

The usual monthly meeting of the diacronat was held in the vestry, Sunday ~~the~~ Jan 12th. ~~There~~

Rev H.B. Hughes (Chair) & a full attendance of deacons were present. The meeting opened with prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

agenda

A letter from the secretary of the Range League ~~was~~ in connection with dividing fence was read & on the motion of W. Sumner read by H.E. Wright was received.

It was resolved on the motion of M. Foscelles read by W. Sumner that the secretary be instructed to write the secretary of League pointing out that as we consider the matter of the fence of urgency that we are prepared to do the work & find the funds - provided that they will give an undertaking to bear half the cost within a reasonable time.

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The following ~~it~~ was passed for payment - H.R. Judge⁶ moved W. Sumner read M. Foscelles.

The Treasurers reported for the month of Dec average collection of £ 3: 3: 4 for Sunday.

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For the quarter ending Dec 31st he reported as follows: They balance at 30th Septembe was £ 16: 4: 8.

Receipts for the quarter amounted to £ 64: 4: 8 Expenditure amounted to £ 53: 14: 10 leaving a balance at Dec 31st of £ 26: 14: 6¹/₂.

average collection for quarter were £ 3: 5: 5 Sunday.

The Bank overdraft stood at £338. 9: 8

The Linking Fund showed a credit of £34.

The Poor Fund a credit of £2: 11: 8.

W.S. Turner moved & proposed that the Report as read be received

man The ^{returning} collection taken up Sunday Dec 24th in an endeavour to raise £5 promised towards the Baptist University in Russia resulted in £5: 11: 6 being received.

Mr Lascelles moved & W.S. Turner said that this copy be forwarded to the Union Messengers, the Secretary notify Rev R.S. Dray.

union It was resolved on the motion of H.E. Wright said by W.S. Turner that Communion cards be printed for distribution & sent to Church adherents as well as members. The wording to be left to the Pastor.

earnings The secretary was instructed to speak to Mrs Willis who cleans the church - in regard to the unsatisfactory manner of dusting of late. Moved Mr Lascelles said W.S. Turner.

Messrs H.E. Wright & W.S. Turner & members of the diaconate dignified their intention of returning at the end of the year as Contribution rule #18.

The meeting closed with prayer

Respectfully

over

Pastor

The diaconate recommended that the Church
 anniversary be held on Sunday February
 18th, that the Rev J. K. Jones of Napier be
 asked to conduct the services, also
 that a social be held in the Church the
 following Wednesday evening.
 moved Pastor said in favour.
 Mr Loscells moved & Mr Parbair said that a
 special thank offering be made Anniversary Sunday
 Carried.

It was also suggested that a Harvest Thanksgiving
 service be held in the Church Sunday
 March 19th.

The meeting closed with prayer

Conferred

9.2.12

H. B. Hughes
 Pastor.

A special meeting of the diaconate was held in the Vestry Friday July 26th 1911.
 Present Rev. A. B. Hughes (Chair) Messrs W. James
 A. Foscello, H. E. Wright, W. P. Jones.
 The meeting opened with prayer.
 The business under discussion was as to how the thank offering to be taken at our Anniversary services be appropriated.
 Mr. Foscello moved & H. E. Wright second that the following scheme be recommended.
 That a building of galvanised iron - 3 side roof - be erected - such building to commence at Anderson's corner & extend to 3' 6" beyond the line of east wall of church. The building to be 10 feet high in front & 8 feet high at back, the width to be 10 feet. That the front of the building be boarded 2 feet down each end of front to be finished as required. The building to be divided as follows. At the east end accommodation to be made & stand be erected ^{above which a shelf shall be built} for bicycles; the west end be finished to contain a W.C. & ~~the~~ Urinal. Each end of building at front to be finished to match. That the urinal be built behind the W.C. & that a junction pipe be placed at W.C. The floors of both W.C. & urinal to be concrete. The sewerage pipe to be connected with overflow pipe from baptistry. The necessary arrangements for water supply to be ^{made} arranged. The woodwork

in building to receive 3 coats of paint.
 W. Swane moved & W. Swane said that
 the Pastor & his associates set as committee &
 require estimates for the proposed additions
 from J. V. B. Monk, Shep's Phillips & Wright. Place
 such estimates before the deacons in a week's
 time.

