

SESSION MINUTES

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The Minutes of the first  
Presbyterian Church of  
Cranberry.  
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Vol. 1. —

Feed the flock of God which is among you,  
taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint,  
but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a  
ready mind; neither as being Lords over God's  
heritage, but being ensamples to the flock;  
And when the chief Shepherd shall appear,  
ye shall receive a crown of glory, that faileth  
not away. Be sober, be vigilant. 1 Pet. 5, 2,  
3, 4, 6. Who then is a faithful & wise steward,  
whom his Lord hath made Ruler over his  
house hold, to give them meat in due season?

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Blessed is that servant, whom his Lord,  
when he cometh, shall find so doing.  
Mat. Lk. 45, 46.

His Lord said unto him, Well done  
thou good & faithful servant; thou  
hast been faithful over a few things,  
I will make thee ruler over many  
things; enter thou into the joy of  
thy Lord. 25. 23.

His Lord answered & said unto him,  
Thou wicked & slothful servant...  
----- and cast ye the unprop:  
-table servant into outer darkness,  
there shall be weeping & gnashing  
of teeth. 26, 30 verum-

This is a true saying, If a man  
desire the office of a Bishop, he desireth  
a good work. A bishop then must be  
blameless, the husband of one wife,

vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given  
to hospitality, apt to teach; not  
given to wine, no striker, not greedy  
of filthy lucre; but patient, not a  
brawler, nor covetous; One that rule  
-th well his own house, having  
his children in subjection, with all  
gravity; (For if a man know not how  
to rule his own house, how shall he  
take care of the Church of God) Not a  
novice, but being lifted up with pride  
he falls into the condemnation of the  
Devil. Moreover, he must have a good  
report, of them which are without; And  
he falls into reproach, & the snare of  
Devil. Likewise, must the Deacons be  
grave, not doubled tongued, not given  
to much wine, not greedy of filthy

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leave; holding the mystery of the Faith in  
a pure conscience. And let there also  
first be proof; then let them see the  
Office of a Deacon, being found blameless.  
1 Tim. 3. 1. - - 10.

These things command & teach. Let  
no man despise thy youth; but be thou  
an example of the believers, in word  
in conversation, in charity, in spirit,  
in faith, in purity. 1 Tim. 4. 11, 12.

Meditate upon these things; give  
thyself wholly to them, that thy  
progress may appear to all. Take  
heed unto thyself & unto thy doctrine; con-  
tinue in them; for in doing this, thou shalt  
both save thyself & them, that hear thee  
15, 16 verses.

Let the Elders that rule, be coun-  
ted worthy of double honour; especially  
they who labour in the word & doctrine.  
2 Chap. 23. verse -

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Them that first rebuke before all, that  
others also may fear. I charge thee before  
God, & the Lord Jesus Christ, & the elect an-  
gels, that thou observe these things, with-  
out preferring one before another. Doing no-  
thing by partiality. Do. 21. verses.

O Timothy, keep that which is com-  
mitted to thy trust. 6. chap. 20. verse.

I charge thee, therefore, before God, & the  
Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick  
& the dead at his appearing & his King-  
dom. Preach the word; be instant in season, out  
of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all  
long suffering & doctrine. 2 Tim. 4. 1, 2.

But watch them in all things, in-  
sure afflictions, as the work of an evan-  
gelist, make full proof of thy ministry.  
5. verse. -



When Mr Snowden took the charge of the  
Congregation of Cranberry, there were  
but four Members of the Sepuoi, who  
could attend to the duties of their office  
Jon. Combs Jr. an Elder. & Gm. Parris,  
Members Morris & Humph. Mount Dea-  
-cons. The other of Matthias Mount  
Jon. Combs, Sam. Poyles & Cornelius  
Arvin, all Elders, were, incapacitated  
by disease & the infirmities of old age.  
During the time of Mr Smith's residence  
& labour among this people, there was very  
little attention paid to ministerial  
visits. the establishing of the Church  
-ren or tract government, with out-  
-tion & his copleni. This was owing  
chiefly to the continual infirmities  
of Mr Smith. Other causes, however, were

not wanting to produce, or increase  
 these evils. There had not ever  
 been regular stated meetings of the  
 Session. If there had, the frequent  
 intercourse, the mutual informa-  
 tion - <sup>the</sup> converse of the members,  
 would have naturally led, to, at  
 least, every measure & every attempt  
 which would likely advance the  
 interests of the Church. There  
 were not, of course, any regular mi-  
 nute kept of the Proceedings of the  
 Session - no books of record - no act  
 of communicants, Baptisms -  
 Deaths, Officers &c. - to be found -  
 Mr Snowden having, at length, met  
 with a very few papers, relative to  
 these subjects, was in hopes of finding  
 sufficient to enable him to trace up  
 a concise history of the Church in time

past, & designed to insert it in the be-  
 ginning of this book; but being no  
 better furnished, than in March, 1792  
 he resolved to copy off the Proceedings  
 of the Session, since he has belonged  
 to it; & when he finds there is no  
 prospect of finding any more of the  
 former Proceedings of the Session - than  
 to insert, somewhere in a book, all  
 the scattered notes, which may be col-  
 lected - Mr Snowden met with the  
 Session in Nov: 90, when many persons  
 were admitted into the Communion  
 of the Church, & also some times after  
 but these meetings are also omitted  
 because no regular minutes were  
 kept of them, & so from last March  
 when the Minutes begin, thro' the year  
 the minutes, we have one rather short

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notes, than an exact & just History.  
For many things are omitted, & many  
things superficially recorded.  
It is only since the Fall, that  
we have regularly met, & exactly  
recorded our Meetings & Proceedings.  
Mr. Snowden early proposed  
the measure, but wanted for  
the full attention to it, the re-  
peated conversations, should  
lead the other members to ap-  
prove & adopt, what they had  
not been used accustomed to -

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March 7<sup>th</sup> 1741.  
The Synod met, at the house of  
Mr. Morris, & was opened with pray-  
-er, by the Moderator.

Present -

Rev. Gilt. T. Snow Sen. Mod<sup>r</sup>  
Jon. Combs Jr. Elders. President Morris &  
Thomp. Mount. Deacon

Absent.

Matthias Mount. Sam<sup>l</sup> Bayles &  
Jon. Combs. Corne. Arrows. Elders

Mr. Perrine - Deacon -

Resolved, that as four of the Elders  
of the church are rendered incapable  
by sickness & old age, of meeting with  
the Synod & performing duties  
in the Church - it becomes necessary  
that more officers be or-  
-dained. Whereupon, Mr. Perrine, &

minated to be raised from the office  
of a Deacon to that of an Elder -  
~~that~~ J. Fisher was nominated  
for the office of Elder - & Enos  
Baldwin & Garret Inedeker, were  
nominated to the Office of Deacons.

The Moderator desired the  
Session to make the following pro-  
posals, matter of conference, reflection  
& prayer, against some future meet-  
ing. 1<sup>st</sup> That the Holy Sacrament  
of the Lords Supper be administered  
often than twice in the year -  
2<sup>d</sup> That the people be exhorted &  
enjoined to have their bibles before  
them in time of divine service, in order  
to read or open them when the scrip-  
tures are read & quoted by the Minis-  
ter. 3<sup>d</sup> That the Session shall  
meet once a month - if it were only  
for prayer & conference, altho' there

2<sup>d</sup> <sup>March</sup> should be no special business to call  
them together. After some conver-  
-sation on these subjects the Session  
adjourned -

Concluded with prayer.

The respective nominations of  
J. Fisher, J. Baldwin  
& Garret Inedeker, being published, the  
three following sabbaths to the peo-  
-ple - & they tacitly concurring in  
the choice of these persons - they  
were accordingly solemnly set apart  
to their several offices, on Saturday  
the 2<sup>nd</sup> of <sup>April</sup> ~~May~~ by prayer, in the  
face of the Church after divine ser-  
-vice - J. Baldwin not being present  
his ordination was deferred -

April 2<sup>nd</sup>

The session met, after divine service in the Church & was opened with prayer by the Moderator —

Present,

Rev. Gilbert T. Snowden, Mod.

Rev. Joseph Clark.

Jon. Combs Junr. Num. Mount &  
Wm Perrine & Garret Snedeker, Dea.  
Jac. Fisher, Elders.

Absent.

The session entered into an enquiry into the Character of the Persons who had applied to be received into Communion; and into their worthiness for that ordinance of the Lords Supper. — but did not call the applicants, to examine them themselves — Agreed to adjourn the following — But Sarah the Slave of God-States was deferred on account of gross ignorance & Mr and Mrs Lovina Cole were also deferred, on account of their late very bad character — and great Suddenness of their religious exercises. Concluded with prayer Mr Perrine & deacon, ordained an Elder to day Mr Fisher ordained an Elder at mine & Mr Snedeker, ordained a Deacon —

October 24<sup>th</sup> 1791

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The session met and was opened with prayer — Present M Gilbert T Snowden Minister

Jon Combs Junr.	} Elders	} Deacons
William Perrine		
Jam: Bayler		
Jacob Fisher		
		(Ruben Moore)
		(Humph. Mount)
		(Garret Snedeker)
		(Eben Baldwin)

Mr William Covenhoven of Cranbury Neck appeared before the session, entered a complaint against Mr William Haslet a schoolmaster in this place; but in full communion of the church to this amount that on Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. last, he Mr Haslet did for a doubtful cause, whip a child of nine or ten years age of Mr Covenhoven in an unjustifiable and cruel manner — After hearing what both parties had to offer, the session carefully deliberated on the subject and concluded in a majority that Mr Haslet had whipped the child too severely; but not

in a degree to justify, or come up to the terms of Mr. Covenhoven. Mr. <sup>Hart</sup> then entered a complaint against Mr. Covenhoven for saying that he had beaten his child so as to give him marks that he would carry to his grave; in consequence of which excessive representation, he feared his character and interest were much injured. The session on the testimony adduced, adjudged by a majority, that the complaint was well grounded, and moreover, from what they knew and appeared in the course of these matters, resolved unanimously. 1st. that Mr. Covenhoven had acted in an unchristian manner in attacking Mr. Hart in the first instance, in a public place, contrary to Math. 18. 15. 2<sup>d</sup> That he had treated Mr. Hart in an unkind and unbrotherly manner in the whole of the business; but especially at Mr. Hunt's, when he first attacked him; and at his own house, when Mr. Hart called on him with two witnesses to settle the disputes between them.

On motion, resolved, that there appears no cause of suspension in the conduct of either, but that they be both cautioned to

guard against what is now found to be blame worthy in them. Whereupon, they being called in, Mr. Hart was cautioned against too severely chastising children, and Mr. Covenhoven to guard his temper in future, and maintain more of christian meekness. Neither of them were required in words to submit, or directed to make brotherly acknowledgements to each other.

Mr. Cole, who had been refused admission to the Lords Supper, applied to the session to hear what she could further offer, together with her testimony, why the cause that excitation against her, which prevented her being admitted, was groundless. But on hearing her, and her witness offer making making many enquiries of her, together with what the session themselves knew on the subject; the session were obliged to leave her in the same prohibited state; and gave her gentle exhortation to use more gentle and sweet language.

and to keep from intermeddling with and speaking of her neighbours affairs in propriety - Mr. Cook was also desired to be cautious how she spoke of her neighbours character and conduct.

The Session appointed Mr. Perrine to attend a special meeting <sup>of Presbytery</sup> with Mr. Snowden to morrow week, at Aswell - Conclude with prayer - John Stevens Elder, Charles M. Glane and Shepherd Deacons

Mr. Bale was refused admission to the Lords table on well attested assertion of her moral character being much deficient. Sufficient testimonials of their being in full communion in their respective churches,

15 Oct. 1791.

The session met in the  
opened with prayer  
Present Rev. Gilbert Snowden  
Moderator

John Combs	} Elders	Reuben Morris	} Deacons
Sam. Bayler		Hum. Mount	
Jan. Combs Junr.		Garret Souderker	
William Perrine		Enos Baldwin	
Jacob Fisher			

The following persons having given usual satisfaction to Mr. Snowden, and nothing being known injurious to their moral character, were received into the communion

William Covenhoven,  
Richard Nixon from the Methodist Society,  
Elizabeth Vanduer, Elizabeth Newton,  
Elizabeth Smith, Rachel Doughty, Mary  
Journey, Margaret M. Elroy Hunt,  
Mary Applegate Ruth Snowden.

Lysdia a slave of Mr. Schenck's and Dinah  
Green a free black woman - Mr. Blackwell  
and his wife of the Maidenhead  
Khalick Dutch reformed

Millstone six Whitley  
Bedminster Council

desired to be enrolled with the members of  
the society; and were accordingly joined to  
this Church - on

Cranberry Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> 1791.

The session met and was opened  
with prayer

Present

Gilbert Snowden Minister.

Elders	Deacons
Jon. Combs Jun.	Ben. Morris
William Perrine	Hann. Mount.
Jacob Fisher	Garret Smedeker
	Enos Baldwin

Absent

Jon. Combs the elder  
Sam. Bayler

Ordered to read the minutes of last meet-  
ing. It appears that Mr. Quinn, elder,  
was removed by death on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of this  
month.

Mr. Snowden and Mr. Perrine reported  
that they had attended the meeting of Syn-  
cety in Amwell, on the first Tuesday  
of this month.



On a settlement with Mr. Morris, it appears that from February 16<sup>th</sup> 1790 to the end of that year, he received more than the sum of £ 0. 12s. 0d. in the second collection, that of this he paid £ 3. 5s. 10d. into the hands of Mr. Hunt by order of the Session; and that the remaining sum of £ 3. 6s. 10d. was expended in repairing the Session house.

It further appeared, that the sum of £ 2. 0s. 10d. is still due to Mr. Morris for articles used in repairing said house.

Ordered that Mr. Smedeker pay Mr. Morris the last mentioned sum.

Mr. Mount reported, that from the beginning of January to the beginning of April, Mr. Morris being by sickness, he kept the Collection of the Church, which amounted to the sum of £ 3. 4. 0.

Ordered to put the sum into the hands of Mr. Smedeker.

Ordered that Mr. Combs and Mr. Fisher do in the name of the Session, request the Corporation at their next meeting, to make

an express resolve, that the Session house shall always be considered as held by the Corporation, solely and entirely for the use of the Session; so that the Session shall always determine who shall live in it, have the benefit arising from it when any does advance.

Ordered, that Mr. Combs and Mr. Fisher request also of the Corporation, that they will always defray the expenses of the Elders in going to Presbyteries and Synods.

Ordered, that Mr. Smedeker request Mr. Ezekiel Price and Mr. William Covenhoven, the son of Peter, to serve as constant Clerks in conducting the ordinance of singing in the public worship.

Mr. Smedeker was ordered to draw out of the funds of the Corporation all the fines, which the Session have at different times deposited with them; and to bring in an audit of the same to the Session, as soon as he has done that business.

Mr. Morris having requested of the J<sup>es</sup>ion,  
 that as the difference between him and Mr. Kulick  
 and some other of his neighbours have never  
 been fully and heartily composed; not even by the  
 private conversation and endeavours of Mr. Snowden  
 and Mr. Combs - that there be a day appointed when  
 the parties shall mutually present their charges  
 against each other; and bring their evidences to  
 support the same. Whereupon, resolved, that  
 the J<sup>es</sup>ion will meet on monday the 5<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup>  
 at 9 o'clock in the forenoon - when Mr. Morris  
 on the one hand, and Mr. Kulick, Mr. Storey  
 and Mr. Waggoner on the other, are ordered to  
 appear, make their charges, and bring their  
 witnesses, who are desired and directed by the  
 J<sup>es</sup>ion to attend with them;

Concluded with Prayer.

Cranberry Dec<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1791.

The J<sup>es</sup>ion met at one o'clock P. M. and  
 was opened with prayer.

Present

Rev<sup>d</sup>. Gilbert J. Snowden, Moderator

Jon. Combs, Jun <sup>r</sup> .	} Elden	} Reuben Morris Hiram Mount Garret Sundecker Enos Baldwin	} Sejmors
Williams Perrine			
Jacob Fisher -			

Absent.

Jon. Combs } Elden  
 Sam. Bailey }

Since the last meeting, Mr. John Kulick  
 requested, that, as in consequence of the recent  
 death of his wife and other afflictions, his  
 mind and time were otherwise occupied, the  
 trial between Mr. Morris and himself and others  
 should be postponed. Of this request, the members  
 of the J<sup>es</sup>ion were informed; but were desired  
 by the to meet at the hour abovementioned.

Mr. Snowden then proposed to the J<sup>es</sup>ion the  
 following resolution, 1<sup>st</sup> That the J<sup>es</sup>ion shall  
 always steadily meet at one o'clock in the afternoon  
 on the first monday of every month, to pray for  
 blessings to the flock, they are charged with  
 care, and strength to do their duty to it; to enquire  
 into each others faithfulness in their several du-  
 ties; to inform of the state of the people in the  
 several quarters; moral as well as religious con-  
 -duct; their declension or progress; their convictions  
 or comforts - and to fall upon means to promote

Knowledge and piety; prevent errors, and non-disseminations in a private way - and if there should be any, to attend to whatever common Session business that may occur.

2<sup>dly</sup> That their meeting shall be opened with prayer, by at least half of the members, beginning with the youngest of those who perform; and concluded by the Minister.

3<sup>dly</sup> That we shall always begin actually & punctually at the time of meeting; demand reason of absence or delinquency of those who are tardy in attendance, or absent altogether - and will not prolong the business of the day beyond a certain fixed hour.

4<sup>thly</sup> That at every meeting some important doctrinal, practical or casuistical question, proposed at a previous meeting, be discussed by every member, in words or writing, at the option of each.

\* Mr. Ham Vanderbark, who lives in the Session house, applied to the Session for leave to add another room to his house at his own expense; but with leave to remove it when he pleased.

The Session unanimously adopted the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>d</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> resolves, and agreed to make them the

rule of their conduct from the present day; but the further consideration of the second resolve is deferred till our meeting on the first Monday in January, which will be our first stated meeting under the present adopted plan; and all the members are desired to make it, in the meantime, a matter of serious consideration and solemn prayer.

The following question was fixed upon to be discussed at our next meeting. "What are satisfactory evidences of a real state of grace?"

\* Resolved that the Session without disapproving of his request; cannot give him any encouragement in the matter; but direct him to apply to the Corporation.

Mr. Fisher was appointed to attend with Mr. Snowden the meeting for Synod to morrow week, at eleven o'clock in the morning, at the Second church at Elmwell.

Concluded with Prayer.

Warrenberry Jan'y 2<sup>d</sup>. 1792.

The Session met, and was opened with  
Prayer by the Moderator

Present

Rev <sup>d</sup> . Gilbert J. Snowden. Mod <sup>r</sup> .	
Jon. Combs	John Elders
Garob Fisher	Nauben Morris
	Gavrit Snedeker
	Enos Baldwin

Absent

Jon. Combs	John Elders	Hum. Mount Beavers
Saml Bayler		
Will <sup>m</sup> Perine		

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting  
Mr. Snowden and Mr. Fisher reported, that they  
had attended Presbytery in Amwell, accord-  
ing to appointment at our last meeting.

Mr. Snowden and Mr. Snedeker were desired  
to visit to enquire on a ministerial way the families  
of Mr. Morris and Mr. Kulick, and others in that  
neighbourhood, among whom there may be any  
remaining differences or coolness; and to make another  
private attempt to compose their differences - on

a failure of which, they are to direct the parties to  
appear before the Session, with their witnesses, that  
their respective charges may be tried, on Monday  
the 16<sup>th</sup> of January, at 9 o'clock in the morning.

The further consideration of the proposal made  
last meeting, that one half, or more of the members  
should pray at the opening of every stated meeting,  
is again deferred till the next stated meeting.

It appears that there are three collections  
in this congregation, before the spring meeting  
of Presbytery in April. - First, for defraying  
expenses of the General Assembly. 2<sup>d</sup> For sup-  
porting the Missions to the Frontiers; and 3<sup>d</sup> To  
support young men in the study of Divinity. The  
2<sup>d</sup> first, by order of the general <sup>Assembly</sup> Session; and the last,  
by order of our Presbytery. The Session desired  
Mr. Snowden to give notice of the same, when it  
may appear to him most suitable.

The questions proposed at our last meeting was  
written upon by the several members, and spoken  
upon by the Moderator.

30 The question to be examined against our next meeting is, "What are the conditions or terms of the Covenant of Grace".

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry Feb: 6<sup>th</sup> 1792.

The Sepim met and opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present.

Rev. Gilbert T. Snowden - Moderator.

Elders  
William Perime  
Jacob Puffer.

Deacons.  
Humph. Mount  
Garret Smedeker  
Ezra Baldwin

Absent

John Combs } Elders.  
Sam<sup>r</sup>. Bayler }  
John Combs, Jun<sup>r</sup>. }

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting.

M<sup>r</sup>. Perime and M<sup>r</sup>. Mount gave reason for not attending at the last meeting, which were sustained.

M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden and M<sup>r</sup>. Smedeker reported, that they had been prevented by <sup>their</sup> bodily indisposition of M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden, from attending to the business, appointed to, on the day appointed.

M<sup>r</sup>. Smedeker was appointed to attend with M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden, visiting the families of M<sup>r</sup>. John Hentich, M<sup>r</sup>. John Storey, M<sup>r</sup>. Reuben Morris and M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Waggoner to morrow.

M<sup>r</sup>. Perime was appointed to attend with M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden in visiting M<sup>r</sup>. James Irwin, M<sup>r</sup>. Peter Irwin, M<sup>r</sup>. John Irwin and M<sup>r</sup>. Jonathan Irwin and M<sup>r</sup>. Ben Wanderbeek, on Monday next.

M<sup>r</sup>. Ezra Baldwin was appointed to attend with M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden in visiting the families of M<sup>r</sup>. Graev, M<sup>r</sup>. Hendrickson, M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Mount, M<sup>r</sup>. George Bergen and M<sup>r</sup>. Rowan on Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> instant.

M<sup>r</sup>. Mount was appointed to attend M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden in visiting the families of M<sup>r</sup>. Tho. Allen, M<sup>r</sup>. John Vanarsdaler, M<sup>r</sup>. Spaul Baldwin & M<sup>r</sup>. Elmathan Baldwin, on the 20<sup>th</sup> instant; and

32 Mr. John Mount, Ja. Bruce, Mr. Jos. Ely and John Kuelick, on Tuesday the 21<sup>th</sup> instant.

Mr. Enos Baldwin was appointed to attend Mr. Snowden in visiting the families of Mr. William Fisher, Graham Varnassdale, Mr. Hagerman & Mr. Mount on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> instant.

Mr. Jon. Combs Junr. was appointed to attend in visiting the families of Mr. Newben Ayer, Mr. John Berger, Mr. Isaac Davis, Mr. John Davis & Mr. Wm. Dost, on Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> instant & Each Elder is to give timely notice to the families, he is to assist in visiting.

The Session being desirous of extending further the great benefits of religious truth, much pleased with the unexpected and extensive progress made by the children and young persons in learning the smaller Catechism and the greater Catechism with proofs, do, on serious consideration, this day, unanimously agree, that it is the duty of young

unmarried persons especially; and even the younger married persons, and as many other as find freedom of mind, to get by heart the larger Catechism of our Church - And therefore the Session do recommend and enjoin it upon all such persons from this time, to be careful in attending on this duty - and do further resolve, that at the next and all future public catechisings, the larger Catechism be used, as well as the other two now in use.

Mr. Jon. Combs is now come, and his reasons for not coming sooner are justified.

On motion, resolved, that there shall be another public catechising on the 3<sup>d</sup> Wednesday of May next; and in the mean time, the Session shall determine, whether public catechising shall be quarterly, or only twice a year.

Resolved also, that at each preceding public catechising, from twelve to twenty questions shall on religious subjects, be given to the elderly people, or any who chuse to prepare written answers, to be produced and read at the next public meeting for catechising.

The Session considering how they may extend the means of spiritual good among the flock which Christ has committed to their care, do think that the people in and about Hydeston may be collected and formed into society for catechising the children and young persons, for psalm reading, for praise and prayer - do agree to attempt the same - and that the people be desired to meet at Mr. Enos Baldwins on the next Sabbath evening com. week, at half after five o'clock when Mr. Snowden will attend; and will, with the leave of Providence preach a short discourse, and then meet with them occasionally.

Mrs. Hance, a communicant in our Church, appearing to be in want and distress, Mr. Snedeker was directed to visit her, and to supply her while her need continues, or till otherwise ordered, with three shilling per week out of the poor's money.

The question about prayer further deferred for want of time to converse upon it.

The subject to have been written on, also deferred till our next meeting.

Concluded with prayer -

Cranberry 27 Feb. 1792.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator

Present.

Rev. Gilbert T. Snowden, Mod<sup>r</sup>

Jon. Combs, Jun <sup>r</sup>	} Elders	} Gamet Snedeker	} Daniel	
Jacob Fisher				} Enos Baldwin
William Perrine				

Absent.

Jon. Combs	} Elders
Samuel Bayler	

According to appointment, Mr. Snowden & Mr. Snedeker visited ministerially the families of Mr. John Kulick, Mr. Henry Waggoner, Mr. John Storey and Mr. Stephen Morris, and unprofessed

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generally with those persons on differences  
subsisting among them - heard their respective  
complaints and attempted, they hope faith-  
fully and seriously, to remove their unchari-  
table and dissentions; but were unhappily  
unable - that both parties seemed fully and de-  
cidedly convinced of each others ill intentions - and  
though we did not bring the parties together, but  
conversed coolly, friendly and affectionately with  
them alone, after solemn prayer, their sentiments  
of each other seemed so rooted in their minds,  
that we were obliged to leave the affair to the  
careful examination and decision of the Session;  
and have, with the consent of all the parties  
appointed this day for this unhappy business.

The parties delivered their respective  
charges, and were desired to withdraw.

After much conversation on the subject,  
the Session applied by earnest prayer to the great  
head of the Church for his presence and blessing in  
the matter before them - after which the parties  
were readmitted,

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Mr. Henry charges Mr. Morris with denying  
to do him justice 1<sup>st</sup> unanimously suspected,  
By cutting down a corner Tree. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
By denying  
he had and refusing to produce a certain draught  
3<sup>rd</sup> By attempting to deprive him of his  
half of some overplus

Jon: Conib, Jun<sup>r</sup>: Esquire  
being sworn, testified, that on the 2<sup>d</sup> day of  
the sitting of the draught was called for.  
Mr. Morris said that he knew nothing of that  
draught, or that he had it not in his possession -  
they went on a while till they came Mr. M. Orchard  
when disputing highly about it, Mr. M. said  
it was in the house, his father said then go and  
fetch it, which he did.

Mr. Kenneth Anderson Esq. the coroner  
being sworn, testified, that a certain man  
sole well known to all the parties and persons pre-  
sent, was the very tree from which and to which  
he ran in surveying a certain tract which Mr. Morris  
got



got from Mr. Story - The svidy believe that it was marked by the consent of the parties, as a beginning corner tree between Mr. Morris and Mr. Story, & which tree he observes, is now cut down. Mr. Anderson says, that Mr. Morris did claim more land than his deed allowed him.

Mr. Hunt being sworn saith, that in settling a dispute between Heuben Morris, John Story and others as an arbitrator, in the year 1788, respecting their division line, he this deponent was several days in the business - that Mr. Morris the first day he was on the business, showed a certain draft of his hand, that on the last day, the draft was asked for, that Mr. Morris said he had no such draft - and this deponent dont remember seeing it after the first day.

Henry Waggoner being sworn saith, that he was present at the time Kenneth Anderson running the line between Heuben Morris and John Story; that the parties agreed that a maple tree standing by the side of Spring brook, a little below the bridge should be the beginning corner

that this deponent marked the said tree as Mr. Anderson, Mr. Story and Mr. Morris gave him directions to mark the said tree. He marked the tree with Anderson's mark on four sides, then Mr. Story put the two first letters of his name, that some time after he saw Mr. Morris name cut out of the tree and cut into a tree above the road, but dont know who cut the name out of the tree, or put it on the tree on the other side - and further saith they agreed that the middle of the road should be the line

Mr. Waggoner charges Mr.

1<sup>st</sup>. with unjustly endeavouring to deprive him of his half of some overplus land      2<sup>d</sup>. with saying that Mr. Waggoner maliciously disturbed the neighbourhood, and was the person that without

cause set him and Mr. at variance

3<sup>d</sup> With paying him in depreciated money for land, contrary to express agreement. 4<sup>th</sup> With denying in certain draught.

Mr. Combs being sworn testified, that Mr. M. seemed to have no claim to that overplus land; that the case was a very plain one. Mr. Combs was asked by Mr. Morris if he did not remember his paying that Mr. M. & Mr. Waggoner at Mr. offer had agreed to divide the overplus land - he did not remember.

Mr. Combs was asked by Mr. Waggoner, if Mr. Morris did not seem always backward in producing papers to the Referee. Mr. Morris did not seem so candid and open as he ought to have been. By being asked by Mr. Morris - he does not remember that Mr. Waggoner ever kept back any paper or evidence that seemed necessary.

Mr. Hunt being sworn testified, that Mr. Morris a tract of land expressly of 196 acres; that he afterwards laid claim to some adjoining

land, part of a larger tract from which the 196 acres were originally taken; that there appeared no reasonable ground for that claim; that Mr. Waggoner seemed ready to produce every paper and to do full justice - Mr. Morris shewed back = wardness in shewing papers.

N. B. What rises in the cause of the same import, or what appeared on the last, is omitted.

2<sup>d</sup> Mr. Morris has always said that Mr. Waggoner was the cause of the disturbance, but never Mr. M. and Mr.

Mr. Storey being sworn testified, that Mr. Morris has styled Mr. Waggoner a dishonest man, he thinks without <sup>just</sup> cause - Mr. Morris also said, had it not been for Mr. Waggoner, Mr. Hunt would never have disputed with Mr. M.

Mr. Storey does not think there was any malice or ill temper in Mr. Waggoner in stirring up Mr. Hunt to make the demand which he did in Mr. That Mr. Morris did agree to pay a certain sum to Mr. Waggoner in hand money,

which was paid in paper - the sum about £29  
 M<sup>r</sup>. Waggoner said he would take it for peace  
 sake.

