

19th of the month and 3rd of the next

The Meeting convened according to adjournment.

11. The readings of the Minutes with the answers from the Quaker Meetings was proceeded in as far as the 5th Quers, in which the further consideration of them was deferred to our next sitting.

12. Our Quarterly Meetings and the Half Year's Meeting of Virginia was directed to ascertain by personal inquiry what number, if any, of our members use intoxicating drinks, and report annually to this meeting.

13. The unsown and uprooting of our Book of Discipline engaged our serious consideration, and the subject was referred to the Meeting for Sufferings to make a revision and report thereon to our next Yearly Meeting.

Then adjourned to 10 o'clock to morning, to meet in joint session with Women Friends.

25th of the month and 4th of the next

The Meeting convened in joint session with Women Friends.

14. The London General Certificate was read, and in order that its valuable counsel and clear exposition of religious truth may reach our absent members, and others, the following Committee was appointed to have 12 or 15 copies printed, and to forward them to our subordinate Meetings for general distribution, viz:

Allen C. Thomas, Jesse Izem, George L. Scott, Aaron H. Griffith, James C. Whitlock, Cassin White, Samuel D. Keen, John R. Blackburn, Isaac Miller and Zachariah McCauley.

15. The following report was read, and the Committee was continued to further service and directed to report to our next Yearly Meeting, viz:

The Committee on General Meetings report as follows:

A General Meeting was held at Deer Creek on the 11th month last, also one in Charles County, at Retreat Meeting, and one at Richmond on the 3rd month, also one at Baltimore. All of them were held to satisfaction, being, as we believe, blessed and blessed of the Lord. We have no doubt that a benefit would result from the continuance to hold such meetings within our limits.

On behalf of the Committee.

John B. Crenshaw,

Julia Valentine.

16. The following report was read and the Committee was continued and encouraged to further labor as may may open, viz:

The Committee on subordinate Meetings report as follows: Parts of the Committee visited during the year Baltimore Particular Meetings, Eohemell Monthly Meeting, Dunning's Creek Quarterly Meeting; also Cumberland and Kemahlan Particular Meetings, in which occasions several public Meetings were held to good satisfaction. Virginia Half Year's Meeting in the 5th month, and Black Creek Particular Meeting several times, and Meetings were appointed in the neighborhood to good satisfaction.

We believe the continuance of such ^{labor} meetings in our subordinate Meetings is much needed.

On behalf of the Committee

John B. Crenshaw,

Julia Valentine.

17. The Committee on Peace presented the following report, with that of the Secretary of the Association. This was read to our satisfaction.

The proposition to omit our subscription this year was approved of, as there appears to be funds enough on hand for the expenses of next year.

In the Yearly Meeting:

The Committee on Peace herewith presents the Report of the Secretary of the Association, setting forth its labors in the past year. We propose to omit our subscription this year, as the funds on hand appear to be ample for the coming year.

John C. Thomas, Secretary.

Eighth Annual Report of the Secretary of the Peace Association of Friends in America.

In the Committee on Peace of the Baltimore Yearly Meeting.

Dear Friends; - The time has come for us to again report to you something of the work which has been done under our care. Since our last report, Robert Lindley Murray, who has for several years past been President of the Association, has been removed by death. He was our wise counsellor and earnest fellow-laborer in the cause of Peace. His place will be hard to fill. No Meeting of the committee has been held since his death, and the office remains vacant.

It is proposed to hold a Meeting this Autumn of which due notice will be given through the Messenger.

At the close of the American civil war, and when its discordant sounds had died away, many thinking Friends