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MINUTES

OF THE

BOWDOINHAM ASSOCIATION,

HELD IN

FAYETTE,

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,

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*The prospect
in Portland is yet favourable.
Dear Sir please to Write.*

MINUTES. &c.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28.

1. AT ten o'clock, A.M. agreeably to appointment, brother Thomas Green preached the introductory sermon, from Eph. iii. 8. "*Unto me who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ.*"

2. Chose brother Sylvanus Boardman, Moderator, and brother Thomas Francis, Clerk.

3. Chose brethren Tripp, Low, and Macomber, to apportion the money upon the churches for printing the Minutes.

4. Read letters from the several churches, and took the following account of members added, dismissed, excluded, or who have died the year past, and the present number in each church.

N.B. The names of ordained ministers are in SMALL CAPITALS; licensed preachers in *Italics*. Those ministers with this mark * were not present; churches marked thus † not represented; vacant churches noted by a —.

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders and Messengers.</i>	<i>Added.</i>	<i>Dismiss.</i>	<i>Exclu.</i>	<i>Died.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Harpwell,	SAMUEL MARINER, SAMUEL WOODWARD, Reuben Higgins, William Gatchell.	1	1	1		62
1st Bowdoin,	*JAMES POTTER, JOSEPH DENSLOW, John Small, Asahel Polley.	4		4	2	104
1st Sidney,	*ASA WILBUR, Nathaniel Blake, William Lewis.					36
1st Litchfield,	WILLIAM STINSON, Robert Stinson, Samuel Blanchard.	2	4	3		90
Hebron,	JOHN TRIPP, James Donham, William Bumpus.		1			45
1st Buckfield,	NATHANIEL CHASE, Jacob Whitman, Job Packard, William Berry.		1		1	33
Paris,	JAMES HOOPER, Josiah Smith, Uriah Ripley.	1	1	1		52
Lewiston,	BENJAMIN COLÉ, James Garcelon, Jun. Joseph Field, Jesse Higgins.	23	12	1		69
Readfield,	ROBERT LOW, ISAAC CASE, John Cummings, Eliphalet Packard.	5	3	4		111
Fayette,	OLIVER BILLINGS, Joshua Walton, Jesse Smith.	1	1	2	1	133

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders and Messengers.</i>	<i>Ad. d.</i>	<i>Dis.</i>	<i>Excl.</i>	<i>Dis.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Livermore,	SYLVANUS BOARDMAN, Ransom Norton, Perez Ellis, Gilbert Hathaway, Jonathan Libby.	5	6	4	3	115
Green,	THOMAS WYMAN, JOHN DAGGETT, Jun. Lemuel Comins, John Mower.	29	2	1	1	99
Wayne,	Ichabod Billington, Constant Dexter, Samuel King.					29
Lisbon,	Joseph Kilgore, Samuel Tibbets.	3	6			42
New-Gloucester,	Isaac Gross, Abner Harris, John K. Smith.	6	2		1	51
Clinton,	*MEPHIOSHETH CAIN, Jonathan Steward, Joseph Mills.	6	2			37
North-Yarmouth,	THOMAS GREEN, Daniel Wallis, Reuben Curtis.	5	7			43
New-Vineyard,	Cornelius Norton, Levi Young, Benjamin Cottle.	1		1		17
Farmington,	Church Barnard.	1				10
2d Litchfield,	HENRY KENDALL, James Pierce, John Neal, Daniel Cunningham.	8	2		1	99
Wales,	Philip Jenkins, James Larrabee, John Witherell, William Sally, James Cannon.		4			40
Jay,	JOSEPH ADAMS, Thomas Macomber, Peter Austin, Abraham Peterson.	4	2	1	1	90
Mount-Vernon,	PETER MOORER, Nathan Thomas, John Prescott.	1	1	1		59
Brunswick,	BENJAMIN TITCOMB, Samuel Dunlap, Elisha Snow, Anthony Chase, Patrick Kineaid.	5	4	2		51
Leeds,	THOMAS FRANCIS, Giddins Lane, James Lamb, Joseph Gould.	7	1		1	56

