. S. Ricksecker, by whom he is working, will be good for the punctual payment of the rent.

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Members of the Over-Seer Committee, which according to the Synod of 1825,
had been elected in January 30th 1834 for the fifth time.

I. Ex-Officio:

1. Johann Gottlob Kummer, Warden and President; also Curator of the widows and Single Sisters.

II. By Election:

2. Franz Christian Danke. --- 3. Johann Heinrich Kluge.----- 4. Jacob Brunner. --- 5. Christian Brunner. ----- 6. Christian David Busse. -- 7. Christian Renatus Hoeber. ----- 8. Christian David Senseman.

February 7th 1834. -- 191st Session. - V. A request was made by Dr. P. Moore to receive permission, to change the milk-cellar in the ~~the~~ former Brethren's house for a horse-stable, by which he promises for a compensation of \$ 10,00, which may be deducted from his rent, to make the necessary arrangements himself. The Over-seer Committee gave him its consent.

April 11th 1834. - 194th Session. - III. A request of the single brother Franz Oppelt was brought before the Committee. He desired, that the Saddler's business, which had been carried on in the name of his mother, he would like to carry/^{it} on on his own account. This desire was granted.

May 30th 1834. - 196th Session. - II. The president communicated the balance of the account of the Nazareth INN. The committee approved, that this time on the outstanding debts only 5% should be deducted, because they are in general to be considered as safe. With this calculation a deficit of \$ 213,65 was shown in this year.

June 20th 1834. - 197th Session. - The Over-Seer Committee took into

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into consideration the affairs of Br. Anton Huebner, who is about to move away and who desired to receive the amount for his house with the deduction of the advance of money from the Gemein-Diaconie; but the committee could not comply with his desire, because the balance of the money belongs to his children. The house shall be estimated, and when still something is left, then it will be invested in the Gemein-Diaconie for the children.

September 26th 1834. - 202nd Session. - I. The single brother Jac. Musselman had requested to be looked at as a house-possessor in our village, because recently he had taken over by purchase Br. J/ H. Clewel's workshop. The committee gave its consent to it.

III. The president mentioned, that the proposal of the certain committee, to build a street of 60 feet width on the East-side of the village, along the building-lots of the brethren Gotthold Michael and J.H. Clewel, had been approved by the Gemein-council on the 23d of this month.

October 10th 1834. - 203d Session. - II. The president related, that the following brethren with their families had been recommended by the Elder-Conference to the Over-Seer Committee: Friedrich Maxmuth, Friedrich Meyer and John Oestreich. Unanimously they received by the committee as members of the congregation.

IV. For further consideration the question was raised: "Whether the INN shall be rented out?"

November 28th 1834. - 207th Session. - Concurrent Conference. - II. Br. Rondthaler mentioned, that he had talked with Br. Haman, and that he is willing, to draw in his economy and to reduce it according to the order of the committee. Under these circumstances the question was put: "Shall the renting out of the INN for the coming year from April 1st on still be postponed?" and the committee answered in the affirmative. Neverthe-

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Nevertheless was the committee of the opinion, that it would be very expedient to appoint a committee, which should talk with Br. Haman and should discuss the matter very thoroughly and should decide, what restrictions or other changes should be made. The brethren Rondthaler and Kummer were willing to undertake this.

December 5th 1834. - 208th Session. - II. After Br. Anton Huebner had moved away, one brother was appointed - Br. Jacob Clewel - with the approval of the committee by the president to estimate the house of Br. Huebner.

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January 9th 1835. - 209th Session. - V. Br. Gotthold Michael's house-plan was put before the committee and no objection was raised.

February 5th 1835. - 210th Session. - II. The president mentioned, that Br. Anton Huebner's house had been estimated to \$ 275,00.

III. It was related, that Br. William Clewel in Schoeneck had bought from Br. Christoph Schneider the house.

IV. A request of Br. Hillman was put before the Committee. He had bought from Br. John Beitel the warehouse on Br. Beck's lot. He offered \$ 200,00 for it, if the Gemein-Diaconie would give him a proper time. Because Br. Beitel is owing otherwise to the Gemein-Diaconie, then it is only a changing of \$ 200,00, against the Committee had nothing to say.

February 19th 1835. - 211th Session. - II. Br. Kern had been elected in the place of the late Brother Senseman and was now welcomed.

V. Br. Leibfried had a request to the Committee, to obtain a part of the Old Store for his journeyman in his smithy, which he would like to rent. The committee was willing to let him have a room in the upper story together with garden and cellar for \$ 23,33, or on the first floor for \$ 25,00 per year.

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VIII. The single brother August Miksch had some time ago made the request to carry on here in the village the courier-business, to which the committee gave its consent.

April 2nd 1835. - 213th Session. - This session on account of extraordinary circumstances lasted very shortly. Br. Moses Ricksecker from Bethlehem it was allowed, to practise in our village as medicus.

April 11th 1835. - 214th Session. - Br. Haman by this opportunity in writing the advise of the Committee regarding the sale of 4 horses, one wagon, one body and the necessary harness, for the sum of \$ 325,00 to Wolle and Albrecht payable in 9 months.

Concerning the price the committee believed, on could be satisfied. The president was ordered to talk with Br. Haman, that he should move for the sale of the above mentioned articles, if it can be done without loss.

May 4th 1835. - 215th Session. - The president expressed the desire, that another brother of the committee should together with him take the inventory of the furnitures etc. in the INN. Br. G. Kern was appointed for this work, and he also was willing to do it.

July 9th 1835. - 216th Session. - I. In the place of the retired Recorder of the Minutes, Bro. Jos. Berg, Br. Herman Titze was elected by the Gemein-council in July 8th 1835 and was now appointed by the members of the Over-Seer Committee.

July 17th 1835. - 217th Session. - II. Regarding the request of Mr. Gilbert Trodneck, to become a member of the congregation, against which the Elder-Conference had no objection, it was put before the Committee and the members voted upon it, and when the question was asked: Whether he should be received as a member of the congregation? it was answered un-animously in the affirmative.

August 6th 1835. - 218th Session. - V. By the order of the economic com-

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committee of the Provincial Synode in Bethlehem the president communicated to the committee of the Over-Seer Committee the desire of the synodal members, that one should soon rent out our INN. That such a measure is necessary, was desired already in last fall, but it had been delayed, and now this year's balance of accounts showed a great deficit, which causes us to do something.