The meeting closed with prayer.

Composed

9.2.12

H. B. Hughes
 Pastor

A special meeting of the diaconate was held on Tuesday night - Feb'y 7th 1912 in vestry
Present Rev H. B. Hughes (Chari) H. B. Wright
Mr. Lascelles, J. M. Burdson J. Fear & W. Turner
meeting opened with prayer.

It was decided that Bro. Monk (contractor)
be asked for plans of proposed Building
e.c.

Proposed by pastor seconded by Bro. H. B. Wright
the diaconate recommended that Church
devote Thank offering to erection of
out building, providing shelter
conveniences e.c. Carried
meeting closed with prayer

Conformed
9. 2. 12 H. B. Hughes
Pastor.

A meeting of deacons was held in vestry Friday Feb'y 9th 1912. Present Rev H B Hughes (Chair) M Lascelles J. M. Barbour & W. Turner.

Meeting opened with prayer. Minutes of previous meetings (3) read & confirmed.

Moved by pastor sec^y M Lascelles that letter from Mr W. S. Turner be received, pastor to wait upon him asking him to reconsider the decision expressed in his letter. Carried.

Moved J. M. Barbour sec^y W. Turner that diacoste be rec^d to church that Mr. M Lascelles be appointed church secretary. Carried.

The treasurer reported that average collection per week during month of Jan'y. amounted to £ 3. 9. 5

Envelopes £ 7. 5 0 Loan £ 6. 12. 0 Jan'y £ 8. 0. 0

Bal last month 26. 14. 4 1/2 Total £ 45. 11. 10 1/2

Expenditure £ 14. 10. 0 leaving Balance £ 29. 1. 8 1/2. Poor fund £ 3. 4. 2

Bank overdraft £ 301. 16. 2

M Lascelles moved W Turner sec^y Report on pen be received. Carried.

Moved M Lascelles sec^y J. M. Barbour

following a/c's be passed for payment

Sept 1st £ 1. 9. 3 Phillip's Wright £ 1.

Mr Mellis 1st Due 3/6 Carried

Moved M Lascelles sec^y J. M. Barbour Mr. Bank be authorized to attend to repair front gate. Carried

Proposed by Pastor & M Lascelles
 Messinany boxes & cards be obtained
 for distribution amongst members carried
 recom^d. M Lascelles read W Turner
 that a special appeal be made ^{for funds} towards
 the reduction of Bank overdraft.
 Pastor & M. Lascelles to draft circular
 matter to be reported at Church meeting
 Carried

Meeting closed with prayer.

Confirmed H.B. Hughes

Pastor.

7.3.12

A Meeting of Deacons was held in the Vestry on Thursday March 7th 1912 Present The Pastor (Chair) Messrs Bobrow, Barley, and Lascelles. The meeting opened with prayer The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Mr. H. Lumer sent an apology for his absence.

Special appeal The circular submitted by the Pastor was agreed to.

Correspondence a letter from Mr. Hodges was referred to the Church meeting.

Condolance The following Motion was unannimously agreed to viz "That this Deaconate record its sincere sympathy with our brother Mr. H. R. Wright in the severe loss recently sustained by the death of his eldest son Mr. H. R. Wright jun and also endorse the Pastor's action in expressing sympathy on behalf of the Officers and Church"

Treasurer's Statement The Treasurer submitted his monthly statement showing Receipts by Envelope £8-5-3 House Offering £21-6-8½ General £5- Balance brought forward £29-1-8½

making a total of £63-7-8. The expenditure was as follows: Stipend £12-10-
 Sinking Fund £2- general £19-9-10
 This with the Credit balance of £29-7-10
 made a total of £63-7-8

Accounts The following accounts were passed for payment: Tribune £1-1-0
 Postage etc 8/6, Caretaker 12/6, Hire of Lotal £2-8-6. The Treasurer was authorised to pay the account for fencing when rendered by the Orange Lodge.

Missionary Meeting Collecting ~~of~~ £1-5-2 for meeting held last October, the Treasurer was instructed to forward this to the Missionary Society Treasurer on the Motion of the Pastor.

