

Minutes of Baltimore Yearly Meeting 1856

1 At a Yearly Meeting of Friends held in Baltimore, for the Western Shore of Maryland, Virginia and the adjacent parts of Pennsylvania, by adjournments from the 5th of the 11th month to the 11th of the same, inclusive, 1856.

2 By reports from the subordinate Meetings, the Representations to the Yearly Meeting were as follows, viz:
Baltimore Quarterly Meeting—Joseph Edgar, George L. Scott, John C. Thomas, John Griffith, Edward Griffith, Samuel B. Wright, George L. Stotter and J. Edward Withers.
Springing Creek Four Monthly Meeting—Thomas Moley.
Virginia Half Yearly Meeting—Isaiah J. Hawks, John B. Knutson, John Patton, Oswin White and George Raiford.
 The were present except five; for the absence of two of whom reasons were given.

3 Minutes were read for the following brethren and sisters new in attendance from other Yearly Meetings, and we appointed Francis L. King, Thomas Moley and John Patton to unite with a Committee of Home Friends to prepare endorsements to be placed upon them, as may shall open, and produce them to a future sitting.

Thomas Kimber, a Minister, and his wife Mary S. Kimber, an Elder, from New York Monthly Meeting, New York.

Elizabeth L. Cornsteck, a Minister from Scipio Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Scipio Quarterly Meeting, New York.

Hannah C. Melus, a Minister from Scipio Monthly Meeting, New York, companion to Elizabeth L. Cornsteck.

Mary A. Harland, a Minister from Glens Falls Monthly Meeting endorsed by Glens Falls Quarterly Meeting, New York.

Hannah Arnett, a Minister from the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Philadelphia for the Western District.

Benjamin P. Brown, a Minister from Rich Square Monthly Meeting, North Carolina.

Nathaniel Cox, a Minister from Holly Springs Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Southern Quarterly Meeting, North Carolina.

Caroline E. Talbot, a Minister, from Short Creek Monthly Meeting, endorsed by Short Creek Quarterly Meeting, Ohio.

Marianne Potter, an Elder from Glens Falls Monthly Meeting, New York, companion to Mary A. Harland.

4 Isaac H. Kempson, Francis White, Thomas Moley, Jacobareah McNaught, Oswin White, James G. Whitlock, John Patton and Thomas R. Mathews Jr, were appointed to examine and settle the Treasurer's account, report the balance on hand, and the sum necessary to be raised the ensuing year.

5 The minutes of last year were read, and the Committee to revise and record them was continued to revise and record this year's minutes and report next year.

6 The Committee to collect and preserve the old record books reported that they had obtained and deposited in the Mercantile Trust and Deposit Company some of the old records belonging to this Meeting. They were continued, and directed to report next year.

7 The Representatives were directed to confer together and propose to our next meeting two friends to serve as Clerk and Assistant Clerk the ensuing year.

Then adjourned to 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

1st of the month and 7th of the week.

Near the time adjourned to, Friends assembled.

8 Geo. L. Scott, on behalf of the Representatives, reported that they had conferred together, and were agreed on proposing James Henry Thomas for clerk, and John C. Thomas for assistant clerk, which was united with and they were accordingly appointed.

9 A Minute was read for our friend, Isaac P. Horton, a minister, signed by Le Grand Preparative Meeting in Ministry and Oversight, Iowa, expressing his prospect of attending this Yearly Meeting; also a certificate for Mary Ann M. Allen, a member and overseer, from Dublin Monthly Meeting, Ireland, liberating her for attendance in Baltimore Yearly Meeting, and for further service in the South.