

By Hugh Walderston, Elizabeth Tillingham Clerks.

The other a letter to William Allen, one of our correspondents for Baltimore Yearly Meeting, from Philip Evan Thomas, subscribing himself "Clerk to the Yearly Meeting held in Baltimore" acknowledging the receipt of the Epistle from our last Yearly Meeting and enclosing a paper headed Extracts from the Minutes of our Yearly Meeting held in Baltimore, for the Western Shore of Maryland and the adjacent parts of Pennsylvania and Virginia by adjournments from the 27th. of the 11th Mo. to the 31st of the same inclusive 1828.

This Meeting having again read a paragraph in the Epistle from the Meeting for Sufferings in Philadelphia to that in London, dated the 19th of 3d Month last, also the first of the two communications from Baltimore and certain paragraphs in the last of them, agrees to accept the former communication, which is referred to the Committee on Epistles to answer: and this Meeting concludes not to hold any correspondence with that Body, now represented by Philip Evan Thomas as its clerk.

This step is taken under a feeling of painful concern for those who have recognised a body of Separatists in Pennsylvania who have denied the proper divinity of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and whose aim has been much directed against the virtue and benefit of that most satisfactory sacrifice which he made of himself, when he was crucified without the gates of Jerusalem: see the Epistle from the Meeting for Sufferings in Philadelphia 11 Month 23d 1827.

And this Meeting feels a warm desire that it may please the Lord in his abundant mercy, to enable them clearly to see that blessing which he has provided for the whole human race in his beloved Son our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who "died for our sins and now again for our justification" "in whom dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily, and whose glorious divinity is set forth in this declaration of the evangelist "In the beginning was the word, and the word was with God and the Word was God. All things were made by him and without him was not any thing made that was made, and the Word was made flesh and dwelt amongst us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

2d. The very important subject of the appointment of Committees from the several Yearly Meetings on the American continent, to meet at Philadelphia on the last day in the 7th mo next has been brought under the notice of this meeting through several epistles and other

communications from America, which have been read during the course of it. This Meeting has been favoured under a precious solemnity to enter into the consideration of this important measure; and a free and brotherly expression of the views of many friends has taken place. Under the prevalence of much benevolence and sympathy, we desire that our dear brethren from the several Yearly Meetings in America who may be assembled at the time specified, may be favoured, in simple dependence on the great Head of the Church, to proceed in harmony and love and that all their deliberations, may be carried on and issued in the wisdom and counsel of Truth.

3d. It is the judgement of this Meeting that when any Friend from America arrives within the compass of this Meeting on religious service he should produce his certificates to Friends of the Meeting within the compass of which he may land; and that the said certificates or copies of them be forwarded to the Meeting for Sufferings in London which meeting is without delay to proceed to an examination of them and inform the Friend by a minute duly attested by the signature of its clerk, of the result of such examination. And it is further the judgement of this Meeting, that the said Friend do abstain from travelling on religious service, until such minute shall have been received by him. Our correspondents in America are requested to inform their correspondents in London, as soon as any Friend has obtained certificates for religious service in this Country.

4th. It is the request of this Meeting, that care be taken by the several Yearly Meetings on the American continent, that when any member of Society is about to come to this country for whom a certificate of removal is not considered necessary, that he be furnished with a certificate of membership; and also that the correspondents in London be informed as soon as may be through the correspondents in America in all cases in which such certificate is granted, in order to its being examined and verified when received in this country.

Copies.
William Manly

In conformity with the request contained in the Minutes from the Yearly Meeting of Friends held in London, this Meeting directs that certificates of membership be furnished by our Monthly Meetings, to any of their members, who may have occasion to visit Great Britain and Ireland. All such certificates are to be signed in the manner directed by this Meeting last year, and when granted, notice thereof to be given to the correspondents in Baltimore, who are directed to communicate the same to the correspondents in London. The clerk was directed to forward a copy of this Minute