

**PICKERING PREPARATIVE MEETING MINUTES  
1828 - 1852**

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Around 1809, Timothy Rogers removed from Yonge St to Duffins Creek in Pickering Township where he operated a grist and saw mill. In 1810, Timothy went to the USA and returned with another company of settlers. In 1812, Yonge St Monthly Meeting allowed an indulged meeting to be established there and then in 1819 a Pickering Preparative meeting was formed at Pickering. Meeting houses were built two miles east of Pickering on the Danforth Road, first in 1819, replaced in 1833 which was destroyed by fire and replaced in either 1866 or 1876 (Dorland gives both dates.) This book begins with the separation in 1828, the Orthodox were in control of both Uxbridge and Pickering meetings and the associated property. In 1842, when this book ends, the Canada Half Yearly Meeting reorganized Uxbridge and Pickering as Pickering Monthly Meeting. In 1886, due to decline, the Pickering meeting was changed to an Executive Meeting allowing meetings to be held at less frequent intervals.

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**Pickering preparative meeting of friends the seventh of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1828**

For several years past the minds of many friends have been greatly exercised and pained in consequence of the promulgation of sentiments by persons under our name contrary

to the principles of our religious society and subversive of the faith of our members in the authenticity and divine authority of the holy scriptures in the divinity of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ his mediation and intercession for us with the Father and in that propitiatory sacrifice which he made on the cross when through the eternal spirit he offered himself without thought unto God for the redemption of mankind The disorganizing effects these antichristian opinions have been sorrowfully manifested amongst us producing insubordination to our excellent discipline and many of those who have been unhappily ensnared by these delusive stratagems of the enemy have been gradually led on from our degree of disorder to another until at length they have openly gone out from our society and set up meetings of their own contrary to the good order and discipline established amongst us in the wisdom of Truth and a considerable number of the members of this preparative meeting having united themselves in principle to those who have thus separated from our religious society and identified themselves with them at Pickering preparative meeting the 7<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1828 by refusing to have the minute of advice and directions from our late yearly meeting of friends held in New York read or to acknowledge its committee thereby rejecting the authority of our discipline and casting off the subordination and respect which is due to the body and the clerk of this preparative meeting having joined in these irregular and disorderly measures it became the duty of those friends who remained attached to the ancient doctrines and discipline of our religious Society - after testifying against these proceedings to appoint

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a clerk and maintain Pickering preparative meeting according to the original design of its establishment (to wit) as a preparative meeting of the religious society of friends and a component part of and subordinate to the aforesaid regular and ??? Yearly meeting of New York and the aforesaid clerk Nicholas Austin being released from the appointment of clerk William Wright is appointed to that service for the present

In conformity with the request of a part of the yearly meeting's committee this meeting adjourns to meet on seventh day next at 2 O'clock in the afternoon Seventh day of the week and 7<sup>th</sup> of the month friends met about the time adjourned to

A written request from one of the yearly meeting committee having been received and read as follows (to wit)

Young street the 26<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1828

To Friends of Pickering who hold themselves bound to act in subordination to the long established yearly meeting of friends held in New York

Dear friends I believe I shall not act out of my place as one of the committee of the yearly meeting to request you to adjourn your preparative meeting till 7<sup>th</sup> day at 2 O'clock in the afternoon the day but one following the time your preparative meeting is commonly held after first appointing suitable clerks I hope I shall be able to attend the adjourned meeting with some friends

Thomas Linvill

The extracts sent down from the Yearly meeting was read in this meeting and was united with

The Queries were all read in this meeting and answers prepared to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

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1<sup>st</sup> Ans Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline tho some are deficient therein the hour for the most part nearly observed some instances of sleeping and several instances of other unbecoming behaviour in our meetings.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity we believe are maintained by a considerable number as become brethren tho not so fully throughout as could be desired when differences arise we believe care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction not enough avoided and discouraged

3<sup>rd</sup> Friends generally appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession the Scriptures of truth we believe are frequently read in some friends families and some care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion except a few instances of using spiritous liquors unnessarily and ~~one care~~ under care

9<sup>th</sup> We believe care for the most part has not been taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

Having been prevented from holding our preparative meeting in our meetinghouse by the care taker Nicholas Brown we were under the necessity of retiring to our School house on friends west lot near Timothy Roger's and have concluded to hold all our meetings for a time in said school house if the monthly meeting should see fit to allow us that indulgence having the unity of women friends therein

Having taken into consideration the propriety of discontinuing the holding our monthly meeting any longer any part of the time at this place on account of the reduced state of our members who remain attached to the order of society after a time of deliberation thereon it was concluded to lay the subject before the monthly meeting for its consideration having the unty of women friends therein

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Noodiah Woodruff and John A Haight are appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to next meeting to serve as clerk

John A Haight and William Wright are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meetings concludes to meet at this place next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 11<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1828**

The representatives appointed to attend our last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to serve as clerk proposed the name of William Wright which is united with and he is appointed to that service for one year

A complaint came to this meeting by way of the overseers against Nicholas Brown which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting and is as follows to wit

Nicholas Brown has so far disregarded all order and decorum which ought to subsist amongst us as to be guilty of railing accusations and and [sic] bitter revileings in our religious meetings and has also identified himself with the followers of Elias Hicks who have seceded from the society of friends and departed from the doctrins and principles of the christian as held by them

Complaints were also brought to this meeting by the overseers against Joel Hughs, James Star, Abraham Brown, James Carpenter and Joseph Brown which are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follows

Joel Hughs, James Star, Abraham Brown, James Carpenter and Joseph Brown have so far departed from the order of our society as wholly to absent themselves from our religious meetings and associated themselves with those who hold opinions at variance with the doctrins of christianity as professed by us and have set up seperate meetings in opposition to the discipline

Henry Betts and Danial Motts are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 9<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1828-**

One of the representatives to our last monthly reports they attended

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers prepared to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> ans Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and disapline the hour nearly observed and they are clear of sleeping and all other unbecomeing behaviour in them

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren no differences that we know of and we believe friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction

3<sup>rd</sup> Friends are generally careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparal and they do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in A religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion

9<sup>th</sup> We believe care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders measureably in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

William Wright and Timothy Rogers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 6<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1828**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

Complaints came to this meeting by way of the overseers against Salas Orvis, Eleazer B Orvis, Nicholas Ostin, Ira Brown, Joseph Webster, Rowland Brown and James Brown which are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follows

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Silas Orvis, Eleazer B Orvis, Nicholas Ostin, Ira Brown, Joseph Webster, Rowland Brown and James Brown have so far departed from the order of our society as to join with and identify themselves with those who have sperated themselves from our religious Society by casting off their obedience to the long established Yearly meeting of friends held in New York and they have also wholly absented themselves from our religious meetings

Danial Betts and Wing Rogers are appointed to open subscriptions and rais money to purchase 12 hundred rails to fence this burying ground and report in the first month next

Noodiah Woodruff and John Cuir are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next mon

#### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 11<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1828**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended and produced a Quire and half of paper which is for the use of the men's and woman's meetings

Complaints came to this from the overseers against Mark Widifield, Caleb Crawford, Joseph Widowfield and Samuel Cochran which after being considered are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follows (to wit)

Mark Widifield, Caleb Crawford, Joseph Widofield and Samuel Cochran have openly manifested their disunity with our religious society by joining and identifying themselves to the followers of Elias Hicks who hold opinions at variance with the doctrins of christanity as held by friends and set up seperate meetings of their own

William Crothars and Thomas Raisin are appointed to agree with some person to take charge of the meeting house and make fires for one year

William Wright and Danial Betts are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting Concludes as usual

#### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 8<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1829**

The appointed clerk being absent William Crothers is appointed for the day a friend reports on behalf of our representatives that

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one of them attended our last monthly meeting and the other reports he did not attend and gave a reason

The Queries have been all read in this meeting and answers prepared which are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follows (to wit)

1<sup>st</sup> ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline yet their is a slackness in others the hour for the most part nearly observed not Quite clear of

sleeping and some care taken in the above deficiencies no other unbecoming behaviour to remark

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity we believe are generally maintained by friends as becomes brethren no differances that we know of and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> We believe friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparal and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in A religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and they extend a care in those respects towards other[s] under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

5<sup>th</sup> None of this class amongst us

6<sup>th</sup> We know of no b[r]each of this Query amongst our members

7<sup>th</sup> We believe friends are clear in the several branches of this Query

8<sup>th</sup> We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just depts and we believe no friends extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession

9<sup>th</sup> We believe care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders measurealy in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to agree with some person to have the care of this house and make fires for one year report they have agreed with John A Haight for 17<sup>S</sup> - 6<sup>D</sup>

The friends appointed to rais money and rails to fence

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this meetings ground attended to their appointment and have got subscribed 800 rails one dollar in money and a large gate and hinges the friends are continued to collect the above and report in forth month next

Noodiah Woodruff and Thomas Crothers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 5<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1829**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended

An epistle from the meeting for sufferings held in New York was read in this meeting which was acceptable to us

John Cuir and Danial Betts are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 5<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1829**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

Timothy Rogers and William Crothers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 9<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1829**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended and produced a number of epistles which are to be distributed amongst friends of this preparative meeting

Complaints came to this meeting by way of the overseers against Silvanus Brown, James Eves, Aaron Bonnel, Moses Bonnal and Mahlon Bonnal which are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follows

Silvanus Brown, James Eves, Aaron Bonnal, Moses Bonnel & Mahlon Bonnel have openly manifested their disunity with our religious society by joining and identifying themselves with the followers of Elias Hicks who hold opinions at variance with the doctrines of christianity as professed by friends and also set up separate meetings

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of their own

Was introduced to this meeting by the overseers a complaint against John Cuir which is as follows and is directed to the monthly meeting

John Cuir has transgressed the order of our society so far as to follow a man with an axe threatening to do him a person injury and also made use of profane language

The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are Continued and to report to next meeting

We appoint John A Haight and Wing Rogers to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

this meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 7<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1829**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The Queries were all read in this meeting and answers prepared to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline altho we acknowledge some deficiencies the hour for the most part nearly observed not Quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity we believe are maintained amongst friends as becomes bretheren except one instance when differences hath [sic] arisen care has been taken speedily to end them and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears and care taken in the above deficiency

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends Children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and they do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in A religious life and conversation consistant with our Christian profession we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and friends extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition as far as appears

4 friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritous liquors

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frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion

9<sup>th</sup> We trust care has been taken Seasonably to deal with offenders measureably in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline

The friends appointed to collect rails report some attention they are Continued

We appoint William Crothers and Noodiah Woodruff to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 11<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1829**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended

The friends appointed to collect rails report further they are Continued

Thomas Raisin and Wm Wright are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our Representatives

this meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 9<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1829**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are Continued and to report to next meeting

Danial Betts and John A Haight are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 6<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1829**

the representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The Queries were all read in this meeting and answers prepared to the usual five which are directed to the monthly mg and are as follows to wit

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious and discipline the their is A slackness in some friends the hour for the most part nearly observed

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not clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> We believe Love and unity are maintained amongst friends as becomes brethren their are no differences amongst us that we know of and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as is known

3<sup>rd</sup> Friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and 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 are frequently read in friends families and they do extend a due care in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders measureably in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to collect rails not ready to report are Continued

A complaint came to this meeting by the overseers against Reuben Patrick which is directed to the monthly meeting and is as follows

Reuban Patrick has transgressed the order of our religious society by attending a marriage accomplished by a priest and also attended a place of diversion

The clerk's time being nearly expired Noodiah Woodruff and John A Haight are appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to serve in that station report to next meeting

An epistle from the Yearly meeting of London was read in this meeting to our satisfaction

Wm Crothers and Timothy Rogers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes as usual

#### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends th[e] 10<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1829**

The representatives to our last monthly report they attended

The committee appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to serve as clerk proposed the name of Wm Wright which was united and he is appointed to

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that service for one year

Noodiah Woodruff and Wm Wright are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 8<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> 1829**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended and produced an extract from the monthly meeting

Agreeably to the above extract this meeting is directed to rais its Quota of 500 Dollars for the yearly Meeting use and also its proportion of 10 dollars for the use of the half year's meeting

Thomas Rasin and Danial Betts are appointed to collect our proportions of the above mentioned Sums and pay them to the monthly meeting's treasurer

The Queries were all read in this meeting and answers prepared to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Friends are mostly careful to attend all our meetings for religious and discipline altho their is deficiencies in some the hour for the most part nearly observed no unbecomeing behaviour to remark

2<sup>nd</sup> We believe love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren no differences amongst us that we know of and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and the[y] generally do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with with [sic] our christian profession we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and most friends extend a due care in these respects in their respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

9<sup>th</sup> Care has been mostly taken Seasonably to deal with

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offenders measureably in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are continued

Silas Orvis being heretofor appointed treasurer for this meeting since which time he has joined himself with the followers of Elias Hicks for which he has been disowned from being any longer a member in our religious Society this meeting therefore thinks it right at this time to release him from being treasurer which is done accordingly William Crothers and Nodiah Woodruff are appointed to examine and settle his accounts and demand the sum of money that was in his hands belonging to this meeting in eight month 1828

A complaint came to this meeting by way of the overseers against George Cislar which is directed to the monthly meeting and is as follows (to wit)

George Cislar has openly manifested his disunity with our religious society by joining and identifying himself with the follow[ers] of Elias Hicks who hold opinions at variance with the doctrens of christianity as professed by friends and also set up seperate meetings of their own

Timothy Rogers and Wing Rogers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 5<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1829**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting report he attended and produced an extract from the monthly meeting which is as follows

Young street monthly meeting of friends held by adjournments the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1829

The extracts from our last yearly meeting being now received are directed to the observance of the preparative meetings it appears by said extracts that each preparative meeting is directed to attend to the formation of A library of friends books agreeably to the plan therein proposed and that a suitable person be appointed in each monthly meeting to act as a correspondent with a committee of the meetings for Sufferings to point out to that committee the best channel through which books may be sent and to transmit to that committee such requests and

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and orders as may be committed to his charge in compliance with said directions Joseph Pearson is appointed correspondant for this meeting

Extracted from the minutes of said meeting

by Thomas Linville Clerk

Agreeably to the above directions from the monthly meeting this meeting appoints Wm Crothers librarian for one year

The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are continued and to report to next meeting

The friends appointed to collect our proportion for the yearly meeting's use and alo our Quoto of 10 dollars for the use of the half year's meeting not being ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to demand of Silas Orvis the money that is in his hands belonging to this meeting report that he refused to settle with them or give the money up to them

Thomas Rasin and Wm Crothers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 10<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1829**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to collect rails report further attention they are continued and to report to next meeting

The friends appointed to collect our proportion of 500 dollars for the yearly meetings use report the appointment answered

The consideration of A Library again coming before this meeting Wm Crothers, John A Haight, Noodiah Woodruff and Ambrose Boone are appointed to bring forward to next meeting rules and regulations to govern this meeting's library and the above committee is appointed to open a Subscription and raise 8 dollars for this meetings use

The consideration of appointing A treasurer comeing before this meeting Wm Wright is appointed to that service for one year he is directed to receive the money that is in Wing Roger's hands and also 7 ½ from Thomas Rasin

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Two books being now wanting for the men's and Women's meetings and also one for the librarian Wm Crothers and Wm Wright are appointed to purchase them and bring the amount to a future meeting

Danial Betts and Wm Wright are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 7<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1830**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they did not attend and one of them gave a satisfactory reason

The Queries were all read and answered in this meeting which are as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Answer Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline the hour nearly observed by most friends not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren no differences amongst us that we know of and friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some 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 some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

5<sup>th</sup> There are no friends whose outward circumstances require assistance or who appear likely to require assistance we believe friends do endeavour to have their children instructed in school learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> We know of no instances of friends keeping company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage we know parents who connive at their children keeping company with such nor any of our members attending marriages of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest

7<sup>th</sup> friends are clear of bearing arms of complying with military

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requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof

8<sup>th</sup> We know of no friends who are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders measureably in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are continued and to report to next meeting

The Committee appointed to bring forward rules to govern this meeting's library and also to collect 8 dollars not being ready to report are continued

The time John A Haight was appointed to take care of this meeting house being expired Thomas Rasin and Wing Rogers are appointed to agree with some person to take charge of the meeting house and also to make fires and sweep it for one year

Aaron Betts and Wm Crothers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes as usual

## **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 11<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1830**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are Continued

The Committee appointed to bring forward rules to govern this meetings library and also to collect 8 dollars have paid som[e] attention they are continued and to report next meeting

The friends appointed to agree with some person to take charge of this meeting house to make fires and sweep it for one year report they agreed with wing Rogers for 1<sup>£</sup>-2<sup>S</sup>-6<sup>d</sup> with which this meeting unites and he is appointed to that service for one year

Was handed to this meeting by one of the overseers an acknowledgment signed Calven Kelsey which is directed to the monthly mg

Noodiah Woodruff and Wing Rogers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes as usual

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### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 11<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1830**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are continued

The committee appointed to bring forward rules to govern this meeting's library and also to collect 8 dollars not ready to report are continued

Wing Rogers and Thomas Rasin are appointed to rais 17<sup>S</sup> -6<sup>d</sup> to pay John A Haight for making fires for the last year ending 1<sup>st</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo last

John A Haight and Timothy Rogers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 8<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1830**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend

The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are continued

The committee appointed to bring forward rules to govern this meeting's library and also to collect 8 dollars not being ready to report are continued and to report to next meeting

The representative produced an extract from the monthly meeting which directs this meeting to rais its proportion of 5 dollars to discharge the demand yet due for Pelham meeting house Wing Rogers and Thomas Raisin are appointed to rais our quota of the above mentioned sum and report in 7<sup>th</sup> mo next

Agreeably to directions from the monthly meeting this meeting is directed to enquire by appointment if every family of friends within its limits is furnished with a bible

Wm Crothers and Wm Wright are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes as usual

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 6<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1830**

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The Queries were all read in this meeting and answers prepared to the usual five which are as follows ~~to wit~~ and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline altho we acknowledge some deficiencies the hour for the most part nearly observed not clear of Sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity we believe are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren no differences amongst us that we know of but one instance which is under care and most friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparal and they do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and most friends do extend a care in these respects toward others under their tuition as far is as known

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears

9<sup>th</sup> We believe care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders measureably in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are continued and to report next meeting

The committee appointed to bring forward rules to govern this meetings library and also to collect 8 dollars is not ready to report the[y] are continued.

The friends appointed to raise money to pay John A Haight for making fires not being ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to enquire whether every family is furnished with bibles report 2 are wanting

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John A Haight and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 10<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1830**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are continued

The committee appointed to prepare rules to govern this meetings library and also to collect 8 dollars not being ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to rais money to pay John A Haight for making fires report the service performed

William Crothers and Wm Wright are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 8<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1830**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended  
The friends appointed to collect rails not being ready to report are continued  
The committee appointed to prepare rules to govern this meetings library and also to collect 8 dollars not being ready to make a full report are continued and to report to next meeting

The friends appointed in fourth month last to rais money to defray the demands yet due to Pelham meeting house not being ready to report are continued

Thomas Rasin and John A Haight are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes as usual

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 5<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1830**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

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The Queries were all read in this meeting and answers prepared to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and discipline tho Some are deficient therein the hour nearly observed by most friends not clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity we believe are maintained amongst friends as becomes bretheren no differences appear except one instance which is under care and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparal and they do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession we believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and most friends do extend a due care in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

9<sup>th</sup> We trust care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

One of the friends appointed to collect rails report the service performed

The committee appointed to prepare rules to govern this meeting library and also to collect 8 dollars report some attention they are continued

The friends appointed in 4<sup>th</sup> month last to rais our Quota for Pelham meeting house report the service performed the representatives are directed to pay it to the monthly meeting treasurer and take his receipt

Thomas Rasin and Wing Rogers are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the name of a friend to serve as Clark

Wing Rogers and Nodiah Woodruff are appointed

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to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes as usual

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 9<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1830**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended and produced the treasurers receipt for our Quota for Pelham meeting house

The committee appointed to prepare rules to govern this meeting library and also to collect 8 dollars report some attention they are continued

The friends appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to serve this meeting as clerk proposed the name of Wm Wright which is united with and he is appointed to that service for one year

John A Haight and Platt Betts are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 7<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1830**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended and produced a number of epistles and pamphlets one of which was read to satisfaction

The queries and advices were read in this meeting and answers prepared to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> ans Most friends are careful to attend all our religious meetings for religious worship and discipline yet their is a slackness in Some friends the hour for the most part nearly observed not clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst friends except one instance of a difference which is under care and most friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own & other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparal and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in A religious life and

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conversation consistent with our christian profession we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and Some do extend a care in these respects towards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

9<sup>th</sup> We trust care has been mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The committee appointed to prepare rules to govern this meetings library and also to collect 8 dollars report the service performed the committee is directed to pay it to this meeting's treasurer and take his receipt

Wm Wright & platt Betts are appointed to open subscriptions and raise 10 dollars to buy a stove for this meeting house and to report to next meeting



Wm Wright & Thomas Rasin are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo.

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 11<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1830**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended and produced an extract from the monthly meeting

The friends appointed to raise money to buy a stove for this meeting house not being ready to report are continued and to report to next meeting

Agreeably to the above extract from the monthly meeting this meeting is directed to raise its proportion of 400 dollars for the yearly meeting's use and also our Quota of 200 dollars for the use of the half year's meeting

Platt Betts & Wm Wright are appointed to open subscriptions and raise our proportions of Said Sums and pay it to the monthly meeting's treasurer in 12<sup>th</sup> mo. next

The friends appointed in 12<sup>th</sup> mo last to purchase two books and some paper for the mens and womans meetings and also paper for the librarian report the Service performed

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Noodiah Woodruff & Wing Rogers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 9<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1830**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of 400 Dollars for the Yearly meeting's use and also our quota of 200 dollars for the use of the half Year's meeting not being ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to raise money to purchase a stove not being ready to report are continued and to report to next meeting

The time the treasurer was appointed for this meeting being expired this meeting releases him from that Service and Thomas Rasin is appointed treasurer for one year

Platt Betts and Wing Rogers are appointed to examine the treasurers account and hand the money that is in his hands over to Thomas Rason and report to next meeting

The Time for which Wm Crothers was appointed librarian being expired he is reappointed to that service for one year

John A Haight & Wm Crothers are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends the 6<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1831**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend and gave a reason

The queries and advices were read in this meeting and answers prepared to them which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting ~~and are as follows~~

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline tho some are deficient therein the hour nearly observed by most friends not quite clear of sleeping no unbecomeing behaviour to remark Some care taken in the above deficiencies  
2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst friends as becomes brethren no differences amongst us that we know of and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears

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3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparal and some 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 Some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do mostly avoid the ~~unnecessary~~ unnecessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

5<sup>th</sup> We know of no poor amongst us nor any who appear likely to require assistance we believe friends children are instructed in school learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> We know of none who keep company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage we know of no parents who connive at their children keeping company with such nor any of our members attending marriages of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by A priest

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of bearing arms of complying with military requitions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof

8<sup>th</sup> We know of no friends who are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession except one friend who did not perform his promises nor pay his just debts who was timely laboured with for his preservation and recovery

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to raise 400 dollars for the Yearly meetings use and also 200 dollars for the use of the half years meeting not being ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to raise money to purchase a Stove for this meeting house not being ready to report are continued and are directed to report in 6<sup>th</sup> month next

The friends appointed to examine the treasurer's accounts report the Service performed and found 18<sup>s</sup>-11<sup>d</sup> in his hands

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which is handed over to Thomas Rasin

William Crothers and thomas Rasin are appointed to raise 1<sup>£</sup>-2-6 to pay Wing Rogers for making fires for the last year and also to agree with some person to take care of this meetinghouse and make fires for the ensuing year and report to next meeting

The overseers inform against John Wilson which is directed to the Monthly meeting and is as follows

John Wilson has openly manifested his disunity with our religious Society by joining and identifying himself with the followers of Elias Hicks who hold opinions at variance with the doctrines of christianity as professed by friends and has also set up separate meetings of their own and he has also married a woman not in membership with friends at a hicksite meeting

Aaron Betts and William Wright are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet as usual

#### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends held the 10<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1831**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend

One of the friends appointed to raise money for the yearly meeting and half Year's meeting report further attention they are continued and to report to next meeting

The friends appointed to raise money to pay Wing Rogers for making fires last year and also to agree with some person to take care of the meeting house and make fires for the ensuing year not being ready to report are continued and to report to next meeting

Wing Rogers and Ambrose Boone are appointed to attend the monthly as our representatives

This meeting concludes as usual

#### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends held the 10<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1831**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended and produced a number of testimonies of friends and the American continent the other representative did not attend

The friends appointed to raise money for the yearly meeting and half year's meeting report the service performed it is directed to be forwarded to the

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Monthly meeting's treasurer and take his receipt

The friends appointed to raise money to pay Wing Rogers and also to agree with some person to take care of the meeting house and make fires for the ensuing year report the money is raised and that they agreed with Jonathan Rogers for 1<sup>£</sup>-2-6 for one year which is united with

Platt Betts and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

this meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

#### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends held the 7<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1831**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting did not attend and one of them gave A Satisfactory reason

The Librarian informs this meeting that he had got a list made for the books which cost 6<sup>s</sup>-9<sup>d</sup> this meeting directs him to call on the treasurer for the above amount.

We appoint Wm. Crothers and John A Haight our representatives to attend the monthly meeting

this meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends held the 5<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1831**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers prepared to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline tho some are deficient therein the hour for the most part nearly observed by most of our members not clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst friends as becomes brethren when differences arise

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Care is taken to end them and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends Children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in A religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some do extend a care in those respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attend places of diversion as far as appears except two instances of partakeing of Spiritous liquors unnecessarily and some care taken

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

Wm Crothers and John A Haight are appointed to repair the fence round the inclosed ground on which this meeting house stands and report the expence to next meeting

Wing Rogers and Aaron Betts are appointed to attend the monthly meeting as our representatives

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends held the 9<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>mo</sup> 1831**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend.