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders and Messengers.</i>	<i>Added.</i>	<i>Dim.</i>	<i>Excl.</i>	<i>Died.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Portland,	JOSIAH CONVERS, Mark Harris, Ansel Lewis.	23		1		85
2d Buckfield,	GEORGE RICKER, Jacob Doty.	1	1			34
New-Sharon,	_____, Ambrose Arnold, Levi Jewell, Moses Wood.	9				50
Canaan,	_____, Humphry Burrell, Thomas Steward, Daniel Smith.	43				69
Sumner,	THOMAS MACOMBER, Jun. John Briggs, Meshach Keen.					27
Bethel,	EBENEZER BRAY, Aasa Kimball, John Swift.	7				35
Jefferson & Lancaster, 2d Sidney,	_____, _____, Edmund Howard, John Sawtell, Jeremiah Thayer, Paul Bailey.					39 34
2d Bowdoin,	ICHABOD TEMPLE, Nathaniel Smith, Isaac White, Samuel Smith.	6		2		98
Belgrade,	_____, <i>Benjamin Bisbe,</i> <i>Shadrach Rollins,</i> <i>Elias Taylor,</i>	13				34
Norway,	JOHN WAGG, William Cox, James Stenchfield, Jun.	5				25
Hallowell,	_____, James Hinckley, George Bartlett.	5	2		2	30
Minot,	_____, James Perkins, Samuel Swett, Alpheus Drake, John Woodman.	7				34
Freeport,	SILAS STEARNS, Edmund Pratt, Sylvanus Soule, Robert Mitchell.					50
2d Lisbon,	_____, Joshua Haley, John Ross, Nathaniel Spalding.					13
Pejepscott,	_____, <i>Joseph Roberts,</i> <i>Lemuel Dyer,</i> <i>Jacob True,</i> <i>James Wagg.</i>					56
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N.B. The three last churches were admitted into union the present session.

4. Received letters and minutes from the Warren Association, by their messenger Elder Williams; New-Hampshire, Elders Sherburne, Goding, and Delano; Lincoln, Elders Merrill and Pillsbury.

5. Voted, That the messengers from sister associations sit in council with us.

6. Whereas the church in Harrison and Bridgeton requested to be received into this association. Voted to wave their reception for the present; and appointed brother Hooper to prepare a letter to that church, which letter was accepted, and forwarded to them by their messenger.

7. Adjourned till to-morrow morning 8 o'clock. Sermon by brother Daniel Merrill, from 2 Sam. x. 12. Preaching in several parts of the town in the evening.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 29.

8. Met according to adjournment. Prayer introductory to business by brother Williams.

9. Read and accepted the Circular Letter prepared by brother Green, and the Corresponding Letter by brother Francis.

10. Appointed brethren Low, Hooper and Titcomb, to settle with the treasurer.

11. Voted, To proceed as formerly in allowing a compensation to the messengers, who shall attend sister associations.

12. Chose brethren Convers to write the Circular, and Titcomb the Corresponding letters.

13. Chose brethren Case and Low, messengers to the Warren Association; Convers and Tripp, to the New-Hampshire; Boardman and Francis to the Lincoln.

14. Chose brother Abner Harris, treasurer.

15. Appointed brethren Convers and M. Harris to superintend printing the minutes; two thousand to be printed.

16. Voted to wave the division of the Association the present year, and that the churches take the matter into consideration, and communicate their opinion to the Association, next session.

17. Voted, To hold our next annual meeting at the Baptist meeting-house in Leeds, on the 4th Wednesday of September next, at ten o'clock, A.M. and that brother Convers preach the introductory sermon.

18. Voted, That the first day of January next, be observed as a day of public fasting and prayer, by the churches of this association.

A discourse introductory to the missionary business, was preached by brother Tripp, from John iv. 35; and a considerable sum was collected for the use of the mission.

Supplies for destitute Churches.

For New-Gloucester, Elder Case, 2d Lord's day in Nov.; Elder Boardman, 3d Jan.

For Wayne, Elder Ricker, 1st Lord's day in March; Elder Chace, 2d in Nov. Brother Norton, 3d in Jan.; Brother Macomber, 2d in June.

For Wales, Elder John Daggett, 4th Lord's day in Nov. 3d Jan. 1st Feb.; Brother Wyman, 4th in Dec. and 1st in March; Garcelon, 2d in Jan. 3d in Feb. and 2d in May; Chace, 4th in March; Francis, 4th in April; Woodward, 2d in June and 4th in July; Daggett, 2d in August.

For Farmington, Elder Francis, 2d in Oct.; Wagg, 2d in Nov.; Kendall, 1st in Dec.; Chace, 2d in Jan.; Boardman, 2d in Feb.; Wyman, 3d in August.

For New Sharon, Elder Kendall, last in Nov. and June; Bray, last in Dec.; Wyman, last in Jan.; Chace, last in Feb.; Palmer, last in March and April; Adams, last in May; Billings, last in July.

For Hallowell, Elder Daggett, 3d in Oct. 2d in Nov. 1st in Dec. 4th in Jan.; Boardman, 1st in Feb. and 3d in May; Billings, 2d in Feb.; Francis, 2d in March; Chace, 2d in June; Macomber, 3d in July.

