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BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD AT PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER 4, 5, 6, 1791.

T U E S D A Y, OCTOBER 4, 1791.

1. **A**T 3 o'clock, P. M. Rev. OLIVER HART delivered the Introductory Sermon, from 2 Chronicles xxix. 35. "*So the Service of the House of the LORD was set in Order.*"
2. After Worship proceeded to business.—Rev. Dr. SAMUEL JONES was chosen *Moderator*, and Rev. JOHN STANCLIFF, *Clerk*.
3. Letters from thirty-three Churches were read.

N. B. Ministers names in *Capitals*. Licenced Preachers in *Italics*. Those to whose names an * is affixed, were not present. From the Churches marked thus †, we received no intelligence. Dashes denote no settled Minister.

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Ministers and Messengers.</i>	<i>Bap- tized.</i>	<i>Received by Letter.</i>	<i>Dismissed by Letter.</i>	<i>Re- fused.</i>	<i>Excom- municated.</i>	<i>Decea- sed.</i>	<i>Numbers.</i>
Lower-Dublin,	SAMUEL JONES, D. D.	—	—	4	—	—	—	63
	John Wright,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Benjamin Dungan.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middletown,	SAMUEL MORGAN,*	17	—	—	—	—	5	152
	William Blair.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Piscatawa,	REUNE RUNYON,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	<i>Peter Bryant.</i>	1	1	4	—	2	3	141
Cohanky,	HENRY SMALLEY,*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Jonathan Bowen,	13	1	—	—	—	2	121
	David Shepherd, John Siffin.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carried over,		31	2	8	—	2	10	477

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	Brought forward,	31	2	8	—	2	10	477	
Welch-Tract,	{ JOHN EGGES, - - Andrew Melton.	14	5	5	—	1	3	114	
Great Valley,	{ John Beaulx, Isaac Abraham, - - Daniel Cornog, Nathaniel Davis, Andrew Garden.	—	1	2	—	—	3	82	
Cape-May, Hopewell,	{ JOHN STANCLIFF, - OLIVER HART, -	2 6	— —	1 3	— —	4 —	5 —	53 163	
Brandywine,	{ JOSHUA VAUGHAN, William Simonson, - - Thomas Davis.	8	—	2	—	—	—	47	
Montgomery, † Tulpehocken,	{ Isaac Johnson, - - Edmond Pennington.	1	—	2	—	—	1	33	
Kingwood,	{ James Drake, - - David Stout.	—	—	—	—	—	—	80	
Laight's Town,	{ PETER WILSON, Nehemiah Dye, - - Lloyd Holmes.	22	—	5	1	4	3	157	
Philadelphia,	{ THOMAS USTICK, WILLIAM ROGERS, D. D. MORGAN EDWARDS, Thomas Shields, - - George Ingels, John McLeod, Hugh Goley.	6	10	6	—	—	4	111	
Southampton,	{ DAVID JONES, Benjamin Brewster, - Elias Yerkes, jun. Arthur Watts.	6	—	2	2	—	2	57	
Scotch Plains, † Oyster-Bay, Morristown, † Knowlton, † Hartford, † New Britain,	{ WILLIAM VAN HORNE. — — DANIEL VAUGHAN.* JOHN DAVIES.* JOSHUA JONES,	1 — 5 — — —	1 — — — — —	— — — — — —	— — — — — —	— — — — — —	— — — — — —	2 — 2 — — —	136 25 94 43 120 21
Salom, † Wantage, Dividing Creek 18 New-York, New Mills, † Kanoleway, † Coram, Upper Freehold,	{ Ephraim Lloyd, Abraham Harris, SILAS SOUTHWORTH,* — BENJAMIN FOSTER,* David Goffill, Richard Watkins. JOSEPH POWELL.* — — JOSEPH STEPHENS.* Edward Taylor.	12 — 2 9 2 — — — 7	— — — 1 4 — — 1	— — — 5 2 — — 2	— — — 3 — — — —	2 — — 1 — — — 1	3 — 3 — 1 — — —	66 40 198 86 — — 30 78	
Carried over,		134	25	45	6	16	41	2410	

