

# PICKERING MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

## 1845 - 1867

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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 in 1845, the Orthodox were in control of both Uxbridge and Pickering meetings and the associated property. In 1842, the Canada Half Yearly Meeting, (see CHYM O-3-1) reorganized Uxbridge and Pickering as a 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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Canada pays 4 P Ct. on all money to be raised by the yearly meeting  
Yonge Street Quarterly meeting pays 32 P Ct. on all money to be raised by Cana'd for yearly mtg.  
Pickering monthly meeting pays 41 P ct. on money to be raised by the Quarterly meeting  
Pickering Preparative meeting pays 75 P. ct. and maraposa 25 P. ct. on all money to be raised by the monthly meeting

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overseers ??? in 2? mo '63  
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Overseers app the 11<sup>th</sup> mo '65 and 2 mo '67  
Trustees to donation app Reported 12 mo '64  
Com<sup>tee</sup> on funerals 1 mo '66  
6th Com? meeting app 8 mo '65 to Sep  
Treasurer app 3 mo '65  
Com<sup>tee</sup> on B<sup>o</sup> & D<sup>o</sup> 5 mo 12th.6? [faded]  
Overseers of poor released 3 mo 65  
Clk & assnt. '66  
Mtg a Com app 7mo Clerk 2 mo '67

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An Extract from the minutes of Canada half y<sup>rs</sup> meeting held at Yonge Street the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of 9 month 1845

It appears by the minutes of Yonge Street Monthly Meeting that they were united in proposing for the consideration of this meeting the prospect of dividing that Monthly Meeting in the following manner: That Pickering? [smeared] and Marap[osa?] preparatives compose a monthly meeting to be held at Pickering the 5<sup>th</sup> day after the 1<sup>st</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> day in each month to be call'd Pickering Monthly Meeting And that Yonge Street due? to? remaining its preparative compose a monthly meeting to be held at Yonge Street the same time in each month as formerly after a weighty consideration of this important matter this meeting unites with the position having the unity of women friends therein: the following are appointed to unite with a committee of women friends and attend the opening of said meeting and report. VOZ Henry Widdifield, Clayton Webb, Harold Derbyshire, James Terill, Augustus Rogers and ??? [smear] Hillier? said m<sup>tg</sup> to be held in 10<sup>th</sup> mo next: Taken from the minutes of said mt? [smear] ?errall Clerk

In accordance with the tenor of the foregoing extract five of the above committee attended at the opening

### Pickering Monthly Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1845.

Peter Taylor is appointed clerk for the day.

The representatives being call'd were present except one

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers from the different preparatives to the usual five a summary of which is as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Query 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 is 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 tale bearing and detraction appear to be mostly avoided and discouraged

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends? [smear] are carefull 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 they do indeavour by example and precept to train up their children 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 ???

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

William Wright, Wing Rogers, John Cruess & Cornelius Austin are appointed to bring forward the names of ten friends to serve this meeting as clerk and assistant and report next month

Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin, Richard dale, Harvey Armitage and Cornelius Austin are appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to serve as recorder of births and deaths and report to next meeting

Robert Richardson, James Richardson, John Cruess and Cornelius Austin are appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to next meeting to serve as Treasurer

Peter Taylor, Harvey Armitage, Cornelius Austin and Noadiah Woodruff are appointed to bring forward the names of friends to serve as overseers and report next month. the present overseers are continued one month longer

Jonathan Rogers George Hughes Cor<sup>s</sup> Austin and Harvey Armitage are appointed to bring forward the names of friends to serve as overseers of the Poor and report

Gervas Cornell, Rob<sup>t</sup> Richardson, John Cruess and Harvey Armitage are appointed to propose the names of friends to serve as overseers of funerals and to have the care of friends burying grounds and report

Wing Rogers and William Wright are appointed to purchase the necessary Handbooks? for the use of this meeting

Ambrose Boone and Elijah Bestwick are appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to record certificates of removal and marriage and report next month

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1815.**

The representatives names being call'd one was absent

The committee to bring forward the names of Friends to serve as clerk and assistant have proposed Peter Taylor as Clerk and Ambrose Boone as assistant which being united with they are appointed to that service for one year

The committee to bring forward the name of a friend to serve as recorder of Births and Deaths have proposed James Richardson which being united with he is appointed to that service for one year.

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The committee to bring forward the name of a friend to serve as Treasurer have proposed William Wright which being united with he is appointed to that service for one year.

The committee to bring forward the names of friends to serve as overseers have proposed Gervas Cornell and Ambrose Boone for Pickering and Cornelius Austin and Wing Rogers for Maraposa which being weightly considered are united with and they and the [sic] they are appointed for one year

The committee to bring forward the names of friends for overseers of the poor are continued

The committee to bring forward the names of friends to have the oversight of funerals &c are continued

The committee to purchase Blank books is continued

The committee to bring forward the name of a friend to record certificates of removal and Marriage have proposed Richard Dale which being united with he is appointed to that service for one year

Jonathan Rogers, William Wright, Harvey Armitage, Cornlius Austin are appointed to revise the Quotas of this meeting and report.

Elijah Bestwick, Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale, Cornelius Austin, Harvey Armitage are app<sup>d</sup> to collect an account of Births and deaths from 1<sup>st</sup> month 1845 to 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1846 at which time they are directed to report.

Gervas Cornell, Ambrose Boone and Cornelius Austin are appointed to propose the name of a friend for correspondent for this Monthly Meeting and report

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1845**

The representatives names being call'd one was absent

The committee to bring forward the names of friends to serve as overseers of the poor have proposed Harvey Armitage, Joseph Cody, Gervas Cornell & Elijah W Bestwick which being united with they are appointed to that Service for one year

The com<sup>ee</sup> to bring forward the names of friends to have the oversight of funerals and care of friends burying grounds have proposed Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin and Jon<sup>n</sup> Rogers for Pickering and John Cruess and Wing Rogers for Maraposa which being united with they are appointed to that Service for one year

The Comm<sup>e</sup> to revise the Quotas propose that Pickering pay 87 ½ and Maraposa 12 ½ pr. ct. on all money to be raised by this meeting and they recommend that the sum of \$5 be raised for present use this Meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportions of said sum and report next month

The committee to purchase Blank books for the use of this meeting have purchased 4 furnished a bill to the amt. of 1.4.10 which sum the Treasurer is autho

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ised to pay to himself as soon as it comes into his hands he having advanced it

The committee to bring forward the name of a friend for correspondent in this Monthly Meeting have proposed William Wright which being united with, this meeting directs that his name be forwarded to the ½ yr<sup>s</sup> meeting as such

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held the Eighth of First month 1846**

The representatives names being call'd all were present

The Queries were read in this meeting with the advices and the answers from the preparatives a summary of which is as follows and is directed to the ensuing ½ yr<sup>s</sup> meeting  
1<sup>st</sup> Query Most friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline altho' 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.

2<sup>nd</sup> We believe love and unity are mostly maintained as becomes brethren, we know of no differences amongst us tale bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged

3<sup>d</sup> Most Friends are carefull 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 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, 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 marriage, we know of no parent's who connive at our childrens keeping company with Such nor any who attend the marriage of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest

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7<sup>th</sup> Friends, are clear of bearing arms, of complying with military requisitions or 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 Seasonably, or any who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession except one instance of a Friend not performing his promises of paying his just debts timely and al[so] extending his business beyond his ability to manage as becomes our religious profession, and those who give occasion for fear on those accounts are timely labour'd 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

Ambrose Boone William Haight. Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin and John Cruess are appointed our representatives to the ensuing ½ yr<sup>s</sup> mt<sup>g</sup> who are directed to call on the Treasurer for our proportion of money for the Yearly meetings use and pay it to the clerk of that meeting and report.

