

70 The Representatives to our last quarterly meeting reported their attendance —

The following minute was received from the Quarterly meeting of Ministers & Elders viz —

A minute was received from Baltimore Monthly meeting for the Eastern & Western District expressive of the judgment of that meeting that Rev. S. Thomas has received a gift in the Ministry and the subject claiming the solid consideration of this meeting and unity being expressed therewith he is received as a Minister & member of this meeting. The Clerk is directed to furnish Baltimore Monthly meeting & Baltimore Preparative meeting of Ministers & Elders with a copy of this minute.

Extracted from the Minutes of Baltimore Quarterly meeting of Ministers & Elders in unity with the ancient yearly meetings of Friends held the 14th of the 3^d mo 1838

By Hugh W. Alderston Clerk
then adjourned —

71 At Baltimore Preparative meeting of Ministers & Elders in unity with the ancient yearly meetings of Friends held the 23rd of the 8th mo 1838

The queries were read in this meeting & the following answers agreed on to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting & Rev. S. Thomas & Wm. W. Alderston & Elizabeth Roberson were appointed to attend it as our representatives, Report to next meeting —

1st Ministers & Elders when of ability are mostly diligent in the attendance of meetings for worship & Discipline & we believe they encourage their families to that religious duty —

2^d Ministers in the exercise of their gifts ^{appear} careful to wait for divine ability —

3^d — We believe that Ministers & Elders are in unity one with another & with the meetings to which they belong. Manifesting a religious concern for the advancement of truth & the support of our Discipline