

my children, and fully by these presents empower and authorize them to apply to the support and education of my children, so much of the money or property of which I shall die possessed, as they in their wise discretion shall deem just and right, and I hereby make the first article of this my last will and testament to apply as to the division of what I shall leave, only to what shall remain after the raising and educating of my children.

I hereby fully empower, in case of my decease, my said executors to take charge of my children and all the money or notes or other property I shall leave, and apply the same as above specified.

Signed, Sealed and proclaimed in the presence of Johnson Lukens, Delila McKelvey
Elizabeth ^{her} Wells
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Thomas Wells and Levi Hough as executors on behalf of the Institution, proceeded to take an inventory of the property and on the 12th month 6th sold it at public vendue on 9 months credit. The amount of sales, including the house, was about \$800, and there is between \$500 and \$600 loaned out at 10 per cent with the agents security.

After the debts are collected, there will be not less than \$1200 at the disposal of the Committee for the benefit of those orphan children.

The Minutes of the Meeting for Suffering for the past year were produced, read and approved. The meeting was especially interested in the concerns before that meeting on account of the disolating war in which our Country is now unhappily engaged with a neighboring people, and that meeting was encouraged to labor, as way may open for it, by pleading with our government for a speedy restoration of peace.

And then adjourned to half past 3 o'clock this afternoon.

According to adjournment Friends met. The Joint Committee of men and women Friends appointed last year "to visit as way may open for it, our Subordinate Meetings, and render such advice and assistance as necessity may require and ability be afforded to impart," made the following report, which was satisfactory to the meeting, and the Committee was continued to extend such further care to our Subordinate Meetings as circumstances may appear to require and ability be required to perform, and report to the Meeting next year. To the Yearly Meeting now sitting:

The Committee set apart last year to visit our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, and the Meetings composing them, report, that in pursuance of the object of our appointment, six of our members, four men and two women Friends attended in the 11th Month last Nottingham Quarterly Meeting, and the Monthly Meetings composing it, to satisfaction. They also had a conference with their Committee on Disarmaments (for doing in the Separation) and Deer Creek Monthly Meeting in 2^d month last having added the name of one member of the Yearly Meetings Com-

to that Committee, he acted with them, and all the cases within the limits of that Monthly Meeting deemed necessary to be attended to, were disposed of. In the 11th and 12th months, six of our number, four men and two women, visited Hopewell Monthly Meeting belonging to Baltimore Quarter, to satisfaction, and also Dunning's Creek and Centreville Monthly Meetings belonging to Dunning's Creek Quarter, and Dunning's Creek Quarterly Meeting, held at Bellefonte, and most of the families, to satisfaction. One remote meeting belonging to this Quarterly Meeting, was not visited. They also attended the Small indulged Meeting at Monaca, to satisfaction.

In the 5th Month last, seven Friends, four men and three women, were engaged in Virginia. The Half Yearly Meeting was attended to comfort and satisfaction, and all the Monthly Meetings except one (not kept up) with the members of which they had an opportunity, advising them to report their true conditions to the Half Yearly Meeting. The several Meetings were fully attended, and every facility and assistance given to the Committee. They also attended two meetings appointed in our Meeting Houses where no meeting is now regularly held, though some Friends live in their neighborhood. Much openness was manifested upon the part of Friends and their neighbors, and they were enabled to encourage the members of our Society to more faithfulness. Owing to emigration and other causes, many of our meetings are very small, and the situation of Friends is such as ought to claim the sympathy and aid of their friends who are more favourably circumstanced.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

John Scott,
Joseph King Junr.
Richard H. Thomas,
Clarissa Russell,
Hannah Hoge,
Dorothy Hopkins.

10th Month 21st 1846.

Under cover of the epistle from our brethren of Indiana Yearly Meeting we received a tract, published by them, entitled, "The unlawfulness of all wars," also a copy of a memorial presented by them to the last Congress for the peaceable settlement of the then existing difficulties between our Government and that of Great Britain.

The Meeting directs the clerk to place them in the care of the Meeting for Suffering with a copy of this Minute.

And then adjourned to 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

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