The committee to collect accounts of Births and Deaths not being ready to report is continue[d]

Was received in this meeting some ??? ??? meeting Including a certificate for Sarah Taylor, which was read and accepted, the clerk is directed to acknowledge the ??? of it on behalf of this meeting also forward it for recording

A committee from Yonge Street monthly meeting attended this with a proposition ??? forwarded to the ½ yr<sup>s</sup> meeting requesting the privilege of holding a quarterly meeting at Yonge Street and Pickering at the following times, on the 1<sup>st</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day after the 3<sup>rd</sup> first day 12<sup>th</sup> and 2 months and the 1<sup>st</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day after the 4<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> day in 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> months the Select meeting to be held the day previous at 11 oclock to meet at Yonge Street in the 6<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> months and at Pickering in the 9<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> months and to be call'd Yonge Street Quarterly Meeting, after a time of deliberation this meeting unites in forwarding the proposal to the ½ yr<sup>s</sup> meeting having the unity of women friends therein, the clerk is directed to forward a copy of the above minute to Yonge Street monthly meeting

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1846**

The representatives names Being call'd one was absent

One of the representatives to the ½ yr<sup>s</sup> meeting reports they attended and paid our proportion of money for the Yearly Meetings use as directed

The committee to collect accounts of Births and Deaths report the

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appointment answerd, they are accordingly released and Jonathan H Rogers, George Hughes, Harvey Armitage and Cornelius Austin are appointed to that service for the present year and to report in first month '47

The receipt of Sarah Taylor's certificate not having been acknowledged is directed to be done before next meeting

The clerk informs he had forwarded a copy of the minute to Yonge Street as directed by last meeting

X William Wright, Richard Dale and Cornelius Austin are appointed to confer with friends of Yonge Street Monthly meeting on the subject of property which has heretofore belonged to them and report next month X

Our esteemed friend Bridget Haight a minister in unity with us laid before this meeting a concern which has for a length of time attended her mind of paying a religious visit to friends of Adrian Quarterly meeting [in?] the State of Michigan and attending a few meetings on the way going or returning and also to appoint one or Two Meetings there amongst those not of our Society, this meeting unites and symiathises with her therein and liberates her to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way

Rich<sup>d</sup>. Dale and Ambrose Boone are appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to see that she is properly provided for before proceeding on her intended journey.

This meeting adjourns to the rise of the meeting for worship 2 weeks from today  
19<sup>th</sup> of the month friends met agreeably to the adjournment of the 5<sup>th</sup>

The friends appointed to provide a Suitable companion &c for Bridget Haight not being prepared to report are continued with James Richardson's name added

Adjourned to the rise of the meeting for worship a week from today  
25<sup>th</sup> of the Month friends met agreeably to the adjournment of the 19<sup>th</sup>

The friends appointed to See that Bridget Haight is properly provided for before proceeding on her intended journey inform that Anna Austin and William Wright, have offered to accompany her which being united with by this meeting and also by women friends the Clerk is accordingly directed to prepare a certificate for her on behalf of this meeting and also certificates for Anna Austin and William Wright

Adjourned to meet at the usual time in next month

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1846**

The representatives names being call'd one was absent

The committee appointed to Confer with friends of Yonge Street monthly meeting on the subject of property inform they attended to the appointment they are continued to report in 6<sup>th</sup> month next

The clerk informs he had acknowledged the receipt of Sarah Taylor's certificate as directed

A paper signed by some of our members residing in the 6<sup>th</sup> concession has been handed into this meeting requesting to have the privilege of holding an indulged meeting on the first day of the week John Robinson, Thomas Reazin, Ambrose Boone, Noadiah Woodruff and John Cruess are appointed to unite with a committee of women friends, to meet with them and report their sense of the case to next meeting.

The treasurer informs he has received the sum of £7..4.10 which he advanced to purchase blank books for the use of this meeting

The womens meeting inform they are united in disowning Edna McLaughlin formerly Pearson with which this meeting concurs

Richard Dale, Cornelius Austin and James Richardson are appointed to enquire if any friend is willing to send a child to West Lake Boarding School and report to next meeting

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1846**

The representatives names being call'd one was absent

The committee appointed to meet with friends residing in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession report that part of them attended but not being prepared to make a first report they are continued

The committee to enquire if any friend is willing to send a child to West Lake boarding school for one year agreeable to the intention of is continued another month } the Houatik? of friends in England.



The womens meeting inform they are united in receiving Barbara Armstrong into membership with which this meeting concurs

Came to this from Maraposa preparative a request to be received into Membership with friends signed Asa W. Elsworth John Robinson and Gervas Cornell are appointed to visit him on the account and report next month

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 7 of 5 month 1846**

The representatives names being call'd two were absent

The Queries were read in this meeting with the advices and the answers to the usual five a summary of which is as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Query All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended tho there appears in some and in one preparative meeting an almost entire neglect in some friends, the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark and in one Preparative meeting Some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity appear to be maintained amongst us as becomes brethren no differences that we Know of tale bearing and detraction mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears

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

The Committee to enquire if any Friend's willing to send ??? to West Lake Boarding report that ??? ??? ???

The committee to Visit Asa W. Elsworth not being readdy to report are continued

This meeting directs its preparatives to raise ??? proportion of 1 pound for ??? Noadiah Woodruff's waggon and pay it to the treasurer of this Meeting and report

Our friend Bridget Haight has returned a certificate which she received from this meeting dated 3<sup>rd</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month with a minute from Adrian Quarterly meeting Michigan dated 25<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month one from Adrian Monthly meeting held 9 of 4 month one from Raisen monthly meeting held 8 of 4<sup>th</sup> month and from Norwich Monthly meeting held 11 of 3<sup>rd</sup> month expressing unity and satisfaction with her gospel labours amongst them

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Anna Austin and William Wright have also returned their certificates ??? Satisfactory returning minutes from the same place and of the same date

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1846**

The representatives names being call'd were present.

The committee to meet with friends in the 6<sup>th</sup> concession have brought in the following report. "We of the committee on the request of the friends in the 6<sup>th</sup> concession to hold a



meeting for worship on the first day of the under the care of the monthly meeting believe it to be right to grant their request" (Signed by)

Bridget Haight	Charity Woodruff	John Cruess
Anna Rogers	Sarah Reazin	Thomas Reazin
Anna Austin	Maria Richardson	John Robinson
	Hannah Haight	Noadiah Woodruff

which having been read it is concluded to lay it over for the consideration of next meeting

The com<sup>ett</sup> to visit Asa W Elsworth inform they attended to the appointment but are not ready to make a full report, they are continued with the names of Cornelius Austin and Wing Rogers (Maraposa) in addition

Marapose Preparative informs they have raised and forwarded as directed their proportion of money call'd for by the Monthly Meeting

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1846**

The representatives names being call'd were present except one

Our esteemed friend John Scott attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and concurrence from Baltimore Monthly Meeting of Friends for the Eastern and Western Districts held 5<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo. and endorsed by Baltimore Quarterly m<sup>tg</sup> held 16<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1844 whose company and gospel labours amongst us have been acceptable and edifying.

Our friend Jonah Sands attended this meeting as companion to John Scott with a certificate of unity from Hope Virginia held 7<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1846 whose company and Solid deportment have been acceptable to us, the clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of these minutes

The request of friends in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession coming again before this meeting after a time of consideration it was concluded to

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grant their request and allow them to hold a meeting for worship on the first day of the week at the house of James Hughes under the care of the following friends in conjunction with a committee of the womens m<sup>tg</sup> ??? Jonathan Rogers, William Wright, Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale and Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin who are to report their sense of the case in first month next.

The committee to visit Asa W. Elsworth inform they have paid attention the appointment but are not prepared to make a full report it is continued

Was received in this meeting from West Lake monthly m<sup>tg</sup>. held at Ameliasburgh a certificate of membership for Susan Lapp which has been read and accepted, the clerk is directed to forward it for recording.

The committee to confer with friends of Yonge Street are continued to report in 9<sup>th</sup> month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1846**

The representatives names being call'd were present.

The Queries were read in this meeting with the advices and the answers to the usual five a summary of which is as follows and is directed to the ½ yr<sup>s</sup> meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Query All our meetings for Religious worship and discipline are attended tho there appears a slackness in some and almost a total neglect in others the hour nearly observed, not all clear of sleeping. No other unbecoming behaviour to remark and care taken in the above deficiencies.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity are mostly maintained as becomes brethren if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them Friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are carefull 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, 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 fear the Scriptures of Truth are not so frequently read in friends families as is desired and that they do not extend our care in these respects towards others under their tuition

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Ambrose Boone, Wing Rogers (Pick<sup>9</sup>) Harvey Armitage and John Cruess are appointed our representatives to the ensuing ½ yr<sup>s</sup> meeting with the minutes and report

The committee to visit Asa W Elsworth not being ready to report is continued

The clerk informs he had forwarded Susan Lapps certificate for recording

Came to this from Marapose Preparative a request Signed Aminon Powell for his five minor children namely James, Henry, Sarah Ann, Elias and John to be received into membership with friends. Cornelius Austin and Ambrose Boone in conjunction with a committee of women friends are appointed to take the nescessary care in the case and report

The deficiencies in the answers to the first Query from Maraposa Preparative claiming the attention of this meeting it was thought best to appoint the following friends in conjunction with a com<sup>ttee</sup> of womens meeting Viz John A Haight, Wing Rogers, Ambrose Boone and Tho<sup>s</sup>. Reazin to visit friends of that place and try to encourage them to a more diligent attend of meetings and report.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1846**