The friends appointed to repair the fence round the inclosed ground on which this meeting house stands not being ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to purchase A Stove as directed in 1<sup>st</sup> mo last are not ready to report they are directed to report in 9<sup>th</sup> mo next

W<sup>m</sup> Wright and Henry Betts are appointed

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our representatives to attend the monthly meeting

This meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

**Pickering preparative meeting of friends held the 7<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1831**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting report he attended

The friends appointed to repair the fence not being ready to report are continued and to report to next meeting

John A Haight and William Crothers are appointed our representatives to attend the monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

**Pickering preparative meeting of friends held the 11<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1831**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend and gave a reason

the queries were all read in this meeting and five of them answered which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline tho some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week the hour nearly observed by most friends not clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiency

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst friends as becomes bretheren when differences arise care is taken to end them and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends Children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and Some 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 some do extend a care in these respects towards others under our tuition

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diversion as far as appears one instance of a friend giving out liquor improperly at a raising which is under care

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to repair the fence not being ready to report are continued and to report to next meeting

Timothy Rogers & William Wright are appointed our representatives to attend the monthly meeting

this meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

**Pickering preparative meeting of friends held the 8<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1831**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to repair the fence not being ready to report are continued and to report to next meeting

The friends appointed to purchase a stove as directed in 6<sup>th</sup> month last are not ready to report are continued

The time for which the clerk was appointed being expired John Cuir and William Crothers are appointed to propose the name of a friend to Serve as clerk next meeting

We appoint Noodiah Woodruff and Ambrose Boone our Representatives to attend the monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends held the 6<sup>th</sup> of 10 month 1831**

The friends appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to Serve as clerk not being ready to report William Wright is appointed for the day

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended one of whom produced a number of epistles from the yearly meeting of London and one from our yearly meeting an extract has been received from the monthly meeting also which is as follows (to wit)

Yonge Street monthly meeting held the 15<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1831

the extracts from the minutes of our last yearly meeting being produced are recommended to the observance of the preparative meetings and they requested to raise respective proportions of the monies therein directed to be raised and pay to this meeting's treasurer and report in twelfth month next

The clerk is directed to furnish each of our preparative meetings with a copy of of [sic] the minute of last meeting respecting

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the funerals of those not in membership with friends who are interred in friends Burial Ground's which is as follows (to wit) It is the sense of this meeting that when application is made for liberty to inter an individual in either of our Burial Grounds who is not a member of our society that it is inconsistent with our discipline and order to admit of such interment where a hireling minister or ministers of any denomination that is not in unison with the ancient testimony of friends respecting the ministry be allowed to officiate as a minister It is advised that permission for such interments be obtained in waiting from part of the committee appointed to the oversight of funerals Extracted from the minutes Thomas Linvill Clerk -

Agreeably to the above extract from the monthly meeting this meeting is directed to raise its proportion of 400 dollars for the yearly meeting's use and also voluntary subscriptions for Nine Partners boarding School and the people of colour who are under the care of friend[s] in North Carolina

Platt Betts and Ambrose Boone are appointed to open and collect Separate subscriptions as above directed and report in twelfth month next

The Queries were read in this meeting and the usual five answered which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> ans friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline tho some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week not clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them and talebearing and detraction is mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by

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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 some do extend a care in these respects towards others under our tuition

4 Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of spiritous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

9 We believe care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to repair the fence not being ready to report are continued and to report to next meeting

The friends appointed to purchase a stove for this meeting house not being ready to report are continued

The friend appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to Serve as clerk not being ready to report are continued

John A Haight and Platt Betts are appointed our representatives to attend the monthly meeting ~

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering preparative Meeting of Friends held the 10th of 11 Month 1831**

The Friends appointed to bring forward A name of a friend to Serve As Clark Prosed a name of Noodiah Woodruff Which is United With and is appointed to that Service for one year

One of the friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting Reports he attended the Other did not attend

The friends appointed to Repair the fences Report the Service Performed and produced a bill of Expencc Which is fifteen Shillings and /6 pence they are directed to Call on the Treasurer for the above AMount

Friends appointed to Raise Money to purchase a Stove Not being Reddy to Report are continued and to Report to the next meeting

William Crothers and William Wright are appointed Our Representatives to attend the Monthly

This Meeting Concludes to Meet at the Usual time Next Month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting of Friends held the 8<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Month 1831**

the Representatives appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting Report they attended

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The friends appointed to raise Money to purchase A Stove not Being redly to report are continued to report the next Meeting

Th[e] friends appointed to raise our proportion of four hundred dollars for the yearly Meeting use report the Service performed and for the nine partners boarding School they have arised Six Shillings one penny they have also raised for the people of colour Seven shillings and Six pence and they are Directed to pay it to the Monthly Meeting treasurer and take his receipt

W<sup>m</sup>? Crothers and John Cure are appointed to Settle the treasurers account and bring forward the name of a friend to Serve in that Station for one year and report the next meeting

The time for which W<sup>m</sup> Crothers was appointed Librarian being expired he is released according to his request and Jonathan Rogers is appointed to that Service for one year

Thomas Reason and Ambrose Boon are appointed to Attend the monthly as our Representatives

This Meeting Concludes to Meet at the Usual time next Mon

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The Queries and answers Ware red on this Meeting Which are as follows and are directed to the Monthley Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for Religious Worship and Disipline tho Some are Dificent therein not clear of Sleeping No other unbecoming behaviour to remark Some Care taken

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3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are Careful to keep themselves there own and other friends Children Under there Care in plainness of Speach behaveour and apparel and some do by Example and precept train them Up in a Religious life and Conversation consistant with our christian profession the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and Some do Extend a care in these Respects to wards others Under Our tuition

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4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the Unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors frequenting taverns and attending places places [sic] of Diversion as far as appears

5<sup>th</sup> There are none a Mongst us whose circumstances Require assistance Nor any who are likely to Require assistance and all those Under Our care are in a way to get School learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> We know of none who keep company with persons not of Our Society On account of Marriage we know of no parents who connive at their Childrens keeping Company with Such nor any who attend the Marriages of those who go out from us or Marriages accomplished By a priest

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are Clear of bearing arms or complying With Military Requisitions Or of paying any fine or tax in Liew thereof



8<sup>th</sup> There are none amongst us who are Deficient in performing their Promises or paying there Just debts nor any who extend their Business beyond their ability to manage as become our Religious Profession except one friend who did not perform his promise Nor pay his just debts and also extended his business beyond His ability to manage as becomes our Religious profession which Case Is under Care

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirret of meakness and agreable to our Dicipline

the friends appointed to raise money to purchase a Stove not reddy to report are Continued and to report the next Meeting

[sic] the friends appointed to Money to purchase a Stove not being Reddy to report are continued to Report the next Meeting

W<sup>m</sup> Wright and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed our Representatives to attend the Monthly Meeting

This Meeting Concludes to Meet at the Usual time next month

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**~~Pickering preparative Meeting of Friends held the 10th of 1st Month 1832~~**

~~The representatives to our last Monthly Meeting report they attended~~

~~The friends appointed to settle the Treasurer account the 5 of 1 month 1832 And propose the name of a friend to serve as treasurer for the ensueing year Report they have done so and have found abalance in his hand of four Shillings and have proposed the Same friend Thomas Reason which is United with~~

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**Pickering preparative Meeting of Friends held the 9th of 2th Month 1832**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting reports he attended the other did not attend and gave a reason

The committee appointed to raise Money to purchase a stove not being presant are continued

An acknowledgement came to this Meeting from Joseph Sing Which we direct to the Monthly Meeting

John cure and Timothy Rogers are appointed our representatives to attend the Monthly

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**Pickering preparative Meeting of Friends held the 8 of the 3 Month 1832**

the Clerk being absent W<sup>m</sup> Wright is appointed for the day

The representatives to Our last Monthly Meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to raise Money to purchase a stove not Reddy to Report are continued

The time for which Jonathan Rogers was appointed to take Care of the Meeting house and Make fires being expired Platt Betts and John Cuer are appointed to open Subscription to raise £1-5 Shillings to pay him and they are appointed to agree with Some person to take Care of the Meeting house and Make fires for the enseuing year

John A Haight and Platt Betts are appointed to agree with some Person to furnish posts and lumber to enclose forty Rods of burying Ground which belongs to this Meeting and report next Month

John A Haight and Platt Betts are appointed our Representatives to attend the Monthly Meeting

This Meeting concludes to Meet at the Usual time next Month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting of Friends the 5th of 4th mo 1832**

One of the Representatives to our last Monthly Meeting attended the other did not attend and gave a reason

the friends appointed to raise Money to purchase a Stove not redly to report are continued

The friends appointed to raise one pound five Shillings to pay Johnathon Rogers for Making fires and taking care of the Meeting house for the last year and also to agree With some person to Make fires and take Care of the Meeting house for the ensewing year report Some

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attention paid not redly to Make a full report are continued

The friends appointed to agree With some person to furnish posts and Lumber to enclose forty rods of burying Ground that belongs to this Meeting report some attention paid not redly to make A full report are continued to report the next meting

Noodiah Woodruff and Jonathan Rogers are appointed our Representatives to attend the Monthly Meeting

this Meeting Concludes to Meet as Usual

### **Pickering preparative Meeting of Friends the 10 of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1832**

the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting report they attended

The queries were read in this Meeting and the Usual five answered Which are as follows and are directed to the Monthly Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for Religious Worship and Dicipline tho their is a Slackness in some the our for the most part nearly observed not Clear of Sleeping no other Unbecoming behaveour to remark

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity are generally Maintained amongst us as becomes brethren when differences a rise care is taken to end them and talebearing and Detraction are mostly avoided and Discouraged

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves there own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparell and some do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent With our christian profession the scripturers of truth are frequently read in friends families and Some do extend a care in these respects to wards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends generally avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous liquers none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of Meekness and agreably to our Dicipline

one of The friends appointed to raise Money to purchase a Stove report the service performed

The friends appointed in the Case of Jonathan Rogers in regard to his Making fires and taking care of the Meeting house not present are Continued

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The friends appointed to agree With some person to furnish posts and lumber to enclose our burying Ground Not redly to report are continued

Complaint come to this Meeting by way of the overseers Against Benjamin Widdifield and Thomas Crothers and Abraham W Brown Which we direct to the Monthly Meeting

John A Haight and Timothy Rogers are appointed our Representatives to attend the Monthly

This Meeting Concludes to Meet as usual next Month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting of Friends the 7<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1832**

the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting report they attended

Through Omission of the Clerk not forwarding the Complaints on our extracts to the last Monthly Meeting they are returned and this Meeting directs them to next Monthly Meeting

the friends appointed to raise £1-5-0 to pay Jonathon Rogers for taking care of the Meeting house and Making fires for the last year not redly to report are continued

The friends appointed to agree with some person to furnish posts and lumber to enclose our burying ground not redly to report are continued

Came to this Meeting by way of the overseers arequest from James Richardson Which we direct to the Monthly Meeting

Noodiah Woodruff and Platt Betts are appointed our representatives to attend the Monthly Meeting

this Meeting Concludes to Meet as Usual next month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting of friends the 5<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1832**

The Representatives to our Last Monthly report they attended

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The friends appointed to raise £1-5-0 to pay Jonothan Rogers for Making fires and taking care of the Meeting house last year and also to agree With some friend to do the same service for the enewing year the money is raised report they have agreed with the same friend Jonothon Rogers for £1-5-0

the friends appointed to agree with some person to furnish posts and lumber to enclose our burying ground not redly to report are continued

Ambrose boon and Platt betts are appointed to agree with some person to clear of our burying ground and also to open Subscriptions to raise a sum of Money to pay the expence

W<sup>m</sup> Crothers W<sup>m</sup> Wright are appointed our representatives

This Meeting concludes to Meet as Usual next month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting of Friends the 9<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1832**

the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting report they attended

The queries with the advices were redd in this Meeting with answers prepared to the Usual five and are as follows which we direct to the Monthly Meeting

the friends appointed to furnish posts and lumber to enclose our burying ground not reddy to report are continued

The friends appointed to see to the clearing of and fencing our burying Ground and also to open Subscription to raise a sum of Money to pay the expence not reddy to report are continued

W<sup>m</sup> Crothers informs this Meeting that he has received five Shillings for the grass that grew on this Meetings ground and he is directed to hand it to the treasurer

Complaint come to this meeting from the overseers against Charles Jamison which we direct to the Monthly meeting

Thomas Reason and timothy Rogers are appointed our Representatives

This Meeting Concludes to Meet as Usual

### **Pickering preparative meeting of Friends the 6<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1832**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting reports he attended the other did not attend

The friends appointed to furnish posts and lumber to enclose our burying Ground not presant are continued

The Committee appointed to see to the Clearing and fencing our burying Ground and also to open Subscription to raise a sum of Money to pay the expence not presant are continued

William Crothers in forms the Meeting that he has handed the Money that he received for the grass that grew on this Meetings ground to the Treasurer as directed by the Meeting

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Came to this Meeting A proposal of Mariage from William Valentine and Maryanne Taylor which we Direct to the Monthly Meeting

Came to this Meeting by way of the overseers An acknowledgement from Calvin S. Kellsy? which we direct to the Monthly Meeting

W<sup>m</sup> Wright and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed Our representatives to attend the Monthly Meeting

This Meeting Concludes to Meet as Usual next Month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting of Friends the 11<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>mo</sup> 1832**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting reports he Attended the other gave a reason and produced an extract from the from [sic] Monthly Meeting and also an extract from the Yearly Meeting Which was read to Satisfaction With a number printed Copies of the London Epistles

the queries were read in this Meeting and answers prepared To them as Usual Which are as follows we direct to the Monthly Meeting

1 Most friends are Careful to attend all our Meetings for Religious worship and Dicipline their is a Deficiency in some the our for the Most part Nearly observed not altogether Clear of Sleeping some Care taken no other unbecoming behaveour to remark

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity are Maintained amongst us as becomes brethren When Differences arise Care is taken to end them and friends are Clear of tale bearing and Detraction as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are Careful to keep themselves their Own and other friends Children Under their Care in plainness of Speech behaviour And apparell we believe Most friends Do Endeavour by Example and Precept to train them in a religious life and Conversation Consistant With our christian Profession the Scriptures are frequently Read in friends families and Some to extend a care in these respects to Wards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> friends Generally avoid the Unnecessary use of Speretious liquer Clear of frequenting taverns or attending Places of Diversion As far as appears

9<sup>th</sup> We believe Care is Taken Seasonably to Deal with offenders in the spirit of Meekness and agreeable to our Dicipline

The friends appointed to furnish Posts and lumber to enclose our burying Ground not ready to report are Continued and to report in six month Next

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The Committee appointed to See to the Clearing of and fencing Our burying Ground not redy to report are Continued

Ambrose Boone and John A Height are appointed Our Representatives to attend the Monthly Meeting

This Meeting Concludes to Meet as Usual next Month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting of Friends held the 8<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1832**

The representatives to our last Monthly Meeting Report they attended

The Committee appointed to See to the Clearing and fencing our burying Ground not redy to report are Continued

Agreable to an extract from the Monthly Meeting in ninth Month last this Meeting appoints Thomas Reason and W<sup>m</sup> Crothers to open a Subscription and raise its quoto of four hundred Dollars for the yearly Meeting Use and report next Month

The Clerks time being expired Thomas Reason, Ambrose Boon and Timothy Rogers are appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to Serve as Clark for the ensewing year and Report next Month

W<sup>m</sup> Wright, Thomas Reason are appointed Our representatives to attend the Monthly Meeting

This Meeting Concludes to Meet as Usual next Month

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends held 6<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1832**

The friends appointed to bring forward the name of some friend to serve as clerk have proposed Ambrose Boone who is united with and appointed to that service for one year.

The committee on the appointment of clearing and fencing our burying ground report some attention but not ready to report are continued.

The representatives to our last Monthly Meeting report they attended

The committee appointed to raise our quota of four hundred dollars for the yearly meetings use report the appointment answered.

Came to this meeting a preposal of marriage signed Elija Bostwick and Sarah Rogers which is forwarded to the monthly meeting.

William Crothers and John A Haight are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

Adjourned as usual

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#### **Pickering preparative Meeting held the 10<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Mo 1833**

The Queries with their answers to the usual nine were read in this Meeting and are as follows.

1<sup>st</sup> answer All our meetings for worship and discipline are attended altho some of our members are negligent in this important duty, the hour nearly observed by most friends mostly? clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behavior to remark Some care taken in the above deficiencies  
2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst most of our members as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them, tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>d</sup> Most friends are careful to keep their out themselves and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in our families and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends generally avoid the use of distilled spirituuous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears, none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

5<sup>th</sup> There are no poor amongst us nor any who appear likely to require assistance, we believe friends children are in a way to get s[c]hool learning to fit them for business.

6<sup>th</sup> We know of none who keep company with persons not of our society on account of marriage we know of none of none [sic] who connive at their children keeping company with such, nor any that attend the marriages of those who go out from amongst us or marriages accomplished by a preist.

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of bearing arms or complying with military requisitions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof.

8<sup>th</sup> We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts nor any who

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extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession

9<sup>th</sup> Care is taken to deal with offenders in the sp[i]rit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

One of the friends appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting reports he attended the other from indisposition did not

The committee on the appointment of clearing and fencing our burying ground not being ready to report they are continued to report in 4<sup>th</sup> month next.

Came to this Meeting an acknowledgement signed Joseph Sing which is directed to the Monthly Meeting.

One of the representatives report that our quoto for the yearly meetings use is paid and produced a receipt there being a balance of five shillings and eight pence in his hands he is directed to pay it to our treasurer.

Noodiah Woodruff and Thomas Raison are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mon 1833**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended.

Noodiah Woodruff having paid twelve shillings for stove pipes he is directed to call upon the treasurer for the same.

John A Haight and Peter Taylor are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

this meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting of friends held the 7<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo. 1833**

The Clerk being absent William Wright is appointed for the day

Was produced to this meeting by the overseers a request signed Charles Forbes Fothergill which is directed to the monthly meeting

We appoint Noodiah Woodruff & Timothy Rogers our representatives to attend the monthly meeting

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This meeting is informed that our representatives attended the last monthly

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month ~

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> mo 11<sup>th</sup> 1833**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The committee in the appointment of clearing and fencing our burying ground are continued

William Wright and William ??? [faded] are appointed as our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

this meeting concludes to meet as usual next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting the 9<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Mo 1833**

The representatives last monthly meeting report they attended

The queries were all read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the Monthly Meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> answer All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended by most friends altho some are deficient therein the hour for the most part nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them and most friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction.

3<sup>d</sup> Most Friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of ??? ??? [faded] and apparel and some 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 our families and

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9<sup>th</sup> We believe care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline

The committee for clearing and fencing our burying ground not being ready to report are continued

Timothy Rogers and Peter Taylor are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next month.

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Mo 1833**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting they attended.

One of the friends appointed to ??? posts and lumber to enclose our burying ground report the service performed

The committee for clearing and fencing our burying ground not being ready to report are continued

The time for which Jonathan Rogers was appointed for making fires and taking care of the Meetinghouse being expired Thomas Rasin and Ambrose Boone are appointed to raise the sum of £1.5.0 and also to propose a name for that service for the ensuing year

The time for which Thomas Reasin was appointed treasurer being expired ??? ??? ??? [faded] are appointed to settle with him and bring forward a name for that Service for the ensuing year.

The time for which Joatha[n] Rogers was appointed Librarian being expired he is continued to that Service for another year

John A Haight and James Richardson are appointed as our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

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### **Pickering preparative meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1833**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended.

The committee for furnishing posts and lumber to enclose our burying ground not being ready to report are continued.

The committee for clearing and fencing our burying ground not being ready to report are continued

The committee for raising one pound five shillings for Jonathan Rogers for making fires and also to agree with some person for that service for the ensuing year report some attention and are continued.

One of the friends appointed to settle with the treasurer and also to bring in a name for that service for the next year report that they find a balance of ½ ??? shilling and two pence halfe penny in his hands and propose Thomas Reason being continued for another year which is united with.

Came to this meeting a proposal of marriage signed James Richardson and Elizabeth Valentine which is directed to the monthly meeting

Ambrose Boone and Thomas Reason are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1833**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended.

The queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows are directed to the Monthly Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Answer All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho some are defiscent therein the hour nearly observed by most friends not clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behavoeur to remark

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2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained ??? [folded corner of page] most friends as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them and tale bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged.

3<sup>d</sup> Ans Friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and most friends do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and Conversation consistent with our christian profession. we believe the s[c]riptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some do extend a due care in these respects towards others under their tuition except a few instances of friends not keeping their children in plainness of speech, care taken.

4<sup>th</sup> Friends generally avoid the use of distilled spirituuous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal none to charge with frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion except one friend who partook of spirituuous liquors unnecessarily, care taken

9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreable to our discipline.

The committee for furnishing lumber to enclose our burying ground not being ready to report are continued

The committee for clearing and fencing our burying ground are continued

The committee appointed to agree with Jonathan Rogers for making fires &c are continued.

Came to this meeting a proposal of marriage signed Richard Dale and Jane Valentine which is directed to the Monthly Meeting

This meeting concludes to propose to Yonge Street Monthly Meeting to build a meeting house in Pickering which is estimated to cost £225 and this meeting to raise subscriptions to one third of that amount the size to be 50 feet by 26 two stories with galleries

Noodiah Woodruff and John A Haight are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

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to meet as usual next month.

## **Pickering preparative meeting held the 5<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1833**

The representatives to our last Monthly meeting report they attended

The committee for furnishing posts and lumber to enclose our burying ground are continued

The committee for Clearing and fencing our burying ground not being ready to report they are continued

The committee appointed to settle with Jonathan Rogers for making fires and taking care of the meeting house report they have done so and have also agreed with him for one year from the 6<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Mon<sup>th</sup> 1833 for the sum of £1.5.0.

James Richardson and William Crothers are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next month

## **Pickering preparative meeting held the 11 mo 10<sup>th</sup> 1833**

[I believe this is the meeting occurring in the 10th month]

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting report they attended

The queries with the advices were read in this meeting and and [sic] the answers to the usual five which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Query All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho there is a slackness in some friends the hour for the most part nearly observed; not clear of sleeping some care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged

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9<sup>th</sup> Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

The committee for clearing and fencing our burying ground are continued.

The committee for furnishing posts and lumber to enclose our burying ground are continued.

John A Haight and Richard Dale are appointed to furnish glass and lumber to repair our meeting house and to produce a bill of the expence

William Wright and Thomas Reason are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at usual time next month.

## **Pickering preparative Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1833**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended and has produced a number of epistles and pamphlets for the use of this meeting one of which was read to general satisfaction the other did not attend but gave a sufficient reason

Agreeably to a extract received from the yearly Meeting on the subject of schools James Richardson and Ambrose Boon are appointed to have it under care jointly with a committee of women friends.

The committee ??? ??? [faded]

The committee for furnishing posts and lumber to enclose our burying ground report the service performed. and there remains in their hands one ??? [faded]

The friends appointed to furnish glass and lumber to repair our meeting house report they have done so and also produced a bill of the expence amoanting to eleven shillings which James Richardson and ??? [smeared]

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are appointed to open subscriptions to raise.

John A Haight and Platt Betts are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

## **Pickering preparative Meeting held the 5<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1833**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reported attended the other did not attend.

The committee for raising money to defray the expence of glass and lumber for the meeting house have paid some attention but not ready to report.

Came to this meeting a proposal of marriage signed Gervas Cornell and Hannah Taylor which is directed to the monthly meeting

Ambrose Boon and Peter Taylor are appointed our representatives to the next monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held the 9<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month 1834**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend and gave a reason

The queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual eight which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho some are deficient therein the hour for the most part nearly observed not clear of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark some care taken with respect of attending meetings

2<sup>nd</sup> An Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some 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 some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Ans. Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors

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5<sup>th</sup> Ans We know of none who appear likely to require assistance and friends children and all under our care are in a way to get school learning to fit them for business

7<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends are clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lue thereof

8<sup>th</sup> We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts or any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession and those who have a fear on those accounts are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery

9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care is taken to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline.

Noahdiah Woodruf and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

The committee for raising money to defer the expence of glass and lumber for the meeting house reports the appointment answered

The time for which the clek was appointed being expired Ambrose Boon is reappointed to that service for next year

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering preparative meeting held the 6<sup>th</sup> of 2nd month 1834**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

John A Haight and and [sic] William Crothers are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

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#### **Pickering preparative meeting held the 6<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo 1834**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend he has prodused an extract from the monthly meeting which is as follows

Yonge Street Monthly Meeting held the 13<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Mo 1834

It appears by the extracts from the minutes of the half years meeting now received that the monthly meetings are directed to raise their respective proportions of three hundred dollars to assist friends of Pickering in building a meeting house at that place - Our preparative Meetings are requested to raise their quotas of said sum and pay to this meetings treasurer and report in the 7<sup>th</sup> Mo next.

Also our preparative meetings are requested to raise their respective proportions of three hundred dollars granted by this meeting to assist in building a meeting house at Pickering - Extracted from the minutes by Thomas Linville Clerk

Agreeable to the above extract we appoint James Richardson and Nodiah Woodruff to raise our quotas of the Said Sum and report in 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Month

Timothy Rogers and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 10th of 4 Month 1834**

The representatives to attend last monthly meeting Report they attended

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against William Crothers? which is directed to the monthly and is as follows William Crothers? has been so unguarded as to make use of spirituous liquor to excess

Ambrose Boon and Thomas Reasin are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

The Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time Next

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#### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Mo 1834**

Representatives to Atn last Monthly Meeting report they attended.

The queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho some are deficient therein the hour for the most part nearly observed not clear of sleeping care taken no other unbecoming behaviour to report

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3<sup>d</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversion consistent with our christian profession the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears except one friend who partook of spirituous liquors unnecessarily which is under care, none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

9 Ans Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline

Charles Forbes Fothergill and John A Haight, are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering preparative held the 5<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Mo 1834**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended and the other did not attend but gave a satisfactory reason.

