Continued & the committee last year appointed to unite with them in a revisal of the Discipline are also continued & desired to proceed in the business as truth may open the way & report to next Meeting.

Then adjourned to the 9th hour tomorrow morning.

12th of the M. & 4th of the week.

Near the times adjourned to, the Meeting Assembled & the Representatives being called, attended as heretofore.

The Meeting for Sufferings having laid before this meeting some communications received from the Meeting for Sufferings in Philadelphia, respecting the Traffic carried on in this state in the Human Species — Many of the African race, under countenance of the Laws now existing, being in a cruel manner seperated from their connections, & exported to distant States. — And, the Meeting taking the matter weightily under consideration, many Friends having expressed their Sentiments, it is agreed to refer the subject to a committee to report to a future sitting of this Meeting — The following Friends are named for that service, Viz. John Wilson, Isaiah Balderston, John Mason, John Ellicott sen.r, Evan Thomas, Elesha Tyson, John Brown, Joseph Hopkins, James Hancock, Allen Farquhar, Harman Updegraff, William Farquhar, William Morsell, Isaac Everitt, William Wierman, Benjamin Underwood, William Hough, Israel Janney, Abel Walker, Thomas Matthews, Edward Beeson, John Hirst, Andrew M.Kay & Benjamin Purdom.

The Minutes of last Yearly Meeting were now read — The Committee appointed to attend the Congress with the address on the Militia Bill, made the following Report —

"We of the committee appointed to attend Congress, agree "to report, that most of our number who had timely notice, attended "to the appointment & the Address being presented was read — two "of the Committee being present: — that in the course of the debates "many of the Members appeared Favourable towards Friends, but the "Bill still remains under their consideration. — Signed By "Evan Thomas, John Wilson, Joseph Janney, Allen Farquhar "Harman Updegraff, Lewis Neale, Joel Wright. —"

The following Friends are now appointed to prepare Certificates for our Friends Mary Ridgway & Jane Watson to be produced to a future sitting of this Meeting, Viz.t John M.Kim, Jonathan Wright & Israel Janney. —

The Committee appointed on the accounts report, that they find in the Treasurers hands the sum of £190-4-11½, the Quotas of the Quarterly Meetings being all paid in, & agree to propose the sum of £30 to be raised the ensuing year, — Which is concurred with by this Meeting, & the Quarterly & Monthly Meetings are directed to raise it in the usual proportions.

Then adjourned to the 4th hour this afternoon.

About the time adjourned to the Meeting assembled.

A Testimony from Gun Powder Monthly Meeting concerning our Friend Susanna Brown dec.d; one from Deer Creek Monthly Meeting, concerning our Friend Mary Cox dec.d; and one from the latter Meeting concerning our Friend James Rigby dec.d accompanied by one given by himself some time before his decease, being produced, were read to the satisfaction of this Meeting, & directed to be recorded, & a copy of the latter forwarded to the Western Quarterly Meeting in Pennsylvania of which he was formerly a member. —

The Committee last year appointed to attend the Assembly made the following report. —

"To the Yearly Meeting now sitting"

"Part of the Committee appointed to attend the General Assembly "of Maryland with the address on behalf of the Black People & their "descendants, agree to report, that the matter was attended to by some "of our number, & the Assembly granted the request of the Meeting "by repealing the act that prevented setting slaves free by last Will "& Testament & also the act that compelled a servitude to 31 years of "age on Mulatto Children, likewise passed an Act, inflicting a "penalty on those who shall be concerned in carrying free Negroes out "of the State, or those who are entituled to their Freedom at a future "day. — At the same time an Amendment was proposed to said "Bill to compel the Masters & owners of Slaves to provide in a "suitable manner for those under their care who were past Labour." —

Signed