

West Lake Preparative Meeting

1833 - 1845

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This is a complete transcription and it is hoped that researchers will find it helpful.

[Note: The first 26 images, with the exception of image 3, have clippings pasted over the whole surface making the minutes unreadable. The titles of the clippings and some comments are included.]

Image 01

[Archival insert]

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West Lake Preparative Meeting

Minutes 1833 – 1845

20 x 16 x 2 cm; 20 pages used as a scrapbook

Donated to the archives by Homer Talcott.

Boards split, partly missing.

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Image 02

[Cover board, half split off]

Image 03

[Inside half board a clipping is pasted]

Dreams or Visions

Singular Incidents with Bishop Lee's Death

[First page of the book has no clippings pasted]

West Lake Preparative Meeting held 10 day of 10 month 1833

The friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting report they attended the queries were all read in this meeting and the answers to five of them are in substance as follows

- 1 ans All our meetings for religious worship are attended although a slackness in some the hour nearly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark
- 2 Love and unity is in good degree maintained as becomes brethren We know of no differences amongst us Tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided?
- 3 Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel although deviations are apparent with some and the most of friends we trust are endeavouring to be by Example? And precept to train them up in a virtuous life and conversation We believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friend families and care is extended? In these respects towards ???
- 4 Clear in the Seven all parts of this query

Image 04

[There are 4 clippings]

[1st] Crime in Montreal
[about 16 year old Henrietta Noval from St Francis who was badly treated in Montreal]

[2nd] What I Love
[Poem dated Boston, 1858]

[3rd] Two Pictures
[Poem about before and after marriage]

[4th] What Makes a Women
[Poem]

The name Samuel Baker is written on the page.

Image 05

[There are 4 clippings on one side of a loose scrap of paper with no writing behind]
[1st] A Silent Old Man
[Taken from the Cohoes Bulletin – about a man who has not spoken to his wife in 12 years]

[2nd] How a Woman Disposed of two Burglars
[Excerpt from the Opelous La Journal]

3rd [No title – about Susan Kumler, 87 years old, from Hamilton, Ohio and her large number of descendants]

[4th] No title – about meat that will keep fresh by submerging in sour milk]

Image 06

[There are 3 clippings]
[1st] The Saviours Call
[A poem from the London Friend]

[2nd] Lines Written After a Visit to Hannah Carson by M.K. Passmore
[A poem follows with a note stating that Hannah Carson was “a coloured person of extraordinary piety”.]

[3rd] Raising A Capital
[Story of deceit in Jamaica]

Image 07

[There are 5 clippings]
[First two] The Bible in the Barn
[Religious story from Chelmsford, Essex]

[Last three] Paraphrase of the Kirk of Scotland
[Poem with 2 more untitled closely pasted below]

Image 08

[There are 3 clippings]

[1st] Come Let Us pray [Poem]

[2nd] Just As I Am

[Poem by C. Elliott]

[3rd – poem partially removed and the writing revealed cannot be read clearly]

Image 09

[Two pasted columns of the same story]

Children's Corner – How Charley Ran Away

Image 10

[There are 4 clippings]

[1st] An Infant Killed By Jealous Parrots

[2nd] A Harrowing Catastrophe – Five Children Are Drowned in New Jersey

[From the New York Herald, the drowning of the children of John Doterich near Breakness, NJ.]

[3rd] Rock of Ages

[Poem, by Toplady]

[4th] Homemade Vinegar

[Recipe]

Image 11

[There are 3 clippings]

[1st] Be True [Poem by Bonar] [and also] Forsaken [Poem from the London Friend]

[2nd] “Be Still and Know That I Am God” by Eliza H. Meader [Poem]

[3rd] What It's Like

[Mary Kyle Dallas description of dressing a man like a woman to show the pain of it all]

Image 12

[Two pasted columns of the same story]

A Story of Divorce – The Strange Vicissitudes of A Married Life

[Story of a failed marriage in Cincinnati and mentions the cholera epidemic of 1866]

Image 13

[There are 2 clippings]

[1st] Curious Chinese Customs

[Customs as describe in a letter from Miss A. C. Stafford]

[2nd] Christ Our All in All [Poem]

Image 14

[There are 3 clippings]

[1st] [Article about why friends rise when public prayer is offered.]

[2nd] I do not Like to Hear Him Pray

[Poem from Chicago, Inter-Ocean]

[3rd] Death From Swallowing an Orange Pip

[Description of the cause of death in Southsea, Portsmouth.]

Image 15

[There are 4 clippings]

[1st] Cornbread

[Poem about making and the effects of cornbread by Mrs Millard]

[2nd] Making Meat Tender

[Use of vinegar to tenderize by Juliet Corson]

[3rd] A Natural Curiosity

[Mr Thomas Forsyth, Aurora about a milking cow that was never a mother]

[4th]

Atrocious Murder of a Girl in Switzerland

[A Man named Rennel in Lucerne murdered Margarethi Voegli and married Josepha Soella]

Image 16

[There are 3 clippings]

[1st and 2nd] On Silent Worship

[“On the 1st of 7th month, 1858 a stranger from London

[3rd] Lines on the Death of a Sister Who Died at the Age of Eleven

[Poem written by a girl of nine.]

Image 17

[There are 3 clippings]

[1st and 2nd] Married in the Dark – A Matrimonial Mystery

[Jackson, Mich, Mary E Knox and her story followed by another about Celia Dodsworth and the strange clause in her husbands will.]

[3rd] Pickled Cucumbers

[Recipe]

Image 18

[There are 3 clippings]

[1st] Bound in the Dark

[Continuation of the Dodsworth story]

[2nd and 3rd] Serving the Lord

[Poem from the Ipswich Tract]

Image 19

[There are 4 clippings]

[1st] Marriage Extraordinary

[Poem]

[2nd] Thoughts in a Religious Meeting

[Poem]

[3rd and 4th] For Friends Review

[Poem by E.F.D. written age 16 a few weeks before her death]

Image 20

[There are 4 clippings]

[1st] Looking Unto Jesus

[Poem by Crewdson]

[2nd] "Abide with Us"

[Poem]

[3rd] Died, near Martinsville, Clinton Co., Ohio on the 1st of the 7th month 1861, only daughter of John Milton and Rebecca Moore in the 4th year of age.

[4th] How to Cure Swelled Feet and Ankles

[Take plantain leaves]

Image 21

[There are 4 clippings]

[1st] [Untitled article about the death of 14 year old Julia tillin Newark, New Jersey who died as a result of an accident at Leitz'S Hat factory on Ward St.]

[2nd] A Countess hunts a husband

[Polish countess SSeraphine Mrozonka, nee Czarnowska, widowed, hunts a husband. Emile Delente answers her notice.]

[3rd] Family Matters

[Advice on using Silicate of Magnesia, how to remove a stuck glass stopper and advice on wrapping woolens and furs in newspaper.]

[4th] Deceived

[Story of a women who answered a marriage advertisement, married the man to a sad end.]

Image 22

[There are 2 clippings]

[1st] Adam Clarke's Experience of Dancing

[A long story of the man's life where he in early days he loved dancing and company and grew to see the evils of dance.]

[2nd] Things Worth Knowing

[15 items from the Alexandria Post, the first, for example, is that fish can be scaled easier if dipped in boiling water for about a minute.]

Image 23

[There are 6 clippings]

[1st] [Untitled story of the death of Miss Walker and her mother from Lobe, Ontario and also the attempted suicide of Robert Cousins and being saved by Dr. Anderson.]

[2nd] A Strange Preacher

[Poem taken from the New York Graphic]

[3rd] "Lovest Thou Me" [Poem]

[4th] [Untitled about three people with the same surname]

[5th] A Warning to Mothers

[Mrs Avanne of Toronto left her baby which caught fire and survived.]

[6th] Wife Murders

[Seven wives were murdered in one day in Mich, Ont, Ill, Iowa, Ohio, La and Tenn.]

Image 24

[There are 4 clippings]

[1st] A Wife's Terrible Crime

Story of Jennie Miller who beheaded her husband, Anderson Miller, at breakfast. From a Burkeville, Va dispatch to Cincinnati Enquirer.]

[2nd] BORAX

[Article extolling the properties of Borax.]

[3rd] Spoke but twice in fifty years

[Hayes Hinman, near Utica, NY died at age 66 and had not spoken for 50 years.]

[4th] DOMESTIC

[How to starch shirts and a recipe for Molasses cakes.]

Image 25

[There are 2 clippings]

[1st] The Simple Church

[Long poem about the Quaker experience in church.]

[2nd] Song of the Sparrow
[Poem]

Image 26

[There are 4 clippings]

[1st] Items of Economy

[Six items of domestic advice such as a piece of paper under a stair carpet will increase the life of the carpet.]

Why some are poor

[Second article listing domestic failings of the poor.]

[2nd] Married on The Sidewalk at Midnight

[Story of the marriage of Lee Hale and Katie Morgan of Cincinnati.]

[3rd] [Untitled article about the conflict in Bloomfield between the New and Old Lights and a judgement from a Bellville court. This occurred in 1881 but no date is given.]

[4th] Mr Forster's Mother

[Story of animal cruelty concerning Mr Forster of Bradpole, Dorsetshire.]

[Note – this is the end of the pages with clippings pasted on the whole surface.]

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Samuel Baker are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 9 mo 10 1835

the friends to attend the monthly meeting ret? they attended
one of the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting in 6 mo reports he attended
one of the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting in 7 month reports he attended
Moses White and Thomas Clark are appointed to attend the monthly meeting with the
accounts and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 8 of 10 mo 1835

one of the friends to attend the monthly meeting report he attended and a reason given
for the others none attendance
the queries were all read in this meeting and the answers to four of them are as follows
1 ans All our Meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended all tho there is quite a
slackness with some friends the hour for the most part nearly observed not quite clear of
sleeping

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no other unbecoming behavior to remark some care taken

2 Love and unity is in a good degree maintained as becomes bretheren except in one instance and Some care taken we knew of no differences amongst us tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided as far as appears

3 We believe Most friends are careful to keep themselves there own and other friends children under their care in planness of speech behaviour and apparel altho there is many deviations in these respects we believe Most friends are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession the scripturs of truth we trust are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects toward others under our tuition

4 We believe friend do avoid the use of distilled spiretous liquors except for medicinal purposes as far as appears two instances excepted and some care taken

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we know of none that have attended taverns or places of diversion

9 Care has been taken in a good degree seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measerably agreeably to diciplin agreeably to the directions of the monthly meeting

this meeting appoints Havelan Hubbs and Thomas Clark to open Subscriptions in order to rais our quoto of 1000 dollars for the yearly meetings use and 20£ to be refunded to the Estate of the Late Freeman Clark

no quarterly collection

Stephen Blunt and John White are appointed to attende the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake prepareative meeting held 11 mo 12 1835

no account from the frinds appointed to attend the monthly meeting they are disired to report to next meeting

the frinds appointed to open Subscriptions to rais our portion of the money caled for by the monthly meeting report they have opened Subscriptions for that purpose and have made considerable progress there in they are continued

Richard Southard and Benjamin Dunum are appointed to attend

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the monthly meeting with the accounts from this and report

Then adjourned

West Lake prepareative meeting held 12 mon 10. 1835

one of the frinds to attend the monthly meeting report they attend

one of the frinds appointed to attend the monthly meeting in 10 mo report he attended the committee appointed to rais our portion of the money caled for by the month meeting report further progress but not compleated they are continued to the Service

Cornelius Bowerman and Judah Bowerman are appointed to attende the monthy meeting as our repositives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 1 mo 14.. 1836

the friend appointed to attend the monthly meeting report they attended
the quearys were all read in this meeting and answered as follows

1 ans All our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended altho quite a slackness
in some the hour not as well observed by some as could be desired nearly clear of sleeping no
other unbecoming

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behaviour in them and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2 Love and and unity is maintained amongst us as far as appears with a Small conception
which is under care when differences has arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing
and detraction is discouraged and Generly? avoided

3 We believe friends are mostly carefull to keep them selves there own and other friends
children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel altho many diviations in
some are apparent in those respects and that many do indeavour by example and preecept to
train them up in a religious life and converstation correspondant with our christian profession
the Scripters of truth we trust is frequently read in friends families and care is extended in those
respects towards other under our tuition

4 We know of none that make use of distilled Spiretuous liquors except for medicinal
purposes except one instance except in one of one friend which is under care we

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know of none which attend or have attended places of divercion

5 We know of no poor amongst us requiring assistance we believe all children under our
care are in some way to get school learning to fit them for business

6 instance of keeping company with and marrying a person not of our sosiety which is
under care none to connive at their childrens keeping company with such nor any that have
attended the marriages of those that have gone out from us or marriages accomplisied by a
priest

