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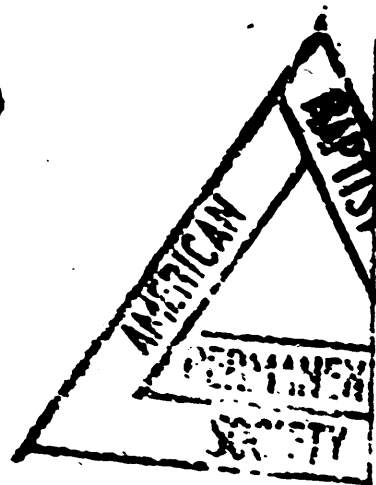
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JUNE 10, 1801.

AT ten o'clock a Sermon by Elder John Tripp, from Romans v. 10.

At 2 o'clock Elder John Peak preached the introductory Sermon from Acts x. 26. *Men and Brethren, Children of the Stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this Salvation sent.*

Chose Elder Peak, Moderator; and Elder Hooper, Clerk.

Prayer by the Moderator.

Read Letters from the several churches, and took the following account of members who have been added, dismissed, excluded, or who have died the year past; and the whole number in each church, with the names of ministers, and messengers present.

N. B. Ordained ministers names in *Italicks*.

* This mark to ministers not present.

		All.	Dis.	Exc.	Dis.	No.
Berwick and Madbury,	{ <i>William Hooper,</i> <i>Eliphalet Cloutman,</i> <i>Joshua Roberts.</i>	5			1	69
Berwick, at the Great-Hill,	{ <i>William Batchelder,</i> <i>Benjamin Knight,</i> <i>Levi Rogers,</i> <i>Joseph Hubbard,</i> <i>Gilbert Hasty.</i>	39			1	181
Brentwood and Branches,	{ * <i>Samuel Shepard,</i> <i>Henry Pottle,</i> <i>Samuel Pottle,</i> <i>Broadstreet Gilman,</i> <i>John Wilson, jun.</i> <i>Stephen Jewet.</i>	96	40		9	505
Sanford,	{ <i>Otis Robinson,</i> <i>Eleazer Chadbourne,</i> <i>Moses Witham,</i> <i>Ezra Thompson,</i> <i>Stephen Gowen,</i> <i>Thomas Worker.</i>	11	49		1	105
Chanton,	{ <i>Walter Powers,</i> <i>Simeon Mudgett,</i> <i>Dudley Young,</i> <i>John Cotton.</i>	2			1	77
Northwood,	<i>William Welch.</i>					98
Wells and Berwick,	{ <i>Nathaniel Lord,</i> <i>Joseph Eaton,</i> <i>Robert Ford,</i> <i>Thomas Fernald,</i> <i>Nicholas Lord,</i> <i>William Perkins,</i> <i>Jonathan Perkins,</i> <i>Elisha Hatch.</i>	42			1	104
Coxhall,	{ <i>Simon Lock,</i> <i>Samuel Smith,</i> <i>Thomas Gubtail.</i>	5				4
Shapleigh,	{ <i>John Bodwell,</i> <i>John Larey,</i> <i>Nathaniel Brackett.</i>	20	2	1		61
Waterborough,	{ <i>Henry Smith,</i> <i>Samuel Dame,</i> <i>John Hill,</i> <i>Humphry Chadbourne,</i> <i>Nathaniel Hanes,</i> <i>Eastman Hickins.</i>	20		2		86

		Ass.	Dis.	Rec.	Did.	No.
Cornish,	{ John Chadbourne, Joseph M. Thompson, William Chadbourne, Andrew Sherburne.	7	1		1	51
Frybury,	{ Zebedee Richardson, James Lord.	3	1			41
Salisbury,	{ Ariel Kendrick, Esra Flanders.					119
Newtown,	John Peab.	1				60
Limerick,	{ Eizenzer P. Kinsman, Jacob Mills, Pennel Clark.		2			42
Parsonfield & Newfield	{ Levi Chadbourne, John Doe, William Taylor, David Marston, James Remick.	45	2		2	131
Buxton,	{ Joseph Hobson, Samuel Woodson.	6	2			18
Effingham,	{ Ezra Tole, Thomas Lord, Amos Tole, William Tole, Edward Collon.	18				33
Lebanon and Berwick,	{ Zebedee Delano, Nathaniel Gubtail, Thomas Murray.					52
Newmarket,	{ Thomas Cheswell, Job Randell.					39

Total, 31296 2 192035

Received a petition from the churches of Lebanon and Newmarket, to be received in fellowship with this association. After examining their articles of faith, voted to receive them, and the moderator gave them the right-hand of fellowship.

Voted that the Ministers from sister associations take a seat and act with us.

Chose Elders Peak and Batchelder to prepare the Circular Letter.

