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MINUTES

OF THE

LEYDEN ASSOCIATION,

HELD AT THE

BAPTIST MEETING HOUSE,

OCCUPIED BY THE UNITED CHURCH AT

GUILFORD, (VT.)

ON THE 9TH AND 10TH OF

OCTOBER,

1811 :

TOGETHER WITH THEIR

CIRCULAR AND CORRESPONDING

LETTERS.

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MINUTES, &c.

AT 1 o'clock, P. M. an introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Thomas Purinton, from 1. Peter 2, 7.—“*Unto you therefore which believe, he is precious.*”

2 Elder Elijah Montague was chosen Moderator, and Elder Paul Davis, Clerk. After prayer by the Moderator.

3 Heard the Letters from the several Churches. And the following List was taken of their alterations and present state.

N. B. Names of ordained Ministers are in SMALL CAPITALS; Licenciates, in *Italics*; Ministers with this mark, (*) were not present; from Churches marked thus, (†) we had no information this session; vacant Churches distinguished by a dash (—)

Churches,	Messengers.	Added,	Dismissed,	Excluded,	Died,	Total,	Money Paid, Cents
Leyden,	ASA HEBARD, Dea. Benjamin Baker, Jared Crandel, Benjamin Kelton.	3			33		100
Leverett & Montague,	ELIJAH MONTAGUE, Dea. Elijah Hubbard, Eli Gunn.				1	175	100
1st Guilford,	JEREMY PACKER, Dea. Solomon Smith, <i>Matthew Bennet,</i> John Everett, Joseph Weatherhead.	2			2	157	
2d Colrain,† Richmond,	SOLOMON WAKEFIELD, Dea. Martin Ellis.	7	3	3		27	50
Somerset,	— Calvin Orcutt, Elijah Baldwin, jr.	1		3	1	31	32
Dummerston,	JONATHAN HUNTLEY, Timothy Lewis, Jesse Manley, Jonathan Burnett,	2				171	100
Putney,	<i>Jonathan Wilson,</i> Ebenezer Reed,	1				74	50

Churches.	Messengers.	Added,	Dismissed,	Excluded,	Died,	Total,	Money Paid. Cents
Halifax,	John Turner, Afahel Webster.	4	1		1	156	82
Mariboro' & Newfane,	Dea. David Alien, Dea. Darius Bullock. MANSFIELD BRUCE, Benja. Cole, Simeon Jones, James Blake, John Phillips.	7				96	90
St Guilford,	BENJAMIN BUCKLEN, John Green, Enos Martin, Edward Green.	2	1	4		40	50
St Colrain,† Charlemont,	JOHN RATHBURN, NATHANIEL RICE, Dea. Jonathan Hawks, Dea. Joseph Nath, Sampson Spaulding, Billy Johnson.	5	4			137 69	75 75
Royalston &† Winchendon,† Wendell,	SAMUEL KING, Calvin Osgood, Joseph H. Clark.	3	2	1	1	69	25 100
Guilford Uni- ted Church,	LEWIS ALLEN, Dea. Samuel Nichols, Dea. Ezekiel Gore.			3	1	74	75
Isna,	DAVID BATES,* Dea. Ellis Peckham, John Peckham.	1	2	1		50	50
Royalston & Warwick,	LEVI HODGE,* Dea. Molton Bullock, Dea. Jacob Esty.		7	1	2	119	62
Hookline,	ISAAC WELMAN, Dea. John Blanden, Benjamin Stone, Luke B. Osgood, Archelaus Bixby,	3		3		119	50
St William,	NATHANIEL BOWLES, Dea. William Hills.	1		1		40	50

