

Laurance N. S. Oct 18/54

A preliminary meeting for taking measures for the organization of a Society which shall institute in a Literary Association for Weekly Lectures, Discussions and Essays, and for the procuring a Library, was held at the tent of Messrs Emery & Hanson.

Present Dr. Cha^s Robinson, Dr. Sam^l Harrington, J. S. Emery, O. A. Hanson, A. H. Mallory, John Mailey, John Hutchinson, ^{Ordinary Judge} Am. O. D. Ladd.

Dr. Harrington was chosen Chairman, and O. D. Ladd Secretary.

J. S. Emery stated the object of the meeting as above and moved that a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair to draft a Constitution and report to the next meeting, which was carried.

The Chair appointed Messrs Hutchinson, Emery and Mailey said Committee.

Mr. Hanson moved that the Committee on a Constitution report a list of officers to be submitted to the next meeting, Carried.

Mr. Mallory moved that this Association be called the Waukesha Athenaeum - Carried.

Adjourned to our next from this evening the Secretary to give public written notice of said meeting.

G. D. Ladd

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Laurance Oct 24th 1854

Pursuant to public notice a meeting of the Athenaeum was held in the Pioneer Boarding Hall, J. S. Emery in the chair and G. D. Ladd Secretary.

The Committee on a Constitution, appointed at the previous meeting, reported a draft which after discussion and amendment, was adopted.