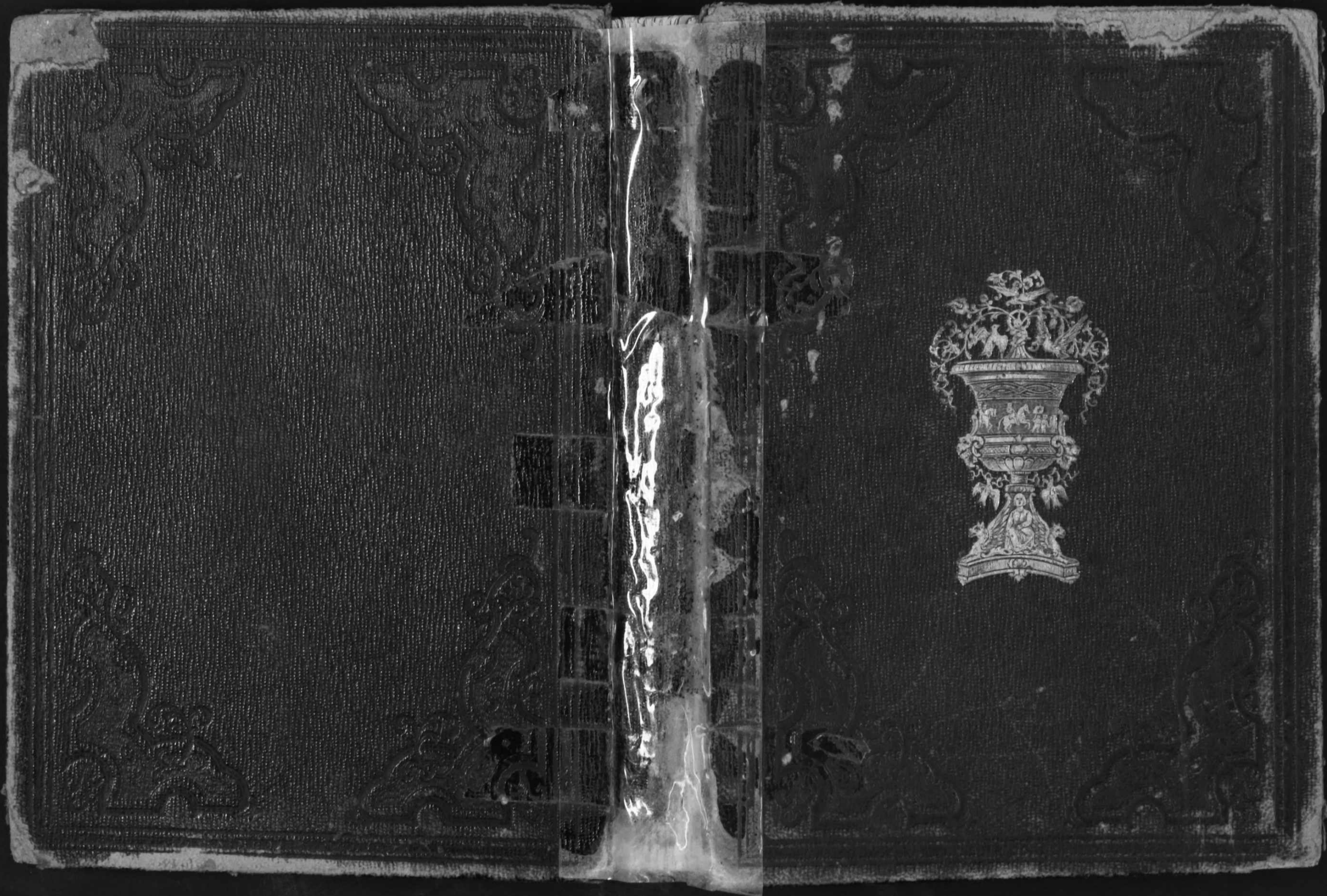




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1 Free Will Baptist Church called
York in York Tp Union Co O
Organization of the above Church
as a body Corporate

The following Notice was posted
up in three of the most public places
in York Tp Union Co O to wit
Notice the Brethren & friends of
York Free Will Baptist Church
are notified to meet at the house
of George Coons on the 29th day of
April 1837 for the purpose of
organizing a Religious Society
and electing three Trustees & one
Clerk as officers for said Society
In accordance with the above
notice a Majority of all the members
of said Church met at the time and
place stated in the said Notice
the meeting was organized by
calling George Coons to the Chair
& choosing J S Coons Clerk the
object of the meeting being stated
the following Resolution was
adopted Resolved that said Society
shall hereafter be known by the
name of the York Church
Thomas S Coons Jacob Balenbaugh
and Abel E Waite were Elected
Trustees and Thomas S Coons
Clerk, I certify the foregoing

