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M I N U T E S

OF THE

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD IN PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER, 1782.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22d, 1782.

At three o'clock, P. M. a Sermon was preached from Acts xvi. 17, *These men are the servants of the Most High God, which show unto us the way of salvation*, by Brother NICHOLAS COX.

2. After sermon Brother OLIVER HART was chosen *Moderator*, and Brother WILLIAM VAN HORNE *Clark*. Letters from thirty churches were read.

N. B. Ministers absent in Italics. Dashes denote churches destitute of a settled minister.

Churches.	Ministers.	Bap- tized.	Received by Letter.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excom- municated.	Dead.	Num- bers.
Forspeck,	Sambel Jones,	3	0	0	0	2	59
Middletown,	Abel Morgan,	0	0	0	0	0	95
Mintons,		0	0	0	0	1	0
Cobleskill,	Robert Kelsey,	43	1	0	0	6	120
West Valley,	Thomas Jones,	0	0	0	0	0	35
Espey,	David Smith,	9	0	0	0	0	67
Mapswell,	Oliver Hart,	2	0	5	1	4	205
Bandwine,	Abel Griffith,	0	0	0	0	0	19
Montgomery,	David Loofhughrow,	0	0	54	0	0	27
Ripwood,	David Sutton,	0	1	0	0	0	70
Southampton,	William Van Horne,	0	0	0	0	1	55
Philadelphia,	Thomas Ustick,	3	0	0	46	2	87
Cranberry,	Peter Wilson,	3	0	0	0	1	39
Scots Plains,	Benjamin Cole,	2	0	1	0	6	101
Hartford, Maryland,	John Davis,	10	0	0	0	0	0
New Britain,	John Jones,	3	0	0	0	1	32
Salem,		8	0	0	0	3	39
Newtown,	Nicholas Cox,	3	0	0	0	1	70
Indeman's Precinct,	Samuel Waldo,	1	0	0	0	1	0
Dividing Creek,	Peter P. Van Horne,	2	1	5	1	1	62
New Mills,		2	1	1	1	1	87
Upper Freehold,	John Blackwell,	4	2	0	0	2	70
Mount Bethel,	Abner Sutton,	1	0	0	0	0	13
Pitts Grove,	William Worth,	20	0	1	0	0	89
Vincent,		0	0	0	0	0	0
Stamford,		4	0	0	0	1	81
Amenia Precinct,	Elkana Holmes,	3	0	0	0	0	28
London Tract,	Thomas Fleeson,	1	0	0	0	1	28
Cow Marsh,		13	0	0	0	1	35
Hill Town,	John Thomas,	0	0	0	0	0	61
Total		140	7	67	48	36	1659

3. A letter and minutes from the *Warren* Association were read. Their messengers, elders JAMES MANNING, WILLIAM ROGERS and WILLIAM WILLIAMS.

4. A letter from the *Ketaton* Association was read.

5. A late branch of the church at *Montgomery* being constituted a church at *Hill-Town*, were, at their request, received into this Association.

6. Adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, October 23.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

7. The committee appointed last year to examine the books in the hands of the librarian, report, That they have proceeded in that business, and conclude that about three pounds ten shillings would repair them. Agreed to collect the above sum immediately; which was done, and put into the hands of the librarian.

8. This Association being informed of some difficulties subsisting in the church at *Coston*; recommend to our Brethren SAMUEL JONES, NICHOLAS COX and WILLIAM VAN HORNE to visit them.

9. A letter from Mr. *Aitken*, printer, in this city, was read, setting forth that he had with great pains and much expence, just compleated the first English edition of the Bible in *America*, together with *Watts's* Psalms, and requesting this Association to make the undertaking as universally known as we can.

Voted, That this Association, on the recommendation of Congress of said impression, present their thanks to Mr. *Aitken*, for his faithful execution of this laborious and important undertaking, and most heartily recommend to all the churches with which we are connected, to encourage the sale thereof.

Adjourned to half after two o'clock, P. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

10. Voted that the 7th article of the *Warren* Association minutes be adopted by which is as follows: "The Association, from a representation made to them by the Corporation of the college in *Providence*, of the low state of the funds of said college,"

age, and the urgent necessity of increasing them, in order to support suitable in-
 structors therein, and from an idea of the great importance of good education, have
 taken into consideration, as the most probable method to accomplish this valuable
 end, the recommendation of a subscription throughout all the Baptist societies on
 this continent, as well as to all the friends of literature of every denomination, on
 the following conditions:

"We the subscribers promise and engage to pay the several sums affixed to our
 names, to -----, to be by him paid to *John Brown*, esq. of *Providence*, trea-
 surer of the Corporation, or his successor in said office, or order; to be placed at
 interest, and the interest only to be applied for the above purpose.

"N. B. The several churches are desired to insert in the above blank the name of the
 most suitable person in the society, for this service."

11. Brother THOMAS USTICK was appointed to write a letter to the *Warren* Affo-
 ciation; and Brother SAMUEL JONES to the *Ketqcton*, in answer to their request on
 the subject of last year's letter. Messenger to the former, Brother NICHOLAS COX;
 and to the latter, WILLIAM WORTH, THOMAS FLEESON and ABNER SUTTON.

12. As we have received information that a legacy has been left to this Association;
 in the last will and testament of *John Honeywell*, of *Knowlton* in *Suffex* county, *New-*
Jersey, deceased---Resolved, That our treasurer, Rev. SAMUEL JONES, who is also in
 said will constituted a trustee of the same, proceed immediately to make use of all due
 and necessary measures to recover said legacy for and in our behalf, and at our expence.

13. Supplies for destitute churches, as follows:

- Brother Oliver Hart, 2d Lord's day in November.
- Brother Reune Runyan, 1st ditto in each month.
- Brother David Loofbourow, 3d in November and 4th in May.
- Brother Peter Wilson, 4th in November and 4th in May.
- Brother Abner Sutton, 3d in December, January, February and March.
- Brother Benjamin Coles, 4th in December.
- Brother Nicholas Cox, 2d in April.
- Brother William Rogers, 3d and 4th in ditto.
- Brother Joshua Jones, 2d in June.
- Brother John Blackwell, 3d in ditto.
- Brother Burgess Allison, 4th in ditto.
- Brother Elkana Holmes, 1st November.
- Brother David Sutton, 3d ditto.
- Brother Nicholas Cox, 4th ditto.
- Brother Abner Sutton, 3d in May.

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Knowlton.

