

Bainbridge, Chenango Co. NY
(Kirby's Settlement)

At a meeting of a number of the inhabitants of the town of Bainbridge holden at the School House in Kirby's Settlement on the 14th day of September 1818 pursuant to an act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed April the 5th 1813, to provide for the incorporation of Religious Societies the inhabitants having assembled proceeded to nominate Matthew Long and Thomas Humphrey to preside at said meeting, to receive the votes of the electory and be the officers to return the names of the persons elected trustees of said Society. And having performed the duty assigned us, we hereby certify that James Johnston, Reuben Kirby, Ebenezer [Landery?], James Davidson, Stephen Stilwell & James H. Humphrey were duly elected trustees for said Society and that the name or title of said Society and trustees be known and distinguished by the name of the first Universal Society of the town of Bainbridge in the county of Chenango[.]

Given under our hands and seals at Bainbridge this 14th day of September A.D. 1818

Thomas Humphrey
Matthew Long

W^m Knapp Jr.
J. Davidson

Be it known that on the 22d day of September 1819 personally before me Peter Betts Com~&c in and for Chenango County came and appeared William Knapp Jun. and to me known who on oath deposed and said that the above proceedings as stated are correct and [he] was a subscribing witness to the same[.] I therefore allow the same to be registered.

Peter Bettz

Rec'd & Recorded Sept. 23^d 1819 at 2 o'clock P.M.

P. Randall Clerk

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