

[Yorkshire, Cattaraugus Co. NY]

Conference at Yorkshire Center, N.Y.

The Conference at this place, according to appointment, was held August 4th and 5th. Considering the season of the year [harvest] it was more numerously attended than was to be expected. During some of the services all parts of the house, including aisles and gallery, were filled.

The following ministering brethren were present: G. [Gideon] S. Gowdy, I [Isaac] George, I. B. [Ichabod Blakeslee] Sharp, J. B. Sax, C. H. [Charles Heman] Dutton and B. N. [Browning Nichols] Wiles. Sermons by brethren in the order named:—J. B. Sax, B. N. Wiles, I. B. Sharp, C. H. Dutton, and I. George. Two social Conferences were held during the meeting, and two candidates received the solemn rite of baptism by immersion.

The several discourses were upon the sublime themes of the Gospel, and designed to exhibit the boundless wisdom and love of God in the plan of salvation, and to strengthen the faith, confirm the hope, and enlarge the charity of the believers present, in the great redemption God has promised. The social meetings abounded with the spirit and power of our blessed faith. An excellent spirit prevailed, and all present found it good to be there. The choir performed finely and added much to the interest of the meeting. The services were closed with the administration of the Eucharist.

Our cause in this locality seems to be in a prosperous and flourishing condition, under the successful labors of Br. G. S. Gowdy. May our friends in this branch of our Zion continue zealous and persevering in the glorious cause they have espoused, and rejoice in the abundance of peace and prosperity.

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