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April 29 1857 Thomas S Coons, Clerk

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Public Legal Notice having been given, the members of the German Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession at Kridettsau, in Paris and Darby Townships Union County Ohio. assembled in their usual place of meeting on the Twenty sixth day (26th) day of December in the year of our Lord 1851. and appointed Pastor Jacob Seidel, Chairman, and Casper Scheiderer Clerk. The object of the meeting being to incorporate the Congregation under the provision of ~~the~~ act of the General assembly of the State of Ohio (said act having been passed March the 12th. AD 1844 and being found in Volume 42 page 62 of the Statute of Ohio) and an act amendatory thereto passed February the 18th 1848 (and found in Volume 46th page 56th and entitled an act to provide for the appointment of Trustees for the control of associated religious societies and to define their powers

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And duties: and Election was then and there held which resulted in the choice of Bernhart Bischoff Jacob Vanderau and Jacob Leidel as Trustees, Casper Theiderer as Clerk, and Bernhart Bischoff Treasurer

The following by laws were then adopted

- 1 The name and title of this Congregation, shall be in the following words: The German Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Saint Johns Church of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession, of Mendotelsan, Parris and Parby Township Union County Ohio. 2 Neither the Church nor any of the Church property of this Congregation can ever either through purchase, exchange, or in any other possible way become the property of any Congregation or denomination which does not faithfully in doctrine and practice adhere to the Symbolical Books of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, but shall & must for all future time be and remain the property of the German true Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Mendotelsan as aforesaid;
- 3 The Church and Church property aforesaid can never under any circumstances for the purpose of Divine worship or of any other use, either be given up or yielded to any denomination of whatsoever name, which is not faithful in its adherence to all the Symbolical Books of the Lutheran Church, but can for all future time be used for the purpose of divine worship only by us and our

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4. Accordingly no religious service can ever under any circumstances be allowed in our Church, but such as are truly Lutheran. 5. This Church has been erected by Germans, and shall therefore also for all future time remain the property of the Confessionally faithful German Lutherans resident here. Divine service shall accordingly never be conducted in this Church except wholly and alone in the German language only in very special cases of necessity can service in another language be allowed, always however, under the express condition that said service be purely Lutheran and therefore wholly in accordance with the Symbolical Books of our beloved Evangelical Lutheran Church, these Symbolical Books are the following:

a the three Oecumenical Symbols

1. The Apostles Creed; 2. The Nicene Creed; 3. the Athanasian Creed. 4. the Unaltered Augsburg Confession; 5. the Symbol of the Augsburg Confession; 6. the smaller and larger Catechism of Luther; 7. the Smalcald Articles of the form of Concord in other words the whole Book of Concord as it was first published at 1580, at Dresden Germany. 8. If any member of this Congregation shall at any time dissent from the above aforesaid Congregation.

aforesaid Confessions which we received as
 altogether in accordance with the Holy
 Scriptures of the old and New Testament
 he must according to our Church discipline
 be Excluded from the Congregation, through
 which exclusion he loses all right and
 title to the Church and Church property
 of the Congregation, without being able to
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 erty; 7 No. person, who is not truly Luther-
 -an can ever be received as a Member of our
 Congregation unless he first forsakes his pre-
 -vious Confession adopting ours in stead and
 attaching himself to our Church; No such
 person can therefore either ever acquire any
 right or title to our Church property

All the preceding is leared upon the
 formula of discipline (adapted on the 26th of
 December 1849) of the above mention-
 -ed Congregation Especially; as upon the whi-
 -ale first section of the same according
 to its four parts 6. upon the whole twelfth
 Section thereof; 6 upon its Thirteenth Section
 parts 12. 13. 14 and 15 under 6. which parts
 of said formula must for all future time
 remain unchanged. That the above is a
 correct Copy of the proceedings at the
 above mentioned time and place is ~~correct~~
 Certified by Jacob Leidel Chairman
 Casper Scheiderer Clerk of said meeting

Keudtellew in Parris and Darby
Townships Union County Ohio
December 26th 1851

Filed and recorded February
27th 1852

Wm M Robinson
Recorder of Union C O

Newton } November 29th 1852
Cemetery } According to an adjournment of a previous meeting, a number of the citizens of Liberty Township met in the Town of Newton for the purpose of devising ways and means for purchasing and enclosing the grave yard near W. M. Boughey. It was thought the object of the meeting could be best accomplished by the formation of an incorporated company to be known as the Newton Cemetery Association. Nathaniel Stuart, Nathaniel Raymond, David T. Paul, Leven Griffin and Benjamin Tucker, were elected Trustees, and William H. Robb Clerk, on motion the

adjourned. I certify the above
to be a true record of the
proceedings

William H. Rapp
Filed and recorded Dec 3rd 1852
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Christian & Freewill Baptist Church