7 Nothing appears but that friends are clear of bearing arms or complying with military
requisitions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu there of

8 Nothing appears but that friends are careful to keep perform their promises and pay their
just debts or that any have lanchd in to business beyond their abilities to manage as becomes
our religious principle

9 Care has been to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to
disiplin but not as seasonably in one instance as could be be disired

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the committee to rais our portion of the money caled for by the monthly meeting report
further progress but not compleated they are continued

was forwarded to this meeting a proposal of marriage Signed James C Mullet and
Hannah Baker which is directed to the monthly meeting

Came to this meeting by way of the over Seers an acknowledgment Signed Eliza Bently
which is directed to the Monthly Meeting

also a Simelar one Signed Samuel Harris which is directed to the monthly meeting
came to this meeting by way of the over Seers a complaint against Nelson Harris for

marrying a person not of our Society and going out of plainness and neglecting the attendance of our meetings which is directed to the monthly meeting
quarterly Collection two Shillings and Seven pence half penny
Havaland Hubbs and Archeleus Southard are appointed to attend the monthly mting with the accounts and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 2 mo 11 1836

one of the frinds to attend the monthly meeting report they attended
The committee to rais our portion of the money caled for by the monthly meeting report it complated

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Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint? aganst Elisha Bently for Suffering himself to be joined in marriage by a priest to a person not of our Society and going out of plainness of dress and language and absenting himself from our religeous meetings which is directed to the monthly meeting
Reuben Burlingham and Samuel Baker are appointed to attend the monthly meeting with the accounts and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 3d mo 10 1836

one of the frends appointed to attend the monthly meeting report they attended
the committee to asist encourage and assist frinds in making their wills inform they have paid Some attention to the Subject they are continued to report at the expiration of one year
John White and Amos Hubbs are appointed to attende Monthly meeting with the accounts and report
West Lake Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 4 mo 14 1836

one of the frends appointed to attend the monthly meeting report they attended
the quearys were all read in this meeting and five of them answerd as follows
1 All our meetings for worship and Dicipline

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one attended altho there is quite a Slackness remains with Some of our members the hour nearly observed nearly clear of Sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour in them
2 Love and unity appears to be maintained as becoms bretheren we know of no differences amongst us nor any complaint of tale bearing or detraction
3 We believe most frinds are carefull to keep them Selves their own and other frinds children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel altho deviations are apparent with many in these respects and that most of them do by endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession we trust the Scripturs of truth are frequently read in frinds families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition
We know of none who make use of distilled Spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes

one instance excepted of a frind having it ay his bee nor any that have attended taverns or places of diversion

9 Care has been taken in a good degree Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to deapline

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Havaland Hubbs Vincent Bowerman and Stephen Blunt are appointed to get new pipes and repara the Stoves and bring the expence to our next meeting
quarterly collection 3 / 10

Moses White and Stephen Blunt are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and rept

Then adjourned

West Lake prepariatiiv meeting held 5 mo 12 1836

one of the frind to attend the monthly meeting report they attended
the comittee to get new pipes and repara the Stoves report it not done they are Continued to the Service and to report in ninth month Next

came to this meeting a proposal of marriage Signed Arthur Mullet and Jane Baker which is directed to the monthly meeting

Thomas Clark and Nathaniel Bransiri ina ? are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and rept

The adjourned

West Lake preraiativ meeting held 6 mo 9 1836

the frinds to attend the monthly meeting rept they attended

Stephen Blount and Richard Southard are appointed to attend the monthly meeting

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with the accounts and report

Then adjourned

West Lake prepariative meeting held 7 mo 14 1836

one of the frinds to attend monthly meeting report they attended

The queareys were all read in this meeting and five of them answered as follows

1 All our meetings for relgeous worship and decepline are attended altho there is quite a Slackness witho Some frinds especialy on wek day the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and Some care taken

2 Love and unity is in good degree maintaind as becomes bretheren when differences has arisen care has been taken to end them tale baring and detraction is discouraged bit not so fully avoided as is desired

3 We believ Most frinds are endeavouring to keep them Selves their own and other frinds children under their care in planess of Spee behaviour and apparel altho there are many deviations in these respects and we believe that most frinds do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religeo life and conversation constant with our relgeous profesion the Scripturs of truth

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we trust is read in frinds families and care is taken in these respects towards others under out tuition

4 We believe frinds do avoide the use of distild Spirtous liqurouss except for medicinal purposes as far as appears with the exception of one instance we know of none that do attend taverns or places of divursion

9 care is taken to deal with offenders we tru in the Spirit of meekness and measuriably agreeably to dicipline but not as Seasonay as is desired

came to this meeting by way of the oversers a request to be joined in membership with frinds Signed Lawrence Good Murpy which is forwarded to the monthly meeting

came to this meeting a complaint against John Phililips for absenting him Self from frinds meetings and joining him Self to another Society which is directed to the monthly meeting

also one against Obadiah Cooper for neglicing to attend our meeting an using profane language which is directed to the monthly mtig

no quarterly collection at this time

Cornelius Bowerman and Mose White are appointed to attend the monthly meeting with accounts and report

Then adjourned

Image 39**West Lake prepareative Meeting held 8 mo 11 1836**

The frinds appointed to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

Samuel Baker and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to attend the monthly as an representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake prepareative Meeting held 9 mo 8" 1836

One of the frinds to attend the Monthly Meeting report they attended

The Committee to get new pipes and repair the Stoves inform it not done they are continued to the Service and to report to nedt meeting

Judah Bowerman and Thomas Clark are appointed to agree with Some one to make fines and take care of the house for one Year Henery Harris and Thom Clark are appointed to attend the Month with the accounts and rept

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 10mo 13" 1836

The friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting report they attended and produced some business

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from the monthly meeting

the quearys were all read in this meeting and five of them answered as follows

1 Ans All our meetings for religeous worship and diciplin are attended there is quite a slackness with some the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behavior to remark

2 Love and unity are maintained amongst us as far as appears as becomes brethren we know of no differences tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and avoided

Most friends appear to be careful to keep them selves there own and other friends children under there care in plainness of speech behavior and apparel altho there are many deviatations in these respects and they do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession the Scripters of truth are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 Clear in the Severel parts of this quarry as far as appears except two instanses of making use of spiritous liquors and some care taken

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9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness but not as reasonably as is desired was received from the monthly meeting a minute directing this meeting to raise its prportion of 600 dollars for the yearly meetings use

Also received two testamonies of Friends and one cerculor of the ninepartners Bording School committee and a number of the London principle Epistles of 1835

Samuel Baker and Thomas Clark are appointed to open Subsenptious in oder to rais our quoto of the yealry meeting Stock which £1”6,5

the committee to get new pipes and repair the Stoves report it not done they are continued to the Service and to report to next meeting the committee to agree with Some one to make fires and take care of the meeting house report that they have agreed with Vincent Bowerman to find the wood make the fires and take care of the house for one year for £3” 10 one half to be paid at the experation of Six months no quarterly collection

Corneluis Bowerman and Stephen Blunt are appointed to attend the monthly meeting with the accounts and rept Adjourned

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West Lake preparative Meeting held 11 mo 10, 1836

The friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting report they attended the committee app’ed to rais the yearly meeting Stock rep’t they have proceded there in but have not completed it they are continued. The committee to get new pipes and repare the Stoves report they made the necessary repairs

Stephen Blunt and Judah Bowerman are appointed to make Such repares about the meeting house yard and Sheds as they may think necessary and bring in a bill of the expences to next meeting

Cornelius Bowerman and Ransler Burlingham are appointed to inspect the State of our Libray to request the Librain to call in the books and to report to our next meeting

Thomas Waring and Havaland Hubbs are aptd to attend the monthly meeting with the accounts and report Then Adjourned

West Lake prepriative Meeting held 12” 8 1836

One of the friends to attend the Monthly report they attended the committee to rais the money for the yearly meeting Stock report it completed being £1”6”5 the committee to make repares about the meeting

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[Transcribers note: there are a number of words on this page which run off page. They are shown with a ?]

house yard and Shed report they have made Shuch repares as they thought was necessary and no expence is attached to it

one of the committee to inspect the State of the Libray inform. atten? to the Subject. they are continued.

Came to this Meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends Signed Paul Heck. which is directed to be for? to the Monthly Meeting.

also by way of the over Seers a request to be joined in membership with friends Signed Ebenezer Page wh? is directed to be forwarded to the Monthly Meeting

also by way of the over Seers a request to be joined in membership with friends Signed Charles Hudson which is directed to the monthly meeting

Came to this Meeting by way of the over Seers a complaint against Rowland R Haight for refusing to take leave a difference between him and an other person not a member to arbitration agreeable to the advice of his frinds which is directed to the Monthly Meeting

Smith Leavens and Moses White are appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting with the accounts and rep?

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 1 mo 12 1837

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one of the frinds to attend the monthly meeting report they attended the quearys were all read in this meeting and the answers are as follows

1 All our meetings for worship and decipline are attended altho not So diligenty by all as is desired the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and Some care taken

2 Love and unity is maintained is near as becomes breatheren as far as appears we know of no differences amongst us tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3 We believe Some frinds are carefull to keep themselves their own and other frinds childrin under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and Some of them do endeveaur by example and precept to train them up in a religeous life and conversation consistant with our christian profesion the Scripturs of truth are frequently read in their families and care is extended is these respects to wards others under our tuition

4 We know of no frinds that make use of distiled Spiritous liquors except for purposes Strctly medicinal nor any that have

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attended taverns or places of diversion

5 Some attention has been paid to the poor they are advised and assisted in Secu? employment as they are capable of and are believe their chirdren are in Some way to get School lerning to fit them for buisness as far as appears

6 Clear in the Several parts of this queary as far as appears except one instance of keeping company with and marrying a person not of our Society and having his marriage accomplished by a priest

7 Frinds are Clear of bearing armes of complying with military requisions and of paying any fine an tax in lieu ther of as far as appears

8 We know of none who are deficent in performing their promises or paying their just debts nor any that have extended their buisness beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession

9 Care is taken in a good degree Seasonab? To deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measureably agreeably to dicipline

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the comittee to inspect the State of our Libra? report further attention to the Subject they are continued to report to next meeting

Vincent Bowerman Samuel Baker and Judah Bowerman are appointed to make out a plan and an Estemate of a Shed which we think proper to build at the meeting house and See what amount of Subscriptions can be obtained and report to next meeting

quarterly collection Seven Shillings and four pence

Henery Harris and Ransler Burlingham are appointed to attend the monthly meeting with the accounts and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 2 mo 9.. 1837

one of the frinds to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

no account from the committee to inspect the State of the Libray they are desired to report to next meeting

The committee appointed to make out a plan and an Estement of the cost of a Shed report they propose one to be built 120 feet long and 24 ft wide post 8 feet long cost Supposed to £50..0..0 Subscriptions obtained to the

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amount of 27 pounds Judah Bowerman Havland Hubbs and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to Superintend Said building who are to call on those who have or may Subscribe toward Said building for their Subscriptions to defray the expence thereof

Moses White and Thomas Clark are appointed to attend the monthly meeting with the accounts and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 3 mo 9th 1837

The Clerk being absent Stephen Blunt is appointed for the day

One of the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting report they attended agreeable to a minite received from the monthly meeting the Clerk is directed to make the alterations in the Book of disipline and report to next meeting –

One of the friends to inspect the state of the Library report Some attention they are continued to report to next meeting

The committee to take Charge of building the Shed report Some attention they are

continued

Came to this meeting by way of Overseers a complaint against Samuel Hudson which is directed to

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monthly meeting

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed George G. Lear which is directed to the monthly meeting

Stephen Blunt and Nathaniel Brandscomb are appointed to attend the month meeting with the accounts and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 4 mo 13. 1837

one of the friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

the quearys were all read tn in this meeting and the answers to five of them are as follows

1st All our meetings for worship and Discipline are attended altho a great slackness is many friends the hour appointed is prety well observed A disposition for sleeping is still observed in some no other unbecoming behaviour in meetings to remark and care has been taken in the above deficiencies

2nd Love and unity appear to be maintained as becomes bretheren one instance excepted

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which is under care – when differences arise care is taken to end them no complaint of Tale bearing or Detraction care is taken to end

3rd Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession Yet there are Some deficiencies in speech and apparel which are under care The Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Nothing appears but that friends are clear of using distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes one instance excepted which is under care we know of none who frequent Taverns, or places of diversion

9th Care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders we hope in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to discipline

The Clerk reports he has make the alteration

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in one copy of the book of discipline he is continued to make the alterations in all the copys belonging to this preparative meeting or see that it is done and report when it is done

the committee appointed to inspect the State of the preparative meeting Library report as follows we have examined the preparative meeting library and find certain books there in which is as follows

there is one ancient principals of friends by Hugh Turford

one memoir of the life of Isaac Pennington by Joesph John Gurney

two grounds of holy life
one compendium of religious faith and practice by Lindly Murry
one the duties of religion and morality
one journal of Thomas Chalkly
three books of tracts of book on moral and religious subjects
one declaration of friends from Philadelphia

The clerk is directed to search the records for a list of the books belonging to that meeting and report to next meeting
the committee to superintend building the shed report further progress they are continued

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no quarterly collection

Smith Leavens and Cornelius Bowerman are appointed to attend the monthly meeting with the accounts and report

then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of Friends held 5 mo 11 1837

one of the friends to attend the monthly meeting inform they attended
the clerk not having made the sufficient search for a list of books belonging to the preparative meeting he is continued to make further search and report to next meeting
this meeting taken in to consideration the state of its library have thought right to suggest to the monthly meeting the propriety of dispensing with its library and place the books in the preparative meeting libraries
the committee to superintend the building the shed at the meeting house report further attention
Stephen Blunt and Cornelius Bowerman are appointed to open subscriptions in order to raise £ 1 .. 15 to defray the expense of making fires and report to next meeting
Benjamin Leavens and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to attend the monthly meeting with accounts and report

Then adjourned

[Note: There is no minute for the 6th month. No page appears to be torn out so perhaps the clerk took notes and failed to enter them in the minute book.]

