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23 November 1868

Holland, Michigan

At a meeting of the consistory of the First Reformed Church, it was decided to ask Rev. Albertus C. Van Raalte to attend the next meeting when the Wakker situation would again be discussed.

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would be guilty. One of the brothers asked whether the pastor could celebrate the Lord's Supper with Brother Wakker, and he responded in the affirmative "I can do so." A question was asked whether anyone had any other proposal? The time having arrived for his departure, Dr. van Raalte left, and the meeting was closed with prayer by Brother Broek.

J. Schrader, clerk

Consistory Meeting of November 23, 1868

Present were Brothers Broek, Kamper, Peijster, Keppel, Schrader, Geerlings, Voupell, Vaarwerk, ter Vree.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Brother Broek.

ARTICLE 1 – Brother Peijster was chosen as president. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

ARTICLE 2 – Discussing the matter of Brother Wakker, Brother Broek declared that this matter has now been presented to classis, and that we are to acquiesce in their decision. He had no desire to discuss the matter further. Keppel asserted that he would not be able to celebrate communion, and that the congregation also would not be able to do so. Some time was spent in discussing this matter.

ARTICLE 3 – It was decided to postpone the matter of Brother Wakker until Friday evening, and to request Dr. van Raalte to be present. The wife of Wakker will be informed that she is under discipline before Saturday, by a committee consisting of Brothers Kamper and Schrader.

ARTICLE 4 – The matter of the retirement of elders and deacons was discussed. Retiring as elders is Keppel, and as deacons, Beuwkes, Geerlings, and Voupell. It was decided to choose an elder to replace Wakker. It was decided to close the meeting with prayer by Brother Peijster.

J. Schrader, clerk