M<sup>r</sup>. Hulick being sworn testifies, that  
 he heard it often said that M<sup>r</sup>. Waggoner  
 was to have hard money in a certain bargain  
 and M<sup>r</sup>. Waggoner afterwards said, but took  
 it to put an end to their quarrels - He tes-  
 tifies that M<sup>r</sup>. Morris and himself not agreeing  
 in selling a certain exchange, M<sup>r</sup>. Waggoner  
 being present, pointed out the nature of M<sup>r</sup>.  
 Hulicks right, and how much M<sup>r</sup>. Morris  
 ought to pay him, from which time M<sup>r</sup>.  
 Morris and M<sup>r</sup>. Hulick differed - but M<sup>r</sup>.  
 Waggoner never did come to him to stir up  
 his mind against M<sup>r</sup>. Morris, or raise any  
 unnecessary disturbance among them, or  
 any other of the neighbours.

On the part of M<sup>r</sup>. Morris.

Michael Dye being sworn, saith, that  
 M<sup>r</sup>. Waggoner has made considerable disturbance  
 in the neighbourhood; that he this deponent has

lived many years by M<sup>r</sup>. Morris, that he has  
 always found him an honest upright man,  
 and that he has always found M<sup>r</sup>. Waggoner  
 a meddling and mischievous meddling man, that  
 it is the best character he can give M<sup>r</sup>. Wag-  
 goner from his own knowledge.

William Reed being sworn, saith,  
 that at the time he was building a house  
 for M<sup>r</sup>. Morris, M<sup>r</sup>. Waggoner told him that  
 he would long that M<sup>r</sup>.  
 Morris would differ with him in settlement  
 and further saith, when he had finished the  
 house, he settled with M<sup>r</sup>. Morris without  
 any difference, and that he never found M<sup>r</sup>.  
 Morris otherwise than punctual and honest  
 in all his engagements.

Aaron Longstreet being sworn, saith  
 that he this deponent was at the house of  
 M<sup>r</sup>. Morris. M<sup>r</sup>. Waggoner came there - there  
 was some dispute arose between M<sup>r</sup>. Waggoner  
 and M<sup>r</sup>. Morris respecting the overplus of some  
 land

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land that was to be divided - that Mr. Morris told Mr. Waggoner, that he had agreed to divide it with Mr. Storey agreeably to his proposals - Mr. Waggoner said I wont agree to that, I will have it divided according as Mr. Anderson has run it.

On the part of Mr. Waggoner.

Richard being sworn with, that he has lived many years near Mr. Waggoner - he dealt considerably with Mr. Waggoner, and in his dealings with him, he has always found him honest and punctual to his word; and he cant say he has in any instance known him carelessly to make any disturbance in the neighborhood

Mr. Chambers being sworn, testifies that he has dealt with Mr. Waggoner, & always found him upright and punctual in

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his dealings - He is considered, as far as he knows, as an upright man - he neither knows nor has heard, that Mr. Waggoner is a man who would needlessly set any persons at variance. He says the same of Mr. Morris as he does of Mr. Waggoner.

Mr. Heulick charges Mr. Morris 1<sup>st</sup>. With designing to deprive him of the full value of some land in a certain exchange or purchase Unanimously supported.

2<sup>dy</sup> With obstinately and unjustly refusing to make up some certain fence, which refusal revived the quarrels which had nearly subsided and made them rage more than ever.

Was unanimously supported.

3<sup>dy</sup> With demanding and obtaining interest on a certain bond twice - Not Unanimously supported.

4<sup>th</sup> With presenting the settlement of their disputes - one, by refusing to have witnesses brought to referees, and another time by not giving

giving timely notice to Mr. John Wether-  
-hill - on which occasion Mr. Hulick was  
- driven to much needless expense - Unani-  
- mously Supported.

Shly With refusing to have the matter  
- settled by the Sepim. Not unanionously  
- Supported.

Mr. W. on the part of Mr.  
- Story being sworn testified that Mr. Morris  
- and Mr. Hulick agreed with him for cer-  
- tain tract of land, for 32 acres of which  
- he had been offered four pounds per acre;  
- but refused to sell that part by itself, that  
- he might be able to sell the land above  
- with it, which land was much inferior  
- in goodness to that below the road - that  
- Mr. Morris wanted part at first, and after-  
- wards all the 32 acres for his own use;  
- and it was agreed to between the purchasers,  
- that on the division, that he should have the  
- 32 acres in his half, and as many more as  
- made above the road, the half in number of

the whole tract; but should allow Mr.  
- Hulick four pounds per acre for these 32 acres  
- and that of course the upper land was to be  
- less than three pounds per acre - The whole  
- tract was bought by him at the average sum  
- of three pounds - He heard the trustees  
- make the terms among themselves; at the  
- same time, they made a bargain with him  
- he never heard of another bargain between  
- them, till they differed, when Mr. Morris  
- said a private bargain in his kitchen.

That as a division line between Mr. Morris  
- and Mr. Hulick, Mr. Morris did neglect his  
- part of the fence - did refuse to make it up,  
- that Mr. Hulick had to make the whole,  
- as well Mr. Morris's part as his own - that  
- old disputes were mostly over, but were re-  
- viewed on this account. That on a certain  
- occasion, he saw Mr. Hulick take up a note  
- of hand, pay up five pounds on a bond, and  
- all the interest up to a certain time - and after-  
- wards Mr. Hulick told him, he had been

Obliged to pay Mr. Morris full interest on the same bond. He mentioned that he was present at both appointed meetings of the referees, at one Mr. Morris had not summoned Mr. Hulick prohibited the evidences offered on another.

Mr. Hulick always seemed desirous of bringing to the referees Mr. Waggoner he could settle his own account, Mr. Morris said it did not belong to the referees.

Mr. Peter Hulick being sworn for Mr. Hulick testified, that he was present at Mr. Morris's when the referees met there. Mr. Morris would not permit evidence to appear; and unless the matter was settled by a certain paper or papers, nothing should be done - He never heard of any agreement binding them to their papers.

Mr. Nathaniel Hunt being sworn for Mr. Hulick, testified, that when Mr. Morris and Mr. Hulick first differed, before they had any warmth or anger between them

put their cause in his hands. Mr. Morris himself mentioned that they bought a tract of land at £3. per acre, to be divided quantity and quality - 32 acres was looked upon to worth £3. per acre, and therefore thought they could take the whole at £3. per acre, when repeated their terms to them - they assented. He

Mr. Morris disputed from his judgement, which was given somewhat after and afterwards came to him and showed him a paper containing a division of the land, and seemed to insinuate, that after the land was divided between Mr. Morris and Mr. Hulick, that they bargained to exchange Mr. Hulick's part at £3. per acre for an equal quantity of Mr. Morris's poor land, at £3. per acre, Mr. Hulick replied - I never saw you say any thing like this before.

Mr. Hulick was present at the first meeting of the referees - nothing could be done, because Mr. Waggoner would not come - Mr. Waggoner afterwards told Mr. Hulick, that he had no notice, and did not choose to run about at a moment's notice.

Mr. Morris put Mr. Kulick to sign a paper, that the matter should be settled according to justice and equity. Mr. Kulick asked if it would do.

Mr.

Hunt - no, by no means. Mr. Anderson called at his house the day after the quarterly meeting of \_\_\_\_\_ and said they had done no business the day before, because Mr. Morris cast down a piece of writing, and refused to have witnesses called. The paper was so vague, that no business could be done upon it.

Mr. M. Morris son of Mr. H. Morris being sworn testified - That at the second meeting of referees, the business was obstructed by Mr. Kulick's by objecting having Mr. H. \_\_\_\_\_ one of the referees. His father objected to Mr. Waggoner as a witness, because he was a party concerned, and not qualified. He was present in his father's shop with Mr. M. \_\_\_\_\_ and Mr. Kulick in the morning on

the day in which the bargain was made with Mr. Waggoner, and before the bargain was made, he heard them himself say, they were or would give £3. per acre for the whole of the land; but considering the land below the road as worth £5. per acre - and agreed to keep their opinion to themselves, and never let it be known - but Mr. Waggoner should enjoy them the advantage they had got in the purchase - any of the land was worth £3. per acre.

Mr. Stacy being sworn on the part of Mr. Kulick, testified, that on the day in which Mr. Anderson runs the division line between Mr. Morris and Mr. Kulick he was present, and heard them in familiar conversation saying, that the whole tract was bought at the rate of £3. per acre, to be divided.

in quantity and quality - Mr. Morris agreed to give £5. per acre for as much of it as he should get, and of course, the upper land was not to be worth £3. per acre

N. B. Very little is taken down concerning fence - that Mr. Morris and Mr. Hulick had enclosed lands joining ~~to the lands of the Hulicks~~

Mr. Peter Hulick Junr. being qualified for Mr. Hulick said, that Mr. Morris and Mr. Hulick had some clear land on each side of a certain fence, one half of which Mr. Hulick kept carefully in repair - Mr. Morris refused to make up any part of that fence - He told Mr. Morris only, he would make it up his part of the fence, his father would put all the fence on his own land and leave Mr.

After hearing all parties and the witnesses, the session being alone, took the matter into the fullest consideration, and came to the following judgement

After which it was unanimously resolved to send for the Rev. John Woodhull to meet with the session, next monday at 12 O'clock and assist them in determining what censures are to be inflicted in consequence of the foregoing judgement

Concluded with prayer

Cranberry March 5<sup>th</sup> 1792.

The Session met and was opened with prayer by the moderator

Rev. Gilbert T. Snowden Moderator



Present.

Jon. Combs, Junr.	} Elders	(Hump. Mount)	} Dea.
William Perrine		(Garret Snodcker)	
Jacob Fisher —		(Enos Baldwin)	

Absent.

Jon. Combs & Elders  
Samuel Bayler) Heiber Morris under  
charge of scandal

Mr. Gilbert Snowden informed the Session  
that he had no convenient opportunity to send  
for Mr. Woodhull.

The person who had last week's proposed  
charges against Mr. Morris - and Mr. Morris  
again appearing before the Session, the judge-  
ment of the Session was again read to them;  
and Mr. Morris was asked what he had to offer  
in mitigation of his offenses. Before the Session  
proceeded to adjourn, Mr. Morris appearing  
entirely unconfessing <sup>any</sup> of guilt, and refusing  
any acknowledgement of his former and re-  
pentance for what had been charged & proved

against him - the Session requested to be alone, where  
they unanimously agreed.

1<sup>st</sup> That Mr. Morris be deposed, that is,  
absolutely deprived of his office of a Deacon in  
this Church.

2<sup>d</sup> That he be suspended or excluded from  
the privileges of the Church, till he give sat-  
isfactory evidence of repentance.

Resolved also, that Mr. Storey and Mr.  
Waggoner be rebuked and admonished by the  
Moderator, for their too free use of strong, angry  
and unbecoming language, in the course of the  
difference with Mr. Morris.

The pastor being called in, and these  
resolutions read to them, Mr. Snowden summed  
up the nature and proofs of the disputes between  
Mr. Morris, and Mr. Woodhull, Mr. Waggoner and  
Mr. Storey; showed what pains had been  
repeatedly taken to compose their <sup>in a</sup> private  
manner, pointed the necessity of bringing the  
matter to a public trial and decision, especially  
as it was the earnest and frequent request of the

parties - Read the rules Christ has left  
 his officers to regulate their conduct in such  
 cases - how exactly they had been followed in  
 the present case - and gave suitable admoni-  
 tions and advice to Mr. Morris. After which  
 this melancholly business was concluded by  
 a solemn prayer to Almighty God, the Saviour  
 of the world and head of the Church, to par-  
 don and correct wherein we have erred, con-  
 -firm and support wherein we were right, &  
 give repentance, meekness, tenderness and watch-  
 -fulness to the parties at variance and to all  
 present, in each might need.

Mr. Baldwin was appointed to attend  
 with Mr. Snowden, in visiting the families  
 of Mr. M<sup>r</sup>. Gray; Mr. Condrickson, Mr. Jos.  
 Mount and Mr. George Bergen, to morrow.

Mr. Rossan, Mr. Woolsey Baldwin, Mr.  
 William Fisher and Mr. Joachim Vassardale  
 on next Monday. Mr. Fisher was appointed  
 Mr. David Brotherton, Mr. Conolly, Mr. Ladden.

Mr. William Brotherton and Mr. John Perrine  
 and Mr. John Perrine - on to morrow week -

Mr. Combs was appointed, Mr. Heben  
 Ayres, Mr. Robert Ayres and Mr. Kessarrick  
 Moore, on Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> instant, and Mr.  
 James Moore - Mr. Combs was appointed  
 Mr. Kegerman, Mr. Van, Mr. Abraham  
 Bergen and Mr. Matthias Mount, on Monday  
 the 26<sup>th</sup> instant.

Mr. Snedeker reported, that he had paid  
 Mr. Hance a visit according

On motion resolved, that Mr. Moore  
 be supplied with 3d. per week till further

Mr. Perrine was desired to give  
 further notice to Mr. James Loomis, to attend  
 upon the Session at their next stated meeting,  
 that they may know his reasons for absencing  
 these three years past from the sacrament of the

Cranberry 2<sup>d</sup> 1792. The Session  
met, and was opened with prayer by the Mo-  
derator

Gilbert T. Snowden Moderator.

Present.

Gen. Combs, Jun<sup>r</sup> Elder (Garret Serenolick) Deacons  
(Enos Baldwin)

Absent.

Gen Combs  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Boyler Elders; Hiram Mount Deacons  
William Perkins  
Jacob Fisher

M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden reported  
appointment

fulfilled through indisposi-

tion badness of weather

omitted indisposed

uncomfortable

body no  
excess

Special appointments were

month

The small number of officers who can attend to  
the duties of the Church, did nominate Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
John Stoyback, Peter Stoltz and Matthias  
Mount for the office of Elders, and M<sup>r</sup>. Hurlick  
and M<sup>r</sup>. Aspat Baldwin office of Deacons

M<sup>r</sup>. Combs was appointed to attend with  
M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden the meeting of Presbytery to mor-  
-row three weeks, at Maidenhead at 11 O'clock

8<sup>th</sup> 1792. The Synod met

and was opened with  
prayer by the Moderator.

Gilbert S. Snowden Moderator  
Present

Elders	Seacons
Jen. Combs	Jos. Mount
Jen. Combs Jun <sup>r</sup>	Garret Smedeker
William Perrine	Enos Baldwin
Jacob Fisher	

Absent  
Sam<sup>l</sup>. Bayley Elder

21<sup>st</sup> 1792.

The Synod met, and was opened with prayer  
by the Moderator

Gilbert S. Snowden Moderator  
Present.

Elders	Seacons
Jen. Combs Jun <sup>r</sup>	Jos. Mount
William Perrine	Garret Smedeker
Jacob Fisher	Enos Baldwin

Absent.

Jen. Combs & Elders  
Sam<sup>l</sup>. Bayley

M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden informant

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ment  
enjoying  
Sara  
where

Charles Applegate, John  
Stoltz, Elizabeth his wife, Daniel Handlin,  
Amy Mount, Euphama Brise, Abigail Hanson,  
Peter Covenhoven, Simon Sedam, Margaret  
-lick, Mary Jobi Schenck, Barbara  
-longing to M<sup>r</sup>. John Bergen and Jane be-  
-longing. That Daniel Handlin

Cranberry 30<sup>th</sup> 1792.

The Session met, and was opened with  
prayer by the moderator.

Gilbert J. Snowden Moderator

Present.

Elders.	Deacons.
Jon. Combs Jun <sup>r</sup> .	Heim. Mount
William Perrine.	Garret Snedeker
	Enos Baldwin.

Absent.

John Combs	} Elders.
Samuel Bayler	
Joe. Fisher	

The Session was convened a week  
sooner than <sup>the</sup> ordinary time, on account of the  
expected absence of M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden on public  
business, by the appointment of the Presbytery

Ordered to read the minutes of the two last stated and all subsequent meetings.

M<sup>r</sup>. Perrine and M<sup>r</sup>. Mount gave reasons for their absence at our last stated meeting, which were justified. M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden and M<sup>r</sup>. Combs attended at the meeting of Presbytery, last week.

M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden informed  
paid a visit M<sup>r</sup>. Keubers  
Morris

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declares  
been guilty

crimes  
committed

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undue attachment

time things; but thinks the Session have treated him with undue severity.

Whereupon resolved, That M<sup>r</sup>. Combs and M<sup>r</sup>. Smedeker, do wait on M<sup>r</sup>. Morris, some time before our next meeting, in order to

converse with him further, on his present situation, to endeavor to bring him to a sense of his sins.

Ordered that the allowance to M<sup>rs</sup>. Sloan be continued to her.

M<sup>r</sup>. Perrine reported that he had cited M<sup>r</sup>. James Doan to appear before the Session; but that he desired that the Session would excuse him, as he was not able to procure cloaths sufficiently to appear on. Whereupon resolved, That considering his neglect of public ordinances, and the reports which have long prevailed injurious to his moral character, there ought to be no longer delay in the matter (his excuse for not appearing is insufficient) and that M<sup>r</sup>. Perrine do again cite him to appear at our next stated meeting.

M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden presented to the Session a receipt under the hand of the Rev. John Hanna Treasurer of New Brunswick Presbytery, which is as follows "Received Maidenhead April 25<sup>th</sup> 1792, of Joh. Combs sixteen pounds

ten shillings specie for the use of Brunswick Presbytery advanced by the congregation of Cranberry.

£16<sup>0</sup> 10

by  
John Hanna.

This sum was made up of £6. for Missions, £3. for expenses of general Assembly, £2. for poor students in ~~the~~, and £2. for ~~the~~ ~~year~~ for the year, together with £3. ~~to~~ to make up an omission of this congregation in the year 1791.

The choice of more Elders and Deacons was deferred until our next meeting.

The Session took into consideration a proposition made at our meeting on Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> 1792, respecting social prayer, at our monthly meetings; and unanimously adopted it, in substance as follows.

That when the business of the day is concluded, what time remains, shall be devoted to solemn and earnest prayer to the great Head of the Church for our souls and the flock under

our care - That the Moderator call on who he pleases to perform, and as many as the time may permit; and that there be intervals of singing, or reading the word of God, or both, between each prayer.

As M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden is appointed to attend the General Assembly in May next at  
Resolved that our next stated meeting be, the Monday immediately succeeding the first Sabbath in June, that M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden may return and preach in Cranberry.

Cranberry 4<sup>th</sup> 1792.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator

Gilbert S. Snowden Moderator.

Elders.

Jon. Combs Jun<sup>r</sup>.

William Perrine

Absent.

Deacons

Gavriel Snodder

Enos Baldwin

Jon. Combs  
Sam<sup>l</sup>. Bayler  
Jav. Fisher

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Ordered to read the minutes of

M<sup>r</sup>. James Arvin

appeared before the Session in obedience to the citation sent him at the last meeting, when the Moderator explained to him from Scripture the great duty incumbent on the Church to watch over the conduct of its members; and that it was in conformity to this duty so carefully charged on them by Christ their Master, that they had sent for him, to know the reasons why he had refrained from the ordinance of the Lords Supper three two or three years past. M<sup>r</sup>. Arvin owned that he had been sometimes overcome with Liquor and that a sense of his sin in this and other respects had made him withdraw from the communion of the Church; but professed a real sorrow for all his omissions and infirmities; declared his intention, with divine help to live in future as a Christian ought, desired to enjoy the privileges of the Gospel.

On his retiring, the Session resolved, that M<sup>r</sup>. Arvin be continued in the enjoyment

of church privileges; but that he be admonished and rebuked for his past transgression - that he be charged, carefully to guard and earnestly to pray against a repetition of them, and that he must expect greater censures if he is again found in former practices.

M<sup>r</sup>. Arvin being called in, was admonished and charged to be more circumspet - and, after prayer, was dismissed.

M<sup>r</sup>. John Barr, and Mary his wife appeared before the Session and acknowledged that they had been guilty of anti-spiritual fornication; but professed a sincere sense of their error and sorrow for it - and desired that they being in profession, might be permitted to enjoy the communion and privileges of the Church; and that their child be received to church membership in the ordinance of Baptism. The evil of their sin being pointed out to them; and they admonished and instructed as the case required, their requests were granted - and after prayer, they were dismissed.

M<sup>rs</sup>. Rebecca Arvin, widow of the late



Cornelius Arvin, made complaint against her son Peter Arvin, a professor of Religion, of a variety of instances of unrespectful conduct towards her and her son Jonathan, and that as he refuses to her and to the friends she has sent to him, any reparation or change in his behaviour; requests the session would employ their influence and authority to convince her

to settle the differences which still subsist between them. On motion, Resolved, That Mr. Perrine and Mr. Snedeker on some day shortly, make it their business to go to the parties, and especially to Mr. Peter Arvin; and on examination, to advise, admonish, caution, and to direct him and all of them, as from the circumstances may appear to them proper.

Mr. Combs and Mr. Snedeker not having been able to meet Mr. Arvin since the the session last met; and the order on that subject being removed.

Mr. Snedeker was directed, to make further enquiries of Mr. Sloane, touching his unrespectful

conduct; and at his own discretion to continue or withhold the allowance heretofore paid her against our next meeting. The choir of Elders and Deacons was necessarily again deferred.

Mr. W. Snowden is appointed by the General Assembly, to spend the 6th Sabbath after next in Albany; the next stated meeting will not be held before the 2<sup>d</sup> Monday in August

Cranberry 10<sup>th</sup> 1792.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present.

Gilbert T. Snowden - Moderator.

Elders

Mr. Jon. Combs  
William Perrine  
Jas. Fisher

Deacons

Thompson Mount  
Garret Snedeker  
Enos Baldwin

Absent

Jon. Combs  
Sam. Hingle

Mr. Peter Hottle and Jane his wife appeared.

confessed that they had been guilty of antinuptial fornication - ex their belief, that their conduct was contrary to Gods holy Law, and blamable, and that they sincerely repented of their error in this respect. The Moderator then admonished them for their fault, pointed out its evil nature and tendency, dismissed them, and concluded the meeting with solemn prayer.

○ Sep<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1792.

Mr. Fisher, Mr. Mount and Mr. Baldwin met at Cranberry, and agreed that Mr. Mount should attend with Mr. Snowden, the ensuing meeting of Presbytery at Trenton, the 10<sup>th</sup> instant, at 11 O'Clock in the forenoon.

Cranberry Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> 1792.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present.

Rev. Gilbert J. Snowden	Moderator
Elders.	Deacons
Mr. William Perrine	Mr. Hounsick
Mr. Jas. Fisher	Mr. Garnet Smedeker
	Mr. Mount

Elders	Absent.	Deacons
Mr. Jon. Combs		
Mr. Jon. Combs Jun <sup>r</sup>		Mr. Enos Baldwin
Sam <sup>l</sup> Bayler		

Ordered to read the minutes of the stated meeting of April 30<sup>th</sup> and all subsequent meetings.

Mr. Fisher gave reasons for his absence from the two last, and Mr. Mount from the last stated meeting, which were sustained.

Mr. Snowden and Mr. Mount reported, that they had attended the Session of Presbytery, at their last meeting at Trenton.

Mr. Smedeker reported, that Mr. Combs and himself had visited Mr. Morris, and conversed very fully with him on the crimes laid to his charge, but were unable to bring him to acknowledge the justice of the censure laid upon him, or any sense of the error of his conduct.

The Session took into full consideration the business of choosing the Elders and Deacons, and chose Mr. John Keyback and Mr. Matthias Mount for Elders, and Mr. John Gulick, Mr. Paul

Baldwin and Mr. Simon Sedam for Deacons; and resolved, that Mr. Humpsh. Mount and Mr. Garret Smedeker be raised to the office of Elders from that of Deacons, which they now hold; that the choice of the Session be published to the people the two next Sabbaths, for their approbation and that if no objection is made, these gentlemen be ordained the sabbath after the last publication.

As two of the attending members were absent, the session resolved, that the preceding resolution be made known to them, and if they make any objection before next Sabbath, the Session will defer this business longer, and have a meeting very shortly to consider of it.

Mr. Smedeker was appointed to assist Mr. Snowden in visiting the families of Mr. David Chambers, Mr. Armstrong's, Mr. Lure, Mr. Price and Mr. on Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> of December.

Mr. Newton, Mr. Mr.  
 Sebew, Mr. Wiffie and Mr. John Houllick on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of December - Mr. Perrine - of Mr. Dea, Mr. Brothas, Mr. Peter Cunningham and Mr.

Jan. Die, on monday the 19<sup>th</sup> of December  
 Mr. John Whitley, John Marlin, George Snider and Jane Reed, on monday the 26<sup>th</sup>.

On motion resolved, That it be recommended to the Congregation to rise when they sing the Credo at the close of Divine Service, as being more solemn than sitting, and more suitable to that part of Devotion. Concluded with Prayer.

November 7<sup>th</sup> 1792.

The two members of session who were absent at the last meeting, having intimated their desire that further time be taken to consider the business of choosing Elders and Deacons; the names of those lately chosen to those offices, were not published to the Congregation - but the Session on sabbath agreed to meet this day, chiefly to take the matter into full and final consideration and being met, there were present

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| Rev. Gilbert & Snowden                |   |
| Tom. Lewis, Jun <sup>r</sup> & Elders | } Garret Smedeker } Deacons<br>} Enos Baldwin } |
| William Perrine                       |   |

## Absent

Elders.	Deacons
Tom. Combs	
Sam. Bayler	Hump. Mount
Geo. Fisher	

Ordered to read the minutes of last meeting respecting the choir of Elders and Deacons.

Resolved, that the members present do cordially acquiesce, in the choir of Officers made by the session at their last meeting; and that they be proposed to the people, and ordained on the earliest opportunity.

Concluded with prayer.

Proph. Serv. 3<sup>d</sup> 1792.

The session met, and was open with prayer by the Moderator.

Prefest

Gilbert J. Snowden, Moderator.

Elders	Deacons
Jonathan Combs Junr	Hump. Mount
Geo. Fisher	

Absent.

Tom. Combs	Garret Smedeker
Sam. Bayler	Eus. Baldwin
William Jerome	

Ordered to read the minutes of the two last meetings.

The names of the persons chosen to be Elders and Deacons, having been published two successive Sabbaths to the people, and no objections being made to them - Resolved, that there be public service in the Church on Wednesday, the 12<sup>th</sup> instant; and that at the conclusion of it, Mr. Matthias Mount, Mr. John Keybank, Mr. Hump. Mount and Mr. Garret Smedeker, be ordained Elders; and Mr. John Gulick, Mr. Isaac Baldwin and Mr. Simon Seclan, be ordained Deacons.

In expectation of having shortly an addition of members, the Session did sum up no particular business; and after some conversation, adjourned, concluding with prayer.

On Wednesday, the 12<sup>th</sup> of December, the Congregation was convened according to the appointment of session, and after a sermon by Mr. Snowden, from 1. Thes. 5. 12. 18

Mr. Humph. Mount, Mr. Garret Smedeker  
 Matthias Mount and John Flayback were  
 solemnly set apart to the office of Elders; and  
 W. Gulick, Mr. Israel Baldwin and Mr. Simon  
 Sedam, to the office of Deacons in the Church of  
 Cranberry, by prayer, and giving the right  
 hand of fellowship; and their names were en-  
 rolled as members of the Session

Cranberry Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> 1793.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer  
 by the Moderator.

Present.

Rev. Mr. Gilbert Snowden, Moderator.

Elders.

William Perowne  
 Simon Mount  
 Garret Smedeker

Dacons

Israel Baldwin  
 John Gulick.

Absent.

Elders.

Jon. Combs  
 Sam. Bayler  
 Jon. Combs Junr.  
 Jacob Fisher

Matthias Mount  
 John Flayback.

Dacons Absent  
 Israel Baldwin  
 Simon Sedam

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting  
 Mr. Jonathan Combs, Junr. is now come, and his  
 reasons for tardy attendance is justified.

The Session took into consideration, the  
 benefit and propriety of the frequent admin-  
 -istering of the Sacrament of the Lord's Sup-  
 -per - and resolved, agreeably to the Spirit  
 of a resolve, passed sometime in the Summer  
 before last - That the Lord's Supper be ad-  
 -ministered four times in the year, viz. on the  
 last Sabbath of January, April, July and  
 October; unless particular circumstances require  
 an alteration.

It was proposed to pass a resolve, that  
 singing in the public service of the Church be  
 performed without giving out the lines, but upon  
 some consideration on the subject, it was thought  
 proper to defer it.

Some conversation was had on the use of

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tokens and tables in the administration of  
the Sacrament of the Lords Supper; and the  
Subject deferred for further consideration.

Adjourned - Concluded with prayer

Cranberry Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 1850.

The Session met, and was opened  
with prayer by the Moderator.

Present

Rev. & Gilbert S. Snowden, Moderator  
Elders.

James Fisher

Amos Mount

Garret Snedeker

John Gulick

Frank Baldwin

Matthias Mount

John Slayback

Absent

Jon. Combs

Sam. Bayler

Jon. Combs Jun.

William Purvine

Deacons

James Sedam

Ernie Baldwin

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Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting  
Mr. Fisher, Mr. M. Mount, Mr. Slayback, Mr. J. S.  
Baldwin and Mr. Sedam, gave reasons for their  
absence from the last meeting, which were sus-  
-tained.

On motion resolved, That tokens which are  
so generally used in the Presbyterian Churches at  
the administration of the Lords Supper, but  
which have been a long while disused in this  
Church, shall hereafter be made use of - and  
ordered, that members of Session endeavour to  
think of a proper form, divine and against  
the next meeting.

On motion resolved, That at the adminis-  
tration of the Lords Supper, silver tables shall be  
set and suitably prepared in the long of the  
Church, to which the Communicants shall be re-  
quired to come and seat themselves, when in the  
act of receiving the Communion.

Mr. Fisher, was appointed to ask leave  
of the Corporation, to have the front pew in the  
long of the Church, so altered as to admit  
of Tables being set there, at Communion seasons.

On motion resolved, That the Session will meet in summer, at 2 o'clock, and conclude at six; and in winter will meet at 1 o'clock & conclude at 5 - and resolved that the greatest punctuality shall henceforth be had - in both go to business at the hour of meeting, and in adjourning at the hour of concluding - putting off to another meeting all unfinished business, unless it be very special indeed.

