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Bro. Oliver Cowdery said he felt that the Brethren expressed

a kind feeling in requesting him to speak. He then spake

relative to his feelings, his long absence from the church

giving some of the reasons of his leaving, said it was

to him to reflect on the circumstances that led me from

the church but those who was the cause of that separation

have gone to the dust, or left the church, I feel

that I can honorably return.. I have sustained an honorable

character before the world during my absence from you

this tho' a small matter with you, it is of vast importance.

I have ever had the honor of the Kingdom in view, and men

are to be judged by the testimony given.. I feel to santion

what has been said here to day,, I am out of the church

I know the door in to the church, and I wish to become

a Member thro the door.. I wish to be a humble private member,, I did not come here to seek honor,

Moved by Bro. Geo. W. Harris that Bro. Oliver Cowdery be

permitted to come in at the door he is so well acquainted

with,, and seconded by E. M. Greene.

Many remarks were made by different ones relations

to Bro. O. Cowderys coming into the church again..

Many Questions were relative to his course and feelings

towards Bro. Joseph Smith &c..

Bro O. Cowdery made a few very satisfactory remarks, and

appealed to those that know the circumstances of his going

off for the causes there of.. After some more remarks

from different ones of the Brethren, the question was

called up and Bro. O. Cowdery was received back

again into the church on his being baptised, by

a full vote,, and many expressed their gratified

feelings on the occasion.. About 2 oclock P. M.

he was Baptised by the hand of Bro. Orson Hyde..

E M Greene

clerk