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# MINUTES

OF THE

## *Philadelphia Baptist Association,*

HELD, BY SPECIAL APPOINTMENT,

At HOPEWELL, New-Jersey, October 5th, 6th, and 7th, A. D. 1802.

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TUESDAY, October 5th, 1802.

1. **A**T 2 o'clock, P. M. Brother HENRY SMALLEY, agreeably to appointment last year, preached the Introductory Sermon from *Isaiah ix. 6. And the government shall be upon his shoulder.*

2. After Sermon, business was opened with Prayer by Brother EWING, when Doctor HEZEKIAH SMITH, who was present as Messenger from the Warren Association, was chosen Moderator, and Brother BURGESS ALLISON, Clerk.

3. Our ministering Brethren present, viz. Benjamin Coles, of Oyster-Bay, Long-Island, W. Collier, of New-York, and Peter Smith of Miami, were invited to seats with us.

4. Letters from twenty-six Churches were read.

Prayer by the Moderator. — Adjourned till half past 8 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

*N. B. Ministers names are in CAPITALS. Licensed Preachers in Italics. Those marked with an \* were not present. From Churches marked thus † we received no intelligence. Dashes denote no settled Minister.*

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Ministers and Messengers.</i>	<i>Baptized.</i>	<i>Received by Letter.</i>	<i>Dismissed by Letter.</i>	<i>Excluded.</i>	<i>Deceased.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Lower Dublin,	SAMUEL JONES, John Holmes, Thomas Holmes. - - - -	—	—	—	—	2	73
Middletown,	BENJAMIN BENNET.*						
	J. Stillwell, Samuel Ogburn, Jacob Conover. [ Restored, 1.	6	—	—	4	—	139
Cohansey,	HENRY SMALLEY, Samuel B. Harris, Joseph B. Cook. - - - -	54	3	2	1	—	149
Great Valley,	DAVID JONES, James Abraham. - - - -	—	—	—	—	3	62
Cape May,	JONATHAN GARMAN*.	7	—	—	—	*1	40
Carried over,		67	3	2	5	6	463

\* The Rev. JOHN STANCLIFF; who died on the 19th of January, 1802.

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	Brought forward,	67	3	2	5	6	463
Hopewell,	JAMES EWING, JOHN BLACKWELL, James Stout, James Hunt, Andrew Stout, Hezekiah Stout, Nathan Drake. . . . .	9	—	9	1	1	222
Brandywine,	JOSHUA VAUGHAN*.	5	—	—	—	2	89
Montgomery,	JOSHUA JONES*, Charles Humphrey, Silas Hough, John Hartel, jun. . . . .	7	—	—	1	—	69
Kingwood,	GARNER HUNT, David Stout, Daniel Bray, Iaac Blue. . . . .	3	1	2	—	1	81
Hights Town,	PETER WILSON, John Flock, John Jones, Amos Hart, John Walling. [Restored, 1.	32	—	17	2	4	339
Philadelphia,	THOMAS USTICK, WILLIAM ROGERS, <i>John Peckworth,</i> George Ingles, John M'Leod. . . . .	23	10	8	5	3	167
Southampton,	THOMAS B. MONTANYE, Thomas Folwell, Jeremiah Dungan. . . . .	4	2	—	—	1	91
† Knowlton,	—	—	—	—	—	—	17
New Britain,	WILLIAM WHITE, Edward Matthew, George Sigfried. . . . .	1	—	—	1	—	96
Salem,	HORATIO G. JONES*, Benjamin Thompson, Henry Mulford. [Restored 2.	25	2	—	—	4	99
Dividing Creek,	JOHN RUTTER*.	4	—	—	1	1	58
New Mills,	ALEXANDER M'GOWAN, <i>Benjamin Hedger.</i> . . . .	22	1	58	1	3	96
† Conoloway,	JOSEPH POWELL,*	—	—	—	—	—	65
	Carried over,	202	19	96	17	26	1952

