

1893 first named addressed our members upon the extension of the interest in this most excellent work and extended an invitation from our Sisters to make the report the action of the Joint Body, and to co-operate with them in this labor, hereafter.

21. The Meeting now resumed the consideration of the State of our Society and took the important subjects contained in the First and Second Queries under further consideration and we were counselled to practice greater faithfulness in the attendance upon our smaller Meetings; also to be more faithful and steadfast in our other obligations to the Meetings of which we are constituent members.

22. The Special Joint Committee continued from last year and directed to report their judgment upon certain proposed changes of Discipline, now submitted the following report, which was read, deliberately considered, and after some slight verbal changes was fully united with and formally adopted by the in Meeting and ordered to be incorporated into our Book of Discipline.

To Baltimore Yearly Meeting:

The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the proposed changes in the Discipline, respectfully report as follows:

We have met and carefully considered the subject entrusted to us, and in regard to the first two changes proposed, while we could not fully unite in adopting the phraseology of them, we are united in proposing the adoption of the following as an amendment to or substitute for them, viz: In place of paragraph 2 on page 35 in our Book of Discipline, insert:

"Acknowledging as we do our dependence upon God as the Great Head of the Church, and accepting as the foundation principle of our faith the Immediate Revelation of His Divine Spirit in man; believing also in the Divinity of Christ and in the great value of the Truths contained in the Scriptures, these should ever be regarded with reverence.

Therefore, if any shall speak profanely of Almighty God, Christ Jesus, or the Holy Spirit, they should be timely and earnestly treated with for the conviction of their understanding, that they may experience repentance and forgiveness."

1893. In relation to paragraph 17, on page 63, we were united in proposing that instead of omitting the word "public" in 3rd line from beginning of said paragraph, omit the word "or" in second line, and insert the word "or" between the words "occasion" and "at" in the 4th line from the beginning of said paragraph.

The Committee were united also in proposing the adoption of the change regarding the paragraphs 21 and 22 by prefixing to paragraph 21, page 66, the first part of paragraph 22, page 67, and omitting the latter part of paragraph 22. Also in substituting the word "improper" instead of "immoral" in paragraph 21, page 66, in the 6th line from the top of the page. Paragraph 21 will then take the place of both paragraphs 21 and 22, and paragraphs 23 and 24 will become numbers 22 and 23.

On behalf of the Committee,

John J. Cornell,
Maria E. Tyson.

Then adjourned to 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Thursday Morning, First of Eleventh Month

The Meeting convened at 10 o'clock.

23. The report of the Committee of Women's Branch, on "The Purification of the Press," was laid before the Meeting at this time and read. The labors of the Committee, as shown in detail by the full report submitted, met the cordial approbation of the Meeting.

After a full consideration of the request of the Committee, as expressed at our session of yesterday, it was deemed proper to extend to our sisters such support and cooperation as they may be in need of, in the noble work in which they are engaged.

Our Treasurer is hereby directed to place at the disposal of the Committee the sum of thirty-five dollars.

24. Alice C. Postinson, Mary Heald May, and Mary C. Blackburn, made a visit to our Branch at this time.