The representatives names being call'd 2 from Maraposa not being present had satisfactory reasons assigned for their absence

The representatives to the ½ yrs meeting report they attended and have handed into this meeting a number of copies of the London Yearly meeting's epistle for distribution (one of which has been read at this time) and a few copies of the New York Yearly Metings minute also a minute directing its subordinate meetings to raise their proportions of \$800 for the Yearly meetings use also the sum of £41.13.4 to assist in building a meeting house in Tecumseth this

meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportions of Said sums pay it to this meetings Treasurer and report in 12 month next

The committee to visit Asa W. Elsworth report they have attended to the appointment and that he appears to be convinced of friends principles and that his life and conversation correspond therewith which being united with by this meeting he is accordingly received into membership with friends. Harvey Armitage and John Gibb are appointed to inform her thereof and report to next meeting

The committee in the case of Aminon Powell's request not being ready to report is continued

The committee to visit friends of Maraposa as appointed last meeting not being ready to report is continued

The committee to confer with friends of Yonge Street monthly meeting not being ready to report is continued

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1846**

The representatives names being call'd one was absent

The Queries were read in this meeting with the advices and answers to the usual five a summary of which is as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Query All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended tho' there appears a slackness in some and almost a total neglect in others. the hour nearly observed not clear of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark and Some care taken in the above deficiencies

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

One of the friends appointed to inform Asa W Elsworth of his reception into membership report the appointment answer'd.

The committee on Aminon Powells request for the reception of his 4 minor children into membership report they attended to the appointment and do not find any thing to obstruct, which being united with they are accordingly taken under the care of Friends. John Gibb and John Cruess J' are appointed to inform him thereof and report

Part of the committee to visit friends of Maraposa report they attended to the appointment and Endeavour'd as far as practicable to encourage them to a closer attention to their religious duties

The Committee to confer with Friends of Yonge Street report attention but are not prepared to make a full report, they are directed to take legal advice if necessary on the Subject and report when ready

This meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportions of ten dollars (£2.10 0) for the use of this meeting and place it in the hands of the Treasurer and report next month

The time for which the overseers were appointed being expired, John Gibb, John Cruess Jr. , Thomas Reazin and Peter Taylor are appointed to propose at next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve in that state? for the ensuing year

The time for which the Clerk and assistant were appointed being ??? expired Jonathan H Rogers and Richard Dale are appointed to propose the names of two friends to Serve the meeting as such the ensuing year.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1846**

The Representatives names being call'd were present.

No report from the committee to inform Aminon Powell of the reception of his four minor children into membership with friends they are continued

The preparatives are continued to raise their proportions of £2.10 for the use of this meeting and report.

The committee to propose the names of friends for overseers are continued with John Cruess' name added, the overseers are continued also.

The committee to propose the names of 2 friends for Clerk and Assistant to this meeting have proposed Peter Taylor for Clerk and Ambrose Boone for assistant which being united with they are appointed to that service for one year.

James Richardson appointed as recorder of Births and Deaths for the ensuing year

Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale is continued as recorder of certificates for the Ensuing year

The overseers of the poor are continued another year

Peter Taylor and James Richardson are appointed to settle with the Treasurer and bring forward to next meeting the name of a friend to serve in that office the ensuing year

The committee to have the oversight of funerals and care of friends burying grounds are continued to report next month with Harvey Armitage added instead of Wing Rogers (deceased)

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1846**

The Representatives names being call'd one was absent

The committee to inform Aminon Powell of the reception of his 4 minor into membership with friends Report the appointment answerd

The preparatives are continued to raise their proportions of money call'd for by this meeting

The committee to propose names of Friends for Overseers have proposed Edward Rorke and Joseph Cody for Maraposa and Gervas Cornell and Ambrose Boone for Pickering

which being separately considered are united with and they are appointed to that station for one year.

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The committee to settle with the Treasurer report they find a balance of £1.13.3 due to him and propose William Wright for Treasurer which being united with he is appointed he is appointed [sic] to that service the Ensuing year

The committee to the oversight of funerals and care of Friends burying grounds are continued to report next month

Was received and accepted in this from West Lake Monthly Meeting a certificate of membership for Jason Jerome the clerk is directed to forward it for Recording

Came to this meeting by way of the Overseers of Pickering preparative a complaint against Ephraim White for neglecting the attendance of meetings and departing from plainness in dress and address, John Cruess, Noadiah Woodruff and William Wright are appointed to Visit him on the account and report to next meeting

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1847**

The Representatives being call'd were present

The Clerk being absent William Wright is appointed for the day

The Queries were read with the answers from the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Query Most Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline tho' a slackness appears in some especially in the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed, not quite clear of Sleeping: No other unbecoming behavior to Remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

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 and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are carefull 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 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

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far as appears Excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, 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 marriage 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 or 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 occasion for fear on those accounts are timely labor'd with for their preservation and recovery.

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

10<sup>th</sup> They are.

George Hughes, Gervas Cornell, John Cruess and Rob<sup>t</sup>. Richardson are appointed our representatives to the Ensuing ½ yr<sup>s</sup> meeting they are directed to call on the Treasurer for this meetings Quota of money call'd for by the Yearly meeting and also for building a meeting house in Tecumseth

The preparatives have raised the money call'd for by the Yearly meeting and paid it to the Treasurer

The preparatives are directed to raise £3.15 for this meetings use

The committee to have the oversight of funerals and care of burying grounds report that funerals have been orderly conducted and that burying grounds are enclosed. John Cruess, Cornelius Austen, James Richardson and Elijah Bostwick are appointed to have the charge of funerals and care of burying grounds for one year and report

The committee appointed to the care of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> concession report it has been orderly conducted and proposed to this meeting to grant them a further indulgence it being their Request the Report of the committee was united with and they are left at liberty to hold it as heretofore for Six months. James Richardson, Gervas Cornell, John Cruess and Ambrose Boone in conjunction with a committee of women friends

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are appointed to the care thereof and Report.

Ephraim White's case is continued

The clerk informs he has handed Jason Jeromes certificate to the Recorder

The committee to confer with friends of Yonge Street not being ready to make a full report is continued

Ambrose Boone, Wing Rogers, James Richardson, Gervas Cornell and Rob<sup>t</sup>. Richardson are appointed Trustees to take a deed from Johnathan H Rogers of the ground on which Friends meeting house in Pickering stands and also of the burying ground belonging to Friends which they held under the will of the late Timothy Rogers

John Cruess, Aminon Powell, Peter Taylor and Robert Richardson are appointed Trustees to take a sufficient title from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting for one and one half acres of land Sold to them by the late Wing Rogers for the use of the Society of Friends in Maraposa

The committee to collect accounts of Births and Deaths not being ready to report is continued.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th of 2nd mo 1847**

The representatives names being call'd were present Except one

The Representatives to the ½ yrs meeting Report three of them attended and have paid the money as directed but not having produced the Treasurers receipt they are requested to hand it in to next meeting with any other business Sent from that meeting to this.

Maraposa preparative report they have raised and paid to the Treasurer their proportion of money called for by this meeting: Pickering preparative is directed to forward theirs to next meeting

The committee to confer with friends of yonge street not ready to report is continued

The Trustees to take a deed from Jonathan H Rogers not ready to report they are continued.

The committee to collect accounts of Births and Deaths report the appointment answer'd they are released and Aminon Powell, Richard Dale, James Richardson and Cornelius Austin are appointed to collect the like accounts and report in first month next

The Trustees appointed to take a acre of land in Maraposa is continued

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Ephraim Whites case is continued

Was Rec<sup>d</sup> in this meeting a report from the managing committee of the Boarding School which was read to some satisfaction

The Clerk is directed to furnish a copy of this meetings minute of appointment to the Trustees to take a deed from Yonge Street Monthly Mt<sup>g</sup>

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1847**

The Representatives names being call'd one was absent

The Representatives to the ½ yrs meeting have produced the Treasurers Receipt As directed by our last. They also inform the Quota's on the different Monthly Meetings have been revised as follows that Yonge Street pays 28 Pickering 18. Leeds 10 and West Lake 44 pr Ct on all monies to be raised by Canada Half Yr<sup>s</sup> Meeting (the Yearly Meetings Stock excepted)

A Certificate of membership for Mary Clark from West Lake Monthly M<sup>tg</sup> was Read and accepted the Clerk is directed to forward it for Recording

The committee to confer with Friends of Yonge Street not being ready to report is continued

The Trustees to take a deed from Jonathan H Rogers is continued

The Trustees to take a (Quit claim) deed for land in Maraposa is continued

The committee in Ephraim White's case report they have had several opportunities with him and that they did not find him in a disposition to make Satisfaction to Friends with which this meeting unites and after deliberation concludes to disown hm and appoints Peter Taylor and James Richardson to prepare a minute of denial against him and report to next meeting