VI. The president had also to announce to the committee, that the Proprietor of the 'Unity's Goods (farms) in Pennsylvania has promised a Declaration of Trust for the Nazareth Land.

IX. Because Br. Moses Ricksecker, to whom the permission has been given, to settle here as practicing physician, and has not made any arrangements as yet for that purpose, and because now a young physician of the neighborhood, Dr. Biebighausen, has also asked by the Gemein-Direction for the same permission, it seemed to be high time, to invite Br. Moses Ricksecker to a plain and decisive and early declaration, and if he would not decide to move here, one would accept the request of the latter one.

August 8th 1835. - 219th Session. -I. The president was now able to put before the Committee the request of Dr. Biebighausen, which had been mentioned already in the last Session. He asked now the direct and because it is wished urgently, the question, which has to be decided at once, whether the committee will permit Dr. Biebighausen to practise as physician here in Nazareth. The question was answered unanimously in the affirmative. It is plain, that he like all strangers, will have to sign the bond.

II. Salomon Schaefer's request was put before the committee for approval. The premission was given to him and to his wife, who belonged to Schoeneck, that they shall be considered as members of the Nazareth Congregation.

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August 28th 1835. - 221st Session. - VI. Regarding the INN the president announced to the Committee, that the accounts had been looked through ~~it~~ again, and the brethren thought it necessary, that the Nazareth INN should be rent out. And because it seemed to be time, to arrange things, so that it can be advertised in the Newspapers, the president asked the question: Shall the Inn from the 1st of April 1836 on rented out? And the committee accepted it unanimously. The brethren thought it sufficient, when the "Ad" would be inserted in one of the most read Philadelphia papers, as for instance the UNITED STATES GAZETTE, 6 to 8 times. In our County Newspapers, it should be inserted in an english and in a german newspaper as long as to the term, when the offers are brought in, something like the 1st of December.

October 16th 1835. - 226th Session. - III. Br. And. Whitesell received the permission from the Committee, to buy H. J. Clewel's house.
V. Ferdinand Grunewald should be considered as a member of the Nazareth congregation.

VI. The president announced to the committee, that Mr. Samuel Siegfried had asked for permission, to carry on in Nazareth his printing-profession, which was permitted in the next Session, October 30th 1835.

October 23d 1835. - 227th Session. - II. The desire of Mr. Michael Dernbach, to be considered as a member of the Nazareth Congregation, was granted by the Committee.

November 23d 1835. - 230th Session. - The committee of Schoeneck had asked whether they could get wood for their Minister, but the Over-Seer Committee in Nazareth decided by majority of votes to refuse the request of the Schoeneck-Committee.

December 1st 1835. - 231st Session.

III. There were 6 offers, which had come in concerning the renting the INN. Here are the names of the people.

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No. 1: Daniel Riegel promises in quartely terms to pay for the Nazareth INN with all the buildings, which belong to it.....\$ 370,00.

No. 2. Henry Palmer Osbourne \$ 400,00 and for the land a rent as high as the other citizens pay.

No.3. Mr. Petit from Easton offered \$ 350,00, and he promised to bear all the taxes, to rent the land with \$ 2,00 per acre and he desires to have a lease for 5 years. For meadow-land he offers \$ 4,00 and for the other land \$ 2,50.

No. 4. Chr. H. Williams from Bethlehem offeres \$ 359,00

No. 5. William Craig from Bath promises to pay \$ 350,00 and for the land \$ 2,50 per acre.

No. 6 Br. Jacob Luckenbach from Bethlehem offers to pay \$ 400,00 in quarterly terms.

These 6 mentioned applicants offered sufficient security. They also brought written certificates about their blameless characters, their honesty, and their capability in general and for the managing of an Inn, with the exception of Mr. H. Palmer Osbourne, who is known to us personally through his many years stay in our village, and who does not need any recommendations for this business. The recommendations of the other 5 persons came from esteemed men and mostly/^{were}signed by the most respectable men of their neighborhood. The members of the committee were asked, to keep ^{and said} secret all, what is done/in the committee.

IV. It was then unanimously resolved, that it should~~be~~ put to the vote. But at least half of the votes should be put on one.

December 2nd 1835. - 232nd Session. - Concurrent Conference. The brethren of the Elder-Conference and the brethren of the Over-Seer Committee had assembled for a concurrent conference.

II. At once one took up the voting of the applicants for the persons, who

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who want to rent the INN. After the votes were collected it was found, that William Gray had 5 votes, P. Osbourne had 2 votes, Jacob Luckenbach had 2 votes and Petit had only 1 vote. William Craig was then elected with the necessary half of the votes.

III. From Bethlehem one will get the Regulations for their INN-Keepers, in order to use them also for our conditions.

December 7th 1835. - 233d Session. - II. The president was now able to give the committee the satisfying assurance of Mr. W. Craig as one had not expected differently. The said W. Craig is willing to take upon him the rent for the meadows and the other burdens and taxes.

III. In order to bind Mr. W. Craig to the conditions, which had come in from both sides, where some points, as the hay and the manure had not been mentioned, it was unanimously resolved, to order the president and Br. Busse, that they jointly design an agreement according to a sketch, which one would loan from Bethlehem, which then would have to be put before the Over-Seer Committee for approval. The same would do later with the lease.

IV. The president informed the committee of the announcement of Br. And. Whitesell, who is disposed to take his son Henry into Hohn Clewel's house, which belongs to Br. Whitesell. There was no reason, why the request should not be granted, because the son will not carry on a trade, but he will help his father in the agricultural work, and he would like to be considered as a member of the congregation. The request of Br. And. Whitesell was then approved.

December 14th 1835. - 234th Session. - II. The president communicated to the committee the memorandum, which had been designed by the president and Br. Busse. At the same time proposed the president to the committee, that Mr. W. Craig should have the use of the ovens in the Inn as long as he is in the Inn. Of course, the repairs of the same, he would have

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have to bear the cost of the repairs. The Committee was also inclined to let have Mr. Craig the entire garden, as far as the fence goes, free of rent. The lease should be given to Mr. Craig for 5 years, however with the yearly renewal. The brethren found it well, that 4 months notice of dismissal should be still inserted into the lease, as well as the stipulation, that all the gained manure should be put on the land.

