

in some instances necessary, which might have been avoided by the appointment of general Trustees by the Yearly Meeting to hold such Trust Estates as it has already or may hereafter acquire by purchase, donation or bequest.

The Committee therefore suggest for the consideration of the Meeting for sufferings whether it would not be right to submit to the Yearly Meeting for its decision, the propriety of making an appointment of such Trustees at its ensuing session, and thereby render special Acts of Legislation unnecessary in accepting and carrying into effect the benevolent intentions of such persons as may by last Will or otherwise wish to invest it with a right in portions of their Estates, and to enable the Society to continue and perpetuate its rights in Trust Estates.

The subject having claimed the deliberate consideration of this Meeting it was concluded to choose seven Trustees who or a majority of whom shall have power to receive and hold all property, funds & effects which either have or may hereafter become the property of the Society of Friends who heretofore have held and who now hold their Yearly Meeting on Lombard Street in the City of Baltimore. Whereupon Thomas Ellicott, Philip P. Thomas, Isaac Tyson, Joseph Davenport, Isaac Tyson Jr., John Gillingham and James C. Habler were appointed for that purpose by the male members of the said Society now assembled at the House aforesaid.

And it was ^{also} concluded that the following rules, limitations & restrictions be observed, that is to say upon the death or forfeiture of a right of membership in the Society aforesaid of any of said Trustees such vacancies may be supplied at the next or any succeeding session of the Yearly Meeting convened at the aforesaid place by the (male) members of said Meeting who may then and there be assembled, provided that no person shall be so chosen who shall not at the time be a male member of the said Society

and provided also that the name by which the said Trustees shall be known and distinguished shall be "Trustees of the Yearly Meeting of Friends held in Baltimore for the Western Shore of Maryland and the adjacent parts of Pennsylvania and Virginia" which Trustees shall have power, according to the provisions of an Act of the general assembly of Maryland passed in the year 1832 chap. 111 and the several supplements thereto, to do all such Acts as may be necessary and proper to secure the interests and exercise beneficially the rights of the Society of Friends who have heretofore been, now are, and hereafter may be known by the name of "The Yearly Meeting of Friends held in Baltimore for the Western Shore of Maryland and the adjacent parts of Pennsylvania and Virginia" and who have heretofore held and now hold their Meetings in Friends' Meeting house on Lombard Street in the City of Baltimore.

It is also determined that all Trustees who have heretofore and now hold in Trust property and effects for the use and benefit of the Yearly Meeting of Friends held in Baltimore for the Western Shore of Maryland and the adjacent parts of Pennsylvania and Virginia, or which is rightfully subject to its control and direction be and they are hereby authorised and required to execute in due form such Transfers as may be right and proper to convey the trusts held by them to the Trustees now appointed by this Meeting, with the view that these Trustees shall be vested with the whole estate therein according to the Laws of Maryland in such case made and provided.

The following Friends were appointed to propose to a future sitting the names of suitable friends to Represent this Meeting in the Meeting for sufferings to wit John Gillingham, William Birdsall, Amos Smith, Matthew Smith, Abel Russell, Thomas McMillan, William Grist, Jesse W. Cook, William Habler, Bernard Taylor, William Nichols, Edward Walker, Jesse Wood, Peter Ashew, David Pany and Thomas Furnace.