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West lake preparative meeting of friends held 7 mo 13th 1837

the friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended and produced the following minute agreeable to the direction of the monthly meeting

the meeting appoints Stephen Blunt Samuel Baker and Hevilen Hubbs to open subscriptions in order to raise our portion proportion of the money called for by the monthly meeting which is £ 4 .. 17 .. 6

the queries were all read in this meeting and the answers to five of them are as follows
the committee to superintend the building of the shed at the meeting house report attention they are continued

1st Ans All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended yet a slackness remains with some of our members The hour is pretty well observed by most who attend There

are a few instances of sleeping No other unbecoming behaviour in the meeting to complain of and some care has been taken the above deficiencies

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2 we hope love and unity are maintained as becomes bretheren no outward differences apparent nor any complaint of tale bearing or detra

3 Most frinds appear careful to keep themself their own and other frinds children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession Yet deficences these respects are observable in Some

the Scripturs of truth are frequently read in frinds families and care is taken in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 Nothing appears but that most of our members avoid the use of distiled Spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes one instances except which is under care. No complaint of any frequenting taverns or attending places of dversion

9 Care is taken to deal wih offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline yet not in all cases as Seasonably as could be desirved

The committee to rais the money for making fires rept furthur attention they are continued
The committee to make out a List of the names of all membirs belonging to the preparative

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meeting report attention to the Subject but not completed they are continued

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Smith P Leavens for making an intemperate use of Spiritous liquors and persisting in the practice altho repeatedly advised against its runious consequences which is directed to the monthly meeting

Also by way of the overseers one against William Harris for neglecting the attendance of our meetings going out of plainness in Speech and behaevour and Suffering himSelf to be joined in membership with a person mariage by a priest to a person not in membership with frinds which is directed to the monthly meeting

Also one against Aaron White Son of Moses White for neglecting the attendance of our meetings and Suffering himSelf to be joined by a Priest in mariage to a person not a member of our Society which is directed to the monthly mtng

Also one against Joseph Spencer for neglecting the attendance of our meetings and going out of plainness in Speech and conduct as touching our religeous Society as also for taking a voluntary oath to confirm his testamony

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in a case of arbitration which is direicted to the month meeting

Cornelius Bowerman and George Lear are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

no quartely collection

Then adjourned

West Lake prepareative Meeting held 8 mo 10 – 1837

the frinds appointed to attend the monthly meeting report they attended
the committee to open Subscriptions and rais our portion of the money caled for by the
monthly meeting inform they have paid attention there to and made Some progress in raising
the money they are continued
the committee to rais the money for making fires report further attention they are
continued
the committee to make out a List of the names of the members belonging to this meeting
report it compleated
the committee to Superintend the building the Shead at the meeting house not ready to
report they are continued to report at our next meeting
Came to this meeting by way of the overSeers a complaint against Wm Clark for
neglecting the attendance of our meetings a deviating from that

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plainness of Speech which becomes our religious Society as also for using deception in a matter
of Settlement where by it appears a neighbour has Suffered loss and for refusing to make him
Satisfaction for the Same which is directed to the monthly meeting

Havaland Hubbs and Richard Southard are are appointed to attend the monthly meeting
with the accounts and report
adjourned

West Lake prepareative meeting held 14 of 9 mo 1837

one of the frinds to attend the monthly meeting report they attended
the committee to rais our portion of the money caled for by the monthly meeting inform
it not compleated they are continued
the committee to Superintend the building the Shed at the meeting house report they
have procededed So far as to rais and inclose it and the expence amounting to 41..15..7 ½
leaving a balance of 3..4..4 ½ over and above the amount of Subscriptions which Sum this this
meeting directs Samuel Baker Judah Bowerman and Vincent Bowerman to open Subsc

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riptions and rais and pay to the trustees of Said building
came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Arthur Burley for
deviating from truth in his Expressions about his common concerns of business as also for
defincency in performing his promises and paying his just debts which has tended much to the
reproach of Society and also for attempting a violation of the Law by going to a publick pound
by night to rescue his beast which has been pounded for trespass which is directed to be
forwarded to the monthly meeting

Judah Bowerman and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to attend the monthly meeting
as our representatives and report
Then adjourned

West Lake prepareative meeting held 10 mo 12 1837

The representatives to attend the monthly meeting report they attended and produced the
following minute

West Lake Monthly meeting of frinds held 9 mo 21st 1837

It appears by the minutes Received from the half year meeting that the Subordinate meetings [off page] are directed to raise their portion of Eight hundred dollars for the yearly meetings use and pay

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to this meetings Clerk

alls a number London yearly meeting Epistles and Extracts from Ne? [off page] York and a number of the Books of discipline and a number of the Power of religion on the mind which is directed down to the observance of the preparative meeting

The queries were all read in this meeting and the answers to five of them are as follows

- 1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho there is quite a Slackness with Some members The hour nearly observed not quite Clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour in meetings and Some care taken
- 2 Love and unity is in a good degree maintained as becomes brethren as far as appears we know of no differences amongst us nor any complaint [off page] of talebearing or detraction
- 3 We believe most are endeavouring to be careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others and [off page] our tuition

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4 Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirit [off page] Liquors except for medicinal purposes as far [off page] as appears two instances excepted and Some care taken we know of none that frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

9 Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust [off page] in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to discipline

No account from the committee to raise the money called for by the monthly meeting they are asked [off page] continued to report to next meeting

No account from the committee to raise the money [off page] for making fires they are continued

the committee to raise the money to defray the the expence of building the Shed inform no further progress they are continued

agreeable to the directions of the monthly meeting this meeting appoints Thomas Clark and Moses White to open Subscriptions in order to raise our portion of the money for the yearly meetings use which is five dollars Sixty one cents and pay it to this meetings clerk

quarterly collection 5/7 ½

Moses White and Thomas Bowerman are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

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West Lake Preparative Meeting of Friends held 11 mo 9 1837

the representatives to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

The committee to raise the money called for by the monthly meeting inform Some further progress but not completed they are continued

the committee to raise the money for making fires report it completed

The committee to raise to defray the expense of building the Shed report Some further progress they are continued

The committee to raise the money for the yearly mtng use report it not yet raised they are continued

The time for which the person was hired to make fires and take care of the meeting house being expired Nathaniel Branscomb and Judah Bowerman are appointed to open Subscriptions and raise 1..17..6 to defray the expense there of Havalan Hubbs and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to agree with Some one to make fire and take care of the meeting house for one year

Thomas Clark and Jacob Clark are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting held 12 Mo 14..1837

the friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

the committee to raise the money called for by the monthly meeting inform no further progress they are continued

the committee to raise the money for making fires report they not completed they are continued

the committee to raise money to defray the expenses of building shed report it not accomplished they are continued

the committee to raise the money for the yearly meetings use they are inform it not completed they are continued

the committee agreed with Some one to make fires and take care of the report that they have agreed with Cornelius Bowerman and Vincent Bowerman to find wood ma? [off page] fires and take care of the house for one year for £3..15 S also to take charge of the Library

Came to this meeting by way of

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the overseers on account an acknowledgement signed Philip Clark which is directed to the be forwarded to the monthly meeting

Judah Bowerman Samuel Baker Thomas Clark and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to collect information with respect to the state of friends children getting school learning to answer the request of the Yearly meeting committee

Moses White and Stephen Blunt are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

then adjourned

West lake preparative meeting of Friends held 1 mo 11..1838

The representatives to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

The queries were all read in this meeting and answers as follows

1 ans All our religious meetings for worship and disciplin are attended altho there is quite a slacknes in

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Many of our members the hour nearly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes bretheren one instance excepted which is under care we know of no deficiencies amongst us nor any complaint of tale bearing or detraction

3rd We believe the most of friends are careful to keep them Selves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behavior and apparel and do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religeous life and conversation consistent with our profesion The scripters of truth we believe and read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Nothing appears but that friends do avoid the use of distilled spirited liquor except for medicinal purposes none known to frequent taverns or attend

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places of diversion

5, The circumstances of the poor have been inspected and some relief afforded and nearly all children under our care in Some way to get School learning to fit them for business

6, Two instances of keeping campany with and marrying persons not of our society and one instance of parents coniving at their childrens keeping company with such also one instance of attending a marriage of one that went out from us and acomplished by a priest and care taken in the above deificiencies

7, Clear in the several parts of this queary as appears

8, No complaint of any deficient in performing their promises on paying ther just debts or of any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profesion there fore no occasion for fear on those accounts

9, Care has been taken to deal with offenders we hope in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline yet not as Seasonably in some cases is earnestly desired

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The committee to rais the moni called for by the monthly meeting inform no further progress they are continued

the committee to rais the mney for making fires inform it completed

The committee to rais the money to defray the expence of building shed inform it not yet completed they are continued

The committee to rais the money for the yearly meetings use inform the committee to collect information with respect to friends children getting school learning to answer the request of the Yearly meeting committee inform attention to the subject not completed they are continued came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Elijah Youex which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting for suffering himself to be joined in marriage by a Priest to a person not in membership with our Sosiety as also for going out of plainness in speech and apparel

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Also a similar one against William Yourex for suffering himself to joined in marriage by a priest to a person not in memebership with one not of our sosiety as also for going out of

plainness in speech and apparel which is directed to the monthly meeting no quarterly collection at this time

George G Lear and Archelaus Southard are appointed to attend the monthly meeting and report then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of Frinds held 2mo 8 1838

The friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended no account from the committee to raise the money Called for by the monthly meeting to report to next meeting

The Committee to raise the money to defray the expence of building Shed information not completed they are continued The Committee to raise the money for the Yearly meetings use report it completed

The committee to collect information with respect to friends children getting School learning to fit them answer the request of the Yearly

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meetings committee inform attention they are to report to next meeting

Came to this meeting a request from John White for three of his children to be joined in member Ship with friends which is directed to the monthly mtng

also by way of the oversers a request to be joined in membershi with friends Signed James Barke White which is directed to the monthly meeting

Thomas Robinson Junr and John White are appointed to attend the monthly meeting with the accounts and report

Then adjourned

West Lake Prepreative Meeting of frinds held 3 mo 8 1838

one of The frinds to attend the monthly meeting report they attended but not producing the buisness they are continued to produce it to next meeting

no account from the committee to raise the money called for by the monthly meeting they are desired to report to next meeting

the Committee to raise the money to defray the expence of building Shed inform it not compleated they are continued

the Committee to collect information with resepect to frinds children getting Schooling to answer the request of the yearly meeting

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committee inform it compleated

came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Alexander Vanvalkingburgh of for allowing reports to be circulated aboute him which is a Scandle to Society and not taking means to clear himself from them when oportunity offered which is directed to the monthly meeting

Also by way of the oversee? [off page] a complaint against Jonathan Clark for abusing the character of three frinds both by word and writing as also for a breach of unity with another frind which remains unsetled and for refusing to make Satisfaction for his Said conduct which is also dire? [off page] to the monthly meeting

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends which is directed to be forwarded to the Monthly Meeting

Moses White and Archeleus Southard are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting of Frinds held 4 mo 12..1838

one of the frinds to attend the monthly meeting report they attended
Was Received from the

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monthly meeting a minute directing the preparatives to Send an account in writing of all the deaths and births that may occur and to State the name of the parents and child with the date of the birth and forward them to the monthly meeting with the minuts of the preparative meetg meeting

the quearys were all read in this meeting and five of them answerd as follows

- 1 All our meeting for religeous worship and dicipline are attended Yet there is a Slackness with many frinds the hour nearly observed not quite clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark and Some care taken
- 2 Love and unity is maintained as becomes brethern one instance excepted which is und? [off page] care we know of no differences amongst us talebearing and detraction is discouraged and avoided as far as appears
- 3 We believe Most frinds are carefull to keep them Selves their own and other frinds children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a rel

