

Epistle may be circulated for usefulness, it was concluded to have four thousand copies printed, to be distributed among the Quarters. Philip & Thomas and George Ellicott, were appointed to pay the necessary attention to the subject, and authorised to call on the Treasurer for the amount of expence incurred.

The following friends were appointed to prepare essays of Epistles to those Yearly Meetings, with which this corresponds to be introduced to a future sitting, viz: Gerard T. Hopkins, Joseph James, Isaac Pearson, Jonathan Joseph, John McPherson, Daniel McPherson, Samuel Jones, Elisha Shunt, Isaac Parker, Horton Howard, Nathan Galbreath, Samuel Davis, William Morgan, Asa Moore, Thomas Wood.

The representatives were directed to confer at the close of this sitting, and propose a clerk and assistant, at the commencement of the next sitting.

Then adjourned to three o'clock, this afternoon.
Friends assembled according to adjournment.

Asa Moore, on behalf of the Representatives informed they had agreed to propose Edward Stabler for Clerk, and William Kenworthy to assist him, which being concurred with, they were accordingly appointed.

Certificates and copies of minutes were produced by several Brethren and Sisters, from neighbouring Yearly Meetings: Asa Moore and Thomas Moore, were appointed to unite with a committee of women Friends, in preparing essays of Endorsements to be produced to a future sitting.

The consideration of the important subject of a division of this Yearly Meeting, as continued from the meeting last year, being resumed, copies of minutes were produced from the yearly meetings of friends in Philadelphia and Virginia, informing that each of the said meetings had appointed a Committee (most of whom were present) to unite with us in deliberating thereon. It was concluded to refer the subject to the consideration of a Committee, in conjunction with those Friends now attending by the appointment of the above Yearly Meetings

and such committee of Women Friends, as may be appointed by their meeting, and to report to a future sitting. The following friends were appointed to that service—Isaiah Balderston, Evan Thomas, George Ellicott, William Riley, Thomas Wood, Joseph Greist, John Talbott, Abel Thomas, James Abendenhall, Israel Janney, Asa Moore, Thomas Shreve, David Grave, Joseph John, Henry Mills, John Haines, Joseph Steur, Jonathan Taylor, Isaac Parker, Horton Howard, Thomas French, Thomas Grisell, Samuel Davis, Nathan Galbreath, John Furnace, Abordicau Walker, Ennion Williams, John Stall, Gerard T. Hopkins.

Then adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.
13th of the month and third of the week—Pursuant to adjournment Friends assembled. Written accounts from the Quarterly Meetings in answer to the Queries were in substance as follows:
1st. Answer. All our meetings, except one, have been held, and those on first days (with some exception in relation to afternoon meetings) attended by friends generally; but, a remissness in the attendance of week day meetings, and those for Discipline, is noted in nearly all the Reports; and four of them mention an extension of some care on account of deficiencies in these respects—Unbecoming behaviour when met, mostly avoided and the hour of meeting nearly observed.

2nd. Most friends are in a good degree careful to maintain Love to each other as becomes our christian profession.—Slandering and Detraction are generally discouraged, and care taken to end apparent differences.

3rd. Many Friends are in a good degree careful to educate their children, and those under their care, in plainness of speech, Deportment, and Apparel; to guard them against reading pernicious books, and the corrupt conversation of the world;—and to encourage their reading the Holy Scriptures; but acknowledgments are contained in several of the Reports, that more care is necessary in these important particulars.

4th. Friends appear to be clear of importing, and in a good degree clear of the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors; though