December 22nd 1835. - 235th Session. - II. The brethren Busse and Kummer had a conversation with Mr. Craig, the future tenant of our INN, and they had been convinced of the satisfaction with the lease, which had been laid before him, and for the complete drawing up of the lease it was still resolved, to leave to Mr. Craig the sowing with the stipulation, that he leaves also so much of it, when he moves away. The attached writing to the lease shall be drawn up for two guarantees, but one does not want to insist upon it, that both parties shall sign it at once, because one considers Mr. Th. Craig as a sufficient security.

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January 15th 1836. - 236th Session. - III. Br. Sam. Vognitz has been permitted to rent Proske's lodging in Ephrata for \$ 20,00 annual rent. Br. Haman has promised security.

IV. Mr. William Craig had asked the committee for permission to rent a part of the furnitures and beds of the INN for one year, and if he should stay longer in the INN he offered himself, to buy it.

VI. Br. Ferdinand Grunewald has been permitted to carry on on his own account the tin-worker's business in Nazareth.

VII, The committee gave permission to the single Br. Fred. Wolle of Bethlehem to carry on the tinworker's business in connection with garnishing ovens in Nazareth. He will have to bring along from Bethlehem the neces-

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necessary recommendations.

X. Against the request of Br. Paul Miksch, to live here in the village, no objections were made.

January 22nd 1836. -237th Session. -II. Br. Fred. Grunewald shall be permitted to use for his workshop the lower rooms in the old store for \$ 25,00 rent per year.

IV. Mr. Francis Steiner had asked to rent the former house of Br. Anton Huebner in Schoeneck for \$ 25,00 per annum was permitted. He will move into it in April 1st.

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Members of the Over-Seer Committee, which according to the Synod of 1825
had been elected in February 1836 for the sixth time.

I. Ex-Officio:

1. Johann Gottlob Kummer, Warden and President; also Curator of the widows and Single Sisters.

II. By Election:

2. Franz Christian Danke. --- 3. Christian David Busse. -- 4. Christian Brunner. ---- 5. Andrew Kern. ---- 6. Johann S. Haman. -- 7. Levin Th. Reichel. -- 8. Jacob Eckensberger.

February 5th 1836. -- 238th Session. -I. Br. Rondthaler opened the first Session. Br. Kummer was then elected as president and Br. Levin Th. Reichel as recorder of the minutes.

II. The president related, that Br. S. Ricksecker had withdrawn his request to take over his house from the Gemein-Diaconie.

February 12th 1836. - 239th Session. - III; Br. Frodneck had asked, whether he could carry on in the future his shoemaker's trade, which was answered in the affirmative.

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V. Regarding Mr. Craig's request, to rent/the furnitures in the Inn it was proposed, supported and resolved, that the piano should not be rented out. - About the beds the brethren were not certain, whether they should rent them out. - It was then proposed, supported and resolved, that the remaining furnitures should be exactly estimated and this should be put before the Committee. -- The following brethren were appointed as committee for the estimation of the furnitures; they are Br. Kummer, Br. Busse and Br. Haman.

VII. It was proposed, supported and resolved, that the brethren Kummer and Haman should try to sell the big stage in the INN for about \$ 100,00 to Br. Whitesell or somebody else.

February 19th 1836. - 240th Session. - II. The president related, that the estimate of the furnitures, which Mr. Craig wishes to rent, has been made, and that it amounts to \$ 275,00.

VI. Br. David Michael received the permission, to become here house-possessor, and it was resolved, that he should give for a judgement-bond for money from his father a mortgage.

VII. It was proposed to request for the furnitures in the Inn 7% and for the beds 8%.

VIII. In view of the auction, which shall be held in the INN, the committee Br. Kummer and Br. Busse and Br. Haman should take an inventory.

February 26th 1836. - 241st Session. - II. The president mentioned, that the estimation of all tools, implements for the auction in the Inn amounts to \$ 935,00.

IV. It was proposed, supported and resolved, that Br. Haman by the auction, if the 2 good stages, the Razie and the Piano should be sold below their value, should buy back the same for the Gemein-Diaconie.

VI. Regarding Br. Haman's request, to buy from the INN 10 gallons soft soap and 25 lbs hard soap, it was proposed and supported and resolved,

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to let him have the soft-soap for 92 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ and the hard soap for 6¢ the pound.

March 9th 1836. - 243d Session. - V. The president bade farewell to the brethren of the committee by a little lovefeast. He was thankful for all forbearance, confidence, love and friendship during the time of 5 years. He intends to leave Nazareth next Monday, and his successor Br. J. C. Brickenstein from Emmaus will arrive here next Tuesday.

March 17th 1836. - 244th Session. - I. A new president was elected in the place of Br. Kummer, who had been transferred to Bethlehem, and Br. Brickenstein was unanimously elected as president.

III. If Mr. Craig would agree to it, the brethren should like, that he would let us have two rooms/^{Nos. 8 and 9} in the INN, and also the wine-cellar, in order to keep there all the remaining things for the auction.

March 25th 1836. - 245th Session. - II. The president reported, that the committee for the estimation of the furnitures in the Inn, had calculated \$ 721,86 of the same.

May 16th 1836. - 251st Session. - II. The additional building to the Hall was resolved. - b) the new building shall be pushed as far as to the front of the Hall, and it shall be so long as the Hall is deep, so that the roof is sloping towards the east. - c) A committee consisting of the brethren Kern, Brunner and Brickenstein, should make the necessary survey, and Br. Reichel should make afterwards a sketch of the building,

III. Regarding the Mineral Black factory it was resolved, that ^{to} Br. J. Clewel/^{it} should be proposed. Either to pay yearly a rent of \$ 50,00, in which case the Gemein-Diaconie shall not be obliged to purchase from him his improvements. ---Or: To enter partnership with the Diaconie, by which he shall be allowed, to make improvements according to his own opinion, but the expenses must not surpass \$ 100,00. Half of the profit shall go to the Diaconie.

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May 20th 1836. - 252nd Session. - The president related regarding the Mineral Black factory that Br. Clewel had not accepted any of the two points of the proposals. --- It was then resolved, to give Br. Brickenstein authority, to negotiate further with him, if he should like it. III. The sketch of the additional building to the Hall was put before the committee.