Came to this meeting by one of the overseers a complaint against Arnold Kester for marrying a person not of our society and also for neglecting the attendance of meeting which is directed to the Monthly Meeting

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The friends appointed to raise our quota of money for building our meeting house report some attention but are not yet ready to make a full report.

James Richardson and Platt appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering preparative meeting held 10 of 7<sup>th</sup> Month 1834**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to collect the money called for by the monthly meeting to assist in building Pickering meeting house report that it is raised and our representatives are directed to pay it to the monthly meetings treasurer and take his receipt -

The time for which Jonathan Rogers was appointed to make fires and take care of the meeting house being expired Thomas Reasin and Joseph Sing are appointed to raise the Sum

of one pound five shillings for him and also to agree with some friend for that Service for another year.

The time for which Thomas Reasin was appointed treasurer being expired Peter Taylor and William Wright are appointed to settle with him and to bring in a name for that service for the ensuing year.

Ambrose Boone and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting -

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Mo 1834**

Our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting report they attended.

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows are directed to the Monthly Meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline altho some are deficient therein. The hour for the most part nearly observed, not cleare of sleeping, some care taken no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark.

2<sup>d</sup> Ans Love and unity are mostly maintained as becomes brethren when differences arise due care is taken

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4 Ans Friends avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears except two instance which are under care none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

9 Ans Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline.

One of the friends representatives has produced to this meeting a receipt from the Monthly Meeting Treasurer which is as follows. Received 7<sup>th</sup> Month 1834 of William Wright £17..11..9 Cny being Pickering preparative meetings proportion of the money called for towards building the Meeting house at Pickering Thomas Linville Treasurer

One of the friends appointed to raise £1..5.0 for Jonathan Rogers have paid some attention but not ready to report

On[e] of the friends appointed to settle with the treasurer reports that he has done so and finds a balance 2/1 ½ in his hands and proposed Thomas Reazin for that Service for another year which is united with.

Noodiah Woodruff and Thomas Reazin are appointed to collect the money subscribed by friends of Pickering towards building the meeting house and to report in 12 Mo next

John A Haight and Elija Bostwick are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

This meeting concludes to meet the usual time next Month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Mo 1834**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to raise £1..5.0 for Jonathan Rogers and also to name a friends for that Service for

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another year have paid some attention and are continued -

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Peter Taylor which is directed to the Monthly and is as follows -

Peter Taylor has so far deviated from the good order observed amongst us as to marry a person not a member of our society.

Came to this meeting a complaint against Henry H Betts which is directed to the monthly meeting and is as follows. Henry H. Betts has so far deviated from the good order observed amongst us as to marry a person not a member of our Society

Noodiah Woodruf and Timothy Rogers are appointed our representatives to the Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 10 Mo 1834**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting reports they attended and have produced a number of London epistles one of which was read to general satisfaction

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho some are deficient therein especially on weekdays, the hour for the most part nearly observed not cleare of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

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2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them talebearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

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4 Ans Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituuous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears except one instance, non[e] to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion



9 Ans Care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline

The friends appointed to raise £1..5..0 for Jonathan Rogers and also to bring in a name for that Service for another year report that the money is raised and propose Elija Bostwick for making fires and taking care of the meeting house for one year for the sum of £1..5..0 which is united with.

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request Signed Thomas Readman which is directed to the Monthly Meeting

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John A Haight and Ambrose Boom are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

## **Pickering preparative Meeting held the 6 of 11<sup>th</sup> Mo 1834**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend.

James Richardson and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering preparative meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Mo 1834**

One of the representatives to the last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house have paid some attention but not being ready to report they are continued.

Noodiah Woodruf and Charles Fothgergill are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering preparative held the 8<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Mo 1835**

The time for which the clerk was appointed being expired Ambrose Boon is reappointed for another year.

One of our representatives to the last Monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not and

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gave a satisfactory reason.

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual nine which are as followes are directed to the Monthly Meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are atended altho some are deficient therein some care taken, the hour for the most part nearly observed, clear of sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour in them as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren, when differences arise care is taken to end them, tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>d</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some 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 some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes Strictly medicinal as far as appears except one instance, one friend to charge with frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion, care taken in the above deficiencies.

5<sup>th</sup> Ans We know of no poor amongst us nor any who appear likely to require assistance, some friends children are not in a way to get school learning to fit them for business at this time.

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6<sup>th</sup> Ans We know of none who keep company with persons not of our society on account of marriage excepting two instances which are under care, we [sic] know of no parents who connive at their childrens keeping company with nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from amongst us or those accomplished by a priest.

7<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends are clear of bearing arms or complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof.

8<sup>th</sup> Ans We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession, and those who give occasion for fear on these accounts are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery.

9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care is mostly taken to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline

The friends appointed to collect subscriptions for building our meeting not being ready to report are continued to report in 4<sup>th</sup> Mo next

John A Haight and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held the 5<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Month 1835**

One of the representatives to the last monthly meeting reports they attended.

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Thomas Reazin and Platt Betts are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> Mo 1835**

One of the representatives to the last Monthly Meeting reports he attended the other did not attend

The time for which Jonathan Rogers was appointed librarian being expired Elija Bostwick is appointed to that service for one year.

James Richardson and Ambrose Boon are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held the 9<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Mo 1835**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting reports they attended and have produced two extracts one which directs our meeting to raise our quota of twenty five pounds for building a meeting house near Kingston. Elija Bostwick and Richard Dale are appointed to collect said sum and to report in 7<sup>th</sup> month next. Also an extract regulating the quotas of the different preparative meetings which is as follows.

Yonge Street Monthly Meeting held the 12<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> Month 1835

The committee to revise the quotas on the different preparative meetings reported as their judgment that for ??? ten dollars directed by the monthly meeting to be raised

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Whitchurch	Do	Do	2.50
Pickering	Do	Do	<u>2.50</u>
			10 Dollars

The report of the committee was concurred with and the clerk was directed to furnish each preparative meeting with a copy of this minute. - Extracted from the minutes by Thomas Linville Clerk

Elija Bostwic[k] and John A Haight are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held the 7<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Mo 1835.**

Our representatives to our last Monthly Meeting report they attended

The queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended by most friends atho many are deficient therein especially on week days some care taken, the hour for the most part nearly observed clear of sleeping as far as appears no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them, and most friends do avoid

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3<sup>d</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession, we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears except two instances some care taken, one friend to charge with frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline.

William Wright and Noahdiah Woodruff are appointed our representatives to the ensing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Mo 1835**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting reports he attended the other did not on account of sickness in his family

John A Haight and Ambrose Boone are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

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### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Mo 1835**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended

Was produced to this meeting by the overseers a complaint against Linton Wilson which is as follows and is directed to the Monthly Meeting

Linton Wilson has so far deviated from our order as to be in the habit of using profane language and also to neglect the attendance of our religious meetings

The friends appointed to collect subscriptions for building Kingston Meeting house have paid some attention and are continued

William Wright and Thomas Rezin are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held the 6<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Mo 1835**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended

The queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho many are very deficient therein especially on week days some care taken the hour for the most part nearly observed not clear of sleeping some care extended no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity are maintained amongst friends as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken speedily to end them and most friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as appears

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4<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors as ~~far as appears except one instance~~ excepting for purposes strictly medicinal except one instance none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline

The friends appointed to collect two pounds two shillings and six pence being our proportion of money called for for building Kingston meeting house report the same is raised and our representatives are directed to pay it to the monthly meetings treasurer and produce his receipt to our next meeting.

John A Haight and Noodiah Woodruf are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held the 10<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Month 1835**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended and have paid our Quota of money called for for building Kingston meeting house to the treasurer as directed but not having produced his receipt they are requested to do so as ??? our next Meeting

Our committee appointed to collect subscriptions for building our meeting house have paid some attention they are continued to report to our next meeting

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Thomas Reazin & William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1835.**

The clerk being absent John Rorke? is appointed clerk for the day

The queries were read in this meeting With answers in writing to the usual five they are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Ans<sup>r</sup> All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although Some are deficient therein the hour for the most part nearly observed clear of sleeping and all other unbecoming behaviour as far as appears

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren when differences arise care is taken Speedily to end them, talebearing and detraction mostly avoided and discouraged

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and Some 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 Some care extended towards others under their tuition

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9 Care is taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of Meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

The time for which Elijah W. Bostwick was appointed being expired Jonathan Rogers and Charles F Fothergill are appointed to collect money to pay the friend and bring forward the name of a friend to Serve the meeting in the same capacity the ensuing year

The representatives report they attended our last Monthly Meeting

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and produced to this meeting the treasurers receipt as required at last meeting

Also a number of copies of the London Yearly Meeting's Epistles with the extracts from our Yearly Meeting and Several copies of a communication from the Meeting for Sufferings; the extracts have been read

Thomas Raizin and Joseph Boardman [Bowerman?] are appointed to distribute the epistles and communications amongst the members of this preparative and report next Meeting

It appears from the extracts of our last Monthly Meeting that this meeting is requested to raise its proportion of the Money called for by the yearly meeting, also of 100 dollars to reimburse the estate of Freeman Clarke for extra expences in building Haldiman Meeting house, Elijah W. Bostwick and Platt Betts are appointed to Collect Subscriptions for the above purposes and report next Meeting

The committee appointed to collect Subscriptions for the building of our Meeting house not being ready to report they are continued to report Next meeting

John A Haight and Jonathan Rogers are appointed to attend the next Monthly Meeting as

our Representatives

This Meeting concludes, to meet at the usual time Next Month

## **Pickering preparative Meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1835**

One of the representatives to the last Monthly Meeting reports he attended the other did not on account of indisposition

The friends appointed to distribute the epistles and communications amongst our members report the appointment performed

The friends appointed to collect Subscriptions for reimbursing the estate of Freeman Clark for extra expenses in building Haldamand Meeting house and also our proportion of Money called for by the Last Meeting have made no progress they are continued to report at our next meeting

The committee appointed to collect Subscriptions for building our meeting house not being ready to report they are continued to report to our next Meeting.

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The friends appointed to collect one pound five shillings for Elijh W Bostwic for making fires and taking care of the meeting house for the last year not being ready to report they are continued they propose that the same friend for the ensuing year for the ??? ??? the sum of one pound ten shillings which is united with

James Richardson and Noodiah Boone are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1835**

One of the representatives to the last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend on account of indisposition.

The friends appointed to collect subscriptions for reimbursing the estate of Freeman Clark for extra expenses in building haldimand meeting house and also our proportion of money called for by the yearly meeting report some progress they are continued.

The friends appointed to collect one pound five shillings for Elija Bostwic report it not raised they are continued.

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house report some attention they are continued.

Elija Bostwic and Joseph Bowerman are appointed to raise money for purchasing stoves and pipes for our meeting house and to report to our next meeting

John A Haight, Platt Betts and Thomas Reazin are appointed to the care of our s[c]hool and school house.

Ambrose Boone and John Rorke are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting

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This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held the 7<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Mo 1836**

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being expired Ambrose Boone is reappointed to that service for one year.

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended

The queries with the advises were read in this meeting and the answers to nine of them which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho some are deficient therein some care taken the hour for the most part nearly observed cleare of sleeping and all other unbecoming behaviour therein as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans - Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren, when differences arise care is taken to end them speedily, tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>d</sup> Ans - Friends are mostly careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession, the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> Ans - Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituious liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears, none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

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5<sup>th</sup> Ans We know of no friends amongst us who appear likely to require assistance, and most friends children and those under their care are in a way to get s[c]hool learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> Ans We know of no friends who keep company with persons not of our society on account of marriage, we know of no persons who connive at their childrens keeping company with such nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from amongst us or marriages accomplished by a priest.

7<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends are clear of bearing arms or of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof,

8<sup>th</sup> Ans We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises or in paying their just debts nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession and those who give occasion for fear on these accounts are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery.

9<sup>th</sup> Ans - Care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreable to our discipline.

The friends appointed to collect one pound five shillings for Elija Bostwic report it is raised.

The friends appointed to collect subscriptions for the estate of Freeman Clark and also for the yearly meeting report it is raised and our representatives are requested to pay it to the monthly meetings treasurer and take his receipt.

The friends appointed to raise money for purchasing stoves and pipes for our meeting house report som[e] attention they are continued.

There is one s[c]hool taught by a friend and under the care of friends in this preparative meeting.

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house report attention they are continued

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William Wright and John A. Haight are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting



This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

**Pickering preparative Meeting held the 11<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Mo 1836**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended they have paid over Quota of money for the Yearly Meetings use and also for the estate of Freeman Clark to the monthly meetings treasurer as directed having omitted to produce his receipt they are requested to do it our next meeting -

The friends appointed to raise money for purchasing stoves for our meeting house report attention they are continued.

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued -

Was produced to this meeting a proposal of marriage signed Peter Doyle and Rachel Haight which is forwarded to the Monthly Meeting.

Noodiah Woodruff and Ambrose Boone are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

**Pickering preparative meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 3 mo 1836**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to pay our quota of money to the monthly meetings Treasurer not having produced his receipt they are requested to do it, to our next meeting

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued

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Was produced to this meeting by the overseers a complaint against, John Cure stating that he has been guilty of fornicating he has also married a person not a member of our religious Society which is forwarded to the monthly meeting

William Wright and Peter Taylor are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering preparative held 7<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Mo 1836**

One of our representatives to the last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The treasurer of the monthly receipt for our quotas of money called for for Haldimand meeting house and also for yearly meeting stock was produced to this meeting.

The friends appointed to collect money for purchasing stoves and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued

Thomas Reazin and Elija Bostwic are appointed as our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Mo 1836**

One of our representatives to the last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The Queries with the answers were read in this meeting

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with answers to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the Monthly Meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho many are very deficient therein some care taken the hour for the most part nearly observed clear of sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour therein as far as appears.

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9<sup>th</sup>. Ans Care is mostly taken seasonable to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline.

The friends appointed to collect money for purchasing stoves and pipes for our meeting house are continued

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The friends appointed to collect ~~money~~ the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued.

John A Haight and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1836**

One of our overseers to the last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to collect money for purchasing stoves and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house have made some progress they are continued.

James Richardson and Noodiah Woodruf are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Mo 1836**

One of the representatives to the last monthly meeting reports they attended -

The friends appointed to collect money for purchasing stoves and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued.

Was produced to this meeting by the overseers a complaint against George Valentine stating that he has so far departed from our order as to marry a person not a member of our religious

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Ambrose Boom and Joseph Bowerman are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Mo 1836**

One of the representatives to the last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend.

The queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho many are deficient therein especially those on the middle of the week some care taken the hour for the most part nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

[note the 2nd query was not included]

3<sup>d</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to keep them selves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession we believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some care is extended towards others under their tuition.

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or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup>. Ans Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreably to our discipline.

The friends appointed to collect money for purchasing stoves and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued.

John A Haight and Platt Betts are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Mo 1836**

One of our representatives to the last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The friends appointed to collect money for purchasing stoves and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued.

Noodiah Woodruf and Elijah Bostwic are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concluded to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Mo 1836**

One of our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting reports he attended the other did not attend he has produced a number of London Epistles which the Clerk is directed to distribute also an extract from the minutes of the New York Yearly Meeting which was read, also an extract from the minutes of Yonge Street Monthly Meeting which is as follows, Yonge Street Monthly Meeting

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held the 15<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Mo 1836 The Extracts from the minutes of the yearly meeting now received were recommended to the observance of our preparative meetings and they are desired to pay strict attention to the subject of s[c]hools and report thereon to the Monthly Meeting in 1<sup>st</sup> Month next, and also to send an account of the number of copies of the book of discipline likely to be wanted -

It appears by said extracts that the subordinate meetings are directed to raise their proportions of six hundred dollars for the use of the yearly meeting our preparative meetings are requested to raise their respective quotas of said sum and pay to this meetings treasurer and report in 12<sup>th</sup> month next, taken from the minutes Thomas Linvill Clerk.

Agreable to the above extract Joseph Sing and Elijah Bostwic are appointed to raise our proportions of six hundred dollars for the yearly meetings use and report in 12<sup>th</sup> mo next.

The queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup>. Ans. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho many are deficient therein especially those held on the middle of the week the hour for the most part nearly observed mostly clear of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

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9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreably to our discipline

The friends appointed to raise money for purchasing stoves and pipes for our meeting house report some attention they are continued

The friends appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued.

The time for which Elijah Bostwic was appointed for making fires and taking care of our meeting house being expired William Wright and Noodiah Woodruf are appointed to collect one pound ten shillings for him and also to agree with some friend for that service for the ensuing year.

Thomas Reazin and Ambrose Boom are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting,

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative held 10<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1836**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting

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report they attended.

The friends appointed to raise money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

The committee appointed to collect the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued.

The friends appointed to collect one pound ten shillings for Elija Bostwic for making fires and taking care of the meeting house for the last year report some progress they have also proposed John Haight J<sup>nr</sup> for that service for the ensuing year for the sum of one pound ten shillings which is united with the committee are continued.

John A Haight and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1836**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended.

The friends appointed to raise money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

The committee for collecting the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued.

The committee for raising one pound ten shillings for Elja Bostwick for making fires and taking care of our meetinghouse are continued.

Thomas Reazin and Joseph Sing are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Mo 1837**

The time for which Ambrose Boone was appointed Clerk being expired William Wright and James Richardson are appointed to bring a name for

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for that service for the ensuing year to our next meeting

Ambrose Boone Clerk for the day

Our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting report they attended.

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and their answers which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup>. Ans. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho many are deficient therein especially those held on the middle of the week, some care taken, the hour for the most part nearly observed cleare of sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour in them as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Ans Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren when differences arise due care is taken speedily to end them, tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>d</sup>. Ans Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession, the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. Ans Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituuous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

5<sup>th</sup>. Ans We know of no friends amongst us who appear likely to require assistance and most friends children

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and those under their care are in a way to get s[c]hool learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup>. Ans We know of no friends who keep company with persons not of our society on account of marriage we know of no friends who connive at their childrens keeping company with such nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest.

7<sup>th</sup>. Ans. All friends clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions, or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof

8<sup>th</sup>. Ans We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises or in paying heir just debts nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession and those who give occasion for fear on these accounts are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery.

9<sup>th</sup>. Ans Care is mostly taken seasonable to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline.

The friends appointed to raise money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

The committee for collecting the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued.

The friends appointed to raise one pound ten shillings for Elija Bostwic for making fires &c report the service performed.

Henry Betts, Ambrose Boone and Joseph Bowerman are appointed to open subscriptions for building a shed for our meeting house and report to our next meeting.

We have no s[c]hool under the care of friends at the present time two copies of the book of discipline will be wanted.

The committee appointed to raise our proportion of six hundred dollars for the yearly meetings use report that the money is raised our representatives are requested to pay it to the monthly meetings treasurer and produce his receipt to our next meeting.

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It is the sence of this meeting there should be some alteration in the holding of our monthly meeting and it is our request that we might ??? ??? ??? as a seperate Monthly Meeting or that it might be held here part of the time having the unity of the women friends therein.

Four pounds fifteen has been raised as this meetings Quarterly collection our representatives are requested to pay it [sic] to the monthly meeting's treasurer and produce his receipt to our next meeting.

James Richarson and Jonathan Rogers are appointed our representatives the ensuing monthly meeting.

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month.

#### **Pickering preparative meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Mo 1837**

The friends appointed to bring in the name of a friend to serve as clerk have proposed Ambrose Boone which is united with, and he is accordingly reappointed to that service for one year.

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended and have produced a receipt from the monthly meetings treasurer for the money called for by the yearly meeting and also for the use of the poor.

The friends appointed to collect money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

Platt Betts and Thomas Reazin are appointed to agree with some person for the building of a shed 44 feet long by 22 feet wide nine foot posts to have 13 ??? ??? square Roofe and clap board and report to our next meeting.

The committee for collecting the subscriptions for building our meeting are continued.

Joseph Bowerman and Noodiah Woodruf are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

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This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

## **Pickering preparative meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> Mo 1837**

One of our representatives to the last monthly meeting reports he attended the other from sickness could not attend.

The friends appointed to collect money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued to report in sixth month next.

The committee for collecting the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued.

- Was produced to this meeting by the overseers a request signed Susan Readman for her son James Readman a minor to be joined in membership with friends which is forwarded to the monthly meeting.

William Wright and Ambrose Boone are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

- The friends appointed to agree with some person for the building of a shed are continued.

## **Pickering 6 of 4<sup>th</sup> Mo 1837 preparative meeting**

One of the representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended.

The committee for collecting the subscriptions for building our meeting house are continued

The friends appointed to agree with some person for the building of a shed are continued.

Jonathan Rogers and Noodiah Woodruf are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering preparative Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Mo 1837**

One of our representatives to the last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend.

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting

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1<sup>st</sup>. Ans. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended altho many are deficient therein especially on those held on the middle of the week the hour for the most part nearly observed, cleare of sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour as far as appears except one instance excepted, some care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Ans Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren when differences arise due care is taken speedily to end them tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3<sup>d</sup>. Ans Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by example to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituou liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline.

The committee for collecting the subscriptions for building our meeting house report the service performed.

The friends appointed to agree with some person for the building of a shed are continued

Was produced to this meeting a request signed Thomas Readman which is forwarded to the monthly meeting

Wing Rogers and John A Haight are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Mo 1837**

The Clerk being absent William Wright is appointed for the day

One of the representatives to the last monthly meeting reports he attended the other was prevented by indisposition.

The friends appointed to agree with some person to build a shed are continued

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The friends appointed to purchase a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

Thomas Reazin and Jonathan Rogers are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month.

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Mo 1837**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended.

The friends appointed to agree with some person for the building of a shed are continued.

The friends appointed to raise money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued to report in 9<sup>th</sup> Mo next

Noodiah Woodruff and Peter Taylor are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Mo 1837**

One of our representatives to the last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Friends are careful to ~~keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel~~ attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline ~~are attended~~ altho many are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week the hour for the most part nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark some care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Ans Love and unity are maintained as becomes brethren. we know of no differences amongst us. friends avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>d</sup> Ans Friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under

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their care in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession. we believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. Ans Friends do avoid the use of of [sic] distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears none to charge with frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion

9<sup>th</sup>. Ans Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline -

The friends appointed to agree with some person for the building of a shed are continued

John. A Haight and James Richardson are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting -

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Mo 1837**

One of our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting reports he attended the other did not attend

The friends appointed to agree with some person for the building of a shed are continued.

The friends appointed to raise money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

Jonathan Rogers and Ambrose Boone are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Mon 1837**

One of our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting reports they attended they have produced an extract from the monthly meeting directing this meeting to raise our proportion of eight hundred dollars for the yearly meetings use Jonathan Rogers and Jervis Cornell are appointed

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to raise said sum and report in 11<sup>th</sup> Month next.

also an extract from the half years meeting minutes which is as follows - Copy of an extract from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting's minutes - Canada half years Meeting of friends held at Yonge Street 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1837 It appears by the extracts received from the yearly meeting that the subordinate meetings are directed to raise their respective proportions of eight hundred dollars and pay to the hand of this meetings Clerk -

this meeting directs the preparative meetings to raise their proportions of said sum and report in 12<sup>th</sup> Month next.

This meeting is united with the proposition from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting of holding the monthly meeting 4 times in the year at Pickering viz in the 2<sup>nd</sup>. 5. 7 and 10<sup>th</sup> month at the usual time  
Watson Garret Clerk.

Also a number of books for the library. 7 books of discipline and a number of London and New York epistles which Noodiah Woodruff and and [sic] James Richardson are appointed to distribute among our members.

The friends appointed to agree with some person for the building of a shed are continued.

The friends appointed to raise money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued

The time for which ~~Jonathan~~ John Haight J<sup>nr</sup> was appointed ~~being expired~~ for making fires and taking care of the meeting house being expired James Cornell and Elija Bostwic are appointed to raise one pound ten shillings for him and also to agree with some friend for that servic for the ensuing year and report to our next meeting.

Noodiah Woodruff and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

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#### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Mo 1837**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended.

The friends appointed to collect our proportion of eight hundred dollars for the yearly meetings use not being ready to report are continued to report to our next meeting.

The friends appointed to distribute the London and New York epistles report the service performed.

The friends appointed appointed [sic] to agree with some person for the building of a shed not having raised the necessary funds they are discontinued.

The friends appointed to raise money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house report some progress they are continued.

The committee for raising one pound ten shillings for John Haight <sup>Jnr</sup> for making fires and taking care of the meeting house report some progress they have agreed with Jonathan Rogers for that service for the ensuing year for the sum of two pounds ten shillings which is united with they are continued to report to our next meeting.

Elija Bostwic and Thomas Reazin are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Mo 1837**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended.

The committee for raising our quota of money for the yearly meetings use report some progress they are continued -

The committee for raising money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

The friends appointed to raise one pound ten shillings for John Haight <sup>Jnr</sup> for making fires

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and taking care of the meeting house report the service performed

Jarvis Cornel and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting -

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month 1838**

One of our representatives to the last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and their answers which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup>. Ans Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline altho some are very deficient therein the hour for the most part nearly observed cleare of sleeping and all unbecoming behaviour as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity are maintained as becomes brethren we know of no differences amongst us tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>d</sup> Ans Some friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession, we believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. Ans We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and they are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion

5<sup>th</sup> Ans We know of no poor amongst us who seem likely to want assistance except one instance friends

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children and those under their care are mostly in a way to get school learning to fit them for business.

6<sup>th</sup>. Ans We know of none who keep company with persons not of our society on account of marriage nor parents conniving at their childrens keeping company with such nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest.

7<sup>th</sup>. Ans Friends are cleare of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in Lieu ther[e]of

8<sup>th</sup>. Ans We know of none that are dificient in performing their promises or paying their just debts except one instance nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession and those who give ocasion for fear on these accounts are timely laboured with for preservation and recovery.

