

"We have not received any information from the villages on Mohickon John's Lake, since last Yearly meeting. The care of these Indians had been committed by us to some of our members who reside west of the Alleghany mountains.

"We have examined the treasurer's accounts, and find in his hands, a balance of \$2873.70, exclusive of the principal of the donation from our brethren in Great Britain, and \$236.10¹/₄ which had been placed in the hands of the committee who were charged with the care of the Indians, near Mohickon John's Lake.

"Signed on behalf of the committee. Philip & Thomas Clerk"

The friends appointed at a former sitting to prepare ^{an essay of} a certificate for our beloved sister Susanna Kettle, produced one, which was approved & directed to be signed & forwarded.

The committee appointed to prepare essays of endorsements on the certificates & minutes of brethren & sisters, from neighbouring yearly meetings, produced them. They were approved, & the clerk directed to sign them on behalf of the meeting.

The standing committee on the pasture lot reported attention to the duties of its appointment, and proposed the sum of \$150, for the ensuing year. It was authorised to call on the treasurer for that sum, as it becomes necessary.

The committee appointed on the request from Baltimore Quarter, produced the following report, which was approved by the meeting, and the clerk was directed to furnish that quarter with a copy thereof, and of this minute.

"We of the committee appointed to reconsider that part of our discipline, which relates to the age at which the freedom of females ought to be secured, having several times met, and deliberated on the subject, many minds were deeply exercised which resulted in a conclusion, that there appears no way at present to make an alteration in our discipline on that subject. 10 mo 12th 1813.

"Thorman Kenney, & Andrew M. Gay, John Jewett, Joseph Griest, Joseph Garrison, Jonathan Jessop, Solomon Shepherd, Thomas Edmundson, Edward Beason, Thomas Shreve, & Mordecai Taylor, John Talbot, & Abraham Branson."

"Adjourned to nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

14th of the month & 5th of the week. Friends assembled agreeably to adjournment.

The committee appointed at a former sitting to take into consideration the situation of such people of the African race, as are retained in the families of friends, produced the following report, viz.

To the Yearly meeting now sitting.

"We of the committee appointed to take into ^{further} consideration, the interesting subject of the situation of such people of the African race, as are retained in friends' families having divers times met, & given exercised brethren an opportunity of communicating their prospects, have agreed to report, that from the information received, it has appeared to us, that, as the laws of this state now stand, freedom cannot be secured to infants, or minors who are not able to work, & gain a sufficient livelihood and maintenance, and also that any issue of manumitted females

born previous to the period fixed in their manumissions, are subject to be held as slaves for life, unless particular specified provision shall have been made to the contrary - and considering these to be grievances imposed by law, in which an application to the legislature, might be effectual to obtain redress, not only for those among friends, but for others also, we feel free to propose, that a suitable attention thereto may be recommended to our meeting for suffering.

"Apprehending also, that in order to advance forward profitably in this tender & important concern, a suitable & sympathising attention should be paid to the respective cases which may appear to require it, we feel free to suggest, to the consideration of the Yearly meeting, whether it may not be expedient, at this time, to appoint a solid committee, to extend such care therein, as they in the wisdom of truth, may believe to be necessary, & to report the result of their labours together with their prospects of what may still remain to be done, to our next Yearly meeting. - Which we submit to the meeting.

"Signed on behalf of the committee. Joseph Thornburgh, Isaac Pearson, John M. Thewson, George Ellicott, Joseph Grubb, Jacob Tyson, Joseph Holman, Isaac Howell, John Trimble, John Williams, Samuel Willer, Joseph Griest jun^r, Jesse Wickersham, William Kenworthy. Baltimore 10 mo 14. 1813.

Which having claimed the serious attention of the meeting it was concluded that the former part be referred for further consideration, & an entire unity with the proposition contained in the latter part having been generally felt, the following friends were appointed to attend to the subject, and report to the meeting next year. John Trimble, John Chew Thomas, Izak Procter, John Jewett, Solomon Shepherd, Joseph Griest, Samuel Willer, Jesse Wickersham, Reuben Schooley, James Mendenhall, & Abijah Janney, & Asa Moore

The committee on the treasurer's accounts produced the following report.

To the Yearly meeting now sitting

"We the committee appointed to examine the treasurer's accounts, have attended to the service, & have found in his hands a balance of \$814.89¹/₂ the quarters from the quarters being all paid. We have agreed to propose the sum of \$400, to be raised the ensuing year - and also that the quarters, in future, pay in the following proportions, viz. Baltimore 50

Warrington 20 } cents in the dollar.

Baltimore 10 mo 14. 1813. Fairfax 30

which was concurred with, & quarterly meetings were directed to proceed accordingly.

Information was given that the copies of the printed epistle were ready, the representatives were directed to apportion them among the quarters.

Essays of epistles to the Yearly meetings were produced, and after correction were directed to be transcribed, signed and forwarded.

Under a covering of precious, writing solemnity, the meeting concluded, to meet again next year, if so permitted.