June 3d 1836. - 253d Session. -III. The president related, that Br. J. Clewel will take over the Mineral Black factory for 10 years, from June 1st 1836 to/1846. The first 5 years he would like to pay rent \$ 25,00 and the next five years he would like to pay \$ 50,00 rent, and all improvements he would let stand gratis.

June 17th 1836. - 254th Session. - II. The president related, that with Br. J. Clewel the contract about the rent of the Mineral Black factory had been closed regarding the conditions, which had been mentioned formerly.

September 23d 1836. -- 261st Session. - II. One spoke again about the drying-house, which Br. J. Clewel is about to build for the black paint, and because it seemed, that he could not decide, it was resolved, that in the case, that within 10 years it should be moved, then half of the building-expenses shall be compensated. - To allow him more wood for building.

October 7th 1836. - 262nd Session. -VII. Dr. H. Bute in Philadelphia wishes to buy George Ricksecker's house for a summer-residence. The Committee was inclined to sell it to him.

VIII. The president put before the committee the Status of the Nazareth Gemein-Diaconie, which has an uncovered debt of \$ 15 815, 51½.

XI. The water-conduit treasury had a deficit of \$ 180,35½.

October 21st 1836. - 263d Session. - II. The president related, that af-

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after he had received a letter from Dr. Bute, in which he told, that he would accept the Ricksecker's house for \$ 1600,00, the widow Ricksecker offered to pay the same amount. The committee was now of the opinion, that the first made agreement could not/^{again} be withdrawn.

October 25th 1836. - 264th Session. - II. Br. Salomon Schaefer had requested, that he should like to get the permission from the Committee, to carry on in the house , in which he is living, the saddler-trade on his own account. * This permission was granted unanimously by the Committee.

November 11th 1836. -- 265th Session. -II. The president related, that Fr. Eckensberger had moved into the little lodging in the old store.

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February 10th 1837. - 269th Session. - On the 5th of January travelled Br. and Sister Brickenstein, following a call, to Bethlehem. He had taken care of the Warden's office here since Easter last year ad interim. Br. Em. Rondthaler was appointed by the P. H. C. as warden for the time being, until Br. E. A. Frueauff, who is on the journey from Europe to this country, will arrive here.

In the first session this year Br. Rondthaler took over the chair.

VI. Br. N. Miksch is anxious to seel his house.

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Members of the Over-Seer Committee, which according to the Synod of 1836
had been elected in February 1836 for the first time.

I. Ex-Officio:

1. Eugene A. Frueauff, warden and president; also Curator of the Widows and the Single Sisters.

II. By Election:

2. A. Gottfried Kern with 29 votes; --3. John S. Haman with 27 votes;---

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4. Jacob Eckensberger with 23 votes; --- 5. Benjamin Clewel with 19 votes;
6. Franz Christian Danke with 17 votes; --7. Jul. T. Bechler with 17 votes;
8. Jos. Clewel with 17 votes.

February 21st 1837. -- I. Session. - Br. Eugene A Frueauff was elected as president of the Over-Seer Committee, and Jul. T. Bechler as Recorder of the Minutes.

March 21st 1837. - Vth Session. - III. In order to get to something definite regarding the purchase of the house of N. Miksch, one offered him not more than \$ 2000,00.

March 31st 1837. - VIth Session. - The president reported, that N. Miksch is satisfied with the price for his house, which was offered him. But he had the following request, that when his house should be sold later for a higher price, that they should remember him and give him a part of the profit, which was answered in the affirmative.

April 28th 1837. - VIIIth Session. -II. The president related, that Dr. H. Bute desires, that he could exchange the house, which he had taken over, for N. Miksch' house together with a delivery of \$ 550,00. Because no objections were made, his request was granted.

June 23d 1837. - XIIth Session. -The president remarked, that on account of Br. Jacob Eckensperger's resignation as a member of the Over-Seer Committee, and on account of the refusal of the brethren, who should have been elected to fill his place, the Gemein-council had resolved, that this place should be left vacant until the next general election.

August 4th 1837. - XIIIth Session.
III. The Old Nazareth Stone-quarry should be rented out to Mr. Nied. This would bring more profit to the Gemein-Diaconie. The president had been asked to confer with Mr. Nied about the rent.

IV. The president related, that Sister Ebbecke had received permission

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permission, to move to the village, where she can have in the Old Store in the two lower rooms lodging for a yearly rent of \$ 31,00. The warden wants to let the two rooms white-wash and scour.

August 25th 1837. - XIVth Session. - I. The president reported, that he had talked with Mr. Niel regarding the stone-quarry, for which he is willing to pay yearly rent of \$ 42,00 for 3 years.

September 8th 1837. - XVth Session. - II. The request of Br. R. C. Clewel in Schoeneck to carry on in our village as citizen the tailor-profession, was taken into consideration and finally granted. But the brethren thought it wise, to give Br. Clewel the advise, to stay for the present time still single, in order to see, whether he will be able to make his living.

III. The President related, that Br. Heinrich Senseman had expressed his desire, to be permitted to open in this village a printing-shop, and he would like to publish a German Newspaper, in which all, what is against our constitution would be avoided. The brethren of the Committee thought, because nothing of this kind is here in the village as yet, one thought to make an exception in this case and to approve of it.

October 21st 1837. - XVIIIth Session. - II. It was reported, that Mr. A. Plattenberger, who is at present working by Br. Jacob Beck, and who was sticking to the Schoeneck congregation, had asked, to become a member of the Nazareth congregation. The brethren found no reason, why they should not allow it.

III. It was reported, that now Br. Heinrich Senseman had begun his business as printer, and for this purpose he is using half of the former George Ricksecker's house, which had not been used, and he will pay per year \$ 35,00 rent. The committee had nothing against it.

December 1st 1837. - XXth Session. - V. The Diaconie had until May 31st a deficit of \$ 530,45 $\frac{1}{4}$

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II. The president reported, that the single brother Edmund Ricksecker, who had since lately dabbled with making clocks, had asked for permission to carry on this business on his own account. And because only one brother was doing this work, the committee thought it fair, to give Br. Edmund Ricksecker the permission.

