

THE ESTABLISHMENT AND HISTORY OF BALTIMORE YEARLY MTG.

third month of that year as we find by the following minute:-

3d. month 18-22 1700. "Friends of this Meeting in the wisdom of God being under A waity consideration of ye nessciety of a private Meeting for the most waitest ffriends from every Perticular Meetting on this shore to waite uppon the Lord and to inspect into the most waitiest affairs of Truth which is opinted to be at William Cole's at Fishing Creek three times in the Yeare. In the last fourth day of the first month/ fifth month, and ninth month.

In 1757 A desire arose in the Yearly Meeting for a closer intercourse with Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and the following minute was made, "This Meeting being under a solid, and weighty concern for the prosperity of truth, and the health of the body have had it under solid consideration whether it may not be condusive and greatly contribute to our advantage if this Meeting becomes united to ye Yearly of Pennsylvania by sending two or more representatives to attend that Yearly Meeting with an account of Friends in this Provence, both in their Select and other Meetings."

The Friends of the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings which constitute this Meeting are desired to have the above proposal under their consideration, and report their sentiments to our next Yearly Meeting. There appears to be no reference made to the subject until the year 1762 when it was decided that two or more Friends be appointed by the Yearly Meeting when held at West River to attend the service of the Meeting of Pennsylvania with an Epistle containing the state of this Meeting. Then again in 1764 the subject was before the Yearly Meeting and representatives were appointed to attend Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, after which the matter was not mentioned again.