& Number of the subscribers to the Christian & Freewill Baptist subscription, for the purpose of building a Meeting House in the Town of Newton. Met according to previous appointment on the 10th day of March 1853. at Two o'clock P. M. Daniel Melvin was called to the chair and F. E. Henderson appointed secretary, on Motion of N. Stuart, that Daniel Griffin state the object of the meeting, and after the object of the meeting being stated in a few appropriate remarks, there was a Motion made that there be a Committee of Three appointed to arrange business for the meeting, N. Raymond, Daniel Griffin & Theodore Green appointed said Committee by the chair. Said Committee reported the following preamble and resolutions, which was unanimously adopted. Preamble

We whose names are attached to the subscription hereto annexed, for the purpose of erecting a House for the worship of God in or near the Village of Newton in Union County Ohio, for the use of the Christian & Freewill Baptist Churches, have this day convened and adopted the following regulations, by which this association, shall be known and governed. 1st It is known as the Christian and Freewill Baptist

Chapel of Newton. 2nd That the said Chapel shall be under the supervision of three Trustees, one at least from each of the named churches above, 3rd We further extend the hand of courtesy and fellowship to our Neighbouring friends of other denominations, and hereby grant the privilege of the use of said Chapel for any preaching of any religious denomination, so as not to clash with the arrangement of the above named churches through their Trustees.

4th Resolved

5th That we designate and Location for said house settled the location of said house on a lot subscribed by F. E. Henderson to the annexed subscription.

6th That the building Committee be instructed to proceed as soon as practicable to procure suitable Mechanics lumber &c for the erection of said house. 7th That the Committee are hereby instructed to build the House from 36. ft. in width to from 50 to 60. ft. in length.

On Motion of A. Stuart we adjourned to Saturday 12th March 1853. at one o'clock P. M.
 F. E. Henderson } Secretary
 Daniel Melvin } Chairman

Saturday March 12th 1853. 1. O'clock P. M.

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Met according to previous adjournment
Minutes of the previous Meeting being called
for were read, and approved,
on Motion of Levin Griffin that we elect
a permanent clerk and Treasurer.
It was adopted. F. E. Henderson was
Elected Clerk and N. Raymond Treasurer
On Motion of F. E. Henderson that
we rescind Resolution No 4 passed at the
previous Meeting, it was reconsidered &
dropped from the minutes.

The following was offered as a substitute
No 4th

That we appoint a board of Trustees
consisting of five whose duty it shall
be to superintend the Erection of said House
and to carry into effect the business for
which this Association was organized

Thereupon the following Gentlemen
were elected said committee Nathaniel
Raymond, Benjamin Tucker Jr. Fred-
erick Lockwood, Joshua Judy and
Francis E. Henderson.

It was then thought proper to
have the foregoing proceedings recorded
and we become incorporated under
an act passed May 1st 1852, on Motion
of N. Stuart we adjourned sine die

F. E. Henderson } Daniel Melvin
Secretary } Chairman

Filed & recorded April 7th 1853, Wm M. Robinson recd

Sugar Run Church } A Meeting held at
 Andrew Newland } the school house district
 and others } No 5 Liberty Township
 Union County Ohio.
 February 17th 1853, for

the purpose of organizing a board of officers for the sugar run graveyard on motion of the house. A Newland called the house to order, by vote of the house Andrew Newland A H Thompson Levi, Red, John Mc Bride, Samuel Balinger, was Elected Trustees, by vote the house then adjourned,

Andrew Newland (pra
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Union Cemetery
of Newton
Charles Bodkin and others

March 26th 1853.

A number of the subscribers for the subscription for the purchase of a new burial ground near Newton in Liberty Township, in the county of Union met according to previous notice being given to the stock holders, on this the 26th day of March 1853. Nathaniel Baynors was called to the chair, and J. E. Henderson appointed secretary, on motion of J. E. Henderson that the chairman state the object of the ^{after the object of the meeting} meeting, being stated in few appropriate remarks, there was a motion made that this association be called the Union Cemetery of Newton, on motion of the chair that we proceed to Election of three trustees whose duty it shall - to take a deed for said lot, and to see that said lot is enclosed with a good fence and kept in repair - The following Gentlemen were Elected said trustees, Charles Bodkin, Fredric. Lockwood and Thomas E. Lockwood, on motion of Lewis Every that we become a body corporate and

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have the proceedings of this meeting
recorded in the records office in
accordance with the law providing
for the incorporation of religious and
other benevolent societies —

Adopted. Called for the reading
of the Minutes, Minutes being read
were unanimously adopted and ap-
proved. On Motion of F. E. Sack
wood that we adjourn sine die
Adjourned.
J. E. Henderson } S. Raymond
Secretary } Chairman

Filed and recorded Sept 20th 1853
Wm. W. Robinson recorder

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Richwood Joint Stock, Literary and Benevolent Association

