

more near together in the Bonds of Gospel fellowship & Christian Communion the time which will necessarily be consumed, before the subjects can be acted upon will tend to prepare the minds of friends for clearer judgment & greater unanimity.

Should the several Yearly Meetings in accordance with the proceedings they have already entered into continue their Committees or appoint others, for the consideration of the subjects now proposed, a future meeting of the Committee of course will be required. But we feel not only a delay but a difficulty in proposing a time for the purpose. The time and place of the Meeting of the General Committee in 1823 were the result of arrangements first proposed by a Committee of one of the Yearly Meetings. And we are insured from various considerations to suggest the enquiry whether the Committees which may be charged with this concern might not be entrusted with a similar privilege.

We are the more willing to propose this course, from the reflection that if it should on trial be found inefficient or inconvenient to be arranged by the Committees themselves there would be an opportunity for the question to be settled by some or all of the Yearly Meetings before any injury would probably occur to the cause by the delay.

In conclusion we have thankfully to acknowledge that we have on the present occasion been mercifully favored to experience, afresh, the blessing of that goodness which is both ancient & new; under the influence whereof we have been enabled to pursue our deliberations in much harmony of feeling & unity of sentiment & renewably to witness the preciousness of the fellowship of the Gospel.

Signed on behalf of the General Committee held in Baltimore on the 30th & 31st of the Seventh month & 1st of the Eighth month 1832 by
Eliza Bates, Clerk

The Committee on the Treasurers Accounts produced the following Report which was approved & Quarterly Meetings are desired to raise & forward the sum therein named to the meeting next year viz

To the Yearly Meeting now sitting
The Committee appointed to settle & adjust the Treasurers accounts Report that they have attended to the duty of their appointment & find a balance in the Treasurers hands of £251 ^{10s}/₁₀₀ all the quotas having been paid in. We propose that 100 £ be raised the ensuing year which we submit to the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Committee by
John Durbachart
Joseph Balance
10 Nov 30. 1832
The Committee appointed at a former sitting reported that they had

conferred together & agreed to nominate James Sands to fill the vacancy in the meeting Representation in the Meeting for suffering occasions by the removal of Thomas Levering which was united with & he appointed to the service; Letter was directed to furnish the meeting for suffering with a Copy of this Minute.

Then adjourned to 3 o'clock this afternoon
The Meeting again assembled according to adjournment
The Minutes of the Meeting for suffering were produced & the satisfaction of the Meeting was expressed therewith & that meeting continued
The Representatives were directed to take charge of the Distribution of the Printed General Epistle from the Yearly meeting in London

Then adjourned to two o'clock tomorrow afternoon
1st of the 11th month 18th of the Week

Pursuant to adjournment the Meeting again assembled.
The Committee appointed at a former sitting produced the following Minute of Advice which was approved & directed to be forwarded in the Extract to our subordinate Meetings viz

The present state of this Yearly Meeting as more particularly shown through the Medium of the Reports brought up this Year, has furnished us as occasion for gratitude & thankfulness as also for exercise & concern.

Under the painful trials that have passed upon us as consequences of the awful separation & deprivation of so many bearing our name we are nevertheless renewedly encouraged to find that our subordinate Meetings though small & straggled have been sustained & that a continued concern is manifested to maintain the ancient standard held up by our worthy predecessors; As a people we have been distinguished in the world.

The Light which was the light of our Forefathers & out of which has arisen testimonies given unto hear important & influential in their character remains to be our light & we are called upon to let it shine before men.

We feel deeply for our members desiring their encouragement in faith & in patience & their confidence in the truth of the declaration by our Holy Redeemer that "where two or three are gathered together in [his] name He will be in the midst of them."

It is the love of our Heavenly Father which leads us to love one another & which binds together in the bonds of Christian Communion & fellowship. This love leads us to fill up, first, the duties which we owe to him & next the duties we owe one to another. It is emphatically declared to be the badge of Discipleship.

We feel in this collective capacity an interest diffused for the welfare of every rank in religious society; for the aged the middle aged & the Youth, with desires that walking by the same rule & imitating the same things they may not only adorn our high & holy profession but may adorn the Kingdom & the glory of him who is the Great Head of the Church.