

14 The following Report was read and approved of. Owing to several changes, by death, and removal, we read the former Committee, and appoint Richd. M. James, Thos. Mc. Coy, & Jas. P. Armuchaw to nominate a new one to a future sitting.

The Committee on Subordinate Meetings reports, that some of their members attended the Half Year Meeting in Baltimore, and Baltimore Quarterly Meeting, both at Baltimore and at New York, and nearly all the smaller meetings have received at least our visit.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Jas. P. Armuchaw
Julia Valentine

15 The Committee upon General Meetings reports, that our General Meeting was held, ^{the} first year, but that the concern still rose with them, and they propose the continuance of the Committee, with which the Meeting unites, and encourage them to hold such meetings the ensuing year, as may may seem to do so.

16 The following Report from the Baltimore Association of Friends to aid our brethren in North Carolina was read and united with (See Minutes)

17 The following Report from the Secy. of "The Peace Association of Friends in America" was read, and our Treasr. was directed to forward to the Treasr. of that Association, \$2.50, our proportion of \$5.00, the sum required for the ensuing year.

18 The remaining Larvis & Answers were read, and the following summary, was adopted to represent the state of the Yearly Meeting.

In reading of the Answers to the Larvis introduced the Meeting into a concern for the welfare of the Church, in which our absent members were affectionately remembered, with earnest & prayerful desires for their growth in grace, and building up in our most holy faith.

The importance of attending our meetings for worship, and discipline, was much dwelt upon, especially those in the middle of the week, which we fear are too much neglected by many.

There is strength to be derived from social communion, from waiting upon the Lord in company with others, for the supply of grace we so much need.

The Lord designs to bless His people abundantly, but if it be His will that we should, over the blessings He has in store for us, and when our business, or household cares, are left for a season to commend with Him whose ear is ever open

to the cry of His children, we find ourselves refreshed & comforted. Let none pretend that they can read their Bible at home; that is no substitute for congregational worship. The Lord has blessings for us in our closets, in our families, in our meetings, each is distinct & cannot be substituted for the other. Neglecting any of these we lose the strength the Lord would give. Your spiritual growth is thereby impeded. Parents are affectionately exhorted to train their children in the nurture & admonition of the Lord. The loving influence of a well ordered family will be felt in after years, when the harvest may, long have been reaping from their labors. May all who occupy this honorable position, by any means in our ability, from the Lord to adorn the doctrine of His dear Saviour, in all things, that by example, as well as precept, they may lead their children to the Lord. May they abide so near their Saviour, receiving daily strength from him, that when the children come asking bread, they may not only receive a share, but remembering His own promise, "For ye shall receive" may they in the ability He will give, not only pray for their children, but wish them, that His grace may overshadow the household.

Those engaged in domestic concerns have also a claim upon our Christians can sympathize, & a drain was reported that there be encouraged to attend their places of worship. We invite to be present at our family reading. Thus thus unitedly waiting on the Lord, parents, children & servants a rich blessing will be bestowed from the "Father of all our sinners."

A warm interest was expressed in behalf of the young children, that they might, now in their youth, give their hearts to their Saviour. When He was upon earth He took the little ones in His arms, & blessed them, & is ready now to shelter them from the snares & temptations of the enemy. May they listen to His own promise, "They that seek me early shall find me" & coming unto him, who listens to the faintest cry of the little ones, allow Him to lead them through life's journey, that they need fear no evil, but can say with the Psalmist, "The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want."

His cause for humble thankfulness, that the true badge of discipleship seems to be manifested among us. Our Saviour not only commands his disciples to love one another, but also exemplified this principle in his life. The enemy is always offering an opportunity to sow the seeds of discord. May we guard against every tendency towards breaking this bond which now unites us.

Our religious society has an important testimony to bear to a free Gospel Ministry, that the service required from all