Received messengers and minutes from sister associations, from Warren, Elder Shubael Lovel; from Bowdoinham, Elder John Tripp, and Elder Robert Low; from Woodstock, Elder Joseph Wheel and Seth Martin; from Meredith John Crocket.

Adjourned until to-morrow morning 8 o'clock.

Met according to adjournment, June 11.

Prayer by Elder Low.

Received a letter from Elder Kindrack and a number of the brethren in Salisbury, requesting assistance and advice from this association.

Chose Elder Low and Batchelder and brother Titcomb, a committee to consider of their request.

It is the report of your committee, that the association recommend it to the brethren who feel disposed, to visit the Church at Salisbury, and confer with them respecting their difficulties.

WILLIAM BATCHELDER,
ROBERT LOW,
BENJAMIN TITCOMB.

Voted to accept the above report.

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The Circular Letter and Corresponding Letter were read and received.

Chose messengers to sister associations, viz. to the Warren, Elders Powers and Peak ; to Bowdoinham, Elders Hooper, Lock and Kinsman ; to Woodstock, Elders Batchelder and Robinson ; to Merideth Elders Richardson and Levi Chadbourne.

Voted that Elder Peak prepare the Circular Letter for next year.

Contributions for the missionary treasury, viz. Brentwood, two dollars fifty cents ; Limerick, three dollars twenty cents ; Coxhall, three dollars seventy five cents.

Supplies for Newmarket :

Elder Batchelder 2d Lord's day in July ; Elder Robinson last in September ; Elder Smith last in July ; Elder Lock 2d in October ; Elder Kinsman 3d in October ; Elder Levi Chadbourne last in October.

Supplies for Shapleigh, viz. Elder Levi Chadbourne, last Lord's Day in July ; Elder Wm. Batchelder, 1st in August ; brother Taylor, 1st in September ; and brother ———, 3d in Sept.

Voted to hold our next Association at Elder Nathaniel Lord's Meeting-House in Berwick, second Wednesday in June 1802.

A sermon by Elder Lovel from Hebrews xi, 25, at eleven o'clock.

There was a remarkable solemnity and engagedness in prayer and exhortations in all the intervals

Intervals in the association, and two Sermons in the afternoon after the business of the association was over, one by Brother Titcomb of Portland, and the other by Elder Batchelder. And altho' our meeting was in a new country, it was judged that there were two thousand people attended, with great sobriety and good order.



Circular Letter.

Beloved Brethren,

WE cheerfully (and we trust gratefully) render praise to God for the pleasing intelligence received from many of the churches the year past. The Lord's goodness in reviving his children and multiplying converts, demand the grateful acknowledgements of every friend of Zion. The work is apparently increasing; may the Lord encourage our hearts and strengthen our hands. Impressed with a sense of the increasing empire of Immanuel, in spreading over once unpeopled hills and vales, removing the prejudices that custom had sanctioned, and opening and reviving the ancient gospel; may we not in very deed say, this Immanuel is God with us: and being professedly sentimented in the invincible power of his grace, may we not, and ought we not, to be cheerfully, faithfully and zealously engaged to support and defend the self-abasing doctrine of grace. Beloved, vigilance, tenderness, faithfulness and clearness in the gospel, can never be more advantageously attended to, than in the time of a revival. This day calls for attention and labor. There are a variety of different opinions, and an error unhappily imbibed by a christian is generally zealously supported and gains a more ready currency, and will it not be of importance

portance to attend to the principal truths of revelation? The doctrine of election and efficacious grace are necessarily admitted and clearly deduced from scripture and experience. And the perseverance of saints is discerned without difficulty, which doctrines are peculiarly calculated to humiliate, confirm and comfort the saints and render every other truth acceptable. Let us stand fast in the liberty of the gospel, holding fast the precious word, cultivating a spirit of love and uniformity in principle and practice; and may our gracious Redeemer be exalted among his people and admired by all his saints.

To Corresponding Associations.

Dearly Beloved,

WISHING that the pleasing and profitable correspondence heretofore established, may be continued. We, by this epistle, address you in love, and are happy to receive the pleasing intelligence brought by the messengers from the associations with which we are particularly connected, and rejoice with you in the large accession of numbers. May the Lord increase them a thousand fold. We learn by letters from churches composing this association, that God has graciously and wonderfully enlarged his visible kingdom, as you will observe by our minutes. Twenty years ago this association was founded by four churches containing 260 members; there are now twenty churches in this association containing 2035 members. And as the work of grace prevails among us, we find an increasing union in the ancient Apostolic doctrine. What shall we render unto the Lord for all his benefits.

Pray for us, that we may have grace to be faithful, and with reverence to serve the Lord.— In our present meeting we have had evident tokens of the divine presence. Brethren, remember us. We subscribe ourselves yours in gospel bonds.

Signed in behalf of the Association.

JOHN PEAK, Moderator.

WILLIAM HOOPER, Clerk.