IV. The president reported the request of the Directors of the Free-Schools. The children who are living towards Friedensthal, and who are in this township, also those who are living nearer to Schoeneck, should have the education, which is required by the law. But in order that one should not interfere with the school-arrangement in Schoeneck, has the same asked for permission, to erect a schoolhouse at the corner of the bush (forest), where the two roads, which lead from Nazareth and Schoeneck to Friedensthal, meet. The Elder-Conference had put this affair into the hands of the Over-Seer Committee, and whatever this committee would decide, the Elder-Committee would agree with it. The request of the Directors of the Free-School was then granted with the following stipulations: The Diaconie may at any time for important reasons, and by the sale of the land, if it is necessary, recall the use of the Schoolhouse. On the contrary promised the Diaconie to buy the schoolhouse/for a fixed price. If it should be necessary to take it from them after the expiration of the first 5 years, the Diaconie would give them \$ 100,00; after the expiration of 15 years they would be allowed \$ 75,00; after 25 years \$ 50,00, or 3 persons should estimate the value of the house, which estimation should not be over \$ 50,00, and this sum should be paid to the Directors of the school. - For the ground, which is necessary for the building of the school, promised the Directors to pay \$ 1,00 per year.

February 23d 1838. - XXIVth Session. - II. The president related, that

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that Br. Lambert had asked to become an inhabitant of the village, and he should like to buy the house of Br. John Schmidt. The brethren of the Elder Conference gave their consent. The committee found nothing against the request.

March 9th 1838. - XXVth Session. - I. Br. Emanuel Rondthaler as an elected member of the Over-Seer Committee appeared for the first time in the meeting. ---- In the place of Br. Julius Bechler, who had received another employment, was elected Br. E. Rondthaler as Recorder of the Minutes. III. Br. Christian Ebbecke received 13 acres of land on the Friedensthal road on the right hand adjacent to Br. Nathanael Miksch's plantation, which had been occupied by Br. Ph. Seyfried. The acre shall cost \$ 3,00. The warden will take the matter in hand and will arrange it with Br. Ebbecke. Because the fences are in a poor condition, he shall get 300 rails from the so-called Belling's grove, and shall make them on his own expenses, and he has to haul them too. The president will notify Br. Ebbecke about it.

April 6th 1838. - XXVIIth Session. - III. The president reported, that Bro. and Sister Lambert with their 4 children had arrived from Bethlehem in Nazareth and have moved into Br. John Schmidt's house.

April 20th 1838. - XXVIIIth Session. - III. The president announced, that Br. William Binger had donated \$ 5,00 for the embellishment of our God's acre.

June 8th 1838. - XXIXth Session. III. The members of the Vigilance Fire-Engine Company have declared, that the hose of the fire-engine is in a very bad condition, and it was therefore requested, that the hose should be repaired. Although the Gemein-Council should take this in hand, it was found well, that some brethren of the committee should overlook the hose.

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for their confidence in him and he asked them for their support and advice in his businesses.

November 3d 1838. - XXXVIIth Session. - IV. Br. Chr. Brunner was appointed as Bush-ranger under the following conditions: He receives \$ 23, 00 salary for one year, no wood he should receive, and that he is appointed only for one year.

IX. The ditch from the Old Store to Br. Christ's house has grown up with grass and Br. Jos. Clewel was asked, to open that ditch with the plough, which he is willing to do.

November 16th 1838. - XXXVIIIth Session. - Sister Ebbecke requested to have some rooms in the old brethren's house, which was approved by the committee.

November 23d 1838. - XXXIXth Session. - III. The president laid before the Committee the balances of the accounts of the Citizen's treasury, the Water-Conduit's treasury, the Gemein-Diaconie and the Sister's Choir-Diaconie.

The Citizen's treasury had a Credit with the Gemein-Diaconie of \$440,91½
The Water-Conduit's treasury has a debt with the Gemein-Diaconie of \$ 96,28.

The Gemein-Diaconie had an additional receipt of \$ 309,88½. From the Status in May 31st 1838 it was to be seen, that there was More Passiva than Activa \$ 16 036,16½.

The Sister's Choir-Diaconie; had an additional receipt of # 37,11½. In December 31st 1837 was more Activa than Passiva of \$ 391,63½.

December 21st 1838. - XL1st Session. - I. Edwin Wolle shall receive 10 acres of land as soon as it is possible, for which he will pay \$ 3,00 per acre. He has the intention, to build some houses on it in order to carry on the business of rearing silk-worms.

III. Charles Moore had through Br. Ch. D. Busse asked for permission,

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to break lime-stones in the hill between the Schoeneck and Friedensthal Street. The committee wishes, that the applicant shall talk with the Warden himself.

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January 4th 1839. - 42nd Session. - I. Ch. Moore and a certain Happel wished to have a piece of land between the Friedensthal and Schoeneck Street (the lane, which connects both streets is included), and asked therefore for permission to break lime-stones there. A practicable road between both streets they would keep open. If they would find lime-stones they would be willing to pay for it by the load. The committee gave its consent to this undertaking. - The brethren Kluge and Jos. Clewel will show them, where they shall make the beginning with digging.

February 15th 1839. - 45th Session. - II. Because this session of the Over-Seer Committee will be the last one, and because next Monday, February 18th the Gemein-Council will elect the new members, the president, Br. Franz Danke and the recorder were asked to revise the Minutes. III. The Helper of the Congregation, (Minister), thanked the brethren for their 2 years faithful service and he wished them God's Blessing.

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Members of the Over-Seer Committee, which according to the Synod of
1836 had been elected in February 18th 1839 for the second time.

I. Ex-Officio:

1. Charles F. Kluge, warden and President; also Curator of the widows and of the Single Sisters.

II. By Election:

2. Joseph Clewel with 40 votes; -- 3. John S. Haman with 34 votes;
4. Benjamin Clewel with 33 votes; -- 5. Christian D. Busse with 32 votes.

Translations of selected entries from the Minutes of the Over-Seer Committee of the Congregation in Nazareth.
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6. Christian Renatus Hoerber with 31 votes; - 7. John C. Leibfried with 31 votes; --- 8. Christian Brunner with 30 votes.

March 1st 1839. - 1st Session. - 1. Br. Ch. Kluge was elected unanimously as president, and Br. Ch. D. Busse was appointed as Recorder of the Minutes.

