

1866, which each, and his regard to my nation and my people, may have them in continual remembrance, and surround them by the protecting arms of His power.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Committee
Baltimore 10th Nov. 1866. Benjamin Hallorrel Sec

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 the Meeting as Clerk and Assistant Clerk, the present year.
Then adjourned to 3 O'clock.

On the opening of the Meeting in the afternoon William B. Steer, on behalf of the Representatives reported that they had conferred together, and were united in proposing Benjamin Hallorrel for Clerk, and Levi H. Brown for assistant Clerk; who being separately considered, were united with by the Meeting, and the Friends named were accordingly appointed Clerks to this Meeting for the present year.

A Minute for Philo W. Houlke a member, and companion of Ann A. Townsend, from Liverpool Monthly Meeting, Pennsylvania, was now received from Morris Meeting and read.

The Epistle from Ohio and Indiana Yearly Meetings was now read, and was trust to our edification and encouragement.

The Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting for Sufferings for the past year were read and the proceedings of that Meeting approved and sanctioned.

Daniel Pope, James Baynes, Bartlett Harland, William John Thomas, Joshua Russell, John Ellis, John Russell - Jessie Cook, Daniel Walker, James C. Lantry, John Richards, John Harkness, Maria Oggle, Thomas P. King, Susan Bolton, Maria Philips, Maria Blackburn, Thomas Kirk, Andrew Mead, John May, Aquilla Whitaker and Joseph M. Wood, were appointed to bring forward to a future sitting the names of suitable Friends to constitute a meeting for Sufferings for the ensuing year.

1866 The following named Friends were appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers account, propose a sum to be raised to defray the expenses of the ensuing year, and to bring forward the names of a suitable Friend to serve as Treasurer to this Meeting - viz: William Wood, Isaac St. Wilson, Cyrus Priest, James Russell, Samuel S. Thigpen, William S. Allen, John W. Cook, John Wood, Charles Chaser, Thomas Kirk, Aquilla Whitaker and J. M. Wood. Then adjourned to 10 O'clock to-morrow morning.

Minutes of the Month, and third of the Year.

The Meeting having entered upon the consideration of the State of Society, as presented by the answers to the Queries from our subordinate Meetings, and proceeded as far as the Third Query, inclusive, with the answers thereto, under a covering of precious solemnity, during which much salutary counsel was handed forth, it adjourned to 3 O'clock in the afternoon.

Upon the Meeting gathering in the afternoon, it resumed the consideration of the State of Society, and proceeded through the remainder of the Queries with their answers from the Quarterly Meetings when the following summary was agreed upon, as nearly as representing the State of Society throughout our various series last year. viz: Answers to the Queries.

First.

All our Meetings, both for Worship and Discipline have been held, except two within the limits of Baltimore Quarterly Meeting; all the Week-week Meetings at Little Elks, and one at West Nottingham, within the range of Nottingham Quarterly; four within the range of Kent County Quarterly; one within that of Prairie Grove; and from the Meetings Warrington and Newbury, branches of Warrington Quarterly - Meeting, no report has been received ~~had been received~~ since last year, some of which Meetings were prevented from being held, by the inclemency of the weather, and they have been attended, on first day mornings by most of the members belonging thereto. Those held were the middle of the week, and for Discipline continue to be neglected by many. Unbecoming behaviour, when assembled, is generally avoided, and the hour of meeting nearly observed. One report mentions that the time of meeting continues to be a source of regret to many, on account of its irregularity.