9<sup>th</sup>. Ans Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreable to our discipline.

The committee for raising our quota of money for the yearly meetings use report that it is raised our representatives our representatives [sic] are requested to pay said sum to the monthly meetings treasurer and produce his receipt to our next meeting

The committee for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

Was produced to this meeting by the overseers a request signed Thomas Readman which is directed to the monthly meeting

Thomas Reazin and Jervis Cornel are appointed to bring in a name of a friend to serve as Clerk for the ensuing year to our next meeting.

The time for which Thomas Reazin was appointed Treasurer being expired he is reappointed to that service for one year.

Ambrose Boone and James Richardson

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are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering preparative meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Month 1838**

The friends appointed to bring in the name of a friend to serve as clerk for the ensuing year not being ready to report, they are continued.

Ambrose Boone is appointed clerk for the day.

One of our representatives to the last monthly meeting reports he attended the other did not attend he has produced a receipt from the monthly meetings treasurer for our quota of money called for by the yearly meeting.

The committee for raising money for purchasing a stove and pipes for our meeting house are continued.

The time for which Elija Bostwic was appointed librarian being expired he is reappointed to that service for one year.

Elija Bostwic and James Richardson are appointed to procure a book case for keeping the books belonging to this meeting and to report to our next meeting

Was produced to this meeting by the overseers a request signed Robert Betts which is forwarded to the monthly meeting.

John. A Haight and Richard Dale are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at at [sic] the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 8<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> Month 1838.**

The friends appointed to bring in the name of a friend to this meeting to serve as Clerk have proposed Jonathan H. Rogers which is united with, and he is accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

No report from the Representatives to our last Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to raise money for purchasing a stove and pipes not being able to raise sufficient to

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purchase them, report they have in their hands the sum of Thirty two Shillings and Six pence which they are directed to pay to this meeting's Treasurer and produce his receipt to our next meeting.

The Committee appointed to procure a Book Case report they have procured one which Cost Seventeen Shillings and Six pence and they are directed to Call on Richard Dale for the above Sum and report to our next meeting.

Was produced to this meeting by the Overseers a Complaint against Abraham Webster which is directed to be forwarded to the Monthly Meeting, and is as follows Viz. "Abraham Webster has transgressed the good order of our Religious Society by Joining himself with the followers of Elias Hicks who have Seceded from the Society of Friends and has also accomplished his marriage amongst the Seceders."

~~Thomas Reazin, James Richardson~~ Was produced to this meeting by the Overseers a Complaint against James McCausland which is directed to be forwarded to the Monthly Meeting and is as follows. Viz "James McCausland has transgressed the good order of our Religious Society by Joining himself with a Company of people Called Mormonites and has thereby withdrawn himself from the Society of Friends."

Joseph Bowerman and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed our Representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

The Meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next Month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 5<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Month 1838.**

The Representatives to our last Monthly Meeting report they attended.

The Committee for raising money to purchase a stove and pipes not ready to report are continued.

The friends appointed to procure a book Case and Call on Rich<sup>d</sup>. Dale for money to pay for the Same, not being ready to report are continued.

One of the friends appointed to

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attend the Monthly Meeting in Second Month last as our representatives reports they both attended.

John A. Haight and Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next mo.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 10<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Month 1838.**

The representatives to our last Monthly Meeting report they attended.

The Queres, with the Advices, were read in this meeting with answers to the usual five which are directed to the Monthly Meeting and are as follows, Viz.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans. Friends are Careful to attend all our Religious Meetings for Worship and Discipline although some are deficient therein especially in those held in the middle of the week, the hour, for the most part, nearly observed, and they are clear of sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour in them as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained as becomes brethren, if differences arise due Care is taken Speedily to end them, and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction, as far as appears.

3<sup>d</sup> Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends Children under their Care in plainness of Speech, behaviour, and apparel; and some do endeavour by example and precept, to train them up in a Religious life and Conversation consistent with our Christian profession We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families, and some do extend a due Care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. Friends avoid the use of Distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal; and they are clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion; as far as appears.

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9<sup>th</sup>. Ans. Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of Meekness, and agreeably to our discipline

The committee to purchase stoves &c report the appointment answered.

The Committee to procure a book case report the appointment answered -

A Complaint was produced to this meeting by the Overseers against Platt Betts which is directed to the Monthly Meeting and is as follows, Viz: " We have to complain against Platt Betts for Signing a Seditory paper encourageing people to take up arms in the late Rebellion, and has since absconded on that account: having previously neglected the attendance of our Religious Meetings."

We appoint Noodiah Woodruff and Aaron Betts our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 7<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month 1838.**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting reports they attended.

William Wright & Thomas Reazin are appointed our Representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 5<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Month 1838.**

The Representatives to our last Monthly Meeting report they attended

James Hughes & Jonathan H. Rogers are appointed our Representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next Month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 9<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1838.**

One of our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting reports they attended.

The Queries with the Advices were read in this Meeting with answers to the usual five, which are as follows and are directed to the Monthly Meeting.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>. All our Meetings for religious Worship and Discipline are attended altho Some are deficient therein especially on those

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held in the middle of the week; the hour for the most part nearly observed - not quite clear of sleeping some care taken - no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

Ans. 2<sup>nd</sup> - Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren, we know of no differences amongst us, and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears.

Ans. 3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are Careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their Care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel - and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious Life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession. We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families: and some do extend a due care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

Ans 4<sup>th</sup> - We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, and they are clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears -

Ans. 9<sup>th</sup> - Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, measurably in the Spirit of Meekness and agreeably to our Discipline.

Noodiah Woodruff and Elijah W Bostwick are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This Meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 6<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> Month 1838.**



Our Representatives to the last Monthly Meeting report they attended James Richarson & Gervas Cornell are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 11<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1838.**

One of our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting reports he attended and has produced extracts from the minutes of the Monthly Meeting also the Y. Meetings minutes which were read in this meeting - also a number of London and N. York Yearly Meetings Epistles which Elijah W. Bostwick & Gervas Cornell are appointed to distribute and report next meeting --

It appears by the above mentioned extracts that the Preparative Meetings are directed to raise their respective proportions of 1,200 Dollars for the Yearly Meetings use: and we appoint William Wright & Ambrose Boone to collect subscriptions for that purpose and report to our meeting in 12<sup>th</sup> Month next.

This meeting was also directed to the observance of the extracts from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting by which is proposed to open Subscriptions among our members for creating a fund for the education of such of the Children of friends in limited circumstances as may incline to become Teachers; the same to be a yearly subscription payable in quarterly installment: We appoint Richard Dale and Robert Betts to open subscriptions agreeable to the above and report in 12<sup>th</sup> month next.

It appears by the extracts from the Monthly Meeting that The Committee of the Half Years meeting for revising the Quotas on the Monthly Meetings have proposed the following proportions - Viz. That West Lake Monthly Meeting pay - 30, Yonge Street Monthly Meeting pay 30, Norwich Do. pay 24, Pelham Do. pay 10, and Leeds Monthly Meeting pay 6 per cent, which was united with

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by the Half years Meeting.

The Queries, with the Advices were read in this meeting with Answers to the usual five which are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follow.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>. Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline altho' some are very deficient therein Some care taken - the hour for the most part nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping - no other unbecoming behaviour in them appears.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and unity are maintained as becomes brethren, we know of no differences amongst us, and Friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction, a far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own and other Friend's Children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour by example and precept, to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian Profession: We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in their families; and Some do extend a due care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. We believe Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal; and they are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears.

9<sup>th</sup>. Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders - measureably in the spirit of meekness & agreeable to our Discipline.

The time for which Jonathan H. Rogers was appointed to make fires and take care of the meeting house being nearly expired we appoint Elijah W. Bostwick & Robert Betts to raise Two pounds & ten Shillings for him; and to agree with some friend for that service for the ensuing year and report next meeting --

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Noodiah Woodruff and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held the 8<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1838.**

Our Representatives to the last Monthly Meeting report they attended.

The friends appointed to distribute the yearly meeting Epistles report the appointment answered.

The committee for raising Two pounds ten Shillings for Jonathan H. Rogers, for making fires, and taking care of the Meeting House; and to agree with some friend for that service for the ensuing year; not ready to report are continued to report next meeting.

We appoint Elijah W. Bostwick and Gervas Cornell to build a yard and other necessary appendages for the convenience of our Meeting house; and produce a bill of the expense to our next meeting.

Was produced to this meeting by the Overseers, a Request Signed Rob<sup>t</sup> Richardson, which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting.

John A. Haight and Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin are appointed our Representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held the 6<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Month 1838.**

One of the representatives to last Monthly Meeting reports they attended.

The committee for raising Two pounds ten Shillings for Jonathan H. Rogers, for making fires and taking care of the meeting house and to agree with some friend for that service, for the ensuing year, report, that they have agreed with Jonathan H. Rogers for that service for the ensuing year for the sum of Two pounds ten Shillings, which is united with but not having the money all collected - they are continued to report to our next meeting.

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The committee for building a yard and other necessary appendages for the convenience of our Meeting house not being ready to report, they are continued to report next meeting.

The committee for collecting our proportion of the money called for by the yearly meeting report the service performed.

Our Representatives are directed to pay it to the monthly Meetings Treasurer.

The friends appointed to collect voluntary Subscriptions for the education of such, of the Children of Friends in limited circumstances as may incline to become Teachers, are continued to report next month.

Gervas Cornell and James Richardson are appointed to Collect Subscriptions for the building of a Shed, and report their progress to our next meeting.

Robert Betts and Wing Rogers are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 10<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month 1839.**

One of our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting reports he attended and paid the money for the Yearly Meeting's use to the Monthly Meeting's Treasurer as directed, but not producing his receipt, he is desired to produce it to our next Meeting: The other did not attend and gave a reason.

The Queries, with the Advices were read and considered in this Meeting, with answers to the usual nine, which are directed to the Monthly Meeting and are as follow:

Answer 1<sup>st</sup> All our meetings for religious Worship and Discipline are attended although some are very deficient therein especially those held in the middle of the week; the hour for the most part nearly observed: clear of sleeping as far as appears: one instance of unbecoming behaviour Some care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup>. We believe, love and unity are mostly maintained as becomes brethren; if differences arise, care is mostly taken

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speedily to end them; and Friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction, as far as appears.

Ans. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their Care, in plainness of Speech, behaviour and apparel, with some exceptions; and some do endeavour by example and precept, to train them up in a religious life, and conversation consistent with our Christian profession; we believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends' families; and Some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. We believe, Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, except one instance - care taken - and they are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion, as far as appears.

5<sup>th</sup>. We know of no poor amongst us, that seem likely to need assistance; and most Friends' children and those under their care, are instructed in School learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup>. We know of no friends that keep company with persons not of our society, on account of marriage; We know of none who connive at their childrens keeping company with such, nor any

who attend the marriages of those who go out from amongst us, or marriages accomplished by a priest.

7<sup>th</sup>. Friends are clear of bearing arms, of complying with military requisitions, and of paying any tax or fine in lieu thereof, as far as appears.

8<sup>th</sup>. We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises, or paying their just debts; nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession; and those who give occasion for fear, on those accounts are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery --

9<sup>th</sup>. Care is mostly taken, seasonably, to deal with offenders, measureably in the spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline.

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The committee for raising two pounds & ten shillings for Jonathan Rogers for making fires and taking care of the meeting house not being ready to report, are continued, to report to our next meeting.

The committee for collecting voluntary Subscriptions for the education of such of the children of Friends in limited circumstances, as may incline to become Teachers - report that they have raised eighteen Shillings and nine pence which our representatives are directed to pay to the Monthly Meeting's Treasurer, and produce his receipt to our next meeting.

The committee to raise subscriptions for building of a shed, report; some progress: they are continued with directions to proceed with the building of the shed (Should sufficient be subscribed) and report their progress, to our next meeting.

The Committee for building a yard, and other necessary appendages for the convenience of our meeting house, are continued, to report in the fourth month next.

William Wright and Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting Concludes, to meet at the usual time next Month.

## **Pickering preparative Meeting, held the 7<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Mo<sup>h</sup>. 1839.**

One of our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting reports they attended, but not producing a receipt from the Monthly Meeting's Treasurer for money paid by this Meeting. They are requested to produce one to our next meeting.

The committee for raising £2.10 for J. H. Rogers for making fires and taking care of the meeting house not ready to report, are continued to report next meeting.

The committee for building a Shed, report some progress they are continued to report next meeting.

The time for which Elijah W. Bostwick was appointed librarian being expired he is reappointed for one year.

The time for which the clerk was appointed being nearly expired, We appoint Noodiah Woodruff and Richard Dale to bring

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forward the name of a friend to serve as Clerk for the ensuing year for our next meeting.

Our representatives to the Monthly Meeting in 12<sup>th</sup> Mo last, not having produced a receipt from its Treasurer for money paid by this meeting they are requested to produce one to our next meeting.

Wing Rogers and Aaron Betts are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 7<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Month 1839.**

No report from our representatives to the last monthly Meeting -

The friends appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to serve as Clerk to this meeting, have proposed Jonathan H. Rogers, with which the meeting unites, and he is reappointed to that service for one year.

One of our representatives to the Monthly Meeting in 1<sup>st</sup> Mo. last, produced a receipt from the Monthly Meeting's Treasurer, for the money called for by the Yearly Meeting; also one for the sum of 18/9 Cy. paid toward the Fund for the education of Teachers, and having an surplus of 4/6 he is directed to hand it to the Treasurer.

The Committee to raise £2..10.. for Jonathan H. Rogers for making fires, and taking care of the meeting - House, report, the service performed.

The committee for building a shed are continued to report to our meeting in 5<sup>th</sup> Month next.

The time for which Thomas Reazin was appointed Treasurer being expired, we appoint Joseph Sing and Jonathan H. Rogers to settle with him and bring forward the name of a Friend for that service for the ensuing year.

We appoint Ambose Boone and James Richardson our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 11<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Month 1839.**

One of our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting reports he attended, the other did not attend and gave a reason.

One of our representatives to the Monthly Meeting in 2<sup>nd</sup> Month reports they attended.

The Committee to settle with the Treasurer and propose the name

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of a friend for that service for the ensuing year report, that having settled with him they find in his hands a balance of £1..19..11 ½ Cy. and they propose Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin for that service; which being united with he is reappointed Treasurer for one year.

Was produced to this meeting by the Overseers a complaint against David Rogers, which is directed to be forwarded to the Monthly Meeting.

One of our representatives produced a copy of an Epistle, (written) from the "Meeting for Sufferings held in London", to Canada Half-yearly Meeting which was read to Satisfaction in this meeting.

Jonathan H. Rogers and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Month 1839.**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report, they attended

The Queries with the Advices were read in this meeting and Answers to the usual Five which were directed to the Monthly Meeting and are as follows.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>. All our meeting for religious worship and Discipline are attended altho some are very deficient therein especially on the middle of the week. The hour for the most part, nearly observed - clear of sleeping, and of all other unbecoming behaviour in them as far as appears - 2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren - if differences arise due care is taken speedily to end them, and, talebearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged - as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup>, Some friends are Careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends children, under their care, in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour by Example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession

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We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends families - and some do extend a due care in these respects, toward others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears. None to charge with frequenting taverns, or of attending places of diversion, excepting one instance which is under care.

9<sup>th</sup>. Care is mostly taken seasonable to deal with offenders in the spirit of Meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

The Committee for building a Yard &c for the meeting house are continued to report next month.

The Committee for building a shed are continued.

Richard Dale and Joseph Sing are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 6<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month 1839.**

Our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting report they attended.

The Committee for building a yard &c continued to report next meeting -

The Friends appointed to build a shed, not being ready to report, are continued to next Meeting, and Noodiah Woodruff and Wing Rogers are appointed to assist them.

Ambrose Boone & Wing Rogers are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Month 1839.**

Our representatives to the last Monthly Meeting report they attended.

The committee for building a yard &c continued to report next meeting.

The committee for building a shed Continued.

We appoint Joseph Sing and Noodiah Woodruff our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting concludes to meet as usual next Month

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### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1839.**

One of our representatives to last Monthly Meeting reports they attended.

The Queries, with the Advices were read in this meeting with Ans<sup>rs</sup> to the usual five, which are as follow, and are directed to the Monthly Meeting.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>. All our Meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended, altho some are very deficient therein especially in the middle of the week; the hour, for the most part, nearly observed, several instances of sleeping - care taken in the above deficiencies. No other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are not so fully maintained as could be wished for - if differences arise care is mostly taken seasonably to end them, tale-bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Most fiends are Careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour, and apparel, and Some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession, we believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families, and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes Strictly medicinal as far as appears; we believe they are clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup>. Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the spirit of Meekness and agreeable to our Discipline.

The Committee for building a yard &c continued to report next meeting.

The committee for building a shed continued

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This meeting has raised the Sum of 7/6 for the use of the Poor, which our representatives are directed to pay to the Monthly Meeting's Treasurer and produce his receipt.

Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin and Jonathan H. Rogers are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting -

This Meeting concludes to meet as usual next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 5<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Month 1839.**

One of our representatives to last Monthly Meeting reports he attended, and produced from the Monthly meeting's Treasurer a receipt as called for by last meeting.

Was produced to this meeting a Proposal of Marriage Signed Joshua Davis and Mary J. Betts, which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting.

The committee for building a yard &c continued to report next meeting.

The Committee for building a shed are continued.

Richard Dale and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1839.**

The clerk being absent Ambrose Boone was appointed clerk for the day

Our representatives to last Monthly meeting report they attended and have produced a number of Pamphlets & epistles for the use of the meeting - Also, an Extract from the Minutes of the monthly meeting directing this meeting to raise its proportion of \$1,000 for the Yearly Meeting's use: James Richardson and Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin are appointed to open Subscriptions for the same and report in 12<sup>th</sup> month next. Also £250 for the Boarding School; Gervas Cornell and William Wright are appointed to open Subscriptions for the same and report in 12<sup>th</sup> Mo. next.

The Queries with the Advices were read in this meeting with Answers to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly Meeting.

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Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>. All our meetings for religious Worship and Discipline are attended, altho' some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week - some care taken - The hour for the most part mostly observed Some instances of Sleeping, Some Care taken - no other unbecoming behaviour to remark -

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are not so well maintained as might be wished for, Some Care taken - if differences arise care is mostly taken speedily to end them - We believe friends do mostly avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Some Friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their Care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel, and some do endeavour by example and precept, to train them up in a religious life & conversation Consistent with our Christian Profession - We believe the scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends families - and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears - none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup>. Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline.

The Committee for building a Yard &c. report they have attended to the appointment and have brought in a bill of the expense which is £1..5..0. Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin and Richard Dale are appointed to open Subscriptions for the same, and report to our next Meeting.

The Committee for building a shed report, the appointment is answered.

This Meeting directs that Committee to Call on our Treasurer for 7/- it being the difference on the Subscriptions.

James Hughes and Robert Betts are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting -

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month.



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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held the 7<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Month. 1839.**

No report from our representatives to last monthly meeting.

The committee to collect the sum of £1:5.0 to defray the expense of building a yard &c. not being ready to report, are continued to report to our next meeting.

The time for which Jonathan H. Rogers was appointed to take Care of the meeting house being nearly expired, We appoint E. W. Bostwick & Ambrose Boone to raise by subscription the Sum of £2.10. for him, and to agree with some friend for that service for the ensuing year, and report to our next meeting.

Joseph Bowerman and Wing Rogers are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held the 5<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Month 1839.**

One of our representatives to last Monthly Meeting reports he attended.

One of our representatives in 10<sup>th</sup> month last reports that they attended the monthly meeting.

The committee to raise the sum of £1..5 to defray the expense of building a yard are continued to report to our next meeting -

The committee appointed to raise the sum of £2..10..0 for taking care of the meeting house &c. and to agree with Some friend for that Service for the ensuing year, report, they have agreed with Jonathan H. Rogers for the Sum of £2..10..~ which is united with and he is appointed to that service for the ensuing year, but not having the money raised they are continued to report to our next meeting.

The committee for raising our proportion of \$2,000 for the Yearly Meeting's use not being ready to report are continued to report next month.

The committee for raising our proportion of £250. (ordered by the Half Yearly meeting) for the Boarding School, not being ready to report are continued to report to our next meeting.

Jonathan H. Rogers, and Robert Richardson are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next Month.

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 9<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month, 1840.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Queries with the Advices were read in this meeting with Answers to the usual nine, which are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follow.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>. All our Meetings for religious worship & Discipline are attended, although some are deficient therein, some care taken, the hour for the most part nearly observed, clear of sleeping and of all other unbecoming in them as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are mostly maintained as becomes brethren, if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them, and friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Most friends are careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession, we believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends' families, and some do extend Care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, with the exception of one friend that went to a tavern and partook of Spirituous liquors to excess, which is under care, none others to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

5<sup>th</sup>. We know of no poor amongst us who appear likely to want assistance; most friends children, and those under their care are instructed in School learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup>. We know of none that keep company with persons not of our Society on account of Marriage, we know of no parents who connive at their children's keeping Company with such, nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us, or marriages accomplished by a priest.

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Ans. 7<sup>th</sup>. Friends are clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions and of paying any tax or fine in lieu thereof

8<sup>th</sup>. We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts, nor any who extend their their [sic] business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our Religious profession, and those who give occasion for fear on these accounts are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery.

9<sup>th</sup>. Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline.

The committee to raise the £1..5 - to defray the expense of building a yeard &c. report the service performed.

The committee appointed to collect £2..10.. and pay J. H. Rogers for taking care of the meeting house report the service performed.

The committee to raise our proportion of \$2,000, for the Yearly Meeting's use report the money raised: our representatives are directed to pay it to the Monthly Meeting's Treasurer and produce his receipt to our next meeting: information is directed to the Monthly Meeting.

The committee for raising our proportion of £250, (ordered by the Half-Yearly-Meeting) for the Boarding School, not being ready to report are continued: information is directed to the monthly meeting.

We appoint William Wright & Elijah W. Bostwick our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This Meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Month 1840**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting, report they attended; and one of them produced a receipt from the monthly meeting's Treasurer for our Quota of the Money for the Yearly - meeting's use.

The committee for raising our proportion of £250: (ordered by the Half-Yearly- Meeting,) for the Boarding School not being ready to report are continued to report to our meeting in 7<sup>th</sup>? month next.

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The time for which Elijah W. Bostwick was appointed Librarian being expired, he is reappointed for one year.

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being nearly expired, we appoint William Wright and Noodiah Woodruff to bring forward to our next meeting the name of a friend for that service.

We appoint Wing Rogers and Peter Taylor our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 5<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo. 1840.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The friends appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to serve this meeting as Clerk, propose Jonathan H. Rogers, with which the meeting unites and he is reappointed to that service for one year.

Was produced to this meeting by the overseers, a complaint against Joseph Sing which we direct to the monthly meeting and is as follows: Viz. "Joseph Sing has for a length of time been in the habit of maltreating his wife, and of using unbecoming language in his family

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being nearly expired, we appoint Wing Rogers & Jonathan H. Rogers to settle with him, and to propose the name of a friend for that service for the ensuing year.

We appoint Gervas Cornell and Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Month 1840.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended.

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The Committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer report that they find in his hands a balance of £1..2..11 ½ Currency and they propose Thomas Reazin for that service with which the meeting unites, and he is reappointed Treasurer for one year.

John A. Haight and Ambrose Boone are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 7<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Month 1840.**

One of our representatives to last Monthly Meeting reports he attended, the other gave a reason for not attending

The Queries with the Advices were read in this meeting; and Answers to the usual five, which are as follow, and are directed to the monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup>. Ans. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended, although some are very deficient therein, the hour not so well observed as could be wished, not quite clear of sleeping care taken in the above deficiencies - no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and unity are maintained as becomes brethren as far as appears, if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them, and friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction, as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Most Friends are Careful to keep themselves, their own, and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, and some do endeavour, by example and precept, to train them up in a religious life and conversation, consistent with our Christian profession; we believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families, and some do extend a due care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears; and we believe friends are clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup>. Ans. Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline.

Wing Rogers and Peter Taylor are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month 1840.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

Noodiah Woodruff and James Richardson are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1840.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

We appoint Jonathan H. Rogers and Wing Rogers our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month, 1840.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The Queries with the Advices were read in this meeting & answers to the usual five, - which are as follow, and are directed to the monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans. - All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended, although some are deficient therein, especially in the middle of the week. the hour for the most part, nearly observed,- not clear of sleeping, some care taken, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Love and unity are maintained as becomes brethren as far as appears, except one instance, care taken. - if differences arise due care is taken speedily to end them, - and we believe friends do avoid & discourage talebearing & detraction

3<sup>rd</sup> - Most Friends are careful to keep themselves their own & other friends' Children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour, and apparel; and some do endeavour by example and precept, to train them up in a religious life and

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Conversation consistent with our Christian profession, - we believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in their families, and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. We believe Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal; & they are clear of frequenting taverns & of attending places of diversion, as far as appears.

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness & agreeably to our Discipline.

One of the friends appointed to raise our proportion of £250. for the Boarding School reports, the money not raised: The committee is continued.

This meeting raised the sum of 6/10 ½ for the use of the poor, which our representatives are directed to pay to the monthly meeting's Treasurer & produce his receipt next meeting.

We appoint William Wright and Elijah W. Bostwick to attend the ensuing monthly meeting of our representatives.

This meeting concludes, to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 10<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Month 1840.**

One of our Representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended: he produced a receipt from the Monthly Meeting's Treasurer for money paid by this meeting for the use of the poor.

We appoint Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin & Robert Richardson to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our representatives,

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1840.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended: he produced a number of Pamphlets and several Epistles from the Yearly Meeting of London for distribution; and an Epistle from our yearly meeting of N. Y. which was read

The Queries, with the Advices, were read in this meeting, and Answers to the usual Five, which were directed to the monthly meeting: and are as follows.

