## Boston Clergymen Opening the Daily Proceedings of the Massachusetts Ratification, 12-29 January 1788

## Chaplains\*

12 January	Simeon Howard (West Church)
14 January	Samuel Parker (Trinity Church)
15 January	Peter Thacher (Brattle Street Church)
16 January	John Eliot (New North Church)
17 January	Joseph Eckley (Old South Church)
18 January	John Clark (First or Old Brick Church)
19 January	Thomas Gair (Second Baptist Church)
21 January	James Freeman (Stone Chapel)
22 January	Oliver Everett (New South Church)
23 January	William Montague (Christ's Church)
24 January	Simeon Howard (West Church)
25 January	Jeremy Belknap (Long Lane Church)
26 January	John Lathrop (Second or Old North Church)
28 January	Samuel Parker (Trinity Church)
29 January	Peter Thacher (Brattle Street Church)

<sup>\*</sup> On 9 January the Convention voted to invite the Boston clergy "to officiate" each morning. Records have been located identifying officiating ministers for fifteen days (*Massachusetts Centinel*, 16, 23, and 30 January 1788). Freeman, Montague, and Parker were Episcopalians; Gair was Baptist; all other ministers were Congregational.

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