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1847**



The Representatives names being call'd one was absent  
The committee to confer with friends of Yonge Street report the service performed  
The Clerk informs he has handed Mary Clarks certificate to the Recorder  
The Trustees to take a deed from Jonathan H. Rogers are continued  
The Trustees to take a Quit claim deed from from [sic] Friends of Yonge Street are continued

The Friends to prepare a minute of denial against Ephraim White have produced one which has been read and approved the clerk is directed to Sign it James Richardson and Thomas Reazin are

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appointed to inform him thereof and of his right to appeal also to furnish him with a copy if required and Report to next meeting

Our Esteemed friend Bridget Haight in a weighty manner laid before this meeting a concern which has for some time attended her mind of paying a Religious Visit to a few meetings in the State of New York which are within the compass of Farmington and Butternuts Quarterly Meetings Friends having expressed unity with her in her concern She is left at liberty to pursue the prospect as Truth may open the way. William Wright, Gervas Cornell and Peter Taylor are appointed to unite with a committee of women friends in attending to the nescessary preparations for her before proceeding on her journey.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 6 of 5 month 1847**

The Representatives being call'd were present except one

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers to the usual five a summary of which is as follows the advices were read also

1<sup>st</sup> Query. Most friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and Discipline, altho' some are deficient therein the hour not so nearly observed as could be desired, not quite clear of sleeping and other unbecoming behaviour and Some care take in the above deficiencies

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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 one instance of a Friend frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion care taken

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

John Robinson. Thomas Reazin. Aneruon? Powell and William Wright are appointed as our Representatives to the ensuing half Yrs meeting

The Trustees to take a deed from Jonathan H. Rogers Report the appointment answer'd

The Trustees to take a deed from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting Not being ready to report are continued

Women friends inform they are united in disowning Lydia McDonald formerly Bowerman with which this meeting Concurs

[It appears there are 3 months of meetings missing]

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1847**

The Representatives being call'd one of was present and a Reason assigned for the absence of the other

The Clerk being absent William Wright is appointed for the day

The Representatives appointed to attend the half yr<sup>s</sup> meeting report two of them attended and produces a number of copies of the London Y. M.. Epistle with some other papers but no Extract from the minutes of the half Yrs Meeting being amongst them the Representatives are directed to produce it to a future meeting. The London Epistle was read in this meeting to satisfaction

The Trustees to take a Deed from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting not being ready to report are continued.

A Certificate from Rich-hill monthly meeting C<sup>o</sup> Armagh Ireland for Joseph Hobson (a minor) was presented to this meeting and on enquiry being made it appears he lives in the C<sup>o</sup> of Halton within the Limits of Pelham Monthly Meeting the correspondent is directed to forward it and report

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A Request to be joined in Membership with Friends Signed James Tiff? was produced through Maraposa preparative Meeting Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin & Ambrose Boon are appointed to visit him on that account and report next month

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1847**

The Representatives names being call'd one was absent

The clerk being absent James Richardson is appointed for the day

The Queries with the advices were read in this meeting with the Answers to the usual five a Summary of which is as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Query 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, some care taken no other unbecoming behaviour in them to Remark

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The Representatives not having produced the extract from the Minutes of the half Yrs meeting, they are directed to produce them to next meeting

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The Trustees to take a deed from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting not being ready to report are continued

The Correspondent reports he has forwarded Joseph Hobsons certificate for recording  
The committee in James Tiffths case not being ready to Report is continued

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 12 of 11 month 1847**

The Representatives names being calld 2 were absent

It appears by the Extracts from the Minutes of the half Yrs meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportions of Said sum and pay it to the Treasurer of this meeting and report next month

The Trustees to take a deed from Yonge Street Monthly not being ready to Report are continued

The Committee in the Case of James Tiffth not being ready to report is continued

The time for which the clerk and assistant clerk were appointed being expired Thomas Reazin James Richardsen and Harvey Armitage are appointed to propose the names of 2 friends in that capacity the Ensuing Year.

The time for which the Overseers were appointed being nearly expired William Wright, Elijah Bostwick. George Hughes and Harvey Armitage are appointed to propose names to Serve as Overseers the Ensuing year and Report next month

James Richardson is continued as Recorder of Births and Deaths the Ensuing Year.

Richard Dale is also continued as Recorder of Certificates

The time for which the Overseers of the poor were appointed being expired Ambrose Boone Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale Harvey Armitage and Wing Rogers are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of friends to serve in that station the Ensuing Year

Robert Richardson and Peter Taylor are appointed to settle with the Treasurer and propose the name of a person to serve as Treasurer the Ensuing yr.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1847**

The Representatives names being calld one was absent

The Committee to bring forward the names of 2 friends to serve as clerk and assistant have proposed Peter Taylor for Clerk and Ambrose Boone for assistant which being united with they are appointed to that service for one year

Pickering preparative not having forwarded their Quota of money calld for by the Yearly Meeting they are directed to do so by next meeting.

The Committee in the case of James Tiff have produced the following Report Viz "We your Committee appointed on the Request of James Tiff to be Rec<sup>d</sup> into membership with Friends. Report that we have attended to our appointment and believe that he is Convinced of the Truth of our Religious Principles and we trust is concerned to walk measurably in accordance therewith

Ambrose Boone  
signed Thomas? Reazin

which being Read and united with he is accordingly Rec<sup>d</sup> into membership with friends. John Cruess & Harvey Armitage are appointed to inform him thereof and Report.

The Committee to bring forward the names of Suitable friends for Overseers have proposed the following Viz. Ambrose Boone and Gervas Cornell for Pickering, and Edward Rorke & Joseph Cody for Maraposa which being Seperately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that Station for one year.

The Committee to bring forward the names of friends to Serve as Overseers of the poor have proposed Gervas Cornell and Elijah W Bostwick for Pickering and Aminon Powell and John Gill for Maraposa which being united with they are appointed for one year

One of the Committee to Settle with the Treasurer Reports he found in his hands as a balance of 15/ ½ and William Wrights name being proposed for Treasurer and united with he is reappointed for the year.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1848**

The Representatives names being call'd one was absent

The Queries have been Read in this meeting with the advices and the answers from the Preparative Meetings a summary of which is as follows and is directed to the half Yr<sup>s</sup> Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Query. Friends are mostly carefull to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline altho' some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week the hour not so nearly observed by some as could be desired. no other unbecoming behaviour in them to Remark and Some care taken in the above deficiencies.

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Thomas Reazin, John Cruess, Gervas Cornell, & Harvey Armitage are appointed as our Representatives to attend the Ensuing ½ yr<sup>s</sup> Meeting who are directed to call on the Treasurer for our Quota of Money call'd for by the Yearly Meeting, pay it to the clerk of that meeting and Report

A Certificate of Removal to Yonge Street Monthly Meeting for Edith Rogers and her two minor children Asa and Hannah was handed in from the Womens meeting which with some alteration was approved and Signed by direction of the meeting the clerk is directed to forward it.

The committee to inform James Tifft of his Reception into membership with friends Report the appointment answerd

The Committee to Collect accounts of Births & Deaths Report the appointment answer'd they accordingly Released and Richard Dale, Elijah Bostwick, Harvey Armitage & Cor<sup>s</sup> Austin are appointed to Collect the like accounts and report next first month

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1848**

The representatives names being call'd were present except one

One of the Representatives to the ½ yr<sup>s</sup> Meeting Reports that 3 of them attended and have produced the Treasurers receipt as directed, they have also handed some printed Reports of the State of West Lake Boarding School which have been read to some Satisfaction

The Clerk is continued to forward Edith Rogers' Certificate

The Committee to the Oversight of the Meeting in the 6th Concession report they have attended to their appointment, and did not discover but that it was orderly conducted and have proposed to grant them a further indulgence it being their Request which Report being united

with, Thomas Reazin, Neodiah Woodruff, Robert Richardson and Peter Taylor are appointed to unite with a Committee of Women friends in the oversight of that meeting and report in 6<sup>th</sup> month next.

The Trustees to take a deed from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting not ready to report are Continued.

