

465 to next yearly Meeting. The Committee to attend the opening of Iowa Yearly Meeting made the following Report, which was acceptable to us - they also produced a Minute from that Meeting, expressive of its unity & satisfaction with their attendance and labor.

To the Yearly Meeting:

Dear Friends. - The Committee appointed to attend the opening of Iowa Yearly Meeting, report that the undersigned attended and that we met Committees from New York, Indiana and Western Yearly Meetings, thirty of us in all.

The Meeting was opened at the time proposed at Spring Creek, Mahaska County. It was largely attended and proved to be a solemn and interesting Yearly Meeting, manifestly owned by the Head of the Church.

It afforded us much comfort to mingle with our friends, and we feel encouraged with the belief that the establishment of the Yearly Meeting will be useful to the Church and tend to glorify our Father in Heaven.

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Balto. 10 month. 20. 1863

The Revision of our Book of Discipline having been brought before us by a Minute of our last Yearly Meeting, the subject was again deferred for another year, on account of the absence of our Virginia members.

Then adjourned to 10 O'clock to-morrow morning.

21st of the Month and 4th of the Week
The Meeting assembled.

A Memorial of our late beloved friend Clarissa Fussell, prepared by Baltimore Monthly Meeting and approved of by Baltimore Quarterly Meeting, was received from the Meeting for Sufferings with a minute informing that it had been carefully read in that meeting, and fully & feelingly united with. The reading of it has again brought the life & services of our beloved sister freshly before us, and the Meeting was introduced into much religious exercise and feeling in

remembrance of her. 466 It was approved of and adopted by this Meeting, and the Committee on printing was directed to have it printed with our minutes.

The Committee to visit our Subordinate Meetings and the members composing them, produced the following report, which was read to our satisfaction:

To the Yearly Meeting:

The Committee to visit the Subordinate Meetings report, that in the 12th month last - a large portion of our Committee attended Centre Monthly Meeting and Dunning's Creek Quarterly Meeting, held at Bellefonte, and visited all of the Meetings and nearly all of the families within their limits. In the 1st month two of our number again attended Centre Monthly Meeting, and in the 6th month, Centre Monthly Meeting and Dunning's Creek Quarterly Meeting, held at Bellefonte, and in the 9th month, Dunning's Creek Quarterly Meeting held at Dunning's Creek.

Three of our number attempted to attend Baltimore Quarterly Meeting, in the 6th month, at Hopewell, Virginia. They were, however, only able to visit a few families and to present at the meeting for worship on first day, as a battle in the neighborhood of the Meeting house, and the occupancy of the heads by the army prevented the holding of the Meeting for discipline next day. Parts of our number have frequently attended the Meetings of our Creek & Montgomery during the past year. The Committee have had great comfort and satisfaction in the discharge of the service which has been called for at their hands, and they would commend our small meetings and the families constituting them to the continued care of the Yearly Meeting.

Our dear Friends in Virginia have a special claim upon us, but no opportunity has presented for visiting them except the visit to Hopewell, above referred to.

Signed in behalf of the Committee.

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