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AMERICAN BAPTIST
GENERAL SOCIETY.

MINUTES

OF THE

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

Held at the SCOTS PLAINS, in the STATE of NEW-JERSEY,
October 15th and 16th, 1776.

October 15th.

AT three o'Clock, P. M. the ASSOCIATION was opened with a discourse from COL. i. 28th: *Whom we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.* By our brother WILLIAM VAN HORNE.

2. After divine service, brother ISAAC STELLE was chosen *Moderator*, and brother WILLIAM VAN HORNE *Clerk*.

3. Proceeded to read the letters from the churches.

Note. *The Ministers names are in capitals. Those marked with an * not present. The Churches marked with an † sent neither letters nor messengers: Their numbers remain as at last association. Dashes denote no minister.*

| Churches. | Ministers and Messengers. | Baptiz. | Rec. byl. | Dismiss. | Dead. | Excom. | Numb. |
|------------|---|---------|-----------|----------|-------|--------|-------|
| Pennepeck | { SAMUEL JONES,* Peter Smith. | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 73 |
| Middletown | { ABEL MORGAN,* James Mott. | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 141 |
| Piscataqua | { ISAAC STELLE, Moses Martin, Randolph Drake. | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 75 |

Cohansey

| <i>Churches.</i> | <i>Ministers and Messengers.</i> | <i>Baptized.</i> | <i>Ald. by L.</i> | <i>Dism. by L.</i> | <i>Dead.</i> | <i>Excom.</i> | <i>Numb.</i> |
|----------------------|--|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Cohansey | { ROBERT KELSAY, <i>Philip Sheperd,</i> <i>David Elwell.</i> | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 76 |
| Welshtract | JOHN SUTTON. | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 120 |
| Great Valley | JOHN DAVIES.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 68 |
| † Cape May | DAVID SMITH.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 52 |
| Hopewell | { BENJAMIN COLES, <i>Nathaniel Stout,</i> <i>James Darrab.</i> | 101 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 247 |
| † Brandiwine | ABELL GRIFFITHS.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| Montgomery | JOHN THOMAS. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 101 |
| Kingwood | { DAVID SUTTON, <i>Andrew Bray.</i> | 1 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 82 |
| Southampton | { WILLIAM VAN HORNE, <i>JOHN BLACKWELL.*</i> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 61 |
| Philadelphia | { — — — <i>Joshua Moore,</i> <i>Thomas Fleeson,</i> <i>George Bright.</i> | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 172 |
| † Cranberry | — — — | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 |
| Scots Plains | { BENJAMIN MILLER,* <i>John Stites,</i> <i>Recompence Stanbury.</i> | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 126 |
| † Oyster Bay | — — — | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 |
| Morristown | { REUNE RUNYAN, <i>John Brookfield.</i> | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 81 |
| Knowlton | <i>John Honeywell.</i> | 11 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 27 |
| Harford | JOHN DAVIES.* | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 142 |
| † New Britain | JOSHUA JOHN.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 |
| † Salem | — — — | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 |
| Newtown | { NICHOLAS COX, <i>Hezekiah Smith, sen.</i> | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 80 |
| † Beekman's Precinct | SAMUEL WALDO.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 152 |
| † Dividing-Creek | SAMUEL HEATON. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 |

| <i>Churches.</i> | <i>Ministers and Messengers.</i> | <i>Bap.</i> | <i>Add.</i> | <i>Dym.</i> | <i>Dead</i> | <i>Exco.</i> | <i>Num.</i> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| † 1st New-York | JOHN GANO.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 139 |
| New Mills | { Samuel Gaskill. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 53 |
| † Conoloway | JOSEPH POWELL.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 60 |
| † Coram | _____ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 34 |
| Upper Freehold | { Thomas Cox, jun. Edward Taylor. | 13 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 61 |
| Mount Bethel | John Worth. | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 27 |
| Goshen | { JAMES BENEDICT, William Howard. | 27 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 141 |
| Lyons Farms | { _____ Ichabod Grummon. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| † Oblong | SIMON DAWKIN.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 92 |
| Philip's Patent | { JOHN LAWRENCE,* Ebenezer Ward. | 7 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 108 |
| † Pitt's Grove | William Worth. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 |
| † Manahawkin | HENRY CROSSLY.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| † Vincent | _____ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 57 |
| † Tuckahoe | WILLIAM LOCK.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| † Northern Liberty | _____ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| † 2d New-York | JOHN DODGE.* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| † Stamford | _____ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 |
| † Kings Street | _____ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| | | 188 | 15 | 17 | 35 | 3 | 3013 |

Adjourned to nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

October 16th.

ASSOCIATION met, pursuant to adjournment.

4. A letter was read from the ASSOCIATION held at the High Hills of *Santee*, dated May 16th, 1773.

5. This ASSOCIATION taking into consideration the awful, impending calamities

