

settled, George Ellicott, Philip C. Thomas, Joseph Thornburgh, Roger Brooke, Israel Howells, Thomas Leach, John Moore, Joel Garrison, Jacob Mendenhall, George T. Hough, Anas Janner and Benjamin Bradfield.

The Committee appointed on the subject of the improper use of Ardent Spirits, brought in the following report.

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting.

"We the committee on Spirituous liquors report, that we have had a few conference on the subject and are unitedly of the judgment that it will be right again to recommend the subject to Quarterly and monthly meetings earnestly desiring that they may proceed to labour in the spirit of love, with such of their members as continue to use them or to give them to others to use as an article of drink at harvest or on any other occasion, also with those who have fruit distilled, or grind or sell grain for distillation, and with those who convey spirituous liquors to or from market, and send clear accounts of their labours and situation relative to the subject to the Yearly Meeting next year, in order that the meeting may be enabled to judge what will be most conducive to the advancement of our testimony." All which we submit to the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Committee by

"William T. Brown"

"Joseph Priest"

"Abraham Brauser"

Which was united with and Quarterly and monthly meetings directed to proceed accordingly.

Adjourned to the 3<sup>d</sup> hour tomorrow afternoon.

When Friends assembled.

A report was received from the Committee on Indian concerns, and read, with which the satisfaction of Friends was expressed.

The committee appointed to take into consideration the subject contained in the Epistle from the Yearly Meeting held in Philadelphia produced the following report, viz.

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting.

All of the Committee appointed to consider the proposition made to this meeting by one brother of the Yearly Meeting held in Philadelphia, report, that we have

met and considered the subject, and after deliberation and a free expression of sentiment, are united in judgment, that advantages would arise to Society from a conference of the several Yearly meetings on this continent, by suitably qualified Friends appointed by each of them, in order that each Yearly Meeting may be put into possession thro' this medium of the general state of Society in America, and also of the views of such Representatives relative to any improvements thereof which may be deemed practicable, which we submit to the meeting.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the committee by

"Edward Stabler"

"Gerard T. Hopkins"

Baltimore 10<sup>th</sup> Mo. 15<sup>th</sup> 1817

Which was concurred with and the clerk directed to furnish that Yearly Meeting with a copy of this minute.

The committee appointed to prepare a certificate for our friend Mary Kassel, produced one which was read and united with, the clerk was directed to unite with the stenographer in signing it on behalf of this meeting, and to furnish her therewith.

The following report was received and read.

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting

"The committee on the Pasture Lot, report, that we have expended part of the last years appropriation, we are of opinion that it is expedient to build a Carhouse the ensuing Spring, the addition of two hundred and fifty dollars will enable the committee to accomplish this object. Which we submit to the meeting."

10<sup>th</sup> Mo. 13<sup>th</sup> 1817.

"John Ellicott, Joshua Husband"

"Robert Sinclair, Benjamin Ellicott,

"Resiter Scott, William Husband.

James Mason, ————"

As it was believed that some change may beneficially be made in regard to this property the meeting concluded to appoint the following friends to unite with the standing committee who were requested to take the subject under their consideration, and report to the meeting next year. Viz. John Marsh, David France, John Chew, Thomas, George Wilson, Richard Roberts, Jesse Wickersham, Stephen Wilson, Andrew Schofield and Asa Moore.