

They met not in well built houses, but in the family and on the hill side, and their eye and expectation was from the Lord alone, and how have we craved for you in solitary allotments and for us all, that we might increase in their child-like trust and lay hold upon the Redeemer's promise, "where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them," and none can deaden its power to whom His name is precious.

We were entreated to hold fast our faith in the presence of our Great High Priest in our midst - that ~~he~~ will bless us, and in His power and love draw others to us as doves to the windows. Even a small meeting, rightly held, is most important as a living testimony in the various branches of a Christian profession; the tree that springs forth bearing fruit, must be grounded and rooted in love - we bear not the root, but the root us. We must hold all things in the light and power of truth, and not the truth in unrighteousness. We must seek to be an embodiment of the fruits of the Spirit, adorning the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things, not being cast down by smallness of numbers, remembering the privileges and blessings which He dispenses.

We believe there are some among us upon whom the Lord has laid his hand - whom nothing can satisfy but Jesus - nothing make happy but obedience to His will - nothing but the fulness of joy in believing. Others have resisted when he has shown them what to do for him - he will not let them rest where they are; may his power, love and presence be the alone objects of their affections - let him draw his arms of love close around their hearts, and as children let them resign themselves to his guidance; he will take away the corruption of their hearts and give his love and power.

How important are the fruits and evidences of the life of God in the soul which are manifested in outward walking before men, and which constitute a good profession of having put on Christ and of being joined to the Lord. Our chaste conversation, our moderation and simplicity in dress and address, in our manner of living, and in all things ought to show that we bear about with us the dying of the Lord Jesus. We were urged to increased care in bringing up our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, to show them lives of holiness ourselves. That we love best is our example to them. We cannot control their reading, unless we elevate their tastes. They will seek that which is most congenial to them. Cultivate the higher affections and we control the lower. We cannot confer grace upon them, but the Lord turns the hearts of the fathers to the children, he gives them qualification to discharge their responsibilities to their offspring, and he tenderly turns the hearts of the children through the visitations of the Holy Spirit

in very early life, leading them to Jesus.

Bearing more active testimony against the use of intoxicating liquors was urged upon us, believing that intemperance underlies more social and public evils than are generally attributed to it, leading the people into forgetfulness of God. And inasmuch as we are placed in this world with relative duties that are not bounded by the limits of a religious Society, it was believed that labor was due from us to others in checking the tide of intemperance.

In examining the State of the Church within our limits, we have been favored to realize that all the members of Christ are equally parts of the body, and that the eye, the ear, the hand and the foot are alike entrusted with the performance of important functions, and a lively hope was entertained that by the right occupancy in the part of each of his measure of the gift in grace, the Church, which is His body, may grow up unto Him in all things which is the Head, even Christ, from whom the whole body fitly joins together, and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in every part; maketh increase of the body to the edifying of itself in love.

12. John Scott, on behalf of the Committee to nominate two Friends to fill this Meeting's representation in the Meeting for Sufferings, proposed Galat Winslow and Joseph Edge, which was united with, and they were duly appointed. The Clerk was directed to furnish that Meeting with a copy of this minute.

13. The Situation of our Friends at Somerton, Va. as brought up in the report from the Yearly Meeting of Virginia, claimed the sympathy of this Meeting; and the following committee was appointed to consider the subject and report at a future sitting, viz: Richard M. Janney, John B. Greenhouse, M. Thompson, William, Thos. McCoy, George P. Cook, Zachariah McNaught, John Bretton, Jesse Tyson, Galat Winslow.

14. The following report from the committee to attend the opening of the Canada Yearly Meeting was received, read and accepted:

In the Baltimore Yearly Meeting:

The Committee to attend the opening of Canada Yearly Meeting report: That the undersigned, a part of their number, were present. They met at Peckering, committees from Dublin, New England, New York, Ohio, Indiana, Western, and Iowa, in all 44.

The meeting was opened at the time proposed, and was manifestly vored by the presence and blessing of the Great Head of the Church. The Committee rejoice in the renewed assurance that the establishment of this new branch of our Christian Church will not only tend to the building up of its members in our most holy faith, but as they abide in the vine, be a means in the hands