

ready at the appointed seasons then to assemble together & when so gathered to realize the nature of true devotion - looking with reverence unto God for the revelation of his presence & confiding in the declaration of his son our beloved and Holy Redeemer who said "where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them." Then should our hearts be comforted & knit together in his love. Then should we know something of that fellowship which dwells in the heart - leading & enabling those ^{where} under its influence to become one another's helpers & joy in the Lord.

The prevalence of such a living faith among us would also furnish those who were under its influence with a view of the preciousness & importance of our Christian Testimony with regard to Plainness of Speech Department & Apparel."

Parents would have an earnest & active concern for the religious welfare of their children seeking to train them up in the nurture & admonition of the Lord. Tender anxiety would be felt by them that their children of spring might be saved from the contaminating effects of evil books & from the corrupt conversation of the world & they would be encouraged both by example & precept diligently to read the Holy Scriptures.

Not would the influence of such a living faith stop here but it would animate all our dear friends with a wholesome & lively concern for the support of our Christian Discipline & would, if lived upon & abode in, arm them with the weapons of warfare not carnal ones but spiritual - mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds. Then should "one chase a thousand & two put ten thousand to flight" Then would it be shown who were on the Lord's side & who were his enemies. Then would the Lord go before us in all our battles and the God of Jacob prove our sureward.

During the sitting this occupied our minds more sensibly affected in hearing of the decease of some of our beloved Elders in the Church & the language was understood - "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his Saints."

Then adjourned to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

According to adjournment friends met.

It appears from the Reports of the Quarterly Meetings in relation to the important & interesting concern of the Yearly Meeting last Year for the establishment of select schools for the more guarded religious literary education of Friends' children that within the limits of Baltimore Quarter the subject has engaged the

particular attention of the monthly meetings and a desire appears to prevail among friends constituting that quarter to give to their children as far as practicable an education more consistent with our religious profession than many of them are now receiving. Three schools are reported within the limits of the quarter to be taught by teachers in membership with friends but neither of them situate or under the care of Monthly or Preparative meetings. In the Report from Nottingham Quarter it is stated that no way has appeared to open for taking any steps on the subject.

On considering these Reports, the minds of friends were again introduced into feelings of concern on the subject and a desire was renewed by felt that friends might be encouraged to take such steps for the establishment & support of schools, under the direction of Monthly & Preparative Meetings as their limited numbers & scattered situation would enable them to & Quarterly & monthly meetings are desirous to forward accounts to the meeting next year of their progress therein.

The Committee on Indian Concerns made the following Report which with the minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee for the past Year being read the satisfaction of the meeting was expressed therewith & the Committee continued to the service.

At the Yearly Meeting now sitting.

The Committee on Indian Concerns report that during the past Year they have endeavored to give such attention to the objects of their appointment as occasion required & as circumstances would permit.

And that the Yearly Meeting may be more fully acquainted with the proceedings of the Committee they present to meeting with the Records thereof since their report last year.

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On behalf of the Committee Daniel Cobb clerk

Then adjourned to 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

29th of the Month & 31st of the Year.

According to adjournment friends met.

The Committee under

appointment to extend advice & assistance to the meetings and Yearly Meetings within the limits of the Yearly Meeting produced the following Report which was satisfactory to the meeting & the Committee were re-elected.

At the Yearly Meeting now sitting.

The Committee continued last year to unite with Committees of the Quarterly Meetings in advising & assisting the Meetings & members within the limits of the Yearly Meeting Report that in the 11th Month last