

X Meeting held last year, but as it appears that that Yearly Meeting has acknowledged its unity with an association of people in Philadelphia, answering the name of Friends, thereby identifying themselves with them. Therefore, as said meeting or association has been set up contrary to the general order and Discipline of the Society of Friends, it is the judgment of this Meeting, that we cannot consistently with our principles and profession hold any further epistolary correspondence with said Yearly Meeting of Baltimore, while they remain in that situation.

Our Clerk was directed to return said Epistle to that Meeting, together with a copy of this minute.

Extracted from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting of Friends held at New Garden in Guilford County North Carolina, by adjournments from the 3^d of the 11th Month to the 6th of the same inclusive 1828 1829

By Nathan Mendonah Clerk this year.

y The foregoing communications being read the Meeting was introduced into a feeling of deep sorrow and concern on perceiving the manifestation towards us of a spirit so confidently and accusing, as is displayed in these documents. And while we are wholly unconscious of having, in any manner, ministered cause to justify these accusations, we deem it due to ourselves, and to the cause of truth, explicitly to disclaim having advanced or embraced any new doctrines or articles of Faith, or having in any wise departed from the Testimonies or order of the Society of Friends—nor are we apprised that any Yearly Meeting of Friends on this Continent with whom we are in correspondence have done so, we cannot therefore but lament that the Yearly Meeting of London as well as the Yearly Meetings of Virginia and North Carolina, with whom we have long maintained the relations of an intimate & brotherly intercourse, should have so hastily assumed the responsibility of

X passing indiscriminate condemnation upon a numerous body of their fellow members, on the ex parte statement of their accusers, without affording them the opportunity to refute these charges or in any manner to vindicate themselves; having as appears by their own statement, refused even to read the Epistles forwarded to them, disproving the accusations which had been circulated against us.

Under these circumstances it is deemed most proper, patiently to submit to these acts of injustice, and to leave the responsibility of the measures which have been pursued in relation to us, upon those who have adopted them.

Then adjourned to 3 O'clock tomorrow afternoon.

4th day of the week and 28th of the month

according to adjournment friends again assembled.

The Committee on the Treasurers account produced the following Report, which was accepted and the Quarterly Meetings were directed to forward their Quotas accordingly.

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting.

We of the Committee appointed to settle the Treasurers accounts have examined them and find in his hands a Balance of one hundred and ninety nine dollars (the Quotas from all the Quarters having been paid in). We propose the sum of Two hundred dollars to be raised the ensuing year, which we submit to the Meeting.

X Agreeably to the direction of last Yearly Meeting, the Treasurer made application to the former Treasurer for the Balance of money and other property in his hands which he declined giving up. Signed Caleb Bentley

Matthew Smith

Eli Elliott

Lewis Horry

John Williams

David Parry.

10mo 27. 1829