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Wednesday, September 15, 1813.

1. AT 10 o'clock, Brother EBENEZER NELSON, according to appointment, delivered the introductory discourse, from Acts ix. 31. After which there was a collection for the widows and children of deceased ministers.

2. Chose Brother Thomas Baldwin, Moderator, and Brother E. Williams, Clerk—Adjourned till half past one.

3 Met pursuant to adjournment; after prayer by Brother Baldwin, proceeded to read the letters from the Churches, and took the following account of the members added, dismissed, excluded, or who have died in the year past, and the present number in each Church.

N. B. The names of ordained ministers are in *small capitals*; licensed preachers in *italic*. Those ministers with this mark (\*) were not present. Churches marked thus (†) we had no information from, this session. Vacant Churches are distinguished by a dash ———

Churches.	Elders and Messengers	Added	Dismiss.	Exclud.	Died.	Total.
2d Boston 1743	THOMAS BALDWIN Heman Lincoln	21	7	5	7	394
Haverhill 1763	WILLIAM BATCHELDER Richard H. Kimball William Dole Charles O. Kimball	23	3	1	*	300
Harvard 1776	ABISHA SAMSON Ephraim Emerson	12	1		3	98
Newton 1780	JOSEPH GRAFTON Elijah Corey	22	6		4	193
Woburn 1781	————— THOMAS WATERMAN	3			2	99
Templeton 1782	————— Joel Fletcher Joshua Tucker Robert Holden	1	21			114
Rowley† 1785	————— *JOSIAH CONVERS					39
Weston 1789	————— CHARLES TRAIN	8				34
Danvers 1793	JEREMIAH CHAPLIN Israel Porter Benjamin Kent	2	1			68

As many of the members lived at a distance, it has been impracticable to ascertain the precise time of the above deaths

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders and Messengers.</i>	<i>Added.</i>	<i>Dismiss.</i>	<i>Exclud<sup>d</sup></i>	<i>Diad.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Charlestown 1801	WILLIAM COLLIER*	8			4	68
Beverly 1801	_____ Nicholas Dodge Simon Dodge Richard Dodge		23		3	126
Salem 1804	LUCIUS BOLLES ELISHA WILLIAMS HENRY A. CLARKE David Felton	35	1	2	1	308
Reading	EBENEZER NELSON <i>George Evans</i>	2		4	1	95
Malden Weare, N. H. 1783	_____ EZRA WILLMARTH Samuel Bailey Moses Wood Tristram Burnet	12				109 86
New Boston, N. H.	ISAIAH STONE Livermore Langdon Benjamin Dodge Abner Hogg					59
Nottingham West 1805	_____ Justus Daken Joshua Whittier			6	1	98
African Ch. in } Boston, 1805. }	THOMAS PAUL*	10	1	3	2	78
Ipswich	_____				1	68
Newbury and } Newburyport }	JOHN PEAK Stephen Bailey	7		4	1	75
1805						
3d Boston	DANIEL SHARP*	13	3	1	2	84
Gloucester† Marblehead	_____ FERDINAND ELLIS* John Fielding			1	2	33 46
Chelmsford	JOHN PECKENS <i>John Parkhurst</i> Eliakim Hutchins	4			1	43
Londonderry	_____ Nathan Johnson Enoch Goodwin Caleb Goodwin				1	62
Dunstable Goffstown	_____ ABRAHAM GATES Moses Gould Jacob Green					39 24

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N. B. The two last mentioned Churches were received the present session.

4. Read the Circular Letter, prepared by brother BOLLES, and voted to accept the same.

5. Read the Corresponding Letter, prepared by brother COLLIER, and voted to accept the same.

At 3 o'clock brother BALDWIN preached from Acts xiii. 36—38.

Adjourned till to-morrow morning, 8 o'clock. Brother SEAMANS concluded by prayer.

In the evening brother BOLLES preached at the Meeting-House, from Rev. v. 12.

Sermons in the evening in different parts of the town.

*Thursday, Sept. 16.*

Met according to adjournment. Opened with prayer by brother PECKENS.

6. Received communications from the following Associations :

<i>Associations.</i>	<i>Messengers.</i>	<i>Letters.</i>	<i>Minutes.</i>
Warren	JAMES BARNABY,	Letter.	Minutes.
Bowdoinham		do	do
Cumberland	JAMES HOOPER,	do	do
N. Hampshire	OTIS ROBINSON,	do	do
Dublin	W. ELLIOT,		
	E. WILLARD,	do	do
Sturbridge	B. WATERS,	do	do
Philadelphia,			do
Danbury,			do
Stonnington,			do
Woodstock,	JOB SEAMANS,	do	do

7. *Voted*, To open correspondence with the Danbury Association, by exchanging Minutes.

8. *Voted*, Also to open correspondence with the Westfield Association, by exchanging Minutes.

9. Appointed Brother WATERMAN to write the Circular Letter for the next year, and Brother SHARP the Corresponding Letter to be presented at the next meeting.

10. The interesting concerns of the Missionary Society were introduced—An interesting letter from the Newton *Female Benevolent Society*, was presented by their pastor, covering \$56, 37 presented for the Mass. Bap. Miss. Society. Also a very interesting letter from a Female Mite Society in Sullivan and Epton, containing a donation for the foreign mission.—A letter from the Rev. Luther Rice, which had been received by the moderator, was read.—The nature and importance of sending the gospel to the heathen, was explained and urged upon the minds of the brethren present: Whereupon,

11. *Voted*, That the Elders of the respective Churches be requested to encourage their respective Churches and Congregations

tions to make annual contributions for the support of foreign and domestic Missions.

12. The business of the Education Fund was attended to—  
And one hundred dollars was presented from a friend to the Society, by the hand of brother BOLLES.

13. Appointed the following Messengers to Corresponding Associations. To the

Warren,	Brethren, GRAFTON, WILLIAMS, and BOLLES.
Cumberland,	Brother E. WILLIAMS.
Woodstock,	Brother PEAK.
N. Hampshire,	Brethren, BALDWIN, NELSON, and BATCHELDER.
Dublin,	Brethren, JOHN PECKENS, STONE, and <i>Evans</i> .

14. *Voted*, To hold our next meeting at South Reading, at the Baptist Meeting House, on the 3d Wednesday in September, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

15. Appointed brother WILLIAM BATCHELDER to preach the Introductory Sermon; and in case of failure, brother GRAFTON.

16. At 10 o'clock, the usual business being finished, the Moderator addressed the assembly in a very solemn and impressive manner, and then concluded by imploring the divine benediction on the Association, and on all the Churches; to which many hearts said, Amen.

Immediately after, brother JOSEPH GRAFTON preached to the people, from John vi. 45.

