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MINUTES

OF THE

DANBURY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD AT DANBURY,

OCTOBER 5 and 6, A. D. 1803.

TOGETHER WITH THEIR CIRCULAR AND CORRESPONDING LETTERS.

WEDNESDAY, October 5th.

1. ASSOCIATION met according to appointment. Introductory Sermon delivered by Elder Nehemiah Dodge, founded on 1 Cor. xvi. 22. *If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be Anathema Maranatha.*

2. Proceeded to business. Elder John Sherman, Moderator, and Elder Asahel Morse, Clerk.

3. Letters from the churches in our connection were presented and read, and the following list taken.

N. B. In the list, Ministers' names in capitals; those to which an * is affixed were not present; dashes — denote no settled Ministers; from Churches marked thus † we received no letters.

Churches.	Messengers.	Added.	Dismiss.	Excom.	Dead.	No.
W. field,	{ JOHN HASTINGS, Daniel Better,	4	2	1	2	139
† W. Wallingford,	—					55
W. Danbury,	{ NATHAN BULKLEY, Joseph Baughton, John Beebe,	1	0	0	0	38
W. Danbury,	{ Deacon Benjamin Shove, Jacob St. John,	0	0	0	0	24
W. Wallingford,	{ * SETH HIGBY,					49
W. Northington & W. Northington,	{ Gideon Williams, Jeremiah Neal, Ebenazer Norton,			6	0	1 90
W. Westfield,	{ Daniel Sherman,	1	1	0	1	29
W. Westfield,	{ ANAHIEL MORSE, Dea. John Staples, David Benedict,	4	3	1	2	112

Church.	Members.	Adm.	Discip.	Excom.	Died.	No.
Roxbury, + Westcott & Bridgton,	ISAAC FULLER, Andreas E. ...	4	5	0	0	43
	DANIEL WILDMAN,	5	2	0	0	110
Warren, + Amenia-Terra,	Dea. Nathaniel Johnson, * ELIJAH WOOD.		2	0	1	52
	* RUFUS BABCOCK, BUDGE SMITH, Thomas Miers, Daniel Fish.	3	4	1	1	53
2d Sandfield,	* BENJAMIN BALDWIN,	5	2	5	1	177
2d Paulington, + East-Hartford, + Simsbury,	John Salt, * ALAS BRIMSLEY,	0	0	0	0	43
						40
Newtown, + Paulington	JOHN SHERMAN, Richard Benson, ANANIAS DETHWICK,		2	0	0	25
	Joseph Ellis, NEHEMIAH DODGE,	1	3	0	0	40
Middletown, Winchester,	Enoch Green, * ISAAC BELLOWS, Nathaniel Smith,	22	3	0	0	44
	DAVID BOLLES, Dea. Ebraim Robbins,		3	0	2	87
Hartford, + Wilbraham,	* STEPHEN SHEPHERD,					75
	Dea. Samuel Braden,		2	0	0	25
Granville,		1	0	0	0	45
Sharon & Cornwall,		5	0	0	0	27

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4 Elders and Brethren from Corresponding Associations, were desired to take a seat with us.

5 The corresponding letter, prepared by Brother Morse, was submitted to a Committee of Elders Wildman and Nelson and Brother David Benedict and the Author; who were also appointed to prepare a circular letter. Adjourned till to-morrow morning 8 o'clock.

6 *Thursday Oct. 5. 6.* met according to adjournment.

Elder Gray preached a sermon from 1st Corinthians v. 23.

7 The corresponding letter read and approved.

8 From Otsego Association received a letter. From the Shaftsbury Association minutes and their messenger Elder Judah Gray. Received minutes from the Stonington Association, by their messenger Elder George Atwell. From the New-York Association, minutes and their messenger Elder Stephen S. Nelson.

9 Appointed Elders Bulkley and Dethwick, messengers to the Otsego Association:—Elder Nelson and Deacon Ebraim Robbins, to New-York:—Elder Morse, to the Shaftsbury:—Elders Dodge and Morse and Brother Daniel Brier, to Stonington.

10 Appointed Elder Daniel Wildman, to prepare a circular, and Elder Nathan Bulkeley a corresponding letter for the ensuing year.

11 Our next Association is to be held at Middletown, within the Baptist Church in that place, on the first Wednesday in October next, at 10 o'clock A. M. Elder Daniel Wildman to preach the introductory sermon; and in case of absence, Elder Rufus Babcock.

12 The intention of the general committee of Correspondence mentioned in the Philadelphia minutes was taken into consideration, and heartily approved. And we hereby appoint Elders, Nehemiah Dodge of Middletown, Asahel Morse of Stratfield, and Daniel Wildman of Bristol, and Deacon Ephraim Robbins of Hartford, and Daniel Bester of Suffield, to be our Committee, to hold correspondence with the general Committee above-mentioned. We recommend this institution to the ministers and brethren in our connection, adding our fervent prayers for its abundant success.

N. B. We would refer our readers for an explanation of the above, to the circular address of the general Committee of Correspondence, appointed by the Philadelphia Association, which address is now circulating in our Churches.

13 Heard the report of Brother Daniel Bester, who was appointed a Committee by the Baptist Conference at Bristol, to superintend their petition and remonstrance which was carried into the General Assembly at Hartford last May:—and as we could not be heard in said petition, we invest our delegates to the Storington Association, with power to meet any Committee which may be appointed by said Association, to consult what further measures are necessary, and to prosecute the same.—We also appoint our Brother Luther Savage of Hartford, to be our Treasurer to receive such sums of money as may be collected to defray expenses which may arise from farther attendance to our petition and remonstrance.—Also, we appoint the following Brethren to be our Committee to make collection for the above-mentioned purpose, and deliver the same into the hands of our Treasurer:—viz. Daniel Bester of Suffield, Hazeckiah West of Bristol, Peter Ammer of Danbury, and Abel Gregory of New-Fairfield.

14 Brother Nelson delivered a sermon from Hebrews ii. 3.

15 Circular Letter read and approved.

16 Appointed Elder Morse to superintend the printing and distributing our minutes.

Supplies for destitute Churches.

Litchfield,	{	Brother Babcock,	2d	Lord's-day in December and 2d	[in June]
		Brother Smith,	4th	do.	December.
		Brother Bulkley,	2d	do.	January.
Sharon,	{	Brother Robbins,	2d	do.	November and 12
		Brother Dethwick,	2d	do.	May.
		Brother Babcock,	2d	do.	February.
Danbury,	{	Brother Bulkley,	2d	do.	February.
		Brother Smith,	2d	do.	June.
		Brother Dethwick,	2d	do.	April.

Signed in behalf of the Association.

JOHN SHERMAN, Moderator,
ASAHEL MORSE, Clerk.