A difficulty arising with respect to the number of members who, with the moderator shall have power to do business - it was unanimously resolved, that three members with the moderator, shall henceforward be a Quorum to transact any business; and their proceedings shall be valid and binding upon the other members and the Church.

It being suggested, that the widow Elizabeth Cox is in need of the charitable assistance of the Church - Resolved, that Mr. Slyback enquire carefully into her circumstances; and if he shall judge her to be in immediate

want, that he be authorised to pay her weekly not exceeding 3s. till our next meeting.  
Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry March 11th. 1743.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer.

Present.

Rev. Gilbert D. Snowden, Moderator	Deacons
Elders	John Gulick
Hump. Mount	Israel Baldwin
Garret Smedeker	Simon Sedam

Absent.

Jon. Combs	
Sam. Bayler	
Jon. Combs Junr.	Enos Baldwin
William Perrine	
Jacob Fisher	
Matthias Mount	
John Slyback	

M<sup>r</sup>. Mount  
attendance sustained

The subject of tokens was again considered  
that the size should be  
something less than a quarter of a dollar;  
that on one side there should be a flaming heart,  
and round near the edge, these scripture  
passages "God is Love - Love one another"  
the Verit on the top and the other below  
and on the other side - Cranberry

M<sup>r</sup>. Fisher not being present, no report  
was made from the Corporation, respecting the

altering of the news in the long  
tables at communion seasons.

P.S.  
to admit

Ordered, that M<sup>r</sup>. Gulick inform M<sup>r</sup>.  
Pley back, that if he see needful, he may supply  
M<sup>rs</sup>. Cox with 3s. still per week, till our next  
meeting.

Charity Steverson, a member of the  
Church, being in some want. Resolved, that  
M<sup>r</sup>. Gulick receive from the Treasurer the  
sum of 7/6 and employ it for her support as  
he may think proper, against our next meet-  
ing.

M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden, M<sup>r</sup>. Gulick and M<sup>r</sup>.  
Pedam were appointed a committee to ex-  
amine the treasurers a/c<sup>t</sup> and make  
report against the next meeting.

The state of mind and circumstances  
of M<sup>r</sup>. Newel were conversed of. when it was  
unanimously agreed, that there was nothing  
which the Jesum could do for her at pre-  
sent.

Resolved, That M<sup>r</sup>. Smedeker, & M<sup>r</sup>. Gulick  
be a committee to wait on M<sup>r</sup>. Ezekiel Jones &



Mr. William Haslett, and request them to act as Clerks in getting and reading the Psalms of the Church.

Resolved, that Mr. Smedcker request the Corporation at their next meeting, to exempt Mr. Brue from the rest of that part of the pew his family now sit in, provided he consents to act as Clerk.

Cranberry April 1<sup>st</sup> 1793.

The Session met, and was opened with Prayer by the Moderator.

Present.

Rev. Gilbert Snowden, Moderator

Elders

Jon. Combs Junr.

William Perrine

Jacob Fisher

Benn. Mount

Garret Smedcker

Matthias Mount

Jon. Combs

Sam. Slayback

John Slayback

Deacons

Enos Baldwin

John Gulick

Israel Baldwin

Simon Sedans

Absent

Jon. Combs Junr., William Perrine, Jacob Fisher and John Slayback rendered reasons for absence from the last stated meeting, which were sustained.

Mr. Fisher reported, that the Corporation requested time to examine the pew in the long and would give us an answer after their next meeting.

Mr. Gulick was appointed to attend with Mr. Snowden the ensuing meeting of Presbytery at Oxford, in Sussex, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst at 11 o'clock.

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurers accounts reported, that the accounts appear to have been carefully and honestly kept and that there is a balance of Cash in the hands of Mr. Smedcker, in favor of the Session of 200<sup>l</sup> but that the amount of the sabbath collections have been gradually and considerably declining for a year or more, having been in the beginning of 1792, from 70. to 90. but at present amounting

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over 3s.

M<sup>r</sup>. Smedeker requested that some other be chosen Treasurer, but on taking a vote, he was unanimously reelected.

M<sup>r</sup>. Playbark reported, that he had paid M<sup>r</sup>. Cox 3 shillings per week for eight weeks past - Ordered, that the same allowance be continued to her another month.

Resolved, that Charity Steverson be further supplied with the sum of 10s

Concluded with Prayer.

Cranberry May 6<sup>th</sup> - 1793.

The Session met and was opened with prayer by the Moderator

Present

Rev. Gilbert T. Snowden, Moderator.

Present

Deacons

Elders  
William Perrine

Enos Baldwin

Mathias Mount

John Gulick

John Playbark

Srael Baldwin.

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Absent

Elders

Jon. Combs

Sam. Bayler

Jon. Combs Jun<sup>r</sup>

Jacob Fisher

Humph. Mount

Garret Smedeker

Simon Sedam, Deacon

Ordered to read the minutes of the last Session.

M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden and M<sup>r</sup>. Gulick reported, that they had carefully attended on the meeting of Presbytery.

The Session took into consideration the state of religion in the Congregation, & considering that there appears a growing indifference to spiritual things; that the means of Grace do not produce much effect; and little fruit is reaped from them - and considering, that although religion had not declined, it is proper to be earnest and importunate in our application to gracious God for more

of his blessings. Resolved, that Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of May be observed by the Congregation, as a day of humiliation, fasting and prayer - and that they unite that day in public and private, to implore the Divine influence, that we may in the work of Religion go forward more generally and more visibly.

There being no special business before the session, the remainder of the time was spent in prayer to God, for a blessing on the session and on the flock under their care; after which the Moderator concluded with prayer.

(ranberry August 25<sup>th</sup> 1793.

The session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present

M <sup>r</sup> . Gilbert J. Snowden, Moderator.	
John Combs Jun <sup>r</sup> . Cor <sup>m</sup> .	} Elders.
M <sup>r</sup> . Jacob Fisher	
M <sup>r</sup> . Humphrey Mount	
M <sup>r</sup> . Garret Smedeker.	
M <sup>r</sup> . Matthew Mount	
	} Deacons
M <sup>r</sup> . Enos Baldwin	
M <sup>r</sup> . John Gulick	
M <sup>r</sup> . Israel Baldwin	
M <sup>r</sup> . Simon Sedem	

Absent.

Elders.  
 Jon. Combs  
 Sam<sup>l</sup>. Bayles  
 John Slayback  
 William Perrine - ) M<sup>rs</sup>. Mary Vanhise,  
 wife of M<sup>r</sup>. Vanhise  
 and daughter of M<sup>r</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>.  
 Sutton, who had applied  
 to be admitted into the Communion of the Church,  
 and who had conversed with M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden, was  
 examined as to her spiritual exercises & state  
 of mind; her knowledge of the doctrines and  
 ordinances of our holy religion; and her sincere  
 desire of devoting herself and her all to God in  
 Christ. - Her examination was approved of;  
 and she was with exhortation and prayer,  
 solemnly admitted to join the next day in the  
 Communion of the Church.

M<sup>rs</sup>. - Smedeker, wife of M<sup>r</sup>. Garret  
 Smedeker, was admitted to the communion of the  
 Church, upon evidence of her being a regular  
 member, and in the communion of the Dutch  
 reformed congregation of Millstone.

M<sup>r</sup>. Peter Johnson and Elsey his wife, for-  
 merly Elsey Smedeker, daughter of M<sup>r</sup>.  
 Smedeker appeared before the session; confessed that

92 They had been guilty of antenuptial fornication, professing the sinfulness of such conduct, and of their sincere sorrow for it - and prayed the forgiveness of the Church. Whereupon, the evil of their conduct was set before them, and they were rebuked for their fault, and they were permitted to bring their Children to the Ordinance of Baptism.

Concluded with Prayer.

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Cranberry September 2<sup>d</sup> 1793.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present

Elders  
Jacob Fisher  
Hump. Mount  
Garret Smedeker

Deacons  
John Gulick  
Israel Baldwin

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting.

Mr. Fisher, Mr. Mount & Mr. Smedeker, gave reasons for their absence from the last meeting, which were approved.

Mr. Smedeker, was appointed to attend the next meeting of Presbytery, to be held at Princeton, the 17<sup>th</sup> instant. Mr. Snowden & Mr. Fisher were appointed a committee, to enquire for a proper person to make tokens, and to agree with him for 300 - To make report as soon as possible.

Mr. Fisher reported, that the Corporation had

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had not given attention to request made to them respecting the forming tables for communion seasons, by altering the front Pews in the long. Whereupon ordered, that Mr. Fisher urge the Corporation to determine immediately on the subject, as the alteration is wanted to be made before the next Communion; and inform them, that the Session will themselves, make provision for the payment of the expences.

Mr. Snowden and Mr. Gulick were appointed to visit Mr. Peter Irving, to converse with him on some reports which have prevailed, of his immoral conduct; to learn the truth, and to bring him to some sense of his unchristian behaviour.

Some reports having prevailed in the Spring and Summer of Mr. R. Vanderbeek's being guilty of drunkenness; and he appearing no way sensible of, or humbled on account of his guilt, though visited and faithfully conversed with, by several of the members

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of the Session - Ordered, that he be cited in a regular manner to appear at the next stated meeting, to answer to the charges made against him

Concluded with Prayer.

Cranberry Sep<sup>r</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1793.

Whereas the Governor has recommended next Tuesday, to be observed throughout this State, as a day of humiliation, fasting and prayer, and has assigned as a reason for it, the malignant Fever now prevalent in the city of Philadelphia, which, it is apprehended, must spread further, and come into this State; which is the same, which induced the Presbytery at their late meeting, to appoint this day to be kept in like manner.

Resolved, That next Tuesday shall be

observed as a day of fasting, humiliation and prayer, according to the Governor's recommendation; and that the sanctification of this week immediately after divine service.

Moreover, God has been pleased to send a severe drought among us, and our sins are great, richly deserving this and further judgments at his hand: as religion seems at a stand, family worship is neglected; immoralities are but too frequent, and the Sabbath profaned.

Resolved, That the people be recommended and enjoined, faithfully to humble themselves before God for their and other sins: and that Tuesday be also considered as a day for imploring God through Christ, that he would be pleased to send plentiful showers of rain to heal and revive the land; that he would convict us of sins, show each of us the pleasure of his own heart; and pour out his holy Spirit influence on our souls, and

on this Church - to revive religion, and grant grace and salvation to us generally; but especially, to the young and rising generation.

On motion, resolved, that the citation of Mr. Vanderbeek be postponed, and that the members as they may have opportunities, do converse with him faithfully and tenderly respecting the errors of his behaviour, that he may thus be brought to a suitable sense of his faults.

Concluded with prayer,

90 Cranberry October 7<sup>th</sup> 1793

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present.

Mr. Gilbert Snowden, Moderator.

Jon Combr. Jun <sup>r</sup>	John Gulick	Deacons
William Perrine	Wm. Seelans	
Thomp. Mount		
Matthias Mount		

Absent.

Jon. Combr	Enos Baldwin
Sam <sup>l</sup> Bayle	Isaac Baldwin
Jacob Fisher	
Garret Smedeker	
John Slayback	

Ordered to read the minutes of the last Session.

Jon Combr Jun<sup>r</sup>, William Perrine & Matthias Mount gave reasons for absence

from the last stated meeting, and were approved.

Mr. Snowden reported that Mr. Smedeker and him, self had carefully attended on the late session of the Presbytery at Princeton.

Mr. Snowden reported, that no proper persons to make had yet been met with.

Mr. Fisher being absent, no answer was reported from the Corporation, about having communion tables formed out of front pews in the long

On motion resolved, That there shall be a collection on the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>d</sup> Sabbath of Nov<sup>r</sup> to raise money to bear the expenses of the Elders who attend the meeting of Synod and Presbytery the ensuing year, and that all expenses incurred in attending the different judicatories of the Church, from year to year, shall be borne the Church.

Mr. Matthias Mount was appointed to attend the ensuing meeting of Synod which is to be held on Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> at Elizabethtown

Mr. Combs and Mr. Perrine were appointed to converse with Mr. Vanderbeek, in order to make him sensible of his improper conduct on some occasions.

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry November 15<sup>th</sup> 1793.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator

Present

Mr. Gilbert T. Snowden, Moderator.

Elders.

Jacob Fisher  
Hump. Mount  
Garret Smedeker

Deacons

Enos Baldwin  
John Gulick  
Israel Baldwin  
Simon Sedars

Elders absent

Jon. Combs  
Sam<sup>r</sup>. Bayles  
Jon. Combs Jun<sup>r</sup>.

William Perrine  
Matthews Mount  
John Hays bank.

Ordered to read the minutes of the last session.  
Mr. Enos Baldwin and Mr. Israel Baldwin gave reasons of absence from the last meeting, which were approved.

Mr. Snowden reported, that from several circumstances, and chiefly because of the alarm produced by the fever in Philadelphia, Mr. Mount and himself had concluded they would quit meeting this Synod, if any, and had declined going; but being afterwards called to Brunswick, he had had himself attended the last day of its session.

Mr. Smedeker reported, that Mr. Handlin, admitted some time past to the Communion of the Church, had gone out of our bounds.

Mr. Fisher reported, that he was not present at the last meeting of the Corporation, that nothing had been respecting making communion tables; but at the ensuing meeting he would attend to the business.

Complaint being made by Mr. Matthew Dine against Mr. Peter Doring for slandering his character, and asserting that Mr. Dine had unjustly wrested his property from him. Ordered that Mr. Gulick give notice to Mr. Doring, to appear



at the next meeting, to answer to that charge and deliver him a copy of the witnesses which Mr. Rice will bring to prove it - Ordered also, that Mr. Gulick give notice to the witnesses, that the Session desire their attendance on that occasion.

Considering the inconveniences that may be avoided, and the advantages obtained by singing in the public services of the Church, without giving out the line; the Session resolved, that notice be given to the congregation that if no regular objections be made the reading of the line shall be laid aside, after the third Sabbath in the month of December.

Mr. Fisher and Mr. Mount were appointed to request Mr. Ezekiel Rice to act as Clerk in settling the psalm in this church; and that he shall make it his duty to attend punctually on every public service in the Church, on Sabbaths and week days - and shall, as a compensation, be exempted from the pew rent.

Mr. Fisher and Mr. Frederick were appointed

to request the Corporation to exempt Mr. Rice from their payment of his pew rent.

Mr. Reuben Morris appeared before the Session, and informed them, that he had applied to the Presbytery at their last meeting for redress from the judgment of the Session,

but that the Presbytery would not hear him, unless he brought up a regular appeal from the judgment of the Session - and <sup>as</sup> as the time allowed for appealing was long since elapsed, the Presbytery would not admit his appeal, without the Session would give him a formal permission to him to appeal - and therefore Mr. Morris requested the Session for leave to appeal to the Presbytery from the judgment by which he was deposed from the office of Deacon; and was turned out of the communion.

This request was unanimously granted.

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry Decem<sup>r</sup>. 9<sup>th</sup> 1793

The Session met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present.

Rev. Gilbert W. Snowden, Moderator.

Deacons

Deacons

Jon. Combs, Jun<sup>r</sup>

Enos Baldwin

William Perrine

John Gulick

Garret Fisher

Simon Sedam

Garret Snedeker

Israel Baldwin

Matthias Mount

Absent

Jon. Combs

Sam<sup>l</sup> Bayles

Thom. Mount

John Slayback

Ordered to read the minutes of the last

Session.

Mr. Combs, Mr. Perrine and Mr. Matthias Mount, gave reasons for absence from the last meeting, which were approved.

Mr. Combs and Mr. Fisher were appointed to request those persons who have lately purchased the pews which front on the long aisle, to grant leave, to have them so altered as to admit communion tables being formed, by lowering the front of the pews; also, to request the Corporation to give like permission for such pews as are still in their hands.

Mr. Peter Arvin having not appeared, a message was sent, desiring his immediate attendance, to which he sent a superficial excuse, and a declaration, that he would not come. Whereupon, ordered, that Mr. Gulick give him notice to attend at the next stated meeting, to answer to the charge brought against him by Mr. Bue - and give the same notice to Mr. Bue's witnesses.

Mr. Snowden reported, that since the last meeting, he had visited sixteen families belonging to the Congregation, accompanied with Mr. Matthias Mount; and three families which did not belong to it. That family was generally attended upon in the families of professors of religion.

but not regularly and constantly; and in some instances quite rarely.

The Session taking into consideration the many inconveniences which M<sup>rs</sup>. Gemima Smith, the widow of the late Porter of this Church, has suffered and still suffers, on account of her having no property, or none any way adequate to her comfortable support; and considering that the life and services of her late husband, have been spent and faithfully devoted to their service, and was the cause of her present temporal difficulties - Resolved, that in future they will take some measures to procure her a temporal support, while she shall continue a widow among them, and be equally in need of such support: and that for the present year, there shall be two collections on her account, with suitable previous notice - and that the first collection be made the next sabbath week

The members of Session reported, that they have found a general objection among the people to singing without giving out the line -

Whereupon resolved, that though the Session highly approve and earnestly desire that measure to be adopted; yet, as the people are not disposed favorably to it, that it be for the present postponed.

M<sup>r</sup>. Price and M<sup>r</sup>. William M. Cheney were sent for, when the former undertook assiduously and constantly to perform the duty of setting the tune, and the latter of giving out the line, in the public service of the Church; for which the Session engaged to get them exempted from the salary which they now pay.

M<sup>r</sup>. Combs and M<sup>r</sup>. Smedley were appointed to make this agreement known to the Corporation - and request their concurrence.

Whereas, there is every great need of a dwelling house in the parsonage - whereas, it is most binding duty in itself, and conducive to the success of the Gospel, to make the ministers of it easy and comfortable; and whereas, M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden himself offers to subscribe towards the house, the sum of £200.

on certain conditions - Resolved unani-  
mously, That we highly approve of the  
measure, & earnestly recommend it to  
the people; and will, by word and deed,  
do our utmost to promote it - and that the  
Congregation be immediately convened  
to attend to this business.

Concluded with Prayer

Cranberry January 6<sup>th</sup> - 1794

The session met, and was opened  
with prayer by the Moderator.

Present

Gilbert T. Snowden, Moderator.

Glalen	Deacons.
Jon. Combs Junr.	Enos Baldwin
Jacob Fisher	John Gulick
Hump. Mount	Simon Sedam
Garret Snedeker	
Matthias Mount	
Absent	
Jonathan Combs	Israel Baldwin
Sam <sup>l</sup> . Boyles	
William Dime	
John Gray Barb	

Ordered to read the minutes of the last  
meeting.

T. M<sup>r</sup> Snowden reported, that accompa-  
nied part of the with M<sup>r</sup> Snedeker, and part  
with M<sup>r</sup> Gulick, he had visited since the last  
meeting thirty seven families; that among the  
householders, family prayer, and other religious  
exercises are but irregularly attended upon,  
but that among the families in general, though  
religion is not rooted in their minds, there is,  
with little exception, an uniform reverence  
for the Gospel; and in some instances, consider-  
able impressions of divine truths thence arise.

M<sup>r</sup> Snedeker reported, that the collection  
which was made last sabbath week for M<sup>r</sup>  
Smith, pursuant to the resolve passed at the last  
meeting, amounted to the sum of nine pounds  
and eight pence  $\frac{1}{2}$ , which he has since paid  
into her hands.

On motion resolved, that the business  
of framing Communion tables by custom altera-  
tions in the form of the news, in the long wide

On account of the present state of affairs in the Congregation, be postponed till next Spring or summer.

Mr. Combs and Mr. Smedeker reported, that there had not yet been any meeting of the Corporation, in order to apply, to get Mr. Price and Mr. M. Chesney exempted from pew rent.

Mr. Matthew New and Mr. Peter Arvin being present, and each declaring his being prepared for the business on which they had attended - Mr. Rice charged Mr. Arvin with "slandering his character & asserting, that he had unjustly wrested his property from him". Mr. Arvin being asked, what answer he gave to this charge, said "that Mr. R had actually cheated, or willfully wronged him, in refusing to pay him a certain amount for some leather, which he had made for Mr. New". He stated the cir-

cumstances

-cumstances to be, that he had received some Hides of Mr. New to be tanned; and after returned them him in leather, which Mr. New refused to pay for the tanning; that he was accidentally away, when the case was before Justice Hunt, by which Mr. New, did get a legal advantage over him, he was obliged to submit, and did not pursue the matter any further, because unable to bear the expenses.

Mr. Arvin produced no witnesses to prove these facts, but simply made the recital, which being read to him, he approved;

On the other hand, Mr. New asserted, that he had indeed delivered some Hides to Mr. Arvin, and did receive some leather in return but that, as in his own opinion, and he takes in the unanimous opinion of all who saw, and did judge of it, the leather was very bad and almost entirely ruined. He did refuse to pay for the tanning. That sometime after he fired Mr. Arvin for some Cal, he had some years ago sold to him; and had many times been devalued

and disappointed in the expectation of being paid for that the first day Mr. Erwin did not appear, that the second day, which the law allowed him, he did not appear, and judgment was given against him by Mr. Hunt; in which judgment, no allowance was made. Mr. Arwin on account of tanning the hides, because Mr. Ruc never intended to pay him for such miserable leather, much of which, could not ever be at all used - and Mr. Arwin did not appear, to claim payment for the amount of leather, that immediately after judgment was given, he found Mr. Arwin sitting and conversing in a neighbor's house, not one hundred yards off - told him of what had passed and they walked back to Mr. Hunt, where Mr. Arwin said, he would go over to Mr. Vanhook and get him to write an appeal bond for him. Mr. Ruc then told him, that if

he was dissatisfied, he would willingly have consent to have all that was done reversed, and a Jury should be called, and he should abide their decision. Mr. Arwin, then said, that if Mr. Ruc would wait three months he would satisfy the judgment of Justice Hunt, and the business should be settled - Mr. Ruc consented, and the matter was concluded on those terms, but Mr. Arwin made him wait ten or eleven months for his money, and then did not pay him till his cattle were seized by the Constable.

Mr. Ruc then called upon Justice Hunt to give his testimony in the case who being sworn testified, that Mr. Ruc did give Mr. Arwin on account of some beef that the day before they were to have tried before him, Mr. Arwin came to him and said that he could not attend, and begged the cause might be put off, and on the second day Mr. Arwin did not appear, when after waiting about an hour and a half, beyond the hour they were to attend at, he gave judgment in favor of Mr. Ruc - that Mr. Ruc

Went out and shortly returned in Company with Mr. Arvin, when they both came to him, and standing close together, attending to what was done and said. Mr. Blue said, that Mr. Arvin was dissatisfied with the judgment - he has an account against me of some Leather tanned for me, which I will never pay unless forced by Law; but if Mr. Arvin chooses, I will consent to have your judgment rescinded and a Jury called. They then stepped, and were sometime at the door when they returned, Mr. Blue said, Mr. Arvin consents to the judgment you have given against him, if I will stay three months for my money, which I will - Then turning to Mr. Arvin, he said, is it not so Mr. Arvin - "Yes says Mr. Arvin, I am left to the judgment, with Mr. Blue's waiting three months." Mr. Hunt added, it was six months or more before Mr. Blue took out an Execution.

This testimony being read to Mr. Hunt, he said it was accurate.

The parties retired, and after some conversation, on motion, the following question

was put - Is Mr. Arvin guilty of Slandering the character of Mr. Blue - and was unanimously resolved in the affirmative. The Session then took into Consideration the nature of the punishment due to his fault - and, on motion resolved, that Mr. Arvin be admonished & unless at the meeting of the Session, expected to be held next Saturday week after divine Service, he give satisfactory evidence of repentance, he be suspended for three months from that day from the communion table of the Church.

The parties were then called in, the judgment of the Session was read to them, and Mr. Arvin was solemnly rebuked - and this business and the meeting was concluded with prayer.

Note. There was no meeting of the Session, on Saturday the 10th. as was expected, inasmuch as there were no applications for admision to the ~~the~~ communion of the Lord's Supper, to be administered the next day; and Mr. Arvin appears, or give any intimation

to any member of the Session, that he design-  
-ed to acknowledge his faults. He is therefore  
suspended three months from the 10<sup>th</sup> of Janu-  
-ary.

Cranberry, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> 1794.

The Session met, and was opened  
with prayer by the Moderator:

Present.

Gilbert J. Snowden, Moderator.

Deacons.

Jacob Fisher  
Garret Snodden  
John Sleybank

Deacons  
Eneas Baitchorn  
John Gutlich  
Simon Sedam

Absent.

Jonathan Combs  
Samuel Bayles  
Jonathan Combs Jun.  
William Permie  
Hampshire Mount  
Mathias Mount

Israel Baldwin

Ordered to read the minutes of the last  
meeting.

M<sup>r</sup>. Sleybank gave reasons for his ab-  
-sence from the four last meetings, which  
were approved.

M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden reported that, accompanied  
with M<sup>r</sup>. Gutlich, seven or nine families since  
the last meeting; and similar remarks may be  
made respecting their spiritual state, as were made  
in his former reports.

It having come to the knowledge  
of the Session, by public and general report,  
that M<sup>r</sup>. John Buncare, an aged communicant  
has, for sometime past, taken to the expounding  
of spirituous liquors; and that one considerable  
if not the great immediate cause of his falling  
into this pernicious and unchristian practice  
was, the oppression of spirits, by a considerable  
temporal loss - M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden and M<sup>r</sup>. Fisher  
were appointed to visit M<sup>r</sup>. Buncare, to enquire  
into the grounds of the public report, to struggle  
-on him against such a sinful practice, and to



give him all suitable Christian comfort and instruction; and to make report at the next meeting

Mr. Snowden informed the Synod, that some weeks past, when visiting in company with Mr. Guelick the family of Barn Vanderbeek, they had a full conversation with him respecting his being occasionally overcome with liquor; that he confessed that he had been at times guilty, but was sorry for it, and strove against it; that though he did not exhibit full and striking evidences of conviction and grief on account of his fault, yet seemed so much sensible of it, as to afford them comfort; and that they desired him to come to the next meeting of the Synod, and make the same acknowledgments, as he made to them - and he would be no longer debarred from the communion, as he has totally been, provisionally. Mr. Vanderbeek made no objection, but did no promise to come: but seems that he has repented to come, and seemed ready to deny that he was deserving of any reprehension. Whereupon the Synod resolved, that Mr. Vanderbeek do

appear before the Synod on Monday the seventh day of April, to answer to the charge of having been intoxicated with liquor on sundry occasions; that Mr. Snowden give him notice of this censure; state to him the occasions in which he has erred, and mention to him the persons who can prove he was intoxicated; and to endeavour to bring him to such a state of mind, that no regular trial may be necessary, by his coming freely, and owning humbly his sin and error in this article.

Mr. Snedeker brought in three receipts given by Mr. Hunt, for sermons collected in the Church for the poor and other congregational purposes, viz. one of January 26<sup>th</sup> 1790, for the sum of seven pounds, sixteen shillings and fourpence; one of July 12<sup>th</sup> 1790, for the sum of three pounds, twelve shillings and four pence, and one of October 9<sup>th</sup> 1790, for the sum of one pound, eleven shillings and nine pence, rent, paper, and past Jersey paper and copies. Whereupon ordered, that these receipts be put into the hands of Mr. Snowden to get the money repaid

by Mr. Hunt, & that Mr. Snowden enquire after, and endeavour to obtain of Mr. Hunt a certain certificate of nine pounds, or thereabouts; and for all monies which may be in his hands, or in the hands of the Corporation which belongs to this Session.

On motion resolved, That the next meeting of the Session shall be on the first Monday in April, at one o'clock.

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry April 7<sup>th</sup> 1792.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present.

Gilbert S. Snowden, Moderator.	Deacons
Olden	Enos Baldwin
William Ferris	Israel Baldwin
Humphrey Mount	Simon Sedam
Garret Snedeker	
Matthew Mount	
John Stuyvesant	

Absent

Deacons.

Elders  
Jonathan Combs  
Samuel Bayles  
Jonathan Combs, Junr.

John Gulick

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting.

Mr. Perrine, Mr. Kunschoy Mount and Mr. Israel Baldwin gave reasons for their absence from the last meeting, which were approved.

Mr. Snowden reported, that he and Mr. Fisher had visited Mr. Leman and had conversed fully and freely with him; that he received very well what they said to him, but denied all insinuations of being excessive in the use of spirituous liquors; and promised, that least he might be interpreted on occasions without suitably noticing it, he would keep on his guard against so hurtful and sinful a habit.

Mr. Snowden reported, that he had

carefully conversed with Mr. Vanderbeek, but found him very little humbled under a sense of his error; which however he did not pretend to deny, only excusing himself chiefly by saying, that every man had his own failing which ought to be passed over; and that, if he humbled himself to God, he ought not to be brought before the Session.

He further said, as he thought the session unduly severe, he was resolved never to come before the Session, and that they might do just as they pleased - Whereupon, resolved unanimously that whereas the session have for the whole year past been using all lenient measures, and have often conversed in private with him Mr. Vanderbeek; and whereas they are in the use of bringing persons before them, not for trial, but to hear in perfect privacy their confessions and give gentle rebukes; and whereas he was invited by Mr. Snowden to come before the Session, only to acknowledge his fault, under the promise it should then be forgiven, the session do think Mr. Vanderbeek unjustifiably

obstinate, and do again cite him to appear before them for trial, on wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> instant.

Mr. Snowden reported, that he expects to bring the matters respecting Mr. Hunt's receipts and a certain certificate to a conclusion, and make a report against next meeting.

Mr. Steybaek was appointed to attend Mr. Snowden as the representative of this Church, the ensuing meeting of Presbytery, to be held at Kingsington, on Tuesday the 22<sup>d</sup> instant, at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Combs came, and his reason for his late attendance was approved.

Mr. Snowden, Mr. Combs and Mr. Fisher were appointed to appear at the ensuing meeting of Presbytery, in the name of the session to state and explain the proceedings of the session previous to, and in the trial of Mr. Rowland Morris, for certain scandals imputed to him by Mr. John Storey, Mr. John Gulick and Mr. Henry Waiggomer, all communicants in

in this Church, and to defend the judgment passed, and punishments inflicted on Mr. Morris, on that occasion - from which he has, at a late meeting, had several petitions to appeal.