Our Esteemed friend Bridget Haight in a weighty manner laid before this meeting a Concern which has for some time accompanied her mind of paying a Religious visit to most of the meetings composing this ½ yr<sup>s</sup> Meeting and of appointing one or more meetings amongst those not of our Society and also of Visiting part of the Meetings

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Composing Ferrisburo and LeRay Quarterly Meetings this meeting having expressed unity with her in her Concern she is left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way Gervas Cornell, Richard Dale, and Peter Taylor are appointed in conjunction with a Committee of Women friends to See that she is properly provided for before proceeding on her journey.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month. 1848**

The Representatives names being call'd they were all present

The Clerk informs Edith Rogers' certificate has been forwarded

One of the Trustees to take a Deed from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting informs attention has been paid to it but not being Ready to Report they are continued

The Committee appointed to See that Bridget Haight is purvided with a Suitable Companion before proceeding on her intended Religious Visit inform that Sarah Reazin proposed accompanying her therein: which being united with the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary Certificates Signed on behalf of this Meeting

The Womens Meeting inform that they are united in disowning Mary Mothersele? formerly Robson with which this meeting Concurs

### **Pickering Preparative Meeting of Friends held 6<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1848**

The Representatives being call'd one was absent for which a sufficient reaso[n] was assigned

No report from the Trustees to take a deed from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting they are Continued

Came to this from Pickering Preparative a Complaint against Henry Woodruff for being So unguarded as to make use of profane language and also for totally neglecting the attendance of our Religious meeting and departing from plainness in dress and address, this meeting appoints James Richardson and John A Haight to visit him on that account and Report to next meeting.

Was Received from Marsden Monthly Meeting Lochdale, Lancaster England a certificate for George & Elizabeth Poillson? and their minor Son Edward Recommending them as members of our Society. Also one for Joseph William (their Son) which have been Read and accepted, the clerk is directed to forward them for Recording, and to acknowledge the Receit of them to Sam<sup>l</sup> Mott of New York. Peter Taylor and Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin are appointed to inform them thereof and report



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Peter Taylor and Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin are appointed to prepare a certificate of removal for Cyrus Sing a member of this Meeting who is now residing within the Compass of Yonge Street Monthly Meeting

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1848**

The representatives names being call'd were all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the Answers from the Preparatives a Summary of which is as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Query Most Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for Religious Worship and Discipline, but Some are deficient therein especially on the middle of the week, the hour not So nearly observed as could be desired, not quite clear of Sleeping and other unbecoming behaviour and Some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are mostly maintained as becomes Brethren we know of no personal, differences amongst us and friends do generally avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction

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The Trustees to take a Deed from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting not being quite ready to report are continued

The Committee in Henry Woodruff's case report they Visited him since last Meeting and did not find him in a suitable disposition to make Satisfaction to friends, which report being united with this meeting Concludes to disown him and appoint Peter Taylor and Robert Richardson to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce it to next meeting.

The friends to inform George Wilson of the Reception of Certificates for him and his family report the appointment answered the Clerk is Continued to acknowledge the Receipt of them to New York.

The friends to prepare a certificate of removal for Cyrus Sing have done so which having been read and approved the clerk is directed to Sign it on behalf of this meeting and forward it to Yonge Street Monthly Meeting.



A Certificate of removal for Esther Dean from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting has been read and accepted.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1848**

The Representatives names being calld were present except one

The Trustees to take a deed from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting are Continued

The Friends to produce a testimony of Denial against Henry Woodruff have done So, which having been read approved and Signed by direction of this meeting. Richard Dale and Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin are appointed to inform him thereof and of his Right to appeal, furnish him with a Copy if required and report.

The Clerk informs he acknowledged the Receipt of George Wilson's and families Certificates

The Committee to the Care of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession report they attended there and did not See but that it was orderly Conducted and believe it would be Right to grant them a further indulgence it being their Request which Report being Read and united with Gervas Cornell, Richard Dale Ambrose Boone Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin are appointed in Conjunction with a Committee of women friends to have the oversight of that meeting and report in first month next

The Committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Burying grounds

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are requested to report next month

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1848**

The Representatives names being calld 2 were absent.

The trustees to take a deed from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting report the appointment answer'd

John Cruess is directed to call on the Treasurer for Six shillings being a balance of expense incurr'd by him in procuring and Registering the above deed.

This meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportions of of [sic] Ten dollars for the Monthly Meetings use pay it into the Treasurers hands and report next month

The Committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Burying grounds are continued to Report next month.

Robert Richardson is appointed to keep the deeds of all property belonging to this Monthly Meeting.

The Committee to inform Henry Woodruff of the Conclusion of this Meeting in his Case report the appointment answerd and that he did not manifest any disposition to appeal.

The womens meeting inform that they are united in disowning Sophrona Hubbard formerly Crawford with which is meeting Concur.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10<sup>th</sup> of 8 month 1848**

The Representatives names being call'd were all present

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the advices and the Answers from the Preparatives a summary of which is as follows and is directed to the Ensuing half Yr<sup>s</sup> Meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Query Most friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and discipline altho some are deficient therein Especially in the middle of the week and 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.

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Gervas Cornell, John Cruess, William Wright and Harvey Armitage are appointed our Representatives to the Ensuing half Yr<sup>s</sup> Meeting

John Cruess informs he has received from the Treasurer his charge of Six shillings as directed by last Meeting

The Preparatives not having raised their Quota of Money as directed by last meeting are requested to raise before next Month

The Committee to the oversight of funerals and Care of Friends burying grounds, report that the grounds are Enclosed and that funerals have been orderly Conducted, they are Released and Thomas Reazin, James Richardson John Cruess and Harvey Armitage are appointed to that Service for the Ensuing year

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1848**

The Representatives names being calld one was absent

One of the Representatives to attend the ½ Yr<sup>s</sup> Meeting reports they attended they have produced, a number of the London Yearly Meetings Epistles (one of which has been read at this time to Satisfaction) also Extracts from the Minutes of New York Yearly Meeting, also an Extract from the minutes of the half Yearly Meeting directing its subordinate meetings to raise their proportions of \$1000 for the Yearly Meetings use; this meeting directs the plreparatives to Raise their Quota's of Said sum pay it to the Treasurer of this Meeting and report in 12 month next

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Thomas Reazin, John Robinson, Harvey Armitage and Richard Dale are appointed Representatives to attend the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting with the Minutes from this and report.

The preparatives not having forwarded their Quota of money call'd for by this meeting are requested to do it by next meeting

Was read and accepted in this from West Lake Monthly Meeting a certificate of removal for Margaret Terrill and her four Minor children viz Jane Ann, Cecilia, Sophia, Gertrude and James Jones

Also one from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting on behalf of Anna Clark, Joseph, Thomas and Ruben, minor children of Rufus & Lecta Birchard, this meeting appoints Wing Rogers and Harvey Armitage to inform them of the reception of their Certificates which the Clerk is directed to forward for recording

Was Rec<sup>d</sup> from the Committee of West Lake Boarding School information that there were vacancies for two children who were eligible to receive part of the Donation of Friends in England to that Institution Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale Harvey Armitage and Gervas Cornell are appointed to receive applications from those who wish to send children, and decide on the most proper and Report to next meeting

Bridget Haight has this day Returned a certificate which She received from this meeting in 4 mo last. She has also handed in returning minutes from Leeds Monthly Meeting held 10 of 8 mo Expressing Unity and Satisfaction with her gospel labours amongst them

Peter Taylor and Gervas Cornell are appointed to prepare a certificate of Removal for Thomas Valentine who has left here to reside in New York) and report to next meeting

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10<sup>th</sup> mo 5<sup>th</sup> 1848**

The Representatives names being Call'd one was absent

One of the Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting Reports they attended

The Money call'd for by this Meeting not having been forwarded the preparatives are Requested to Raise and forward it by next meeting

The Committee to inform Margarat Terrill and her family and also the children of Rufus & Lecta Birchard of the Reception of their Certificates Report the appointment answerd the Clerk is

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Continued to forward the Certificates for Recording

The friends appointed to receive applications for Children to be sent to West Lake Boarding School report that one has gone for 1 yr from this Monthly Meeting and that it is likely another will go for 6 months the Committee is Continued another month.

The friends appointed to prepare a Certificate of Removal for Tho<sup>s</sup> Valentine not having done So are Continued another month

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1848**

The Representatives being Call'd were present.

The Clerk being absent William Wright is appointed for the day

The preparative Meetings report that the money Called for by the Monthly Meeting for its use is raised and paid to the Treasurer

The Clerk is Continued to forward Margaret Terrill's and Rufus Birchard's Childrens certificates to the Recorder

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate of Removal for Thomas Valentine produced one which has been read, approved, and Signed on behalf of this meeting the Clerk is directed to forward it to New York Monthly Meeting

The time for which the overseers were appointed being nearly Expired, Henry Betts, William Wright, John Cruess and John Gibb are appointed to bring forward the names of Suitable friends to next meeting to serve in that station the Ensuing Year.

