

Friends met according to adjournment.

- 26 The Committee on endorsements produced a copy of one which was acceptable to the Meeting, and the clerk was directed to place it upon the minutes of Friends in attendance.
- 27 The following report was received from the Committee on the Treasurer's account, and united with. Our subordinate Meetings were directed to pay to Isaac Brooks Jr. Treasr., their respective portions of \$500.

To the Yearly Meeting

The Committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers account, report they have attended to that service, and find the account correct. The balance now on hand is \$1110.20.

We recommend that \$500 be raised for the use of the Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year.

On behalf of the Committee

Joseph P. Elliot.

11 mo. 26th 1852

- 28 The Committee ~~was~~ to bring forward the name of a Friend to fill this Meeting's vacancy in the Representative Meeting, occasioned by the death of Samuel Way Jr., proposed James Cary Jr. which was united with and he was appointed accordingly. Our clerk was directed to furnish that Meeting with a copy of this minute, and sign it on our behalf.
- 29 The Committee to name friends for the joint Committee on Home Missions and Bible Schools, proposed the following which were united with, and they were accordingly appointed, viz:

Joseph P. Elliot

John R. Cary

Edward S. Edge

Lewis N. Hoge

Samuel R. Neave

John Dornie Jr.

Zachariah McNaull

David T. Way

Wm. H. Pleasants

Mills E. Raiford

Joseph D. Hare

Jas. E. Underhill

Wm. Schofield

Mary W. Thomas

Margaret H. Elliot

Rebecca E. Thomas

Martha E. Wright

Lydia W. Hauland

Eliza T. Blanchard

Mary A. Irvine

Elizabeth W. Miller

Eliza Pleasants

Sarah E. Harris

Mary Lane Hare

Phoebe G. Underhill

Annie D. Stabler

- 30 The following report was received from the Committee to consider a proposition regarding the erection of a Meeting House in the City of Washington and was united with, and James E. Thomas, Francis T. Ring, and John Nicholson, were appointed to confer with similar Committees of such other Yearly Meetings as may unite in the concern viz:

The subject of building a Friend's Meeting House at the National Capital

has been repeatedly urged by members of our Society, residing in different parts of our country, and has again been brought to our notice at this time by Friends living in Washington. It appears to us it would be proper to lay the matter before the other Yearly Meetings in the United States, and we propose that a paragraph upon the subject be appended to our Epistles addressed to those Yearly Meetings. We think a suitable house and lot in a good location would cost nearly \$15,000.

- 31 By reports from the subordinate meetings, it appears that our members are free from the use of intoxicating drinks in Dunning's Creek Four Month's Meeting: six use them medicinally, and four occasionally as a beverage in Baltimore Quarterly Meeting, and six occasionally in Virginia Half Year's Meeting.

- 32 The Committee on correspondence presented epistles addressed to London, Dublin, Canada, New-England, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Louisiana, Western, Iowa and Kansas, which were read and approved, and the Clerk was directed to transcribe sign and forward them.

- 33 An address to its members from the Yearly Meeting of Friends in Ireland which accompanied its epistle to us, was read and called forth much sympathy and interest in their behalf. We take comfort in the assurance they have given us, that they have experienced the help and strength of the Lord in the midst of their trials and dangers, and we earnestly desire that they may continue to look to Him for guidance that they may be made instrumental in the solution of the difficult and delicate problems with which their country is confronted. We have remembered in what a marked manner the Lord honored the faith and perseverance of their fathers in 1798 and we believe that He will always honor a faithful and unswerving walk.

- 34 The Meeting would record the presence of our aged friend John Scott at this time, after an absence of three years in California, and express the comfort and encouragement afforded us by his company and gospel service.

- 35 The following statistics were read, being the first report of the kind to the Yearly Meeting. Though our number is still very small there appears to be an increase of 30 per cent, since a similar census was taken five years ago for the private use of a Committee.

Six new Meeting Houses have been built during the same period and subscriptions are being taken for four others. Three of these new buildings were in place of old structures.

Whole number of members	727
Males	365
Females	372
Members of Families	721
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