

of their prerogatives, until scarcely any power remains with them, and it is now understood, the nation, by establishing an elective government, is preparing to supersede them altogether.

The committee have, therefore, abstained from any interference in these proceedings; and seeing that those Indians in their improved condition, appear disposed to consider themselves capable of managing their own concerns, which, in reality they have for some time past done, without much reference to us, and that such of them as are industrious, and disposed to make the requisite provision for themselves & families, are now fully competent to do so; it is the opinion of the general committee, the time is approaching, when Friends may withdraw, and leave them to walk alone - the security of their lands, which was the important object that induced our Yearly Meetings to unite for their assistance, having now been accomplished as far as in our power."

Jacob Lafetra, Philip E. Thomas,

Mary Gillingham, Rebecca Turner

10th mo. 30. 1848.

The committee appointed to the charge of the Fair Hill property, reported as follows:

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting

The committee having charge of the Fairhill property, Report, that it is their opinion that an advantage would arise from appointing a committee out of the different Quarterly Meetings, to unite with the committee that stands appointed upon that subject, to examine into & report to a

future sitting of this meeting, what disposition under existing circumstances, had better be made of the property.

Signed on behalf of the committee

Benjamin Hallowell

Mary Gillingham

10th mo. 30th 1848.

Which was accepted and in pursuance of the view therein expressed, Caleb Stabler, Benj. P. Moore, Joel Matthews, The^d. Matthews, of Baltimore, Gideon Greist, William Hewes, Mahlon Garretson, Abner M. Plummer, Gardley Taylor, Isaac Walker, Daniel Walker, Phineas Jannay, Jos. Eldridge, Israel Tennis, David S. McCloy, Abel Kinsey, Andrews Moore, Lephemiah Underwood, David Spencer, & Jonathan Wain Jr, were appointed to unite with them in the consideration of the subject & report to a future sitting.

Edward Lea, Isaac H. Dixon, Nathan Greist, John Greist, Phineas Jannay, Nathan Parkins, Jason Bolton, Jonas Preston, Jesse Blackburn, and Andrews Moore, were appointed to examine and adjust the Treasurers account, propose a sum to be raised to defray the expenses of the ensuing year, and also to report the name of a friend to serve as Treasurer to this meeting.

Then adjourned to 10 o'clock tomorrow morning

Edward Lea, Wm Sawthrop, Abraham Merritt, Asaiah Walker, Nathan Haines, of Wm, Jacob B. Hewitt, Joel Lupton, Daniel Jannay, George Green, Francis P. Smith,