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geous life and conversation consistant with our christian profesion the Scripturs of truth are frequently read in frinds families and care is extended in these respects towards others under out tuition

4 We know of none who make use of distiled Spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes nor any that attend taverns or places of diversion as far as appears

9 Care has been taken in a good degree Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measureably agreeably to dicipline

agreeably to the directions of the monthly meeting this meeting appoints Vincent Bowerman Thomas Clark William Mullet and Thomas Robinson to collect the births and deaths and forward them as directed

the representatives of last month produced a minute from the monthly meeting directing the preparatives to open Subscriptions to defray the expence of a boarding in this province according to the constituon this meeting accordingly appoints William Rork and Samuel Baker to

[Transcribers note: written in the margin on the left side of this page extending from the bottom to the top is the following]

which committee is to report once in three months when the quearys and answers

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open Subscriptions in order to rais money for that purpose

the committee to raise the money called for by the monthly meeting reports they have raised four pounds

the committee to raise money to defray the expense of building the Shed reports it not yet completed they are continued

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed Joseph Brown which is forwarded to the monthly meeting

no quarterly collection at this time

Stephen Blunt and Henry Harris are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 5 mo 10 1838

One of the friends to attend the monthly meeting reports they attended

the committee to raise the money called for by the monthly meeting reports further progress they are continued

the committee to raise money to defray the expense of building the Shed reports it completed

Philip Clark and George

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Lear are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 6 mo 14 1838

one of the friends to attend the monthly meeting reports they attended

the committee to raise the money called for by the monthly meeting informs there is seven shillings and four pence yet wanting they are continued to the Service

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed David Brown which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting

the committee appointed to open subscriptions to defray the expenses of a boarding School in this province informs they have paid attention there to and made some progress there in they are continued to the service

Moses White and Benjamin Leavens are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

then adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting held 7 mo 12th 1838

the friends to attend the monthly meeting reports they attended

the queries were all read in this meeting and the answers to five of them are as follows
1st All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended yet there is a slackness with some many of our members the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behavior in them to remark and some care taken

2nd Love and unity is maintained as become? [off page] brethren except one instance which is under care we know of no differences amongst us tailbearing and detraction is discouraged and avoided as far as appears

3rd We believe most friends are careful to keep them selves there own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation concistent

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with our christion proffsion the scripturs of truth are frequently read in friends familys and care is extended towards others under our tuition

4th we know of none who make use of distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes nor any that attend taverns or places of diversion as far as appears

9th Care has been taken in a good degree seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measureably agreeably to discipline

the committee to rais the money called for by the monthly meeting report it compleated the committee to open subscriptions to defray the expences of a boarding school in this province report further progress they are continued.

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Richard Southard which is as follows

Dear friends we have to complain of Richard Southard for Suffering himself to be joined in marriage to a person not not in membership with us and for having his marriage acomplished by

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a priest

Vincent Bowerman

Moses White

which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly to the monthly meeting

Stephen Blunt and Samuel Baker are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 9 of 8 mo 1838

the friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

The committee to open Subscriptions to defray the expence of a boarding School in this province report they have obtained Subcriptions to the amount of £ 97⁰⁰0 the list is forwarded to the monthly to meeting

Henery Harris and George Lear are appointed to attend the monthly mtng as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake prepareative Meeting held 13 of 9 mo 1838

one of the representatives to attend the mo meeting report he attended the other gave a reason for his not attending

came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership signed

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John Kingsbury which is directed to the monthly meeting

also a Similar one from the Same place and by way of the overseers signed Caleb W Brown which is direct to the montly meeting

Samuel Baker jr? and Reuben R Burlingham are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 10 mo 11” 1838

One of the friend to attend the monthly meeting report they attended and produced the following minute was received from the monthly meeting a minute directing the preparatves meetings to rais their portion of 12 hundred pounds dollars for the yearly meetings use also to open subscriptions for the purpose of increasing the school fund together with a number of Landon and Newyork Epistles Judah Bowerman and Samuel Baker are appointed to open subscriptions in order to rais our proportion of the yearly meeting stock which is nine dollars 3 6 cts also subscriptions for increasing the school fund

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The quearys were all read in this meeting and the answers to five of them are as follows
1st Ans All our meetings for religious worship and diciplin are attended altho there is quite a slackness in with some friends the hour perty nearly observed not qui quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark and some care taken
2nd Love and unity appears to be maintaind as becomes breatheren we know of no differences amongst us tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided
3rd We believe most friend are careful to to keep themselves their own and other friends childrens under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel altho there are deviations in those respects and they do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christion profession we trust the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects

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towards others under our tuition

4th We know of none who make use of distilled spirituuous liquors except for medicinal purposes except one instance and som care taken nor any that attend taverns or places of diversion

9th Care has been taken for the most part seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to diciplin

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed Percivel Platt which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting also a similar one by of the over seers signed Benjamine Platt which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Paul Heck which is as follows we have to complain of Paul Heck for so far deviating from our religious principles as to take up Arms and perform military duties also in departing from our profession in dress and address

Moses White are appointed to attend
Thomas Waring

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the monthly meeting as our representatives and report then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 11 mo 8 “ 1838

the friends to attend the monthly meeting not being present they are desired to report to next meeting

one of the commit to open Subscription to rais our porpation of the money for the yearly meeting use and to increase the School fund report some attention to the Subject they are continued

came to this a proposal of marriage signed Thomas Baker and Harriet Swetman which is directed to be forwarded to the mo mee ?[this word at the end of the page and cut off as are a number of words]

Thomas Clark and Stephen Blunt are appointed to open Subscriptions to rais 3 “ 15 “ to defray the expence of making fires and taking care of the meeting house the year past

also to agree with some one to make fires and take care of the house the ensuing year

Vincent Bowerman is appointed to take charge of the Library for one year and to report to the preparative meeting the state of it at that time

the committee to make the necessary repo about the meeting house inform attent they are continued

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George Lear and Samuel Baker are appoin to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 12 mo 10 1838

one of the frinds to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

the frinds app to attend the mo meeting in 10 mo rept they attended

the committee to rais our portion of the monies for the yearly meetings use rept further attention they are continued

the committee rais the money for making fires report they have proceded to rais the money and made considerable progress there in and that they have agreed with Cornelius Bowerman and Richard Southam to find wood make fires and take care of the house one year for £3 “15

they also agreed with Cornelius Bowerman to Sweep the house for 2/ per month

the committee to make some repairs about the meeting house rept they have made what repairs they thought necessary and the amount of expense is £1“1“7 ½ which is Subscribe

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came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against ? [looks like Trumpo] Dorland for so far deviating from the good order of our society as to comply with milita [words at the end of the lines are cut off on some of the lines] requitions by paying a fine and departi from plainness which is directed to the mo meeting

also one against Samuel Haight for so far deviating from the good order of our Society as to marry a person not a member and go out of plaine of Speech and apparel and neglect the attendance of our meetings which is direc to be forwarded to the mo meeting

came to this meeting by way of the ov Seers a request to be joined in membership with

frinds signed Daniel Tamn? [name cut off at the end of the line] which is directed to be forwarded to the mo meeting

Benjamin Dumum and Havaland Hubbs are appointed as our representatives to attend the mo meeti and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 1 mo 10 1839

the frinds to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

the queries were all read in this meeting and the answers

1 ans All our meetins for worship and dicipline

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are attended although not so diligently by all as is desired the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping two instances of unbecoming behav in them and some care taken in the above defice

2. Love and unity is in a good degree maintained as becomes bretheren when differences hath arisen care has been taken to end them talebearing and detraction is discouraged but not altogether avoided and some care taken

3. We believe Most frinds are carefull to keep themselves their own and other frinds children under their care in plainness and do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Christian profision the Scripturs of truth are read in their families and care is taken in these respects towards others under our tuition

4, we know of none who make use of distilled Spiritous liquor except for medicinal purposes nor any that attends taverns or places of divers

5, we know of none so poor as to require assistance their children and all others under our care are in some way to get school lerning to fit them for business as far as appears

6, one instance of keeping company with and marrying a person not of our society none known to connive at their children keeping company with such

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nor any that have attended the mariages of those that have gone out from us or mariage accomplished by a priest

7 Friends are clear of bearing arms or comply with military requisions or paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof except one instance of paying a fine and two instances of complying with military requisions and care taken

8 They are carefull to performe their promises and pay their just debts except a few instances and one friend has extended his buisness beyond his ability to mange and has been laboured with on this account

9 Care has been taken in agood degree Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agreaby to dicipline

the Committee to rais the money for the Yearly meetings use report further progress but not completed they are continued

the Committee to rais the money for making firs report it not completed they are contd
Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Garratt Harris for neglecting

the attendance of our meeting and being

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out of plainness of Speech and apparel and complying with military requisitions which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting

also one against William Clark for neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings and complying with military requisitions which is directed to the monthly meeting
no quarterly collection

George Sear and Amos Hubbs are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting held 2mo 14th 1839

the friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

the money for the monthly meeting stock was raised and payed

the committee to raise the money for making fires report it not completed they are continued

came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Rowland R Haight for giving way to anger and abusing a person which is directed to the monthly meeting

Came to this meeting an acknowledgement signed Amos Bowerman which is directed to the monthly meeting

Archelous Southard & Vincent Bowerman { the monthly meeting as our representatives
then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting meeting held 3 mo 14 1839

one of the friends to atten the mo meeting report he attended but not producing the buisness

from the mo_meeting he is directed to produce it to next meeting

the Committee to rais the money for making firs report it not yet completed they are continued

Moses White and Stephen Blunt are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 4 mo 11th 1839

The representatives to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

the quearys were all read in this meeting and five of them are answered as follows

1 ans All our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended altho some friends are not so diligent therein as is desired the hour nearly observed nearly clear of sleeping no unbecoming behaviour to remark

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2nd Love and unity is maintained as becomes bretheren as far as appears no differences hat arisen talebearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3rd We believe most friends are mostly careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation concistent with our christian profession, the scriptures of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and

care is extended in those respects towards others under our tuition
4th Clear in the several parts of this queary as far as appears
9th Care is taken in a good degree seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of
meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline
Was received and read in this meeting an Epistle from the meeting of sufferings held in London
by adjournments on the 10th of 12 mo 1838
the representatives of 3rd mo produced the

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business from the monthly meeting as directed
the money for making fires is raised
no quartly collection at this time
Phillip Clark and Richard Southard { are appointed as our representatives to attend the
monthly report
then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 5 mo 9 1839

the frinds to attend the mo meeting rpt they attended
Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with
frinds Signed David Harkman which is directed to be forward to the mo meeting
also a Similar one Signed Phillip Fralick and one by the Same way Signed David Snider
which are directed to the mo meeting
also by way of the overseers a complaint against John Latte ju for the neglect of
attending our religeous meetings and being out of plainness of dress and address which is
directed to the mo meeting
also one against Samuel Lattee for the neglect of attending our religeous meetings and
making use of Spiritous Liquors to excess which is directed to the mo meeting
also one against Samuel Way by way of the overseers

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for marring a person not a member of our Society which is directed to the monthly meeting
was forwarded to this meeting a proposal of marriage Signed Joseph Waring and
Hannah Boon which is directed to the mo meeting
Nathaniel Branscomb and Amos Hubbs are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our
represemtatives and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 6 mo 13 1839

one of the frinds to attend the mo meeting report they attended
Came to this Meeting by way of the over Seers a request to be joined in membership
with frinds Signed Jacob Snider which is directed to be forwarded to the mo meeting
Amos Bowerman and Havaland Hubbs are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our
representatives and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 11th 7 mo 1839

The friends to attend the mo meeting report they attended
the quearys were all read in this meeting and the answers to five of them are as follows
1 ans All our meetings for religeous worship

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and dicipline are attended altho Some frinds are not So diligent as is desired the hour
nearly observed not all clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and Some
care taken

2 Love and unity is maintained as becomes breatheren as far as appears we know of no
differences amongst us tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3 We bileve frinds are mostly carefull to keep them Selves their own and other frinds
children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by
example and precept to train in a religeous life and conversation consistant with our christian
profesion we trust the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in frinds families and care is
extended in those respects towards others under our tuition

4 Clear in the Several parts of this queary as far as appears

9 Care is taken in a good degree Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of
meekness and measureably agreebly to dicipline