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Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>. All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended, altho' some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week; the hour, for the most part, nearly observed; not clear of sleeping: some care taken, clear of all other unbecoming behaviour as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren; when differences arise care is taken speedily to end them; tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other Friends' children under their care, in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour by example & precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession; We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends families, and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears: none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness, and measureably agreeably to our Discipline

We appoint Wing Rogers and Jonathan H. Rogers to attend the ensuing Monthly Meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 5<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Month, - 1840.**

Our representatives to last Monthly Meeting report they attended: and produced an extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting desiring this to raise its proportion of 500 Dollars for the yearly meeting's use: we appoint J. H. Rogers and Peter Taylor to open subscriptions for that purpose, & report next meeting.

The time for which J. H. Rogers was appointed to make fires & take care of the meeting House being nearly expired, we appoint Elijah W. Bostwick & Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin, to raise the sum of £2..10. and pay him and also to agree with some friend for that service, the ensuing year; and report next month.

We appoint John A. Haight & Noodiah Woodruff to attend the ensuing M. Meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Month 1840.**

Our Representatives to last Monthly meeting report they attended, and produced an extract from the Minutes of the monthly meeting requesting the preparative Meetings to continue Voluntary Subscriptions to raise their respective proportions of £250, the sum granted by the Half-Yearly Meeting for the use of the Boarding School: We continue the committee appointed in 10<sup>th</sup> month 1839, to open Subscriptions for the purpose of raising the money; and to report next month.

The committee appointed to collect our proportion of \$500. called for by the yearly

meeting; report the money raised: our Representatives are directed to pay it to the monthly meeting's Treasurer, and produce his receipt to our next meeting.

The committee appointed to collect £2..10 ~ and pay J. H. Rogers, for taking care of the meeting House, &c. and to agree with some friend for that service; report they have agreed with J. H. Rogers for that Service the ensuing year for the sum of £2..10, with which the meeting unites, and he is accordingly appointed but not having the money raised they are continued to report next month.

Thomas Reazin and James Richardson are appointed to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our Representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 7<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month 1841.**

One of our Representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended; and not producing a receipt from the Treasurer of the Monthly Mtg; for our proportion of the money called for by the yearly meeting, he is requested to produce one to our next meeting.

The Queries with the Advices were read in this meeting, with Ans<sup>rs</sup> to the usual nine, as follow, which are directed to the Monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup>. Ans. ~ All our meetings for religious Worship & Discipline are attended altho some are deficient therein, especially in the middle of the week, - some care taken - the hour is for the most part nearly observed; clear of sleeping; and of all other unbecoming behaviour in them as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup> ans Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren, if differences arise Care is taken speedily to mend them,

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we believe most friends do avoid & discourage tale-bearing and detraction

3<sup>rd</sup> ~ Most friends are careful to keep themselves, their own & other friends children under their care, in plainness of Speech, behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour, by example and precept, to train them up in a religious Life and conversation consistent with our christian profession: We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families; and some do extend a Care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> ~ We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous Liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal; and they are clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of diversion, as far as appears; except one instance; Care taken.

5<sup>th</sup> There are no poor amongst us who appear likely to require assistance: most children under our care are instructed in School learning to fit them for business.

6<sup>th</sup>. We know of no friends who keep company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage - We know of no parents who connive at their childrens keeping company with such, nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us, or marriages accomplished by a Priest.

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of bearing arms, of complying with military requisitions, and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof, as far as appears.

8<sup>th</sup> We know of none amongst us who are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts; nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our

religious profession; and those who give occasion for fear on these accounts, are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery.

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our discipline.

The Committee for raising our proportion of the money for the use of the Boarding School, report they have collected 15 Dollars: our Representatives are directed to pay it to the Treasurer

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Treasurer of the monthly meeting, and produce his receipt next month: The committee is continued, to report next month.

The committee appointed to collect money and pay for taking care of the Meeting House, &c. report the money part raised; They are continued to report next month.

Was produced to this meeting by the Overseers, a Complaint against John Haight Ju<sup>r</sup>. which is directed to the monthly meeting, & is as follows: Viz. "John Haight Ju<sup>r</sup>. has been so unguarded as to attend a horse-race, & to lay a wage on the same."

Wing Rogers and Jonathan H. Rogers are appointed to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Month 1841.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended and produced a receipt from the Treasurer of the monthly meeting for £3..15 - paid for the Boarding School.

One of our representatives to the monthly meeting in 12<sup>th</sup> month last has produced a receipt from the monthly meeting's Treasurer for our Quota of the money called for by the Yearly Meeting.

The Committee for raising money for the Boarding School report they have raised £3..15- since last meeting, and forwarded it to the Managing Committee. Information is directed to the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee is continued to report next meeting.

The time for which Elijah W. Bostwick was appointed Librarian being expired, he is reappointed to that service for one year.

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being nearly expired.

Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed to propose the name of a Friend for that service the ensuing year, to our next meeting.

This meeting taking into consideration the subject of procuring mor Books for our Library, appoints Richard Dale and Jonathan H. Rogers to raise

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money by subscription for the purpose of sending out for more Books, and report to our meeting in 5<sup>th</sup> Month next.

Rich<sup>d</sup>. Dale and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.



This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next Month

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 11<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> Month 1841.**

Our Representatives to last Monthly Meeting report they attended.

The Friends appointed to bring forward the name of a Friend to serve this meeting as clerk, have proposed Jonathan H. Rogers and the meeting uniting, he is reappointed to that service for one year.

The Committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued to report next month.

The Committee for raising money to pay for taking care of the Meeting-House report the appointment answered.

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being nearly expired, Peter Taylor & Rich<sup>d</sup>. Dale are appointed to settle with him, and to propose the name of a Friend for that service the ensuing year, to our next meeting.

Ambrose Boone & Joseph Bowerman are appointed to attend the ensuing Monthly Meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of Fourth Month 1841.**

One of our representatives to last Monthly Meeting reports they attended.

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued.

The friends appointed to settle with the Treasurer, &c. report they found in his hands a balance of 13<sup>s</sup>/11 ½<sup>d</sup> and also propose Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin for that service the ensuing year: with which the meeting unites; and he is reappointed Treasurer for one year.

An Extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting was rec<sup>d</sup>. and read in this meeting, directing the Preparative meetings to raise their proportions of the remaining part of money for the Boarding School by voluntary subscription, and to report in 7<sup>th</sup>. month next.

J. H. Rogers and Peter Taylor are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 6<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Month 1841.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended.

The Queries were read in this meeting, with answers to five of them, which are as follows, and are directed to the monthly meeting.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended, altho' some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week; - not clear of sleeping; - no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark; - some care taken in the above deficiencies.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren; when differences arise care is taken speedily to end them: - we believe friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction, as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> Some friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other friends children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour, and apparel; and some 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 some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears: - none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.”

The committee appointed to raise money for the Boarding School continued.

This meeting has raised 4/4 ½ for the use of the poor, which our representatives are directed to pay to the monthly meeting’s Treasurer and produce his receipt to our next meeting.

The Committee for raising money to procure books for our Library report they have raised £1.7.6 which they are directed to hand to the Librarian; and he is directed to forward it for books.

Noodiah Woodruff and Ja<sup>s</sup>. Richardson are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1841.**

The clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day.

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended.

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued.

The representatives not producing the Treasurer’s receipt as directed are continued to produce it to next meeting.

Wing Rogers and Gervas Cornell are appointed to attend our ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time in next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month, 1841.**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued.

Our representatives to the monthly meeting in 5<sup>th</sup> month, have produced a receipt from the monthly meeting’s Treasurer as called for.

The Librarian reports he has received Books for the money forwarded, and several Books beside as a present from the Book Committee of the Yearly Meeting.

The meeting appoints Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reasin and Ambrose Boone to agree with some friend to take charge of digging graves &c. also to purchase the necessary implements &c. and bring in a bill of the expense to next meeting.

Noodiah Woodruff and Tho<sup>s</sup>. Redman are appointed our Representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1841.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The Queries, with the Advices were read in this meeting, and answers to the usual five, which are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follows.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline, altho' some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week,

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Some care taken - the hour, for the most part, nearly observed; - not clear of sleeping: - no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren; when differences arise care is taken speedily to end them; - tale-bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own & other friends' children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour, by example & 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 some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears, none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup>. Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our discipline.

The Committee to raise money for the Boarding School Continued.

The committee appointed to agree with a friend to take the charge of digging Graves: and also to purchase the necessary implements, report they have agreed with Elijah W. Bostwick, with which the meeting unites, and he is appointed to that charge for one year; but not having procured the necessary implements, they are continued to report to our next meeting.

This meeting has raised five Shillings for the use of the poor, which our representatives are directed to pay to the monthly meeting's Treasurer and produce his receipt next month.

William Wright & Noodiah Woodruff are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Month 1841.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

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The committee to purchase the necessary implement for digging graves not being ready to report, are continued to report next month.

The Committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued.

Jonathan H. Rogers and Joseph Bowerman are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Month, 1841.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended; and have produced a number of pamphlets & Epistles from the London Yearly meeting, which are directed for distribution: One of the Epistles was read to satisfaction. - he also produced a copy of J. Woolman's Journal which is directed to be placed in the Library.

The Queries were read in this meeting, and Ans<sup>rs</sup> to the usual five, which are directed to the monthly meeting, and are as follows:

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline, altho' some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week; - Care taken - the hour for the most part, nearly observed; not clear of sleeping; no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren: if differences arise care is taken speedily, to end them: tale-bearing and detraction are mostly avoided, and discouraged, as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Most friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other friends' children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour, and apparel; and some 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 some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears: none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> - Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

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The Overseers produced a complaint against Charles Jamison, which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting, and is as follows: Viz. " We have to Complain of Cha<sup>s</sup> Jamison for having wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings for some time past."

The committee to purchase implements for digging graves &c. Continued.

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued.

This meeting has raised 6/3 for the use of the poor which is directed to be paid to the monthly meeting's Treasurer.

John A. Haight and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Month, 1841.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended, and paid the money forwarded by the meeting for the use of the poor as directed.

An Address from the London Yearly meeting to the Yearly meetings of friends in America, on the subject of Slavery; and likewise an Extract from the minutes of our own Yearly Meeting, were read in this meeting to satisfaction.

Agreeable to the extract from the Yearly meeting we appoint Peter Taylor and Jonathan H. Rogers to open subscriptions and raise our proportion of \$500. for the yearly meeting's use, and report next month.

The committee to purchase implements for digging graves, &c. report some attention: they are continued to report next month.

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued.

The time for which J. H. Rogers was app<sup>td</sup> to take care of the meeting House being nearly expired, we appoint Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin & Wing Rogers to open subscriptions and raise £2..10. and pay him: also to agree with some friend for that service the ensueing year and report to next meeting.

James Richarson and Elijah W. Bostwick are appointed to attend the ensueing monthly meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 9<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo. 1841.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended;

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and produced an extract from the monthly meeting's minutes requesting the preparative meetings to open voluntary Subscriptions to raise their respective proportions of £250 for the use of the Boarding School, and to report in the 1<sup>st</sup> month next.

The committee to raise our proportion of \$500 for the yearly meeting's use, report the money raised: our representatives are directed to pay it to the monthly meeting's Treasurer, and produce his receipt.

The committee to purchase implements for digging graves &c. report the service performed; and have brought in a bill of expenses, 7/2: - they are directed to call on the Treasurer for the same.

The committee to raise money for the use of the Boarding School report they have rec<sup>d</sup>. £3 Since last meeting: our representatives are directed to pay it to the monthly meeting's Treasurer, and produce his receipt.

The Committee to raise £2..10.. to pay for taking care of the meeting-house, &c; report they have agreed with Elijah W. Bostwick to take care of the meeting House, &c. for the ensueing year, for the sum of £2..10, with which the meeting unites and he is accordingly appointed to that service for one year: But not having the money all raised the committee is continued to report next month.

Wing Rogers and Robert Richardson are appointed our representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month, 1842.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended; and produced a receipt from the Treasurer of the monthly meeting as called for.

The Queries, and Advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual nine; which are as follow, & are directed to the monthly meeting.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline, but some are very deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week:

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1<sup>st</sup> the hour, for the most part nearly observed: not clear of sleeping: no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as as [sic] becomes brethren: if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them: tale-bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Most friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other friends' children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; and some 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 some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - Friends avoid the use of Distilled spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears, except two instances: none to Charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

5<sup>th</sup> We know of no poor amongst us who appear likely to require assistance: most friends' children, and those under their care instructed in school-learning to fit them for business.

6<sup>th</sup> - We know of no friends who keep company with persons not of our society on account of marriage: we know of no parents who connive at their childrens keeping company with such; nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us, or marriages accomplished by a priest.

7<sup>th</sup> - Clear in the several parts of this Query.

8<sup>th</sup> We know of no friends who are deficient in performing their promises, or paying their just debts; except one instance, which is under care: we know of none

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8<sup>th</sup>. who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession; and those who give occasion for fear on these account are timely laboured with for their preservation & recovery.

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline

The Committee to raise £2..10 to pay for taking care of the meeting House &c the past year report the service performed.

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School report they have rec<sup>d</sup>. none since last meeting: they are continued, to report in 4<sup>th</sup> month next, or sooner if ready.

This meeting has raised 6/1 for the use of the poor, which our representatives are directed to pay to the monthly meeting's Treasurer.

Gervas Cornell and William Wright are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month, 1842.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The committee to raise money for the B. School, report £3.15 raised since last meeting; information is directed to the monthly meeting.

The time for which Elijah W. Bostwick was appointed Librarian being expired; he is reappointed to that service for one year.

The time for which the clerk was appointed being nearly expired, Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin and Gervas Cornell are appointed to propose the name of a friend for that service to our next meeting

Rich<sup>d</sup>. Dale & Peter Taylor are appointed to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 10<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> Month, 1842.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended; and produce a receipt for £3..15 paid by this meeting for the use of the Boarding School.

The friends appointed to propose the name of a friend to serve this meeting as Clerk, proposed Jonathan H. Rogers; which being united with he is re-appointed to that service for one year.

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being nearly expired, Peter Taylor and Gervas Cornell are appointed to settle with him, & to propose the name of a friend for that service the ensuing year, to our next meeting.

Noodiah Woodruff and Gervas Cornell are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 7<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Month, 1842.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The friends appointed to settle with the Treasurer, and to propose the name of a friend for that service not being ready to report they are continued to report next meeting.

William Wright and Ambrose Boone are appointed to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 5<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1842.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended, and produced an extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting respecting the revision of the Quotas; which is as follows, Viz: "The committee to revise the Quotas of the Preparative Meetings inform they

are united in proposing that Yonge Street Preparative meeting pays 30 p<sup>t</sup> cent, Pickering 30, Whitchurch 20, and Tecumseth 20 per Cent, on all money to be raised by the monthly meeting; which this meeting unites with, & directs it to the observance of the different Preparative meetings.

Taken from the minutes of Yonge Street Monthly Meeting, held at Yonge Street the 14<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1842. by Peter Taylor, Clerk”

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The Queries were read in this meeting and answers to five of them which directed to the monthly meeting, and are as follows

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> Friends do attend all our meetings for religious worship & Discipline, altho’ some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week; the hour, for the most part, nearly observed; clear of sleeping, and of all other unbecoming behaviour in them, as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love & unity are maintained as becomes brethren, as far as appears; if differences arise due care is taken speedily to end them; we believe tale-bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged.

3<sup>d</sup> Friends are mostly careful to keep themselves, their own, and other Friends’ children under their care in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour, by example and precept, to train them up in a religious life & conversation consistent with our Christian profession; we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in Friends’ families; and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears; none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline.

The friends appointed to settle with the Treasurer report, they find a balance in his hands of 12/2; and they propose Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin for that service, with which the meeting unites, and he is re-appointed Treasurer for one year.

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School, report none raised since last meeting; they are continued to report next meeting.

A number of Books have been received by the representatives from the monthly meeting: this meeting directs that they be placed in our Library.

This meeting has raised 6/3 for the use of the poor, and directs that the representatives pay it to the monthly meeting’s Treasurer.

Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin & Robert Betts are apptd. representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next mo

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month, 1842.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Committee to raise money for the Boarding-School continued to report next month.



Peter Taylor and William Wright are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 7<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Month, 1842.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended; and one of them produced an Extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting as follows: "Yonge Street monthly meeting held at Yonge Street the 16<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo. 1842. This meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportions of £5..6..0, to defray the expense of enclosing a piece of ground at New Market, the property of the monthly meeting." Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin & Gervas Cornell are appointed to open subscriptions and collect agreeably to the above Extract, and report next meeting.

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued to report next month.

John Robinson and Jonathan H. Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 11<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1842.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended.

The Queries were read in this meeting & answers to five of them, which are directed to the monthly meeting, and are as follow:

1<sup>st</sup> Ans. - Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & Discipline; the hour for the most part nearly observed; not clear of sleeping, - some care taken; - no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Love & unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren, as far as appears; if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them; and friends mostly avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own and

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other friends' children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour & apparel; and some do endeavour by example & precept, to train them up in a religious life & conversation consistent with our Christian profession; we believe the scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends' families, and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous Liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears; none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion except one instance.

9<sup>th</sup> - Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in The Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline.

The Committee appointed to raise our proportion of £5..6 - to defray the expense of enclosing a piece of ground at New market, the property of the monthly meeting, not being ready to report, are continued to report next meeting.

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School report they have in their hands £2..10, which they are directed to forward by the representatives to the monthly meeting's Treasurer, and are continued to report next meeting.

Noodiah Woodruff & Joseph Bowerman are app<sup>td</sup>. to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 9<sup>th</sup> mo. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1842.**

One of our Representatives to last Monthly meeting reports he attended, & paid the money for the Boarding School as directed; but not producing a receipt from the monthly meeting's Treasurer for the same, he is requested to do so to our next meeting.

The Committee to raise our proportion of £5..6. to defray the expense of enclosing a piece of ground at New Market, the property of the Monthly Meeting not being ready to report, are continued, to report next meeting.

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The Committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued to report next meeting.

Jonathan H. Rogers and Wing Rogers are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 6<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1842.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended, and produced a number of Epistles from the London Yearly Meeting, and produced a number of Epistles from the London Yearly Meeting, and three copies of an "Address on: Slavery, &c."; likewise an extract from the minutes of the yearly meeting, and an extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting directing its Preparatives to raise their quotas of five hundred dollars for the use of the yearly meeting, accordingly, Richard Dale & Ja<sup>s</sup>. Richardson are appointed to raise our proportion of \$500 for the Y. Meeting's use and report in 12<sup>th</sup> mo. next - and likewise to report on the subject of Schools.

The extract from the Yearly Meeting was read to satisfaction; and likewise that from the minutes of the Monthly meeting held at Yonge Street, 15<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo. 1842. - It appears by the minutes from the Half-Years meeting that the subordinate meetings are requested to raise their proportions of five hundred Dollars for the use of the Yearly Meeting; this meeting directs its preparatives to raise their quotas of said sum, and pay it into the hands of this meeting's treasurer, and report.

Was also received, minutes from New York, and the London Yearly Meeting's Epistle and a number of pamphlets on Slavery.

The monthly meetings are requested to report to this meeting a particular account of all the Schools within their limits, and also the number of family schools, the number of Children who attend friends' Schools, of both these descriptions; the number who attend District Schools, and schools of a similar character; and the number who attend no schools; also annual reports, on the subject of Posts of Profit & Honour in Government;- all of which is directed to the observance of the subordinate meetings."

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The Queries, with the Advices were read in this meeting and answers to five of them, which are directed to the monthly meeting, and are as follows Viz.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> - Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & discipline; the hour for the most part nearly observed; - not clear of sleeping; no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Love and unity are maintained amongst most fr<sup>ds</sup> as becomes brethren, as far as appears; - if differences arise, care is taken speedily to end them; and friends mostly avoid and discourage tale-bearing & detraction.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other friends' children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour, by example & precept, to train them up in a religious life and conversation, consistent with our Christian profession. We believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends' families; and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears; none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion; except one instance of attending a place of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> - Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline.

A receipt was produced from the Treasurer of the monthly meeting for £2.10 paid toward the Boarding School.

The committee to raise money for defraying the expense of fenceing the ground at Newmarket, not being ready to report are continued.

The Committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued.

Gervas Cornell & Ambrose Boone are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time.

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#### **Pickering preparative meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1842.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended

The Committee to raise our proportion of £5.6 to defray the expense of enclosing the ground at New Market report the service performed.

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School are continued.

The time for which Elijah W. Bostwick was appointed to take care of the meeting House being nearly expired, we appoint Peter Taylor and Richard Dale to raise Two pounds and Ten shillings & pay him; and also agree with some friend for that service the ensuing year; and report next meeting.

William Wright and John A. Haight are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This Meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 8<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1842.**

Our representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended.

The committee to raise money for the Boarding School continued.

The committee to raise £2..10 and pay Elijah W. Bostwick for keeping fires & taking care of the meeting House, & also to agree with some friend for that service for the ensuing year, not being ready to report are continued to report next meeting.

The committee appointed to raise our proportion of five hundred Dollars for the Yearly meeting's use, & to report on the subject of schools, not being ready to report are continued to report next meeting.

Gervas Cornell & Peter Taylor are appointed representatives to the next monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 5<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Mo. 1843.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Queries, with the Advices, were read in this meeting, and Answers to them, which were directed to the monthly meeting and are as follow.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> - Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & discipline, though some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week; the hour not so nearly observed as could be wished; clear of sleeping, as far as appears; no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, as far as appears; we know of no differences amongst us, and we believe friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Some friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other Friends' children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour, by example & precept, to train them up in a religious life & conversation, consistent with our Christian profession. We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends' families, and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears; none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion.

5<sup>th</sup> - We know of no poor amongst us who appear likely to require assistance, Some Friends' children, - and those under their care

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care are instructed in School-learning to fit them for business.

6<sup>th</sup> We know of no Friends who keep company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage: ~~We know of no~~ nor any parents who connive at their childrens' keeping company with such; nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us, or marriages accomplished by a priest.

7<sup>th</sup> - Friends are clear of bearing arms, of complying with military requisitions, and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof.

8<sup>th</sup> - We know of no Friends who are deficient in performing their promises, or in paying their just debts; nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession; and those who give occasion for fear on those accounts are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery.

9<sup>th</sup> - Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline.

The Committee to collect money for the Boarding School report the money raised, which our representatives are directed to pay to the monthly meeting's treasurer & produce his receipt.

The committee appointed to agree with some Friend to keep fires & take care of the meeting-House, and to collect money to pay for that service the past year, report they have agreed with Elijah W. Bostwick for that service, for the sum of £2..10 -, with which the meeting unites, and he is appointed accordingly, for one year from last month. But not having the money all raised, they are continued to report next meeting.

The Committee to raise our proportion of five hundred dollars for the Yearly meeting's use, and to report on the subject of Schools, report the money raises, which, with 3/10 ½

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for the use of the poor, is forwarded to the monthly meeting by our representatives.

The Committee made the following report on the subject of Schools: information directed to the monthly meeting: Viz. "We have attended to our appointment on the subject of Schools, and find there are 39 Children, from 5 to 16 years of age, belonging to this meeting; Seventeen of which are going to District Schools, or Schools of a similar description; one to Friends' Boarding School and twenty-one to no School. No family Schools, nor Schools under the care of Friends."

Joseph Bowerman and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 9<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Mo. 1843.**

One of our Representatives to last monthly meeting attended; & have produced a receipt from monthly meeting's Treasurer for moneys forwarded from this meeting as called for.

The committee to raise money and pay for making fires, &c. report the service performed.

The time for which Elijah W. Bostwick was appointed Librarian being expired, he is reappointed for one year.

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being nearly expired, Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin & Wing Rogers are appointed to propose the name of friend for that service, to our next meeting.

Richard Dale and Gervas Cornell are appointed to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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## **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 9<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month, 1843.**

The Clerk being absent, Peter Taylor is appointed for the day.

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The committee appointed to propose the name of a friend to serve this meeting as Clerk, have brought forward the name of J. H. Rogers, which being united with he is accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

A receipt has been produced in this meeting for one pound & eleven shillings, being our proportion of money for enclosing the monthly meeting's ground at New Market.

Came to this meeting by way of the Overseers, a Complaint against John W. Rogers, which is directed to the monthly meeting, and is as follows; viz. "John W. Rogers has transgressed the good order of our religious society in accomplishing his marriage with a person not a member thereof; and has also united himself to another society, called the "Cumberland Presbyterians".

James Richardson & Peter Taylor are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 6<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1843.**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being nearly expired, Joseph Valentine & Joseph Bowerman are appointed to settle with him, & to bring forward the name of a Friend for that service the ensuing year to our next meeting.

Josep[h] Bowerman & Gervas Cornell are appointed to consider the subject of enclosing the ground belonging to Friends at this place, and report their

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judgement next meeting.

William Wright & Robert Richardson are appointed to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month, 1843.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Queries, with the Advices, were read in this meeting, and Answers to five of them, which are directed to the Monthly meeting, & are as follows:

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>. - Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship & Discipline; yet some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week; the hour for the most part nearly observed; clear of sleeping & of all other unbecoming behaviour in them, as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup>. - Love & unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes bretheren as far as appears; if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them and friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing & detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Most Friends are careful to keep themselves their own & other Friends children under their care, in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and some do endeavour by example & precept, to train them up in a religious life & conversation consistent with our Christian

profession; We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends' families, and some do extend a due care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

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Ans 4<sup>th</sup> - Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal; and are clear of frequenting taverns & of attending places of diversion, as far as appears.

9<sup>th</sup> - Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness, & agreeably to our discipline.

The Friends appointed to settle with the Treasurer &c. report, they find in his hands a balance of 12/8 C<sup>y</sup> and they propose Thomas Reqzin for that service, with which the meeting unites, & he is reappointed Treasurer for one year.