Benevolent Fund The transfer of £1-11-8 from the general Fund to the Benevolent Fund was authorised.

Auditing The Auditor was instructed to audit the Church accounts every quarter in place of every year.

Interest guarantee It was decided to defer the discussion on this matter for three months.

Transfer of Funds Resolved to transfer the following amounts which had been donated to the Church, from the

Building or Special Fund to the general account via Miss Davidson £20.00
Mr. Ross £4 Miss Kicoll £2 - Mr. M'Phee £3 -

Concert Permission was granted to Miss Lasalles to hold a Concert in the Church in aid of the Church Funds provided the programme be submitted to the Pastor for approval.

Organ On the motion of the Pastor it was decided to instruct Mr. Spackman to tune the Organ

Bank Stand Cupboard Resolved that Messrs Kily and McCann be asked to attend to this matter.

Stationery authority was given for the purchase of letter paper and letter press copy book.

Band of Hope It was decided to grant the Pastor the use of the Church for holding Band of Hope meetings

Communion Some slight alterations in the order of the service as suggested by the Pastor was agreed to.

The Meeting closed with Prayer

Confirmed H. B. Hughes.

12.4.12

A Meeting of Deacons was held in the Vestry on Friday April 12th 1912

Present The Pastor in the Chair
Messrs Turner, Gear and Hascelles

The meeting was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

treasurer's Report. A report from the Treasurer for the Quarter read as follows

Balance £26-14-6, Envelopes £25-2-6, loose Offering £38-8-10½, general £56-14-1

Expenditure Stipend £37-10-0, Sinking Fund £6- general £30-6-10 Balance £73-3-½.

accounts an account owing to Mrs. Hill's for 19/ was passed for payment.

felt Mr. Gear undertook to sell the roll of spare felt.

Wire Netting an offer of 5/ for some netting was accepted.

thanks The Secretary was instructed to write to the Rapid Church thanking them for the loan of Lorne Books.

opening the Church Resolved that at any time decorations are being put up in the Church no nails are to be used.

deputising Church Services It was decided to leave the question of printing cards for

advertising the Church services in the hands of the Pastor.

2/Jan The Secretary was instructed to request Mr Spackman to attend to the stops and one of the Swells.

The Meeting closed with Prayer

H. B. Hughes.

Chairman

2.5.12.

Confirmed

The monthly meeting of the Diaconette was held in the Vestry on May 2nd 1912

Present The Pastor presiding Bros Turner ^{Prayer} Fear and Lascelles.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed

Cards advertising services The Secretary was instructed to enquire cost of same.

visiting Missionary The Rev J K Archer wrote in reference to Miss Beckwith's visit to W at beginning of June.

The action of the Pastor and Secretary dealing with this matter was approved.

The Public meeting was fixed for the first Tuesday in June.

Special appeal In the absence of the Treasurer the Secretary reported that £3-7-0 had been received to date.

Week of Prayer The Secretary of the Baptist Union

wrote in reference to this matter It was decided to hold meetings on Tuesday and Thursday.

Sympathy The Pastor reported having written to Brother Bady on behalf of the Church expressing sympathy with him in the loss of his Mother.

The Pastors action was confirmed

accounts The following accounts were passed for payment H. Brook £1-8-6 and 4/3 a H Reed 5/6 and 2/3 Mr. Hillis 12/ Total £2-12-6

Treasurer Monthly report was as follows credit balance £73-3-0 Envelopes £7-16-0 house offering £6-4-5 general £5-5-0 Expenditure Steward £12-10-0 Sinking Fund £2-0-0, general £2-1-0 Credit Balance £75-17-5.

The average for the Envelopes were £1-19-0 house offering £1-11-1 Total £3-10-1. The amount to Credit with the Benevolent Fund was £5-0-11 The Sinking Fund £12-18-0 The Debit balance at the Bank was £330-5-7

This being all the business the meeting closed with prayer.

H. B. Hughes
Chairman

6.6.12

Confirmed

The Monthly meeting of the Diaconate was held in the Vestry on June the 6th Present The Pastor presiding Bro: Turner, Fear, Barbour, Lasalle's.

The meeting was opened with Prayer The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed and advertising services It was agreed to let these stand over to the Church meeting.