For motion resolved, that in case the Synod should annul the judgment & censure of the session, the moderator, and all the other members of session who may be present; be authorised if they think proper, to appeal in the name of the Session, from that decision, to the Synod.

An application was made by Mr. Mileyback for some money towards a collection to buy a Cow for the Widow Cox, who has totally lost the one she had.

Resolved, that the session will supply the deficiencies of the subscription Mr. Mileyback is carrying about, and that he report to the session next Wednesday week, what success he has had in collecting money for this purpose

Adjourned, to meet on Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup> instant, after

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry April 16<sup>th</sup> 1795.

The session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present

Gilbert T. Snowden, Moderator	
Elders	Deacons,
William Perrine	John Gulick.
Humphrey Mount	

Absent

Jonathan Combs	Emo Baldwin
Samuel Bayles	Israel Baldwin
Jonathan Combs Junr.	Simon Sedam
Jacob Fisher	
Garret Smedeker	
Matthias Mount	

Mr. Saml. Vanderbeek appeared

before the Session and acknowledged, that he had several times been overcome with strong drink, that he abhorred & detested such conduct in others, and especially in ~~others~~ in himself; that he watched, strove and prayed against the prevalence of such an infirmity; that he was sorry that he had not been more humble in complying with the requisitions of the Session, and prayed that his offense might be passed over, and he permitted to enjoy the privileges of the Church. Whereupon resolved, That the Session is fully satisfied with the acknowledgement made by M<sup>r</sup>. Vanderbeek; that there is good reason to believe he is penitent for his infirmities; and that he continue to enjoy all the benefits and privileges of the Church.

Concluded with prayer.

Canterbury May 3<sup>d</sup> 1794

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present  
Gilbert T. Snowden, Moderator.

Elders	Deacons
Jonathan Combs, Jun <sup>r</sup> .	Enos Baldwin
William Ferrine	John Gulick
Jacob Fisher	Israel Baldwin
Humphrey Mount	Simon Steadman
Garret Friedeker	
Matthias Mount	
John Sleyback	

Absent.

Jonathan Combs  
Sam<sup>l</sup>. Bayles.

M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden reported, That the following persons viz.

Gilbert Sutphin	Nathan Loosbergh
Charity Sutphin	Sarah Loosbergh
Catherine Davidem	M <sup>r</sup> . Duvel
Vandyke	

had made application to be admitted on the Sabbath approaching into the Communion of this Church; that he had conversed fully with each of them as to their exercises and state of mind, and as to their knowledge of divine things, and of the ordinance of the Lords Supper; and that he found perfect freedom in recommending them to the Church, to be received into its membership. The Session being acquainted with the characters and laws, and knowing of no immorality or any existing cause, why they should be refused - Resolved, that the foregoing persons should be admitted to morrow into the Communion of the Church;

Whereupon, the Moderator stated to the candidates the principles of our holy religion, agreeably to the confession of Faith - to which they expressed a cordial assent: he then gave them some advice relative to their duties at the approaching solemnities, and through

life, and solemnly reviewed and welcomed them into the visible Church of Christ.

M<sup>rs</sup> Dennis made application to the Session for the like admission, and was conversed with about her spiritual knowledge & exercises; but as her life and conversation were unknown to them, and she had applied so late, her case was deferred, till the communion in July.

M<sup>rs</sup> Snowden reported, that M<sup>r</sup> Peter Arvin, who had been debarred the privileges and communion of the Church, by a resolve of the Session, passed January 6<sup>th</sup> had been to him, desired forgiveness of his misconduct and desired forgiveness; and had also, applied for liberty to bring his child to the ordinance of Baptism.

M<sup>rs</sup> Snowden further reported, that at the subsequent sabbaths, he had called M<sup>r</sup> Perrine and M<sup>r</sup> Humphrey Mount together before divine service began; that M<sup>r</sup> Arvin expressed his petition for them, and made the same request to them for baptism for his child

and that these gentlemen, and himself being satisfied, had freed him from the censure he was under, and had permitted him to bring his child, that day, to the Sacrament of Baptism. Whereupon resolved, that the Session approve of the above proceeding of Mr. Snowden and these gentlemen; & that Mr. Arvin is again fully restored to all Church privileges.

Concluded with prayer.

Warrenberry June 9<sup>th</sup> 1794.

The session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present

Gilbert J. Snowden, Moderator	Deacons
John Combs, Junr.	Enos Baldwin
William Perrine	John Gulick
Jacob Fisher	
Thompson Mount	
Garret Sandaker	
Absent	
John Combs	Israel Baldwin
Samuel Boyles	Simon Seaman
Matthew Mount	
John Rayback	

Ordered to read the minutes of the three last meetings.

Mr. Fisher and Mr. Gulick, gave reasons for their absence from the meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> of April last, which were justified.

Mr. Jonathan Combs, Junr. Mr. Fisher, Mr. Matthias Mount and Mr. Enos Baldwin, gave reasons for their absence from the meeting, on the 16<sup>th</sup> April, which were justified.

Mr. Snowden reported, that he and Mr. Rayback had carefully attended on the session of the Presbytery, held at Kingston in April.

Mr. Snowden reported, that Mr. Morris had made his appeal to Presbytery, from the judgment of the session of March 1792; and produced the following minutes from the records of <sup>the</sup> Presbytery.

"Whereupon resolved, That Mr. Snowden and Mr. <sup>Combs</sup> <sup>be</sup> a Committee, to endeavour, if they can find time to prepare against the meeting

"of the Committee from the Presbytery;  
 "a clear and full narrative of all the facts  
 "and circumstances contained in, and referred  
 "to in the the several charges which have  
 "been preferred against him before the Session."

Mr. Snodcker, was appointed to repre-  
 sent this Church at the meeting of Pres-  
 bytery, to be held in this place.

On motion resolved that Captain Rich-  
 ard Handley be immediately spoken to,  
 to prepare a dinner to morrow for the  
 Presbytery and the members of the Committee  
 and that the Session will charge themselves  
 with the payment of the Cost.

Concluded with prayer

Cranberry June 10<sup>th</sup> 1794.

The Committee who in conjunction with  
 the Session of the Church of Cranberry, "to  
 "examine into the whole merits of the case relative  
 "to Mr. Reuben Morris's trial and condemnation  
 "by that Session", and bring it to an issue meet,  
 and was constituted with prayer

Present - of the Committee  
 Ministers.

Mr. John Woodhull  
 Mr. Joseph Clark  
 Mr. William Boyal  
 Elders.

Mr. John Coveyhaven  
 Mr. Thomas Cook, of the Church of Freehold  
 Mr. John Vanduyke, of the united Churches  
 of Kingston and  
 Mr. Samuel Wycoff, of the united churches of  
 Allentown and Nottingham  
 Absent - Ministers  
 Doctor Samuel Smith.  
 Mr. Thomas <sup>Elder</sup> Hamilton, of the Church of Freehold



Present, of the Session of Cranbury

Gilbert T. Snowden, Minister,

Elders.

Deacons

Jonathan Combs, Junr.

William Penne

Jacob Fisher

Humphrey Mount

Garret Smedeker

Matthias Mount

John Stoyback

Emos Baldwin

Isaac Baldwin

Simon Sedam

Absent.

Jonathan Combs

Samuel Bayles

John Gulik

Mr. Woodhull was chosen Moderator,  
and Mr. Snowden Clerk.

The Committee and Session, proceeded to some length in enquiring into the nature of the business before them; and then adjourned to meet to morrow morning, at 6 o'clock.

Concluded with prayer

June 11<sup>th</sup> 1794.

The Committee and Session met, and was opened with prayer.

Present - the same members, as the day before

As the request made by Mr. Snowden and Mr. Stoyback, at the last stated meeting of Presbytery, to have a Committee appointed to assist the Session, in reviewing the whole business of Mr. Morris's accusation; and to assist them in coming to a judgment in that case, was, a request of only a part of said Session.

The Session retired and reported, that it was they unanimously and cheerfully engaged in the request of Mr. Snowden, Mr. Fisher, and Mr. Habacht.

The parties having expressed, that they were prepared to attend to the business of meeting. The accusers were desired to present their charges against Mr. Morris - They then presented their charges - which were, as follows, viz

After reading the charges, a question was taken, Whether they are cognizable before the Judicatory; and was by an unanimous vote, determined in the affirmative.

On enquiry, it was found that some of these charges, referred to transactions some years before the matter was first brought before the Session of this Church - and a question arose, whether they were not precluded by the 11<sup>th</sup> rule of regulating trials in cases of scandal, but it appeared by the minutes of the Session, that Mr. Morin had not only consented, but had actually requested that his trial should proceed in them all.

All the testimony of the Session on the records were then read, and the several of Mr. Morin were heard in confirmation of the charges they had brought. Mr. Morin was heard in defence on all the charges exhibited against him, and some further testimony being brought by him, was admitted. When the parties were heard they withdrew - and the Committee & Session

agreed to take up each charge distinctly, and take a question upon it. Whereupon the first brought by Mr. Storey was read, and whole testimony relating to it - and after much debate, the question being taken, it was resolved, that said charge is sufficiently substantiated - Mr. Clark, Mr. Covenhoven & Mr. Mathias Morin requested, to have their dissent to that decision entered in the minutes, which was granted.

On the second charge brought by Mr. Storey, there was considerable debate; and then the meeting was adjourned, to meet to morrow morning, at 8 o'clock.

Concluded with prayer.

June 12<sup>th</sup> 1792

The Committee and Session met, and was concluded with prayer.

Present, the former members at the day preceding; except Mr. Boyd, Mr. Joel Bowler

and Mr. Sedam.

Mr. Clark reported, that anxious to compose the differences subsisting between the parties Mr. Woodhull and the attending Elders had called the parties together last evening; and that after considerable conversation and conciliatory explanations, they had been so happy, as to bring the parties to an amicable agreement; and that the request of Mr. Morris had desired him to inform the Judiciary, that they withdrew their charges, and desired no longer to be considered as business-men. Mr. Clark also, presented the terms on which the parties came to an agreement, and to which they had signed their names; which being read, were ordered to be inserted in the minutes - and are as follows VVh.

Mr. Morris also presented two instruments of writing, which being read were ordered to be inserted in the minutes; and are as follows, VVh.

A dismission and recommendation being prepared, was signed by the Moderator and Clerk of the Session and delivered to M<sup>r</sup>. Morris.  
Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry July 26<sup>th</sup> 1792

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator

Present

Gilbert D. Snowden, Moderator

Elders

Deacons

Jonathan Combs, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Enos Baldwin

Jacob Fisher

Garret Smedley

Absent

Jonathan Combs

John Gulick

Samuel Bayles

Israel Baldwin

William Perome

Simon Seaman

Thomas Mount

Matthias Mount

John Slyback

M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden reported, that a negro woman, belonging to M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Koolman

had made application for admission to the Communion of the Church, and from a full conversation with her, she seemed a proper person to enjoy the sealing ordinances - After some further conversation with her, Resolved, that she be admitted into the communion of the Church - and she having made a profession of faith, agreeably to the principles of this Presbyterian Church, was solemnly admitted and welcomed into the bosom of the visible Church.

M<sup>r</sup>. Tho<sup>s</sup> appeared, and presented a certificate, dated the 15<sup>th</sup> instant, respecting M<sup>rs</sup>. Stephen Voorhes, intimating that Catharine his present wife is in full communion and in good standing in the Church of Kingstons, and that she is permitted to join any of the other Churches - and expressed her desire to be joined to this Church - Resolved, that M<sup>rs</sup>. Catharine be taken into the care of this Church and be admitted to all its privileges.

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry August 4<sup>th</sup> 1794

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator

Present

Mr. Gilbert Snowden, Moderator	
Elders,	Deacons.
William Perrine	Ebenezer Baldwin
Garret Smedeker	John Gulick
Matthias Mount	Israel Baldwin

Absent

Jonathan Combs	
Samuel Bayles	
Jonathan Combs, Junr.	Simon Sedam
Jacob Fisher	
Humphrey Mount	
John Slaback	

Ordered to read the minutes of the last stated meeting, and the meeting of the 26<sup>th</sup> July.

Mr. Matthias Mount and Mr. Israel Baldwin, gave reasons for their absence from the last stated meeting, which were sustained.

Mr. Snowden reported, that he and Mr. Smedeker, had carefully attended the meeting of, held at Cranberry, on Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June

Mr. Smedeker reported, that Mr. Morris had paid considerable part of the expenses, arising from the late meeting of Presbytery in this place - Ordered, that the Treasurer discharge the remainder of the amount,

Mr. Snowden reported, that the collections raised in the past year, had been paid to the Treasurer of the Presbytery, at the meeting in April; and produced a receipt from the Treasurer, which was ordered to be inserted in the minutes - and is as follows

Princeton April 23<sup>d</sup> 1794. Received of Mr. John Slaback, Elder of the Church of Cranberry, by the hands of Mr. Snowden, the sum of twenty dollars, collected in that Church for the supporting the Missionaries on the Frontiers; the sum of three dollars for supporting Mr. Hollingsworth Hunt; and the sum of three dollars for support of poor students of divinity (Signed) John Hanna Secy. of the Pres. of N. Brunswick

Mr. Mount 3  
 Stud. Brown 3

Mr. Snowden produced the minutes of the joint meeting of the Committees of Presbytery and of this Session, to whom the Presbytery had referred the examination and review of the proceedings in the case of Mr. Reuben Morris; which, being read, were ordered to be inserted in the minutes, and are - see page 133 & 139

Ordered, that a collection be made for Mr. Jemima Smith, next Sabbath Week, and that notice be given of it to the Congregation next Sabbath.

Concluded with prayer

Warren, September 14<sup>th</sup> 1794.  
Sabbath Afternoon

The session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present

Gilbert S. Snowden, Moderator.

Elders

Deacons

Jonathan Combs, Junr.

Enos Baldwin

William Perrine

John Gulick

Jacob Fisher

Israel Baldwin

Humphrey Mount

Simon Sedam

Garret Snedeker

Matthias Mount

Absent.

Jonathan Combs

Sam<sup>l</sup>. Bayley

John Slaback

Mr. Jacob Fisher was appointed to attend with Mr. Snowden, the ensuing meeting of the Presbytery, to be held at the City of New Brunswick, on Tuesday next.

at eleven O'Clock.

Ordered, That agreeable to a resolution of the Presbytery, at their meeting in April, a collection be made next Sabbath for defraying the expenses of the members of Sepim, in their attendance on the Presbytery and Synod, for the present Year.

Concluded with prayer.

Canberoy October 10<sup>th</sup> 1795.

Saturday afternoon

The Sepim met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present

Gilbert J. Snowden, Moderator

Elders.

Jonathan Conby, Junr.

William Perrine

Jacob Fisher

Jeremiah Mount

Matthew Mount.

Deacons

Enos Baldwin

John Gulick

Israel Baldwin

Simon Sedam

Absent

Jonathan Conby

Saml. Bayly

Garret Sandaker

John Starbuck

Mrs Margaret Kee having made application for admission to the Communion of the Church, was conversed with as to her views in making that request, and as to her exercise of mind and religious principles; and she having given satisfaction to the the Sepim, and having made a profession of Faith, agreeable to our Confession and Catechism, was, solemnly admitted with prayer to the communion of the Church.

Mrs Anne Dennis, not having appeared to renew her application, her case was deferred.

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 1792.

Monday Afternoon

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator Present.

Gilbert T. Snowden, Moderator.

Elders.

William Ferrini  
Jacob Fisher  
Garret Smedeker  
Matthias Mount

Deacons

Enos Baldwin  
Israel Baldwin  
Simon Seddarn

— Absent —

Jonathan Combs  
Samuel Bayles  
Jonathan Combs, Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Humphrey Mount  
John Slabach

John Gulick

Ordered to read the minutes of the three last meetings.

Mr. Fisher and Mr. Sedarn, gave reasons for absence from the meeting August 14

and Mr. Smedeker for absence from that of October 10<sup>th</sup>, which were approved.

Mr. Combs came, and his reasons for not attending sooner, were justified.

Ordered that it be in the minutes

That then the exceeding inconvenience to himself and the members of the Session, neither Mr. Snowden nor any of the Session, had attended the late meeting, of the Synod, held at New York, on Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup> of October.

A letter from the Synod of New York & New Jersey, dated October 21<sup>st</sup>, to all the Churches under their care, stating forth a variety of important causes for serious religious concern, and tranquillity in the minds of all God's people; and recommending to said Churches - that Tuesday the sixth day of January next be observed, as a day of humiliation, fasting and prayer - was read, and resolved, That the Session do most cordially approve of, and will comply with said



Recommendation; and that said Tuesday shall be observed as a day of humiliation fasting and prayer in the Church of Cranberry.

Mr. Fisher reported, that, agreeable to his appointment, he had attended with Mr. Snowden, the meeting of Presbytery, held at New Brunswick, in October.

Mr. Simon Sedain was appointed to attend with Mr. Snowden, as representative from the Church, the meeting of Presbytery to be held at Boundbrook, on Tuesday the second day of December, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Whereas, from several unavoidable circumstances, the collection for defraying the expenses of the members of Sepim, in their attendance on the meetings of Presbytery and Synod for the present year, was very small, and quite inadequate - Resolved, That on next Sabbath week, another collection for said

purpose be made, and that due previous notice be given to the people.

Mr. Smedeker reported, That he had not yet settled with Captain Handley, for the expenses which arose from the meeting of Presbytery in Cranberry, in June last.

Mr. Snowden reported, That agreeable to an order made on Feby 11<sup>th</sup>, he had conferred with Mr. Hunt, relative to certain moneys in his hands belonging to the Sepim; and Mr. Hunt said, the sums mentioned in three certain receipts were in his hands. - Whereupon resolved, That Mr. Smedeker, Treasurer of the Sepim be, and he is hereby authorized, to call on Nathaniel Hunt, Esqr; late Treasurer of the Corporation to receive, and hold for the use of the Sepim, certain moneys, amounting to the sum of thirteen pounds and five pence; part specie and part silver paper - agreeable to three receipts under the hand of Mr. Hunt.

Resolved also - That Mr. Smedeker be, and he is hereby authorized, to receive of Mr. Hunt,

that sum, be it more or less, which Mr. Hunt obtained in return for a quantity of Copper. Mr. Hunt was directed to sell for the Sessior.

Mr. Snowden reported, That the tokens he had been ordered to procure, were in great forwardness or nearly finished by this time; and that he expects to produce them, at the next meeting.

On motion, resolved, That instead of having a stated meeting in each month, there shall be henceforth only six stated meetings in a year, viz. on the first Mondays of February, April, June, August, October and December.

Adjourned, to meet on the third Monday in December, at one o'clock.

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry, Saturday December 31<sup>st</sup> 1791

The Sessior met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present.

Gilbert Tennant Snowden, Moderator,

Elders.

Jonathan Combs, Junr

William Ferris

Jacob Fisher

Humphrey Mount

Garret Smedley

Deacons

Enos Baldwin

John Gulick

Israel Baldwin

Simon Sedam

Absent.

Jonathan Combs

Samuel Bayles

Mathias Strait

John Slaback

Mr. Snowden reported, That there had been no new applications for admission to the Commission; but that Mrs. Anne Deacons had renewed her application, and begged the Sessior would consider her case at this meeting, though she should not be present herself.

as she had no way of conveyance, and lived so distant.

Upon consideration resolved, that Mrs Anne Serin, be admitted to the Communion of this Church.

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry, Monday Feb 2<sup>d</sup> 1796

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator

Present.

Minister

Gilbert Tennant Snowden, Moderator.

Elders.

Jonathan Combs, Junr.  
William Perrine  
Humphrey Mount

Deacons.

Enos Bowdoin  
John Guilek  
Israel Bowdoin  
Simon Sedam

Absent.

Jonathan Combs  
Samuel Bayles  
Jacob Bisher  
Gershet Smedeker  
Mathias Mount

Ordered to read the minutes of the two last meetings.

Mr. Guilek gave reasons for absence from the last stated meeting, which were justified.

Mr. Sedam reported, that he had attended with Mr. Snowden the meeting of Presbytery held at Brown's brook, in December

Mr. Smedeker being absent, no information was received, about the collection ordered at the last meeting; the payment due to Captain Handley, and the two orders on Mr. Nathaniel Hunt Esq<sup>r</sup>. for sundry moneys.

Mr. Snowden reported, that he expected to have the tokens brought up from Philadelphia the first opportunity.

A circular letter, signed by Walter Dill and David Atwater, to the ministers and Churches of various denominations in the United States of America, was read, relating to the measures which sundry Ministers had taken, to procure a general concert in prayer, for the revival of religion and spread of the Gospel; the success they had met with; and the encouragement they had received from various ministers and public bodies in the Church of Christ - sundry resolutions

of the Synod at their last meeting, were also read - by which it appeared, that the Synod "did, most cordially approve of the proposed union and concert in prayer, "did recommend the same to all the Churches under their care; and did recommend that the afternoon of the first Tuesday in January, April, July and October, be employed for that purpose, within their bounds". The Session convened on the subject, and resolved, that they rejoice at the proposal; desire to give thanks to the Head of the Church, for giving to his servants and people the spirit of prayer, and a sense of spiritual wants, and that they will adopt the plan recommended by the Synod; and give the union and concert their hearty concurrence and support.

M<sup>r</sup>. Snodden and M<sup>r</sup>. Gulick were appointed to enquire of M<sup>rs</sup>. Charity Stevenson, one of the members of the Church, what particular help she may need; and were authorized to afford her such help, as they may judge

till the next meeting.

On Motion, Resolved, That the Clerks who read and set the Psalms in the public service of the Church, be directed to sing the last in each service and the Doxology, without giving out the line.

Concluded with prayer

Cranberry, April 20<sup>th</sup> 1795.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator

Present. —

Gilbert J. Snodden, Moderator,	
Elaben	Deacons
Jonathan Combs, Jun <sup>r</sup>	Ezer Baldwin
Jacob Fisher	John Gulick
Humphrey Mount	
Garret Snodden	
Matthias Mount	

Absent —

Jonathan Combs	Garret Baldwin
Samuel Boyler	Simon Sedam.
William Ferris	
John Slaback	

Ordered, to read the minutes of the last meeting.

Mr Fisher, Mr Smedeker and Mr Matthias Mount, gave reasons for absence from the last meeting, which were sustained.

Mr Matthias Mount, in a case of his failure, Mr Garret Smedeker was appointed, to attend with Mr Snowden the meeting of Presbytery, to be held at Trenton, on Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> instant

Mr Smedeker reported, that Mrs Charity Stevenson, was found to be in need only of some wood, which they had obtained for her.

Mr Snowden reported, That, agreeably to the request of most of the members - several weeks past, Mr Fisher and himself, had visited Mr John Davis, one of the Communicants, who had been guilty of intemperance and other gross improprieties, which were universally known and spoken of - that they found him in the judgment of Charity, sensible of, and humbled under

his fault; and they would faintly hope, truly penitent. - The case being considered, Resolved, That Mr Davis be, and he is hereby suspended from the enjoyment of Church Privileges, until the next meeting of session.

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Whereas, there appears sufficient cause to fear, that Mr Peter Arvin and Mr Sam Vandesbeck have frequently, for sometime past, acted unworthy of their Christian calling - Resolved, That Mr Snowden be appointed to converse with these persons, and caution them against those sins, by which they may be too easily beset.

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry, May 2<sup>th</sup> 1795

Saturday, after Divine Service

The Synod met, and was opened with prayer.

Present

Minister

Gilbert J. Snowden, Moderator.

Elders

Deacons

Jonathan Combs, Junr.

William Perrine

Jacob Fisher

Humphrey Mount

Garret Sneider

Matthias Mount

Enos Baldwin

John Gulick

Israel Baldwin

Simon Sedam

Absent.

Jonathan Combs

Samuel Bayles

John Stabark

M<sup>rs</sup> Isabella Barton, after conversation with M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden, apart; and a further conversation with the Synod, made her religious exercises and prayers, and having made a suitable profession of faith,

was admitted into the communion of the Church.

M<sup>r</sup> Okey Van Houghton, having produced a Certificate of his being a regular member in full Communion in the Dutch Church of ~~at~~, and desiring to become a member of this Church was admitted. Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry August 20<sup>th</sup> 1795.

The Synod met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present.

Gilbert J. Snowden, Moderator.

Elders.

Deacons.

Jacob Fisher

John Gulick

Humphrey Mount

Israel Baldwin

Garret Sneider

Simon Sedam

Absent

Jonathan Combs

Sam<sup>l</sup>. Bayles

Jonathan Combs, Junr.

William Perrine

Matthias Mount

John Stabark

Enos Baldwin

Ordered, to read the minutes of the two last meetings.

Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Sedam, gave reasons for absence from the meeting in April, which were sustained.

Mr. Snowden reported, that Mr. Matthias Mount had carefully attended with him, the session of Presbytery at Trenton in April.

Mr. Gulick reported that, agreeably to a nomination to that duty made by the session, after divine service the sabbath preceding, he had attended with Mr. Snowden the meeting of Presbytery, held at Baskingridge, on Tuesday, the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June.

Mr. Snowden resigned some reasons for having omitted to converse with Mr. Brown and Mr. Vanderbeek, which were accepted and he was desired to take occasion to censure them against such impropriety, as they may not be sufficiently guarded against.

Ordered, That the Treasurer produce his accounts at the next meeting, that they may be examined and settled.

Ordered, That such members as have attended any of the Juridicatories of the Church, since April of last year, produce, at the next meeting, the accounts of their expeditures in attending the same, that they may be paid; agreeably to the standing rule made for that purpose.

Mr. Israel Baldwin, was appointed to attend with Mr. Snowden, the meeting of Presbytery, to be held at Princeton, on Tuesday the sixteenth day of September, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

Mr. Smedley reported, That he had received from Nathaniel Hunt, Esquire, the sum of fourteen pounds, fourteen shillings and two pence; being the amount of two debts made out, on November 4<sup>th</sup> 1791, directed to Mr. Hunt - to obtain certain monies, deposited in his hands in trust, some years ago.

Mr. John Davis appeared, and when the Session had truly and fully conversed with him, on the subject for which he had been at the meeting in April, suspended from Church Privileges; and they being entirely satisfied with him. Resolved, that he should again be received into full communion with the Church.

Mr. Smedeke, produced the following receipt from the Treasurer of the Presbytery, for the monies collected for the general M. which was ordered to be inserted in the minutes and is as follows.

Trenton. April 29<sup>th</sup> 1795. Received of the Church of Cranbury, the sum of eight pounds five shillings, for supporting missionaries in the frontier, and for the use of the general M.

£ 6 5

(Signed) Gilbert T. Snowden  
Treasurer of the Presbytery  
of New Brunswick.

Ordered, That the Treasurer pay Mr. Snowden, the sum of seven pounds, on account of 345 tokens, and a mould for making them, which he has procured from Philadelphia.

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury

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School House opened  
with prayer by the Moderator

Present

Gilbert T. Snowden Moderator	
Elder	Deans
Samuel Bayles	Humphrey Mount
Jonathan Combs Junr.	Garret Soudker
William Perma	Eric Baldwin
Garb Stecher	

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confusion

unanimously

visited

table



Cranberry March 21<sup>st</sup> 1796

The Society met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present

Gilbert T. Snowden, Moderator.

Elders.

Deacons.

Jonathan Combs, Junr.

William Perrine

Jacob Fisher

Humphrey Mount

Garret Smedeker

Matthias Mount

John Gulick

Isaac Bradwin

Simon Sedam

Absent.

Jonathan Combs

Samuel Bayles

John Staback

Enos Bradwin

Ordered, to read the minutes of the last meeting.

M<sup>r</sup> Combs, M<sup>r</sup> Perrine and M<sup>r</sup> Matthias Mount, gave reasons for absence from the last

meeting, which were detained.

Mr. Israel Baldwin reported, that he had attended with Mr. Snowden, the last meeting of Presbytery, held at Princeton in September last, agreeably to his appointment, at the last meeting.

Mr. Smedley reported, that agreeably to an appointment made on Sabbath the 22<sup>d</sup> day of November last, immediately after divine service, he had attended with Mr. Snowden, a meeting of Presbytery held at Princeton, on the 25<sup>th</sup> of said month.

Mr. Matthias Mount, who was appointed on Saturday, the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October last, immediately after divine service, to attend with Mr. Snowden, the meeting of Synod held at Newark on the 20<sup>th</sup> of said month - gave reasons why Mr. Snowden and himself did not attend that meeting, which were sustained.

Mr. Snowden informed the Session, that by reason of the indisposition he laboured under, at the time, he had forgotten to send word to the Session to appoint a member to attend a meeting of Presbytery held at Princeton, on Tuesday, the 23<sup>d</sup> of February last.

The Session took into serious consideration the circumstances of Mr. Jeremiah Smith, Widow of the late Pastor of this Church, Mr. Thomas Smith; and of Miss Anne Smith her daughter, particularly her need of a comfortable habitation. And Whereas, within a year past, a subscription for raising her money to build her a house on her lot has been headed through the congregation - but has not been yet been prosecuted to full effect - Whereas also, the Presbytery of New Brunswick have raised for said benevolent purpose, a sum, exceeding two hundred Dollars - And whereas, it is highly necessary that said business be carried on spiritedly, and brought to a close. But on the other hand, as various objections

Objections are made by many members of the Congregation to the business, grounded on the apparent unprofitableness of Mr. Smith's reports to her - Therefore Resolved, That Mr. Snowden, Mr. Combs, Mr. Fisher, wait on Mr. Smith, to advise and endeavor to persuade her to so dispose of them, as to remove said objections - And Resolved, That the members of the Session divide the Congregation into fixable districts, and immediately carry the subscription to all who appertain to them And that report to be made of both these matters at the next meeting

Whereas, the Collection made yesterday for supporting Missionaries on the Frontiers, is less than the Session conceive it the duty of this Church to contribute - Resolved, That Mr. Snowden do, and he is hereby authorized and directed to notify to the people to raise another collection, on the day of having the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper administered in A. B.

Resolved, That the next meeting shall be held this day four weeks, at One O'Clock.

Concluded with prayer

Monday April 10<sup>th</sup> 1796

No members of Session appearing, but Mr. Smedley and Mr. Sedam - no business was done

Saturday 23<sup>d</sup>

The Session met in Church, after divine service, and was opened with prayer.

Present

Gilbert Tennant Snowden, Moderator.

