

the Committee house for the Temple. Pres[ident] W[illiam] Marks[,] not being well[,] did not attend.

President Austin Cowles Stated that as the High Council was unpleasantly situated in relation to its being intrahled with debts &c. which had devolved upon it in a time when it was under the necessity of transacting temporal buisness, for the Church, for the want of the proper authority being organized and prepared to transact the same[,] and that the Council had met to devise some measures to relieve itself from all such intrahlements and all other buisness which did not belong to it &c. After which there were remarks made by others of the Council on the subject of the debts and responsibilities of the High Council[,] showing reasons why the Council should be relieved from the same and explaining the causes and circumstances which first brought it to act in temporal things &c. After which it was voted that the Council adjourn to meet tomorrow at 3 o'clock at the same place and that ^the papers of^ all debts and temporal buisness be brought and laid before the Council to be prepared to ~~transact~~ ^transfer^ the same to the First Presidency to be put into the hands of the proper authorities to which they belong. Adjourned ^till tomorrow at 2 o'clock^. Hosea Stout Clerk.

*September 22, 1841; Wednesday.* The High Council of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints of Nauvoo Illinois met in Council[,] according to previous adjournment of the 21st inst[ant]. 1st. George W. Harris, having returned home from his mission[,] took his seat in the Council.

2nd. The subject of the debts ~~of the det~~ ^and^ enthrallements of the High Council was taken up. An examination of the accounts &c. of the Stone School House, and other temporal buisness was ~~went~~ ^gone^ into, according to the decision of the last Council; but as the notes and accounts was not made out in a proper manner to show the situation of affairs it was decided that the Trustees and building Committee for the Stone School House make a report of all the debts and Credits of the same to be acted upon at the meeting of the next high Council.

3d. The following preamble and resolution was then presented by the Clerk, which was unanimously received[:] Whereas this High Council, in times past, had of necessity and by the advice and instruc-