

**MA: Nantucket – 2 Centre Street – Methodist Church Foundation Contract from:
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**[NOTE: punctuation, capitalization and spelling have been transcribed as written in the
minutes]**

p. 14 Contract
Nantucket September 6, 1822
This agreement made and entered into by
Nathan Kingsley for himself on the one part
& John Jenkins & Perez Jenkins on behalf of
themselves and others of the trustees of the
Methodist Society of Nantucket is as follows

Viz. The said Nathan Kingsley Doth by this
instrument agree to build a foundation wall
agreeable to the statement handed him for
the purpos of erecting the New Methodist
Meetinghouse now in contemplation on a
piece of land that Doct^r Bartlett bought
for that society of Peleg Mitchell
The wall is to be seventy five feet by sixty
five feet the foundation of the wall to
commence with good broad stones for the
purpos of withstanding the presher of so
hevy a building the trench is to be Dug Deep
enough to fill up four inches of sand to
bed the bottom stones in & their to build a
stone wall of eighteen inches Deep so as

p. 15 to come just level with the of the ground all
round the wall to be eighteen inches thick on
the east south & west sides, but the north side it is
to be twenty inches thick, to be built of good
stones & pointed on the outside from top to
bottom & six inches from the top on the inside
with lime mortar, to smooth the top of the
stone wall so as to build a brick wall of good
Merchantable Hartford bricks the wall to be
one foot thick to be layed in good lime mortar
And the said Kingsley is to build the brick
wall so high as to make the wall seven
and a half feet high at the North East Corner
five and a half at the S East Corner and

two and a half at the S West Corner including
the eighteen inches of stone wall at
the bottom

To have the top of the wall so completely level
as not to have any furs under the sills,
All of the above to be built of good materials
and in a good and workmanlike manner
the said Kingsley is to find all the materials
and Do all the labor as above Discribed
and to Complete said wall on or before the
first day of November next

Also to build as many pillers under the trimers
of two heights of a brick thick founded on
a broad stone as the Committee shall
think necessary & allso projecting pillers
for the ends of the trimers

for the faithfull performance on the part
of the said Nathan Kingsley in building
the above Discribed wall we the said
John Jenkins and Perez Jenkins in our
Capacity as a Committee appointed by

- p. 16 the trustees of the Methodist Society in Nantucket
to Contract with sum person to build said wall
do agree to pay the said Nathan Kingsley four
hundred and eighty Dollars and fifty five
Cents in such payments as will be
necessary for him to purchess materials to build
said wall

Nathan Kingsley	Contractor
John Jenkins	Committee
Perez Jenkins	