Illness Mrs Lincoln was reported as being ill.

accounts The following accounts were passed for payment Mrs Willis 12/ Lomb 4 full 5/ Harbour Board 8/ Tribune Coy 7/ Monk 2/6/6 Total £3-18-6

Insurance The Secretary reported that the Insurance on the Organ fell due on May 12th and he considered it advisable to have one Policy to cover all the risk against fire, as the contents of the Church were not insured a small sum had been put on these making the total amount covered £350.

The action of the Secretary was ratified and the amount of the Premium £1-7-9 was passed for payment

Mr's Bechirpale's visit. On the motion of the Pastor it was decided to forward the full amount of the collection to the Missionary Society.

Treasurer's Report The Treasurer reported the receipts from envelopes to be £6-17-6, horse offering £7-2-2, general £5 - Balance brought forward £75-17-5 making a total of £94-17-1 The expenditure was as follows Steward £12-10-0 Sinking Fund £2 - general £68-12-0 Credit balance £11-15-1

The average from the envelopes was £1-14-5 horse offering £1-15-6. The Credit balance of the Benevolent Fund was £5-5-11. The Sinking Fund £44-18-0 The Bank overdraft was £341-18-10 The report was received.

This being all the business the meeting closed with prayer

H. B. Hughes
Chairman

Confirmed 4.7.12

The Monthly meeting of the Synodate was held in the vestry on July 4th 1912 Present The Pastor presiding Brothers Turner Barbour, Barley and Hascelles.

The meeting opened with prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement. Balance forward £11-15-1 Receipts by Envelopes £6-8-9, by loose offering £6-2-3, general £5 Expenditure Stipend £12-10-0 Sinking Fund £2 - general £4-18-3 Credit balance £9-17-10.

The average collections by Envelopes were £1-5-9 and by loose offering £1-4-5 - making a total of £2-10-2 as against £3-9-11 for the previous month.

The credit balance of the Benevolent Fund was £5-9-5 and of the Sinking Fund £46-18-0 The debit balance at the Bank was £328-17-7.

The Treasurer's report was received. On the motion of the Pastor seconded by Mr. Turner The Treasurer was instructed to forward to Mr. J. Hutchings the amount of his debenture due on June 1st also an apology for the delay in remitting same.

The Treasurer reported having received £2-2-0 on account of the special appeal and £1-2-5 on account of the Harvest Festival.

The following accounts were passed for payment
Mrs Willis 12/- Wine 6/-.

The Secretary was instructed to obtain keys for the outbuildings.

This being all the business the meeting closed with prayer.

H. P. Hughes

Chairman

8.8.12

Confirmed

The Monthly meeting of the Deaconate was held in the Vestry on August 8th 1912.

Present The Pastor presiding Brother Turney Barlow, Bailey and Kallies.

The meeting opened with prayer.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Baptist Union Conference a letter from the Secretary was referred to the Church Meeting.

Annual Statistics The Pastor and Secretary were authorized to supply these.

Mr J J North's lecture arrangements for this were left with the Pastor. The Secretary was instructed to ascertain from the Town Clerk if the Church could be used for Public Meetings when a charge was made.

Wives Mrs Junn's name was mentioned as a person who should be visited.

Treasurer's Report for past month as follows

Credit balance	£9-17-10	Collections by	
envelopes	£7-6-3	house offering	£8-0-4
general	£6-8-6	Expenditure	Stipend
	£12-10-0	Sinking Fund	£2-
	£2-11-2	general	
		Credit balance	£14-6-9.

The average collections by envelope were £1-16-7 house offering £2-0-1 Total £3-16-8 for last month the average was £2-10-2. The credit to the Benevolent Fund was £5-13-2

The Sinking fund Credit was £38.18-0

The debit balance at the Bank was £327.7-1.

accounts The following accounts were passed
for payment Mr. Hillis 15/ F. Brook 5/
Lubane 13/ Cliff 18/

Thank The Pastor moved a very hearty vote of
thanks to Mr. Lurner for acting as Communion
Steward and regret at his having to
relinquish the position.

It was decided to ask Mr. and Mrs. Fear
to act as Communion Stewards.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate
with the Ladies Guild in reference to
supplying table cloth etc for the communion service.