Pursuant to public notice, a meeting of the members of the Richwood Joint Stock Literary & Benevolent Association, was held in Richwood on the 15th of Sept. 4th 1853 for the purpose of adopting the necessary measures, towards incorporating said association. Under the general act to provide for the creation & regulation of incorporated companies in the State of Ohio, passed May 1st 1852

The meeting was called to order, the object of declared to be the incorporation of said Association, whereupon it was resolved that the Association proceed to Elect by ballot Three directors & one Clerk to serve for one year from this date and until their successors are Elected. the members proceeded to ballot for directors, & Ebenezer T Webster, Jacob C. Siale, & Peter V. Firch were declared Elected & directors. Wm H. Ferguson was then Elected Clerk. On motion it was resolved that the

Clerk be authorised to request the
County Recorder to place on
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Wm H Ferguson -
Filed & recorded Sept 27th 1853
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In accordance with previous notice a meeting of the Presbyterian Congregation of Milford Centre, Union township Union County Ohio was held in the house of worship belonging to said Congregation, June 9th 1856

On motion William Porter was appointed Chairman and C. H. Perkins was appointed Secretary. On motion it was resolved ^{may be} to the election by ballot of three Trustees to take charge of the property belonging to the Congregation, the votes being counted, Richard Gabriel Josiah P. Smith and James Reed was declared duly elected, On motion the meeting adjourned

C. H. Perkins Secretary

Filed & Recorded on the 21st of Sept 1857 and compared by John W. Thompson Recorder M. C. O

17 Article of Incorporation
of the United Brethren Church in
Christ of Peoria Union Co. O.

We the Undersigned Members of the
Church of the United Brethren in Christ
and residents of the County of Union and
State of Ohio have our place of worship
in said Church building. Situated in the
Town of Peoria in the above County and
State.

Believing it to be for the best interest of
our Church that our Organization should
be Incorporated as in such case made
and provided by the Statutes of the State
of Ohio.

We do hereby make and adopt the fol-
lowing as our Articles of Association
for our future government.

Article I.

Section I. The name of our Association shall
be United Brethren in Christ.

Article II

Section I The object of our Organization and
Association is the dissemination of relig-
ion and the worship of God by means of
the Church, in accordance with the teach-
ings of the Old and New Testaments and the
Church of the United Brethren in Christ.

Article III

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Section #. Constitution and by laws

This organization shall have a Constitution and by laws which shall provide, what shall constitute membership, which shall not be in conflict herewith, and which shall be made and enacted by the members thereof. And which shall provide what members shall have the power to elect officers of this association, and what members shall be eligible to hold office in said association and the manner and power of changing or amending said Constitution and by laws as therein provided.

Article # V

All persons who are now members or communicants of said Church, or who may hereafter become members or communicants of said Church, shall be and become members of said Association, by signing these Articles of the Association, or by signing the Constitution and by laws of said association

Article V

Officers Terms and duties

sect # The officers of this association shall consist of President, Secretary, Treasurer.

sect 2. The Minister in charge of said Church, shall be President of this Association unless the members elect one of their own members to act in his stead.

sect 3^d The officers shall be elected Annually

as per Church discipline.

Section 4th This Association shall have a Board of Trustees consisting of five, three of whom must be members of said Church and to be elected as follows: One for one year, One for two years one for three years, One for 4 years and one for five years.

Article 5th The election of Trustees shall be subject to the approval of the quarterly Conference of said Church.

Article 6th This Association shall elect a Class Steward and a Class leader.

Article 7th All officers shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified. And all vacancies in office shall be filled as provided in the Constitution and by laws of said association.

Article VI

An Annual meeting of said Association shall be held at said Church building in the first week in January of each year.

Article VII

The Seal of said Association shall be Circular and shall impress the following words, around the margin United Brethren in Christ, Peoria Ohio, and the following words in the Center Corporation Seal.

Article VIII

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These Articles may be changed or amended at any annual meeting of said Association. provided such change or amendment may have been filed in writing within not less than thirty days before such annual meeting, and which shall be read before the congregation of said Church at the services of said Church on two Sabbaths immediately preceding said annual meeting and provide that two thirds of the members present of said Association at said annual meeting and entitled by the Constitution and by laws shall vote for a change or an amendment shall be sufficient to effect said change or amendment in Constitution or by laws of said Association.



See Next Page

Charter Members received Jan 7th 1890
by L. W. Carter Pastor

W. L. Jenkins

Mary A. Jenkins

J. J. Dgling

Malen Burris

Eva M. Burris

Henry F. Jackson

Christiana Jackson

Edwin L. Jackson

Minnie L. Jackson

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Malen Burris

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Filed June 13th 1890 at 11-30 o'clock A.M.

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