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	Brought forward,	202	19	96	17	26	1952
Upper-Freehold,	<i>John Morgan.</i>	11	5	1	—	—	75
Pittsgrove,	—	—	—	—	—	—	124
Manahawkin,	{ <i>Edward Jennings.</i>	4	20	—	—	1	27
Vincent,	—	2	—	—	—	1	33
† Tuckahoe,	—	—	—	—	—	—	27
† London Tract,	—	—	—	—	—	—	26
Hill Town,	{ <b>JAMES M'LAUGHLIN,</b> Philip Miller, John Mathias, W. H. Roland.	1	—	—	2	4	146
Jacobs Town,	{ <b>BURGISS ALLISON,</b> William Snowden, Asher Cox, James Cox.	5	2	1	—	—	57
Marcus Hook,	—	4	1	—	—	—	19
Roxbury,	<b>THOMAS FLEESON*,</b>	2	—	2	—	—	52
Amwell,	{ Nicholas Ott, John Teurny.	4	—	—	—	1	58
Burlington,	{ <b>WILLIAM STAUGHTON,</b> Isaac Gifford, Elijah Condon.	12	3	—	—	1	32
Mount-Holly,	{ Jesse Cox, George Allen, Edward Thomas.	—	—	—	—	—	52
Dover, York C.	—	—	—	—	—	—	15
Total,		247	50	100	19	34	2695

*WEDNESDAY, October 6th, half past 8 o'clock, A.M.*

Met according to Adjournment.

Prayer by Brother Wilfon.

5. After finishing reading the Letters from the Churches belonging to the Association, a Letter was read from the Church at Mount-Holly, requesting admiffion into our body; which was cheerfully granted.

6. Application also being made by a newly constituted Church at Dover, in York County, Pennsylvania, for admiffion into this Association, it was received.

7. Received Letters from the following Associations; viz. Warwick, by their Messenger John Palmer, with their Minutes—Delaware, by their Messenger John Boggs, jun.—

New-York, by their Messengers Reune Runyon, Charles Lahat, and Lebbeus Lathrop, with their Minutes—Warren, by their Messenger, Dr. Hezekiah Smith. [Received also one copy of the Minutes of the Miami Association, by Brother Peter Smith.]

8. Appointed Brethren S. Jones, Staughton and White, a Committee to inspect the Minutes and Letters from the corresponding Associations and report to-morrow.

9. The following Brethren were appointed to write to the corresponding Associations; viz. Brother Ustick, to Charleston; Brother Montanye, to Warwick; Brother White, to Delaware; Brother Staughton to New-York; Brother Wilson to Stonington; Brother Smalley, to Warren; Brother Boggs, to Shaftsbury; and Brother Ewing, to Miami.

10. Appointed Messengers to the following Associations;—To Warwick, Brethren Montanye and White; Delaware, Brother Vaughan; New-York, Brethren Montanye, D. Jones, Wilson and White; Warren, Br. Hezekiah Smith; Miami, Brother Peter Smith.

11. After reading the Circular Letter, Brethren Samuel Jones, David Jones, Wm. Staughton, with Brother Montanye, the Author, were appointed a Committee to revise the same, and make report.

12. The following sums were contributed; viz. *For the Education Fund*: From Lower Dublin, 10 dolls.; Hights Town, 12 dolls.; Southampton, 8 dolls.; Salem, 15 dolls.; Jacobs Town, 5 dolls.; Burlington, 15 dolls. 11 cents.—Total 65 dolls. 11 cents.

*For the Church at Manabawkin*: From Hights Town, 5 dolls.; Southampton, 4 dolls.; Salem, 4 dolls.—Total, 13 dolls.

13. It is recommended, that the first Tuesday in January, April, July and October, be observed as days of prayer, for the effusion of the Divine Spirit; and it is earnestly requested, that particular attention be paid to it.

14. Brother White is appointed to write the Circular Letter for the ensuing year.

15. A general conference not being likely to be accomplished, a Plan was laid before the Association, designed to answer all the purposes, and the following Committee appointed to examine the same, and report, viz. Brethren S. Jones, R. Runyon, W. Rogers, and T. Montanye.—Brother S. Jones concluded by Prayer.—Adjourned to 2 o'clock.

2 o'clock, P. M. Met according to Adjournment.

Brother Rogers prayed.

16. The following Brethren agree to attend as supplies, at *Manabawkin*, Brother Peckworth, 1st Lord's-day in November and May; Brother M'Gowan, 4th Lord's-day in November, February, May and August; Brother Ewing, 2d Lord's-day in December; Brother Hedger, as often as convenient.