March 8th 1839. - 2nd Session. - 3. By order of the Elder-Conference it was announced to the President, that Michael Darnbach will marry a stranger not to our constitution belonging woman, and for that reason he will have to be excluded from our congregation. The brethren were conferring with each other about it, how one would have to deal with such cases, and the brethren were convinced, that all, who marry outside people, should be excluded from our congregation, however one was of the opinion, that every case should be considered individually, and finally one came to the conclusion, "that it should be recommended to the E. C. to observe the Rule in such cases more than before, and if possible to be more strict with it."

4. Br. Samuel Ricksecker had announced, that he could not hold any longer his house in the village, because he could not pay anymore his interest. For that reason he wants to move to his lot in Bushkill Township. Daniel Wilhelm intends to buy the house, and for that reason he asked the Warden, whether the Gemein-Diaconie would take from him his house. The committee is not inclined to do so and dissuates it to meddle with this trade. It was also said, that it would be better to take over no more houses for the Gemein-Diaconie, if it can be helped. Br. Ricksecker shall be advised to try to sell his house in an auction.

5. The Inspector of the school here desires, that the Gemein-Diaconie should let repair the Hall, chiefly to give the building a better ap-

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appearance. Then a committee was appointed, consisting of the brethren Brunner, Kluge and Busse, who should look at the building and then report to the committee.

March 12th 1839. - 3d Session. - 2. It was announced, that Br. Ch. H. Beck has bought the Ricksecker's house for \$ 1900,00.

7. It was resolved, that the old warehouse should be given by the Gemein-Diaconie to a fire-engine house so long as it could be used for that purpose with the supposition, that the Citizen's treasury will take upon itself the changes and repairs.

April 5th 1839. - 5th Session. - 2. Br. Rondthaler announced to the Committee, that when the Provincial Helper-Conference had assembled this week in Nazareth, it had approved the building of a new church. In view on the possession of the new church, as well as the hauling of the necessary material for the building, the opinion of the said conference is as follows:

a) that the church-building must be the property of the Gemein-Diaconie.

b) that the contributions and collections belong to the Gemein-Diaconie and has to be considered

as an aid for the defraying of the expenses of the building. On the contrary is the Gemein-Diaconie obliged to take care of the repairs.

c) That the raising of the means, which are still wanted for the finishing of the building, falls on the Gemein-Diaconie; the same has to be considerate to procure the necessary means, for instance by means of selling a plantation or the Hall. If this would be done, then the new church-building would remain a property of the Gemein-Diaconie here, which is left to the Nazareth congregation for its divine services, without that rent or interest will have to be paid.

3) The committee took in consideration, in which manner the Gemein-Diaconie will raise the money, which will be necessary for the building of the church/

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One could not come to any conclusion regarding this point, and will be postponed for further consideration.

April 18th 1839. - 5th Session. - 2. Josiah Beitel had asked for the building-lot south of Benjamin Clewel's lot. He wants to build on it a two-story building, 25 x 32 feet. - The president, Charles F. Kluge, had been asked, to speak with Br. Beitel regarding it. He should also request from Br. Beitel a written promise, that he will carry on no business or trade^u by strangers, who do not belong to us, in the building, which he intends to build, nor will he ever use the building for something, which is against our rules and regulations, and which cannot be permitted by the Gemein-Direction and by the Over-Seer Committee. The committee came to the conclusion, to give the permission to Br. Josiah Beitel that he can have the building-lot. However the lot ^u could not be promised to him before next April, except he will settle with Gilbert Fradeneck, who is at the present possessor of it.

5. Anton Meyer should like to rent the old warehouse for an Instrument-maker's shop, and to carry on his business in it. He offers \$ 15,00 rent for the same. Because the committee had some founded doubts, one did not want to meddle with him, nor rent the building to him.

6. Edwin Wolle had asked for the house, which is at present inhabited by Jos. Hillman. He wants it for 6 months and want to use it for rearing of silk-worms. He offers \$ 25,00 rent for half the year.

8. John Kern offers to invest by the Diaconie from \$ 700,00 to \$ 1000,00 for yielding interest. The committee advises the Warden, Charles F. Kluge, to take it.

April 20th 1839. - 7th Session. - 1. The reason and purpose of this meeting was chiefly the laying out of the often spoken of new cultivation^u of farms. It was proposed and supported, that new farms should be laid out,

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consisting of the land, which had been taken off from A. Whitesell's plantation, to which shall be added the necessary acres of bushland, which shall be cleared off. Further it should be moved, that the necessary buildings and arrangements for the new cultivation of farms should be made, if it can be done for a sum, which does not surmount \$ 2000,00.

2. It was resolved, that a committee should be elected, which shall talk with the cabinet-maker John Lahr, who should make a sketch of the buildings, and a contract should be made with him, if the matter can be carried out, without surmounting the above mentioned sum. The brethren Kluge, Brunner and Busse were elected for that committee.

3. Because Mr. Craig wishes to have made some changes in the INN, the same committee received the order, to get acquainted more closely with his wishes and to look at the matter.

April 29th 1839. - 8th Session. - 2. Regarding the request of Gustav Kern to carry on his shoemaker-profession the Elder-Conference had no doubts, that said Kern should be accepted and should be permitted to carry on here his profession. The committee gave also its permission to it.

3. Edwin Wolle wishes to rent Hillman's lodging and he promises, to compensate for all the damage, which the house may have through his use. The committee approves, that Wolle can have it for \$ 30,00 rent until next November, with the reservation, that he shall have only the house for his use, and that he shall deliver it again very well cleaned on the 1st of November, and that he compensates for all damage, which will have been caused by his use.

4. The president, Charles F. Kluge, reported, that the committee, which had been appointed for that purpose, had closed a contract with John Lahr for \$ 1450,00, for the erection of the necessary building for a new farm. The committee gave its consent to the contract.

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5. The determination of the building-place of the new farmhouse and barn was postponed for the next session.

6. The Committee of the Brethren Kluge , Brunner and Busse, had a meeting in the INN together with John Lahr concerning the desired and proposed changes by Mr. Craig. The committee was of the opinion, that improvements should be made. The brethren Kluge and Haman will try to make a contract with Mr. Craig, so that he will take it over and make the said changes for about \$ 200, 00 to \$ 225,00.

