

Title Page.Presbyterianism in New Jersey.

First, Consider its foundations as brought about by the early settlers in Essex Co. Middlesex Co. Cumberland Co. Morris Co. Sussex Co and other of the original Co's by the Migration from New England from 1664 to the breaking out of the Revolutionary War, both in the settlements made at Newark Elizabeth Town and other parts of the Colony together with an array of the names of some of the many Ministers coming from Conn and Mass, who were eminent for their learning and patriotism.

Second! The effect produced on the mind of the people of the Colony for the century preceding the Revolution, preparing them by their teachings to be ready to strike for liberty when their sacred personal or religious rights were endangered making New Jersey for its then sparse population second only to Massachusetts and Connecticut in the number of troops furnished from 1775 to 1783 in aiding to overthrow British rule and Establish American Independence here being in the names of Caldwell, ^{of Elizabethtown} Rosebrough of Wood; John Witherspoon, &c &c

3rd Then allude to the Amity prevailing between
the Presbyterians, The large Society of Friends, and
the few Episcopalian. ~~Then~~ the Dutch Reformed
Society. There were no other, as up to the year
1775. There were no M.E. or Catholic Churches
in the State, a single Congregational Ch at Chester
N.J. Still there, and perhaps ^{10 or 2} others at Newark
and Elizabeth town. Then allude to the foundation of
Princeton College, its effect on the Education of
the State. Who contributed to its Early Progress!
Where from! &c &c

4th Then state in full, your own Conclusions
- 5th Set forth that N.J. was a long time prior
to 1775. the strongest Strong hold of Presbyterianism
in the United States, and that it has not retrograded,
with the growth of its population, and that it is
more largely due to the Early planting of
the Church - and subsequent growth - that
our Education - general intelligence - enterprise
than from any and all other causes combined!

You have here the bones of an address from our
home to our home and half way, which will take you
at least ~~at~~ two weeks to get in shape to edify yr hearer,
see 7 1887 - humbly yours J.S.

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