The Committee appointed last mo. to consider the subject of enclosing the ground belonging to Friends, are Continued to have it enclosed and to open Subscriptions to defray the expense thereof, & report next meeting.

James Richardson & Richard Dale are appointed to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our representatives.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 8<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month, 1843.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Committee appointed to enclose the ground belonging to Friends, &c. report some attention; They are continued to report next month.

Peter Taylor & Elijah W. Bostwick are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 6<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo. 1843.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The committee appointed to enclose the ground belonging to Friends at this place, report some progress; they are continued to report next month.

Noodiah Woodruff and Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 10<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1843.**

The Representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Queries, with the Advices, were read in this meeting & answers to the usual five, which are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follow.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> - Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship & Discipline, altho' some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week; some care taken, - the

hour for the most part, nearly observed; not clear of sleeping in meetings; - care taken, - no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Love & unity are maintained amongst Friends as becomes brethren, if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them, and friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing & detraction, - as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other Friends' children under their care in plainness of speech, behaviour & apparel; and some do endeavour, by example & precept, to train them up in a religious life & conversation consistent with our Christian profession; - We believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in Friends families; and some do extend a Care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appear; - none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> - Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness, & agreeably to our Discipline."

The Committee appointed to enclose the ground belonging to friends at this place not being ready to report are continued to report next meeting.

John A. Haight and Joseph Bowerman are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 7<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo. 1843.**

Our representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The committee appointed to enclose the ground belonging to Friends at this place not being ready to report, are continued to report next month.

William Wright & Richard Dale are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 5<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month, 1843.**

One of the Representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended; and has produced a number of Epistles, memorials, &c.; likewise an Extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting directing its preparatives to raise their proportions of \$800, for the use of the Yearly Meeting, & to the observance of the Extracts from the yearly meeting, on the subject of Schools as formerly expressed: Agreeably to the above, the meeting appoints, Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin and Peter Taylor to open subscriptions & raise our proportion of \$800 for the yearly meeting; and also to attend to the subjects of Schools; and report in 12<sup>th</sup> month next.

The Queries, with the Advices, were read in this meeting, & answers to the usual five, which are directed to the monthly meeting, and are as follow:

1<sup>st</sup> Answer. - Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & Discipline, altho some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week; the hour for



the most part, nearly observed; not quite clear of sleeping in meetings; no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup>. - Love & unity are maintained amongst Friends as becomes brethren; if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them, and Friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction; - as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other Friends' Children under their Care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour, by

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example & precept, to train them up in a religious life & conversation consistent with our Christian profession; We believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in Friends' families; and some do extend due care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - Friends do avoid the use of Distilled Spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears: none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> - Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness, & agreeably to our Discipline.

No report from the Committee appointed to enclose the ground belonging to this meeting: - they are continued to report next month.

This meeting raised 5/ for the use of the poor, which the representatives are directed to pay to monthly meeting's Treasurer.

The subject of holding a monthly meeting at this place claiming the attention of the meeting, after a time of consideration Friends are united in requesting that this Preparative meeting be set off as a monthly meeting, to be held at Pickering, & having the unity of women friends herein.

Elijah W. Bostwick and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 9<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month, 1843.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Committee appointed to enclose the ground belonging to Friends of this meeting not being ready to report -continued to report next month.

The time for which E. W. Bostwick was appointed to keep fires & take care of the meeting House being nearly expired, the meeting appoints Peter Taylor & Ambrose Boone to raise £2..10, - and pay him and also to agree with some person for that service the ensuing year.

A. Boone & J. A. Haight are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 7<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1843.**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended.

The committee appointed to enclose the ground belonging to Friends of this meeting, and also to raise money & defray the expense thereof, not being ready to report are continued to report next meeting.

The committee appointed to raise money & pay Elijah W. Bostwick for taking care of the meeting House & keeping fires; and also to agree with some friend for that service the ensuing year, report they have agreed with Elijah W. Bostwick for the sum of £2..10.; with which the meeting unites, and he is accordingly appointed to that service for one year; but not having the money raised they are continued to report next month.

The committee to raise our proportion of money for the yearly meeting, & to attend to the subject of Schools, not being ready to report are continued to report next month.

A Complaint against Nathanael Ray, and also one against Edward Ray, was produced to the meeting by the Overseers; which are directed to be forwarded to the Monthly meeting, & are as follow: Viz:

“Nathanael Ray has, for a length of time, wholly declined the attendance of our Religious meetings; and has also departed from plainness, in dress & address.”

Edward Ray has, for a length of time, wholly declined the attendance of our Religious meetings; and has also departed from plainness, in dress & address.”

Peter Taylor & Gervas Cornell are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time in next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative meeting, held 11<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month, 1844.**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended.

The Queries, with the Advices, were read in this meeting, and answers to them which are directed to the monthly meeting, as follow:

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Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>. “Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & discipline, yet some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week; care taken - the hour for the most part, nearly observed; clear of sleeping & of all other unbecoming behaviour in meetings, as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Love & unity are maintained amongst Friends as becomes brethren; if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them; & Friends do avoid & discourage tale-bearing & detraction; as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. - “Friends are mostly careful to keep themselves their own, & other Friends’ children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour, & apparel; and some do endeavour by example & precept, to train them up in a religious life and conversation, consistent with our Christian profession: We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends’ families; & some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

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5<sup>th</sup> - "We know of no poor amongst us who appear likely to require assistance; we believe Friends children & those under their care are mostly instructed in school learning to fit them for business.

6<sup>th</sup> - "We know of no Friends who keep company with persons not of our society on account of marriage; nor any who connive at their Children's keeping company with such; nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us, or marriages accomplished by a priest.

7<sup>th</sup> - "Friends are clear of bearing arms, of complying with military requisitions, & of paying any fine or tax, in lieu thereof, as far as appears.

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8<sup>th</sup> - "We know of no Friends who are deficient in performing their promises, or paying their just debts; nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession.

9<sup>th</sup> - "Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness & agreeably to our discipline."

The friends appointed to raise money & defray the expense of enclosing the ground belonging to Friends, not being ready to report, are continued to report next month.

The committee to raise £2..10, & pay for taking care of the meeting house the past year, continued to report next mo.

The committee to raise our proportion of eight hundred dollars for the yearly meeting's use, inform the money raised; which, together with 6/- for the use of the poor, our representatives are directed to pay to the monthly meeting's Treasurer.

The Complaints directed by our last meeting to the monthly meeting, not having been presented there, they are directed to be forwarded by our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

The committee on that subject make the following report on the subject of schools, which is forwarded to the monthly meeting: Viz. "There are belonging to this Preparative meeting, 32 children from 5 to 16 years of age: 19 of whom are going to District Schools, one to Friends' Boarding School, and the others are not attending any School at present."

John A. Haight & James Richardson are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Month, 1844.**

The Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed Clerk for the day.

One of the Representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended and paid the money directed by last meeting to the Treasurer of the monthly meeting.

The friends to raise money and defray the expense of enclosing the ground belonging to this meeting not being ready to report are continued.

The money to pay for making fires and taking care of the Meeting House the

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past year is raised as directed.

Wing Rogers and Ambrose Boone are appointed to attend the ensuing monthly meeting, as representatives

This meeting adjourns to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 7<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> Month, 1844.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The time for which the clerk was appointed being expired, Jonathan H. Rogers is reappointed clerk for one year.

The friends to raise money to defray the expense of enclosing the ground belonging to this meeting not being ready to report are continued.

James Richardson and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 11<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Month, 1844.**

One of our representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended.

The friends appointed to raise money to defray the expense of enclosing the ground belonging to this meeting not being ready to report are continued.

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being nearly expired, Robert Richardson and Gervas Cornell are appointed to settle with him, and to bring forward the name of a friend for that service the ensuing year to our next meeting.

The time for which the Librarian was appointed being expired, Elijah W. Bostwick is reappointed to that service for one year.

Jonathan H. Rogers and Joseph Bowerman are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.,

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 9<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1844.**

The Queries, with the Advices were read in this meeting, and answers to five of them which are directed to the monthly meeting, as follows.

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Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> - Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and Discipline, tho' some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week; - the hour for the most part, nearly observed; - clear of sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour in meetings, as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup>. - Love and unity are maintained amongst Friends as becomes brethren; if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them; and Friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction; as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Most Friends are careful to keep themselves their own, and other Friends' children under their care in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour by example and precept, to train them up in a religious life and conversation, consistent with our Christian

profession; - we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in Friends' families; and some do extend a care in these respects, towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - Friends do avoid the use of Distilled Spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, and are clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of diversion; as far as appears.

9<sup>th</sup> - Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline."

The committee to settle with the Treasurer not ready to report and continued.

Thomas Reazin and Robert Richardson are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

The meeting has raised and forwarded by the representatives, to the Treasurer of the monthly meeting, five shillings for the use of the poor.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 6<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month, 1844.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

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No report from the Committee for raising money to defray the expense of enclosing Friends' ground: they are continued.

The Committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer &c. report they have done so, and found in his hands a balance of 15/8; and they propose Thomas Reazin for that service the ensuing year, with which the meeting unites, and he is accordingly re-appointed Treasurer for one year.

Noodiah Woodruff and Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative meeting, held 11<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Month, 1844.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Committee to raise money and defray the expense of enclosing Friends' ground, not being ready to report, continued to report next meeting.

A Complaint was produced by the Overseers, and read in this meeting, against Thomas S. Harris, which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting - and is as follows.

"Thomas S. Harris has married a woman not a member of the Society of Friends, by the assistance of a priest."

Gervas Cornell and James Richardson are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting -

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 8<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month, 1844.**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers to five of them, which are directed to the monthly meeting as follows

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Ans 1<sup>st</sup>. "Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline; though Some are deficient therein, especially in the middle of the week; the hour for the most part nearly observed; not quite clear of sleeping; no other unbecoming behaviour in meetings to remark; - some care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup> - "Love and unity are maintained as becomes brethren; if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them; and Friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>d</sup> - "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: We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends' families; and they do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

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9<sup>th</sup> "Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline."

This meeting forwards by the representatives 4/4 ½ to the monthly meeting's Treasurer for the use of the Poor.

John A. Haight and Richard Dale are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 5<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1844.**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended.

Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin & Noodiah Woodruff are app<sup>t</sup>. representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time in next month.

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 10<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1844**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

One of them produced an Extract from the Minutes of the monthly Meeting directing its preparative meetings to raise their respective proportions of \$500, for the yearly meetings' use, and pay it to the monthly meeting's Treasurer.

Peter Taylor and Elijah W. Bostwick were appointed to raise this meeting's proportion of said money, and report in 12<sup>th</sup> month next.

The Queries, with the Advices, were read in this meeting, and answers to the usual five; and directed to the monthly meeting: as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Ans. - "Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, altho' some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week; the hour for

the most part nearly observed; clear of sleeping, and of all other unbecoming behaviour in meetings, as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup> - :”Love & unity are maintained amongst Friends as becomes brethren; if differences arise Care is taken speedily to end them; and Friends do avoid & discourage tale-bearing and detraction; as far as appears.

3<sup>d</sup> - “Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other Friends’ children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour by example & precept, to train them up in a religious life & conversation consistent with our Christian profession: We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends’ families; and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - “Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal; and are clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of diversion, as far as appears.

9<sup>th</sup> - “Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our discipline.”

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Elijah W. Bostwick & Jonathan H. Rogers were app<sup>td</sup>, to repair the fence, and procure a gate for the burial ground belonging to this meeting, and produce a bill of the expense to our next meeting.

The committee to raise money & defray the expense of enclosing our ground, not being ready to report are continued to report next meeting.

The meeting raised 3/9 for the use of the Poor, and directed it to be paid by the representatives to the monthly meeting’s Treasurer.

Gervas Gornell & Jonathan H. Rogers were appointed representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering Preparative meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1844.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The friends appointed to repair the fence inclosing the burial ground &c. not ready to report; are continued to report next month.

The committee to raise money & defray the expense of inclosing the ground belonging to Friends, at this place, not ready to report, are continued to report next meeting.

The time being nearly expired for which Elijah W. Bostwick was appointed to take charge of the meeting House & fires, Robert Richardson & Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin are appointed to raise £2.10. and pay him; and also to agree with some Friend for that service the ensueing year, and report next meeting.

William Wright and Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 5<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1844.**

One of the representatives to last monthly Meeting reports they attended.

The Friends appointed to furnish a gate for our Burial ground & repair the fence not being ready to report are continued to report next month.

The committee to collect money & defray the expense of enclosing the ground belonging to Friends of this place, not ready to report, continued to report next meeting.

The Committee appointed to raise money & pay Elijah W. Bostwick for taking charge of the meeting house & fires during the past year, and also to agree with some friend for that service the ensuing year, report - they have agreed with Elijah W Bostwick for the sum of £2.10.0; with which the meeting unites, & he is reappointed to that service for one year: - but, not having the money all raised, they are continued to report next meeting.

Richard Dale and Peter Taylor are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time in next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 9<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month, 1845.**

The Representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers to them which are directed to the monthly meeting, as follow:

Ans 1<sup>st</sup> - "Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline; yet some are deficient therein, especially in the middle of the week; Some care taken - the hour, for the most part nearly observed; - clear of sleeping, and of all other unbecoming behaviour in meetings, as far as appears.

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speedily to end them and Friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction; as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> - "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; We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends' families; and that they do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - "Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears; - none to charge with frequenting taverns; or attending places of diversion.

5<sup>th</sup> - "We know of none amongst us who appear likely to require assistance: - We believe Friends' children, and those under our care are mostly in a way to get school-learning to fit them for business.

6<sup>th</sup> - "We know of none amongst us who keep company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage, except one instance of a Friend keeping company with and marrying a person not a member with us, which is under care; - We know of no parents who connive at



their children's keeping company with such; nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us, or marriages accomplished by a priest.

7<sup>th</sup> - "Friends are clear of bearing arms, of complying with military requisitions, and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof, as far as appears

8<sup>th</sup> - "We believe Friends are careful to perform their promises and pay their just debts: - We know of none who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession

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9<sup>th</sup> - "Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our discipline."

The Committee to repair the fence and furnish a gate to our burial ground &c. not ready to report, is continued, to report in 5<sup>th</sup> mo.

The Committee to raise money & defray the expense of enclosing the ground belonging to Friends at this place, report the money raised, wanting eight shillings and Six pence; for which amount they are directed to call on the Treasurer.

The friends appointed to collect our proportion of \$500 for the yearly meetings use, report the money raised: it is directed to be paid by our representatives to the Treasurer of the monthly meeting; and they to produce his receipt to our next meeting.

The meeting also forwards by the representatives five Shillings for the use of the poor.

The Committee to raise money & pay E. W. Bostwick for keeping the meeting House and fires for the past year, &c. report the service performed.

Several Books and pamphlets were received from the Yearly Meeting, together with a number of London Epistles, and an extract from the minutes of our own Yearly meeting, which was read, and the epistles directed to be distributed: - The Librarian is directed to take charge of the Books and pamphlets and mark them.

Gervas Cornell & Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin are appointed Representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 6<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Month, 1845.**

The Representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended and paid the money as directed; but not producing a receipt from the Treasurer of the monthly meeting, they are requested to produce one to our next meeting -

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The Treasurer informs the meeting he has paid eight Shillings & Six pence to the friends appointed to raise money and defray the expense of enclosing the ground belonging to Friends at this place, and the Committee now report the appointment answered.

Jonathan H. Rogers and Peter Taylor are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 6<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> Month, 1845.**

The time for which the clerk was appointed being expired, he is continued to serve for the day.

Thomas Reazin & Gervas Cornell are appointed to bring forward, to our next meeting the name of Friend to serve as clerk for the ensuing year.

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The receipt called for by last meeting from the Treasurer of the monthly meeting for money paid him, was produced and read in this meeting.

Wing Rogers and Elijah W. Bostwick are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet at the usual time next month.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 10<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Month, 1845.**

The Friends appointed to bring forward the name of friend for clerk, propose Jonathan H. Rogers, with which the meeting unites, & he is reappointed Clerk for one year.

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended.

The time for which the Librarian was appointed being expired, Elijah W. Bostwick is reappointed to that service for one year.

Ambrose Boone, Richard Dale and Jonathan H. Rogers are appointed to examine our Library; & collect subscriptions for purchasing an additional supply of books, and report to our next meeting.

Gervas Cornel & James Richardson are appt<sup>ed</sup> representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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**Pickering Preparative meeting, held 8<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1845.**

The Queries were read in this meeting, with answers to five of them which are directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans - " Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & Discipline, yet some are deficient therein; some care taken; - the hour for the most part, nearly observed; clear of sleeping, and of all other unbecoming behaviour in meetings as far as appears

2<sup>nd</sup> - "We believe love and unity are maintained amongst Friends as becomes brethren; if differences arise, care is taken speedily to end them; and Friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing & Detraction, as far as appears.

3<sup>d</sup> - "Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, & other Friends' Children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour, and apparel; and endeavour by example & precept, to train them up in a religious life & conversation consistent with our Christian Profession; we believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends families; & that they do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - " Friends do avoid the use of Distilled Spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears; none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> - "Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline."

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended.

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The meeting forwards by the representatives 5/7 ½ for the use of the Poor, to the Treasurer of the monthly meeting.

The Committee for repairing the fence & furnishing a gate to Friends Burial ground not being ready to make a full report are continued to report next meeting.

The Friends for collecting subscriptions to purchase books for Friends' Library, report they have collected about Sixteen shillings; which they are directed to pay for books.

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed having nearly expired, Peter Taylor & Richard Dale are appointed to examine the account; and to propose the name of a friend for that service the ensuing year; to report next Mo.

Noodiah Woodruff & Thomas Reazin are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 5<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month, 1845.**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The Committee for repairing the fence & furnishing a gate for Friends' Burial Ground, &c. report the appointment answered; and have produced a Bill of the expense, for the balance of which they are directed to call on the Treasurer.

One of the Committee to Settle with the Treasurer, &c. reports. There is a balance remaining in the Treasury of 8/5: and proposed Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin for that service for the ensuing year, and the meeting uniting with the proposal, Thomas Reazin was accordingly reappointed Treasurer for one year.

The Committee for purchasing Books report they have had no opportunity of sending for them. they are directed to pay the money into the Treasury.

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Peter Taylor and William Wright are appointed representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time in next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 10<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1845.**

One of the Representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended.

A Complaint was produced by the Overseers, and read in this meeting against Joseph Valentine, which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting, and is as follows, Viz. "Joseph Valentine has so far deviated from our order as to marry a person not a member of our religious Society, by the assistance of a priest."

Also a Complaint against David Rogers, which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting, and is as follows, Viz. "David Rogers has so far deviated fro our Order as to marry a

person not a member of our Religious Society; having accomplished his marriage in a meeting of the Separatists.”

Friends of this meeting, after a time of consideration, appear united in requesting that this Preparative be set off as a monthly meeting; having the unity of Women Friends herein: information directed to the Monthly Meeting.

Ambrose Boone & Wing Rogers are appointed Representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month, 1845.**

The Representatives to last monthly meeting report the[y] attended.

The Queries, with the Advices, were read in this meeting, and Answers to five of them, which are directed to the monthly meeting, as follows.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans. “All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended, although some are deficient

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therein, especially in those held in the middle of the week; the hour not so nearly observed as could be wished; Several instances of sleeping; - Some care taken no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> “Love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, as far as appears; we know of not differences and Friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction, as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> “Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other Friends’ Children under their Care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; altho’ some are deficient therein; and some do endeavour, by Example and precept, to train them up in a religious life and conversation Consistent with our Christian profession: We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends’ families, altho’ not so often collectively as could be desired; and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> “We believe Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, with the exception of one instance; and some care taken; clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion, as far as appears.

9 “Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to our Discipline.”:

The meeting forwards by the representatives to the Treasurer of the monthly meeting five Shillings for the use of the Poor.

Noodiah Woodruff and Elijah W. Bostwick are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 11<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Month, 1845.**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended; he also produced an Extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting, directing the Preparatives to raise their respective proportions of £3-10 for the monthly meeting.

Wing Rogers and Elijah W. Bostwick are appointed to raise and forward the money by our Representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting; who are directed to pay it to the Treasurer of the monthly meeting and produce his receipt to our next meeting.

Peter Taylor and E. W. Bostwick are appointed to repair the meeting House, and bring in a Bill of the expense to our next meeting.

A Proposal of Marriage was produced in this meeting, Signed, Asa Moore & Catharine Haight, which is directed to the monthly meeting.

Peter Taylor and Jonathan H. Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

The meeting concludes

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 2<sup>nd</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Month, 1845.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended, and have produced a number of pamphlets & epistles together with an extract from the minutes of ??? monthly meeting, as follows, Viz. "Yonge Street monthly meetg. held at Yonge Street 18th of 9th month 1845. By the extracts from the minutes of the Half years meeting, the Subordinate meetings were directed to raise their proportions of 700 dollars for the yearly meeting's use, this meeting directs its preparatives to raise their respective quotas of said sum, & pay it to the Treasurer and report.

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New York Yearly meeting, and Epistles from the London Yearly meeting, are also directed to the observance of the Subordinate meetings; also a number of pamphlets, and a minute from the Yearly meeting directing the following alteration to be made in the Book of Discipline on the subject of appeals: "And Appeals made to the yearly meeting, should be presented on the first or second day of the sitting of that Body; of which the Appellant should be informed."

The Queries, with the Advices, were read in this Meeting, with answers to the usual five, which are directed to the ensuing monthly meeting, as follows Viz:

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> - "All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended, altho' some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week; the hour, for the most part nearly observed; not quite clear of sleeping; no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> - "Love and unity are maintained amongst Friends as becomes brethren, as far as appears; we know of no differences amongst us; and tale-bearing & detraction appear to be mostly avoided & discouraged.

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read in Friends' families, altho' not so often collectively as would be desirable; and some do extend a Care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

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as appears; none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> - "Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness and measureably agreeably to our Discipline."

Thomas Reazin and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed to raise our proportion of 700 dollars for the yearly meeting's use, and report in 12<sup>th</sup> month next.

Peter Taylor and William Wright are appointed to make the alteration in the Book of Discipline, as directed by the yearly meeting.

The Pamphlets, & Epistles, forwarded from the monthly meeting, are directed to be distributed among our members.

The Committee for repairing the meeting House not being ready to report are continued to report to our next meeting.

Ambrose Boone and William Wright are appointed representatives to attend the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Month, 1845.**

The Representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Friends appointed to make the alteration in the Book of Discipline, not being ready to report are continued to report to our next meeting.

No report from the Committee for repairing the Meeting House: They are continued to report next meeting.

The time for which Elijah W. Bostwick was appointed to take charge of the meeting House having nearly expired, Robert Richardson and Ambrose Boone are appointed to [raise] Two pounds & ten Shillings and pay him; and also to agree with some Friend for that service for the ensuing year; and report to our next meeting.

Robert Betts & Noodiah Woodruff are appointed Representatives for the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 4<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Month, 1845.**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports

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The committee to make the alterations in the Books of Discipline, report the appointment answered

The committee for repairing the meeting house not being ready to report, is continued to report to next meeting.

The friends appointed to collect £2-10, and pat to Elijah W. Bostwick for taking care of the meeting House, & keeping fires for the last year, and also to agree with a friend for that service the ensuing year, report, they have agreed with Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin, for the sum of £2-10, with which the meeting unites, and he is accordingly appointed to that service for one year. But not having the money all raised, the Committee is continued to report next meeting.

The committee to raise our proportion of money for the Yearly meeting's use, not being ready to report is continued to report to next meeting.

Wing Rogers and Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 1<sup>st</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Mo. 1846.**

The Representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Queries with the Advices were read in this meeting, and answers to the usual Nine, which are directed to the monthly meeting as follow.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> " Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline, although some are deficient therein; the hour, for the most part, nearly observed; clear of sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour therein, as far as appears

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Ans 2<sup>nd</sup> " We believe love and unity are mostly maintained as becomes brethren; we know of no differences amongst us; and we believe tale-bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged.

3<sup>d</sup>. "Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other Friends' children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; and some do endeavour, by example and precept, to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession; we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in Friends' families; and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

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5<sup>th</sup>. "We know of no poor amon[g]st us who appear likely to require assistance; and we believe most children under our care are instructed in School-learning to fit them for business.

6<sup>th</sup>. "We know of none who keep company with persons not of our Society on account of marriages; we know of no parents who connive at their childrens' keeping company with such nor of any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by a Priest.

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8<sup>th</sup>. "We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises, or paying their just debts, or any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession, excepting one instance of a friend not performing his just debts timely, and also extending his business beyond his ability to manage as becomes our religious profession: & Those who give occasion for fear on those accounts are ~~timely~~ laboured with for their preservation and recovery.

9<sup>th</sup>. "Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline."

An Extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting was read directing its Preparatives to raise their proportions of One pound four Shillings and ten pence for the use of the monthly meeting.

Richard Dale and Elijah W. Bostwick are appointed to raise our proportion of Said Sum, and report next meeting.

The committee for repairing the meeting house is continued.

The committee to raise money and pay E. W. Bostwick for taking care of the meeting House, &c. report the appointment answered.

The committee to raise our proportion of money for the Yearly Meeting's use, report the money raised: they are directed to pay it to the Treasurer of the monthly meeting.

James Richardson and George Hughes are appointed representatives to the

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ensueing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes.

### **Pickering Preparative meeting, held 22<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Mo. 1846.**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The Friends appointed to raise our proportion of money for the use of the monthly meeting, not being ready to report, are continued to report next meeting.

The committee for repairing the meeting House is continued another month.

Peter Taylor and Jonathan H. Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting.

This meeting Concludes.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 26<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Mo. 1846.**

The Clerk being absent Peter Taylor was appointed for the day.

One of the Representatives to last Monthly Meeting reports they attended.

One of the Committee to collect money for the use of the monthly meeting inform, not ready to report the Committee is Continued.

The Committee for repairing the meeting House are released from the appointment.