May 10th 1839. - 9th Session. - 2. The president, Br. Kluge, related, that Edwin Wolle had rented the mentioned house for 5 months for \$ 5,00 per month.

3. The building-place for the new farm-buildings had been taken into consideration, and had been decided by the majority of votes, that on the East-side of the forest (woodland), along Chr. KNecht and Stocker's line, with clearing the beginning shall be made, and the buildings shall be erected on a suitable place, about 50 perches west of Knecht's land. The brethren Kluge, Brunner and Busse have been ordered to mark out the the place for the building.

4. The necessity was acknowledged, that as soon as the building-place has been established, it should be moved, that also at once a well should be dug, for which competent men should be consulted.

5. The president, Br. Kluge, related, that he and Br. Haman could not agree regarding the changes in the Inn. One came to the conclusion, that the warden should talk again with Mr. Craig and should put before him the difficulties, which are connected with the changes, and also tell him about the short time for the performance, for it shall be finished before the School-examination. When Craig should be inclined to undertake it for \$ 225,00, the committee agrees with it, when the warden makes

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a contract with him, even if it would cost \$ 25,00 more.

6. The committee, which had been looking over the Hall, reported, that only little repair will have to be made, and it would not amount to much, probably \$ 25,00 to \$ 30,00. The committee is of the opinion, that the best time for the repairs would be during the vacation.

May 17th 1839. - 10th Session. - 2. The warden, Br. Kluge, could not come to an agreement regarding the changes in the Inn, and therefore he made a contract with Mr. John Lahr, who took over the work for \$ 250,00.

3. The consideration, how the ^{necessary} money for the building of the New Church could be raised, was taken up. It was proposed, and unanimously resolved, that the warden with the approval of the Elder-Conferen~~ne~~ce should enter negotiations with the trustees of the school, and if possible to sell the Hall to the school for the best price, which can be obtained.

4. The annual financial report of the Single Sister's Diaconie from January 1st 1838 to December 31st 1838 was put before the Over-Seer Committee, and it showed in the annual account a deficit of \$ 415,38½, and in the Status appeared \$23,75 more Passiva than Activa. The brethren conversed for some time about the critical condition of said Diaconie, and with regret one saw the sinking condition of it; how and whether one can do something for the improvement should be taken up in another session.

May 31st 1839. - 11th Session. - 2. The president, Br. Kluge, reported, that the brethren of the Elder-Conference in Nazareth together with the Provincial Helper-Conference have been negotiating in favour of the sale of the Hall. The trustees offer \$ 3000,00 for it under the condition, that the lot behind the Hall, the so-called Gemein-garden, should be left to the school. The trustees also wished, that if the purchase is accomplished, to obtain the possession of the church-hall on the 1st of July 1840. The committee of the Over-Seer had no objections against the price, but they find it advisable to leave the decision for the next session.

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4. The president, Br. Kluge, announced, that Br. Henry Beitel had declared to him, that he desires to give up the farm No. 4, which he had worked, until next spring. Daniel Scheuerman makes the claim to rent it.

June 14th 1839. - 12th Session. - 2. Regarding the deliverance of the Church-hall to the trustees of the school on the 1st of July 1840 had the Committee great doubts. It was resolved, to ask the brethren of the Elder-Conference to make a remonstrance, because it is not likely, that the New Church will be ready for use until that time, and one could not expect from the Congregation in Nazareth to have 4 months long no meeting-house. The committee consented unanimously in the price for the Hall of \$ 3000,00.

3. It was resolved to warn Gilbert Fradeneck to be careful and to look out, that no disorder is caused in his cake- and beer-shop, especially that no drinking-bout should be tolerated, and on Christmas-evening or at other opportunities, when many strangers come to the village, in no case should be sold strong drinks. On Christmas-eve should his shop be closed. The brethren Kluge, Haman and Jos. Clewel had been asked to speak with Fradeneck about this matter.

4. Br. Kluge was ordered to speak with Andr. Whitesell on account of the smithy, which is carried on by John Uhler, and it shall be announced to him, that he does it on land, which had been rented by him, and that this is against the rule, and that the brethren expect from him, that he shall put it away.

5. John Schott had made an offer of \$ 600,00 for the Belling's land, also a certain Michael Frack had asked for it to buy it. Br. Kluge and Br. Busse were commissioned with the selling of this land in the best manner and for the best price.

June 28th 1839. - 14th Session. - 2. G. Fradeneck in a satisfactory manner had declared, that he would not do anything, what would be against

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morality and order. He is also willing to keep his shop closed on Christmas-Eve and other occasions.

August 2nd 1839. - 14th Session. - 2. The president, Br. Kluge, reported, that he according to his commission had talked with Andrew Whitesell on account of John Uhler's smithy, but he had not received it well, and he declared, that the said smithy could not be taken away until April 1st next year, and that he would not be willing to take it away before that time, because he had rented out that smithy until that time to Uhler. A further consideration will be taken up in a future session.

August 16th 1839. - 15th Session. - 3. Elizabeth Albright, wife of Jos. J. Albright, had asked, to become a member of the Nazareth congregation, to which the committee gave its consent.

7. The church-committee put before the committee a sketch of a steeple, tower, and asked the committee for remarks about it, when after the same sketch a tower shall be built on the new church.

September 6th 1839. - 16th Session. - 5. George Delp and Jacob Dumer want to buy Belling's grove and they offer \$ 800,00 for it. The committee approved the sale for the above mentioned price.

September 20th 1839. - 17th Session. - 3. Jacob Clewel had asked for the building-lot north of Musselman's shop, because he want to build on it a two-story house with a turner-shop, because his dwelling-house suffers from the turning, and especially from the heavy wood, and he has on his lot no suitable place for such a shop. The brethren had many discussions about this. The warden, Br. Kluge, had talked with Br. Clewel, but Clewel was not inclined to be satisfied with only half a lot. The brethren conferred with each other about the place as for a new fire-engine house, and they could not find any other place, which would be more suitable, than the northern half of the lot, situated north of Musselman's shop, striking to an alley and it was resolved, said half lot to reserve for

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the named purpose. - Further it was proposed and resolved to offer to Jacob Clewel the lower or southern half for the erection of a shop; the northern half remains for the erection of a fire-engine house for the keeping of all apparatus, which belong to the fire-engine, and also for the use of the warden for keeping boards, timbers, posts etc.