Elders.

Jonathan Combs, Junr.

William Ferrine

Jacob Fisher

Thompson & Mount

Garret Smedley

Matthias Mount

Beacons

Emos Baldwin

John Gulick

Israel Baldwin

Simon Sedam

Absent.

Jonathan Combs

Samuel Bayles

John Smedley

Mr. Nathan Loofborough and Mr. Charity Sedam, two communicants having been guilty of immoral practices, which they acknowledged - for which they expressed their sorrow - Resolved, That the Session have to think, their repentance sincere; but judge it expedient, that they be debarred from the communion, on the ensuing Sacramental occasion.

Mr. Humphrey Mount was appointed to attend with Mr. Snowden the meeting of Presbytery, to be held at New Brunswick, on Thursday next, at 4 O'Clock

Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry, Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 1796.

The Session met in the Church after Divine Service, and was opened with prayer.

Present

Gilbert V. Snowden, Moderator.	
John Combs, Junr.	Deacons
William Penne	Enos Baldwin
Jacob Fisher	John Gulick
Humphrey Mount	Isaac Baldwin
Garret Souder	Simon Sedam
Matthias Mount	

Absent.

Jonathan Combs  
Sam<sup>r</sup>. Bayles  
John Slack

Mr. David Williamson and Mr. Crownhoven, having expressed a desire to be admitted to the Communion of the Church, and Mr. Snowden having expressed his satisfaction with their State of mind - and nothing appearing against their moral character. Resolved, that said persons be admitted to the communion of the Church.

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W<sup>r</sup>. Snowden having addressed in strong  
 =line and exhortations, they were admitted,  
 and the meeting was  
 Concluded with prayer.

Canberry. Monday Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> - 1796

The Sepim met, and was opened with  
 prayer.

Present:

Gilbert J. Snowden, Moderator.

Elders

Deacons.

Jacob Fisher

Ernest Baldwin

Henry Phoenix Mount

Simon Sedam

Garnet Smedeker

Absent.

Jonathan Condit

Samuel Bayles

Jonathan Condit Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Israel Baldwin

William Perrine

Matthew Mount

John Slaback

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W<sup>r</sup>. John Gulick, one of the Deacons of this  
 Church, having removed out of the bounds  
 of the Church - Ordered that his name be  
 struck off the list of the members of Sepim

Ordered, to read the minutes of the  
 meeting in March, and the minutes of the  
 preceding meeting.

W<sup>r</sup>. Ernest Baldwin gave reasons  
 for his absence from the meeting in March,  
 which were sustained.

W<sup>r</sup>. Snowden reported, that W<sup>m</sup>.  
 Smith had partly consented to part with  
 her negroes; that with a little further exhortation  
 she would no doubt part with them.

Wherefore resolved, that W<sup>r</sup>. Sedam,  
 take the subscription paper, and make  
 immediate exertions to get subscriptions,  
 and that the members of Sepim, take it in  
 turn round the Congregation, that all may  
 be done for her, which is in our power.

It appearing, that Mrs. Catharine  
 Carson, wife of W<sup>r</sup>. Perrine Carson, a member

of this Church, is in absolute poverty, and dependant wholly on charity for support, and is with her husband very desirous that Mr. Fisher and Mr. Baldwin, enquire from time to time into their circumstances, and if need be, supply them with money & other articles, for the payment of which, they are hereby authorized to call upon the Treasurers

*TS* Note. The following minutes dated Ap<sup>r</sup>: 1790. & Nov. 1790. are not used in their proper place.—

Cranberry April 15<sup>th</sup> 1790. 177.

The Psalm met according to appointment.  
Present.

Rev<sup>d</sup>. Joseph Clark, Moderator

Matthias Mount	Newben & Morine
Samuel Bayles	Humphrey Mount
Jonathan Condit, Jun <sup>r</sup> .	William Perrine

and members of the Syn

After prayer by the Moderator - Mr. Cornelius Irvine, a member of this Syn, having, on the first day of May 1776, received on loan £55 Cash belonging to the funds of this Church, and gave a bond for the same - and having redeemed the said bond with a like nominal sum in depreciated Continental money, on March 19<sup>th</sup> 1770, was by some of the congregation charged with a breach of moral honesty.

And as the bond thus redeemed by Mr. Irvine was, for sometime, not before and after until it was found, Mr. Irvine that he could remember his having received money, or giving his bond for it - some of the congregation appeared to forget his veracity in this declaration of his forgetfulness.

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At a meeting of the Synod, on Thursday  
16th April 1790.

Elders	Present	Deacons
Sam <sup>l</sup> Bayles		William Perrine
Cornelius Brown		Heuben Morris
Jonathan Combs Jun		Thompson Mount

Ordered, that Jon. Combs Jun<sup>r</sup> do attend the Pres-  
bytery of New Brunswick, and present our petition  
for liberty to present our call to the Presbytery of  
Philadelphia for the Rev<sup>d</sup> Gilbert T. Snowden

Ordered, that Jon. Combs Jun<sup>r</sup>, Nathaniel Hunt  
President of the Corporation and Charles Handley  
do wait on the Presbytery of Philadelphia, and pre-  
sent our call to that Presbytery for Mr. Snowden.

Ordered, that the Corporation be requested to pay  
to pay to Mr. Snowden Gilbert T. Snowden for  
that time he has supplied this congregation, and  
for the time he may hereafter supply it, till  
he is properly settled as our minister; as our  
other stipends have been paid.

At a meeting of the Synod Nov<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1790.

Elders	Present	Deacons
Jonathan Combs		William Perrine
		Heuben Morris
		Thompson Mount

Opened with prayer by Mr. Snowden

Jonathan Combs Jun<sup>r</sup> reported, that the orders for attend-  
ing the Presbytery, at their meeting this month, re-  
member from this Synod - in case of his absence or inability to  
attend, that Jonathan Combs Jun<sup>r</sup> attend.

Ordered, that Mr. Perrine and Mr. Morris make  
provision for the Presbytery, on Wednesday next  
Mr. Snowden being present, took this opportunity,  
in expectation of his becoming shortly, the settled Pastor  
of this Congregation, to request of the Synod their  
opinion, on the two following questions, *q<sup>d</sup>*

Whether it would not be necessary, that an  
Elder should always attend him in his  
pastoral visits to the respective families -  
*Q<sup>ue</sup>* If so, whether it would be prudent and proper,  
to converse privately with heads of families  
and others - in order on previous to a general examina-  
tion into their spiritual condition, or to make  
these pastoral visits to such on examination  
only. With respect to the first, the Synod re-  
solved, that it does not appear to them to be  
necessary, that an elder should be present at  
every family visitation - and that the Synod  
is fully authorized to direct when and where the  
Synod are willing, and request Mr. Snowden  
to call on any of them for such purposes  
- ever he may see proper; and they were

observe on the subject of the second question, that Mr. Snowden can act, as prudence and circumstances may require.

Ordered in Motion, that Mr. Snowden be paid as a supply till the 1<sup>st</sup> of November and that his salary commence from -  
 time - That Mr. Morris lay no more of the collection money into the hands of the Treasurer of the Corporation, but retain it in his hands, to be employed as the Session shall see fit - That next Sabbath week, there be a collection made for the purpose of defraying some late expenses in repairing the Session House; and that due notice be given of it next Sabbath.

Adjourned - Concluded with prayer.

The Session met, and was opened with prayer

Present

Rever. Gilbert D. Snowden, Moderator.	
Elders	Deacons
Jonathan Combs Jun <sup>r</sup>	Heuben Morris
William Perrine	Garret Swedter
Jacob Fisher	Humphrey Mount
	Conrad Baldwin

Some differences having subsisted between Mr. Morris and Mr. John Houllick - The Session being desirous to promote harmony among all the members of the Church, and to introduce Mr. John Houllick into the Session - appointed the Moderator, and Mr. Jonathan Combs Jun<sup>r</sup>, to visit these gentlemen and any others in the neighbourhood, with whom there may be any unchristian coolness and conduct - to endeavor to compose their differences, and to give them such advice and exhortation, as to them may seem



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meet and agreeable to the word of God.

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Cranberry April 1797.

The Sepim met immediately after  
divine service - by Mr. Woodhull

Present

Rev. Mr. John Woodhull, Moderator

Elders

Deacons

Jonathan Combs, Junr.

Jacob Fisher

Garret Snedeker

Matthias Mount

Humphrey Mount

William Perrine

Enos Baldwin

Israel Baldwin

The Rev. Gilbert F. Snowden being  
removed by death Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> 1797.

On motion, resolved, that Jonathan  
Combs Junr. attend the Presbytery at  
Princeton, at their meeting to set on a  
member of Presbytery, and to solicit supplies  
for this Congregation, until the meeting of the  
Presbytery in September next.

Cranberry August 19<sup>th</sup> 1797.

The Sepim met at the meeting house  
and was opened with prayer

Present -

Elders.

Deacons

Jonathan Combs, Junr.

Jacob Fisher

Garret Snedeker

Matthias Mount

Humphrey Mount

Enos Baldwin

Israel Baldwin

Absent

William Perrine

John Slayback.

Simon Suydam, one of the  
deacons of this Church being removed out  
of the bounds of this Church - Ordered, that  
his name be read out of the list of members  
of Sepim.

Ordered, That the minutes of the meeting  
of Sepim in November last, be read.

Messrs Jacob Fisher and Enos Baldwin,

who were appointed in November last, to take care of Mrs Catharine Carson, the wife of Perrine Carson, a member of this church, reported, that they had paid particular attention to their appointment; that she is since removed by Death; but things are not prepared at this time, to settle their accounts.

Ordered, that they exhibit their account for settlement, at the next meeting of session

Jonathan Corns Junr., who was appointed to attend Presbytery in April last reported, that he had fulfilled his appointment.

On motion resolved, that Mr Jacob Fisher, one of the ruling members of this Church, attend the Presbytery, at their next meeting, at New Brunswick, as a member from this session; and that he solicit supplies for this Church until the meeting of Presbytery next spring. Concluded with prayer.

Cranberry June 16<sup>th</sup> 1798.

The session met at the house of Mr. Hoar, and was opened with prayer by the moderator.

Present.

- Rev. George Stafford Woodhull, Moderator.
- Eldest Deacons
- Jonathan Corns Junr.
- Jaob Fisher
- Garret Smedley
- Matthias Mount
- William Perrine
- Thimphery Mount
- Emos Baldwin

Absent.

- Jonathan Corns
- Samuel Bayles
- John Slayback
- Israel Baldwin

Ordered to read the minutes

An unhappy difference having for some time existed between Mr Henry Lott and Annulet his wife; and the parties having proceeded so far, on their disputes with each other, as to apply in a total separation; of the said parties - And they being

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both in the Communion of this Church,  
the s<sup>es</sup>ion being convinced that it is their duty

At a meeting of the s<sup>es</sup>ion, at the meeting<sup>189</sup>  
House, in Cranberry - April 23<sup>d</sup> 1790

Present

Reverend John Woodhull, Moderator,

Elders

Jonathan Combs

Jacob Pieter

Garret Smedeker

Matthias Mount

William Perrine

No business done.

26<sup>th</sup> November 1797. Receipts of Colonel Sars  
Chambers laid before us, of £3..0..8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> for supplies  
furnished Catharine Coffin by the s<sup>es</sup>ion - ordered,  
that the Treasurer Mr. Smedeker pay the same  
out of the Charity fund, in his hands.

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in their proper place.

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At a meeting of the sepsis of the Pres-  
byterian Congregation at Cranberry, on  
the 30<sup>th</sup> November 1785

Present

The Rev <sup>d</sup> . Thomas Smith,	
Ruling Elders.	Deacons
Matthias Mount	William Perrine
Cornelius Arvin	
Jonathan Embury	

Absent

Jonathan Embury	Humphrey Mount
Samuel Bayles	Reuben Morris

Jonathan Embury, the younger, appointed  
Clerk of the sepsis.

On a settlement with the Rev<sup>d</sup>. Thomas  
Smith, find a balance due to W<sup>o</sup>. Smith of  
£19<sup>0</sup> 13<sup>0</sup> 2, on the first of Nov<sup>r</sup>. 1785

W<sup>o</sup>. Smith concurs with the above settlement  
Committee were

Nathaniel Hunt	6/25.
Charles	
Reuben Morris	

On Motion of the Rev<sup>d</sup>. W<sup>o</sup>. Smith, that money <sup>193</sup>  
be taken out of the Sunday collections for the  
payment of brick, purchased for the use of  
the parsonage - Agreed.

W<sup>o</sup>. William Perrine prays a settlement  
of his account, for work done on the Parson-  
age.

Ordered, that Cornelius Arvin do settle  
with William Perrine, respecting his demands  
of the money in his hands of the Sunday  
collections - and that he pay W<sup>o</sup>. Perrine's  
account, and W<sup>o</sup>. Smith's account for bricks  
out of the Sunday collections, if sufficient.

At a meeting of the sepsis 15<sup>th</sup> May 1787,  
at the house of the Rev<sup>d</sup>. Thomas Smith

Present.

The Rev <sup>d</sup> . Thomas Smith	
Elders	Deacons
W <sup>o</sup> . Arvin	W <sup>o</sup> . Mount
W <sup>o</sup> . Bayles	W <sup>o</sup> . Perrine
Jonathan Embury, Jun <sup>r</sup>	

The Reverend Thomas Smith reported

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to the Session, that sixty pounds per annum, is not sufficient <sup>for this</sup> to support of his family; and requests his salary, to be raised to one hundred pounds per year.

Ordered, That Jonathan Combs the younger do wait on the Corporation, and request of them to agree with Mr. Smith, to raise his salary to the sum of one hundred pounds per annum.

At a meeting of the Session, on Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1789.

Members Present.

The Rev.<sup>d</sup> Thomas Smith

Elders

Samuel Bayles

Cornelius Arvin

Jonathan Combs Jun<sup>r</sup>

Deacons

William Perrine

Humphrey Mount

Jonathan Combs the younger reported, that he had obeyed the order of the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1787, and that the request hath been complied

with by the Trustees.

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Jonathan Combs the younger, informed the Session, that the Trustees request their direction in a person, to be appointed to take care of the meeting house, and to occupy the Session house as a Tenant.

Order, That Zebulon Morfitt, be recommended as a fit person, to take care of the meeting house, and to occupy the Session house.

The Reverend Thomas Smith departed this life, Decem<sup>r</sup>. 23. 1789 (at a meeting of the Session) 26<sup>th</sup> January 1790

Members Present.

Mr. Bayles & Elders { Reuben Morris & Dea  
Mr. Arvin { Humphrey Mount & Jun<sup>r</sup>

On motion of Jonathan Combs, the younger, by his letter, do, lodge the money in his hands, of the collections for the poor, in the hands of the Trustees, taking the Presidents receipt for the same, promising to return it, when called for, by the Session.

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At a meeting of the Session, on Tuesday  
the 16<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1790 -

Members present

Elders	Deacons
Matthias Mount	William Perrine
Consuelius Arvin	Humphrey Mount
Jonathan Combs, Junr.	

Mr. Perrine reported, That he had obeyed the order of the 26<sup>th</sup> of January last, and taken a receipt of President Mount, for the sum of £7. 10. 4 - the receipt given Ruben Morris.

William Perrine laid before the Session, a quantity of old copper of the Sunday Collections, and requested direction, how to dispose of them.

Ordered, that Mr. Perrine lodge the old copper in his hands, of the Sunday Collections with the President of the Trustees, and request of him, that the Trustees dispose of it in the best way they can, for the use of the Congregation.

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Mr. Perrine reported, That he had lodged in the hands of the Trustees, a quantity of old Continental Money, in Bills, amounting to £52. 17. 6, the nominal sum, that he believes, he received from Mr. Arvin.

On the question, whether we send a Commissioner to Presbytery, or send a Memorial - Voted, a memorial.

Ordered, That Jonathan Combs, the younger, get a memorial drawn, and after having it inspected, sign it, as Clerk of the Session.

Ordered That Mr. Morris take charge of the Sunday Collections, and lodge the monies with the President of the Trustees, for the purpose of paying supplies - till order otherwise -



Note.-- It ought to be observed  
 that the reasons why the the preced-  
 ing minutes of the proceedings of the Syn-  
 odon are <sup>in some parts</sup> imperfect are the following --  
 My predecessor Mr. Snowden, had intended  
 to transcribe them fairly in this book, he  
 however went no farther than page 14 &  
 was prevented by death from pushing his  
 design <sup>fully</sup> in execution -- On my becoming  
 pastor of the congregation of Cranbury, the  
 rough minutes were put into my hands, but  
 a <sup>some</sup> great part of them were written in the  
 margin which I was not able to decipher  
 --- The session determined that so much  
 of the minutes as could be understood should  
 be fairly transcribed, -- Wherein there  
 been sentences left out, it is to be observed  
 that such sentences were in the manuscript  
 marked in short hand

\* short hand -

G. J. Woodruff

Cranbury, June 16<sup>th</sup> 1798.

The Session met agreeably to appointment & was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Present. —

Rev. George Spafford Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Elders.

Jonathan Combs Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Jacob Fisher.

Garret Snidker.

Matthias Mount.

William Perrie.

Humphrey Mount.

Deacons

Enos Boulden.

Absent — John Stabach, Elder — & Israel Boulden, Deacon.

An unhappy difference, having taken place between Henry Lott & James Lott his wife which has terminated in a total separation from each other; & they being troubled in public communion in the Church, the Session thought it their duty to take particular notice of the conduct of said parties, & endeavour if possible to reconcile all differences between them. — It appeared to the Session that several unsuccessfull attempts, had already

been made to reconcile the said parties, ---

After deliberations on this business the Session agreed, that all further proceedings there in should be postponed until their next meeting to be held in the church at Cranbury on Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup> inst. --- Previous to which time, the parties shall have legal notice of the meeting, --- And the Session do hereby appoint M<sup>r</sup>. Sniederker to give notice thereof to M<sup>r</sup>. Lott, --- & M<sup>r</sup>. Fisher to give notice to M<sup>r</sup>. Lott. ---

Messrs Fisher & Perine, were appointed a committee, to examine the accounts of M<sup>r</sup>. Sniederker, the treasurer of sabbath collections, & report at the next meeting. ---

The Mod.<sup>o</sup> was appointed to draw up a minute respecting the calling & ordination of the present pastor of this congregation. ---

Adjourned to meet at Cranbury on the 30<sup>th</sup> inst. ---

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury, June 30<sup>th</sup> 1798. <sup>203</sup>

The Session met agreeably to adjournment & was opened by prayer by the Mod.<sup>o</sup> ---

Present ---

Elders

Deacons

Rev. G. S. Woodhull Mod.

Jacob Fisher  
Garret Sniederker  
Matthias Mount  
Wm Perine  
Jonathan Combs Esq

Israel Baudin

Absent: Humphrey Mount Elder & Levi Baudin  
Deacon

The Moderator who had been appointed to bring in a minute respecting the calling & ordination of the present pastor of this congregation produced the following ---

"The Rev. Gilbert Torment Inquirer having been pastor of this congregation for the space of six years & months departed this life on the twentieth day of February in the year of our Lord seven hundred & Ninety seven. --- A Sermon on occasion of his

death was delivered by the Rev. D. S. I. Smith from Rev. 14. 13. "And I heard a voice" & And his remains were interred in the burying place of this congregation -- Every tribute of respect was paid to his memory, that a grateful & affectionate people could pay to the memory of a beloved & faithful pastor --

The congregation finding themselves thus destitute of a pastor & being fully sensible of its being for the interest of this church & the general interest of the Redeemed Kingdom that the vacancy occasioned by the death of their late pastor should be filled up as speedily as possible, - on proper notice being given to the congregation, agreeably to the direction laid down in the form of government, they convened in the church on the sixth day of March in the year of our Lord, fourteen hundred & ninety eight, -- The Rev. Samuel F. Snowden delivered a discourse judicious to the occasion -- This meeting being principally designed, to take into consideration the propriety of delivering a call to M<sup>r</sup>. George Spafford Woodhull, a candidate for the Gospel Ministry, & who had been lived by the presbytery of New Brunswick, at Cranbury Nov. 14. 1797. -- the question being put in the usual form, it was unanimously agreed that a call should be presented to M<sup>r</sup>. Woodhull.

At a meeting of the presbytery of New Brunswick held at Teulon on the day of April next ensuing the date of the above meeting of the congregation, the call to M<sup>r</sup>. George Spafford Woodhull, was presented in proper form by M<sup>r</sup>. Garret Snieder, & Jonathan Combs Esq. who were a deputation from the congregation for that purpose. -- The call being submitted to the presbytery, & presented to M<sup>r</sup>. Woodhull he declared his free acceptance thereof.

The Presbytery then appointed the sixth day of June 1798 for the ordination of M<sup>r</sup>. Woodhull -- and assigned him Exod. 22. 8. "Remember the Sabbath day" as a subject of discourse previous to ordination. Rev. S. F. Armstrong was appointed to preach an ordination sermon & M<sup>r</sup>. Woodhull to preside & give the charges. -- On the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June M<sup>r</sup>. Woodhull delivered a discourse before the presbytery on the subject assigned him and was examined on the nature of the discipline & on Church Government -- all which were sustained as the concluding part of trials for ordination. -- On the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 1798 the Rev. M<sup>r</sup>. S. F. Armstrong having delivered a discourse (according to appointment) before a numerous assembly, and M<sup>r</sup>. Woodhull having pointed out the nature of

the ordinance Mr. George Spafford Woodhull was ordained by prayer & imposition of hands, & installed pastor of the congregation of Cranbury. -- Mr. John Woodhull then gave suitable charges to Pastor and people. --

~~Mr. Isaac Snowden~~, Mr. Isaac Snowden having removed with his family from Philadelphia & now residing within the bounds of this Congregation, presented to the Session the following certificate, -- viz --

"This is to certify to all, whom it may concern, that the bearer hereof Mr. Isaac Snowden, has been for many years past, a deacon & member of Session in the second Presbyterian church in the city of Philadelphia, & always in good standing, & that at his request (having removed his family from the city) he is now dismissed, -- and that he is cordially recommended, to any Church of Christ where God in his providence may order his lot. -- Given at Princeton this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 1798. by Abner Green, Pastor of the church aforesaid."

The Session thinking it necessary that <sup>207</sup> other members should be added to their number, did unanimously agree to nominate Mr. Isaac Snowden as an Elder of this church according to the usual mode of electing members of Session. -- and that this resolve be publicly mentioned from the pulpit on the next Sabbath. -- The Session do also agree that Messrs Thomas Allen & Elijah Mount, be nominated as Deacons, & that this resolve be also publicly mentioned on the next Sabbath, & if there should be no objection that the above named persons be ordained to their respective offices at some convenient time. --

Messrs. William Reine & Isaac Fisher who were appointed at the last meeting to examine the accounts of the treasurer Mr. Friederick Repord, that they had examined said accounts, from the date of a settlement made by Mr. Snowden, & Messrs Sedam & Gulick, & that they found in the hands of the treasurer a balance of

Fifty pounds & three pence due to the church-- The following is a statement of the accounts as they stand in the treasurers book. (viz)

In different pages, which have been summed up money recd.	L. S. D.		Disbursements	L. S. D.	
Rs. D. 1/2	9	6	3	6	5
9	6	3	2	13	9
2	4	11	1	9	8
8	7	17	2	9	
8	7	1	8	10	6
9	11	2	2	9	
0	21	18	4	13	3 3/4
	66	9	30	11	7 3/4
Rs. D. 1/2	14	2			
Total	80	11	10	3/4	
Amount	30	11	7 3/4		
	£ 50	0	3		Due to the church

Collections for special purposes--

The treasurer has receipts for different payments of the monies collected for the purpose of the Gen. Assn. as follows--

Receipt No.	From	L.	S.	D.
1	From Rev. John Hanna	10	10	0
2	G. T. Snowden	8	5	
3	J. Hanna	9	15	
4	G. T. Snowden	14	1	9 1/2
5	Do	10	17	5
6	J. Hanna	12	10	
7	G. T. Snowden	9	5	
8	J. T. Snowden	7	7	5
9	G. T. Snowden	5	5	4
10	Do	1	15	2

£ 95 12 1/4

June 18<sup>th</sup> 1798

Signed

Mr. Penne }  
Jacob Fisher } Committee

Resolved That the treasury of the Sepion be authorized to purchase a bound book for the purpose of keeping his accounts. —

M<sup>r</sup>. Fisher stated to the Sepion that he had spoken to M<sup>r</sup>. Abraham Berger, who consented to act as assistant Clerk in this church. —

Henry Lott & Anne Lott his wife who have continued for some time past, in a state of separation, contrary to the marriage agreement, & the Sepion having had proper that they should be called before them, & the said Henry & Anne Lott having had legal notice given them of this meeting, appeared before the Sepion & the following charge was exhibited against them, viz.

You Henry Lott & Anne Lott are charged with having broken the marriage covenant between yourselves, which has appeared in your frequent contentions with each other in your having continued in a state of separation, & from your still continuing well fully in such separation, much to the offence of your Christian Brethren, to the dishonor of religion, & the wounding of your own souls —

To this charge the parties both plead guilty so far as that they have had frequent contentions with one another & had for some time past lived in a state of separation, — And M<sup>r</sup>. Anne Lott who acknowledges she has left M<sup>r</sup>. Lott her husband, asks liberty to give her reasons to the Sepion, why she has done so. —

M<sup>r</sup>. Lott not having her witnesses present this business was deferred untill the next meeting.

Ordered That previously to the next meeting of the Sepion M<sup>r</sup>. & M<sup>r</sup>. Lott have copies of the charge exhibited against them, & that they have legal notice of the time & place of the next meeting. —

Adjourned fine die.

Concluded with prayer

3<sup>d</sup>. Sab. Aug. 1798

Mr. Isaac Snower who had been no-  
minated by the Session, as an elder of this  
Church, - whose nomination had been pub-  
licly mentioned from the pulpit & no ob-  
jection being made ag<sup>t</sup> him, was on the  
third sabbath of August 1798 solemnly or-  
dained as an elder in this church in  
presence of the congregation -

Messrs Thomas Allen & Elijah Mount  
whose names had also been publicly men-  
tioned as candidates for the office of Dea-  
cons, in this church & against whom no  
objections had been made, not being present  
their ordination was postponed -

G. L. Woodhull

Oct. 13. 1798

This day Messrs Thomas Allen & Elijah Mount  
were solemnly ordained as Deacons in this church  
in presence of the congregation -

Cranbury, October 13. 1798.

The Session met & was opened by pray-  
er by the Moderator -

Present -

Rev. George Stafford Woodhull, Mod-  
Rev. Doctor John Woodhull. -

Elders -

Jonathan Combs Esq.  
Jacob Fisher -  
Garret Snidder -  
Mathias Mount -  
Humphry Mount -  
William Perine -  
Isaac Snower -

Deacons

Israel Baulden  
Thomas Allen  
Elijah Mount.

Absent - John Sabath Esq. & Enn Baulden



The Session proceeded to the election of a member to attend a meeting of the Synod of New York & New Jersey, to be held at New Ark on Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> inst. when M<sup>o</sup> Isaac Snowden was appointed for that purpose.

M<sup>o</sup> & M<sup>o</sup> Lott together with their witnesses having been properly cited appeared before the Session,

The following are the reasons which M<sup>o</sup> Lott gave for having left her husband

M<sup>o</sup> Lott informed the Session that some things she was able to prove, but many of the abuses she had received, have <sup>been</sup> between themselves, which she is willing to swear to but had no other evidence.

1. Before my daughter was married he turned me out of doors, & shut the door against me, - my daughter is my evidence in this.

2. At another time when I bought a trifle for my daughter, to the amount of 12/6 he threatened to kick <sup>me</sup> & to gortid the

merchants trusting me, - witness the same.

3. Something more than two years ago he made a bargain with my son in law, without my knowledge to board me, since which time he has never found me in good or cloath's, - except making one pair of shoes when I found the materials, I asked him to make me another pair, but he refused witness M<sup>o</sup> Schenck.

4. After this he ordered me to take my bed out of his room, or he would <sup>take</sup> it from me, & said he would be divorced - witness Jacob Schenck.

5. Before this he seized me by the throat at night, which together with other ill treatment & his wishing a divorce, made me fear he might be permitted to take away my life.

6. He has often pulled my cap from my head, I turn out my hair, & several times kicked me over. - I when I threatened to complain, he has daid me to it, & ordered me to go to my fathers.

7. He has often driven me to work out of doors, - & has refused to get me help, in the house when I have been unable to do hand

## Article 1.

Before my daughter was married he turned me out of doors, I shut the door against me —

Mary Schenck, the evidence being duly sworn was asked —

Question. Before you were married do you remember that M<sup>r</sup>. Lott turned M<sup>r</sup>. Lott out of doors? —

Witness. I do. — He put his foot against her chair, & she fell on the floor, — he turned her out of doors & fastened the door against her, it being at that time a very dark night, —

Quer. by M<sup>r</sup>. Lott. — Was it not because she sent you to a spinning frolic against my will? —

Ans. No. — it was for going to the singing school. —

Article 2<sup>d</sup>.

At another time when I bought a trifle for my daughter to the amount of 12<sup>s</sup>/6. he threatened to kick me, & to forbid the merchants trusting me,  
 Witness the same. —

Quer. Do you remember any thing of this? —  
 A. He forbid the merchants trusting her, — threat-ened to kick her & followed her out of doors,

I went after him to see whether he would kick her, but he did he did not. I will not be positive, whether he then threatened to advertise her but I rather think he did — he afterwards did advertise her. —

Article 3<sup>d</sup>.

Something more than two years ago, he made a bargain, without my knowledge with my son in law, to board me, once which time he has not found me in food or cloathing except &c. —

Jacob Schenck, the witness being duly sworn was asked. —

Q. Did M<sup>r</sup>. Lott, make a bargain with you to board M<sup>r</sup>. Lott? —

Ans. Yes, he did —

Q. Did you board M<sup>r</sup>. Lott according to your terms? —

A. I did. —

Q. What terms? —

A. The time one year, & I was to have the use of the plantation. —

Q. Did M<sup>r</sup>. Lott. — Did you not hear me ask her to come & live with me? —

A. I did — some weeks after the first year was expired. —

Q. By Mr. Snider, Did you hear the reasons why Mr. Lott, wished you to board Mr. Lott?  
 A. At the time of the agreement he told me of the difficulties between them, - he knew that I was not ignorant of the disturbances - he said he had a little money, & could live decently by himself, & disturb nobody - he often spoke of their contentions & told me he would rather live by himself & maintain himself.

