

# Record

of the proceedings of Friends Library Committee  
of Baltimore monthly meeting for the eastern and  
western districts, preceded by extracts from the  
minutes of said monthly meeting viz,

"At Baltimore monthly meeting for the east-  
ern and western districts (in unity with the ancient  
yearly meetings of Friends) held the 10<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month  
1831

"Hugh Balderton (Librarian) informed this  
meeting that at the time of the late fire at his store,  
the Library belonging to Friends was principally con-  
sumed; that a small portion was so much injured as  
probably to require rebinding, and a few books were  
lent out at the time of the fire. Which claims  
= ing the consideration of the meeting and it being  
desirable that the library should be renewed; the  
following friends were named to take the subject  
generally under their consideration and report their  
judgment thereon to next meeting viz:

George Williamson Daniel Cobb  
Joseph Townsend Hugh Balderton.

10th of 3 month. "The friends appointed at last meet-  
ing on the subject of the Library produced the  
following report, viz:

The committee on the subject of  
the Library report, that upon examination it  
appears that the greater and most valuable part of  
the Books were destroyed by the fire which occurred  
in the store of the Librarian on the night of the  
22<sup>nd</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month last. Believing that a  
collection of Friends writings and other suitable  
works adapted to the use of the members of our  
religious Society, would be beneficial, the committee