This meeting appoints Peter Taylor, Richard Dale, Ambrose Boone, Robert Richardson, Gervas Cornell and James Richardson to make out a quota of what proportion of money friends of this



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Preparative meeting ought respectively to pay on moneys to be collected by the meeting, and report to next meeting.

Robert Betts and Wing Rogers are appointed Representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time in next month.

### Pickering Preparative meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Month, 1846.

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The committee to collect money for the monthly meeting report the appointment answered.

The Committee appointed to apportion an individual quota on the members of this meeting made the following Report: Viz. "We your Committee appointed to apportion an individual payment on all moneys to be raised by this meeting, submit the following Quota for your consideration;

	Perct		per cent.
John A. Haight	10 percent.	Wing Rogers } Henry Betts } 5,	X2 = 10.
W <sup>m</sup> Wright Robt. Richardson	9 } = 17 8 }	E W. Bostwick;} J. H. Rogers, } 4. Rich <sup>d</sup> . Dale, } [note appears one name missing]	X 3 = 12
A. Boone, G. Cornel } Ja <sup>s</sup> . Richardson,} Robt. Betts, P. Taylor} Nooidiah Woodruff } Thomas Reazin }	6 X 7 = 42. perct each,	John Robinson }  Geo. Hughes } 3, Tho <sup>s</sup> . Redman }	X3 =9
			Total 100.

The meeting uniting with the Report, it is adopted accordingly for one year.

The time for which the Clerk was appointed having nearly expired, Gervas Cornel and Ambrose Boone are appointed to propose the name of a friend for that service the ensuing year, to our next meeting.

Richard Dale and Ambrose Boone are appointed to raise One pound and three pence, and pay E. W. Bostwick, expenses incurred by him in making some repairs on Friends' ground,

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and report to our next meeting.

Peter Taylor and Robert Richardson are appointed to propose and present to our next meeting, a plan of a Small Addition to this house, with an estimate of the cost of erecting it.

Noodiah Woodruff and John Robinson are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1846.**

The committee to propose the name of a Friend for clerk, propose Jonathan H. Rogers with which the meeting unites, and he is accordingly reappointed clerk for one year.

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Queries with the Advices, were read in this meeting, with answer to five of them which are directed to the monthly meeting, as follows:

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> "All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended, altho' some are deficient therein, and some care taken - the hour, for the most part, nearly observed; clear of sleeping as far as appears; no other unbecoming behaviour to remark:

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9<sup>th</sup> " Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline

The committee to raise money for E. W. Bostwick is continued.

The committee appointed to produce a plan &c. is continued to report next meeting.

The time for which the Librarian was appointed having expired, Elijah W. Bostwick is reappointed Librarian for one year.

Ambrose Boone and Elijah W. Bostwick are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

The meeting concludes.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 4<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month, 1846.**

The Representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Committee to raise money for Elijah W. Bostwick report the appointment answered.

The committee to produce a plan of an addition to the meeting house continued to report in ninth month next.

James Richardson and Thomas Reazin are appointed to raise our proportion of £1..2..6, as directed by the monthly meeting.

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed having expired, the meeting discontinues the office of Treasurer.

Robert Betts and Jonathan H. Rogers are appointed Representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes

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### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 2<sup>nd</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo. 1846**

The Representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Friends appointed to raise our proportion of money for the monthly meeting are continued to report to next meeting.

Noodiah Woodruff and Gervas Cornell are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes.

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo. 1846.**

One of the Representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended.

The Queries, with the Advices, were read in this meeting, and answers to the usual five which are directed to the monthly meeting; as follows.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> " Friends are mostly careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline; altho some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week, and some care taken; the hour not always so nearly observed as would be desirable; several instances of sleeping, some care taken; no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> "Love and unity are mostly maintained as becomes brethren; we know of no differences amongst us; and Friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> "Some Friends are careful to keep themselves their own, and other Friends Children under their care in plainness of speech, behaviour, and apparel, but there is much deficiency with others in this respect; and some do endeavour by example and precept, to train them up in a religious life and Conversation consistent with our Christian profession; But it is feared that the Scriptures of Truth are not so frequently read in Friends' families as would be desirable; and that Sufficient care is not extended towards others under their tuition.

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4<sup>th</sup> "Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears; none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> "Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders; in the spirit of meekness, and measurably agreeably to our discipline."

The Friends appointed to raise our proportion of money for the monthly meeting report the service performed.

Thomas Raszin and Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting adjourns to meet one week earlier than the usual time for our next meeting.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held, agreeably to the adjournment of last meeting 27<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month, 1846.**

The Representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Committee to produce a Plan &c. to report to our next meeting.

James Richardson and William Wright are appointed Representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time for our next meeting.

**Pickering Preparative meeting held 1<sup>st</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month, 1846.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended; and have produced a number of copies of the London Yearly meetings' Epistle, and also several copies of the "Minutes of New York Yearly meeting: "the Epistles are directed to be distributed and the minutes to be placed in the Library.

The Queries with the Advices were read, and answers to the usual five, which are directed to the monthly meeting as follows.

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup> "Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline, although some are deficient therein, especially on the middle of the week, some care taken - the hour not so nearly observed as could be wished;

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not clear from sleeping, and some care taken; - no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> - "Love & unity are mostly maintained as becomes brethren; If differences arise, care is taken speedily to end them; and Friends do avoid tale-bearing and detraction, as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> - "Most Friends are careful to keep themselves their own, and other Friends' children under their Care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, although some are deficient therein, Some care taken - and some Friends do endeavour, by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession. We hope that the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends' families; and that some Care is extended towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup> - "Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous Liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears; none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion

9<sup>th</sup> - "Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders, measurably in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline."

The Committee for producing a Plan of an addition to the meeting House, with an estimate of the Cost of erecting the proposed Addition, report, they have nothing further to lay before the meeting; The subject is dismissed from the minutes for the present.

James Richardson and Peter Taylor are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet as usual.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 29<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo. 1846.**

One of the Representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

An Extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting

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was laid before this meeting, as follows, Viz:

“Pickering monthly meeting held 10th of 9th month, 1846

It appears by the Extracts from the minutes of the Half Yearly meeting that the Subordinate meetings are directed to raise their proportions of \$800 for the yearly meeting’s use; and also the Sum of £41..13..4 to assist in building a meeting house at Tecumseth: This meeting directs its Preparatives to raise their proportions of said Sum, pay them to this meeting’s Treasurer, and report in 12<sup>th</sup> month next;” And another Extract directing the Preparatives to raise their Proportions of Ten Dollars for the use of the monthly meeting: James Richardson, Thomas Raisen and George Hughes are appointed to raise our proportion of said sums and report next month.

The time for which Thomas Reazin was appointed to take charge of the meeting house, having nearly expired, Ambrose Boone and Jonathan H. Rogers are appointed to raise the sum of £2.10. and pay him; and also to agree with some friend for that service for the ensuing year; and report in 12<sup>th</sup> month.

George Hughes and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet as usual.

**Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 3<sup>d</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Month, 1846.**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

A complaint was brought before the meeting by the Overseers, as Ephraim White, as follows: Viz. “Ephraim White has, for a length of time, almost entirely neglected the attendance of our religious meetings: he has also departed from plainness in Dress and Address.” It is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting.

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The committee to raise our proportion of the moneys ordered by the monthly meeting, not being ready to report are continued another month.

The Committee to rise £2.10 and pay Thomas Reaziun, and to agree with some friend to take charge of the meeting House for the ensuing year, not ready to report, is continued to report to next meeting.

Ambrose Boone and Robert Richardson are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet again at the usual time

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting, held 31<sup>st</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> Month, 1847 [sic] [1846?]**

The clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day.

One of the representatives to attend the monthly meeting reports they attended.

The Queries were read in this meeting, with the Answers; which are directed to the monthly meeting: the Advises were read also: - The Answers are as follows: Viz:

1<sup>st</sup> Ans.<sup>r</sup> "Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, altho many are deficient therein - some care taken - the hour not so nearly observed as could be desired not clear of sleeping, and some care taken; no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup>. "Love and unity are mostly maintained as becomes brethren: when differences arise care is taken to end them, and friends do avoid talebearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. "Most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other Friends' children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, altho' some are very deficient therein - in which some care has been taken - and some do endeavour, by Example and

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and precept, to train them up in a religious life and Conversation, Consistent with our Christian profession: We believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in most Friends' families; and some do extend a care in these respects, towards others under their tuition.

4<sup>th</sup>. "Friends do avoid the use of Distilled Spirituous Liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, as far as appears; none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

5<sup>th</sup>. "There are no poor amongst us who appear likely to require assistance; we believe most Friends' children, and those under our care, are instructed in School-learning to fit them for business.

6<sup>th</sup>. "We know of none who keep company with persons not of our society on account of marriage: We know of no parents who connive at their childrens keeping company with such; nor any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us, or marriages accomplished by a priest.

7<sup>th</sup>. "Friends are clear of bearing arms, of complying with military requisitions, and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof, as far as appears.

8<sup>th</sup>. "We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts; nor any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession, except one instance, and some care taken; and those who give occasions for fear on those accounts, are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery.

9<sup>th</sup>. "Care is mostly taken seasonable to deal with offenders, in the spirit of meekness, and measureably agreeably to our Discipline."

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The committee to raise the money called for by the monthly meeting report the appointment answered, they are directed to pay it to the Treasurer of the monthly meeting.

The committee to raise £2..10. and pay Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin &c. inform the money is not quite collected, and not having agreed with a person to take charge of the meeting house and the making of fires for the ensuing year, they are continued another month.

James Richardson and Elijah W. Bostwick are appointed to provide whatever pipe may be needed for the meeting House stoves, and report.

Way Rogers and Gervas Cornel are appointed representatives to attend the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time in next month.

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> mo. 4<sup>th</sup> 1847.**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

No report from the committee appointed to raise £2..10, for Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin, and to agree with some friend to take charge of the meeting House and the making of fires for the ensuing year. The committee is continued another month.

The Friends appointed to provide Stove Pipe, report the appointment answered: They are continued another month to provide a ladder for the meeting house.

Elijah W. Bostwick and David T. Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet again at the usual time.

#### **Pickering Preparative meeting, held 4<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> Month, 1847.**

The Representatives to the last monthly meeting report they attended

An Extract was produced from the minutes of the monthly meeting directing its Preparatives to raise £3.15. Cr for its use.

Gervas Cornel, George Hughes and Ambrose Boone are appointed to raise our proportion of the above, forward it to the treasurer of the monthly meeting, and report to next meeting.

The Committee to raise £2.10.0, and pay Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin for

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taking care of the meeting House and making fires, and also to agree with some friend for that service for the ensuing year, report, the money is raised and paid, and that they have agreed with Elijah W. Bostwick for that service for one year, commencing in the first month, for the Sum of £3.

The Friends to provide a ladder for the meeting House, not ready to report, are continued.

The time for which the scale of Individual Quotas on the members of this meeting was adopted having nearly expired, Gervas Cornel, George Hughes and Ambrose Boone are appointed to revise the same, and report their judgment to next meeting.

Wing Rogers and Rich<sup>d</sup>. Dale are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

This meeting concludes, to meet again at the usual time.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Mo 1847**

The representatives to the last Monthly Meeting report they attended.

The Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day.

The committee to collect money to pay into the hand of the treasurer as directed by the Monthly Meeting report the appointment is not yet answered they are continued

The friends appointed to provide a ladder for the meeting house report the appointment answered

The committee appointed to revise the quotas of this meeting have reported as follows that John A. Haight pay 10 percent, Robert Richardson 8, William Wright 9 ¼, Peter Taylor, Jarvis Cornell, Thomas Reazin, James Richardson, Robert Betts, Noodiah Woodruff, & Ambrose Boone pay 6 ¼, Wing Rogers & Henry Betts 5 - Elija Bostwic and Richard Dale 4, George Hughes, John Robinson & Thomas Redman 3 - & David Rogers 2 per cent of all moneys to be raised by this meeting which being united with is accordingly united with for one year.

The time for which the clerk was appointed being nearly expired

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Elija Bostwic, Robert Richardson & George Hughes are appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to serve in that station for the ensuing year and report to our next meeting.

James Richardson & Noodiah Woodruff are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Monthly Meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting the 27<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> Mo 1847**

The Clerk being absent Ambrose Boone is appointed for the day.

The friends appointed to bring in the name of a friend to serve as clerk have proposed James Richardson which is united with and he is accordingly appointed to that station for one year

The queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers to the usual five are directed to the monthly meeting and are as follows

1<sup>st</sup>. Ans<sup>r</sup>. Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline altho some are deficient therein, and some care taken the hour not so nearly observed as could be desired, not quite clear of sleeping and other unbecoming behaviour some care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans<sup>r</sup> Love and unity are mostly maintained as becoms brethren, if differences arise care is taken to end them and friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as appears

3<sup>d</sup>. Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession, we trust the scriptures are frequently read in friends families and that some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4. Ans<sup>r</sup> - Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, one instance of a friend frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion and some care taken



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9<sup>th</sup>. Ans<sup>r</sup> - Care is mostly taken, seasonable to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

The committee to collect the money called for by the monthly meeting reported that it is raised and paid to the treasurer as directed.

The representatives to our last Monthly meeting report they attended.

Was received by this meeting a circular from the Book committee of the meeting for sufferings. Wing Rogers & Thomas Reazin are appointed to take the necessary care as to its contents.

Ambrose Boone & George Hughes are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 6<sup>mo</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 1847**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly meeting report they attended,

The committee appointed to take the necessary care as to the contents of the Circular received from the Book Committee of the meeting for Sufferings not being ready to report they are continued,

Richard Dale & Wing Rogers are appointed Our representatives to the ensuing Monthly meeting,

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup>. 1847**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Committee appointed to take the necessary care as to the contents of the Circular received from the Book Committee of the meeting for Suffering's report they have made the necessary enquiry and find Friends are generally furnished with copies of the Holy Scriptures,

Noodiah Woodruff & George Hughes are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting,

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

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#### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 29<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>mo</sup> 1847**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended -

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and answers to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans<sup>r</sup> All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended, although some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week the hour not so nearly observed by many friends as could be desired not clear of Sleeping and Some care taken in the above deficiencies no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans<sup>r</sup> Love and unity are mostly maintained as becomes brethern if differences aris[e] care is taken speedily to end them tale bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears

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4 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears, none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion except one instance which is under care

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Thomas Reasin & Wing Robert Betts are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup>. of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1847**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

Wing Rogers & Peter Taylor are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting,

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 30<sup>th</sup>. of 9<sup>mo</sup> 1847**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended.

The Queries were read in this meeting with the advices and answers to the usual five which are as follows ~~they are~~ directed to the monthly meeting

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Jervis Cornell & George Hughes are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next Month

#### **Pickering preparative Meeting held the 4<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1847**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended Wing Rogers, & Thos. Reazin are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup>. M<sup>o</sup>. 1847**

One of the Representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended.

Was produced to this meeting an extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting directing its

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Preparatives to raise their proportions of Eight hundred dollars for the yearly meetings use Robt. Richardson, Richard Dale & Wing Rogers are appointed to raise our proportion of Said Sum pay it to the Treasurer of the monthly meeting and report next month

The time for which Elijah W. Bostwick was to take care of the meeting House and ~~and~~ make fires being nearly expired Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reesin & Jervies Cornell are appointed to raise the Sum of £3-0-0 and pay him and also to agree with some Friend for that Service for the ensuing year and report next month

James Richardson & Robt. Betts are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo. 1847**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting with answers to the usual nine which are as follows they are directed to the Monthly meeting

1 An<sup>s</sup>. Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for Religious Worship and Discipline although some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week, the hour not so nearly observed by some friends as could be wished, not clear of Sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and Some care taken in the above deficiencies

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5 Ans<sup>f</sup>. We know of no poor amongst us who appear likely to require assistance, most Friends Children and those under their care are instructed in School learning to fit them for business

6 Ans<sup>f</sup>. We know of none who keep company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage we know of no parents who connive at their Childrens keeping company with such, nor any that attend the marriages of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by A priest ~~Friends are clear of bearing arms of~~

7 Ans<sup>f</sup>. Friends are clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions and of paying any tax or fine in lieu thereof

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The committee appointed to raise our proportion of the money called for by the yearly meeting report the money raised

The committee appointed to raise three pounds for Elijah Bostwick and agree with Some friend to take care of the meeting house and make fires for the ensueing year report they have agreed with Elijah Bostwick for the Sum of three pounds which being united with he is appointed to that Service for one year but the money not being all raised the committee is continued to report to our next meeting.

Jarvis Cornell & Robt Richardson are appointed representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1848**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly meeting reports they attended,

The committee to raise £3 and pay Elijah W Bostwick for making fires and taking care of the meeting House report the money raised and paid

James Richardson & George Hughes are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> of 3<sup>mo</sup> 1848**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended,

The time for which the Scale of Individual Quotas on the Members of this meeting was adopted having nearly expired Thomas Raezin, Elijah Bostwick, Peter Taylor and Richard Dale are appointed to revise the Same and report their Judgement to our next meeting.

Robert Betts and Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1848**

The Clerk being absent Petre Taylor is appointed for the day

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended.

“The following report with respect to the revision of the Quotas was read and united with it is accordingly adopted for one year, “We of the Committee to revise the Quotas report that we do not see any need of altering them at present except with the addition of Asa Moore and Robt. Rogers each paying 2 per ct.

And that in the time of paying for fires the friends being in the 6th Concession be exempt and 1 per cent additional be paid by the rest

Was handed into the meeting by the Overseers a Complaint against Henry Woodruff which is directed to the monthly meeting

Henry Woodruff has been so ungarded as to be in the habit of making use of profane language, he has also wholly neglected the attendance of religious meetings and departed from plainness in dress and address,”

Thomas Raisin and George Hughes are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

“Adjourned to meet at the usual time

#### **Pickering preparative Meeting held the 4<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1848**

One of the representatives to our last Monthly meeting reports they attended

The Queries with the advices was read in this meeting and answers to the usual five they are as follow, and directed to the Monthly meeting

1 Ans<sup>f</sup>. Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religeous worship and discipline but Some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week the hour not so nearly observed as could be wished not quite clear of Sleeping and other unbecomeing behaviour and Some care taken in the above deficiencies

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9 Ans<sup>r</sup>. Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders measureably in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The time for which the clerk was appointed being nearly expired Noodiah Woodruff and Jervis Cornell are appointed to bring forward the name of a Friend to Serve as Clerk for the ensuing year and report to our next meeting

Richard Betts & Richard Dale are appointed representatives to the ensuing Monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering Preparative meeting held the 1<sup>st</sup>. of 6<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1848**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to bring in the name of a friend to Serve as clerk have proposed James Richardsons name which being united with he is reappointed to that Service for one year

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George Hughes & Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 29<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1848**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

As it appears that the fence of the Meeting House yard wants repairs Elijah W Bostwick & Richare Dale are appointed to do the needful repairs and report to our next meeting

James Richarson & Ambrose Boone are appointed representatives to attend the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering Preparative meeting held the 3<sup>rd</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1848**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended

The Queries with the advices was read in this meeting and answers to the usual five they are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1 An<sup>s</sup>. Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and discipline although some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week and Some care taken the hour not so nearly observed by Some friends as could be desired not clear from sleeping and Some care taken no other unbecoming behaviour to remark

2 An<sup>s</sup>. Love and unity are not so fully maintained as could be desired We know of no other differences amongst us and talebearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears

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The friends appointed to make the needful repairs on the Meeting house fence not being ready to report they are continued for another month

One of the representatives inform this meeting that the monthly meeting requests its preparatives to raise their respective proportions of ten dollars for the monthly meetings use, William Wright, James Richardson & Wing Rogers are appointed to raise Said Sum and report to our next meeting

Was raised in this meeting Six Shillings and ten pence for the use of the poor the representatives are requested to hand it to the monthly meeting treasurer.

Noodiah Woodruff & Petre Taylor are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 31<sup>st</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1848**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day

No report from the Friends appointed to make the needful repairs in the Meeting House fence they are Continued

One of the Friends to raise ten dollars for the monthly meetings use inform not ready to report they are continued

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Peter Taylor and Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

## Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 28<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>mo</sup>. 1848

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to make the needful repairs in the meeting house fence not ready to report they are continued

One of the friends appointed to raise ten dollars for the monthly meetings use reports the money not all raised they are continued

Robt. Richardson and Ambrose Boone are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

## Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 2<sup>nd</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1848

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended

It appears by an extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting held the 7<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. last that this meeting is directed to raise its proportion of \$1000 for the Yearly Meetings use Robert Richardson, Richard Dale and Wing Rogers are appointed to raise our proportion of Said Sum and report in first month next

One of the Friends appointed to make the needful repairs in the Meeting House fence reports the Service performed

Was handed into this meeting an acct by Elijah W Bostwick for the Sum of £2..2..1 for making a platform in front of the Meeting House. Thomas Raesin, Robert Richardson, Richard Dale and Wing Rogers are appointed to inspect the account raise Said Sum and report to our next meeting

The friends appointed to raise ten dollars for the monthly meetings use report the money raised

Wing Rogers and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

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## Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 30<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1848

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended.

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and answers to the usual five they are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

[the following paragraph X'd out]

~~The friends appointed to inspect Elijah Bostwicks account and raise £2..2..1 to pay him for making a platform in front of the meeting house not being ready to report they are continued to report to our next meeting~~



1 Ans. friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline although some are deficient in the middle of the week the hour not so nearly observed as could be wished, not Quite clear of Sleeping and Some care taken in the above deficiencies no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark

2 An<sup>s</sup>. love and unity are not so fully maintained as could be wished we know of no individual differences amongst us and friends do mostly avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction

3 An<sup>s</sup>. most friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel although deviations in others are apparent and Some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession

4 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituuous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal none to charge with frequenting Taverns nor attending places of diversion.

9<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

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The friends appointed to inspect Elijah Bostwicks account and raise £2..2..1 to pay him for making a platform in front of the meeting house not being ready to report they are continued to report to our next meeting

Was raised in this meeting Six shillings and three pence for the use of the poor which is forwarded by the representatives to the monthly meeting

Robt Betts and Thos. Reazin are appointed representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1849**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The friends appointed to raise two pounds, two shillings and one penny to pay Elijah Bostwick for making a platform in front of the meeting house not being ready to make a full report they are continued to report to our next meeting

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of one thousand dollars for the yearly meetings use not being ready to report they are continued to report to our next meeting

The time for which Elijah Bostwick was to take care of the meeting house and make fires being expired Robert Richardson and Ambrose Boone are appointed to raise three pounds and pay him and, agree with Some friend to take care of the meeting house and make fires for the ensueing year

A complaint was brought before the meeting by the Overseers against Samuel Merrie? which is as follows and is directed to the monthly meeting

Samuel Merrie has so far departed from our Order as to marry a Woman not in membership with

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us he has also almost wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings and departed from plainness in dress and address

Jervis Cornell and Thomas Reazin are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 1<sup>st</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1849**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended

The Queries with the answers were read in this meeting they are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting, the advices were read also

1 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline altho Some are deficient therein the hour nearly observed by most friends not quite clear of sleeping in meetings, no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark,

2 An<sup>s</sup>. Love and unity are not so fully maintained by Some friends as could be desired when differences hath arisen endeavours have been used to end them talebearing and detraction are avoided by most friends Some Care taken

3 An<sup>s</sup>. Most fiends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and Some 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 some friends families and there is a care extended in these respects towards Some under our tuition

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4 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes Strictly medicinal as far as appears none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

5 An<sup>s</sup>. The circumstances of the poor has been inspected and a little relief afforded there has been some advice given them most friends children and those under our care are in a way to get School learning to fit them for business

6 An<sup>s</sup>. We know of none who keep company with persons not of our Society on account of Marriage we know of no parents who connive at their childrens keeping company with such, one instance of a friend attending a Marriage of one who ~~went~~ is a member of our religious Society that was accomplished by a priest which is under care

7 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof as far as appears

8 An<sup>s</sup>. Most friends perform their promises and pay their just debts Seasonably we know of none who extend their business beyond their ability to manage nor any that gives occasion for fier on these accounts as becomes our religious profession when fier has arisen on these accounts care has been taken

9 An<sup>s</sup>. care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to raise two pounds two Shillings and one penny to pay Elijah Bostwick for making a platform in front of the meeting house reports the Service performed

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of one thousand dollars for the yearly meetings use report the money raised - it is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of one thousand dollars for the yearly meetings use report the money raised - it is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting

The friends appointed to raise three pounds and pay Elijah Bostwick reports the Service performed

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and that they have likewise agreed with Elijah Bostwick to take care of the meeting house and make fires for one year commencing in first month last, for the Sum of twelve dollars

Was raised in this meeting five shillings and seven pence half penny for the use of the poor which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting

Wing Rogers and George Hughes are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held the first of 3<sup>rd</sup>. M<sup>o</sup> 1849**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended

The time for which the Quotas was revised being expired Robert Richardson, Peter Taylor, William Wright and Wing Rogers are appointed to raise the same and report to our next meeting

Jervis Cornell and Thomas Reazin are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held the 29<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1849**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to revise the Quotas not being ready to report they are continued to report to our next meeting

Ambrose Boone and Jervis Cornell are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held the 3 of 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1849**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended

The Committee to revise the Quotas of this meeting ??? reported as follows

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that John A Haight pay 9pr Cent, Robert Richardson 8, William Wright, Peter Taylor Jervis Cornell, Ambrose Boone, Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin and James Richardson 7, Robert Betts and Wing Rogers 6, Henry Betts 5, Noodiah Woodruff, Richard Dale, Elijah Bostwick and Thomas Redman 4, John Robinson and George Hughes 3, Robert Rogers 2 per Cent of all moneys to

be raised by this meeting which being read and united with it is adopted accordingly for one year

William Wright and Robert Richardson are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 31<sup>st</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1849**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and answers to the usual five they are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1 An<sup>s</sup>. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended though some are deficient therein the hour nearly observed by most Friends not quite clear of sleeping in meetings no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark Some care taken

2 An<sup>s</sup>. Love and unity are maintained by most friends as becomes Brethern when differences hath arisen care has been taken to end them and friends do avoid talebearing and detraction as far as appears

3 An<sup>s</sup>. Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and some 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 some do extend care in these respects towards others under their tuition

4 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears

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None to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

9 An<sup>s</sup>. Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being nearly expired Noodiah Woodruff & Robt. Betts are appointed to bring forward the name of a Friend to our next meeting to Serve in that Station for the ensuing year

Was raised in this meeting five Shillings and Seven pence half penny for the use of the poor which is forwarded to the monthly meeting

George Hughes and Thomas Reazin are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 28<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1849**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to bring forward the name of a Friend to Serve as Clerk to this meeting have proposed James Richardson which is united with and he is accordingly appointed to that Service for one year.

