

B62 The Committee appointed to prepare Essays of Epistles, was requested to endeavour to embody the exercises of this Meeting, while engaged in the consideration of the State of Society, in a suitable manner, and produce it to a future sitting, to be inserted in our Extracts for the benefit of our absent members.

The subject of the propriety of some modification in the time of holding the daily sessions of the Yearly Meeting, which was referred to this meeting from last year, being again brought under consideration, it was referred to the Representatives from the Quarterly Meetings, who are now in attendance, to unite with a Committee of the Representatives of Womens Meeting, to consider and report their judgment thereon to a future sitting.

The Representatives were directed to confer together at the close of this sitting, and propose to our next, the names of suitable Friends to serve this meeting, as Clerk and assistant Clerk, the present year. Then adjourned to 3 O'clock in the afternoon.

About the time adjourned to, Friends assembled. William B Steer on behalf of the Representatives, reported that they had conferred together, and agreed to propose Benjamin Hallowell for Clerk, and Samuel Townsend to assist him, who being separately considered, were approved, and the Friends named were accordingly appointed Clerks to this meeting for the present year.

Benjamin Hallowell on behalf of the Representatives of men and women Friends reported that they had met and seriously considered the subject referred to them at our last sitting, in regard to such modification of the times of holding the daily sessions of our Yearly Meeting, as to have but one session a day, instead of two as at present. After a full and free interchange

of sentiment, under a feeling of Christian harmony and condescension, it was their judgment, that way does not open to make any change at this time, but they were united in again recommending the subject to the consideration of the Yearly Meeting next year.

After deliberate consideration the Report was united with, so far as to make no change; but it was the judgment of the meeting, not to refer the subject for future consideration; and it was accordingly, not referred.

The following named Friends were appointed a Committee to bring forward to a future sitting, the names of suitable Friends to constitute a meeting for sufferings for the ensuing year viz.

Thomas P. Stabler

Joseph Davenport

Bartlett Havelland

Daniel Pope

Jesse Cook

William Hughes

Job Holbert

Cyrus Griest

Daniel Walker

William Holmes

James M. Steer

William B. Steer

John McCoale

David Phillips

Israel Tennes

David Pyle

Joseph McSpencer

John Wray

Jesse Underwoods

Benjamin H. Walker

Benjamin Rush Roberts, Jacob Burroughs, Joshua Russell, David W. Branson, Edward Brown, Levi K. Brown, James Northington, Jeremiah Moore, and Samuel Kirk were appointed a Committee to examine and settle the Treasurers account, propose a sum to be raised to defray the expenses of the ensuing year, and bring forwards the name of a suitable Friend for Treasurer to this meeting.

The Representatives of Fairfax Quarterly Meeting, presented the Report from Alexandria Monthly Meeting to their last Quarter, which owing to the present National difficulties, had failed to reach that Quarter and requested that said Report be received as supplementary to the Report from their Quarterly Meeting, which was united with by the meeting, and the Report received accordingly.