4. It was proposed, supported and unanimously resolved, that henceforth
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no vacant/lots shall be given/to anybody for the erection of/shop, if
not at once a dwelling-house is built on it.

6. Br. Rondthaler asked the Committee, because he has the intention to lay down his office as helper of the congregation (pastor) and has to have another lodging, whether he can have for rent the house of Stolzenbach, where he is living at present. The warden was ordered to arrange this matter to the satisfaction of all the persons who are interested in it.

4. Joseph Hillman intends to make a water-conduit from the reed-pond^{Roehrenteich} to his tannery, and he likes to know, whether said pond shall be filled up after the church is built. The committee had nothing against his water-conduit, but regarding the filling up of the pond it could not give any information.

September 23d 1839. - Extra Session. - 1. The president, Br. Kluge, announced, that Stolzenbach is not willing to move out from the house, in which he is now living, because his present condition in his family make it impossible. Br. Rondthaler proposed, that he would like to buy the said house, if he soon could get the possession of it. The committee gives its consent to the sale of the said house to Dr. Rondthaler. The warden was ordered to hasten the matter in the most possible manner.

2. Jacob Clewel who had been informed by the president of the resolution of the committee, was not satisfied with the decision, and did not like to accept the favour of being helped with only half a lot.

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October 4th 1839. - 19th Session. - 4. The balance of the accounts of the Citizen's treasury and of the Water-conduit from June 1st 1838 until May 31st 1839 was laid before the committee. The citizen's treasury had a credit by the Gemein-Diaconie of \$ 397,66 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢, and the Water-conduit had a surplus of \$ 34,23 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢.

October 21st 1839. - 20th Session. - 2. Regarding the matter of Jacob Clewel it was announced by the President, Br. Kluge, that Chr. Musselman is willing, to give up to Jacob Clewel 30 feet of the southern side of his building-lot towards the more mentioned ~~the~~ Jacob Clewel allowed half lot, for which the said brethren asked the committee for approval, which also was granted to them.

3. The committee agrees with it, that the inhabited house by Jacob Stolzenbach, which belongs to the single sister's diaconie, is to be sold to Br. Rondthaler. An offer for sale shall be given to Stolzenbach in due time, so that the possession of it can be given to Br. Rondthaler on the next 1st of April, supposing that one can come to an agreement with Br. Rondthaler about the price.

8. The president, Br. Kluge, laid before the committee the balance of the account of the Gemein-Diaconie from June 1st 1838 to May 31st 1839, which showed a surplus of \$ 765,85 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢. In the Status of the Gemein-Diaconie appeared \$ 15270,31 more Passiva than Activa.

October 25th 1839. - 21st Session. - 7. Because Br. C. F. Kluge is about to resign, on account of another employ, his office as warden and as president of the Over-Seer Committee, the brethren thanked him for his service and he thanked them for their love and confidence, and wished them God's blessing for the future.

October 29th 1839. - 22nd Session. - The brethren of the Elder-Conference and the brethren of the church-building committee were present.

1. The proposals for the building of the new Church were handed in Octo-

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October 28th by the building committee, and according to the wish of the said committee the brethren of the Elder-Conference had assembled in order to take into consideration, who shall be taken as architect of the New Church. The proposals were made by John Lahr and Charles Glass for the amount of \$ 4650, and by John Levers for the amount of \$ 3855,00.

2. It was proposed, supported and resolved, that before one man is accepted as Contractor, the same should give a BOND OF PERFORMANCE with a good and acceptable assurance.

3. It was then resolved, to vote by tickets, which of the proposed men shall be accepted as architect or contractor. The result was, that John Levers had 7 votes and Lahr and Glass had each 4 votes, and therefore John Levers had been accepted as contractor. Br. Kluge was asked, to give notice to him and to request him to sign the contract and to give further satisfaction, which will be asked from him.

November 8th 1839. - 23d Session. - 1. Br. Reinke presided and opened the meeting with the announcement, that the former Warden and president of the Over-Seer Committee had resigned and that it was necessary, that the Over-Seer Committee elects/^{or appoints} again a president. Br. George Fr. Troe-
was ger/appointed unanimously for this office.

3. It was announced to the Over-Seer Committee, that Br. John Haman had been appointed as Curator of the single sisters, which office he accepted.

November 22nd 1839. - 24th Session. - 2. The committee allowed, that the house occupied by Stolzenbach should be sold to Br. Rondthaler for the sum of \$ 800,00.

December 6th 1839. - 25th Session. - 5. Mr. William Craig announced, that he intends to move from the INN next spring. He requested the Committee should accept one man of the six proposed men, which he had mentioned. In this case he offered to pay \$ 200,00 to the Gemein-Diaconie, because

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because those men were willing to take over his stock of furniture, beds etc., by which he will escape a heavy loss, which he would have to suffer, when he would be obliged to sell his things on an auction. The men, which have been proposed by Craig are the following persons: Andrew McCarty, Thomas Kraemer, Jacob Wilt, Daniel Riegel, Charles Whitesell and Henry Ritter. Besides this has also applied Charles H. Williams as one, who wants to rent the INN. Of Daniel Riegel letters of recommendation were handed in by Pastor Fuchs, Owen Rice, Jacob Rice, John Rice, George Schlabach and Conrad Shimer. A further consideration was postponed for December 10th.

December 10th 1839. - 26th Session. - 2. After one had talked about the various applicants for the Nazareth Inn, it was resolved, that by tickets should be voted, who the next person for renting the INN, and that none should be acknowledged as elected, if he has not at least the majority of all the votes of the present brethren, and because 8 brethren were present a person should not have less than 5 votes in order to be elected. After the votes had been collected, read and counted, it showed, that Daniel Riegel had 5, Charles Whitesell 2 and Andrew McCarty had 1 vote. Daniel Riegel was then declared as elected.

December 30th 1839. - 27th Session. - 3. Jos. Nieth's lease for the Stone quarry had been extended 6 months.

4. On the request of the Warden, how the money for the payment of the first instalments to John Levers for the New Church should be raised, the Committee advises, to collect at least a part of the subscribed money and only in the most extreme case money from the Unity's Administrator should be taken up.

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January 24th 1840. - 28th Session. - 2. The Warden related, that he had