Came to this meeting by way of the

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overseers a complaint against Ebenezer Page for neglecting to attend our meetings and disunity
with a frind which is directed to be forwarded to the mo meeting

no quarterly collection

Thomas Waring Thomas Clark are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our
representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 8 mo 8 1839

one of the frinds to attend the mo meeting report they attended

Amos Bowerman and George Lear are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our
representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 9 mo 12 1839

the frinds to attend the mo meeting report they attended

Came to this meeting a request Signed Amos and Sarah Bowerman for their children to
be joined in member Ship with frinds Namely Mary Henery Lydia Eliza Malici and George
which is directed to be forwarded to the mo meeting

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John White and Thomas Clark are aptd to attend the mo meeting as our representatives
and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 10 of 10. 1839

one of the friends to attend the monthly meeting report he did not attend and the other not being present they are desired to report at next meeting

the quearys were all read in this meeting and four of them are answered as follows

1 ans All our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended altho there is quite a slackness with some friends the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2 Love and unity is maintained as becomes bretheren as far as appears we know of no differences amongst us nor any complaint of talebearing or detraction

3 We beleave most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train

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them up in a religious life and conversation conscistent with our christion profession the Scriptures of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 Clear in the several parts of this queary as far as appears

9 Care is taken in a good degree seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to decipline

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request ot be joined in membership with friends Signed John Gunyo which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting

Stephen Blunt and Judah Bowerman are appointed to open subscriptions to raise 24.19 to defray the expence of making fires and taking care of the meeting hours for the year past and to agree with someone to make fires and take care of the house the ensuing year

Quartly collection 4/2

Thomas Waring and Amos Hubbs } are appointed to attend the monthly meeing as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

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Westlake preparative meeting held 14th of 11. 1839

the friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended but not producin the business from the monthly meeting they are continued

one of the friends to attend the monthly meeing in 9 mo report he attended

the committee to open subscriptions to raise the money to defray the expences of makin fires for the past year report they have opened Subscriptions and made sum progress in raising the money but have not agreed with any one to make fire the ensuing year they are continued to the service for the ensuing year

Stephen Blunt and George Lear are appointed to inspect the evetroph to the meeting house to repare or remove it as may be thought best and bring the expence there of to our next meeting Archelaus

Archelaus Southard and John White are appointed to attend the montly meeting with the accounts and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 12th of 12 month 1839

The friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended not being present

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they are to report to next meeting

The friends to attend the monthly meeting in 11th mo produced the business as directed

The committee to raise the money for making fires report they have made some further progress in raising the money and have agreed with Cornelius Bowerman to find wood make fires and take care of the meeting house for one year for the sum of fifteen dollars

The committee to inspect the evetroph of the meeting house not ready to report they are to report in fifth month next they are to make such repairs about the doors and windowshutters as may be thought necessary

Was received from the monthly meeting a number minute directing the preparatives to raise their proportions of 2000 dollars for the yearly meetings use also 1000 dollars for the use of the Boarding School to be established in Canada also a number of London and Newyork Espistles memorials and pamphlets with which this meeting complys and appoints Hev Hubbs and Amos Bowerman to open subscriptions in order to raise \$17 our portion of the money for the yearly meeting

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us which is \$17.68 cts.

Agreeable to the direction of the monthly meeting this meeting appoints Vincent Bowerman and Stephen Blunt to open subscriptions in order to raise our portions of one thousand dollars for the use of the Boarding school to be Established in Canada which is 221 dollars

Vincent Bowerman and William Rorke is appointed make inspection in the compass of this meeting with respect to schools agreeable to the extracts and report to next meeting

Vincent Bowerman } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as

Moses White } our representatives

Then adjourned

West lake preparative meeting held 1 mo 9th 1840

the friends to attend the monthly meeting in 11 mo report they attended

The quearys were all read in this meeting and the answers are as follows

1 ans All our meetings for religious worship

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and discipline are attended altho not as diligently by all as is desired the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes breatheren we know no differences amongst us tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3 Most friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and we believe they do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christion profession the scriptures of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 We believe friends do perty generally avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinical purposes we know of none that frequent taverns or have attended places of diversion

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5th the circumstances of the poor have been inspected and some relief afforded thri children are all others under our care are in some way to get school learning to fit them for business as far as appears

6th We know of none that keep company with persons not or our society on account of marriade nor any that have attended the marriages of those that gone out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest nor any parents to charge with conniving at their childrens keeping company with such as far as appears

7th It does not appear but that friends are clear of bearing arms or of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu theirof

8th We believe friends are perty generally careffull to perform their promise and pay their just debts as far as appears we know of none that have extended their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession

9th Care is taken in a good degree seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to dicipline

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the comittee to rais the money for the yearly meetings use inform it not compleated they are continued

the committee to raise the money for making fires inform it not compleated they are continued

the committee to raise the money for the boarding School report no progress they are continued

the committee to inspect the Sete(?) of Schools within the compass of this meeting report attention they are continued

was forwarded to this meeting a proposal of marriage Signed Thomas Waring and Francis Rork which is directed to be forwarded to the mo meeting

quarterly collection 3/9

Archelus Southard and Havialand Hubbs are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

then adjourned

West lake preparative meeting held 2 mo 13 1840

The friends to attend the mo meeting report they attended

the committee to rais the money for the yearly meeting use report it compleated £3 Ò 18

no account from the committee to

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rais the money for making fires they are continued

the committee to rais the money for the boarding School inform no progress they are continued

the committee to inspect the state of Schools in this meeting not ready to report they are continued

George Lear and Amos Hubbs are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake Preparative Meeting held 3 mo 12 1840

the friends to attend the mo meeting report they attended

the committee to rais the money for making fires inform it not completed they are continued

the committee to rais the money for the bording School report Same progress they are continued

The committee to inspect the State of Schools in this meeting report further attention they are continued

Came to this meeting a request Signed

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Thomas and Elizabeth Clark for their three children viz Sarah Jane, Charls, and Gidean Should be taken under the care of frinds which is directed to be forwarded to the mo meeting

Thomas Waring and Moses White are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 4 mo 9 1840

The frinds to attend the mo meeting report they attended

the quarries were all read in this meeting and five of them answered as follows

1 ans All our meetings for religeous worship and dicipline are attended altho Some of our frinds are very negligent in this inportant duty the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to re mark and Some care taken

2 Love amd unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethern as far as appears no complaint of talebearing or detraction

3 Most frinds apar carefull to keep them Selves Their own and ther frinds children under their care in plainness of Speech behavior

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and apparel one instance of unbecoming behaviour excepted and do endeavour be Example and precept to train them up in a religeous life and conversatoin Consistant with our christian profesions altho there are many discretions in these respects the Scritpures of truth we trust are frequently read in firnds families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

Frinds do avoide the use of distiled Spirtous Liquors except for medicinal purposes as far as appears we know of none that frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

Care has been taken in a good degree to deal with offenders Seasonably we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agree to dicipline.

the Committee to rais money for making fires rept if completed

The committee to raise the money for the boarding School report no further progress they are Continued

the committee to inspect the State of School report it completed and that they find 60 children between the age of 4 and 16 that attend mixed Schools and 3 that attend none

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School No quarterly Collection at this time
Stephen Blunt and Benjamin Leavens are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report
This meeting proposes to the monthly meeting that Moses White and Amos Bowerman Stand as overseers of the poor in this meeting
The Adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 5mo 14 1840

the friends to attend the mo meeting report they attended
the Committee to raise the money for the boarding School inform no further progress they are continued
the committee to repair the evetrough and make other repairs report attention they are continued
Amos Hubbs and Benjamin Dunham are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report
Then adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting held 6 mo 11 1840

The one of the friends to attend the mo meeting reports he attended
The Committee to raise the money for the boarding School report no further progress they are continued
The committee to repair the evetrough and to make other repairs about the meeting house report they have made Such repairs as they thought necessary and that the expence amounts to £ 5..14..11 which Sum this meeting directs Amos Bowerman and Thomas Clark to open Subscriptions in order to raise
John White and Arnoldi Haight are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report
Then adjourned

West Lake Preparative meeting held 7 mo 9 1840

The representatives to attend the mo meeting report they attended

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the quearys wer all read in this meeting and five of them answerd as follows
1 All our Meetings for religeous worship and dicipline are attended altho there is quite a Slackness with Some frinds the hour nearly observed not quite clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and Some care taking
2 Love and unity is in a good degree maintained amongst us as becomes breathern one

instance excepted and Some care taken when differences hath arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided as far as appears

3 We believe most frinds are carefull to keep them Selves their own and other frinds children under thir care in plainness of Speech behaveour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religeous life and conversation consistant with our christan profesion the Scripturs of truth are frequently read in frinds families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

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4 We believe frinds do avoide the use of distilled liquors except for medicinal purposes as far as appears we know of none that attend frequent taverns or that have attended places of diversion

9 Care has been in a good degree to Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline

The committee to rais the money for the boarding report no further progress they are continued

The committee to rais the money for repairing the meeting house report it not compleated they are continued

no quarterly collection

Amos Hubbs and Judah Bowerman are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

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West Lake prepareative meeting held 8 mo 13 1840

one of the frinds to attend the mo meeting report he attended

the committee to rais the money for the boarding School report considerable progress they are continued the

The committee to rais the money for repairing the meeting house rept it not yet compleated they are continued

Havaland Hubbs and Thomas Clark are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake prepareative meeting of frinds held 9 mo 10 1840

The frinds to attend the mo meeting report they attended

The committee to rais the money for the boarding School report the money is Subscribed

The committee to rais the money for repairg

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the meeting house report it not yet compleated they are continued

Stephen Blunt and Moses White are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake Preparative meeting held the 8th of 10 month 1840

The clerk being absent Arnoldi Haight was appointed as clerk for the day

One of the representatives report they attended and produced the following business from the monthly meeting

The quearys were read and answered in this meeting and the answers are as follows

Ans 1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho there is a quite a slackness with some friends the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Love and unity appears in a good degree maintained amongst us as becomes brethren except in one instance when differences hath arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged

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and mostly avoided and some care taken in the above deficiency

3 We believe most friends are careful to keep them selves there of own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparell and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christion profession we trust the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects toward others under our tuition

4th Clear in the several parts of this queary as far as appears

9 Care had been taken in a good degree seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to discipline

The committee appointed to raise the money for repairing the meeting house it not compleated they are continued

Was received from the monthly meeting a minute directing its subordinate meetings to raise their proportion of five hundred dollars and pay it to the clerk of the monthly meeting

George Lear and Amos Hubbs are appointed to open subscriptions to raise said sum and report to next meeting which is 19/6

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The minute from the monthly meeting respecting schools is refered to next meeting

Was received by the hands of the representatives a number of books epistles and a book come to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against James Barker White for absenting himself our meetings and joining another society of people which is directed to the monthly meeting

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends Signed Adolphus Spuram which is directed to the monthly meeting

Quartly Collection 3/9

George Lear and Henry Horace are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report to our next meeting

then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 11 mo 12 1840

the representatives to attend the mo meeting report they attended

the committee to raise the money for repair the meeting house report it not compleated they are continued

The committee to raise the money for the Yearly Meetings use report it not completed they are continued

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The Subject of Schools is again referred for next meetings consideration

Was forwarded to this meeting a proposal of marriage Signed George G Lear and Amy Bowerman which is directed to be forwarded to the mo meeting

The time being expired for which the person was hired to make fires and take care of the meeting house Judah Bowerman and Moses White are appointed to open Subscriptions to raise the money to defray the expense thereof which is £ 3..15 0 also to agree with Some one to make fires and take care of the meeting house the ensuing year

John White and Amos Hubbs are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting held 12. mo 16.. 1840

The friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

the committee to raise the money for repairing the meeting house report it not yet completed they are continued

the committee to raise the money for the yearly meetings use report it not yet completed they are continued

Vincent Boerman and Thomas Clark are appointed to obtain the information with respect to schools agreeable to the direction of the yearly meeting and report to our next meeting

The committee to open subscriptions to raise the money to defray the expense of making fires report some progress respecting the money and that they have agreed with two persons to find wood make fires and take care of the meeting house for one year for £3..15..