Q. by Mr. Lott. Did I not tell you the reasons why I wished to live by myself -

A. You told me of no reasons except the contentions between you & Mr. Lott. -

Q. Do you know whether Mr. Lott, for the last two years, has found Mr. Lott, in bed or clothing -

A. He has not as far as I know. -

Art. 4. -

After this he ordered me to take my bed out of his room, or he would take it from me, - I said he would be divorced -

Witness the same -

Q. Do you know any thing of this? -

A. Yes - He said that some of his neighbors had told him, that he could take her death out from him, & every thing she had &

turn her out naked, & the law would allow him in it. - He came to me & told me that he had determined to get a divorce, & get another companion, that the law would allow him in it. -

Q. Did he say that he could get a divorce or that he would? -

A. - He told me that he would. - And that he would go to the Governor, - he told this a number of times. -

Now Schuch on the same article -

Q. Do you recollect any thing respecting Mr. Lott ordering the bed out of the room? And saying that unless Mr. Lott took it away he would take it from her? - Am. did not hear <sup>any</sup> say it but Mr. Lott did say -

Q. Did you hear any thing respecting the divorce, &c.

A. Yes I heard him speak of it. -

Q. by Mr. Lott. Did you not hear of my making proposals to make up with Mr. Lott? -

A. - After the first year was out, I heard such proposals, & I heard you tell her you would give her cost & honor, to take her to her father if she would never come back. -

Art. 5.

Before this he seized me by the throat at night, which together with other ill treatment & his cuffing, a divorce made me fear that he might be permitted to take away my life.

So this there were no witnesses. Mr. Lott confessed, that he laid his hands on Mr. Lott's throat, but declared that he had no intention to injure her, & the reason that he did so was because she began the affray first.

Art. 6.

He has often pulled my cap from my head & torn out my hair; - I several times kicked me over -

Evidence Mary Schanck -

Q. Do you recollect any thing of this?

A. He has pulled her cap off several times.

Q. Was he in an anger?

A. He appeared to be so.

Q. Did you observe he pulled out any of her hair?

A. The time he turned her out of doors he did.

Q. Did he ever kick her over?

A. He would - I has often threatened to do it.

Q. Did he order her to go to her father's?

A. He did.

Q. Do you recollect his daring her to complain to the Sepion - <sup>Q. 1.</sup>

A. When she threatened to complain to the Sepion he told her that he dared her to do it.

Art. 7.

He has often driven me to work out of doors & has refused to get me help in the house when I was unable to do the work.

Witness the same -

Q. Do you know any thing of his driving her out of doors to work?

A. Yes - He drove her to the barn to the oxen - has often driven her to gathering corn - raking on honest fields & meadows & such kind of work.

Mr. Lott produced Mr. Nicholas Schanck to prove, that he had offered to find Mr. Lott drunk; my & also to make up all differences between them, Mr. Schanck was sworn -

Q. by Mr. Lott. Do you remember that in your story I offered to get her cloathing?

Witness - I do - I asked Mr. Lott if he would get Mr. Lott a gown, - he said he would get her any thing she wished, - I asked Mr.

Lett if she would take the gown but she refused -

Q. by W. L. Do you remember that at my house I asked her if she would make up? -

A. Yes - she agreed on certain conditions - if you would suffer her to keep her grand child, she would make up -

M<sup>rs</sup> J. M<sup>rs</sup> Lott being asked whether they had any further testimony to offer declared they had not. - When upon the Session concluding that no further light could be obtained proceeded to consider their case, and after much deliberation, did unanimously resolve to refer, & accordingly did refer the above case of M<sup>rs</sup> J. M<sup>rs</sup> Lott to the justice of the Court to whom I did request, and do hereby request their decision thereupon.

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> 1799. -

The Session met and was opened by prayer by the Moderator.

Present -

Rev. George Sheppard Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Elders -

Jonathan Combs J<sup>r</sup>,

Jacob Filtum -

Garret Snidiker -

Humphry Mount,

Jaac Snowden -

Absent -

John Flaback, - Mr. Dennis, - Matthew

Jonathan Combs - Samuel Bayley -

Jos. Bawdin Deacon -

The minutes of the last sitting not being present the reading of them, was necessarily postponed, until the next meeting, -

M<sup>rs</sup> Snowden who was appointed to hold a meeting of the Synod of New York & New Jersey, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of October last

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M<sup>r</sup>. Fisher who had been appointed, to attend a meeting of the presbytery at New-Brunswick on the first Tuesday of November last, Reported that they had fulfilled their appointments.

M<sup>r</sup>. Ezekiel Price declined serving any longer, as Clerk to the Congregation, on account of ill health. — The Session appointed M<sup>r</sup>. Elijah Mount, in assistance to M<sup>r</sup>. Berger, until M<sup>r</sup>. Price should resume his office as Clerk. —

The Session unanimously agreed to recommend to the congregation that the present method of singing by reading the line, be discontinued, & that the members of the congregation, be exhorted, to furnish themselves with the books, & that part of the solemn worship of God be conducted with out reading the line. — The Session agree that this resolution be announced to the congregation, that they may have sufficient time to consider the subject & that the propriety of introducing this method of singing be referred to them, on which a vote is ordered to be taken, at their next yearly

meeting in the Spring. —

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The Session appointed Nephie Fisher & Combs a committee to wait on M<sup>r</sup>. Smith, widow of the late Rev M<sup>r</sup>. Smith & enquire into her situation whether she stand in need of any assistance, from the Session, & the said committee are authorized to draw upon the treasurer, for any sum they shall think proper for the use of M<sup>r</sup>. Smith, & report at the next meeting. —

Adjourned to meet at M<sup>r</sup>. Jacob Fisher's, on Monday the 25.<sup>th</sup> of Feb<sup>r</sup> next —

Concluded with prayer. —

At the house of M<sup>r</sup>. Fisher Feb. 25. 1799.

The Session met agreeably to adjournment, & was opened by prayer by the Moderator. —

Present

Rev. George Shafford Woodhull Mod <sup>r</sup>	Deacons
Elder —	Israel Baudouin
Jonathan Combs Esq <sup>r</sup>	Elijah Mount —
Jacob Fisher —	
Wm Perrine —	
Jamshy Mount —	

Abstr. Garet Sudeker, Matthias Mount,  
Jesse Snowden, John Haback, Jonathan Combs,  
Jen. Saml Bayley, Elden, & Enos Baudin  
& Thomas Allen Deacons —

The minutes of Session, the reading of which were postponed at the last meeting, were laid before the Session & read, I also the minutes of the last meeting. —

Mrs Combs & Fisher, who were appointed a Committee to wait on Mr. Smith, to enquire into her situation, &c. Reported, that they had waited on Mr. Smith, & that they had drawn from the treasury, the sum of six Dollars, which they have presented to her —

On Motion Resolved that the above committee be continued & that they be authorized to draw on the treasury for any sum they may think necessary for Mr. Smith's support at the next meeting —

Adjourned to meet in the Church at Cranbury on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of April next

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury April 6. 1799 — 221

The Session met agreeably adjourned  
I was opened with prayer by the Mod<sup>er</sup> —  
Records —

Mrs. G. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup> —  
Elden — Deacons —

Jacob Fisher — Brad Baudin  
Garet Sudeker  
Jesse Snowden  
Wm. Pennie —

Abstr. — Jonathan Combs Exp. Humphrey Mount,  
Matthias Mount — John Haback, Jonathan Combs,  
Jen. Saml Bayley, Elden — Elijah Mount, Enos  
Baudin, — & Thomas Allen Deacons —

I did read the minutes of the last meeting. —

Mrs. Fisher who had been appointed to wait on Mr. Combs, a Committee to enquire into Mr. Smith's situation, &c. Reported that they had ordered the sum of six Dollars for her use —

It being represented to the Session that Charles Robinson, an aged person

man (a member in communion with this church) was in such circumstances as to stand in need of assistance, the Session appointed Mr. Side-  
 her to enquire particularly into his situa-  
 tion, & give him such assistance as he may  
 think proper. I report at the next meet-  
 ing.

Resolved That a collection be made  
 on Sunday, the 25<sup>th</sup> inst: (being a national  
 fast day) for the purpose of raising the sum  
 of eight pounds, which sum is required by  
 the presbytery, for the purpose of defraying  
 the expenses of Commissioners, to the Gen.  
 Assembly.

Agreed that each member of the  
 Session present make out a list of the names  
 of the heads of families in the congregation  
 & present them to the Session at the next  
 meeting.

Adjourned.

Concluded with prayer

April 25<sup>th</sup> 1799 - A national fast day -

After sermon the Moderator called the  
 members of Session together. I informed them  
 that the Presbytery, to whom was referred the case  
 of Henry & Anne Lott had decided thereupon.  
 I said the following is an extract from the  
 minutes of presbytery. —

"New Brunswick April 24<sup>th</sup> 1799 -

The Session of the church of Cranbury presented  
 a request, on the case of Henry & Anne  
 Lott his wife both members in full communi-  
 on in said church, who it appeared had fre-  
 quent contentions with each other, & had for  
 some time past lived in a state of separation.  
 The proceedings of the Session having been  
 read, Presbytery resolved that the Session be  
 advised, to suspend Henry & Anne Lott from  
 the peculiar privileges of the church, at the  
 present as living in a state of difference & hosti-  
 lity, with one another, that is inconsistent with  
 the character of Christians - & that the Session  
 hereafter judge from the penitence & conduct  
 of the parties whether it shall be for the  
 honor of religion to restore both or either



of them to the privileges which they appear  
to have forfeited by misconduct."

A true extract.

G. S. Woodhull, Ck,

Whereupon unanimously resolved, that Henry  
and Anne Lott be suspended agreeably to  
the advice of Presbytery, & they are hereby  
suspended.

Adjourned

On the second Sabbath in November 1799,  
the sacrament of the Lords Supper was admi-  
nistered, - the Session admitted to the communion  
for the first time the following persons (viz)

Canterbury April 10<sup>th</sup> 1800-

The Session met & was opened with  
prayer by the Moderator.

Present.

Rev. G. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>n</sup>.

Elders -

Jonathan Combs Esq.

Wm<sup>s</sup> Perine -

Jacob Fisher -

Garret Snidcher -

Matthias Mounk -

Isaac Snowden -

Deacons

Israel Baudin

Elijah Mount -

Th<sup>s</sup> Allens

Absent: John Slaback - Humphrey Mount  
Jonathan Combs Jun. - Sam<sup>l</sup> Bayley - Glenn  
& Enos Baudin Deacon -

Ordered to read the minutes of the last  
meeting.

Mr. Snidcher who had been appointed  
to enquire into the circumstances of M<sup>r</sup> Robinson  
reported that he was in a needy situation & that  
he had provided cloathing for him to the  
amount of £. 10. -

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Messrs Snowden & Snidcher were appointed  
a committee to enquire farther into the circum-  
stances of M<sup>r</sup> Robinson, & to give him what  
assistance they may find he needs -

Ordered that the sum of 7. 10. 0. be de-  
lected on Sabbath after next, to be sent to  
the treasurer of the Presbytry, at their  
next meeting.

Ordered that each member of the Synod  
make a list of the names of the communi-  
cants as far as his knowledge of them ex-  
tends & give them in at the next meeting -

Mr. Snowden was appointed to attend  
a meeting of the presbytry at Princeton  
on the fourth Tuesday of this month,

Messrs Fisher & Combs were continued  
a committee to enquire from time to time  
respecting the circumstances of M<sup>r</sup> Smith  
directing to call upon the treasurer for such  
an assistance as she may need.

Adjourned 2

Concluded with prayer

On Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup> 1800. - The day previous to the communion, the Session met in the church after sermon, & the following persons were admitted to the communion for the first time (viz) - M<sup>rs</sup> Gertrude Woodhull - Mary Anderson (wife of Ephraim) - Lydia Brown (wife of Jeremiah) & Margaret Gravatt - Sarah Edwards -

M<sup>rs</sup> Ann Staback was appointed to attend a meeting of Presbytery at Kingston - June 3, 1800.

M<sup>rs</sup> Humphry Mount was appointed to attend a meeting of Presb<sup>y</sup> <sup>at Kingston</sup> June 23, 1800 -

Cranbury - Aug<sup>th</sup> 23. 1800 -

The Session met & was opened by prayer by the Moderator. -

Present -

Rev. G. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup> -

Elden -	Deacons -
Jacob Fisher -	Thos. Allen,
Garret Snideker -	
Humphry Mount -	
Jaas Snowden -	

Adj<sup>ts</sup> - Jonathan Combs, Esq. M<sup>rs</sup> Dina John Staback - Matthias Mount - Jonathan Combs, son - Samuel Bayley - Elders - and Israel Baudin - Enos Baudin - & Elijah Mount. Deacons -

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting.

Messrs Snowden, & Snideker who were appointed to enquire into the circumstances of M<sup>rs</sup> Robinson, reported that they had furnished her with clothing to the amount of \$3. 13. 6. 1/2 -

Whereas it is necessary that the Session should have an accurate list of the names of the communicants in the congregation Resolved, That the communicants, be requested, to give in their names, in writing together with the time of their being admitted, to the communion, as nearly as they can recollect, to the member of the Session, who may serve the table at the time of the next administration of the Sacrament. —

Mr. Snowden who had been appointed to attend a meeting of the Presbytery at Princeton Reported, that he had attended that meeting. —

Resolved that the treasure pay to Mr. Smith, the sum of four Dollars, on the last Monday in this month, & that this donation be continued quarterly until the Session otherwise order —

Whereas there are a number of loose minutes, of the proceedings of the Session, during the time of Mr. Snowden's being pastor of this congregation, which have never been transcribed, Resolved, That the Moderator, be authorized to arrange those minutes in their proper order, & employ some person to transcribe them, in the blank book which as it appears Mr. Snowden had procured for that purpose, & that he be directed to call on the treasurer, to defray the expence of such transcribing.

In order to encourage the children of the congregation in becoming acquainted with that excellent summary, of the principles of our holy religion, contained in the shorter catechism, of the Westminster Assembly. Resolved, that at the next general catechising in the church, two premiums be given to the two, who best answer their questions in the following manner (viz) The highest premium to be given to the one who

best answers the questions with proofs  
 & the second to be given to the one who  
 is most perfect in answering the ques-  
 tions of the shorter catechism without  
 the proofs — The Session shall  
 be judges of the proficiency of the  
 children, & the names of those who  
 shall be that worthy to have the pre-  
 miums, shall be mentioned publicly  
 on the Sabbath following the collecti-  
 ons. — The first premium to be  
 a Bible & Lane way to her school-  
 door. — The second a Bible —

Adjourned —

Concluded with prayer

Mr. Fisher was appointed to attend a meet-  
 ing of the Presbytery at New Brunswick on  
 the third Tuesday of September 1800 —

October 5<sup>th</sup> 1800 — Sunday — The Session  
 met between sermons. — Elizabeth Van-  
 Dyke, made application for the baptism  
 of her illegitimate child, whereupon (she  
 having made the usual confession, testified  
 that her child be admitted to baptism, —  
 Mr. William Perine, was appointed to attend  
 a meeting of the Synod, of New York & New Jersey  
 at Elizabeth Town. on the third Tuesday of  
 this month —

October 19<sup>th</sup> 1800 — Sunday — The Session  
 met before sermon & agreed to admit <sup>for the first time</sup> to the  
 Sacrament of the Lords Supper which was  
 that day to be administered the following  
 persons (viz) — Mary Davis (wife of John)  
 Mary Embley (wife of John) & George  
 of Peter —

Cranbury, Nov<sup>r</sup>. 13<sup>th</sup>. 1800. —

The Session met according to ap-  
point<sup>ment</sup> & was opened with prayer by the  
Moderator. —

Present. —

Rev. G. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>. —

Elders.

Garret Snidder —  
Jesse Snowden —  
Humphrey Mount. —  
Jonathan Combs Esq. —

Deacons —

Thomas Allen —

Absent. — Jacob Fisher, — John Slaback —  
Matthias Mount. — Mr. Perrine, Jan<sup>y</sup>. Boy —  
Jos. Elden & Enos Baudin, Israel Baudin  
& Elijah Mount Deacons. —

Resolved to read the minutes of the last  
meeting. —

Ordered that M<sup>r</sup>. Snowden & M<sup>r</sup>.  
Fisher be a committee to inspect the  
treasurers accounts, & report at the next  
meeting. —

Jonathan Combs Esq. reported that Jonathan  
Combs Jr<sup>m</sup>, who had been for a length of time  
a member of this Session, departed this life  
in the Ninetieth year of his age, on the  
twenty ninth of October last. —

The Moderator reported that he had employ<sup>d</sup>  
a person who had completed the transcribing of  
the old minutes. —

The treasurer deposited in the hands of  
the Moderator, the sum of 11 Dollars & 40 cents  
for the purpose of defraying certain incidental  
expences of the Session. —

The Session gave a certificate of good  
standing, & dismission to M<sup>r</sup>. Dennet, copy  
of John Dennet, who was about to remove  
from the bounds of this congregation. —

Adjourned. —

Concluded with prayer. —

Cranbury Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> 1801.

The Session met agreeably to appointment & was opened by prayer by the Moderator.

Present  
Rev. G. S. Woodhull Modr.

Elders—	Deacons
Jonathan Combs Esq—	Gros Bauldin
Garret Snidcher—	Isaac Bauldin—
John Haback	
Humphry Mount—	
Jacob Fisher.	
Isaac Snowden	

Absent— Sam<sup>l</sup> Bayle, Mr. Perine & Mr. Matthias Mount Elders. And Thomas Allen & Elijah Mount Deacons.

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting.

Isaac Snowden & Fisher who were appointed to examine the treasurers accounts, brought in their report, which

is as follows viz—

"Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> 1800. — As the subscribers being a committee appointed by the Session 13<sup>th</sup> of last month at their last meeting for the purpose of arranging & settling the accounts of M<sup>r</sup>. Garret Snidcher, Treasurer, of the Sabbath collections, we find a balance in favor of the congregation of thirty pounds, 14<sup>s</sup>. 9<sup>d</sup>. —

Isaac Snowden  
Jacob Fisher—

"NB. — There is a note of hand of M<sup>r</sup>. James Barclay, in the treasurers hands besides the above balance, due the Session of Fifty Dollars, on interest from the first of April 1800—

Isaac Snowden  
Jacob Fisher—

"Dec. 6. 1800 —

Resolved That the Deacons be particular in making the Sabbath collections, & they are hereby earnestly

By requested that they do not in general consider the few persons that may occasionally be present, as a sufficient excuse that for not paying proper attention to the aforesaid collections. — And also resolved that if at any time there should be no Deacons present in the congregation, that the attending Elders do then consider it as their duty, to raise such collections, & they are hereby requested to act accordingly. —

It being represented to the Session that Mr. Thomas Sodon (a member of the church in full communion) together with his family were in needy circumstances, Resolved that Messrs Snowden & Snidcher be a committee to supply him with necessaries to the amount of thirty shillings in the manner they shall see most proper. —

Messrs Snowden & Snidcher were

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also appointed a committee to enquire into the circumstance of Mr. Robinson & give him such assistance as they may find he needs, not exceeding the sum of thirty shillings. —

Adjourned. —

Concluded with prayer.

Cranbury, April 10<sup>th</sup> 1801. —

The Session met & was opened by prayer by the Moderator. —

Present. —

Rev. G. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>. —

Elders —

Matthew Mount. —

Mr. Perine —

Govt Snidcher —

Humphrey Mount. —

John Haback. —

Dacons —

Israel Babson —

Thos. Allen —



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Absent - Jonathan Combs Esq. Jacob Fisher - Isaac  
Snowden Elder - Enos Baudin Deacon -

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting -

Mr. Snieder from the committee appointed  
to supply Miss<sup>rs</sup> Lodon & Robinson with necessaries  
reported, that the committee had not  
given to either of the above mentioned persons,  
any assistance, - Ordered that the of. commt.  
this is continued -

Mr. John Slaback was appointed, to  
attend a <sup>stated</sup> meeting of the Presbytery at Tuxton  
on the fourth Tuesday of this month -

Resolved, that hereafter the Elders at-  
tend the meetings of the higher judicatories  
of the church, in rotation, that is, in the  
following order according to seniority, - Jon<sup>n</sup>. Combs  
W. Down - J. Fisher - Matthias Mount - John  
Slaback, - Humphrey Mount - G. Snieder -  
J. Snowden - beginning with Mr. Slaback -

The Moderator reported, that since the  
last meeting he had given, a certificate of

good standing, I dispensation to Elijah Mount<sup>247</sup>  
Deacon, who had removed with his family  
to the Northern part of the State of N. York -

The Session agreed to nominate Mr. Henry  
Stultz, as Deacon, ~~to~~ in the room of Mr.  
Elijah Mount - - -

Resolved that the nomination of other  
members of Session be deferred till after  
the next communion -

Concluded with prayer

May 23. 1801. -

Mr. Henry Stultz who had been nominated  
by the Session, as a Deacon in this church. - whose  
name had been publicly mentioned from the  
pulpit for three successive Sabbaths, so, that  
no objection had been made, was this day  
emphatically set apart to the office of Deacon in  
the presence of the Congregation -

Cranbury, Saturday, May 23, 1801.

The day before the communion

The Session met & agreed to admit to the communion for the first time the following persons

1. Charity Arvin -
2. Wm Stultz -
3. Joseph Campbell -
4. Euphame Bailey -
5. Elizabeth Hendry -
6. Abigail Campbell -
7. Catherine Reed -
8. Tunis Post -
9. Saml Bailey -

Concluded with prayer -

Cranbury, Aug<sup>y</sup> 31, 1801. -

The Session met according to appointment  
I was opened by prayer by the Mod<sup>n</sup> -

<p>Present - Rev. G. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>n</sup> -</p> <p>Deacons - Jonathan Combs Esq<sup>r</sup> } Jacob Fisher - } Garret Smecher - } John Slaback - }</p>	<p>Thos<sup>l</sup> Allen - Henry Stultz -</p>
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Absent - Mr. Perine - Mr. Mount. H. Mount.  
Isaac Snodden Snowden - Sam<sup>l</sup> Bailey Elder -  
And. - Ino Baedier, Israel Baedier Deacons

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting -

The Mod<sup>n</sup> reported that since the last meeting he had given a certificate of good standing & admission to Charity Beckner, which removed into the hands of Kingston Congregation

Mr. Slaback who at the last meeting had been appointed to attend a meeting of the

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Presbytery at Trenton on the fourth Tuesday of April last, reported that he had fulfilled his appointment, —

M<sup>r</sup>. Snider reported that he had furnished M<sup>r</sup>. Robinson with necessities to the amount of \$2/3. & that he had furnished M<sup>r</sup>. Saxon with necessities to the amount of 30¢. — Ordered that Messrs Snider & Shultz, be a committee to enquire further into the situation of M<sup>r</sup>. Robinson & give him such assistance, as they may see he needs, not exceeding the amount of 30¢. —

Resolved that a treasurer be elected annually — & that a committee be appointed annually, to inspect the treasurer accounts.

Resolved that Messrs. Fisher, Snower & Shultz, be a committee to examine the treasurer accounts, & make their report at the next meeting. —

Adjourned to meet on the Saturday preceding the next communion —  
Concluded with prayer

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Cranbury <sup>Oct<sup>r</sup></sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 1801 —  
The day before the communion —

The session met, and agreed to admit the following persons to the communion for the first time viz —

1. Hannah Bergen
2. Elijah Voorhes
3. Dinah Voorhes
4. Anna Parine
5. Sarah Cain
6. William Reed

M<sup>r</sup>. Fisher reported that M<sup>r</sup>. Humphrey Munn (a member of this session) had been removed by death on the 27<sup>th</sup> of Sept<sup>r</sup> last. —

The session appointed M<sup>r</sup>. Elijah Voorhes as an assistant to M<sup>r</sup>. A. Berger, in carrying the tunes in the time of public worship.

Adjourned —

Cranbury, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> A.D. 1801. -

The Session met according to appointment and was opened by prayer by the Mod.<sup>r</sup> -  
Present

Rev. G. S. Woodhull, Mod.<sup>r</sup> -

Ulers -

Matthias Mount -  
Jacob Fisher -  
Wm. Perine -  
Jonathan Combs, Esq. -  
Isaac Snowden -

Deacons -

Israel Baudin -  
Thos. Allen -  
Henry Stultz -

Absent - John Haback. - Garret Snideker Elders -  
Erno Baudin Deacon -

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting -

M<sup>r</sup> Fisher from his committee appointed to examine the treasurers accounts, informed the Session that the committee were not ready to report - Ordered that the above committee be continued & report at the next meeting -

The Moderator reported that he

had given certificates of good standing, and dismissions to the following persons, viz - To Rebecca Van de beek on the first of Sep. 1801. -  
To Aletha M<sup>rs</sup> Dowell, on the 2<sup>d</sup> of Sep. 1801 -

It being represented to the Session that M<sup>rs</sup> Lott was in needy circumstances - Ordered that M<sup>r</sup> Snideker, be a committee, to give him what assistance he may need & report at the next meeting -

Ordered that M<sup>rs</sup> Israel Baudin draw from the treasury the sum of eight Dollars for the use of Sarah Cain -

M<sup>r</sup> Snideker having resigned the office of treasurer, M<sup>r</sup> Henry Stultz was chosen in his stead -

Adjourned -

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury Apr 15 - 1802 -

The session met according to appointment  
& was opened with prayer by the mod<sup>r</sup> -

Present

Rev. G. P. Woodruff mod<sup>r</sup> -

Elder -

Jacob Fisher -

Jonathan Combs Esq.

Isaac Snowden -

Deacons

Joseph Brauldrin

Thos. Allen -

Henry Stahl -

Absent: - Matthias Mount - Garet Suediker  
John Haback - Mr. Penne - Elden - & Eras  
Brauldrin, deacon.

Ordered to read the minutes of the last  
meeting.

J. Combs reported that Samuel Bayler  
who had for many years been a member  
of this session, had departed this life, on  
the 15<sup>th</sup> of March last, in the <sup>year</sup>  
of his age -

The committee appointed to examine

the treasurers accounts, not being ready to re-  
port. Ordered that the committee be continued  
& make report as soon as convenient. -

The presbytery having adjourned to  
meet at this place on the fourth Tuesday  
of this month, the session resolved that  
Messrs Snowden, Suediker & Penne, be  
a committee, to make all proper &  
necessary arrangements for their reception  
on -

Mr Snowden was appointed to  
attend the next meeting of the Presby-  
tery -

Adj<sup>d</sup> -

Concluded with prayer

Thus far examined & approved—  
 Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>  
 In Presbytery  
 at Canbury, Ap. 28<sup>th</sup> 1802.

Canbury May 22<sup>d</sup> 1802. —

The Session met — — —

Present

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup> —

Elders —

Deacons —

Jonathon Combs Esq. —

Enos Baudin —

Jacob Fisher —

Israel Baudin —

Gambt Sniederker —

Thos. Allen —

Matthews Mount —

Henry Shultz. —

John Haback —

William Perins —

Abner Isaac Snowden Elder. —

The Session agreed to admit to the communion  
 for the first time the following persons (viz)

1. Henry Vandelyke —
2. Herthe Corlelyon. —
3. George Morris —
4. John Gordon. —

Adjourned — — —

258. - Cranbury Aug. 3<sup>d</sup> 1802 -

The Session met agreeably to appointment & was opened by prayer by the mod<sup>r</sup> -

Present  
Rev. G. S. Woodhull mod<sup>r</sup> -

Elders. -

Deacons -

J. Combs Eq.

E. Bawdwin -

J. Fisher -

J. Bawdwin -

G. Soudakerr -

T. Allen -

W. Perrin -

H. Stults. -

J. Haback.

Absent - M. Mount Elder -

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting. -

The mod<sup>r</sup> reported that since the last meeting he had given certificates of good standing & dismissions to Lydia Hestinger & William Mount who have removed out of the bounds of the congregation. -

The committee appointed

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to examine the treasurers account, bro't in their report, dated June 19<sup>th</sup> 1802, by which it appears that at that date there was in the hands of the treasurer the sum of Fifty one pounds, nineteen shilling, & eight pence. -

Whereas Mr. Vanderbeek (the seator) made application to the session for liberty to carry about a subscription paper, for the purpose of collecting money to make repairs in the house in which he lives, - the session on consideration <sup>the subject</sup> were unanimously of opinion, that this application would come more properly before the trustees of the congregation, & there fore Resolved to refer, & hereby do refer, the above mentioned application to the trustees And do here by recommend to the said trustees that they take the subject into their own consideration & give Mr. Vanderbeek liberty to endeavour to collect money sufficient to make repairs to such extent as they shall see proper. -

Whereas a subscription paper, has been circulated for the purpose of raising money to defray the expences of the Presbytery at their last meeting in this place, And whereas on that subscription paper, there is \$6. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  undeducted & the whole subscription falls short of the sum required \$14. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  Therefore Resolved that the treasurer pay from the funds to Mr. Handley \$21. 14. - And that Messrs Inglehart & Fisher endeavor to collect the above sum & replace it in the treasury. -

The Session agreed to nominate Messrs Covert, Washier, John Mount, & Enos Baudwin as Elders - And Henry Vanduyke & Henry Reidy as deacons.

In consequence of the recommendation of the Anti-Slavery Society respecting raising contributions for the college at Princeton the session Resolved to make a public collection for that purpose.

It was represented that M<sup>rs</sup> Bradley widow of Sam<sup>l</sup> Bradley dec<sup>d</sup> stood in need of pecuniary assistance - Ordered that the treasurer pay to M<sup>rs</sup> Penne, the sum of \$10. for her use.

Adjourned.

Concluded to prayer.

Cranbury Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> 1802. -

Saturday before communion.

This day Messrs John Mount & Enos Baudwin were ordained as Elders. & Messrs Henry Vanduyke & Henry Reidy as deacons in this congregation. M<sup>rs</sup> Bant. Van. Ness, who had before been deacon, was also in the congregation ordained as a deacon.



