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10 August 1875

Holland, Michigan

At a meeting of the consistory of the First Reformed Church at which Elder Pijster was chosen president, the consistory "decided as an acknowledgment and appreciation to give a present of \$25.00 to Dr. van Raalte for the assistance he has given in catechism teaching and preaching. Brother van den Berge was appointed to implement this."

In Dutch; translation by Rev. William and Althea Buursma, 2000.

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Consistory Meeting of August 10, 1875

Present: Elders van den Berge, Pijster, Beeuwkes, Kruidenier, Keppel, Wilterdink, Schrader; Deacons Vaupel, Kroon, ter Vree.

ARTICLE 1 – The meeting was opened with prayer by Brother Wilterdink. Brother Pijster was chosen as president.

ARTICLE 2 – The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

ARTICLE 3 – The committee reports concerning Gerrit Jan Jakobs. He cannot be persuaded to forsake his sin of Sabbath

deseccration. See Article 3 of the previous meeting. His wife is also not free from this sin, for she justifies it. Consequently, the consistory must reject him and his unlawful statement of membership. His statement was given by the Reformed (State) Church after he had already lived in America for five years.

ARTICLE 4 – It was decided as an acknowledgment and appreciation to give a present of \$25.00 to Dr. van Raalte for the assistance he has given in catechism teaching and preaching. Brother van den Berge was appointed to implement this.

ARTICLE 5 – A membership statement was requested by W. Hazenberg to Fulton City, Illinois.

ARTICLE 6 – The matter of J. Haverkate was taken from the table. See Article 4 of the previous meeting. Further information was presented. It was decided to deal with this matter through correspondence. The committee consists of Brothers Beeuwkes and Keppel.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Brother Pijster.

Pijster
J. Schrader, clerk

Consistory Meeting of August 24, 1875

Present: The pastor; Elders van den Berge, Pijster, Beeuwkes, Kruidenier, Keppel, Schrader; Deacons Kroon, Smits.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the pastor.

ARTICLE 1 – The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

ARTICLE 2 – A membership statement was received for Frederik de Groot and wife, Wiltje Dekker, baptized member, from Stads Mussel Kanaal, the Netherlands.

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