Was forwarded to this meeting a proposal of marriage signed George Valentine and Caroline Louisa Phelps which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting

Amos Hubbs and Moses White } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 1 mo 14. 1841

the friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

the queries were all read in this meeting and the answers are as follows

1 ans All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho there is quite a slackness prevails with some friends the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2 Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes breatheren as far as appears except one instance where the unity is not so fully maintained as is desired care has been taken to end differences when they have appeared tailbearing and detraction is discouraged and pretty

generally avoided

3 We believe that most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and

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confersation consistent with our christian profession the scriptures of truth we trust are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 We know of none that make use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes nor any that frequent taverns or have attended places of diversion

5 The circumstances of the poor have been attended to and some relief afforded them nearly all their children and others under our care are in some way to get school learning to fit them for business

6 One instance of keeping company with and marrying a person not of our society and care taken none to charge with conniving at their childrens keeping company with such nor any that have attended the marriages of those that have gone out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest

7 Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears

8 Some deficient in performing their promises by not paying their just debts

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so seasonably as is desired we know of none that have extended their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession

9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders but not as seasonably in all cases as is desired but what care has been taken has been done in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to discipline

The committee to raise the money for repairing the meeting house report it not yet completed they are continued

one of the committee to raise the meeting for the yearly meetings use report it completed which is 19/6

the committee to obtain the information with respect to schols report there is 67 children attends mixed schools between 4 and 16 years of age

the committee to raise the money to defray the expence of making fires report it completed

came to this meeting by way of the oversers a complaint against Joseph Spencer which is as follows and is directed to the monthly meeting

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quartly collection 3/6

Jobe Elsworth Amos Bowerman } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 2 mo 11 1841

The clerk being absent Amos Bowerman is was appointed for the day one of the frinds to attend the mo meeting reports he attended

the committee to raise the money for repairing the meeting house report it not yet completed they are continued

George Lear and Stephen Blunt are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 3 mo 11 1841

one of the friends to attend the mo meeting reports they attended

The committee to raise the money for repairing the meeting house report it not completed they are continued

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Benjamin Dunham and Archeleus Southard are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting held 8th of 4 mo 1841

No account from the friends appointed to attend the monthly meeting they are desired to report to next meeting

The queries were all read in this meeting and the answers to five of them are as follows

1st All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although a slackness in some friends especially on the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark and some care taken

2 Love and unity is maintained as becomes brethren as far as appears except one instance of a want of unity we know of no differences amongst us tailbearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

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3rd Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession although some deviations are apparent the scriptures of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and a due care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears

9th Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to discipline but not so seasonably in all cases as is desired

the committee to raise the money for repairing the meeting house report it completed

Quartly collection 3/9

Amos Hubbs Stephen Blunt are appointed to the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting of Friends held 5 mo. 13 1841

one of the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

One of the representatives to attend the no. meeting in 3d. mo. report they attended the term for which the Clerk was appointed being expired Amos Bowerman is appointed to that Service for one year

Andrew Garratt Thomas Clark } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake Preparative meeting of Friends held 6 mo. 10 1841

the representatives to attend the monthly meeting report they attended bought of Vincent Bowerman Sewels history in two volums for 15 shillings Havaland Hubbs Stephen Blunt } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 7 mo. 8th 1841

one of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended the queries were all read in this meeting and the answers to five of them are as follow
1st All our Meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although their is quite a slackness prevailing with some friends especially on the middle of the week the hur is pretty nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark

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2nd Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethren except one instance Some unity is wanting and some care taken we know of no differences amongst us tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and pretty generally avoided

3rd We believe that most friends are careful to keep them selves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel although deviations are apparent and we do believe they do endeavour to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession the scriptures of truth we trust are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th We know of no breach of this query except one friend having Spiritous liquor at a bee

9th Care is generally taken Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to discipline

No quarterly Collection

Joseph Warring and Thomas Clark } are appointed to to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meetinf of friends held 8th m 12th 1841

one of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended Moses White and Thomas Bowerman } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

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West Lake preparitive meeting of Friends held the 9th of 9th mo 1841

the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
Amos Hubbs and Benjamin Leavens } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our
representatives and report
then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of Friends held the 14 of 10 mo. 1841

one of the representatives to attend the Mo. meeting report he did not attend the other is
desired to report next month

the queries have all been read in this meeting and the answers to five of them are as
follows

1st All our meeting for religious worship and discipline are attended although their remains a
slcakness with some friends the hour is nearly observed nearly clear in that of sleeping no other
unbecoming behaviour to remaink

2 Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethren as far as appears except in
one instance the unity is wanting we know of no differences amongst us tale bearing and
detracton is discouraged and pretty generrally avoided. Some care taken in the above
defissiciency

3 We believe most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends
children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel and do endeavour by
example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our
Christian proffession the scriptures are read in friends families and care is extended in these
respects towards others under our tuition

4th Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears

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in a good degree

9 Care has been taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness
and measureably agreeable to discipline

Came to this by way of the overseers a complaint against Zechariah Haight which is
directed to be forwarded to the Mo. meeting

Came to this by the same a request to be joined in membership with us signed Isaac
Vanest which is also directed to the mo. meeting

received from the mo. meeting a minute directing the subordinate meetings to raise their
proportion of 500 dollars for the yearly meetings stock which this meeting accepts which is 3
½ , also some epistles and pamphlets Joseph Warring and Moses White are appointed to open
subscriptions for raising our proportion of 500 \$. For the yearly meetings Stock which is 3 ½
dollars

Havaland Hubbs and Cornelius Bowerman are appointed to agree with some one ot
make fires and take care of the meeting house for one year and report next month

Vincent Bowerman & Judah Bowerman are appointed to make the necessary repairs in
and about the meeting house and report next month the expence

quarterly Collection three shillings & a penny half penny

Thomas Clark and Thomas Warring } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our
representatives and report to our next meeting

then Adjourned

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West Lake Preparative meeting of friends held the 11th of 11 month 1841

the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
the representatives to attend the mo. in 9th month report he attended
the committee to agree with some one to make fires & take care of the meeting house
not ready to report they are continued
the committee to make the necessary repairs in and about the meeting house not fully
ready to report they are continued.

One of the committee to raise the money for the yearly meetings stock report some
progress they are continued.

Came to this by way of the overseers a request for their children to become members
with us signed John White Clara White for their children to become members with us namely
Clara ann & John Stanley? Which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting.

the committee to make the repairs about the meeting house report not completed they
are continued

Amos Hubbs Thomas Warring & Amos Bowerman are appointed to open subscriptions
for raising the money for making fires for the past year with is 15 \$.

Stephen Blunt & Archelius Southard } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as
our representatives & report next month

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 9th of 12 mo 1841

the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
the committee to agree with some one to make fires & take care of the meeting house
report they have hired Cornelius Bowerman to make fires & take care of the meeting house for
one year for 7 ½ dollars and Archeleus Southard to find wood for the same sum to commence
Preparative meeting in 11th month.

One of the committee to raise the money for the yearly meeting stock report it not yet
completed they were continued

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The committee to raise the money for making fires for the past year report it is raised
The committee to make the necessary repairs about the meeting house report it is
completed and no expence

Henry Hareass and George Boon } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our
representatives and report next month

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 1 mo 13 1842

one of the representatives to attend the mo meeting reports they attended
the clerk being absent Vincent Bowerman was appointed for the day
the queries Ware all read in this meeting and the answers are as follows
The committee to raise the yearly meeting stock report it raised.

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with
friends signed William S Clement which is directed to be forwarded to the mo. meeting also a
similar request by way of the overseers to be joined in membership with friends signed James R

Wright which is directed to be forwarded to the mo. meeting

1 query All our meeting for worship and discipline are attended although there is a slackness with some friends the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark

2 Love and unity is in a good degree maintained as becomes brethren one instance of a difference which is under care tale bearing and detraction is discouraged but not so fully as is desired avoided as is desired

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3 We believe friends are in a good degree careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession although there are deviations in these respects the Scriptures of truth we trust are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 We know of none who make use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as appears

5 We know of none so poor as to require assistance their children and all others under our care are in some way to get School learning to fit them for business as far as appears

6 One instance of keeping company with and marrying a a person not of our society which is under care none to charge with conniving at their children keeping company with such nor any that have attended the marriages of those that have gone out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest

7 We believe they are

8 Some defissient in performing their promises by not paying their just debts as seasonably as is desired we know of none that have extended their business beyond their ability to manage or give occasion for fear on those accounts

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9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to discipline but not so Seasonably in all cases as is desired

Quarterly Collection 3/9

William Rorke and Amos Hubbs } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 10 of 2 mo 1842

the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

Thomas Bowerman Benjamin Dunom } are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 3 mo 10 1842

one of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

the clerk being absent Vincent Bowerman was appointed for the day

Nathaniel Branscomb Moses White } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our

representatives and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 4 mo. 14 1842

one of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
the Clerk being absent Vincent Bowerman was appointed for the day
the queries were all read in this meeting and the answers to five of them are as follows
came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with
friends signed Joseph Lockleir which is directed

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to be forwarded to the mo. meeting
no quarterly collection at this time

1 All our meetings for religeous worship and discipline are attended although there is a
slackness with some friends the hour is nearly observed nearly clear of sleeping no other
unbecomeing bahaviour to remark and some care taken

2 Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethren as far as appears except in
one instance their is a want of love and unity when differences hath arisen care has been taken
to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3 Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and friends children under their care
in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavor by example and precept to train
them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession although
deviations in these respects are apparent the scriptures of truth we trust are read in friends
families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears

9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and measureably
agreeable to discipline but not so seasonably in all cases as is desired

Benjamin Leavens John White } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our
representatives and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 12 of 5 mo. 1842

the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
Nathaniel Branscomb Archelius Southard } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as
our representatives and report
Then adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 9 of 6 mo. 1842

one of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with
friends signed Aaron Oliver which is directed to be forwarded to the mo. meeting
Moses White Havaland Hubbs } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our
representatives and report
Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 14 of 7 mo 1842

one of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended the queries have all been read in this meeting and the answers are as follows

1. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although there is a slackness prevails with some members in this respect the hour is nearly observed we know of none that give way to sleeping no unbecoming behaviour in them to remark
- 2 Love and unity is maintained as becomes brethren as far as appears except in one instance and some care taken when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and pretty generally avoided
- 3 Friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel although there are deviations in those respects and do endeavour by example and precept to train to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our profession the scriptures of truth are read in in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our care

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4 Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears

9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to discipline

no quarterly collection at this time

Amos Hubbs and Richard Southard } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 11 of 8 mo. 1842

the representatives to attend the mo. meeting not being present they are desired to report next month

came to this meeting by way of the overseers an acknowledgement signed Alexander Van valking burg which was directed to be forwarded to the mo. meeting

Stephen Blunt and Vincent Bowerman } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 8 of 9 mo. 1842

one of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

one of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting in 7 mo report they attended

Benjamin Dunom Moses White } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 13 of 10 mo 1842

the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended and produced the following minute from the yearly and half yearly cp? mo. meetings which this meeting accepts x? meetings were requested to raise their proportion of 500\$ and pay to that meetings clerk also to the observance of the extracts and london epistles and some pamphlets on slavery also to

report a particular of all the school withn their limits which this meeting accepts

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The queries have all been read in this meeting and answered as follows

- 1 All our meetings for worship and discipline are attended although some friends are very negligent in this important duty espessially on the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark
- 2 Love and unity appears to be maintained as becomes brethren as far as appears we know when differences has arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided
- 3 Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession yet there are deveations in these respects the scriptures we trust are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects to wards others under our tuition
- 4 Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears
- 9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measureably agreeable to discipline

Vincent Bowerman Thomas Warring } were appointed to open subscriptions for raising our proportion of 500 dollars for the yearly meetings stock which is 3 ½ \$ also to make the alteration in discipline and report

Cornelius Bowerman Amos Hubbs Stephan Blunt } are appointed to make the necessary enquiry respecting schools as directed by the mo. meeting agreeable to the abstract?

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Havaland Hubbs Moses White } are appointed to open subscriptions for raising the money for making fires & finding wood for the past year which is 15\$ and to agree with some one to find wood and make fires and take care of the house the ensuing year and report

No quarterly Collection

Thomas Bowerman John White } are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 10 of 11 mo 1842

one of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

the committee to open subscriptions for raising the money called for by the monthly meeting for the yearly meetings stock also to make the alteration in discipline report attention they were continued

the committee to make the necessary enquiry respecting schools not read to report they were continued to report in first month next

the committee to raise the money for finding wood & making fires for the past year also to agree with some one to find wood and make fires and take care of the house the ensuing year report that they have agreed with Thomas Warring to find the wood for 7 dollars also Cornelius Bowerman to make fires and sweep and take care of the house for 11 dollars for one year and report the noney not raised they were continued

came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Joseph Baker and

William Baker which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting
also by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed
Isaac Aselstine which was directed to be forwarded to the mo. meeting
Benjamin Dunom Amos Hubbs } are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 8 of 12 mo 1842

one of the representatives to attend the monthly meeting report they attended.
The committee to open subscriptions for raising the money for the yearly meetings stock
report some progress they were continued
The committee to raise the money for making fires and finding wood for the past year
report part of it is raised there were continued
Philip Clark Moses White } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned to our usual time

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 12 of 1st mo. 1843

One of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
The queries have been read in this meeting and answered as follows.

