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OF THE

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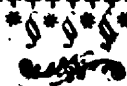
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TUESDAY October, 19.

THE Elders and messengers of the several churches met at Eld Cole's meeting house in Plainfield.

1. Brother Stephen Gano preached the introductory sermon from 2. Cor, viii 23.

2. Made choice of brother Amos Wells moderator and brother John Sterry clerk.

3. Letters from the several churches were then read, and the following account taken, of the number added, dismissed, excluded, and that have died the year past.

N. B. The names of the ordained ministers are in Roman letters. Those with this mark † were not present. From churches marked thus* we had no letter. Vacant churches distinguished by a dash——

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Messengers.</i>	Add.	Dis.	Excl.	Dead.	Num.
1st Stonington	Peleg Randal <i>Elisba Palmer</i> <i>Jabez Gallop</i> <i>Josua Babcock.</i>	1		3	3	177
2d Stonington	†Simeon Brown <i>Asa Spalding.</i> <i>John Stanton</i> <i>Asher Miner</i> <i>Daniel A. airt.</i>	1	--	4	--	170
Greton	John G. Whitman <i>Benadam Gallop</i> <i>Samuel Lamb</i> <i>Amos Culver</i> <i>Sands Fish.</i>	1	2	1	1	216
Saybrook	————— George Atwell <i>Dan Spencer.</i>	3	--	--	1	60
Exeter	—————	1	--	1	1	198
Richmond former.	—————					
S. Kingston.	————— <i>John Webb</i>					65
W. Greenwich	————— <i>Lillebridge Barber</i> <i>Silas Baily</i> <i>Roger Sheldon.</i>	--	5	1	4	97

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St Colchester	<hr/> Thomas Smith Jabez Hough Uriah Downer John Tennant.	61	1	1	1	127
Ed Colchester	<hr/> Asa Willcox Alpheus Rogers Eben. Rogers.	5	1	--	1	45
Richmond	<hr/> David Clark William Browning.					27
Hampton	Abel Palmer William Elliot Nath. Bennet Steven Webb William Robinson.	9	5	1	--	102
Montville	Reuben Palmer Jehiel Rogers Samuel Bolls.	5	--	3	3	106
St Chatham	<hr/> Amos Wells					56
Ed Woodstock	Laban Thurber Robert Baxter Robert Aplin Charles Chandler.	9	3	3	1	163
Ed Chatham	<hr/> Constant Welch William Bolls David Miner George Gates.	1	2	6	1	94
New-London & Waterford	Zadock Darrow Samuel West	20	--	--	--	215
E. Haddam	†Simeon Dickinson John Figgelow.	4	6	--	--	53
Plainfield	Nathaniel Cole Fincks Mason Samuel Pearce John Stranahan Caleb Hall Ransom Perkins.	15	--	2	1	96

Churches	Messengers.	Add.	Dis.	Excl.	Dead	Numb.
Killingly	Peter Rogers Jonathan Herrington Nicholas Smith.	3	--	--	4	113
Thomson	Parson Crosby Thos. Day Elijah Bates Jesse Jacobs.	26	--	--	--	104
S. Kingston	† Benjamin Wait					25
2d Athford	John Rathbun Will. Snell jr. Stephen Chapman.	1	--	1	2	53

4. Received letters from the following associations, viz. From the Warren association, a letter and minutes by their messenger brother Stephen Gano. From the Danbury, a letter and minutes by their messengers brethren Asahel Morfe, Ratus Babcock and Daniel Beltor. From the Groton Conference a letter and minutes by their messengers brethren Asa Willcox, and John Sterry. From the New-York a letter and minutes. From the Philadelphia, a letter and minutes. From the Sturbridge, brethren Robert Stanton, Silas Corbin and David Bates.

5. Received the Sturbridge association into our fellowship and correspondance.

6. Invited brother Rathbun and others from sister associations to take seats with us.

7. The circular and corresponding letters were read and referred to a committee of brethren Gano, Rathbun and Palmer.

8. A query from the church at Saybrook was read and referred to a committee of brethren Zadock Darrow, Robert Stanton, Peleg Randal and Samuel West.

9. Adjourned till to morrow, to meet as this place at 9 o'clock A. M. for business.

Public worship in several places in the vicinity this evening.

10. Met according to adjournment. Prayer by the moderator.

11. The circular and corresponding letters read again and accepted.

12. The committee appointed to examine the query from the church at Saybrook, answered in negative.

13. Having received information by a letter from the 2d church at Chatham, respecting the conduct of Squire Goff, late a member of that church, who has received ordination, and of their dealings with him, requesting our attention thereto. Vo-

to appoint a committee to investigate the business of his or-
nation, and to make report of their doings at our next associa-
tion, and brethren Gano, W. Rathbun and Crosby were ap-
pointed.

14. Voted that brother George Atwell write the circular
letter, and brother Samuel West the corresponding letter for
next year.

15. Voted that brethren Zadock Darrow, and George At-
well be messengers to the Danbury Association: brethren La-
man Thurber, Parson Crosby Amos Wells to the Shafsbury
brethren Abel Palmer, John G Whitman, to the Warren,
brethren Peleg Randal and Laban Thurber to the Groton Con-
ference: Brethren Stephen Gano and Valentine W Rathbun to
the New York: Brethren Amos Wells, Abel Palmer Reu-
ben Palmer and Valentine W Rathbun to the Sturbridge Asso-
ciation.

16. Appointed the clerk to forward the minutes to the Phila-
delphia Association,

17. Voted that the clerk superintend the printing of the mi-
nutes.

18. Voted that our next annual association be held at Eld-
er Leon Brown's meeting house in Stonington, the third tuesday
Oct. 1803.

19. Attended to the report of the committee, appointed in
1800, to prefer our petition. Voted to return the thanks
of this association to them for superintending said petition to the
General Assembly of this state.

20. Appointed a committee of brethren Asabel Morse, Dan-
iel Bestor, David Bolls jr. Amos Wells, Abel Palmer and
Samuel West to meet brethren from the Shafsbury and Dan-
bury associations, to consult means for the prosperity of Zion,
reference to the interference of Civil Authority in matters
of religion.

21. Voted to dismiss the church at Thomson, under the care of
Parson Crosby, and the 2d. church in Ashford, to join
the Sturbridge association.

22. Voted to recommend to the sister churches to observe
the 8th. day of december next as a day of fasting, humiliation
and prayer

23. Brother Abel Palmer preached a concluding sermon.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

ELDERS and MESSENGERS of the Stonington Baptist
Association, convened at Plainfield October, 19 and 20, 1802, to
several churches whom they represent, send greeting,

LOVED BRETHREN,

IT is promised that in the last days the mountain of the
Lord's house shall be established in the top of the
mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills. Isa. ii. 2. of
increase of his government and peace there shall be no end

