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Pres. O. Hyde spake on the nature of order and the dispensing with technicalities &c.

The charge was again read, and the Defendant plead not guilty, according to the tenor of the charge; and asked that the charge be separated

so the charge slander of [=====] and that of his wife shall stand in two separate charges..

The council objected..

[=====] said Bro. Benson had reported that plaintiff was guilty of seducing young females and then giving them better apple to prevent harm, or being exposed by increase, said he had been thus informed from different some us.. Defendant has also reported that other men have

been seen with my wife, not immediately in the act, but infering that a criminal intercourse was held between them.. Councillor Harris, Prest Hyde and Councillor Allred spake severaly of the necessity of not combining any other matters than what pertained to the case.. The Council called for the testimony..

1st witness John D. Parker was called upon to testify, but

he felt a draw back for certain reasons

Prest O. Hyde of some institutions that would exhonorate a man from testifying, and spake in reference to the nature of the Priest Hood, & left Bro. Parker to decide what position he would take and said he did not want any responsibility whatever thrown upon this Council touching this question,,

Bro. Parker said he did not wish to throw any responsibility upon the Council, only, he asked

them

to wave his testimony and let Bro. Hyde testin

any answer for both..

On motion Bro. Parkers testimony ant was
waved

Prest. O. Hyde then proceeded and testified tha
on

the day of Election Bro. J. M. Benson came to his
office