Granbury March 22<sup>d</sup> 1808.

The session next & was opened by prayer by the Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Present. Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Alders

Jonathan Combs Esq<sup>r</sup>

Asahel Fisher

M<sup>r</sup>. Poins

Isaac Snowden

John Mount

Eno Baldwin

Deacons -

Asahel Baldwin

Th<sup>r</sup>. Allen

Henry Shultz

Henry Van Dyke

Richard Priest

Absent - M<sup>r</sup>. Matthias Mount - Garret Smedley  
& John Saback Elders

Ordered to read the minutes of the last meeting.

M<sup>r</sup>. Shultz the treasurer reported that according to the order of last meeting he had paid M<sup>r</sup>. Woodbury the sum of \$21.14 cents for discharging the services of the Presbytery in their last place last Spring & that for the purpose of placing that sum in the treasury, he had received from M<sup>r</sup>. Isaac Snowden \$3 - from M<sup>r</sup>. S. Fisher 1. 7/8 - and from M<sup>r</sup>. G. Smedley \$2. 25 - making in the whole \$6. 62 1/2 cents -

Ordered that a public collection for the purpose of raising money for the college at Princeton be made in the congregation on the second sabbath of April next -

M<sup>r</sup>. John Mount was appointed to attend the next stated meeting of the Presbytery, at Princeton on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of April next.

M<sup>r</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Poins reported that he had received from the treasurer the sum of \$10. for the use of M<sup>r</sup>. Hardy & had applied it accordingly.

M<sup>r</sup>. Asahel Fisher was appointed to make enquiry with respect to the circumstances of M<sup>r</sup>. Steery & family, - & if he sh<sup>d</sup>. find them to be in want of assistance, to draw on the treasury on their account for any sum not exceeding five dollars.

Concluded with prayer.

Ther. for examined & approved -  
In Presbytery,  
Princeton Ap. 27<sup>th</sup> 1803. ---

John Cornell mod.

Cranbury, May 7<sup>th</sup> 1803 -

Saturday before the communion -

The Session met -- Present

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull. Mod.

Elders -	Deacons -
G. Snodden -	H. Vandyke -
J. Fisher -	J. Baldwin -
W. Perine -	H. Hills -
John Stabaek -	J. Allen -
M. Mount -	R. Reid -
J. Mount -	
J. Snowden -	

Absent J. Combs - E. Baldwin -

Agreed to admit to the communion for the first  
time -

1. Catharine Applegate -
2. Lydia Dean -
3. Ida Vanest -

Adjourned -

Cranbury June 18<sup>th</sup> 1803. - Saturday

A severe snow storm having taken place on the eighth of May last, when the sacrament of the Lords Supper was administered in this place in consequence of which but few people attended, the session some time ago resolved that the sacrament of the Lords Supper should be again administered, on the third Sab. of this month. -

The session met this day - (the day previous to the communion) I agreed to admit to the above mentioned ordinance, <sup>to morrow</sup> the following persons

1. Elizabeth Fisher (widow of Sam. Fisher?)
2. Elizabeth Schenck

Adjourned - -

Cranbury June 19<sup>th</sup> 1803. - Sunday

The session met; I agreed to admit to the communion this day -

3. - Margaret Morris (wife of Moses Morris).

Cranbury, <sup>Oct<sup>or</sup></sup> ~~Sept~~<sup>in</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1803 -

Saturday; - -

The session met I agreed to admit to the communion of the Lords Supper for the first time to morrow the following persons -

1. Jane McDowell. wife of Andrew from the congregation of families run -
2. Sarah Lott - wife of John -
3. Humphry Perine -
4. Elizabeth Barclay - wife of Peter -
5. Elizabeth Griggs - wife of Smith -
6. James Arvin
7. Rhoda - a black woman -

Adjourned. - -

Cranbury, Apr. 15<sup>th</sup> 1804-

The session met - Present. Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull

Mod. Elders -

Jacob Fisher  
Garret Smedley  
William Perine  
John Haback  
Isaac Snowden  
John Mount. -

Deacons

Israel Baldwin  
Henry Stultz -  
Richard Reed -

Mr Isaac Snowden was appointed to attend the stated meeting of the Presbytery at Washenridge on the 24<sup>th</sup> of this month. -

Adjourned - - -

Ther for examined & approved

In Presbytery

Barkinridge Apr. 25 - 1804 } David Barclay Mod.

Cranbury - May 14<sup>th</sup> 1804. -

The session met agreeably to appointment, I was opened with prayer by the Mod.

Present. -

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod.

Elders -

Garret Smedley,  
Jacob Fisher -  
Mr Perine -  
John Haback

Deacons -

Tho. Allen  
Henry Stultz -  
Richard Reed -  
Israel Baldwin -

Absent, Isaac Snowden, John Mount, and Enos Baldwin -

It was reported, that Jonathan Combs Esq. who had for a long time been a member of this session had departed this life on the day

of AD 1803 in the year of his age. - - -

The session agreed to nominate Messrs Israel Baldwin & Thomas Allen, as Elders, and

270 M<sup>rs</sup> Abraham Berger, & George Morris as  
deacons in this church —

Rev. Andrew King, informed the session  
that he had certain charges to exhibit before  
them ag<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Isaac Snowden. — The session  
having been informed that M<sup>r</sup> King had made  
use of those means of reconciliation, required by  
Christ in Matthew, 18 — 15 & 16, without the  
desired effect, they agreed to hear the said charges  
which M<sup>r</sup> King presented in the following man-  
ner —

" M<sup>r</sup> King charges M<sup>r</sup> Isaac Snowden  
" J<sup>er</sup> of being guilty, of unchristian conduct  
" particularly in standing M<sup>rs</sup> Ruth King's  
" character, in breaking his promises to her, and  
" treating her with injustice. —  
" M<sup>r</sup> King being informed that M<sup>r</sup> Snowden  
" was a member in the church of Cranberry  
" wished to be heard by the session of said  
" church on the above charges —  
" The witnesses by whom he expects to sup-  
" port the said charges, are M<sup>r</sup> David Chambers

" M<sup>rs</sup> Ruth Chamber, — M<sup>r</sup> Jacob Fisher, D<sup>r</sup> Scott,  
" Rev. Joseph Clark, M<sup>r</sup> William Lott, M<sup>r</sup> Na-  
" thaniel Hunt, — M<sup>r</sup> Noziah Hunt, M<sup>r</sup> Ralph  
" Phillips " —————

Whereupon Resolved that the session meet  
on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> inst. at the house of M<sup>r</sup> Wood-  
hull for the purpose of hearing M<sup>r</sup> King and  
M<sup>r</sup> Snowden on the above charges, — and that  
citations be sent to M<sup>r</sup> Snowden & the witnesses  
agreeably to the constitution. —

Adjourned to meet at M<sup>r</sup> Woodhull's  
on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> inst. at 2 o'clock P.M.

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury May 25<sup>th</sup> 1804.

The session met agreeably to adjournment  
I was opened with prayer by the Mod<sup>r</sup>

Present - Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>

Ulders -  
Garret Smedsker -  
Wm. Penne -  
Mathias Mount -  
John Slabaek -  
Isaac Snowden -  
Eros Baldwin -

Deacons  
Israel Baldwin -  
Thos. Allen -  
Richard Reed -  
Henry Hull -

Absent Jacob Fisher & John Mount.

M<sup>r</sup> Isaac Snowden presented the follow-  
ing - viz - Moderator, As I have but a few  
words to say, I beg leave to read them - I  
object to the proceedings in this case for the  
following reasons viz -

1. M<sup>r</sup> King has not complied with the  
gospel rules enjoined in the 8<sup>d</sup> article of the  
form of process, in the book of discipline  
He has never conversed with me alone on  
any supposed spiritual grievance, our con-  
versations have always been respecting the  
price demanded by him for the board of  
his wife's children, whose estate is entirely  
expended, & the accounts settled in the  
proper office ~

2 - The charges are so vague that it is  
impossible for me to be prepared to refute  
them. - The 2<sup>d</sup> article in the form of pro-  
cess requires that in the accusation the  
time, place, & circumstances should be  
ascertained if possible ~

3. - It is evident from M<sup>r</sup> King's letter of  
the 12<sup>th</sup> inst. to me that if I would com-  
ply with his demand for money there  
would be no further difficulty. - His  
letter is the first information given him

of spiritual growth. -

4- For these reasons I trust that the session will see that I cannot be prepared. I declare that I am not prepared and I hope the session will therefore feel it their duty, to dismiss the process in its present form. - As the charges tho' general are entered on the minutes of session, I request my right, of having this reply, also entered there -

Cranbury May 25. 1804 - Isaac Snowden.

The session having been informed that all matters in dispute between Mr King & Mr Snowden had been settled. - Ordered that the above mentioned process be dismissed.

Concluded with Henry

Cranbury May 26 - 1804 -

Saturday before communion

The session met - I agreed to admit to the communion for the first time tomorrow the following persons -

1. Mary Jamison -
- 2 - Guletha (wife of John)
3. Sarah Schenck (wife of Mr.) -

Cranbury May 27 - 1804 -

The session met and agreed to admit to the communion this day for the first time the following persons -

1. Suedeker (wife of Jacob)
2. Lena Vanduyke (widow) -
3. John Bergen (son of Geo.) -

Cranbury - Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> 1804 -

Saturday before the admi-  
nistration of the Lords Supper -

The session met - and agreed to admit to  
the sacrament of the Lords Supper to morrow for  
the first time the following persons - viz -

1. George G. Bergen -
2. Isabel Davis -
3. Elizabeth Hulick -
4. Jane Purdie -
5. Jane Combs -
6. Mary Simpson

Mr. Smedley was appointed to attend the  
meeting of the presbytery at New Brunswick  
on Monday next. - And Mr. Allen was ap-  
pointed to attend the meeting of the Synod  
of New York & New Jersey at New Brunswick  
on next Tuesday.

This day after sermon Messrs Thomas Allen  
& Israel Baldwin were ordained as ruling el-  
ders - & Messrs Abraham Bergen & George Mor-  
ris were set apart as deacons in this church

in presence of the congregation -

Sermon adjourned until to morrow  
morning 10 O'clock

Cranbury Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> 1804 -

The session met - and agreed to admit to the  
sacrament of the Lords Supper, this day for the  
first time the following persons -

1. Massa Bergen
2. Tamzen Kerr -
3. James Hulick

Adjourned -



Cranbury Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> 1804.

The session met & was opened with prayer.  
Present, Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod.<sup>n</sup> -

Elders -	}	Deacons -
M <sup>rs</sup> Penine		Abraham Bergen -
Isaac Snowden		George Morris -
Thomas Allen		

Absent - <sup>Jacob Fisher</sup> Garrett Smedley, <sup>Matthews Mount</sup> John Haback, Enos Baldwin, Israel Baldwin - Elders - <sup>Henry Stults</sup> Richard Reed Deacons -

M<sup>rs</sup> Penine informed the session that M<sup>rs</sup> Steepy an elderly & infirm woman, a member of this church stood in need of pecuniary assistance - Wherefore Resolved, That the Treasurer give to M<sup>rs</sup> Penine the sum of fifteen dollars for the use of M<sup>rs</sup> Steepy to be expended for wood, grain & other necessaries -  
Concluded with prayer -

Cranbury Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> 1804 -

The Session met at the call of the Mod.<sup>n</sup>  
I was opened with prayer -  
Present - Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod.<sup>n</sup>

Elders -	}	Deacons -
M <sup>rs</sup> Penine -		Henry Stults -
Isaac Snowden -		George Morris -
Enos Baldwin		

Absent - <sup>Jacob Fisher</sup> Gariet Smedley - <sup>Matthews Mount</sup> John Haback - Israel Baldwin - <sup>Richard Reed</sup> & <sup>Abraham Bergen</sup> Deacons -

It was represented to the session that Thomas Allen one of the elders in this congregation, had since the last meeting of the session been rebaptized, by a Baptist clergyman & had joined in communion with a Baptist congregation, and that he had acted this part without previously making known his intentions, to the session & without ~~making~~ obtaining a regular dis-

session from the congregation - The session  
therefore Resolved to meet at the house of Mr  
Woodhull, on Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of Jan<sup>y</sup>.  
next to take into consideration the late  
conduct of Mr. Allen. - And Ordered that Mr.  
Allen be duly cited to appear before the  
session at the time above mentioned. -

Adjourned to meet at Mr. Woodhull's  
Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of Jan<sup>y</sup>. next  
Concluded with prayer

Cranbury Jan. 8. 1805. -

~~The session met & was opened by prayer~~

~~Present. - Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>.~~

~~Rev. Dr. John Woodhull -~~

~~Rev. Jos. Clark -~~

~~Elders - Jacob Fisher - Wm Penine -~~

~~Matthias Mount. Enos Baldwin, Isaac~~

Cranbury Jan. 8<sup>th</sup> 1805.

The session met agreeably to adjournment  
& was opened by prayer.

Present. -

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Elders -

Jacob Fisher, Wm Penine, - Matthias Mount.  
Enos Baldwin - Isaac Snowden. - Garret Fro-  
deker, - Israel Baldwin. - - -

Deacons - Henry Stultz, Richard Reed  
Abraham Bergen - George Morris. -

Absent John Staback, elder. -

Rev. Dr. John Woodhull, & Rev. Joseph  
Clark attended at the request of the Mod.  
& took their seats as members of the ses-  
-sion. -

The minutes of the last meeting were  
read - -

The session proceeded to take into consideration the late conduct of M<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Allen one of their members, & M<sup>r</sup>. Allen was ~~to~~ asked.

Quest. - Do you acknowledge that you have been rebaptized by an Anabaptist clergyman? - To which he answered -

Ans - Yes. -

Quest. - Do you acknowledge that you had communed with an Anabaptist congregation. - ?

Ans - Yes. -

Quest. - Do you consider yourself as belonging to the Anabaptist congregation or to this congregation?

Ans - To the Baptist. -

Quest. - Have you asked a dismission from this church -

Ans - No. -

M<sup>r</sup>. Clark was appointed to state to M<sup>r</sup>. Allen in the presence of the session the evil and irregularity of his conduct - inasmuch as he who had been for many years a member in full communion in this church - had received for some time as a deacon - & had lately been ordained as an elder, yet notwithstanding had withdrawn himself from this church & joined the Anabaptists, without asking a dismission for that purpose or even mentioning his intentions to the session - which was accordingly done. - - -

M<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Allen then asked leave to state to the session his reasons for acting in the manner he had done, & declared that his late conduct had not answer from any objections he had to this congregation, or its pastor or session, but the same of his reasons, considered in strong views, impressions, & exercises of his own mind, from whence he seemed to conclude that he was under some divine influence or direction. -

M<sup>r</sup>. Allen was then asked,

Quest. - Did not some person advise you not to open your mind on the subject of your baptism ~~unto~~ the session or to M<sup>r</sup>. Woodhull until a day or two before you were to be baptized? -

Ans. - There was a certain person who told me that I was under no obligations to mention it

Quest. - Was not M<sup>r</sup>. Willson that person? -

To this question M<sup>r</sup>. Allen hesitated but substantially admitted that he was the person.

Quest. - Did M<sup>r</sup>. Willson first propose you being rebaptized or did you propose it? -

Ans. - M<sup>r</sup>. Willson <sup>said</sup> if God has convinced you of your duty, you had better comply the next sabbath or the first opportunity.

The session having taken into serious consideration M<sup>r</sup>. Allen's case, & being unani-

mous in their opinion that he had been misled, by his companions, Resolved that Messrs Jacob Fisher & Joel Baldwin be a committee to wait on M<sup>r</sup>. Allen to endeavour to convince him of his error, & to report their success at the next meeting of the session

Adjourned  
Concluded with prayer

Coranbury April 12<sup>th</sup> 1805 -

The session met according to appointment. -  
It was opened with prayer by the Mod<sup>r</sup>. -

Present - Bro. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>. -

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Elders -                  | Deacons -                  |
| Garret Trudaker -         | Henry Shalts -             |
| M <sup>r</sup> . Penine - | Ab <sup>l</sup> . Bergen - |
| Isaac Snowden -           | Geo. Morris -              |
| Enos Baldwin              |                            |

Absent - Jacob Fisher - Matthias Mount<sup>n</sup>,  
Wm. Shaker - Elders R<sup>d</sup>. Reed - deacon -

Rev. Henry Kollock, professor of divinity in Princeton college being present was invited to sit as a member of the session. —

Messrs Jacob Fisher & Israel Baldwin, who were appointed a committee to wait on Mr. Tho<sup>s</sup> Allen to endeavour to convince him of his error in having been rebaptised by a Baptist clergyman, not being present no report on the subject was made. —

The session unanimously Resolved that they would not at present decide on the case of Mr. Allen which was considered at their last meeting but agreed to refer the whole to the presbytery of N. Brunswick, ~~for their decision~~ <sup>thereupon</sup>. — And accordingly they did refer the above case of Mr. Thomas Allen to the presbytery afo<sup>r</sup> & do hereby request ~~their~~ <sup>their</sup> decision thereupon. —

Mr. Geo. Morris was appointed to attend the stated meeting of the presbytery

at Princeton to be holden at Princeton on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of this month. —

The Mod<sup>r</sup> & Mr. G. Snedeker informed the session that sometime in last winter, application was made to them for pecuniary assistance for Mrs. Elizabeth McKnight a needy member of this church who was about to remove to some distant out of the bounds of the congregation. And it having been at that time inconvenient to call the session together they had given an order on the treasures for ten dollars for the use of Mrs. McKnight. —

Resolved that the session approve of the conduct of the Mod<sup>r</sup> & Mr. Snedeker & that the treasures consider their order in the above mentioned case as the order of the session. —

Concluded with prayer.

Thus far examined & approved -  
 In Presbytery  
 Princeton Ap. 25. 1805 } John Woodhull, Mod.

Cranbury May 11<sup>th</sup> 1805 -

The day before the adm-  
 nistration of the sac. of the  
 Lords supper -

The Session met & was opened with prayer  
 by the Mod.<sup>n</sup> -

The Session agreed to admit to the comm-  
 union to morrow for the first time the  
 following persons -

1. Hetty Schenk - wife of Nicholas Schenk
  2. Lewis Riggs -
  3. Sarah Ann Hendry -
  4. Sarah Woodhull - wife of Elijah Woodhull
- Adjourned. -

Cranbury May 12. 1805 - The day on which the  
 sacrament of the Lords supper was administered -  
 The Session met immediately before the public  
 worship commenced & agreed to admit to the comm-  
 union for the first time -

1. Anne Garman. 2. Jane, servant of M<sup>o</sup>

290. - Cranbury, May 14<sup>th</sup> 1805. -

The session met, & was opened with prayer by the mod<sup>r</sup>. -

Present. Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>. -

Elders John Haback - Deacons Henry Vandyke  
Enos Baldwin - Geo. Morris  
Henry Stultz.

Absent. Garrett Snodder - Jacob Fisher - W<sup>m</sup>. Penne  
Matthias Mount. Isaac Snowden Elden -  
Puck<sup>r</sup>. Reed. Henry ~~Stultz~~, I. B. B<sup>r</sup>. Beazer, Deacons

The mod<sup>r</sup> reported to the session that the case of Thos. Allen had been referred to the presbytery of K. Brunswick, & that the following is a copy of their judgment there upon viz -

" Princeton Ap<sup>r</sup> 24 - 1805 -

" The committee appointed to consider the case of Thomas Allen an Elder in the church

of Cranbury, who in a disadully manner left <sup>his</sup> own church to connect himself with the communion of the Ana Baptists made the following report. - Whereas our churches are purely voluntary associations in the name of God & for the purposes of his worship every member is implicitly & every communicant, & especially every officer of the church is expressly bound by his own solemn obligation to obey the orders & submit to the regular discipline of the church with which he is united - by any departure from this order therefore & any vol<sup>t</sup> as<sup>t</sup> the just exercise of this discipline he becomes chargeable according to the degree of his offence with the crime of schism so severely censured in the sacred writings. - And whereas our ecclesiastical government assumes no lordly & coercive power over the rights of conscience but every man who conscientiously assents, has the privilege of withdrawing himself in a peaceable & orderly manner from that church with which he had before been voluntarily connected - & this <sup>requires</sup> order that every brother aggrieved or wounded in his conscience should make known the subject of his grievance or doubt to his brethren & especially to those who exercise the spiritual government of the

Church in order if possible by fraternal consolation & advice to have them removed, or if they cannot be removed to withdraw by mutual consent in brotherly kindness & charity. But inasmuch as the aforesaid Thomas Allen notwithstanding his solemn obligations as a member in full communion in the church of Cranbury, & his vows as an elder & spiritual officer, has departed in a manner totally contrary to Christian order, without any communication of his design to his brethren or his brethren & without any consent or dismission obtained, & as such an example particularly in a ruler whose office has designated him for the preservation of order, union & love, is highly dangerous & injurious to the interests of the church of Christ. Therefore it is the opinion of your committee, respectfully proposed to the presbytery, that it be recommended to the session of the church of Cranbury, that they call the said Thomas Allen before them, & appoint a committee of their body, to wait upon him as they shall deem most expedient

& expostulate with him, upon the evil and aggravations of his offence in thus breaking thro' the peaceable & beautiful order of the church in violating his sacred duties as an officer in the church, & so lightly neglecting the Holy Name of the Blessed Trinity, named upon him in his infancy with the precious & spiritual privileges into which he was thereby initiated. - That they endeavor to bring him to a sense of his fault & a penitent acknowledgment of it before the session which shall be announced to the congregation. - But if the said Thomas Allen refuse to appear before the session or under their exhortations & refuse also to make penitent acknowledgment of his great offence that they then depose him from his office of Elder, cut him off from the communion of the church & declare him to be no longer of their body, and that they announce this decision & all the proceedings had in this case to whole assembled church on a Lords day after public worship accompanied with such explanations & exhortations



to the people as may be that necessary & useful  
 And Finally whereas the said Thomas Allen  
 confesses that a man holding a sacred character  
 in the communion of the Anabaptists, used him  
 to this violation of the order of his own Church  
 it is the opinion of your committee that this  
 Presbytery express, I recommend it to the ses-  
 sion of Cranbury to express in the strongest  
 manner their abhorrence of such disingenuous  
 uncanonid & unchristian conduct." —

According to the above recommendation of  
 the Presbytery the Session Resolved, That Messrs  
 Haback, Fisher, & Baldwin be a committee  
 to wait on Mr. Allen, to expostulate with  
 him upon the evil & aggravations of his offence  
 & report the result at the next meeting.

Adjourned

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury June 13. 1803 -

The Session met & was opened with prayer  
 by the Mod.<sup>n</sup> - President

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod.<sup>n</sup> -

Elders	Deacons
Isaac Snowder	Henry Stults -
Enos Baldwin -	Ab <sup>n</sup> - Burger -
Abner - Garrett Savelber -	Jacob Fisher -
Mount - John Haback. W <sup>m</sup> Pennie Elder -	M <sup>r</sup> -
George Morris & Rich <sup>d</sup> . Reed Deacons -	

Mr. Baldwin from the committee appointed at  
 the last meeting to wait on Mr. Allen to expostu-  
 late with him on the evil & aggravations of his  
 offence Reported that the committee had waited  
 on Mr. Allen but their communication with  
 him had not the desired effect.

The Session unanimously Resolved to depose &  
 they do hereby depose the said Thomas Allen  
 from his office as Elder in this congregation  
 cut him off from the communion of this Church  
 & declare him no longer a member of this  
 body - Adjourned  
 Concluded with prayer -

296.

Cranbury Oct. 19. 1805.

The session met & was opened with  
prayer by the Mod<sup>r</sup> -

Present -

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>

Jacob Fisher -	} Elden	H. Stults	} Deacons
M. Mount -		Geo. Morris	
Mrs Penne		H. Vanduyke	
Carrol Snedeker		Ab <sup>r</sup> . Bergen	

The session agreed to admit to the sacra-  
ment of the Lords supper to menas for the  
first time. the following persons -

1. Cornelius Johnson, Jun<sup>r</sup>.
2. Mary Green -
3. Mary Chambers -
4. Hugh M<sup>r</sup> Chesney -
5. Sarah Dey (wife of Wm)
6. Ida Riggs (wife of Lewis)
7. Sophia Bennett (wife of Aaron) -

Adjourned -

297.

Cranbury Oct. 20. 1805.

The session <sup>met</sup> was opened with prayer by  
the Mod<sup>r</sup> -

Present.

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>

Jacob Fisher	} Elden - Geo. Morris -	R <sup>d</sup> . Reid -	} Deacons -
Mrs Penne -		H. Stults -	
C. Snedeker		Ab <sup>r</sup> . Bergen -	
Daac Snowden -		H. Vanduyke -	
Enos Baldwin			

The Session agreed to admit to the sacrament  
of the Lords supper to day for the first time  
the following persons -

1. Joseph M<sup>r</sup> Chesney -
2. Sarah M<sup>r</sup> Chesney -

Adjourned -

298.

Cranbury, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> 1805.

The session met & was opened with  
prayer by the mod. -

Present. Rev. Geo. L. Woodhull, Past<sup>r</sup> -

Elders - -	}	Deacons - -
Wm. Perine -		Henry Platt -
Garret Prudehen		Geo. Morris -
		Ab <sup>m</sup> Bergen -

Absent. Jacob Fisher - John Plaback - Matthias  
Mount - Isaac Snowden, Enw Baldwin, Elden.  
L. Bick<sup>r</sup> Reid, diacon. - - - -

Mr. Perine informed the session that  
according to the order made some time ago  
he had received from the treasurer the sum  
of 16 dollars for the use of Mr. Steep, which  
had been expended & that Mr. Steep stood in need of  
further assistance whereupon Resolved that the treasurer  
pay to Mr. Perine \$16 for the use of his use -

Mr. Bergen was appointed to examine the  
treasurer's accounts & to report at the next meet-  
ing. - Adjourned. -

Concluded with prayer

299.

Thurs<sup>day</sup> examined & in general approved -

In presbytery Flemington }  
Ap. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1806. }  
D<sup>os</sup> A. M. Mod. -

Cranbury - June 7<sup>th</sup> 1806.

The session met & was opened with prayer  
by the Moderator. -

Present - Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod. -

Alders -	Deacons
Matthias Mount.	Henry Stultz. -
Jacob Fisher -	Abm. Bergen. -
Wm. Perrine -	
Garnet Snedeker -	
Enos Baldwin -	

The session agreed to admit to the Lord's  
table to morrow for the first time the  
following persons -

1. Margaret Puse - wife of William -
2. James M'Chesney -
3. Phebeah Day - widow -
4. Derick Griggs -

Adjourned to meet to morrow morning at  
ten o'clock -

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury June 8<sup>th</sup> 1806 -

The session met & was opened with prayer  
by the Mod. -

Present Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod. -

Alders	Deacons -
Matthias Mount.	Henry Stultz
Jacob Fisher -	Abm. Bergen -
Wm. Penne -	Geo. Morris -
Garnet Snedeker -	Rich. Reid -
Is. Slaback. -	

The session agreed to admit to the Lord's  
table to day for the first time the follow-  
ing persons -

1. Hannah Barelay, wife of James -
2. Isaac Van Dyke -

Adjourned -

Concluded with prayer.

Cranbury Oct. 11. 1800.

The session met & was opened with prayer

Present. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod.

Uders	Deacons
M. Mount.	H. Steells -
W. Perrine -	A. Bergen
S. Baldwin	B. Reed -
	G. Morris -

The session agreed to admit to the sacrament of the Lords Supper for the first time heretofore the following persons -

1. John Rice
2. Rebecca Rice
3. Deborah Mester
4. Joseph Holman -

Concluded with prayer -

Cranbury Ap. 25<sup>th</sup> 1800.

The session met & was opened with prayer

Present. - Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod. -

Geo. Morris - H. Steells - Ab. Bergen. Rich.  
Reed - - -

Absent. - G. Smedley - M. Mount - S. Baldwin  
J. Haback - & W. Perrine -

The Mod. reported that in Sep. last he had dismissed Mr Isaac Snowden from the congregation who had since removed to Philadelphia.

Mr Rich. Reed was appointed to attend a meeting of the Presbytery at New Brunswick on Tuesday next.

Adjourned Concluded with prayer

Thus far examined & approved in  
the Presbytery -

New Brunswick

April 29. 1800.

Robert Finley Moderator

304. - Cranbury May 9<sup>th</sup> 1807. -

The session met & was opened with prayer. - Present - Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod.  
C. Snedeker - Wm. Perine - H. Stults  
Geo. Morris. - Abm. Bergen. -

The session agreed to admit to the communion of the church, to morrow for the first time, the following persons.

1. Capt. John Dye.
2. Anne Dye
3. Elizabeth Grove.

Concluded with prayer.

Cranbury Sep. 26. 1807. -

The session met & agreed to admit to the communion of the church for the first time to morrow - M<sup>r</sup>. John Fisher -

Trenton Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> 1808, Examined thus far & approved.

Jam<sup>s</sup> D. Smith Mod<sup>r</sup>  
1807

Cranbury May 14<sup>th</sup> 1800 -

The session <sup>met</sup> was opened with prayer  
by the Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Present -

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod <sup>r</sup>	
<sup>Elders</sup> Garret Smedeker	<sup>Deacons</sup> Henry Shultz
Will <sup>m</sup> Perine -	Park <sup>r</sup> Reid -
Eno <sup>s</sup> Baldwin -	Abn <sup>n</sup> Beyer -
	Geo. Morris -

Resolved to admit to the communion  
for the first time to members

1. Catharine Conover (wife of W<sup>m</sup>)
2. Ann Conover - (wife of W<sup>m</sup>)
3. John Sanderson
4. Elizabeth Sanderson (wife of John)
5. Martillai Timmons -

Concluded with prayer.

Cranbury May 15<sup>th</sup> 1800 -

The session met & was opened with  
prayer by the Mod<sup>r</sup>. Present

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>.

<sup>Deacons</sup> G. Smedeker	<sup>Deacons</sup> R. Reid
W. Perine	H. Shultz
E. Baldwin	A. Beyer -

Resolved to admit to the commu-  
nion, for the first time to day -

Deborah Smith  
(wife of David Smith) -

Concluded with prayer

300. Cranbury Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 1808 -

The session met and was opened with prayer by the Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Present - Pres. Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>.  
Garret Smedley - Henry Skells -  
Ab. Boyer, Geo. Morris - Mr. Penn -

The Moderator informed the session that Mr. Jacob Fisher who had some time ago moved out of the bounds of this congregation requested to be regularly dismissed from it.