The time for which the clerk and assistant clerk were appointed being nearly Expired Robt Richardson John H Benson? Aminon Powell, Harvey Armitage are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of two friends for that Service the ensuing Year;

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being nearly Expired Noadiah Woodruff, Gervas Cornell John Cruess & Cornelius Austin are appointed to Examine his accounts and propose the name of a Friend for that Service for on[e] Year and report to next Meeting

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1848**

The Representatives names being Call'd were present Except one

The Queries have been Read in this Meeting with the Answers from our Peparatives a Summary of which is as follows and is directed to the Quarterly Meeting. the advices were also read.

1<sup>st</sup> Query Most friends are Carefull to attend all our Meetings for Religious worship and discipline altho' Some are deficient therein Especially on the middle of the week. the hour not so nearly observed as Could be desired. Not quite clear of Sleeping in Meeting No other unbecoming behaviour to Remark and Some Care taken in the above Deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are not so fully maintained as could be desired one instance of Individual difference being Reported in which Care has been taken. Friends do mostly avoid and Discourage tale-bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Most friends appear carefull to keep themselves, their own and other friends friends [sic] children under their Care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparil altho' 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 we trust 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 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

James Richardson, Elijah Bostwick John Cruess and John Gibb are appointed our Representatives to attend the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting

The Clerk informs he has forwarded the Certificates for Recording as directed by last Meeting

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The friends to Receive applications for children to go to West Lake Boarding School are Continued

W<sup>m</sup> Wright informs he has forwarded Thomas Valentines Certificate as directed

The friends to bring forward names for overseers have proposed the following Viz. Ambrose Boon[e], Rob<sup>t</sup> Betts and Wing Rogers for Pickering and Edward Rorke and Joseph Cody for Maraposa, which being seperately Considered were united with Except Ambrose Boone to whom an objection having been made a committee of the following friends is appointed viz Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin, Richard Dale, John Cruess, W<sup>m</sup> Wright, Wing Rogers & Cornelius Austin is appointed to Enquire into the Cause thereof and report their judgment to next meeting. the other four friends are appointed overseers for one year.

The Committee to propose the names of 2 friends to serve as Clerk and assistant clerk to this Meeting have proposed Peter Taylor for Clerk and Ambrose Boone for assistant which being united with they are appointed to that service for one year

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to Examine the Treasurers accounts and propose the name of a friend to serve in that office Report they looked over the accounts and found a balance of £2.15.0. in his hands and have proposed W<sup>m</sup> Wright for Treasurer which being united with he is reappointed for one Year.

The time for which the overseers of the poor were appointed being expired Robert Richardson, Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin John Gibb and John Cruess are appointed to serve in that Station for one year

Pickering preparative has forwarded 6/3 for the use of the poor which the Representatives are directed to hand to the Treasurer

Our Esteemed friend Joel Batty attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity from Starksboro Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1848 whose Company and gospel Labours amongst us have been truly Edifying and Instructive at this time the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a Copy of the foregoing minuts Signed on behalf of this meeting

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1849**

The Representatives names being call'd were present.

One of the Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report two of them attended and a sufficient Reason has been given for the non-attendance of the other two.

The friends appointed to receive applications for children to attend West Lake Boarding School are Continued to report next month.

The Committee to consider the objection made by John A. Haight to Ambrose Boone Serving as an overseer have made the following Report

"We of the Committee appointed to investigate the objection made by John A. Haight against Ambrose Boone have attended thereto and did not discover that he had any objection against

him except that he said he thought he was not fit for an overseer and that he was not in unity with Some of his friends which we Submit to the meeting.” Signed by the Committee<sup>tee</sup> which being taken up and considered by the meeting it was Concluded that Willaim Wright’s name (which was proposed by the former Committee Should be substituted in place of Ambrose Boone and being united with he is appointed to that station for one Year

The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the Sixth Concession Report they attended to the appointment and did not discover but that it has been orderly Conducted and that it would be Right to grant them a further indulgence it being their Request, which being united with the former Committee is Released and the following friends Viz. Noadiah Woodruff, Robert Richardson, Elijah Bostwick & John Robinson are appointed in Conjunction with a Committee of Women friends to have the oversight of that meeting and report in 6<sup>th</sup> month next.

Came to this from Pickering preparative a Complaint against Sam<sup>l</sup> Merrick for having so far deviated from the order of our Religious Society as to keep Company with and marry a person not in membership with us by the assistance of a priest, also for having almost wholly neglected the attendance of our Meetings and departing from plainness in dress and address. James Righcardson and Wing Rogers are appointed to visit him on that account and report to next meeting.

The Committee to Collect accounts of Births and Deaths not being ready to report is continued

The womens meeting inform they are united in disowning Ann Mothersill formerly Robinson with which this meeting Concurs

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They also inform this Meeting that they are united in disowning Charity Kestor formerly Woodruff with which men friends unite

## **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1849**

The Representatives names being call’d one was absent

The Queries have been Read in this Meeting with the Answers from the Preparatives a Summary of which is as follows and is directed to the Quarterly Meeting. the advices have been also read

1<sup>st</sup>. Query. Most friends are carefull to attend all our Meetings for Religious worship and Discipline although a slackness prevails in Some Especially in the Middle of the week, the hour nearly observed. not clear of sleeping. no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are not so fully maintained by some friends as could be desired. when differences have arisen Endeavours have been used to End them. tale bearing and detraction are avoided by Most friends, Some care taken

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 most friends families. and there is a care Extended in these respects towards some under our tuition

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



5<sup>th</sup>. The Circumstances of the poor have been inspected and a little Relief afforded. there has been some advice given them. Most friends children and those under our care are in away 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 children's keeping Company with such, one instance of a friend attending a marriage for one who is a member of our Religious Society that was accomplished by ??? ??? [off page]

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7<sup>th</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>. Most friends perform their promises and pay their just debts Seasonably. we know of none 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 and agreeably to our discipline

10<sup>th</sup> They are.

Thomas Reazin, Harvey Armitage, Noadiah Woodruff & John Cruess, are appointed Representatives to the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting, they are directed to call on the Treasurer for our Quota of Money call'd for by the Yearly Meeting, pay it to the Quarterly Meeting's clerk and produce his Receipt to next meeting

The Committee to receive applications for children to attend West Lake Boarding School is Continued

The friends to Visit Samuel Merrick inform they have paid attention to it, but not being ready to report they are continued.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to collect accounts of Births & Deaths inform they have fulfill'd their appointment, they are therefore Released and Gervas Cornell, Robert Richardson, Harvey Armitage & Cornelius Austin are appointed to the same service and to report in first month next

Pickering Preparative has raised and forwarded their Quota of money call'd for by the Yearly Meeting, also 5/7 for the use of the poor which is paid to the Treasurer of this meeting.

## **Pickering Monthly Meeting of friends held 8<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1849**

The Representatives names being call'd were present

Two of the Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting report. they attended and not having produced the Treasurers Receipt they are directed to forward it to next Meeting

The Committee to Receive applications for Children to attend West Lake Boarding School. report that two children have been Sent from this meeting for 1 year Each.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Sam<sup>l</sup> Merrick, report they visited him and did not find him in a suitable disposition to make satisfaction to friends which report being united with this meeting Concludes to disown him and appoints Peter Taylor and Ambrose Boon[e] to prepare a minute of

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denial against him and produce it to next Meeting



An Extract from the Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting was handed with the information, that on a Revision of the Quotas in that Meeting it was agreed that Yonge Street Monthly Meeting pay 60 and Pickering 40 pr cent on all Monies to be raised by the Quarterly Meeting

William Wright, Harvey Armitage, Aminon Powell & Ambrose Boone are appointed to revise the Quota's of this Monthly Meeting and report next month.

Was forwarded to this from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting a complaint against Thomas Brook for having accomplished his marriage with a woman not in Membership with friends, by the assistance of a Priest. requesting this meeting to deal with him on their behalf. Harvey Armitage and Cornelius Austin are appointed to visit him on that account and report to next meeting

Joseph B. Pearson having Requested a Certificate for himself and those of his family who are in Membership with friends, and to be addressed to Adrian Monthly Meeting (Michigan) this Meeting appoints Aminon Powell and Cornelius Austin in Conjunction with a Com<sup>tee</sup> of women friends to make the necessary enquiry in the Case and if nothing obstructs to prepare a certificate and report to next meeting

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1849**

The Representatives names being call'd were present Except one

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting have produced the Treasurers Rec<sup>t</sup> as directed

The Committee to produce a testimony of denial against Samuel Merrick have done so it has been read approved and signed by Direction of this Meeting. Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin Peter Taylor are appointed to inform him thereof and of his right to appeal also to furnish him with a Copy if required and Report.

