

to unite with a committee of Women Friends in preparing a suitable endowment to be placed on them and produce it to a future sitting.

The following named Friends were appointed to prepare, and produce to a future sitting of this Meeting, Essays of Epistles to the Yearly Meetings of Friends in London, Dublin, and to those on this continent viz: Joseph King Jr., Thomas Worthington, Joseph Townsend, David Iniscow, Thomas Sedt, John P. Balderson, Samuel Worthington, David Sewlan, George Williamson, Samuel Carey, Joseph Balance Jr., Thomas Waring, Isaac Brooks, John Sedt, Senah Sands, Daniel Cobb, William Whandry and Joseph Canby.

The Representatives were desired to confer together at the close of this sitting, and agree on two suitable Friends to serve this Meeting as Clerk and Assistant Clerk, to be proposed at the opening of next sitting.

Then adjourned to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Near the time adjourned to, Friends again assembled.

George Williamson, on behalf of the Representatives reported, that they had conferred together, and had agreed to propose Hugh Balderson to serve this Meeting as Clerk and William Proctor as Assistant Clerk: which was approved and they were appointed to the service.

Daniel Cobb, John Dutchart, George Williamson, John Sedt, Joseph Smedley, David Iniscow, Samuel Worthington, and Elisha Beck were appointed to adjust and settle the Treasurer's accounts, report the state of the stock, and the sum necessary, in their judgement, to be raised the ensuing year.

The Committee continued last year, to correct and record the minutes of the Meeting, reported, that the service had been completed with. They were continued to correct and record the minutes of the present year.

Then adjourned to 10 o'clock, to morrow morning.

29th of the month and 3^d of the week.

According to adjournment the Meeting assembled.

The State of Society as exhibited by the answers to the queries as sent up in the reports from the Quarterly Meetings, having been brought under consideration and the meeting having proceeded therein as far as to the 11th query, it was concluded to adjourn to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The Meeting assembled according to adjournment.

And having resumed the consideration of the queries and the answers and proceeded through them the following summary answers were collected from those now received from the Quarterly Meetings viz:

First. All our Meetings for worship and discipline have been held and generally attended by most of our members, who have not joined in the separation; unbecoming behaviour therein mostly avoided, and the hour of meeting nearly observed; one Report mentioned that a more diligent attendance of Afternoon and week day Meetings is desirable.

Second. Friends are in good degree careful to maintain love towards each other becoming our Christian professions; Cal bearing and detraction are discouraged, and when differences appear endeavours are used to end them.

Third. Friends are generally careful by example and precept to educate their children and those under their care in plainness of Speech, deportment, and Apparel, to guard them against reading pernicious books and from the corrupt conversation of the world and they are encouraged frequently to read the Holy Scriptures: a belief is however expressed in one of the Reports of the great deficiency in several particulars of this query.

Fourth. Our Testimony against distilled Spirituous Liquors appears to be generally maintained; frequenting taverns ~~and~~ ^{and} places of diversion mostly avoided; moderation and temperance are generally observed; but report mentions not being entirely clear of vending Spirituous Liquors and the use of them.

Fifth. The necessities of the Poor and the circumstances of those likely to require aid are inspected and relief afforded, and when occasion requires, attention is paid to the further requisitions of the Poor.

Sixth. Our Testimony against a hireling Ministry, Catholic, Military Services, clandestine trade, prize goods and Lotteries is generally maintained.

Seventh. We believe Friends are mostly careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, and to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their abilities to manage; to be just in their dealings and punctual in complying with their engagements and when any give reasonable ground for fear in these respects care is tendered to them.

Eighth. As far as appears Friends are careful to bear a testimony against Slavery, those of the African Race in Friends families are ^{suitably} provided for and some care is taken to instruct them in useful learning.

Ninth. One of the Reports states that endeavours are used to deal with offenders seasonably and impartially and to cringe to those who will not be reclaimed the spirit of Meekness and love.