

Joseph Grubb, William Kemmerthy, John M. Therson, Joseph Holmes, John Williams.
By Accounts from our Quarters, in answer to the requisition of last meeting, in relation to the important subject of spirituous liquors, it appeared to have received the attention of friends, and a pleasing prospect was expressed that the interesting testimony was advancing. Quarterly and monthly meetings were again enjoined to pay renewed attention to it, and report of their care to the meeting next year.

Gerard Hopkins on behalf of the committee, continued at last meeting, to assist the clerk in revising and recording the minutes, reported that the service had been complied with; the same committee was continued to the service.

Adjourned to three o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

13th of the month & 4th of the week. Friends assembled pursuant to adjournment.

The exercise which prevailed in the meeting, while engaged in considering the state of society, having for its objects the preservation and help of our beloved fellow members, was, as usual, fervent and affectionate; and as it is an unquestionable truth, which will, either through mercy or judgment, be manifested to all, that our duty as defined by infinite wisdom, is always accordant with our highest interest, and our greatest felicity. An ardent solicitude was felt, that the delusive presentations of subordinate interests, and perishable enjoyments might not be permitted to defeat the purposes of divine love towards any of its objects. The precepts of the gospel, the experience of the righteous, and the dictates of the pure and heavenly principle in every mind, bear united testimony that "the Lord is good." How inexpressibly desirable therefore it is that we might all be willing to make the necessary sacrifices of those things (whatsoever may be their kind or nature) which operate as preventives to our blessed experience of this all interesting truth - which when thus experienced, known, would undoubtedly obliterate all those causes of complaint, which are found to continue, from season to season, furnishing subjects of renewed exercise, and sorrow to the body.

The present period in our country, being pre-eminently eventful, and in which, one of our most important testimonies will be often exposed to probation, the minds of many brethren were much impressed with desire, that a conduct answerable to our holy profession, of being subjects of the Prince of Peace, may be inviolably maintained. Suffer not, we beseech you, dear brethren, any untoward fears, any perishable interests, any deceptive reasonings or suggestions, to influence your minds (either secretly or openly) to violate, in any way, this most precious testimony. The unhappy experience of the human family, recorded in history, and confirmed by observation, unites in evidence with the inspired prophet, that, every battle of the warrior is with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood.

How pointedly contrasted is this deplorable picture, with the fruits of that meek and quiet spirit, which is the offspring of him, whom we profess to serve, and "is first pure - then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated - full of mercy and good fruits - without partiality, and without hypocrisy; and though we may, in maintaining a faithful allegiance to our sovereign master, often have to encounter trials, which may be bitter to our natural feelings, yet we have the promise of him who will never deceive his humble dependants, that these "sorrows shall be turned into joy." Whereas, if we unhappily choose the reverse, any temporary rejoicing which may result from it, will be both a prelude and a cause of mourning and lamentation.

The minutes of the meeting for sufferings, for the past year, were produced, and read, the concurrence of this meeting with its proceedings was expressed, and that meeting continued.

The following report from our committee on Indian concerns, was received, the approbation of the meeting, in respect to its proceedings, was expressed, and the committee was encouraged to pay such further attention to the interesting objects of its appointment, as may may open for.

To the Yearly meeting now sitting.

The committee on Indian concerns report, that, since the last yearly meeting no way is opened to renew our efforts towards carrying into effect the concern of friends, relative to the Indian natives; we have however received information from the Indian agent at Piqua, that the Indians at Wap-pat-onnetta, who have been heretofore under our care, had returned to their village, & had raised a good crop of corn, from which they had sold about 3000 bushels, and that they have a prospect of a large crop the present season, He expresses it as his opinion, that when peace is restored in that country, these people will be more than ever disposed to pursue the farming business. He also states that these Indians have manifested, on all occasions, a firm friendship towards their white neighbours.

By a letter from one of our members in Ohio, we are likewise informed, that the tools and implements of husbandry, which had been prepared for Captain Lewis, and the Indians at Stony Creek, were all delivered to them, and are now in use - and that these Indians had also continued firmly attached to the white people, and such of them as were permitted to remain at home were busily engaged on their farms. He also states, that the mill which had been nearly completed at Wap-pat-onnetta, still remains unfinished, on account of the unsettled state of things in that country.