Whereupon Presided that Mr. Fisher be dismissed & he is hereby dismissed according to his own request -

The session agreed to admit to the communion of the Lords supper

To morrow for the first time the following persons viz)

1. Hannah Mount -
2. Miss Mary. W. Arroy
3. Elizabeth Cox
4. Ann Light (a black woman) -
5. Johnson Enover -
6. Mary Updyke:
7. Rebecca Barclay (from J. Cong. of Oxford)
8. Anne M. Dowell
9. Peter Hosper
10. Elizabeth Hosper
11. Maria Post. -

Adjourned -



Cranbury, March 28<sup>th</sup> 1809

The Session met and was opened with  
prayer by the mod<sup>r</sup>. - Present -

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull

Enos Baldwin - Mrs. Bergen - Henry Stults -

Geo. Morris - Rich<sup>d</sup> Reed -

Resolved that Messrs Ludick & S. Morris  
be a committee to examine the treasurers ac-  
counts & make a report at the next  
meeting -

M<sup>r</sup>. Bergen was appointed to attend  
at the next stated meeting of the Syn. at Lorington  
on 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of Apr. next -

Resolved that the treasurer pay to M<sup>r</sup>.  
Smith for the ensuing year \$20. in quarterly  
payments -

Concluded with prayer -

This far examined and in general  
approved -

In Presbytery

Lorington Apr. 26<sup>th</sup>  
1809 -

John Boyd Moderator

May 13<sup>th</sup> 1809

Cranbury - -

The session met & was opened with prayer by the Moderator. -

Present. Rev<sup>d</sup> Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>.  
Garret Snieder - Rich<sup>d</sup> Reed - Hen-  
ry Stultz - Geo. Morris - Mr Penne -  
Eros Baldwin - Ab<sup>m</sup> Bergen. - -

The following persons were examined on experimental religion, in presence of the session after which the session agreed to admit them to the Lords table for the first time to morrow (viz -)

1. Sarah Gulick -
2. Elizabeth Denton
3. Susan Carson -
4. Sally Handley -
5. Jane (black) servant of Garret Snieder

Adjourned - -

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> 1809 -

The session met, and was opened with prayer -

Present - Rev<sup>d</sup> Geo. S. Woodhull - Garret Snieder - W<sup>m</sup>.  
Paine - H. Stultz - A. Bergen - R. Reed - J. E. Baldwin -

The following persons, after being an examination on experimental ~~religion~~ religion, were admitted to the Lords table - viz -

1. M<sup>rs</sup> Anne Litt -
2. - - Mary Green
3. - - Ann Bergen
4. - - Anne Reed -
5. - - Mary Dawson +

Adjourned

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury Jan<sup>y</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1810. -

The <sup>next</sup> ~~session~~ <sup>meeting</sup> was opened with prayer. -

Present - Bro. Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Elders	Deacons
Sam <sup>l</sup> Sudeker	Henry Mullis,
Wm <sup>m</sup> Perrine	George Morris
Enos Baldwin	Abraham Bergen. -

Miss Baldwin and Bergen were appointed a committee to examine the treasurers accounts & report at the next meeting. -

Ordered, that the treasurer pay the sum of \$3. to M<sup>r</sup> Perrine for the use of Maryant Gravatt.

Adjourned to meet on the 19<sup>th</sup> of Feb. next at 2 O'Clock P. M. -

Concluded with prayer by M<sup>r</sup> Perrine

Memorandum. - On account of a severe storm on the 19<sup>th</sup> of Feb. the session did not meet according to their adjournment. -

Geo. S. Woodhull

Trinton April 25<sup>th</sup> 1810. Commined thus far and approved

Joseph Campbells

Thus far examined & approved  
In Testimony  
Apr. 25. 1810

Robert Finley Mod<sup>r</sup>

Cranbury May 19<sup>th</sup> 1810-

The session met and was opened with prayer - Presents

Rev. Geo. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Elders -

Wm. Perine  
G. Sneider  
E. Baldwin -

Deacons

H. Stultz -  
R. Reid  
G. Morris -

The following persons after an examination in presence of the session on experimental religion were admitted for the first time to the sacrament of the Lords supper viz -

1. Mary Snyder
2. Mahala Everett
3. Peter Berger
4. Sarah Service -

A young married couple applied for baptism for their first child, who was born within 9 months after their marriage & they having confessed before the session that they had been guilty of a breach of the 7<sup>th</sup> Commandment, & professed their sorrow for it - the session agreed that their child sh<sup>d</sup>. be baptized -

Resolved that the collection to be taken up to morrow be applied for defraying the expenses of Commissioners to the General Assembly -

Adjourned -

Concluded with prayer -

Cranbury, May 20<sup>th</sup> 1810 —

The session met, — Present

Rev Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>

Elders	—	Deacons
G. Snedeker		G. Morris
W. Perrine		H. Stultz
E. Baldwin		B. Reid

The Moderator informed the session that Christiana Van Dore, an aged woman, who had formerly been a member of a Dutch congregation on Long Island had applied to be admitted to the Lord's supper in this congregation. —

Resolved that she be admitted to the Lord's supper this day. —

Adjourned —

N. B. The before-mentioned meeting of the session having been necessarily held at the door of the church, on Sabbath morning, & while the people were collecting for Publick Worship was the reason, why it was not begun & concluded with prayer. —

Cranbury, Sep<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1810. —

The Session met at the call of the Moderator — Present

Rev <sup>d</sup> Geo. S. Woodhull. — Mod <sup>r</sup>	
Elders —	Deacons
Garret Snedeker	Henry Stultz
William Perrine	Abraham Berger
Enoch Baldwin —	George Morris. —

The Moderator informed the Session that Mrs. Anne Lott, who several years ago had been suspended from the communion, the Church, made application to have the

sentence of suspension taken off & to be restored to the communion of the Church.

The following is a statement of her case. — In the year 1790, Henry and Anne Lott were called before the Session and charged with having broken the marriage covenant between themselves, as appeared from their contentions with one another, & their living in a state of separation. — After hearing what they had to say in their defence, the session referred the subject to the Presbytery, who directed that they should both be suspended from the privileges of the church, which was accordingly done on the 25.<sup>th</sup> of April 1799. — All which may be seen by a reference to

the 210.<sup>th</sup> page of this book, & the pages following —

Soon after their suspension M<sup>rs</sup> Lott moved into the State of New York where she has ever since resided. — M<sup>rs</sup> Lott moved to the city of Philadelphia, where he married another woman, & where he still resides —

On considering this application of M<sup>rs</sup> Lott the session unanimously agreed to refer and do hereby refer it to the Presbytery of New Brunswick and request their direction in the case —

Adjourned —

Cranbury Oct. 6. 1810 -

The session met and was opened  
with prayer by the Mod.?

Present -

Geo. T. Woodhull Mod.?

Elders -

Garret Snedeker

Wm. Serine

Enos Baldwin

Deacons

H. Stults

Geo. Morris

Ab. Bergen

The following persons were  
admitted to the communion of the church  
for the first time ~~(after)~~ after an  
examination before the session -

1. Sarah Clark
2. Abigail Davison
3. Ann Johnson
4. Lydia Crover -

5. Ellenor Menhoun

6. Levi Uptide -

on certificate from Kingston

7. Charity Beehner -

Adjourned -

Concluded with prayer

Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> 1810

Cranbury -

The session met and was opened with  
prayer - Present -

Rev. Geo. T. Woodhull Mod.?

Elders

Wm. Serine

G. Snedeker

E. Baldwin

Deacons

H. Stults

A. Bergen

G. Morris

After examination, the session agreed to  
admit to the communion to day the following  
persons - 1. Phoebe Day

2. Hester Baldwin -

Adjourned Concluded with prayer

Cranbury Jan<sup>y</sup>. 25<sup>th</sup> 1811.

The session met at the call of  
the Moderator —

Present,  
Rev<sup>d</sup> Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup> —

Elders —  
Garret Sneider,  
William Perine,  
Enos Baldwin

Deacons —  
Henry Stultz —  
George Morris —  
Richard Reed —

The Moderator informed the ses-  
sion that he had referred the case of  
M<sup>rs</sup> Anne Lott to the Presbytery of New  
Brunswick, and the following is a copy  
of their decision in the case, — (viz)

After full consideration of this subject  
Resolved, that it be recommended to the  
session of Cranbury, to take off the sus-

pension from the said Anne Lott, if  
in their judgement they can do it con-  
sistently. — I here extract

Princeton Isaac V. Brown, Clk. —  
Oct. 3<sup>d</sup> 1810. —

After considering this subject the  
session Resolved, that they could not  
at present, consistently take off the  
suspension from M<sup>rs</sup> Lott. —

Messrs Morris, & Reed, and Sneider,  
were appointed a committee to examine  
the treasurer's acct. & report at the next  
meeting.

Resolved that the treasurer pay  
M<sup>rs</sup> Smith \$ 5. in addition to the sum  
of that is paid her quarterly by the  
session — Adjourned —  
Concluded



Thus far examined & approved  
in membership.

Apr 24 - 1811 -

Saml Smith Mod.

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Cränbury, May 11<sup>th</sup> 1811 -

The session met, present Rev.

Ejo. S. Woodhull -

Elders -

Carst Snedeker

Wm Ferrine

John Stabaek

Deacons

R. Reid

G. Morris -

H. Skells -

Began with prayer -

The following persons were examined on ex-  
perimental religion, and were admitted to the  
communion of the Lords Supper - viz,

1. Anne Skells
2. Leah Applegate.
3. Mary Silverster -
4. Wm W. Ferrine Junr.
5. John Davison
6. Rose Davison
7. Ann Hankins

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury Oc. 12<sup>th</sup> 1811 -

The session met and was opened with prayer  
or by the Moderator -

Present - Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>  
Garret Sneider - William Perine - Henry  
Stultz & Richard Pritch - Elders -

The following persons, were admitted to  
the communion of the Lords Supper, after  
an examination in presence of the session

- viz - 1. Mary Scott - wife of John  
2 Lydia Applegate - wife of John -

The following person was received on a cer-  
tificate from New Brunswick -

3. Catharine Keller. -

Concluded with prayer -

Cranbury Oc. 13-1811 -

The session met & was opened with  
prayer Present Geo. S. Woodhull - Mod -

Garret Sneider - W<sup>m</sup> Perine - Enos Baldwin  
Geo. Morris -

After an examination on experimental  
religion, the session agreed to admit to the  
communion of the Lords Supper -

Peter J. Stultz -

Concluded with prayer -

Thus far examined & approved -  
In Vestibory Apr. 29<sup>th</sup> 1812.

John Woodhull Modr

Cranbury May 17<sup>th</sup> 1812. -

The session met and was opened with prayer.  
Present: Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull, Modr.  
Garret Snedeker - W. Shultz, A. Bergen, W. Pennington  
& R. Prid. -

M<sup>r</sup> John A. Day was examined on  
experimental religion, and admitted to the  
communion of the Lords Supper. -

Adjourned. -

Concluded with prayer.

Cranbury June 6<sup>th</sup> 1812 -

The Session met & was opened  
with prayer by the Moderator -

President - Geo. S. Woodhull Mod -

Elders -	Deacons
Samuel Smedeker	R. Reid
Wm. Penning	H. Shultz
Enos Baldwin	G. Morris

The following persons after having been  
examined on experimental religion before the  
session were admitted to the communion  
of the Lord's Supper - viz -

- 1 Hannah Davis -
- 2 Sabel Duncan
- 3 Mary Solly -
- 4 Jane Carson
- 5 David Smith
- 6 Diana Dey Jamison
- 7 Alice Menckon
- 8 Cora A. Voorhis
- 9 Mary Selt wife of Rich?
- 10 Catherine Dey -

Concluded with prayer -

Cranbury July 26<sup>th</sup> 1812 -

The session met & was opened with  
prayer - President - Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull  
mod. -

Elders -	Deacons
Samuel Smedeker	H. Shultz -
John Haback	G. Morris -
	Abm. Bergen -

Resolved. That Henry Shultz, Rich<sup>d</sup> Reid,  
Abm. Bergen & George Morris, be nomi-  
nated as Elders - And, Capt. John  
Dey - In<sup>o</sup>. Davison - Hugh McChesney,  
Peter J. Bergen be nominated as  
Deacons.

Concluded with prayer.

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The session met. - I was opened  
with prayer by the Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Prest Geo. S. Woodhull

Elders	Deacons
Sam <sup>l</sup> Medsker	R. Reid -
W <sup>m</sup> Perrine -	A. Bergen -
	H. Stults.
	J. Mours -

The following persons were examined on  
experimental religion in presence of the  
session, and afterwards admitted to the  
Communion of the Church -

1. Jane Griggs -
2. Christopher Bergen
3. Mary Bergen
4. Ann Perrine
5. Ann A. McDowell

Concluded with prayer

Dec. 17. 1812 -

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After sermon the session convened &  
agreed to admit to the communion  
of the church -

6. Margaret Ann Voorhees.

Thus far examined & approved.

In Presbytery }  
H. N. Hunt. Moderator  
Dunton Dec. 28. 1813 }

Cranbury May 22. 1813

The Session met & was opened with  
 prayer - Pres.<sup>r</sup>

Rev Geo. S. Woodhull Mod.<sup>r</sup>

Elders

Wm Ferrine  
 Garret Smedcher  
 Eno Baldwin

Deacons

Geo. Mann  
 Rich Reid  
 Ab<sup>m</sup> Bergen  
 H. Stults

The Session agreed to admit to the  
 Communion of the Church, the follow-  
 ing persons -

1. Lydia (black serv. of C. Bergen)
2. Marycut Cox
3. Mary Ley Crenshaw
4. Hannah Monahan
5. Hannah Atchley -
6. Jeremia Baldwin on certificate from  
 that st. congregation in Phil.<sup>a</sup>

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury July 31. 1813 -

The session met - present

Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>

Ernst Snedeker	} Elders.	Atm Bergen	} Deo.
Enn Beldwin		H. Stulls	
		G. Morris	cons.

The following charges were exhibited by Sam<sup>l</sup>. Combs, as<sup>t</sup> John Sey, designed to show why the said Sey should not serve as a Deacon in the church (viz) -

1. Denying at the house of M<sup>r</sup>. Woodhull that he entered into an agreement with me at the house of John Hendricks Esq<sup>r</sup> by the decision of three men to deliver up the cow I had prosecuted John Kinney for -

2. Denying also that he declared before the jury on the trial with Kinney that he had not sold that cow only on condition that if she was proved to be mine she was to be given up.

3. Denying also at the same time that he confest before the jury on the trial with himself at Squire Hendricks that he had not bought that cow of Kinney after the first trial with Kinney -

4. Declaring at his own house on Saturday morning before the sacrament was given out last at Cranbury, in the presence of M<sup>r</sup>. Farrington Parishloe that was he in the same official capacity & the same circumstances to occur, he would do the same act over again -

5. Declaring also at the same time that John Hendricks Esq. was perjured while sitting in his official capacity & acting with a jury before him on the trial with him.

6. Taking my property without the knowledge or consent of the man with whom I had left it which act I consider as theft in the fullest amount.  
July 31. 1813 -

After hearing these charges the session the session agreed to meet again to consider the case more fully, on Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> day of Aug. next at One o'clock P.M.  
Concluded with prayer

Cranbury Aug. 16. 1813 -

The session met & was opened with prayer

Present Rev Geo. S. Woodhull M.D.<sup>r</sup>

Elders	} Deacons -	
Wm Perine		Neh <sup>r</sup> Reed
Eno Baldwin		H. Stults.
		Ab <sup>m</sup> Bergen
	Geo. Morris -	

The session proceeded to consider the charges exhibited by Samuel Combs ag<sup>t</sup> John Day -  
To the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>d</sup> & 3<sup>d</sup> charges there was no testimony - The 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> were acknowledged by M<sup>r</sup> Day. - The session determined that they ought all to hear evidence on the 6<sup>th</sup> charge because it referred to acts that it were done at least 12 or 14 years ago -

Resolved, that no censure ought to be inflicted on M<sup>r</sup> Day -

Concluded with prayer -



Cranbury Oct. 16. 1813.

The session met & was opened with prayer.  
Present. Geo. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>

Elders	} Deacons
Garnet Snedeker	
John Slaback	
W <sup>m</sup> Perren	
	H. Skatts
	R. Reid
	Geo. Morris
	Ab <sup>m</sup> Berger

After an examination on experiment at religion the following persons were admitted to the communion of the Lords

Supper. (viz-

1. Betty Slaback
2. Mary Slaback
3. John R. Conover
4. Anne Conover
5. William Post.

Concluded with prayer -

Memorandum. — Oct. 16. 1813. — This day the following persons (viz) Henry Skatts Richard Reid, George George Morris, and Abraham Berger, were ordained as Elders in the church. And the following persons (viz) — John Davison, Peter Berger, John Dye, & Hugh McKeeney, were ordained as Deacons

Oct. 17. 1813. — The session met a little before divine service began, & after examination agreed to receive to the communion of the church. the following person (viz)

Thomas Baldwin -

Cranbury Nov. 6. <sup>th</sup> 1813

The session met & was opened with  
prayer - Present

Rev Geo. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>

Elders -

Garret Medsker

E. Baldwin

A. Bergen

H. Stults

G. Morris

Teachers

John Davison

H. M. Chesney

John Day

After an examination on experimen-  
tal religion the session agreed to re-  
ceive the following persons to the  
communion of the church (viz)

1. Theodosia Hunt
2. Margaret Bergen
3. Catharine S. Jamison
4. Theodosia Updyke
5. Elizabeth Applegate

Concluded with prayer

Nov. 6. 1813. This day after sermon  
the session were again called together  
& the following persons after having  
been examined on experimental re-  
ligion were received into the church ad-  
mitted to the communion of the church

viz -

1. Mary Cair -

2. Eunice Ayers.

Thus far examined and  
approved in Presby 27<sup>th</sup> 1814

Jos. Campbell. Mod<sup>r</sup>

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Cranbury May 14-1814

The Session met. and was opened with prayer  
Present  
Rev. Geo. Woodhull Mod.<sup>or</sup>

Elders

Janit Snudeker

Mr. Perrine

Abm. Bergen

Puch. Reid.

Seagers

In: Davison

Hugh McChuray

In: Sey -

Peter Bergen.

The session agreed to receive to the sacrament of the Lord's supper the following persons.

1. James Menhoun
2. John Vandeker
3. Elizabeth Perrine
4. Rebecca McMichael
5. Anne Bordine Huleik

The last four were examined before the session on experimental religion - The

ill state of health of Mr. Menhoun & it being inconvenient for him to attend the session, were the reasons that he was not examined in their presence - he was recommended by the Mod. as a proper person to be received to the ordinance, - & the session knowing the <sup>general</sup> good character of Mr. Menhoun, agreed to receive him without examination -

Adjourned - Concluded with prayer

Cranbury June 6. 1814 -

The session met &amp; was opened with prayer

Puruit - Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod.<sup>r</sup> -

Elders	Seccors
G. Smedeker.	H. M'Churney -
G. Morris -	
H. Stults	
A. Bergen	
E. Baldwin	
R. Reid -	

It was represented to the session that the debts of Mr. Smith (widow of the late Rev. W. Smith) amounted to considerable, & that she was not, without much difficulty able to pay them. Resolved, that Messrs Smedeker, Dawson & Morris be a committee to enquire to what her debts amounted, & to see what deductions her creditors would make in case in comm<sup>o</sup> session should agree to pay them off -

Concluded with prayer -

Oct. 15. 1814.

Cranbury -

The session met, - & was opened with prayer - Puruit, Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull mod.<sup>r</sup>

Elders -	Seccors -
Garret Smedeker	John Davison
Henry Stults -	Wash M'Churney -
	John Dey -
	Peter Bergen -

After examination on experimental religion, the session agreed to receive to the communion of the Lords Supper the following persons - viz,

1. Eleanor Dye
2. George Job.
3. Elizabeth Mershon -

Concluded with prayer.

Oct. 16. 1814 -

The session agreed to receive  
the following person to the com-  
munion of the Lords Supper this  
day (viz -

Thomas Duncan -

Cranbury Nov. 26. 1814. -

The session met & was opened with  
prayer. Present. Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod.  
Elders -

Enos Baldwin  
Geo. Morris  
H. Stultz.

Seacons  
John Davison. -

It was reported to the session that  
the debts of Mrs. Smith amounted to \$109.00.  
- Mr. Woodhull & Mr. Davison were appointed

to wait on Mrs. Smith & converse with  
her on the subject, & inform <sup>her</sup> that the  
session are ~~well~~ willing to ~~for~~ lend  
her money to pay off the whole of her  
debts, on condition of her giving secu-  
rity for the money. -

Concluded with prayer -

Cranbury Dec. 5. 1814 -

The session met & was opened with prayer  
Present Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod.

Elders  
Enos Baldwin  
H. Stultz. -

Seacons  
John Davison  
H. McChesney -

Mr. Davison reported that Mrs.  
Smith was not willing to give a mortgage  
on her lot for money that the session

might lend her, but was willing to give personal security, And that she would be thankful for what the session might give her, I hoped to be able to borrow ~~the~~ the money to pay her debts from another source.

Resolved to give to

Mr. Dosh — \$5.  
 Mr. Hankins — 4  
 Mr. Carmon — 4.

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury Dec. 12 - 1844

The session met & was opened with prayer  
 Present Rev. Geo. S. Marshall Mod.

Elders  
 Mr. Perrine  
 H. Stultz  
 G. Morris  
 A. Boyer.

Deacons  
 John Davison  
 John Jay -  
 P. Bergen —

Mr. Stultz informed the session that he had wanted a Mr. Smith & that she refused to give the session a mortgage on her lot for money they offered to lend her. — Resolved to give Mr. Smith the sum of \$30.00. Also Resolved that the session will lend Mr. Smith either the whole, or a considerable part of the remainder of the money that may that may be necessary to pay off the whole of her debts provided she will give satisfactory security — Resolved to give Thos. Soden \$5.

Concluded with prayer

Thus far examined and approved  
Trenton April 26. 1815 -

Arch<sup>d</sup>. Alexander Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Cranbury May 20. 1815.

The session met. Was opened with prayer  
Present Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>.  
Dr. Jn<sup>s</sup>. Woodhull

<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>
G. Smedley	Jn <sup>s</sup> . Davison
R. Reed.	H. M'Chuney
	J. Day -

After an examination on experimental ce-  
-ligion the session agreed to receive the fol-  
-lowing persons to the communion of the Lords  
Supper (vid)

1. John Scott
2. Elizabeth Story
3. Leah Stultz -
4. Richard Little (black)
5. Sarah (wid. of Jn<sup>s</sup>. Stultz)

Concluded with prayer -

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Cranbury May 25<sup>th</sup> 1815The session met & was opened with  
prayer - PresentRev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod<sup>r</sup>Elders  
G. Snedeker  
W. Perrine  
H. Stults  
G. Morris -Deacons -  
H. McChesney  
J. Davison  
J. Sey -After an examination on experimen-  
tal religion the session agreed to receive to  
the communion of the Lords Supper the follow-  
ing person - (viz)

Abigail McChesney

Concluded with prayer

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Cranbury Oct. 14. 1815 -

The Session <sup>met</sup> & was opened with prayer  
Present. Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull, Mod<sup>r</sup>Elders  
G. Snedeker  
W. Perrine  
E. Baldwin  
H. Stults -  
A. BergenDeacons  
J. Davison  
P. Bergen  
H. McChesney  
J. Sey -B. Reed -  
M<sup>r</sup> Paul Fisher formally an Elder in this church & having  
sincerely expressed his willingness into this work was received  
at this time  
The following persons were examined  
on experimental religion and admitted to  
the communion of the Lords Supper(viz) Jediah Applegate  
Christiana Pratt

Concluded with prayer



Cranbury Oct. 15. 1815

The session met & was opened with  
prayer - Present Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod.

Elders	Deacons
G. Smedeker	H. M. Chesney
H. Perrine	P. Bergen
J. Fisher	J. Jay -
A. Bergen	
O. Reid	
G. Morris	

Elizabeth Loring was examined  
on experimental religion I received in to the  
communion of the Lord's Supper.

Concluded with prayer

Cranbury - Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> 1816 -

The session met and was opened with  
prayer - Present - Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Mod.

Elders	Deacons
G. Smedeker	John Garrison Junr.
E. Baldwin	Peter Bergen -
H. Stults	
A. Bergen	

Messrs Richard Mount & Peter Mychiff  
were appointed to lead the music in  
the church, in the room of Mr. Hugh Mac-  
Chesney lately removed to Freehold -

Mr. Peter Bergen was appointed to attend  
the meetings of the Presbytery at Lawrence-  
ville on Tuesday next -

Concluded with prayer

Thus far examined and approved  
Lawrenceville. April 25<sup>th</sup> 1816

Saml. Miller, modr

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Cranbury May 18. 1816

The Session met & was opened with prayer  
Present Pres. Geo. S. Woodkull - Modr

Elders

G. Sniederker

J. Fisher

W. Conine

Geo. Morris

Ab<sup>n</sup>. Berger

R. Reed -

Deacons

J<sup>n</sup>. Davison

Peter Berger -

The following persons after having been examined  
on experimental religion were admitted to  
the Sacrament of the Lords Supper - viz/

1. Pussetta Handley
2. Rebecca Ley - widow of John
3. Hannah Deremer -
4. Sarah Conover - widow of Wm.

Concluded with prayer.

Cranbury Oct. 1816

The Session met & was opened with prayer  
 Presid Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Modr.

Elders  
 G. Suedeker,

H. Skells.

A. Payne

J. Fisher.

G. Morris

O. Reid.

Deacons

J. Dey

J. Davison -

The Session agreed to receive to the com-  
 munion of the church the following persons.

(1816) Lewis Dey & } on certificate from Allentown  
 Catharine Dey }

Hendrick B. Schenck - from Boundbrook

Elizabeth Perry - from Island

Reuben Schenck & } on examination  
 Gaius S. Davison }

Concluded with prayer

Approved - all present on April 23. 1817

Attest Green - Mod

Cranbury Aug. 18. 1817

The session met. - I was opened with prayer  
 by the Moderator Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull -  
 Presid Elders - G. Suedeker - J. Fisher - E. Morris -  
 G. Morris - H. Skells - Deacons J. Dey -  
 J. Davison - W. Suedeker stated  
 that during the last illness of Mr. Smith

he had furnished her with articles to the amount of \$7.30. - Ordered that the treasurer pay to W. Smedeker the above sum -

Ordered that W. Woodhull procure a blank book for recording the in which to record the minutes of the Lesson -

Ordered, that the treasurer furnish W. Baldwin with \$4.00 to purchase music & other articles for W. Dook -

Resolved that Messrs Smedeker - Fish & J. A. Bergen be a committee to visit on Mrs Anne Smith to consult with her on the best mode of paying the debts of her late mother & to offer the payments of those debts on condition that the same can be properly secured. - Adjourned

Concluded with prayer -

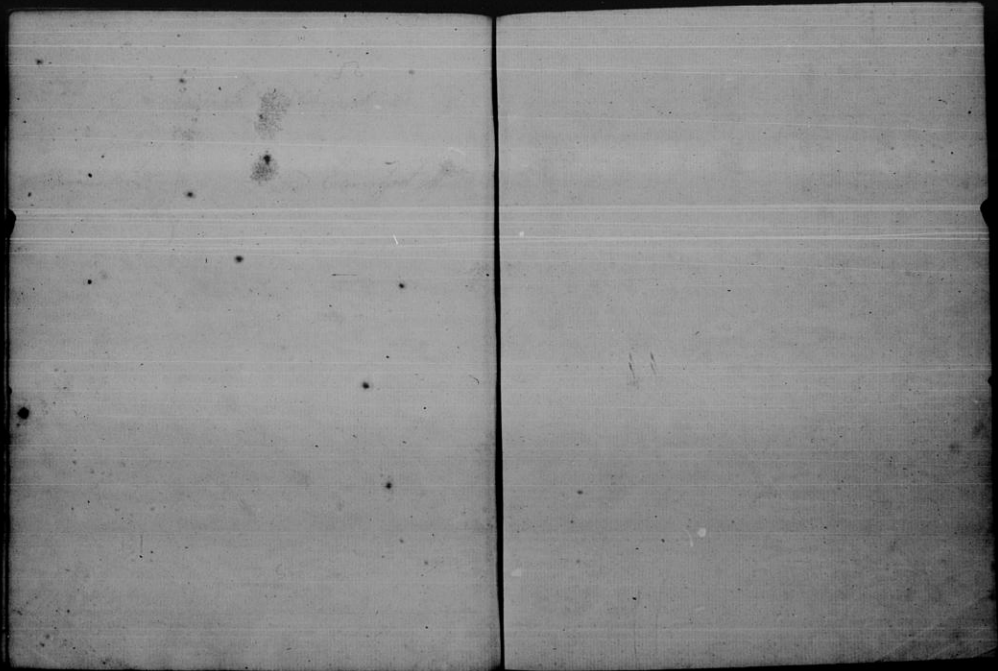
Cremburg Sep. 27. 1817 -

The session met. & was opened with prayer - Present Rev. Geo. S. Woodhull Modr - Elders G. Smedeker, J. Fisher, A. Bergen - Henry Stultz, G. Morris - Deacons J. Darrow - J. Day - P. Bergen -

The session agreed to receive to the communion of the church for the first time the following persons - 1. Jane Bergen - 2. Sarah Ly Coester - 3. Elias Kern - 4. Liche Vandorn - 5. Margant Applegette, wife of Zebulon - 6. Margant Vanderhoff - 7. Rachael Pomeroy - 8. Nancy Black, wife of J. Kern - 9. Margant Conell - 10. Charity Mouch - 11. John Layton a black man -

Concluded with prayer -

Thus far examined & approved -  
In presbytery of  
Hemington  
Apr. 29. 1810 } David Comfort Mod.



Deacons

1790

William Perrine

Reuben Morris

deposed March 5, 1792

Humphrey Mount

James Snodder

Enos Baldwin

Israel Baldwin

Senior Lusk

John Gulick

Dismissed Nov<sup>r</sup>, 1796