- 1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although there is quite a slackness with many friends as respects the attendance of them the hour is nearly observed nearly clear of sleeping no unbecoming behaviour to remark
- 2 Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethren as far as appears when differences hath arisen care has been taken to end them Talebearing and detraction is discouraged but not so fully avoided as is desired
- 3 Some friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession the scriptures we believe are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition
- 4 Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears
- 5 We know of none so poor amongst us as to require assistance friends children are all in some way to get school learning to fit them for business as far as appears

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- 6 Two instances of keeping company with and marrying persons not of our society one of which is under care none known to connive at their children keeping company with such nor any that have attended the marriages of those that have gone out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest
- 7 Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears
- 8 Some are defissent in performing their promises by not paying their just debts as seasonably as is desired we know of none that have gone so far but that they have the means to satisfy their creditors
- 9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders but not altogether so seasonably as is desired

what care has been extended has been in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline

The committee to raise the money for the yearly meetings use and alter the discipline report the money raised and a part of the disciplines is altered

The committee to raise the money for making fires and finding wood report it completed and paid over

the committee to make the necessary enquiry respecting schools produced the following

		Boys	Girls
1	The number of children in the preparative meeting between 4 & 16	70	48
2	the number of schools under the care of the meeting		
3	how many children attend them		
4	how many attend schools under the care of other meetings	10	9
5	how many attend schools taught by members not under the care of any meeting	1	0
6	how many attend schools taught in in friends families or family schools	3	1
7	how many attend District or other mixed schools Boys Girls 101		
8	how many who do not attend any schools		
9	How many between the ages of 7 and 21 years who cannot read the new testament so as to be well understood [Transcribers note: in the extreme right hand column is noted "243 members" this is written at 90 degrees to the rest of the page and begins at the bottom of the page.]		243 members

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Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Robert McTaggaratt which was directed to be forwarded to the mo meeting

No quarterly collection

Job Elsworth John White } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 9 of 2 mo 1843

no account from the representatives to attend the mo. meeting they are desired to report next meeting

the committee to make the alteration in the disciplines report part of them are altered they were continued

Archelius Southard Thomas Warring } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

Westlake preparative meeting of friends held the 9 of 3 mo 1843

the committee representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended and produced the following minute; Was received in this meeting from the monthly meeting a communication from the meeting of sufferings in new York, Requesting subscribers for the

Friends Library printed in Philadelphia which is directed to the observance of the subordinate meetings it is requested the names if any are obtained be forwarded to William Evans Druggsist one of the editors of the Library philidelphia

Amos Hubbs and Vincent Bowerman } are appointed to open subscriptions for raising money for the friends Library

one of the representatives to attend the mo. meeting in first mo. report they attended the committee to make the alteration in the disciplines report not all altered they are continued

Moses White and Nathaniel Branscomb } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 13 of 4 mo 1843

the representatives to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

the queries have been read in this meeting and answered as follows

1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho there are many friends who are verry negligent in this important duty the hour is nearly observed by those who do not attend we know of none who give way to sleeping in meetings and some care take in the above deficiencies

2 Love and unity is in a good degree maintained amongst us as becomes brethren except in one instance there is not as good unity as is desired when differences hath arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided and some care taken

3 We believe friends mostly do endeavour to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel and also do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession the Scriptures of truth we trust are read in friends families and care is extended in those respects towards others under our tuition

4 We know of none who make use of distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes nor any that thave attended taverns or places of diversion

9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to discipline but per haps not as seasonably in all cases as it ought to have been done

the committee to rais the money for the friends Library report it is not raised they were continued

the committee to make the alteration in the disciplines report more progress not being completed they were continued

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Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against William H Southard which was directed to be forwarded to the mo meeting

Also a complaint against Stephen Harris by the overseers which was directed to be forwarded to the mo. meeting

Was forwarded to this meeting a proposal of marriage signed David V Brown and Jane Robinson which was directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting

No quarterly Collection

Havaland Hubbs Amos Bowerman } are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 11 of 5 mo 1843

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
the committee to rais the money for the friends Library report they have raised none
they ware is continued
the committee to make the alteration in the disciplines report not all altered they were
continued

Thomas Clark and Vincent Bowerman } are appointed to take charge of the burying
ground and fences about it and fence about the meeting house and make such repairs as
necessary and bring forward the expence to stand for one year

Joseph Warring Moses White } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 8 of 6 mo 18 [off page]

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
the committee to make the alteration in the disciplines report not all

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altered they were continued

John White Benjamin Leavens } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 18 of 7th mo 1843

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
the queries have been read in this meeting and answered as follows

- 1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although not so diligent
by all as is desired the hour is nearly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing
behaviour to remark and some care taken
- 2 Love and unity is in a good degree maintained as becomes brethren when differences hath
arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly
avoided
- 3 Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their
care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel although there are many deviations in these
respects and we believe they do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a
religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession the Scriptures of truth
we trust are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards tothers under
our tuition
- 4 We believe friends do avoid the use of distiled spirituuous liquors except for purposes strictly
medicinal we know of none who have attended taverns or places of diversion
- 9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and
measurably agreeable to discipline

The committee to make the alteration in the disciplines report some further progress not completed they were continued

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came to this meeting a complaint by way of the overseers against Rensel [off page] Burlingham which was directed to the monthly meeting

was forwarded to this meeting two requests for their children to beco [off page] members signed Caleb H Brown Maria Brown and Joseph Brown Lorain Brown which was directed to the monthly meeting

No quarterly collection

Benjamin Dunom Thomas Clark } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 10 of 8 mo 1843

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

the committee to make the alteration in the disciplines report they are not completed they were continued

came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed Gilbert Van valkingburg which was directed to the mo. meeting; also by the overseers a complaint against William Cronkhite which was x for keeping company with and marrying a person not a member of our society which was directed to the mo. meeting.

Havaland Hubbs Thomas Bowerman } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 14 of 9 mo 1843

the friends to attend the mo. meeting not being present they are desired to report next month

The committee to make the alterations in the disciplines report they are not complet [off page] they were continued

Amos Bowerman Moses White } are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 12 of 10 mo 1843

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended and produced the following minute

Was received a minute from the monthly meeting; requesting the preparative meetings to raise their proportion of 800.\$ for the use of the Yearly meeting and pay to this meetings clerk also directed to the observance of the London Epistles a number of memorials and Extracts on the subject of schools as heretofore expressed

The friends to attend the mo. meeting in 8 mo. report they attended

The committee to make the alteration in the disciplines report they are completed as far as we know

the queries have been read in this meeting and answered as follows

1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although a slackness with some friends especially on the middle of the week the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour in these to remark and some care taken in the above deficiency

2 Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes bretheren as far as appears except two instances of a want of a want of unity when differences hath arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided and some care taken in the above deficiency

3 Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession although some deviations are apparent the scriptures of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears

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9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measureably agreeable to discipline but not so seasonable in all cases as is desired.

No quarterly Collection

John White Richard Southard Stephen Blunt } are appointed to open subscriptions for raising our poportion of 800 dollars for the yearly meetings use and report

Thomas Clark Cornelius Bowerman } are appointed to ascertain the state of schols agreeable to extract and report

Archelius Southard Amos Hubbs } are appointed to open subscriptions for raising the money for finding wood and making fires and sweeping & taking care of the meeting house the past year and and to agree with some one to find wood and make fires and take care of the meeting house the ensuing year and report

Richard Southard Thomas Clark } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 9 of 11 mo 1843

one of the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

The committee to raise the money for the yearly meetings use report it is not completed they were continued

The committee to ascertain the state of schools report it is not ascertained they were continued to report in first month next

The committee to raise the money for finding wood and building making fires and sweeping report they have raised the money and agreed with Cornelius Bowerman to make fires sweep and take care of the meeting house for 11 ½ dollars for one year also agreed with Archelius Southard to find the wood for 7 ½ dollars for one year they were

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directed to pay over the money and report

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with

friends signed Daniel Young which was directed to the mo. meeting
Cornelius Bowerman Moses White } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 14 of 12 mo 1843

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
the committee to raise the money for the yearly meetings use report it is not raised they
were continued
the committee to pay over the money for finding wood and m [off page] ing fires report
it is paid over as directed
Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with
friends signed Matthew Houston which is directed to the monthly meeting
Philip Clark John White } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 11 of 1st mo 1844

one of the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
The first nine queries have been read in this meeting and answered as follows
1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although there are
many negligent their in the hour is nearly observed mostly clear in that of sleeping none to
charge with unbecoming behaviour in them and some care taken
2 Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethren except two

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instances when differences arise care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is
discouraged and mostly avoided and care taken in the above deficiencies
3 We believe friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children
under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example
and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian
profession although there are many deviations apparent the scriptures of truth we trust are read
in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition
4 We know of none who make use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes
nor any who have attended taverns or places of diversion
5 We know of none so poor amongst us as to require assistance most friends children are in
some way to get school learning to fit them for business
6 None to charge for keeping company with persons not of our society on account of marriage
none to charge of conniving at their childrens keeping company with such nor any who have
attended the marriages of those who have gone out from us or marriages accomplished by a
priest except one instance of a person marrying another not a member and for having his
marriage accomplished by a priest and that under care
7 Friends are clear of the several parts of this query as far as appears
8 We know of none deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts except
for not paying them so seasonable as is desired none known to extend their business beyond
their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession

9 Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline but not so seasonable in all cases as is desired
no quartly collec [off page]
the committee to rais the money for the yearly meetings use report it is completed
the committee to ascertain the state of schools produc the following

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of those who attend as district or mixed schools	72
friends boarding school	11
one mixed school taught by a member or friend	3
that attend no school	20
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George Boone Stephen Blunt } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 8th of 2nd mo. 1844

no account the friend to attend the mo. meeting not being present they are desired to report next meeting

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed Edward Cronk which was directed to the monthly meeting.

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Thomas Jones for so far deviating from the good order of our society as to neglect the attendance of our meetings for discipline and joining himself to another society which was directed to the mo. meeting

Benjamin Leavens Amos Bowerman } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 14th of 3 mo 1844

one of the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended and produced the following nimute

one of the friends to attend the mo. meeting in first mo report they attend [off page] was received from the mo. meeting a minute requesting its subordinate meetings to rais money to defray part of the axpences of one or more children who parents are not in Circumstances to pay at friend Boarding school which this meeting accepts

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and appoints Thomas Clark and Amos Bowerman to open subscriptions in order for raising the money and report

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed Nicholos Lake which was directed to the mo. meeting

Also by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed Edward Meeks which was directed to the mo meeting

Amos Hubbs Moses White } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 11th of 4 mo 1844

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

the queries have been read in this meeting and answered as follows

1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although there is a slackness remaining with many friends especially on the middle of the week the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping not other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2 Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethren as far as appears except an instance of three friends not being in as good unity as is desired when differences hath arisen care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3 Friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our

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christian profession although there are many deviations apparent the scriptures of truth we trust are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition.

4 Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes we know of none who have attended places of diversion or frequented taverns

9 Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline but perhaps not quite so seasonable as is desired

The committee to open subscriptions for raising the money for assisting in defraying the expence of one or more children at friends boarding school not ready to report they were continued

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Alfred White for keeping company with and marrying a person not a member and for having his marriage accomplished by a priest which was directed to the monthly meeting

No quarterly collection

John White Thomas Bowerman } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 9 of 5 mo 1844

one of the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

the committee to raise the money for assisting in educating one or more children at friends Boarding School not ready to report they were continued

Archelius Southard Thomas Clark } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 13 of 6 mo. 1844

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended.

The committee to raise the money for assisting in educating one or more children at

friends Boarding School report they have not raised any they were discontinued
Richard Southard Stephen Blunt } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 11 of 7 mo 1844

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
the term for which the clerk was appointed being expired Amos Bowermans name being
proposed is united with and appointed to that service for one year
[Transcribers note: commencing with the following line the writing changes significantly
indicating it is from another hand]

the queries have all been read in this meeting and answered as follows

- 1 All our meetings for religeous worship & discipline are attended although there is a
slackness with many friends especially on the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed
not quite clear in that of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care
taken
- 2 Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethern except an instance of 3
friends not being in as good unity as is desired when differences arise care is taken to end them
tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided
- 3 Friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care
in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to
train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession
although their are many deviations apparent the Scriptures of

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of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects
towards others under our tuition

- 4 Friends do avoid the use of disstilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes none to
charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion
- 9 Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measureably
agreeable to discipline but not so seasonable in some cases as is desired

came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in mambership with
friends signed Nicholos D Lazier which was directed to the monthly meeting

No quarterly collection at this time

Samuel Harrass Havaland Hubbs } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 8 of 8th mo 1844

one of the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
Benjamin Dunom Stephen Blunt } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 12 of 9 mo 1844

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

Moses White Amos Bowerman } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 10th of 10 mo. 1844

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended and produced a minute from the monthly meeting directing the preparative meetings to raise their proportion of 500.\$ also to the observance of the London Epistles some books and pamphlets and extracts from the Yearly meeting which this meeting accepts and appoints Moses White and Vincent Bowerman to open subscriptions for raising our proportion of the money and report which is 3 ½ \$.

