

tried situation: and hope you will endeavour to persevere in a faithful maintenance of the Discipline and Principles of Friends and earnestly contend for the Faith once delivered to the Saints. And although you may be greatly in the minority as to numbers, you have doubtless experienced great advantage, in withdrawing from a party, which seem disposed every where, to insubordination, and in some instances to riot and outrage.

The great Head of the Church is the same yesterday, to day and forever and he has promised that where two or three are gathered together in his Name there will he be in the midst of them; and that he will be with his Followers, always, even to the end of the World.

Our last yearly Meeting was pretty large and undisturbed and through the sittings thereof Friends were favoured to transact the ^{important} concerns which came before them in a good degree of brotherly love and harmony. For which continued favours we desire to be renewedly thankful.

The degraded condition of the African Race continues to claim our attention: and we are still using exertions to remove those under our care to Free Governments.

In the love of the Gospel, we salute you and bid you farewell.

Signed by Direction of the Meeting aforesaid by
Nathan Mendenhall &c

From

Ohio Yearly Meeting held at Mount Pleasant from the 7th of the 9th Month to the 12th of the same inclusive 1839.

To the Next Yearly Meeting of Friends to be held in Baltimore.

Dear Friends,

Your very acceptable Epistle of last year, was received and on the reading thereof this Meeting was introduced into near sympathy and fellow feeling with you in your peculiarly tried situation; and many of our minds have been made thankful to the Father and Fountain of all our sure mercies that you have been enabled to make a stand against those who have made such innovations on the Doctrines and Discipline of Society; and we greatly desire that you may be encouraged still to persevere in endeavouring to promote the precious Cause of our dear Redeemer; and through the course of the succeeding trials and afflictions that may be permitted to fall to your lot in this day of deep woe and of breaking down, still trust in that supporting arm which alone is able to deliver: bearing in mind that the promises of God to his dependent Children are yea and Amen: and as we bow in self abasement before him humbly interceding with him for the increase of our faith we may be encouraged to hope, that we shall be strengthened to do or to suffer whatsoever he may call for at our hands: or permit to fall upon us for the proof of our allegiance to Him who is Lord of Lords and King of Kings.

This dear Friends is a day and time in which the baptized mem-

bers of the Church of Christ have often to go bowed down under deep sorrow as with their hands on their loins saying 'spare thy People O Lord and give not thy Heritage to reproach.'

We have at this time been introduced into an earnest solicitude that the dear young people and our members generally may so submit to the discipline of the Cross of Christ as to experience a qualification to come up in the discharge of their individual duties, and the Church thereby strengthened more and more to come up out of the Wilderness leaning upon her beloved and know an advancement toward the State of his Glorious Church that has neither spot nor wrinkle.

This meeting has been large and through the several sittings thereof we have been mercifully favoured to experience the cementing fellowship of the Gospel so to spread and prevail as to enable us to transact the important concerns that have come before us in brotherly love and harmony.

The reading of the Epistles from the different Yearly Meetings with whom we correspond, has afforded fresh evidence of the encouraging tendency of such a correspondence, clearly convincing that we are all Brethren of the same Household of Faith, desirous of promoting the Doctrines of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The document drawn up by the general committee appointed by the different Yearly Meetings, containing our Doctrines & Testimonies, was read in this meeting and very unanimously united with and adopted.

Notwithstanding we have been brought under considerable difficulty in carrying on our concern for instructing the Indians at Wappahconnetle, in consequence of the funds provided for that purpose having been withheld: yet our Committee were instructed to pursue their labours and a small sum was raised by free subscription to aid in the Benevolent Work.

Finally Brethren farewell, and may the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ.

Signed on behalf and by direction of Ohio Yearly Meeting aforesaid
By Elisha Bates &c.

From

Indianapolis Yearly Meeting held at Whitewater by agreement from the 3th to the 12th of the 10th Month Inclusive 1839.

To the Yearly Meeting of Baltimore.

Dear Friends

We have been favoured to meet again in this our Annual assembly, and under a sense of the continued favour of the Great Head of the Church we have been enabled to transact the Unity affairs which