

94 It is the sense of this Meeting ~~to propose~~ that each weekly Meeting within the verge thereof do proceed to a Collection for to Raise some money for to help to support the poor Widow Mathew and Her Children, who have unfortunately Lost her Husband and supposed to be Murdered. for West River Meeting Joseph Richardson & Joseph Cowman is appointed to receive the Collection for Herring Creek Sam^l Robertson: for the Cists William Harris for Mordica Price: Wm Parish and Aquila for are appointed to receive the Collections of the several Meetings, and are desired to make a Report to the Next Quarterly Meeting of what they receive. No further Business offers the Meeting adjourns

At a quarterly meeting held at Gunpowder 3rd of 4th mo 1756

This meeting proceeds to inspect into what business may their accounts from West River is that their monthly meetings are kept on their appointed seasons the weekly meetings their belonging are also constantly kept on their times appointed and love and unity abounds amongst the various members thereof it appears the queries have been also read and answered separately to allmost as satisfactory as could be desired. Accounts from Gunpowder is that their meeting ~~from~~ for worship and Discipline are constantly kept and pretty well attended and love and unity abounds amongst friends and anything that is done for amendment they the queries have been read and separately answered to & in part pretty well observed in part appears Accomplish. it is the ~~above~~ advice of this meeting that the several weekly meetings within the verge of this meeting shall make to a Collection and produce the money so collected to our next quarterly meeting to be held at West River their to be put in the hands of some friends for the relief of the poor Inhabitance of friends

This meeting appoints Gerrard Hopkins Clerk for the succeeding Quarterly meeting

No further business offers therefore this meeting concludes

At a quarterly meeting held at West River 4th day of 4th mo 1757 the meeting proceeds to inspect into what ~~at~~ ^{Monthly} there to occur

from Herring Creek accord is that these meetings are constantly kept on their appointed seasons the business thereof Carried on with brotherly love and concordance the queries have been read and separately answered to

The not so satisfactory as some ~~could~~ ^{could} find could desire it also appears that our weekly meetings are for the most part kept on the times appointed altho not so well attended but from Sandy Spring none present to give account

Apart from Gunpowder is that these monthly meetings are constantly kept on their appointed seasons the business thereof Carried on in brotherly love the queries have been read and pretty well observed except that queries relating against paying priest wages which appears to be a great grievance it also appears that weekly meetings are kept on their appointed seasons tho not so well attended as could be desired and where any thing is amiss care is taken for amendment

The Collection recommended by our last quarterly meeting to raise money for the assistance of the poor Inhabitance is referred: and Thomas Matthews and James Brook Jun^r are appointed to Inquire of these Be any poor Inhabitance of friends that stands in need of assistance of friends and make report to our next quarterly meeting

It appears that appointed appointed by Gunpowder monthly meeting to visit families have been through that service which was greatly to the satisfaction and comfort of friends

It appears to this meeting that the visiting of families will be serviceable be acceptable therefore this meeting appoints Joseph Richardson John Hopkins Philip Thomas Sam^l Robertson and Samuel Plummer & Geo Haywood to accompany our worthy friend Isaac Holland worth in that service