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	brought forward,	134	25	45	6	16	42	2410
† Mount Bethel,	_____	—	—	—	—	—	—	101
† Lyons Farms,	_____	—	—	—	—	—	—	16
† Philips-Patent,	_____	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
† Pine Grove,	_____	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
† Manahawkin,	_____	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
† Vincent,	_____	—	—	—	—	—	—	22
† Tuckahoe,	ISAAC RUNNELL.*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ad New-York,	Joseph Stout.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
† Kingsrect,	_____	—	—	—	—	—	—	36
Cow Marsh,	Job Meredith.	8	2	1	—	—	—	30
London Tract,	THOMAS FLEESON.	—	4	—	—	—	—	38
	JAMES M'LAUGHLIN,							
Hill-Town,	{ Robert Shannon,	4	—	1	—	—	1	102
	{ John Fugh.							
Lower Smithfield,	DAVID JANE.*	—	—	—	—	—	—	26
Baltimore,	{ LEWIS RICHARDS,*	5	5	—	—	—	—	3
	{ George Prestman.							
Fryn Stn,	JAMES JONES,*							
	JOHN PATTON,							
Duck Creek,	{ GIDEON FERRELL,	32	3	—	1	3	12	83
	{ John Crawford,							
	{ Hugh Darburrow,							
	{ Gasper Harwood.							
	THOMAS AINGER,							
Wilmington,	{ Thomas Brooks,	12	—	3	1	3	—	53
	{ Jesse Walraven.							
Canoe Brook,	_____	14	—	2	—	—	1	73
Jacob's Town,	{ BURGESS ALLISON,	2	1	1	—	—	3	59
	{ James Cox.							
Naten Island,	ELK ANAH HOLMES.*	—	—	—	—	—	—	28
† Pat's Town,	JAMES FINN.*	—	—	—	—	—	—	28
Marcus Hook,	ELIPHAZ DAZEY.	1	—	2	—	—	1	16
	CURTIS GILBERT,							
Reabury,	{ Michael Conrad,	5	—	—	—	—	—	44
	{ Cornelius Holdgate.							
	ALEXANDER M'GOWAN,							
Ellis Township,	{ Joseph Richardson, jun.	7	1	—	—	—	—	25
	{ Jeremiah Ward.							
	Total.	224	41	55	8	22	60	3253

Adjourned to half past Eight to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5.

MEET, pursuant to adjournment.

1. Whereas a difficulty respecting the 2d Church in New-York was brought before us, we wish a mutual Council may be called to settle the Matter.

2. The newly constituted church at Sideling-hill, Belfast Township, Bedford County, made application for admittance into this Association; but an objection arising in consequence of a letter sent by Brother Powell, their admission was postponed until next Meeting of Association, when the objectors will have opportunity to shew their reasons, why the request of said church should not be granted.

3. Letters from the corresponding Associations of Stonington, Shaftsbury, and Danbury, were received and read. Brother Vanhorne was appointed to write to the Stonington, Brother Bryant to the Shaftsbury, and Brother Allison to the Danbury Association.

4. A copy of a neat quarto Bible, of Mr. Collins's impression, was laid before the Association by Dr. Rogers, which was highly approved of; and as the subscriptions for the same will continue open till the 1st January next, at 4 dollars each, it is hereby recommended to the several churches and individuals of our body to *patronize so laudable an undertaking.*

5. Query from the church at Great Valley, "What steps ought a church to take in respect of a member, who hath married the son of a former husband's sister?" Referred to the next Association.

6. Doctor Rogers read a paragraph of a letter from the Rev. Abraham Booth of London, directed to himself, in which was intimated the expediency of our reconsidering the decision of this Association in 1788, respecting "the invalidity of Baptism when administered by an unbaptized person." Agreed to refer it until the next meeting of Association.

7. The Circular Letter was read. Our brethren Ustick and Allison were desired to revise the same in conjunction with the author, Brother Vanhorne.

Adjourned to Three o'clock, P. M.

WEDNESDAY, P. M.

MEET, according to adjournment.

1. The churches at Scotch Plains, Canoe-Brook, Piscatawa and Morris-Town, requested Liberty to join in an Association at New-York, should they think proper: Their request

request was granted : And they will be considered as dismissed from us, when received by them.

2. Supplies for destitute churches.

GREAT VALLEY.	3d	Lord's-day	in October,	Reverend	<i>Joshua Jones.</i>
	1st	_____	in November,	Brother	<i>Benjamin Bennet.</i>
	2nd	_____	in do.	Reverend	<i>Joshua Jones.</i>
	4th	_____	in do.	_____	<i>James McLaughlin.</i>
	2d	_____	in April,	_____	<i>Dr. Rogers.</i>
DIVIDING CREEK.	Last	_____	in May,	_____	<i>A. McGowan.</i>
	3d	_____	in November,	_____	<i>John Standliff.</i>
KINGWOOD.	3d	_____	in October,	Brother	<i>Peter Bryant.</i>
	4th	_____	in do.	_____	<i>Benjamin Bennet</i>
	3d	_____	in do.	_____	<i>Benjamin Beane</i>

3. The collections, agreeably to last year's recommendation, were as follow :

	£.	s.	d.
Lower Dublin,	-	-	19
Cohansey,	-	-	6
Philadelphia,	-	-	5
Haight's-Town,	-	-	0
Scotch Plains,	-	-	0
Morris Town,	-	-	0
			15
			0
	£.10	2	0h

Agreed to return the above sum to those churches as the necessity for the same has ceased.

4. Doctor S. Jones our treasurer, stated, That he had funded the two small certificates belonging to the Association, with his own, and meant to be accountable for their value ;—6 per cents. at 20/6, 3 per cents at 11/4, deferred, 12/2. The reasons of his conduct were approved.

5. Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. Samuel Jones, the Rev. Morgan Edwards, Samuel Miles, Esq; Thomas Shields, Esq; Rev. Dr. William Rogers, Rev. Burgess Allison, and Rev. Thomas Ustick, be a committee to effectuate the Incorporation of the Association by Charter.

6. Agreeably to the report of the Committee, the Circular Letter, composed by Brother Vanhorne, was approved.

7. Voted, That the money raised last year, remaining in the treasurer's hands, be allowed

