

**MA: Nantucket – 2 Centre Street – Methodist Church Committee Report from: The Committee Chosen by the Trustees...**

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p. 7 The Report of the Committee

Chosen by the Trustees to Discribe the manner and form in wich the Meeting house should be bilt is as follows viz.

The house shall be 65 by 75 feet on the ground 28 feet from the top of the sills to the top of the plates the timber to [be] of the size & Demin tions Drawn by the Committee to good pine timber bords for Covering the outside to be one inch thick square edged and put Close to gether the shingles on the roof to be Layed to the wether five inches in lime mortar the first Corse at the eaves to be double the roof is to be four pitched with lead on each hip six inches wide & a scuttel in the ridge the shingles on the upright [indecipherable] to be layed to the wither five inches & a half the edges

- p. 8 jointed the fase smoothed & layed by a Corse board with a Double Corse at the bottom all to be of the first Quality of shingles the roof is to be so framed as to admit of no sag to the beams nor rafters there is to be a jet & spouts all round the house with one trunk & lead pipe at each Corner leading the watter to the ground there shall be three outside Doors in the east front each to be six pannels with 11 by 15 glass over them agreeable to the Draft & plain neat frontises with a sutable lock on the North & the same to the South but the Middle one is to have bolts or bars on the inside each of the above Mentioned Doors shall be accommidated with steps built of wood in Common form there shall be twenty nine windows twenty three of wich shall be twenty four lights each of 11 by 15 Glass and six of twenty lights 11 by 15 all to be Boston Glass

first Quality the frames to be made of Clear joist  
 4 by 6 for jams 4 by 7 for Caps & 5 by 7 for stools with  
 a false Caps on top & suitable moldings under them  
 Rims for sashes to be 2 ½ inches wide for all but the  
 meeting rails they are to be 1¾ inches wide lock to  
 gether the above sashes are to be 1½ inches thick  
 the top sashes to all the windows in the lower  
 part of the house must be calculated to rise  
 and fall with iron weights & shivs & patent  
 Springs in the lower sash of every window  
 in the house all the above mentioned window  
 frames & sashes must have on a good Coat of paint  
 the corner boards Door Caseings & window frames  
 are to be stripped with sander [?] the outside Doors are  
 to be 2 inches thick the 2 Doors leading from  
 porch to main body 1½ inches thick six  
 paneled with suitable latches there is to be a  
 stair Case in each end of the porch leading  
 into the gallery the pulpit is to be built

- p. 9 in manner & form Described in the plat with  
 the addition of a mahogany scroll rail at each  
 stair Case the altar is to be an elliptic circle  
 elevated there is to be 126 slips on the lower  
 floor all to be paneled with a Door to each  
 hung with suitable hinges they are to be  
 three feet high from the floor to the tops  
 of the Caping which is to be an oval of  
 1½ by 2½ inches there is to be a plain ceiling  
 from the floor to the top of the slips & the  
 boards for it are to be matched together  
 45 feet of the lower floor is to be an in-  
 clined plain rising of 2½ feet a Double  
 floor above & below, all the boards for  
 the slips pulpit altar Door Caseings post  
 Caseings window Caseing Doors Corner boards  
 together with all other Caseings and  
 Moulding shall be Clear lumber there  
 is to be a Closet and Door under each stair  
 Case in the porch & one Door under the  
 pulpit, the east gallery is to be an  
 elliptic Circle with two or three Circu-  
 lar seats behind the pulpit all the  
 remainder of the seats will be straight

and plain the floors above and below  
are to be plained there shall be  
two Chimneys built from the top  
of the garet floor beams & suitable  
height above the roof & a stone in the  
garet floor under each Chimney for  
the reception of stove pipes the  
house shall be lathed with boards  
and plastered the garrett beams shall be  
Covered with plastering it shall also be  
plastered from the top of the gallery sill  
to the Capping of the front seat the  
Columns which support the gallery

- p. 10 shall be turned from the top of the slips up  
the three outside Doors Shall have good oak  
thresholds with iron on the horizontal  
part all of the above mentioned labour is  
to be Done in a good and workman like  
manner to the satisfaction of the  
Committee that shall be Chosen by  
the trustees