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# MINUTES

OF THE

**BOWDOINHAM ASSOCIATION,**

HELD IN

**LEEDS,**

*WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY,*

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WEDNESDAY, September 27.

1. AT 10 O'clock, A.M. agreeably to appointment, brother Josiah Convers preached the introductory sermon, from Acts xx. 21. "*But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.*"

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

3. Chose elders Low, Convers, and deacon Barrows, to settle with the treasurer, examine the letters, and apportion the money upon the churches, for printing the Minutes.

4. Voted, that the messengers from sister Associations be invited to take a seat with us.

5th. 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 *Italic*. Those ministers with this mark \* were not present; vacant churches noted by a —.

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders and Messengers.</i>	<i>Added.</i>	<i>Dismissed.</i>	<i>Excluded.</i>	<i>Died.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Harpwell,	SAMUEL MARINER, SAMUEL WOODWARD, Samuel Jordan,	4	1			62
1st Bowdoin,	JOSEPH DINSLOW, David Buker, Asahel Polley, John Barnes, Nathaniel Barnes.	2		2	1	103
1st Sidney,	*ASA WILBUR,		1		1	34
1st Litchfield,	WILLIAM STINSON, Hatherly Randall, Andrew Blake,	1	1	2	1	87
Hebron,	JOHN TRIPP, William Barrows, James Donham, Nathan Nelson,	9				54
1st Buckfield	NATHANIEL CHASE, Jacob Whitman,			1		32
Paris,	JAMES HOOPER, Daniel Forbes, Josiah Smith, Jacob Whitman, Daniel Pond,	5	4	1		52
Lewiston,	BENJAMIN COLE, JAMES GARCELON, Joseph Field,	3	2	6	1	68
Readfield,	ROBERT LOW, ISAAC CASE, Eliphalet Packard, William Briggs,	3	2	8		104
Fayette,	OLIVER BILLINGS, Joseph Anderson, Ebenezer Turner,	4		3		129
Livermore,	SYLVANUS BOARDMAN, Ranson Norton, Peletiah Gibbs, Sarson Chase, Ebenezer Pitts, Perez Ellis,	1	4	5		108

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders and Messengers.</i>	<i>Added.</i>	<i>Dismiss.</i>	<i>Excluded.</i>	<i>Diad.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Green,	THOMAS WYMAN, JOHN DAGGETT, Jun. Lemuel Comins, Jonathan Mower, Joshua Coburn,	14	9	1		103
Wayne,	Ichabod Billington, Constant Dexter,	1				30
1st Lisbon,	Joseph Killgore, Samuel Tibbets, Stephen Dodd, John Tibbets,	4	1	1		44
New-Gloucester,	DANIEL D LEWIS, John K Smith, Isaac Gross, Abner Harris,	8	3		1	55
Clinton,	MEPHIBOSHETH CAIN, John Steward,	2			1	38
North-Yarmouth,	*THOMAS GREEN, Hiram Hatch, Arthur Drinkwater, Reuben Curtis,	1	1			43
New-Vineyard,	Levi Young, Benjamin Cottle;	13				36
Farmington,	Samuel Sweet,	13				23
2d Litchfield,	HENRY KENDALL, John Neal, James Pierce, Lemuel Walker, Daniel Cuninghame,	2	2			90
Wales,	Philip Jenkins, James Labree, James Clark, John Witherell,	4	1	1		44
Jay,	JOSEPH ADAMS, Thomas Macomber, Joseph Macomber,	5	2	4		89
Mount Vernon,	PETER MOOER, John Hovey, Nathan Thomas,	8				67
Brunswick,	BENJAMIN TITCOMB, Samuel Dunlap, Shimuel Owen,	1	2	1	2	47
Leeds,	THOMAS FRANCIS, Giddins Lane, Moses Stevens, Eleazer Carver,	6	1	2		59
Portland,	JOSIAH CONVERS, Mark Harris, Benjamin Ilsley, Ansel Lewis,	22	3	2		102
2d Buckfield,	*GEORGE RICKER, Job Prince, John Simmons, Jabez Churchill,			1		33
New-Sharon,	Moses Wood, Ambrose Arnold, Levi Jewell, Samuel Prescott,	4	2			52

