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Changes  
in Discipline  
referred  
to  
Committee

The subject claiming the attention of the meeting it was referred, together with the proposed changes on the subject of Marriage, forwarded by Fairfax Quarterly meeting last year, to the following Committee who, in connection with a similar committee of Women Friends, are to take both subjects under consideration and report their judgment in regard thereto, to a future sitting, viz:

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| Edward Thomas    | Jesse Hoge        |
| Abel A. Hull     | Samuel M. Janney  |
| William Wood     | William M. Way    |
| Cyrus Blackburn  | Alban Butler      |
| Pemberton Wood   | David Pyle        |
| Cyrus S. Priest  | Daniel P. Thomas  |
| Joshua Russell   | Thomas W. Cleaver |
| Josiah Priest    | Henry Eddings     |
| David W. Branson | Nathan Moore      |
| William Williams | Jacob Peters      |

Communica-  
tion from  
Illinois  
yearly  
Meeting  
referred  
to  
Committee  
to  
report.

An interesting communication from Illinois yearly meeting, proposing that a Conference of all our yearly meetings be held once in five years or oftener, to consider of, and unitedly labor for those reforms that would advance the cause of Morality and righteousness among men,

After a free interchange of sentiment, the proposition contained in the communication was referred to the following committee who, in conjunction with a similar committee of Women Friends (should they appoint one) are desired to take the subject in charge, and report their judgment to a future sitting of this Meeting, viz:

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| Samuel M. Janney   | William M. Way   |
| Wm. John Thomas    | James M. Walker  |
| Samuel L. Townsend | William Woodward |
| Darlington Wood    | Edwin Blackburn  |
| Abel A. Hull       | William Williams |
| Mordecai Price     | Eli M. Lamb      |
| James Wood         | David Pyle       |
| Joseph S. Reynolds | Solomon Shepherd |

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| Benjamin F. Starr | William Wood        |
| Nathan Moore      | B. Rush Roberts     |
| Alban Butler      | Chalkley Gillingham |
| William Warner    | Thomas P. King      |

I thank you for the continued prevalence of forbearance and brotherly love amongst us.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock tomorrow morning

29th of the month and 3rd of the week  
Pursuant to adjournment, Friends assembled

The meeting entered upon the consideration of the State of Society, as exhibited by the answers to the Queries received from our constituent Quarterly Meetings, and proceeded therein as far as the Third Query inclusive. During which, deeply instructive counsel was given forth, encouraging all to a greater faithfulness in maintaining our important testimonies. Then Adjourned to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Third Day Afternoon  
Near the time adjourned to. Friends again met.

The remaining Queries with their answers were read, and the following Summary was approved, as comprising the substance of those received from the Quarterly meetings:

First

All of our meetings for Worship and Discipline have been held except the Evening meetings on First days, in the 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th months in Baltimore, discontinued by permission of the Monthly meeting; Three within the limits of Harrington Quarter, and one mid-week and two Preparative meetings within the limits of Nottingham Quarter. The meetings for Worship have been attended on First days by our members generally; those held near the middle of the week and for Discipline continue to be much neglected. Unbecoming behavior therein is mostly avoided, and the hour of meeting nearly observed.

Answers  
to  
Queries