Resignation Mr. Lurner verbally tendered his
resignation as a Deacon owing to going to
reside away from Hastings.

Mr. Lurner was urged to reconsider the
matter but stated he had fully made up
his mind on the subject.

The resignation was received with regret.

The Pastor moved "That it is with much
regret that Mr. Lurner's final decision be
received, and that we desire to place on
record our appreciation of the faithful
service and fidelity as exhibited by our
brother in his capacity as Deacon
Carried Unanimously"

Sunday School Anniversary The Superintendent reported that the annual celebrations would take place on the first Sunday in October and the following Wednesday.

Foreign Missionary Society The Treasurer reported that during June and July the total sum forwarded to Mr. Doby was £18-4-9.

This being all the business the meeting closed with prayer

Chairman
H. B. Hughes.

Confirmed

6.9.12.

The Monthly meeting of the Deaconate was held in the Vestry on September 6th 1912

Present The Pastor presiding Bro's Turner Barbour, Wright and Bailey in the absence of Mr. Kaselles Mr. Bailey acted as Secretary.

The Meeting opened with prayer
The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The Secretary of the auxiliary wrote in reference to the application for a grant

for the ensuing year.

It was moved by Mr Turner and seconded by Mr. Wright that £60 be applied for.

It was also resolved that the Secretary and Treasurers meet and compare the estimates for the coming year.

The auxiliary wrote soliciting help for the Chakone Church, the letter was received, but no help could be given at present.

Treasurers Monthly Statement was read by Mr. Barbour as follows Credit balance £14-6-9 Collections by Envelope £7-10-0 house offering £5-11-1, general £8-19-0 Expenditure Stipend £12-10-0, Debtenture Fund £2- general £13-18-9 Credit Balance £7-18-1. The average collections by Envelopes £1-17-6, house offering £4-7-9 the total average £3-5-3 for the previous month the total average was £3-16-8. The credit to the Benevolent fund was £4-15-5 the Sinking fund £40-18-0 the Bank overdraft was £341-16-4.

The report was received.

Communion Cards Authority was given to order a fresh supply.

Vacancy in Deaconate. Owing to the lack of

Members able to give time to the office
it was resolved that the matter be
deferred till the annual meeting.

Refill of tank The Secretary and Mr. Wright
were instructed to attend to this matter.

Sunday School Anniversary. It was moved
and seconded that the whole of the loose
offerings at the Sunday services be handed
to the Sunday School.

This being all the business the meeting
closed with prayer.

Confirmed

Chairman
H. B. Staples.

15. 10. 1922.

Minutes of Monthly meeting of the Deaconate
held on October 15th 1912

Present the Pastor presiding Bro. Knight, ~~Burley~~
and Hascelles & Barbour.

The meeting opened with prayer
The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed

The Treasurer presented his quarterly statement,
showing total receipts, ^{£72-59-} including the balance
brought forward of £10-10-4. The expenditure
was £64-14-11 leaving a credit balance
of £11-4-2. The amount to the Credit of
The Sinking Fund was £42-18-0.

The receipt for the Home and Foreign
Mission Fund, amounted to £6-6-8

The balance to the Credit of The Benevolent
Fund was £5-3-5

The report was received
accounts amounting to £4-0-3 were
passed for payment, the Treasurer
was instructed to pay to the Sunday
School the amount received in the
house offerings on Anniversary Sunday
This being all the business the meeting
closed with prayer

H. B. Hughes

Chairman

Confirmed 10/14/12

Minutes of Monthly meeting of the Deaconate
held in the Vestry on November 8th 1912

Present The Pastor presiding Bro. Turner, Barlow
and Hasall

The meeting opened with prayer

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed.

The Secretary of the Union reported that a grant
of £45, was made for the ensuing year,
and expressing regret that the amount
asked for could not be sanctioned.

