

3rd day afternoon

Near the hour adjourned to friends assembled.

The Committee to whom was referred the Epistles coming from the two bodies ^{each} claiming the name and authority of Ohio Yearly Meeting, made the following report, with which the Meeting united.

The Committee to whom was referred the Epistles coming from the two bodies, each claiming the name and authority of this Yearly Meeting, report, that they have carefully examined and considered the respective documents, and we the undersigned, members of the Committee united in the conclusion, that the Epistles signed by Jonathan Burns, and Jane W. Plummer, as clerks, should be received and acknowledged as coming from Ohio Yearly Meeting, with which we have unity; and that the Epistles signed by Benjamin Hoyle, and Rachel O. Patterson, should not be received, inasmuch as we have seriously to believe, that they have been issued by a body with whose proceedings, we cannot have unity.

In coming to this conclusion, the Committee have believed it right to take a review of the position in which the Ohio Yearly Meeting has been placed by a portion of its members.

They have refused to receive and acknowledge the Epistles from New England Yearly Meeting, for 7 or 8 years. They have subverted the established order of Society, by an abridgment of the rights of members by refusing to receive the credentials issued by Meetings belonging to another Yearly Meeting. They have conferred, or attempted to confer upon individuals privileges which they had forfeited in their own Meetings, and to sustain them in assumed rights, to which they are not entitled, by allowing them to sit in meetings for Discipline. They have persevered in the neglect, and violation of those important and vital practices, and usages of our society, which are essential to our prosperity as a people; although they have been earnestly and affectionately intreated in the Epistles from our own Yearly Meeting, and by their brethren of five Yearly Meetings, on this continent to return to our established order.