

Newport Street Congregational Chapel, Swindon
Meeting minutes and Roll of members – 1844, 1845, 1846, 1847 & 1848

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New Members: John Gaite, Iles, Mrs Pillgreen, Joseph Waterson, James Mills, Maryann Mills, Caroline Mills, Thomas and Amelia Watson, Catherine Bennett, James McWilliam, Ezra Lewis, George Freeth, Duncan and Margaret Forbes, Peter Hevest, Minster Adam Rexburgh, Nathaniel Turner, Robt Thatcher, Thos Moss, Mrs Blackford,

Dismissed: Mrs Lewis – formerly Caroline Mills, James Mc William, Mrs Michael Thomas formerly Miss C Pillgreen

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Church Meeting Oct 10 1844

Resolved that

*Mr George Hall - member of the Independent Church at Henfield , near Brighton, under the Pastoral care of his Father the Rev Geo Hall having communicated to us his desire to enjoy the advantages of a College preparatory to his entering on the work of the Ministry and having solicited on advice thereon we after having held Christian Communication with him for two years during which we have observed his sincere piety – his consistent life – his diligent efforts in the Sal School having also had reported to us the decided acceptableness of his preaching in a neighbouring village and having heard him preach this evening do thoughtfully solemnly, and prayerfully xxxo him to seek with out delay admittance into one of own Colleges that the qualifications for the Ministry we deem him to possess may become fully developed & more studious Youthness. * [continue at bottom of page 102]*

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Dec^r 29 1844

Resolved that John Gaité be received as a member of this Church.

Jany 26 1845

Resolved that Iles be received as a member of this Church

Jany 29 1845

Resolved that Mrs Pillgreen / being dismissed from the Independent Church of Hungerford by a letter of dismissal from the Pastor the Revd Rich^{eo}/. Frost on the occasion of her being removed from Hungerford to Swindon / be received as a member of this Church.

Sep^r 18 1845

Resolved that Mrs Chalotte Pillgreen be received as a member of this Church.

** [continued from bottom of page 101] W Hall, after having, with great satisfaction – to his tutors, finished his course at Highbury College, settled at Linton, Cambs; where after, a useful Ministry, he died much lamented. He was the successful competitor for the Prize of the best essay on Ragged Schools **G J B 1867***

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Feb'y 22 1846

Resolved that Joseph Waterson formerly an elder of the United Secession Congregational Bedlington and under the the pastoral of the Rev Ebenezer G Dall / be received as a member of this Church.

Resolved that James Mills – Maryann Mills and Caroline Mills formerly of the Independent Church at Chippenham under the Pastoral care of the Rev Benjamin Rees be received as members of this Church.

Nov' 1 1846

Resolved that Thomas Watson and Amelia Watson his wife be received into the Church.

May 23 1847

Resolved that Catherine Bennett and also James McWilliam be received into the Church.

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July 4 . 47

Resolved that Ezra Lewis be received into this church from the Church from the Church at Orange St Chapel, London and on their recommendation.

Aug 1 . 47

Resolved that George Freeth be received into this Church.

Sep^t 5 . 47

Resolved that Duncan Forbes and his wife Margaret Forbes be received into this Church.

Oct' 3. 47

Resolved that Peter Hvest of the Prestyterian Churc, Greenwich - Minster Adam Rexburgh be received as a member of this Church and also Nathaniel Turner of the Congregational Church Frampton Cotteril, Gloster – Minister Robt Thatcher be received a member of this Church.

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Dec 8 1847

Resolved that Thos Moss be received a member of the Church.

March April 3 1848

Mrs Lewis – formerly Caroline Mills – See Feby 22 1846 – was dismissed to the Independent Church London under the Pastoral care of the Rev James Bennett DD

James Mc William dismissed to the Church at Poole under the care of Rev Conder.

July 23 1848

Resolved that Mrs Blackford be received into this Church.

July 28 1848

Mrs Michael Thomas formerly Miss C Pillgreen dismissed from the Church and commended

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To the Church at Wootton Bassett by **G Pister**.