The Treasurer presented his monthly statement,
which read as follows, Balance brought
forward £10-11-8, Offering by Envelopes £6-0-0,
house offering £6-12-0, general £3-17-0,
Total £27-0-8. Expenditure Stipend £12-0-0,
Sinking Fund £2, general £10-1-7, Total
£27-0-8. The average receipts from
Envelopes were £1-10-0, house offering £1-13-0,
Total £3-3-0, for last month the total was
£2-15-9. The Credit to the Benevolent
Fund was £5-9-11, and to the Sinking Fund
£44-18-0, The Bank overdraft stood at
£346-11-7

The Report was received
accounts amounting to £1-4-0 were passed
for payment.

The Pastor reported having found the books

in the Park in a very unsatisfactory state.

It was moved by the Pastor and seconded by Mr Barlow that the Secretary of the School be written to calling attention to the state of the lockers, and library, and asking for more care to be exercised, the Church being now responsible for the upkeep of the School.

Carried

Mission Resolved that the Pastor write to Mr. Robertson, an Evangelist recognized by the Union, asking him to arrange to hold a short Mission in Hastings. Ladies Guild Mrs. Fear having notified that she would like to relinquish the position of Treasurer, it was moved that the Guild be revived and that two officers, namely a Convenor and Treasurer be appointed, and that the subscription be six pence per month. The Convenor to send in a Report to every quarterly meeting.

Notice Board The Secretary was authorized to have the Board darnished. This being all the business the meeting closed with prayer

Confirmed H. B. Hughes 9.12.12 Chairman

x. The Pastor reported that he had received a unanimous call to the Palmerston North Church, and that he would reply in due course.

It was suggested to the Pastor that he publicly notify the fact, in the interests of himself, and the Church.

Minutes of a special meeting of the
 Deaconate held in the vestry on Monday
 November 11th 1912

Present Bros Turner, Barbour, Wright, Fear
 Baduy and Kascalle.

Bro Kascalle was voted to the Chair.

The Chairman briefly outlined the facts
 which led to the meeting being called,
 and also phases of the Church work
 in relation to the Pastor, and the call
 he had received to Palmerston North.

All the brethren spoke in complimentary
 terms as to the Pastor's work, and
 expressed regret if he should leave
 Hastings.

The Chairman suggested "That a
 requisition be signed by the Officers
 Members and Adherents of the Church,
 and presented to the Pastor at the
 Church Meeting ^{to be held} on the 12th Instant.
stating him to continue as our Minister and offering an increase of £24 to his stipend

The resolution was agreed to, every
 officer signing and promising to
 contribute between them £19 toward
 the special fund to increase the
 Pastor's Stipend to £174 per annum
 The meeting opened and closed with Prayer

Confirmed A. B. Hughes 9. 12. 12 Chairman

Minutes of Monthly meeting of the Deaconate held in the vestry on December 9th 1912

Present The Pastor presiding Bro Turner Barbour and Hascelles.

The meeting opened with prayer

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence Miss Nicholls wrote on behalf of the Ladies Guild, notifying their purposes in connection with the cash they held at present letter received

Membership The Pastor reported that Mrs. Hickling and Mr. Berridge desired membership, it was left to the Church meeting to appoint visitors.

The Treasurer presented his monthly statement as follows Balance brought forward £2-9-1, Offering by Envelopes £8-9-6 house Offering £6-0-2 general £3-15-0 Total £20-13-9 Expenditure Stipend £14-11-8 Sinking Fund £2-0-0 general £1-10-6 Total £20-13-9

The average receipts from Envelopes were £2-2-4 1/2 house offering £1-10-1/2 Total £3-12-5 For the last month the Total was £3-3-0 The Credit to the Benevolent Fund was £5-16-8 and the Sinking Fund £46-18-0 The Bank overdraft stood at £334-6-1 The report was received

The following accounts were passed for payment
 Cluff & Co. £1-17-6 for Communion cards to be paid out of the Benevolent Fund
 Cleaning Coy 15/-, Tribune 17/-, Willis 16/-

Services at Furnhill a suggestion from Mr. Bostock was considered in reference to starting services at Furnhill. It was resolved "That the time was not opportune to start a new cause"

Pastors Holiday Mr. Swiner mentioned the fact that the Pastor had not taken a holiday for two years and he thought the Pastor should consider the matter. Mr. Hughes stated he would mention the matter at the next meeting of the Deaconate.

This being all the business the meeting closed with prayer

Confirmed 10-1-13. J. B. Hughes. Chairman