

trials and temptations of this probationary state. Looking to the Holy Head and Pattern of the Christian Church, and to his early followers, we find no precept or example to sanction that waste of time, and dissipation of mind, which attend the use of music and other vain amusements. - It has been feelingly remarked in this meeting that, before the Divine Master would exercise his power to raise from the dead the ruler's daughter, he first caused the "minstrels and the people making a noise" to be removed out of the way; - and the Lord's children know that it is in the absence of these things, and other animal excitement that the power which raises and gives life to the soul is to be sought and experienced. - The testimony of our Society on this subject, was first raised when the Sun of the Gospel day shone upon it in meridian brightness; - when, what are now by some called "little things", were seen in that light, to be greatly destructive of true peace and enjoyment. Experience abundantly confirms their view. The watchmen on our walls have remarked, that children who have been indulged in music generally manifest when they grow up, opposition to others of our testimonies, and that there appears noway more direct to lead them out of society than such indulgence.

Our testimony against Slavery still remains to be dear to us, and all friends were feelingly exhorted to unwavering faithfulness and close attention to the guidance of Divine wisdom in every effort we make for the advancement of this righteous concern. We believe there never has been a time when watchfulness and fidelity were more important, both for the advancement of this testimony and for our own preservation from extraneous influences calculated to lead us off from the ground of truth.

The committee appointed at a former sitting to take into consideration the subject brought up in the report from Warrington Quarterly Meeting now produced the following report which was fully united with and the clerk was requested to furnish that Quarterly Meeting with a copy of the report and of this minute, viz:-

"To the Yearly Meeting now sitting:"

"The committee appointed at a former sitting to take into consideration the proposition brought from Warrington Quarterly Meeting respecting a difficulty that had arisen within the limits of that meeting relative to the construction of that article of our Discipline in regard to the manifestation of any public

disapprobation to the appearances in our meetings in the line of the ministry, Report that we have all met and solidly considered the subject, and submit as our united judgment that this clause of the Discipline does not exclusively refer to ministers that have been approved, but to all those whose ministry has not been disapproved by the Monthly Meeting."

Signed,

Abram Merritt	William Hughes	David S. McCoy
Philip C. Thomas	Charles Kettlewell	Francis P. Smith
Roger Brooke	Thomas Wright	David Parry
John Jewett	Benjamin Kettlewell	Leppermint Underwood
George Rees	Isaac Walker	Nathan Hammond and
Isaac Ogilby	Samuel M. Sauney	Samuel Downing.

The following report was received from the standing committee on the Fair Hill Boarding School property which was united with and the committee were authorized to proceed in the manner they have proposed.

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting:

The Standing committee in the charge of the Fair Hill property report, that in the sixth month last, all their members, except one, met on the premises. The committee were informed that two young friends, in whose ability to manage and improve the farm, and conduct a school, the committee had confidence, were willing to take charge of the property, and open a girls school to be conducted in conformity with Friends principles, provided the buildings should be put in a state of tolerable repair.

The committee thereupon opened a subscription, and have seven hundred dollars voluntarily subscribed, a sum that it was thought would be sufficient to make such repairs to the buildings as would render them tenable, and have agreed, subject to the sanction of the Yearly Meeting, to lease the property to Richard S. and Mary Willis Kirk for a period of ten years, under certain restrictions, for the purpose of a girls school.

The committee may further state that should their proceedings receive the sanction of