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OF THE

NEW-HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION,

HELD AT

MR. DELANO'S MEETING-HOUSE,

LEBANON,

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,

JUNE 11 AND 12,

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JUNE 11th, 1806, at ten o'clock, a Sermon by Elder **JAMES HOOPER**, from 1 *Tim. 4th*, 6 chapter and 6 verse.

At 2 o'clock, the introductory Sermon by Elder **SIMON LOCK**, from *Colossians*, 2 chapter, 6 verse—"As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him."

Chose **OTIS ROBINSON**, Moderator—and **WILLIAM HOOPER**, Clerk.

Read letters from the several Churches—from which the following account of members added, dismissed, excluded, or who have died the year past in each Church, with the whole number in each Church, and the names of Ministers and Messengers present.

Ordained Ministers' names in *Italicks*.

Ministers not present marked thus *

	Added.	Dismissed	Excluded	Died.	Number.																				
Madbury,	1	5	0	1	6																				
					13	0	16	0	184																
1st in Berwick,	13	2	2	5	523																				
					13	2	2	5	523																
Brentwood and branches,	13	2	2	5	523																				
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		Added.	Dismiss'd.	Excluded.	Died.	No.
Sarford,	{ <i>Otis Robinson,</i> Eleazer Chadburne, John Libbey, James Chadburne.	0	2	0	3	111
Gilmanton,	{ <i>Walter Powers,</i> Andrew Gilman, True Page, Ebenezer Smith.	10	1	0	1	91
Wells,	{ <i>Joseph Eaton,</i> Jacob Perkins, Robert Gatchel, Nathaniel Hubbard.	0	0	1	3	85
sd in Berwick,	{ <i>Nathaniel Lord,</i> Robert Ford, Thomas D. Fernald, William Perkins, John Fall.	1	1	0	2	65
Lyman,	{ <i>Simon Lock,</i> Jacob Waterhouse, William Waterhouse, Joseph Gordon, Daniel Butler.	1	0	2	0	50
Shapleigh.	{ John Bodwell, John Lary, Nathan Bracket, Andrew Lord, Aaron Hubbard.	1	0	0	1	85
Waterboro',	{ <i>Henry Smith,</i> Samuel Dame, Benjamin Peirce, Simon Hanes.	14	2	1	1	89
Cornish,	{ <i>Timothy Remick,</i> <i>Zebedee Richardson,</i> Noah Jewet, Jeremiah Lewis, Jonathan Estes.	0	0	2	1	84
Newtown,		0	0	0	0	63

	Added.	Dismiss'd.	Excluded.	Died.	No.	
Limerick, { Ebenezer P. Kinsman, Penuel Clark, James Gould, Ebenezer Record, Patrick Furlong.	3			1	89	
Parsonsfield and Newfield, { Westworth Lord, Naiban Nocks, Caleb Marston, John Dame, John Drake, John Chick.	0	0	0	1	188	
Buxton, { Abner Flanders, William Merrill, Thomas P. Sawyer, John Barbanks.	4	15		1	2	73
Lebanon and Berwick, { Zebulon Delano, Nathaniel Gubtail, Thomas Murry, Benjamin Libbey, James Hanscom.	1	0	0	1	56	
Newmarket, Exeter, { Thomas Noble,	0	0	0	0	38	
Litlington, { Stephen Webber, Thomas Spencer.	5	0	0	0	43	
ad in Wells, { Joshua Roberts, David Rosa, Davis Estes.	1	0	0	1	51	
Arundel, Newbury and Newburyport, { Joshua Chase, William Woodward, Abraham Bean.	11	0	0	1	54	
Second in Waterboro', Second in Shapleigh { Samuel Simmons, Jonathan Rosa.	17	0	0	1	58	
	2	0	0	0	24	
	0	0	0	0	16	
	0	0	0	0	21	
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Adjourned until to-morrow morning 8 o'clock.

JUNE 12th.—Met according to adjournment.

Received no letter, nor messenger from the Warren nor Woodstock Associations.

Received minutes from Bowdoinham, by Elder **ROBERT LOW** ; Elder **JAMES HOOPER** being present, took a seat with us.

Received minutes from Meredith by Elder **JAMES BAILEY**.

Voted, that the brethren, from sister Associations present, take a seat with us.

Read a letter, and articles of faith, from the second Church in Waterborough ; voted to receive them as a sister Church in fellowship with this Association, and gave them the right hand of fellowship.

