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WARWICK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD IN THE BAPTIST MEETING HOUSE AT DEER-PARK,
JUNE 4th & 5th, 1817.

JUNE 4th—1. At 2 o'clock P. M. Brother **LATHROP** delivered a sermon introductory to business, from Jer. 33, 11—*The voice of the Bridegroom, and the voice of the Bride.*

2. Business opened by Prayer; after which Brother **LEVI HALL** was chosen Moderator, and Brother **JOHN ELLIS**, Clerk.

3. Elders and Brethren from Corresponding Associations were invited to a seat with us.

4. Read the letters from the churches composing this Association, and took the following minutes.

N. B. The names of ordained ministers are in **SMALL CAPITALS**. Licensed Preachers in *italics*. Those ministers with this mark (*) were not present. From churches marked thus (†) we had no intelligence. A dash (—) denotes no settled minister.

Churches.	Ministers and Messengers.	Baptised.	Received by letter.	Dismissed by letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.
Warwick,	{ LABEUS LATHROP,	12	0	0	1	0	146
1st Wantage,	{ LEVI HALL, Deacon Adams, Nathan Martin, John Williams,	69	2	2	1	0	176
Newburgh,	{ JOHN ELLIS, Joseph Caldwell,	0	0	2	2	0	19
Clinton town,	{ John M. Thurston, Issac Travis,	0	0	0	0	1	15
Cross River,	{ (—)†	0	0	0	0	0	10
Bedford,	{ * EZRA FOUNTAIN, Leek Platt,	3	0	4	2	0	121
		74	2	8	6	1	487

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	<i>Brought forward,</i>	74	2	8	8	1	189
Brookfield,	{ HENRY BALL, John Hallock, Joseph Smith, William Murry, Jonaihan Wood,	25	2	2	7	1	32
Deer-Park,	{ BENJ. MONTAGNE, Amos Harding, Peter Hoyt,	1	0	2	1	1	5
Pleasant Valley,	{ JOHN ELLIS, Peter Easteriy, Adolph Shewet, (—)	0	1	0	3	0	*7
Middletown,	{ Elibu Cary, Silas D. Horton, Nathan Slanson, Daniel Denton, Jun.	2	0	0	0	0	42
2d Wantage,	{ *JNO. WINTLENOTE Nathan Holly, Ebenezer Mead,	5	0	14	4	4	172
Peekskill,	H. Charlock,	0	0	1	0	0	25
Marbletown,	{ JNO. Vanvelsen, } Restored 3 Josiah Hollister, }	16	0	4	0	0	58
Yorktown,	*REUBEN GARRETSON,	0	0	0	0	0	40
Newfoundland,	{ Resolved that this church shall be dropped from our Minutes. (—)						
Neversink,	{ Rosewell Babcock, Abel Hodge, Isaac Carwin, Levi Gates,	1	1	2	0	0	41
Latting-town,	{ AARON PERKINS. Matthew Benedict, John Canfield,	3	1	1	0	0	76
Thompson town,	{ (—) George Vaughn, John Capron, Benj. C. Comfort,	9	1	9	2	0	35
Hamburgh,	{ THOMAS TEASDALE, John Mosher,	0	0	2	0	1	46
Total.		136	8	36	23	7	143

*The returns of this Church have formerly been incorrect.

5. Received communications from sister associations as follows—viz.

ASSOCIATIONS.	MESSENGERS.	LETTERS.	MINUTES.
Philadelphia,	— —	Letter.	Minutes.
Hartford,	— —	Letter.	Minutes.
Rensselaerville,	— —	Letter.	Minutes.
Abington,	— —	Letter.	Minutes.

6. The circular letter prepared by brother HALL was read, and referred to a committee composed of brethren Lathrop, Ellis, Ball and Perkins, with the author—to report to-morrow morning.

7. The corresponding letter prepared by brother Perkins, was referred to the same committee.

8. Adjourned till to-morrow morning at half past 8 o'clock :—closed by prayer.

Thursday, June 5th—Met pursuant to adjournment.—Brother TEASDALE prayed.

1. The committee appointed for the revision of the circular and corresponding letters, reported ; and on motion, the association resolved that they should be accepted, and printed with our minutes.

2. A query was presented by the Warwick church, relative to the expediency of taking some special measures, preparatory to the introduction of brethren into the work of the ministry, as Licentiates.

In reply, we affectionately recommend that such persons as think they are called of God to preach, should exercise their gift at first, before the church only ; and not in the public congregation ; and that previous to their being sent forth under the patronage of the church to which they belong, ministering brethren and members of sister churches be called in, to assist in judging of the gifts and talents of such candidates.

3. In reply to a query from the Clinton town and Marble town churches, relative to the propriety of encouraging an excommunicated member, to exhort or preach in public—

We recommend that no such person be encouraged in our churches.—And as William Connerly, formerly Pastor of the Marbletown church, comes under the above character, we therefore think it not expedient that our churches should encourage him as a public teacher.

4. Heard a letter from the Hudson river Association, soliciting correspondence with this body. Resolved, that we cordially accede to their request.

5. Appointed the following brethren messengers to corresponding associations.

To the Philadelphia, brother ELLIS.

To the Union, brethren PERKINS, CHARLOCK and Thurston.