Supplies for Upper-Freehold.—Brother White, 1st Lord's-day in October; Brother Peckworth, 2d in November, and 2d in April; Brother Montanye, 2d Lord's-day in December; Brother Ewing, 3d Lord's-day in December; Brother Runyon, 1st Lord's-day in January; Brother Hunt, 1st Lord's-day in April; Brother Allison, 1st Lord's-day in July.

Supplies for Dover, York County, Pennsylvania.—Brother Joshua Vaughan, 1st Lord's-day in November, and 4th in January; Brother Morgan, 2d and 3d Lord's-days in November; Brother Peckworth, 1st Lord's-day in December and 1st in June; Brethren White and M'Laughlin, 3d Lord's-day in December; Brother Montanye, 2d Lord's-day in August; Brother Horatio G. Jones, 2d Lord's-day in September.

17. It is recommended to the Churches belonging to this Association to appoint a day, to have a Discourse delivered in each of them, upon the subject of a Mission for propagating the Gospel in destitute places; to make a Collection for a Fund to defray the necessary

expences of the Missionaries, and to forward the money to Brother Rogers, between this and the first of April ensuing.—It is agreed that a Committee be now appointed to form a Plan for a *Missionary Society*, and present the same at the next Association—and that Brethren S. Jones, B. Allison, W. Rogers, T. Ustick, and W. Staughton be the Committee.

18. The Churches are requested to recollect, That an annual Sermon is recommended to be preached, for the purpose of collecting money for the *Education Fund*, to be transmitted to the Association.

19. The Committee to examine the “Plan for a Committee of Correspondence,” reported, and the Plan was adopted as amended; and the following Brethren are appointed as a Committee to carry the same into execution; viz. S. Jones, B. Allison, W. Rogers, T. Ustick, W. Staughton, W. White, T. Montanye, J. Peckworth, Silas Hough, M. D. G. Ingles, T. Holmes, J. M’Leod, J. Holmes, and W. M’Gee. [For the Plan, see last Page.]

20. The Delegates of this Association do engage, on the part of themselves and the Churches they represent, to pay, *at, or before*, the next Association, the sum of *two Dollars* for each Church, for the purpose of defraying the expences which may be incurred by a correspondence with the different parts of the Union, agreeably to the Plan which this Association has adopted.—Brother Staughton concluded by Prayer.—Adjourned to 8 o’clock, to-morrow morning.

[Sermon in the Evening by Brother Hezekiah Smith, from Heb. xiii. 20, 21. *Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, Make you perfect in every good work, to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ: to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.*]

#### THURSDAY, 8 o’clock, A. M.

Met according to Adjournment.

21. The Letters to our corresponding Associations were read and approved.

22. According to information from Kentucky, the following are the numbers of Communicants in the Baptist Churches belonging to the respective Associations in that State.

In the Elkhorn Association	5,310	Bracken Association,	753	} Total, 12,071.
Green River, do.	about 800	Tate’s Creek, do.	1,802	
Salem, do	2,023	South Kentucky, do.	1,383	

Allowing Six Baptists in a Congregation, to *one* communicant, which is a very moderate allowance, the number of Baptists in Kentucky will amount to 72,426.—It is supposed that throughout the whole of the United States, the Societies of Baptists amount to 700,000 persons and upwards.

23. The Brethren appointed to inspect the Minutes and Letters made their report.

24. The following Brethren are appointed as a Committee to prepare, and bring forward to the next Association, a set of Rules for conducting the business of this Association; viz. S. Jones, W. Rogers, T. Ustick, W. Staughton, G. Ingles, and J. M’Leod.

25. The Association to meet next year on the first Tuesday in October in Philadelphia; but should the Epidemic then prevail in the City, to meet at Cohanscy. In which case the Clerk will give notice in the Public Prints.—Service to begin at 3 o’clock, P. M.

26. Brother M’Laughlin to preach the Introductory Discourse, and in case of failure, Brother Ewing.

[Sermon this Evening by Brother Staughton from Acts iii. 26. *Unto you first, God, having raised up his son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.*]