Read a letter, and articles of faith, from the second Church in Shapleigh ; voted to receive them, and gave the right hand of fellowship.

Received a request from the Church in Newbury and Newburyport, to be dismissed from this association ; to join the Warren—Voted to postpone the request, until our next association.

Voted to receive the Circular Letter, prepared by Elder **FLANDERS**.

Voted to receive the Corresponding Letter, prepared by Elder **ROBINSON**.

Chose Elders **HENRY SMITH** and **OTIS ROBINSON**, messengers to the Warren—**WALTER POWERS**, **ZEBEDEE DELANEY** and **FLANDERS**, to the Bowdoinham—**ROBERTS** and **KINGMAN**, to the Woodstock, and **SIMON LOCK**, **WENTWORTH LORD** and brother **MORRIL**, to the Meredith Associations.

Chose Elder **SHERBOURNE** to prepare the Circular Letter for next year, and Elder **WILLIAM HOOPER**, the Corresponding Letter.

Chose **HENRY SMITH** treasurer.

Contribution for the Mission, sixteen dollars.

Voted to hold our next Association at *Cornish*, County of York, second Wednesday in June, 1807.

A Sermon at 11 o'clock, by Elder **ROBERT LOW**, from Deuteronomy 33—29.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

DEAR BRETHREN,

THROUGH divine goodness we have been favored with another agreeable anniversary meeting. We feel therefore to address you in the language of inspiration:—"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." **GOD** hath done great things for us; and we are under obligation to express gratitude to him in a becoming manner. Suffer us, in the first place, to address the Ministers of the Gospel, who are called to show the way of salvation.

Dear brethren, it certainly becomes you to exhibit the character of **GOD**—the spirituality and extent of his law—the purity of his government—the character and situation of unbelievers—the way of salvation as it is brought to view in the gospel, testifying repentance toward **GOD**, and faith towards our **LORD JESUS CHRIST**. This is an important part of your duty, but it is but a part. It is your duty to be examples of the believers, to live soberly, righteously and godly in the pre-

sent world—walk honestly towards them that are without—feed the flock of GOD which is among you, taking the oversight thereof not by constraint, but willingly ; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind : neither as being lords over GOD's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock ; and when the chief shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

Dear brethren in our dear LORD JESUS, let us exhort you to the exercise of love, and practice of good works,—not slothful in business, fervent in spirit, serving the LORD. O, may we all have grace whereby we may serve GOD acceptably in our different stations in life, and at last be brought to enjoy the blessings of his heavenly kingdom, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD.

CORRESPONDING LETTER.

The New-Hampshire Association, to the Corresponding Associations, sendeth Christian salutation :

BELOVED BRETHREN,

THROUGH divine goodness we are once more favoured with an opportunity to address you as fellow Pilgrims to the New Jerusalem. Many have been our trials the year past ; but in the midst of them, we have a mixture of joy, so that we can say, the LORD is good unto us--praise be given to Sovereign Grace. The many difficulties, both internal and external, which we have experienced, we believe are the common lot of all the dear followers of the Lamb : Therefore the mystical body of CHRIST will appear, in this militant state, like a speckled bird. Although there are many who are sowing the seeds of discord among brethren, and are endeavoring to propagate another gospel, (though there be not another) yet they trouble us, and would pervert the Gospel of CHRIST ; but blessed be GOD, the foundation standeth sure ; and we believe that all those precious souls who are chosen by GOD the Fa-

ther---registered in the Lamb's book of life---purchased by his most precious blood---cemented to the foundation by eternal love---will obtain complete victory over every foe by Sovereign Grace, and all conquering love.

Dear brethren, our encouragement is great ; for the government of heaven, earth, and hell is on the shoulder of him who is stronger than the strong man armed. Several of our Churches of late have experienced the sweet effects of his irresistible grace. Let us, dear brethren, rest in the immutable promises of our divine LORD, for he must reign till he has conquered all his and our enemies. Your correspondence heretofore has been very profitable unto us ; we therefore wish for a continuance thereof.

Our present meeting has been attended with a solemnity, and in a good degree graced with the divine presence. Dear brethren, pray for us, that we, through grace, may be faithful unto death, and at last receive a crown of immortal life, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

OTIS ROBINSON, *Moderator.*

WILLIAM HOOPER, *Clerk.*