Jonathan Rogers and James Richardson are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

**Pickering Preparative Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1849**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting report they [attended?]

Richard Dale & Robert Betts are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting;

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

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**Pickering Preparative meeting held the 30<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1849**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and answers to the usual five they are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup>. An<sup>s</sup>. Most Friends are Careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline although Some are deficient therein the hour nearly observed by most friends not clear of Sleeping in meetings no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark, Some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Love and Unity are not as fully maintained amongst us as becomes brethern when differences hath arisen Some care has been taken in the case, we trust talebearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to Keep themselves their Own and other friends Children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel, and Some do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religeous life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession, the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families, and Some care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes Strictly medicinal as far as appears none are known to frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

9 Ans Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

Was raised in this meeting three shillings and one penny for the use of the poor which is forwarded to the monthly meeting,

Wing Rogers and James Richardson are appointed Representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next Month

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**Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 4<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1849**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended

Was handed into this Meeting an account for fifteen Shillings by Elijah Bostwick for Cleaning the meeting house Thomas Reazin and Ambrose Boone are appointed to raise Said Sum pay him and report to our next meeting

Noodiah Woodruff and Jervis Cornell are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 1<sup>st</sup>. of 11<sup>th</sup>. M<sup>o</sup>. 1849**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended and produced Some Books Some friends Catchism and a number of pamphlets from the yearly meeting, likewise an extract from the minutes of the monthly meeting directing its preparatives to raise ~~our~~ their proportions of 1000 dollars for the yearly Meetings use Richard Dale and Thomas Reazin are appointed to raise our proportion of Said Sum and report in first month next, The books are directed to be placed in the Library and the Catcheism and pamphlets to be distributed

The friends appointed to raise 3 dollars and pay Elijah Bostwick for cleaning the Meeting House not ready to report they are continued

John A Haight & Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 29<sup>th</sup>. of 11<sup>th</sup>. M<sup>o</sup>. 1849**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and answers to the usual five they are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. All our meetings for religious Worship and Discipline are attended although there is a slackness in Some especially in the middle of the week the hour nearly observed by most friends no Sleeping in meetings has been observed no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity are not so fully maintained amongst friends as could be desired we know of no personal differences amongst us tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> 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 conversation consistent with our Christian profession although there are Some deficient herein We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and that care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes Strictly medicinal as far as appears none to charge with frequenting taverns or Atending places of diversion

9<sup>th</sup> Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and measureably agreeably to our discipline.

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The friends appointed to raise 3 dollars and pay Elijah Bostwick for cleaning the meeting House report the Service answered,

The time for which Elijah Bostwick was to take care of the meeting House and make fires being nearly expired Ambrose Boone and Robt. Richardson are appointed to raise three pounds and pay him and agree with some friend for that Service for the ensuing year.

Was handed into this meeting 6<sup>s</sup>..3<sup>d</sup> for the use of the poor the representatives are directed to pay it to the Monthly meeting Treasurer and produce his receipt to our next meeting

Richard Dale and James Richardson are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held the 3<sup>rd</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1850**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to raise three pounds to pay Elijah Bostwick for making fires and taking care of the meeting likewise to agree with some friend for the like Service for the ensuing year report they have agreed with Robt Betts for the Sum of three pounds to take care of the meeting house wash it and make fires for the ensuing year which being united with he is appointed to that Service for one year, but the money not being all raised the Committee is continued

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of \$1000 dollars for the yearly meetings use not ready to report they are continued.

There was a proposition made in this meeting for the building of a dwelling house on the meeting house ground. Thomas Reazin, Robt Richardson, Ambrose Boone, Richard Dale and Peter Taylor are

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appointed to see what can be done in the matter and report to our next meeting.

Thomas Reazin and George Hughes are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 31<sup>st</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup>. m<sup>o</sup>. 1850**

The representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and the answers which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

“1 An<sup>s</sup>. Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and discipline although a slackness is aparent in Some especially in the middle of the week the hour nearly observed clear of Sleeping and all other unbecoming behaviour as far as appears

“2<sup>nd</sup>.. Love and unity is maintained as becomes brethern as far as appears no difference among friends that we know of we believe friends generally avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction

“3<sup>d</sup> Most friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel although Some are deficient therein We believe most friends endeavour to train them up in a religious life and conversation

consistent with our christian profession we believe the Scriptures of Truth are read in most friends families and care is extended to others under ur tuition

"4<sup>th</sup> We believe friends are clear of using spirituous liquors we know of none that frequent taverns or attends places of diversion

"5<sup>th</sup> we believe the circumstances of the poor has been inspected and Some relief has been afforded ~~them~~ and advice given them we believe most friends

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children are in a way get school learning to fit them for business

"6<sup>th</sup> One case of a friend keeping company with a person not of our Society on account of marriage we know of no parents that connive at their childrens keeping company with Such, none to charge with attending the marriages of those that go out from us nor marriages accomplished by a priest

"7<sup>th</sup> Clear in the Several parts of this query as far as appears

"8<sup>th</sup> we know of none that are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts nor any that extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession nor any that gives occasion for fier on these accounts

"9<sup>th</sup> We have endeavoured Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to raise £3 for Elijah Bostwick not ready to report they are continued

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of \$1000 for the Yearly meetings use reports the money raised they are directed to forward it to the monthly meeting

The friends appointed to See what could be done respecting the building of a dwelling house on the meeting house ground thinks it is best to dismiss the Subject from our minutes at present

Was raised in this meeting 4..3 for the use of the poor and forwarded by the representatives they are directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to our next meeting.

Jarvis Cornell & Peter Taylor are appointed representatives to the ensueing M. M.  
Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting of Friends held 28<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1850**

The Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to raise three pound for Elijah Bostwick not ready to report they are continued

The representatives have produced the Treasurers receipt as directed by last meeting.

The friends appointed to forward our proportion of money for the Yearly meetings use report the appointment answered

Thomas Reasin and Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to attend the ensueing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month



### **Pickering Preparative Meeting of Friends held 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 4<sup>th</sup> 1850**

No report from the representatives they are continued to report to our next meeting.

The friends appointed to raise £3 to pay Elijah Bostwick for takeing care of the meeting house and making fires report the Service performed.

Elijah Bostwick and Ambrose Boone are appointed representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting of Friends held 2<sup>nd</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1850**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended.

The representatives to our monthly meeting in 4<sup>th</sup> month report they attended

The time for which the Librarian was appointed being expired Richard Dale and Jervis Cornell are appt. to examine the Library and bring forward the name of a Friend for that service for the ensueing year to our next meeting.

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being nearly expired Robt Betts and Peter Taylor are appt. to bring forward the name of a Friend to Serve in that Station for the enuseing year

John Robinson and Robert Betts are appointed our representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1850**

The Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and answers to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

“1 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are mostly careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and discipline although a slackness appears in Some especially in the middle of the week the hour for the most part nearly observed mostly clear of Sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark

“2 An<sup>s</sup>. Love and unity is mostly maintained amongst us excepting one instance which is under notice we hope talebearing and detraction is mostly avoided and discouraged

“3 An<sup>s</sup>. 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 we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in Friends families and Some do extend a care in those respects towards others under their tuition

“4 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

“9 An<sup>s</sup>. Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of Meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends to examine the library and bring forward the name of a friend to serve as librarian not being ready to report are continued

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The committee to bring forward the name of a friend to Serve as Clerk to this meeting have proposed James Richardson with which this meeting unites he is accordingly reappointed for one year

Came to this by the way of the overseers a Complaint against James Woodruff which is directed to the monthly meeting and is as follows. James Woodruff has so far transgressed the good order of our Society as to marry a Woman not in Membership with us by the assistance of a hireling minister and also to deal in Spirituous liquors

Gervas Cornell and Richard Dale are appointed our representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1850**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports he attended

The friends to examine the Library and bring forward the name of a friend to serve as Librarian not ready to report they are continued

Elijah Bostwick, William Wright and Jervis Cornell are appointed to repair the Grave Yard fence likewise to make a new fence as Soon as convenient and produce a Bill of the expence to the Meeting

Robert Richardson and John Robinson are appt. representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup>. 1850**

No report from the representatives they ar continued to report to our next meeting

The friends to examine the Library and bring forward the name of a friend to Serve as Librarian not ready

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to report they are continued

Ambrose Boone and Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensuing Monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 29<sup>th</sup> of 8m<sup>o</sup>. 1850**

The Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended

One of the representatives to attend the Monthly meeting in 7<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. reports he attended, no report from the other and handed in Some books and Epistles which have been Sent from the Quarterly meeting to this.

Thomas Reazin and Robert Richardson are appointed to Select Such books from amongst them as might be distributed and put the remainder in the Library and also to distribute the Epistles

The Queries have been read in this meeting and answers to the usual five which are directed to the monthly meeting the advices have been also read

“1<sup>st</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are mostly careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline ~~although~~ Some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week the hour for the most part nearly observed mostly clear in that of Sleeping and of all other unbecomeing behaviour in them except one instance and some care taken

“2 An<sup>s</sup>. Love and unity is not so fully maintained as would be desireable when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them one instance of a difference and Some care taken tale bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears

“3 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are careful we believe 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 we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families

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and Some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition

“4 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal none who frequent taverns or attend places of diversion as far as appears

“9<sup>th</sup> care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

One of the Friends examine the Library and to bring forward the name of a Friend to Serve as Librarian report they have examined it and found the Books in pretty Good Order and have Submitted Elijah Bostwick to Serve as Librarian which being united with he is accordingly reappointed for the ensuing year

This meeting has raised and forwarded 3/7 for the use of the poor.

Richard Dale and William Wright are appointed representatives to attend the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> m. 1850**

One of the representatives to last monthly meeting reports they attended.

Gervis Cornell and Thomas Reazin are appointed to attend the ensuing monthly meeting as our representatives

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1850.**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended

Richard Dale and William Wright are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

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#### **Pickering preparative meeting held 28<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1850**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and answers to the usual five which are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

“1 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and discipline although Some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week the hour for the most part nearly observed not quite clear of Sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark Some care taken in the above deficiencies

“2 An<sup>s</sup>. Love and unity are not so fully maintained as would desirable when difficiencties aris[e] care is taken to end them we fear talebearing and detraction is not so fully avoided and discouraged as would be desireable

“3 An<sup>s</sup>. 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 we believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

“4 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituuous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears some to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

“9 An<sup>s</sup>. Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a request Signed Alfred Crawford which is as follows and is directed to the monthly meeting

### **Right**

Dear Friends having for Some time past felt a great desire to become a member of your religious Society I hereby Submit the Same to the meeting for your consideration

Alfred Crawford

The time for which Rob<sup>t</sup> Betts was to take care of the meeting house and make fires being nearly expired Elijah Bostwick and Richard Dale are appointed to raise twelve dollars and pay him and agree with Some friend for the like Service for the ensuing year.

Jervis Cornell and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

Was raised in this meeting 4..4 ½ for the use of the poor which is directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1851**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to raise 12 dollars and pay Robt. Betts for takeing care of the meeting house and makeing fires also to agree with some friend for the like Service for the ensuing year report they have agreed with George Wilson to take care of the meeting house

and make fires for the sum of 12 dollars with which this meeting unites but not having the money all raised they are continued to report to our next meeting

Robert Betts and Elijah Bostwick are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1851**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended and produced Some Copies of the Yearly Meeting Minutes Some pamphlets and Some extracts which directs its Subordinates to raise their respective proportions of \$1,000 for the yearly meetings use. Thomas Raisin and Wing Rogers are appointed to raise our proportion of Said Sum and report to our next meeting.

The Queries with the answers were read in this meeting the advices were read also which are as follows and are directed to the Monthly meeting

“1<sup>st</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and discipline though Some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week the hour nearly observed Clear of Sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour as far as appears

“2<sup>nd</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Love and Unity are not maintained as becomes brethern when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them we believe talebearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged

“3<sup>rd</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. 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 conversation consistent with our Christian profession. We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and some do extend a care in those respects towards others under their tuition

### **Right**

“4<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup> Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion

“5<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. The circumstances of the poor and of those who are likely to want assistance have been inspected, and they have been advised and assisted in Such employment as they are capable of and their Children and all others under our care in Some way to get School learning to fit them for business

“6<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Two instances of keeping company and marrying persons not of our Society by the assistance of a Priest and Some care taken, No Parents to charge with conniving at their children keeping company with Such none to charge with attending the marriages of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by a Priest

“7<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof.

“8<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. None to charge with neglect of performing their promises or of paying their Just debts or extending their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession,

and if any give occasion for fear on those accounts they are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery

"9<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. We believe care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friend appointed to raise 12 dollars and Robert Betts for making fires and taking care of

### **Image 107**

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not being ready to report they are continued to report next month

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers a complaint against Robert Rogers which is as follows and is directed to the monthly meeting

Robert Rogers has So far transgressed the good Order of our Religious Society as to marry a Woman not a member amongst us by the assistance of a Priest.

Was handed into this meeting 6<sup>s</sup>..10<sup>d</sup> for the use of the poor which is directed to the monthly meeting.

Jervis Cornell and James Richardson are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 27<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup>. m<sup>o</sup>. 1851**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of One thousand dollars for the Yearly Meetings use not ready to report they are continued

The friends appointed to raise 12 dollars and pay Robert Betts for making fires and taking care of the meeting-house not ready to report they are continued to report next month

Wing Rogers, and Thomas Reazin are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1851**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of One thousand dollars for the Yearly meetings use report the money raised

The friends appointed to rais[e] 12 dollars and pay Robert Betts for taking care of the meeting house and making fires not ready to report they are continued to report to our next meeting

Jarvis Cornell and Robt Betts are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 1<sup>st</sup>. of 5<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1851**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

One of the friends appointed to raise 12 dollars and pay Robt. Betts for takeing care of the meeting and makeing fires reports the money raised

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being nearly expired Jarvis Cornell and Robt. Betts are appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to our next meeting to Serve in that Station for the ensueing year

The time for which the Quotoes was revised being expired Elijah Bostwick, Richard Dale, James Richardson and Wing Rogers are appointed to make a new revision and report to our next meeting

Thomas Reazin and Thomas Redman are appointed representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month.

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#### **Pickering Preparative Meeting held 29<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1851**

No report from the representatives they are continued to report to our next meeting

The friends appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to Serve this meeting as clerk for the ensueing year have proposed James Richardson name which was united with

The Queries with the advices have been read in this meeting and answers to the usual five they are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

“1<sup>st</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, although some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week the hour ~~for the~~ nearly observed clear of Sleeping as far as appears and of other unbecomeing behaviour in them

“2<sup>nd</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Love and unity are not as fully maintained as could be desired if differences have arisen care has been taken to end them talebearing and detraction avoided and discouraged as far as appears

“3<sup>rd</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Most Friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends Children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and we trust they generally endeavour to train them up in a religious life and conversation Consistent with our christian profession We believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and Some extend care in these respects towards others under their tuition

“4<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. None to charge with using distilled spirituuous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal clear of frequenting Taverns

### **Right**

or attending places of diversion as far as appears

“9<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Care has been mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to revise the quotoes not ready to report they are continued

Was produced to this meeting by Elijah Bostwick a bill of £3..6..6 for fencing the grave yard, Jervous Cornell and Peter Taylor are appointed to raise the above Sum and pay him, also raise money enough to pay for a lock and fastenings for the meeting house gate,

Quarterly collection 4<sup>s</sup>..5<sup>d</sup>

Richard Dale and William Wright are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1851**

The representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to raise the Quotoes report they think they require no alteration at this time

The friends appointed to raise £3..6..6 to pay Elijah Bostwick for fencing the grave yard and buying fastenings for the meeting House gate not ready to report, they are continued

Ambrose Boon and George Hughes are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 31<sup>st</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1851**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

### **Image 109**

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but not having produced the business from that meeting they are Continued to bring it forward to our next meeting.

The friends appointed to raise £3..6..6 to pay Elijah Bostwick for fencing the grave yard and buy fastenings for the meeting house gate not ready to report are continued

Wing Rogers and Noodiah Woodruff are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next m<sup>o</sup>.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1851**

The representatives to last monthly meeting report they attended

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and answers to the usual five which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting

1<sup>st</sup>. An<sup>s</sup>. Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and Discipline although a slackness appears in some especially in the middle of the week the hour nearly observed clear of Sleeping and all other unbecomeing behaviour in them as far as appears

“2<sup>nd</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Love and unity are not so fully maintained as could be desired when differences hath arisen care has been mostly taken seasonably to end them, and friends do avoid talebearing and detraction as far as appears

“3<sup>rd</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are mostly careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children

#### **Right**

under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and Some do endeavour by example and precept to to [sic] train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession, we believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and they do extend a care in these respects towards others under our tuition



"4<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal they are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as appears

"9<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Care is mostly Taken Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

One of the representatives to our monthly meeting in 7<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. last produced an extract from that meeting to this directing its preparatives to raise their respective proportions of 100£ to defray the expences of building a meeting house at whitchurch Robt Richardson, Thomas Reazin and Wing Rogers are appointed to raise our proportion of Said Sum as directed by the monthly meeting and report in 12<sup>th</sup> m- next

Came to this meeting by way of the overseers, a complaint against Ephraim Robinson which is as follows and is directed to the monthly meeting

Ephraim Robinson has married a Woman not in Membership with us contrary to the order of friends which we Submit to the meeting

The friends appointed to raise £3..6..6 to pay Elijah Bostwick for fencing the grave yard not ready to report are continued

### **Image 110**

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Quarterly Collection 4..4 ½ is directed to the monthly meeting.

Robert Richardson and Elijah Bostwick are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup>. of 10<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1851**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting report they attended

The friends appointed to raise 3<sup>£</sup>.6<sup>s</sup>..6<sup>d</sup> to pay Elijah Bostwick for fencing the grave yard reports the appointment answered

Robert Betts and Jervis Cornell are appointed rep<sup>t</sup>. to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1851**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports he attended.

By extracts from the monthly meeting this meeting is directed to raise its proportion of 1000 dollars for the yearly meetings use Rich<sup>d</sup>. Dale and Jervis Cornell are appointed to raise said Sum and report in first month nest

Also directing its preparatives to attend to the Subject of education as directed by the yearly meeting Wing Rogers, Thomas Reasin & Richard Dale are appointed to make the needful enquiry in the case and report in 2<sup>nd</sup>. m<sup>o</sup>. next

Jervis Cornell and Robert Richardson are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

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### **Pickering preparative meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1851**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting and answers to the usual five they are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting

“1 An<sup>s</sup>. Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, the hour nearly observed, not quite clear of Sleeping Some care taken no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark

“2 An<sup>s</sup>. There is a great want of love and unity amongst us, when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them, we believe friends do avoid talebearing and detraction

“3 An<sup>s</sup>. Most Friends are careful to ~~attend~~ 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 religeous life and conversation consistent with our christian profession we believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

“4 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituuous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears

“9 An<sup>s</sup>. Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of Meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The time for which George Wilson was appointed to take care of the meeting house and make fires being nearly expired, Thomas Reasin and Robert Betts are appointed to raise 12 dollars and pay him and agree

### **Image 111**

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with Some friend for the like Service for the ensueing year.

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of £100 to defray the expences of building a meeting house at whitchurch not ready to report are continued.

Was handed into this meeting 6..3 for the use of the poor.

Robert Betts and Wing Rogers are appointed representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next m<sup>o</sup>.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 1<sup>st</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> m<sup>o</sup>. 1852**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to raise 12 dollars and pay George Wilson for taking care of the meeting house and makeing fires and likewise agree with Some friend for the like Service for the ensueing year report they have agreed with George Wilson for the Sum of 12 dollars with which this meeting unites but not haveing the money all raised they are continued

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of £100 to help defray the expence of building a meeting house at Whitchurch not ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to rise our proportion of 1000 dollars for the yearly meetings use not ready to report are continued

Peter Taylor and Elijah Bostwick are appointed to procure two drumb stoves for the meeting house and raise money to pay for them and report.

Thomas Reasin and Elijah Bostwick are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

## **Right**

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 29<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo<sup>r</sup> 1852**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended and produced an extract from that meeting directing its preparatives to raise their proportion of £85 instead of £100 for building the meeting house at Whitchurch as directed by the Quarterly Meeting

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting with the answers which are as follows are directed to the monthly meeting

“1<sup>st</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are careful to attend all Our meetings for religious worship and discipline although Some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week Some care taken clear of Sleeping and of all other unbecomeing behaviour as far as appears

“2<sup>nd</sup> An<sup>s</sup> There is a great want of love and unity amongst us when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them friends avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as app<sup>s</sup>.

“3<sup>rd</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. We believe a concern rests with most friends 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 we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

“4<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears

“5<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. the circumstances of the poor have been inspected and some relief afforded and have been advised and assisted in such employments as they

## **Image 112**

[ This image is a retake of image 111 ]

## **Image 113**

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are capable of and their children and all under our care are instructed in School learning to fit them for business

“6<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. we believe there is one instance of keeping company and marrying out of Meeting we know of no Parents conniving with their children keeping company with Such nor of any attending the marriages of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by a Priest

“7<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. friends are clear of bearing arms or of complying with Military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof.

“8<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are generally careful to perform their promises and pay their Just debts as far as appears none to charge with extending their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious Profession

“9<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. we believe care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

The friends appointed to raise 12 dollars and pay George Wilson for taking care of the meeting house and making fires not ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of 85£ to help to defray the expence of building the meeting house at whitchurch not ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of 1000 dollars for the yearly meetings use report they have not all the money raised they are continued to raise and forward it to the monthly meeting and report to our meeting

### **Right**

The friends appointed to procure two drum Stoves have done so but not having the money raised to pay for them they are continued

Was handed into this meeting 3/9 for the use of the poor it is directed to the monthly meeting

Richard Dale and Robt Richardson are appint[ed] representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next mo.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 3 mo 4 - 1852**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day

The friends appointed to raise \$12 and pay George Wilson for makeing fires and takeing care of the meeting house report the mony not all raised they are continued

The friends to raise our proportion of money for whitchurch not ready to report it all raised they are continued

One of the friends to raise our proportion of money for the yearly meetings use report the appointment answered

The friends to procure two drum stoves have done so and produced a receipt for the price of them which was £1..15..0 they are continued to raise the money to pay back into the Treasury from whence it was taken to pay for them

### **Image 114**

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Wing Rogers & Robert Richardson are appointed to attend the ensueing monthly meeting as Our representatives & report

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next mo

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 4 mo 1 1852**

The representatives to Our last monthly meeting report they attended -

The friends to raise 12 dollars and pay George Wilson for taking care of the meeting house and making fires report there has been nothing raised Since last meeting

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of money for Whitchurch meeting house not ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to raise 1-15.0 to pay back into the treasury from whence it was taken to pay for two drum Stoves not ready to report are continued.

Elijah Bostwick and Peter Taylor are appointed representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering preparative meeting held 25<sup>th</sup> 4 month 1852**

One of the representatives last monthly meeting reports they attended

The friends appointed to raise 12 dollars and pay George Wilson for taking care of the meeting House not ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of money for whitchurch meeting house not ready to to [sic] report are continued

### **Right**

The friends appointed to raise 1..15..0 to pay back into the Treasury from whence it was taken to pay for 2 drum stoves not ready to report are continued

Elijah Bostwick and Jervis Cornell are appt to repair the fence round the meeting House and bring in a bill of the expence to our next meeting

Robert Richardson & Robt Rogers are appt representatives to the ensuing monthly meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> month 3 - 1852**

One of the representatives to our last monthly meeting reports they attended

The Queries with the answers were read in this Meeting they are as follows and are directed to the monthly meeting, the advices were also read

1 An<sup>s</sup>. Friends are Careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and discipline; the hour observed; and they are Clear of sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour in them; as far as appears

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans. Love and unity is not so fully maintained as could be desired; if differences arise care is taken to end them; and Friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. 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

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train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in Friends families and they do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition

“4<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal; and are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as appears

9<sup>th</sup> An<sup>s</sup>. Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our ~~Christian profession~~ discipline

The friends appointed to raise 12 dollars and pay George Wilson for takeing care of the meeting house and makeing fires not ready to report are continued

The friends appointed to raise our proportion of money to pay for Whitchurch meeting house not ready to report are continued.

The Friends appointed to raise £1..15.,.0 to pay back into the Treasury from whence it was taken to pay for two drum stoves not ready to report are continued

No report from the Friends to repair the meeting house fence they are continued

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being nearly expired Robert Richardson and Richard Dale are appointed to bring forward the name of a Friend to serve in that station for the ensueing year

### **Right**

Was handed into this meeting 2/6 for the use of the poor which is directed to the monthly meeting

Wing Rogers and Richard Dale are appointed to attend the ensueing monthly meeting as our representatives

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next mo.

### **Pickering Preparative meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup> 1852**

The Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day

One of the representatives appointed to attend the monthly meeting reports they attended

The Friends to raise our proportion of money for whitchurch meeting house not being ready to report are continued

The Committee to raise money to pay for the drum stoves are continued

The Friend to repair the fence round the meeting house ground are Continued

The committee to propose the name of a friend to Serve as Clerk to this meeting the ensueing year are Continued, and the Clerk is continued another month also

Richard Dale & Elihu Rogers are appt representatives to the ensueing monthly meeting and rept.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time in next month

**END**