The Committee to revise the Quotas report as follows that Pickering preparative pays 75 and Maraposa 25 pr Cent on all Money to be raised by the Monthly Meeting which was united with

The Committee in the Case of Thomas Brook report they visited him & he has forwarded an acknowledgment by them in which they believe him to be sincere, after deliberation this meeting concludes to leave it under the Care of the Committee another month

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The Committee to prepare a Certificate of Removal for Joseph B Pears[on] and family inform that he has settled within the Compass of Pickering Monthly Meeting

A Communication was Rec<sup>d</sup> from Waterford Monthly Meeting Ireland requesting to know if a minute of that meeting respecting Thomas Goven?? [off page] had Come to hand it having been directed to Hartland in York State The Correspondent of this Meeting is directed to write to the Correspondent in Hartland for information on the Subject and to report to this Meeting

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1849**

The Representatives names being call'd were present Except one

The Committee in Samuel Merricks case report they attended to the appointment and that he did not manifest any disposition to appeal

The Case of Thomas Brooks is continued another month

The Correspondent reports he has Rec<sup>d</sup> no information from Hartland Monthly Meeting he is Requested to report when ready

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1849**

The Representatives names being cal were present except one

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the Answers from the Preparatives a summary of which is as follows and is directed to the Quarterly Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Query. All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended tho 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<sup>nd</sup>. Love and unity are maintained by most Friends as becomes Brethren when differences have arisen care has been taken to End them and friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Most Friends are carefull 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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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 except 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

William Wright, Robert Richardson, Ambrose Boone, & Cornelius Austin are appointed our Representatives to the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting

The Committee in the Case of Tho<sup>s</sup> Brook not being ready to report is contin[ued]

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the Sixth Concessin report they attended to the appointment and did not discover but that it was orderly Conducted and that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it being their Request which being united with the former Committee is Released and the following friends are Gervas Cornell, Jonathan Rogers, James Richardson and Thomas Reazin, are appointed in Conjunction with a Committee of women friends to have the oversight of that meeting and report in 12 mo next

A Complaint was forwarded to this meeting from Waterford Monthly Meeting Ireland dated 25<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1847. against Thomas Gooch for leaving that place and Coming to America involved in debt to a considerable amount which he left no adequate means of paying, and also for having been for Some time in the practice of unnecessarily frequenting taverns and drinking to excess which Complaint was accompanied by a Request that friends would treat with him on their behalf. this meeting appoints Ambrose Boone, Jonathan Rogers & George Hughes to visit on that account and report next month.

Pickering Preparative has forwarded 5/7 for the use of the poor to the Treasurer of this meeting

The Correspondent has handed to this a letter from Hartland Monthly Meeting a letter containing the requested information

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1849**

The Representatives names being Call'd were present.

One of the Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting reports they attended and produced a number of the London Yearly Meeting's Epistles (one of which has been read at this time to Satisfaction) which are to be distributed amongst friends, and Some Copies of the Report of West Lake Boarding School

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also a minute stating that on Revising the Quotas it was directd that Yonge Street Quarterly Meeting pays 32 pr Ct. on all money to be raised by the Yearly Meeting

The Committee in the Case of Thomas Brook is continued another month with Wing Rogers and Ambrose Boone added.

The Committee to visit Thomas Gooch not being [ready?] to report is Continued another month with William Wright added

James Richardson & Richard Dale are appointed to prepare a Certificate of Removal for Joseph Bowerman to Yonge Street Monthly Meeting if Nothing appears to obstruct and Report next month

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1849**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

The Committee in the case of Thomas Brook report as follows

"We your Committee in the Case of Tho<sup>s</sup> Brook have paid further attention to our appointment and we. believe him to be sincere in his acknowledgment and trust that his life and Conversation may correspond thereto" which being united with this meeting accepts of his acknowledgement and appoints Aminon Powell and Harvey Armitage to inform him thereof and report the clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to Yonge Street Monthly Meeting

The Committee in the Case of Thomas Gooch have reported as follows. "We Your Committee in the case of Thomas Gooch Report that we have attended to our appointment and that he acknowledged the justness of the Complaint and altho' we sympathise with him in reference to that part of the Complaint believe he would be willing to satisfy his creditors if of ability to do so. Yet we are united in the judgment that he is not now prepared to make satisfaction to his friends" which being united with this meeting concludes to disown him and appoints Peter Taylor and William Wright to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce it to next meeting.

The Committee to prepare a Certificate of Removal for Joseph Bowerman not being prepared to Report is Continued.

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1849.**

The Representatives names being calld were present

The Queries have been Read in this Meeting with the advices and and [sic] the answers from the preparative a summary of which is as follows and is directed to the Quarterly Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Query Most Friends are carefull to attend all our Meetings for Religious worship & Discipline tho' 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> Love and Unity are not so fully maintained amongst us as becomes brethren as could be desired, when a difference hath arisen Some care has been taken to End it, we trust tale-bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Most Friends are carefull 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 Scripture of Truth are frequently read in Most Friends families and Some care is Extended 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, none are known to frequent Taverns or attend places of Diversion

9<sup>th</sup> Care is taken (tho' not so Seasonably in all cases as would be best to deal with offenders in the Spirit of Meekness and agreeably to our Discipline.

Thomas Reazin Aminon Powell Elijah Bostwick and Harvey Armitage are appointed our Representatives to the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting

The Committee to inform Tho<sup>s</sup> Brook of the Reception of his acknowledgment report the appointment answerd

This Meeting concludes to Send information to Waterford. Monthly Meeting of what has been done in Tho<sup>s</sup> Gooouch's case and not to proceed any farther in it at present the clerk is directed to forward it and a copy of the clause? of Disapline on treating with offenders.

The committee to prepare a certificate of Removal for Joseph Bowerman not being ready to report is continued

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Our friend Esther Dean informed this meeting that she had a concern on her Mind to attend Pelham Quarterly Meeting which having the unity of this Meeting She is left at liberty to do so the clerk directed to furnish her with a Minute from this Meeting.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1849**

The Representatives names being call'd were present

Two of the Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended, and have laid on the table Some books and pamphlets for distribution amongst the preparative Meeting, by the Extracts from the Minutes of Yearly Meeting the Quarterly Meetings were directed to Raise their proportions of \$1000 for that Meetings use. this Meeting directs its preparatives to Raise their proportions of Said Sum and report in first month next

The clerk informs he has forwarded the information to Waterford Monthly Meeting in the case of Tho<sup>s</sup>. Gooouch.

The committee to prepare a certificate of removal for Joseph Bowerman is continued.

Yonge Street Monthly Meeting having requested this meeting to treat with Joseph Randall Jun<sup>r</sup> on their behalf. Wing Rogers and James Richardson are appointed to visit him and report to next meeting.

W<sup>m</sup> Wright being about to leave home to be away some time James Richardson is appointed to act as Treasurer in his absence

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1849**

The Representatives names being call'd were present

The Committee to prepare a Certificate of removal for Joseph Bowerman is continued.

The Committee to visit Joseph Randall report as follows. "We attended to our appointment in the case of Joseph Randall and did not find him in a suitable disposition to make satisfaction to Friends." which being united with this meeting appoints Pr. Taylor and Elijah Bostwick to prepare a testimony of denial against him and report.

The time for which the clerk and assistant clerk to this meeting were appointed being nearly Expired Cornelius Austin & George Hughes are appointed to propose the names of 2 friends to serve in that station the Ensuing Year.

Jason Gerome having removed to reside within the Compass of Yonge Street Monthly Meeting. Rob<sup>t</sup> Richardson

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and Peter Taylor are appointed to prepare a certificate of Removal for him and Report.

Women friends inform they are united in disowning Mary Ann Connor formerly Penrose with which the meeting unites

They also inform they are united in accepting the acknowledgement of Jane Ann Rogers (formerly Terrill) with which this Meeting unites

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1849.**

The Representatives names being call'd were present Except one

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with the advices and the answers from the Preparatives a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Query. Most friends are carefull to attend all our Meetings for religious worship and discipline tho' a slackness prevails with some on the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed, not quite clear of sleeping and clear of all other unbecoming in them as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, tho' one meeting says not so fully as could be desired if differences arise care is taken to end them and we believe friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction

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Thomas Reazin, John Cruess, John Gibb, and Wing Rogers are appointed our Representatives to the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

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The Com<sup>tee</sup> to prepare a certificate of Removal for Joseph Bowerman is continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to propose the names of two friends to serve this meeting as clerk and assistant have proposed, Peter Taylor for Clerk and Jonathan Rogers for assistant, which being united with they are appointed for one year.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to prepare a testimony of denial against Joseph Randall Junr. have produced one which has been Read, approved and signed by direction of this meeting Ambrose Boone & Robert Richardson are appointed to inform him of the conclusion of the meeting in his case, also of his right to appeal, to furnish him with a copy if Required and report.

