

We have come before us in brotherly love and condescension. In advert-
ing to the State of Society as brought up in the reports from the different
quarters, many deficiencies still exist among us, which have caused a
deep exercise and travel of spirit in the minds of faithful friends.

We are impressed with a belief that there is a necessity for many of our
members becoming more redeemed from the world and the things of the World,
that by submitting to the regulating influence of the cross of Christ they may ex-
perience an establishment in the ever blessed and unchangeable Truth.

We believe it is the gracious design of Him who maketh the morning, dark-
ness and treadeth upon the high places of the Earth - Who hath his way in the
whirlwind and in the storm; that the desolating spirit which hath long been
walking in darkness and now wasteth as at noon day, should be driven from
our once peaceful society, and that it be purged from a superficial profession
may we be willing to endure with Patience & Resignation the necessary baptisms
of spirit to enable us to fulfil the Lord's design respecting us as a People.

Your Epistle of last year was received by one of our correspondents but being
mistaken among his papers failed to reach this meeting, which was cause of
deep regret to us, yet you have been brought before the view of our minds with
deep feelings of Christian Fellowship, with desires for your encouragement in
this time of breaching down in our Society, and that we may all stand firm for
the faith once delivered to the Saints.

By a report of our Committee on African concerns which was read in
this Meeting, our minds were introduced into deep sympathy and feeling for
those who have lived among us in the State of Ohio. An unusual distress was
produced amongst them by the revival of an act passed by the legislature of that
State denying them the privilege of free citizens without giving Bond with Se-
curity. And a great number being obnoxious to that act, upwards of five Hun-
dred emigrated to Canada, many of them without the means to settle themselves
in any degree comfortable or even with necessary support. The Meeting approv-
ed a Committee to receive voluntary contributions from our members in atten-
dance to be applied to their immediate relief.

By the report of the Committee charged with the concern of ameliorating
the condition of the Indian Natives, we are informed that in consequence of the
funds designed for this purpose being unjustifiably withheld, their operations
have been in great measure restricted, but their present state and condition
being feelingly brought before the meeting, a deep and tender feeling of sym-
pathy was manifested on their behalf, and voluntary contributions were en-
tered into for the further prosecution of this interesting concern.

The testimony prepared by the general Committee of Philadelphia was
read to our edification and very fully united with and adopted by the
meeting.

Our Meeting has been large and we have had the acceptable com-

pany of Ann Jones from England together with others from a neighbouring
Yearly Meeting.

With a salutation of love we remain your friends & Brethren
Signed on behalf of the aforesaid Meeting

Elijah Coffin Clerk

The printed general Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Friends held
in London was received and read to the satisfaction of this Meeting: a
printed copy of a minute issued by that meeting and forwarded to us
with their Epistle of Correspondence, declaratory of their belief in some
of the fundamental truths of the Christian Religion with which we unite
was also read: and in order that the valuable contents of these doc-
uments may be diffused amongst our members it was concluded to
have one thousand copies thereof printed for distribution: George W
Williamson and Daniel Cobb were appointed to agree with the printer
and call on the Treasurer for the amount of Expence incurred.

The Representatives were directed to confer together at the close of
this sitting and agree on two suitable friends to move this Meeting
as clerk and assistant clerk: to be proposed at the opening of the next
sitting.

Then adjourned to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

According to adjournment Friends again assembled.

Joseph King Jun^r on behalf of the representatives reported: that
they had agreed to propose Hugh Calderston to serve this Meeting
as clerk, and William Proctor as assistant clerk: which was uni-
ted with and they were accordingly appointed to the service.

The following named Friends were appointed to prepare Essays
of Epistles to the several Yearly Meetings of Friends on this continent
and to the Yearly Meeting of Friends held in London, to be produced to
a future sitting of this Meeting: viz: David Giescom, George Williamson,
Thomas Scott Gerrard & S. Hopkins, Joseph King Jun^r, Thomas Worthington,
Isaac Brooks, Thomas Waring, Samuel Worthington, Thomas Swearing,
William W. Skanday, William Proctor, Samuel Carey and George Wilson.

The following Minutes from the late Yearly Meeting of Friends held
in London were received with the Epistle from that Meeting and read
to our satisfaction.

Yearly Meeting 1820.

1. Two communications have been now produced one headed as follows
"From our Yearly Meeting of Men and Women Friends held at Baltimore
for the Western Shore of Maryland &c by adjournments from the 27th
of the 10th Month to the 1st of the 11th month inclusive 1820" and addressed
"To the Next Yearly Meeting of Friends to be held in London" and signed