Churches.	Messengers.	Added,	Dismissed,	Excluded,	Did,	Total,	Money Paid.	Cents
Swanzey & Winchester,	Dea. Nathaniel Crois, Dea. Samuel Bord, Jonathan Metcalf, Nathaniel Hills.	16	1		2	82		50
Heath,	STEPHEN BARKER, Dea. Vernon Gleason, Stephen Davenport,				1	27		20
New-Salem,	PAUL DAVIS, Dea. Foxwell Thomas.	2	1	2		91		50
Wilmington,	ELI BALL, Dea. Enoch Winslow, Jonathan Haskins, Benj. Metcalf,	1			1	43		61
Hinsdale, & Chesterfield,	JOSEPH ELLIOT, Dea. Billy Burnham, Dea. Benjamin Ballard,		1	3		72		50
Waitingham,	_____	1		1	2	64		50
Wardsborough,	Dea. Jonas Brown, Josiah Brown, Nathan Brown, STEPHEN CHOATE, Nathaniel Gould, John Glazier.		1	2	1	69		50
<i>Total,</i>		70	26	25	19	2144	50	

4 The Circular Letter prepared by Elder Joseph Elliot, and the Corresponding Letter by Brother Jonathan Wilson, were referred to a committee for examination, and to report to-morrow morning. Persons chosen, Elders King, Hebard, Choate, Elliot and brother Wilson.

5 Adjourned to 8 o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Elder Elliot. THURSDAY, October 10.

Met pursuant to adjournment—Meeting opened with prayer by Elder E. Smith.

6 The committee to whom was referred for examination, the Circular and Corresponding Letters, reported them with some amendments. The report was accepted.

Received a Letter and Minutes from the Shaftsbury Association by their Messengers SMITH and WITHERELL. From the Westmont, a Letter and Minutes by their Messengers Brothers C

PENTER, and BALL. From the Dublin, a Letter and Minutes by Dea. *J. Brown*. Their Corresponding Letters were read, and their Messengers were invited to take a seat with us.

From the Sturbridge, Woodstock, Warren, Stoughton and Saratoga Associations, we had no intelligence.

The Church in Swansey and Winchester, together with that in Fitzwilliam, that they might be the better accommodated, prayed for a dismission from *this*, to the *Dublin Association*. And for the same reason, the Church at Dana, requested a dismission to the *Sturbridge*. A vote was taken accordingly, and it passed to dismiss them.

7. Appointed the following messengers to Sitter Associations. Brethren. Associations. Brethren.

Snaltsbuy, Purinton, & Ball. Woodstock, Bruce, & Ball.
Warren, Allen, & Montague. Sturbridge, King, & Peckham.
Vermont, Brother Arad Hall. Saratoga, Brother Rice.
Dublin, Bowles, Huntley, & Esty.

The following Queries were presented by the Church at Leyden.

1 " Has a Brother in the Church, a right to take a Civil or Military Commission, and

2 If he may hold a commission, and being under oath, ought he, or has he a right to make any distinction between members of the church, and those who are not, in administering justice in case of delinquency, or breach of law?" The Association thought it advisable to postpone an answer until the next Session.

3 Appointed Elder *Ball*, to prepare the Circular, and Elder *Bruce*, the Corresponding Letters for the next year.

9 Voted, to hold our next Association at Leyden, on the 2d Wednesday in October next, at one o'clock P. M.

10 Appointed Elder *King* to preach the introductory sermon, and in case of failure, Elder *Montague*.

11 Elder *Montague*, to superintend the printing of the Minutes.

12 Voted, to print the Constitution of our Missionary Society with our Minutes. The Session closed with prayer, by Elder *Carpenter*. The Church at Charlemont, having forwarded a request to the Ministers of this Association, that they would examine, and if sufficient satisfaction should be obtained, set apart Brother *Nathaniel Rice*, a member of said Church, to the work of the *Evangelic Ministry*, by solemn ordination. The business of the Association being closed, after a short intermission, the people re-assembled—the proposed *candidate*, was called forward by Elder *Asa Hebard*, Moderator of said Council, and gave a very solemn, affecting and satisfactory account of the work of God upon his heart, and of his call to the work of the Ministry. The solemnities were preceded by a very appropriate and impressive discourse,