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Elders and Messengers.</i>	<i>Alders.</i>	<i>Dissis.</i>	<i>Excluded.</i>	<i>Discl.</i>	<i>Total</i>
Canaan,	_____, Humphrey Burrell, Thomas Steward, David Lancaster, Lemuel Smith,	5				72
Sumner,	_____, THOMAS MACOMBER, JUN. John Briggs, Sylvanus Stevens,					27
Bethel,	_____, EBENEZER BRAY, John Killgore, Solomon Crosby, Asa Kimball,	8		2	1	40
Jefferson,	_____, Joshua Hart,				2	17
Ed Sidney,	_____, JOSEPH PALMER, Nathaniel Reynolds, Charles Webber,	4				37
Ed Bowdoin,	_____, ICHABOD TEMPLE, Samuel Smith, Nathaniel Smith, Isaac White,	9		1	1	105
Belgrade,	_____, BENJAMIN BISBE, Elias Taylor, Sherebiah Clark, Ebenezer Gilman,	6		1	1	38
Norway,	_____, William Cox, Edmund Merrill,	2	2		1	24
Hallowell,	_____, James Hinckley, George Bartlett, Jacob Carter,	3	1	1	1	31
Minot,	_____, James Perkins, John Woodman, Thomas Record, Cyrus Edson,	5	3	2		34
Freeport,	_____, SILAS STEARNS, Sylvanus Soule, Bela Townsend, George Denizen, William Curtis, Ebenezer Pinkham,	12		3		58
Ed Lisbon,	_____, John Ross, Nathan Farrow, Ephraim Pettingill,	3				16
Pejepscot,	_____, JOSEPH ROBERTS, Jacob True, John Stenckfield, Matthew Vickery, JUN.	14		3		67
Cornville,	_____, JOHN ROBINSON, Benjamin Green,					62
Harmony,	_____, Samuel Doore, Samuel Ham,					28
Denmark,	_____, TRISTRAM JORDAN, Joseph Walker,					32
No. 5,	_____, LEMUEL JACKSON, Amaziah Read,					49
Piscataquis,	_____, William Oaks,					23

*Total,* 216 43 62 15 2542

N. B. The five last churches were admitted into union the present session.

6. Chose brethren Low, Adams, Boardman, Norton, Billings, Hooper, and Francis, a committee to ascertain the most proper method in the division of the Association.

7. Adjourned until eight o'clock to-morrow morning. Brother Goding concluded by prayer. Preaching in several parts of the town in the evening.

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*THURSDAY, September 28.*

Prayer meeting attended in the meeting-house early in the morning.

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

9. Brother Ball, messenger from the Warren Association, informed of the failure of their Minutes. Received letters and Minutes from the New-Hampshire, by their messengers, elder Goding and brother Dam; Corresponding Letter from the Lincoln, by brother Haines.

10. Read the Circular Letter prepared by brother Convers, and the Corresponding Letter by brother Titcomb; accepted the Corresponding, and appointed brethren Haines, Low, Tripp, Robinson, Palmer, Titcomb and Baker to examine the Circular Letter: after hearing their report, voted, that the Circular Letter prepared by brother Convers, be deferred to the next annual meeting.

11. Appointed brother Hooper to prepare the Corresponding Letter.

12. Voted, that the messengers who attend the New-Hampshire and Lincoln Associations, be allowed four dollars each.

13. Chose the following brethren messengers to sister Associations. To the Warren, brother Case. To the New-Hampshire, Lewis and Hooper. To the Lincoln, Convers and Robinson.

14. Chose brother Isaac Gross, Treasurer.

15. Appointed brother Francis to superintend printing the Minutes; two thousand and two hundred copies to be printed.

16. Appointed brother Tripp to write a Circular Letter, which was read and accepted.

17. Voted to postpone the division of the Association, and the Churches are desired to agree upon the dividing line, and communicate their opinion to the Association, next session.

18. Voted to hold our next annual meeting at the Baptist meeting-house in Livermore, on the 4th Wednesday of September next; at ten o'clock A. M. closed the business of the Association by prayer.

After a short intermission, a pathetic discourse, introductory to the missionary business, was delivered by brother Kendall, from Luke vii. 22; and a contribution attended to.

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☞ The members of the Maine Baptist Missionary Society, are requested to meet at the Baptist meeting-house in Readfield, the third Wednesday of January next, at eleven o'clock, A. M. to consider the propriety of altering the time of their annual meeting.

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### *Supplies for Desitute Churches.*

For Canaan, elder Dagget, 2d Lord's day in Jan. Adams, 2d in March.

For Wayne, brother E. Taylor, 4th Lord's day in Dec. elder Bisbe 4th Jan. and 4th July, elder Mooer, 4th Oct. and 4th August, elder Wyman, 4th Nov.

For New-Vineyard, elder Adams, 3d Dec. Kendall, 3d Jan.

For Jefferson, brother Ellis, 1st Nov. Garcelon, 2d Jan. Chase, 2d Feb. Roberts, 2d June, Bray, 1st July