The queries have been read in this meeting and answered as follows

- 1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although there is a slackness with many friends especially on the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed not quite clear in that of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken
- 2 Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethren except an instance of 3 friends not being in as good unity as is desired when differences arise care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided
- 3 Friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession although there are many deviations apparent the scriptures of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition
- 4 We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal we know of none who have frequented taverns or attended places of diversion

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9 Care is taken mostly seasonable to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measureably agreeable to discipline

Richard Southard Stephen Blunt } are appointed to agree with someone to find wood make fires and sweep the meeting house the ensuing year also to open subscriptions for raising the money for the past years service which is 19\$. and report

Amos Bowerman Thomas Clark } are appointed to insert the note in the copies of discipline and also to make the necessary enquiry respecting schools and report.

Was forwarded to this meeting a proposal of marriage signed Francis Warring and Mary ann Hubbs which was directed to the monthly meeting

No quarterly Collection

Joseph Warring Nathaniel Branscomb } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 14 of 11 mo 1844

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

- 1 the committee to raise the money for the yearly meetings use report it is not raised they are continued

2 one of the committee to agree with some one to find wood and make fires and sweep the meeting house also to raise the money for last years service report it is not completed they are continued

3 the committee to ascertain the state of schools agreeable to the direction of the mo meeting or Extract also to insert the note in the coppies of discipline report it is not completed they are continued

Richard Southard Vincent Bowerman } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 12 of 12 mo 1844

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

the committee to raise the money for the yearly meetings use report it not completed they were continued

One of the committee to agree with some one to find wood and make fires and sweep the meeting house and raise the money for last years service report they have agreed with Thomas Warring to find the wood for 8\$ and Cornelius Bowerman to make fires and sweep the meeting house for 11 ½ \$. and have not completed the raising of the money they were continued

the committee to ascertain the state of schools agreeable to the extract also to insert the notes in the coppies of discipline report it not completed they were continued

the committee to make the necessary repairs about the meeting house report it not completed they were continued

was forwarded to this meeting a proposal of marriage signed Adam Henry Garratt and Abigail Leavens which was directed to the mo meeting

Thomas Clark Joseph Warring } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 9 of 1st mo 1845

the friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

the queries have all been read in this meeting and answered as follows

1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although there is a slackness with some friends especially on the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecomg

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behaviour to remark and some care taken

2 Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us in a good degree as becomes bretheren when differences arise care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3 Most friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversations consistent with our christian profession the scriptures of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and care

extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 Friends do avoid the use of spiritous liquors except for purposes stritly medicinal except one instance of a friend taking a small portion and giving it to others not friends none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

5 We know of none so poor amongs us as to require assistance most friends children are in some way to get school learning to fit them for business

6 None to charge with keeping company with those not of our society on account of marriage no parents to charge with conniving at their childrens keeping company with such we know of none who have attended the marriages of those who have gone out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest

7 Friends are clear of bearing arms or complying with military requisition or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof as far as appears

8 Some deficient in performing their promises by not paying their just debts seasonable we know of none who have extended their business beyond their ability to manage as

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becomes our religious profession

9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measureable agreeable to discipline

the committee to rais the money for the yearly meetings use report it completed

One of the committee to rais the money for finding wood and making fires report it not completed they were continued

the committee to enquire into the state of schools and insert the notes in the disciplines produced the following minute

we your committee on the subject of schools report we find 120 children between 5 and 15 years of age 90 of whom attend mixed schools 30 no schools no family schools nor schools taught by friends in this meeting. the notes are also inserted in the coppies Books of discipline

No quarterly collection

Daniel Young Job Elsworth } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 13 of 2 mo 1845

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

the committee to rais the money for making fires & finding wood not being present they were desired to report next meeting

the committee to make repairs about the meeting house not ready to report they were continued

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Stephen Blunt for so far deviating from the

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good order amongst us as to keep company with and marry a person not a member and for having his mairage accomplished by a priest and for denying to friends his keeping company with the person before accomplishing his marriage which was directed to the monthly meeting

Moses White Vincent Bowerman } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our

representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 3 mo 13th 1845
the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
the committee to raise the money for making fires & finding wood not being present they
are desired to report next meeting with Philip Clark added
the committee to make the repairs about the meeting house report it not completed they
were continued
Nathaniel Branscombe Havaland Hubbs } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting
as our representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 10 of 4 mo 1845

the friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended
the queries have all been read in this meeting and five of them answered as follows
1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although there is a
slackness with some friends especially on the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed
not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

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2 Love and unity is pretty generally maintained amongst us as becomes brethren as far as
appears when differences arise care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is
discouraged and mostly avoided
3 Most friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under
their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavor by example and
precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian
profession although there are deviations apparent the scriptures of truth we believe are
frequently read in friends families and care extended towards others under our tuition
4 Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes non to
charge with frequenting taverns or places of diversion
9 Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust mostly seasonably in the spirit of
meekness and measureable to discipline
the committee to raise the money for finding wood and making fires report it not
completed they were continued
the committee to make the repairs about the meeting house report it not completed they
were continued
No quarterly Collection
Benjamin Dunom John White } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our
representatives and report
Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 8th of 5 mo 1845

one of the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
the committee to raise the money for finding wood and making fires report it is not
completed they were continued

the committee to make the repairs about the meeting house

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report they have furnished 12 pairs glass 3d 6d putty 4 days work 12 carpenter work 12-6 lumber 3-6 amounting to £ 1-12-0 and this meeting appoints Amos Bowerman and Nathaniel Branscombe to open subscriptions to raise the money and report

Nicholas Lazier Job Elsworth } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 12th of 6 mo 1845

one of the friends to attend the mo meeting not being present they are desired to report next meeting

the committee to raise the money for finding wood and making fires report it is not completed they were continued

the committee to raise the money for the repairs of the meeting house report it is not completed they were continued

Vincent Bowerman Amos Bowerman } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 7th mo. 10th 1845

the term for which the clerk was appointed being expired Amos Bowerman is appointed to that service for one year

the friends to attend the mo. meetings report they attended

the queries have all been read in this meeting and five of them answered as follows

1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although there is a slackness with some friends especially on the middle of the week the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

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2 Love and unity is pretty generally maintained amongst us as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and we believe mostly avoided

3 Friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession the Scriptures of truth we believe are frequently read in friends families and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 We know of no friends making use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

9 Care has been taken we believe trust mostly seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to discipline

One of the friends to attend the monthly meeting in 5 mo. not being present they are desired to report next meeting

the committee to raise the money for wood and making fires report it is completed they

are desired to pay over the money and report

the committee to raise the money for the repairs of the meeting house report it not completed they were continued

No quarterly collection

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed Richard Cook which was directed to the monthly meeting

also by way of the overseers a request to be joined in membership with friends signed Samuel Halstead which was directed to the mo. meeting

Thoams Clark Haveland Hubbs } are appointed to attend the mo. meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

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West Lake preparative meeting of friends held the 14 of 8 mo 1845

the friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

one of the friends to attend the monthly meeting in 5 mo not being present they are desired to report next meeting

the committee to pay over the money for finding wood and making fires report the money is paid over

the committee to raise the money for the repairs of the meeting house report the money is raised and paid over

Alfred White Nathaniel Branscombe } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 9 mo 11th 1845

the friends to attend the monthly meeting not being present they are desired to report next meeting

One of the friends to attend the monthly meeting in 5 mo not being present they are desired to report next meeting

Moses White Philip Clark } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative Meeting held 10 mo 9 1845

the clerk being absent V Bowerman is appointed for the day

The friends to attend the mo. meeting report they attended

One of the friends to attend the mo. meeting in 8 mo. report they attended

The queries were all read in this meeting and five of them answered as follows

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1 ans All our meetings for worship and discipline are attended altho there is a Slackness with Some friends especially on the middle of the week the hour nearly observed not quite Clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and Some care taken

2 Love and unity is pretty generally maintained as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them talebearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3 Frinds appear mosly carefull to keep themselves their own and other frinds children und
[off page] their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and do endovour by example
and precept to train them up in a religeous life and convesation consistent with christian
profesion altho deveations are apparent in these respects the Scripturs of truth we believe are
read in frinds families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition
4 We know of no frinds making use of Spiritous liquors except for purposes Strictly
medicinal nor any to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion
9 Care has been taken we believe mostly Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit

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and agreeably to dicipline

The frinds to attend the mo meeting in 5 mo last not being present they are desired to
rep? [off page] to our next meeting

Was received from the mo meeting a minute directing the prepareatives to rais their
portion of 700 dollars for the yearly meetings use also a number of the London Epistles and
pamphlets with directions to add to the Book of dicipline the following words appeals made to
the yearly meeting Should be presented on the first or Second day of the Sitting of that body
and the appelant Should be informed

Thomas Waring and Benjamin Dunham are appointed to open Subscription to rais our
portion of 700 dollars for the Yearly meetings use which is £ 1..6..2

Thomas Clark and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to make the insertion in the Book
of dicipline agreeably to the direction of the yearly meeting

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Havaland Hubbs and Thomas Clark are appointed to open Subscriptions in order to rais
\$ 19 ½ to defray the expence of providing wood making fires and Sweeping the meeting house
the past year also to agree with Some one to perform the Same Service for the ensuing year
quarterly collection 3/9

Thomas Clark and John White are appointed to attend the mo meeting as our
representatives and report
adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 13 of 11 mo 1845

the frinds to attend the mo. meeting report they attended
one of the frinds to attend the mo. meeting in 5 mo report he attended
the committee to rais the money for the yearly meetings use report it not completed they
were continued

the committee to make the insertions in the book of discipline attention not being
completed they were continued

the committee to rais the money for finding wood and making fires and sweeping the
meeting house the past year also to agree with Some one to find wood make fires and sweep

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[Transcribers note: the upper right hand corner of this page has been torn out, subsequently
words are missing in the first four lines]

the meeting house the ensuing year report they [torn section] with Thomas Warring to find the

wood for 8 dollars [torn section] agreed with Lavinia Bowerman to make fires and [torn section] meeting house for 12 dollars the ensuing year the [torn section] all raised they were continued

Vincent Bowerman Joseph Warring] are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake preparative meeting of friends held 11 of 12 mo 1845

the friends to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

the committee to raise the money for the yearly meetings use report it not completed they were continued

the committee to make the insertions in the book of discipline report they are not completed they are were continued

the committee to raise the money for finding wood and making fires report it not completed they were continued

Richard Southard Haveland Hubbs } are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives and report

Then Adjourned

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[Transcribers note: the upper left corner of this page is torn away in such a way that words are missing from the first four lines]

[torn section] Lake preparative meeting of friends held 8 of 1 mo 1846

[torn section] to attend the monthly meeting report they attended

[torn section] es have all been read in this meeting and answer [off page]

[torn section] one of The committee to raise the money for the yearly meetings use report it completed

the committee to make the insertions in the book of discipline report they are completed as far as we know

the committee to raise the money for finding wood and making fires report it not completed they are desired to complete it pay over and report

No quarterly collection

1 All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although [off page] there is a slackness with some friends especially on the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2 Love and unity is pretty generally maintained amongst us as becomes brethren as far as appears when differences arise care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided as far as appears

3 Friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession although there are deviations apparent the scriptures of truth we believe are frequently read in friends families and care extended towards others under their tuition

4 Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears

5 We know of none so poor amongst us as to require assistance friends children and all others

under their care are in some way to get school learning to fit them for business

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[Transcribers note: The inside of the back cover of this minute book has been used for this page. It appears prior to the writings on this page the cover had been torn in half along its length. Punched metal pieces and lacing was used to hold it together . The right side of this page/cover has worn in such a manner that some of the text is missing. I have noted this using [off page] in the transcription. The numbering of the queries on this page are not sequential.]

6 None to charge with keeping company with persons [off page] society on account of marriage no parents to charge with [off page] at their childrens keeping company with such nor none [off page] attended the marriages of those who have gone out from us o [off page] accomplished by a priest as far as appears

8 We know of no friends deficient in performing their promises [off page] just debts nor any who have extended their business beyond [off page] to manage as becomes our religious profession

7 Friends are clear of bearing arms or complying with mi [off page] or paying any tax or fine in lieu thereof as far as appears

9 Care has been [off page] deal with offenders we believe in the spirit of [off page] and agreeable to discipline

Thomas Warring Archelius Southard } are appointed to attend m [off page] meetings as our representatives

Then Adjourn [off page]

[The End]