Esther Doan has this day returned a minute which she got from this meeting (in 9<sup>th</sup> mo last) to attend Pelham Quarterly Meeting together with a returning minute signed by the clerk of that meeting and Correspondent expressing satisfaction with her gospel labours amongst them

+ Pickering preparative has raised and forwarded 6/3 for the use of the poor.

Friends in Maraposa having forwarded a request to this meeting to have the privilege of holding the Monthly Meeting there four times in the Year, this meeting appoints Wing Rogers, Ambrose Boone, John Haight, Thomas Reazin, John Cruess and John Gibb to take the Subject into consideration in conjunction with a com<sup>tee</sup> of women friends and report their sense of it to next meeting

The Committee to the care of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup>. Concession not being ready to report is continued, the meeting is also continued

The time for which the overseers were appointed being expired Harvey Armitage, George Hughes, John Cruess and Ambrose Boone are appointed to propose the names of friends to serve in that station the Ensuing year, the present overseers are continued another month

The Treasurer being from home the appointment is held over until his return.

The time for which the overseers of the poor were appointed being expired the same friends are reappointed with Gervas Cornell added.

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1850**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one and a satisfactory reason has been given for his absence

The assistant clerk being absent James Richardson is appointed for the day



The Com<sup>tee</sup> to prepare a certificate of Removal for Joseph Bowerman is Continued another month.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to inform Joseph Randall Jun<sup>r</sup> of the conclusion of the Meeting in his case report the appointment answer'd and that he did not show any disposition of appealing, the clerk is directed to forward the necessary information in the case to Yonge Street Monthly Meeting

The joint Com<sup>tee</sup> to take into consideration the proposition of Friends in Maraposa to have the privilege of holding the Monthly Meeting there four times in the year in the 1<sup>st</sup>. 3<sup>rd</sup>. 4<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> months report they are united in approving of it and this meeting uniting with the report of the Committee it is directed to be laid before the Quarterly Meeting for its approval

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6th Concession report they have attended there and did not discover but that it is conducted orderly and that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it being their request, which Report being united with the former com<sup>tee</sup>. is released & John A. Haight Richard Dale, Noadiah Woodruff, & Elijah Bostwick are appointed in conjunction with a com<sup>tee</sup>. of Women friends to have the oversight of that meeting and report in 6 month next.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to propose the names of suitable friends for Overseers have proposed Edward Rorke and Joseph Cody in Maraposa and Wing Rogers and Robert Betts for Pickering which being separately considered they are united with and appointed to that service for one Year the Com<sup>tee</sup> is continued to bring in another name for Pickering

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to collect accounts of Births and Deaths not being ready to report is continued

The womens meeting inform they are united in disowning Rachel Robinson believing the necessary care has been taken in the case with which this meeting Concurs.

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The womens meeting has handed to this a certificate of Removal for Esther Doan to Yonge St. Monthly Meeting which has been Read and approved the Clerk is directed to sign and forward it on behalf of this meeting.

## Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1850

The Representatives names being call'd were present Except one

The Queries were read in this meeting and the answers from the preparatives a Summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting the advices were also read  
1<sup>st</sup> Query Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and Discipline though a slackness prevails in Some on the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed not clear of Sleeping and clear of all other unbecoming behaviour in them as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are maintained as becomes brethren as far as appears no differences among Friends as we know of, we believe that friends generally avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. We believe 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 their families and Care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition

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

5<sup>th</sup>. The Circumstances of the poor have been inspected and Some Relief has been afforded and advice given them, we believe that friends children generally are in a way to 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 and one instance of attending a marriage of one who went out from us said marriage having been accomplished by a priest, it does not appear that

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parents connive at their children keeping Company with those not of our Society on account of Marriage.

7<sup>th</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>. Friends do Endeavour to pay their just debts but not so seasonably at all times as could be desired, none known to 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>. We trust care is taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline

10<sup>th</sup>. We think they are.

Wing Rogers, Aminon Powell, Harvey Armitage & James Richardson are appointed our Representatives to the Ensuing quarterly Meeting

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to prepare a certificate of Removal for Joseph Bowerman is released it being his intention to reside within the Compass of this Monthly Meeting.

The clerk is continued to forward the information to Yonge S<sup>t</sup> Monthly Meeting in the case of Joseph Randall J<sup>r</sup>.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to propose the name of a friend for overseer in Pickering have proposed T. Reazin which being united with he is appointed to that service for the same time as the other overseers

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to collect accounts of Births and Deaths not being ready to report is continued

The Clerk is continued to forward Esther Doans certificate

The preparative meeting of ministers and Elders inform they are united in proposing for the consideration of the Monthly Meeting the propriety of appointing James Richardson to the Station of an Elder they having unity of the Quarterly meeting of Ministers & Elders therein this meeting appoints Ambrose Boone & Gervas Cornell to hear and Consider objections to him if any appear and report

Came to this from Maraposa preparative a Complaint against Harvey J. Pearson for so far deviating from the known principals of our Religious society as to take a Judicial oath before

a magistrate. Wing Rogers and Ambrose Boone are appointed to visit him on that account and report.

The preperatives report they have raised and forwarded their proportion of money called for to the Yearly meeting

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Pickering preparative has Raised and forwarded 4S/3d for the use of the poor for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers Rec<sup>t</sup> to next meeting.

William Wright having requested a certificate to proceed in marriage with Mary Wright a member of Carlow Monthly Meeting Ireland Thomas Reazin & Peter Taylor are appointed to prepare a certificate for him and produce to an adjournment of this meeting at 6 o clock this evening

Our esteemed friend Bridget Haight laid before this meeting a prospect which she had of attending West Lake Quarterly Meeting and also some of the meetings Constituting that Quarter and Most of the meetings Constituting Yonge Street Quarter and of appointing some meetings amongst those not of our Society, this meeting unites with her prospect and she is left at liberty to pursue it as truth may open the way. Richard Dale and Gervas Cornell are appointed in Conjunction with a com<sup>tee</sup> of Women friends to see that she is suitably provided for before proceeding on her journey, the Clerk is Directed to furnish her with a certificate and produce it to our adjournment of this meeting

Adjourned to meet at 6 o clock this evening

Met agreeably to adjournment

The Representatives were present as before

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate for W<sup>m</sup> Wright have produced one which has been read and with some alteration approved and signed by direction of the meeting the clerk is directed to forward it

A Certificate for Bridget Haight has been Read approved and Signed by direction of the meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time in next month:

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1850.**

he Representatives names being call'd were present except one

The Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report they attended except one

The information in the case of Joseph Randall J<sup>r</sup> has been forwarded to Yonge Street.

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The Com<sup>tee</sup> to collect accounts of Births & Deaths report they have fulfilld their appointment, they are released and Richard Dale Robert Betts, Cornelius Austin & Harvey Armitage are appointed to this service for one Year.

The clerk informs Esther Doans Certificate is forwarded

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of James Richardson is continued with Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazins name added to report next month

This meeting Concludes that the case of Harvey J. Pearson be refer'd back to Maraposa Preparative

The Treasurers Rect for 4S 3d was read in our Preparative Meeting with which this Meeting is Satisfied.

The clerk informs he has forwarded W<sup>m</sup> Wrights Certificate

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Bridget Haight report the appointment answerd and that James Richardson and Hannah Cornell accompanied her

The Quarterly Meeting has Expressed its unity with the proposal from Pickering Monthly Meeting of holding that Monthly Meeting in Maraposa 4 times in the Year Viz in 1<sup>st</sup>. 3<sup>rd</sup>. 6<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> months having the Unity of the Womens meeting therein. The meeting will be held there in 6<sup>th</sup> month next

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to the oversight of Funerals and Care of Friends burying grounds is Continued to Rept in 9 mo next.

Was Rec'd in this Meeting a testimony of denial from Waterford Monthly Meeting against Tho<sup>s</sup> Goouch which has been read Harvey Armitage & Cornelius Austin are appointed to inform him of the conclusion of that Meeting in his case furnish him with a Copy if required and Report.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1850**

The Representatives being call'd were present Except one

Two of the Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of James Richardson Report That some objections were made but that on Visiting him they considered them as nothing against him the Report of the Com<sup>tee</sup> is united with and he is appointed to the station of an Elder the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to the Preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders.

One of the Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Tho<sup>s</sup> Goouch Reports the appointment Answer'd, the Clerk is directed to forward the information to Waterford Monthly Meeting

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Came to this from Marapossa Preparative a Complaint against Harvey J. Pearson for departing from plainness in dress and address and taking a judicial oath before a magistrate Contrary to the known testimony of our Religious Society. Thomas Reazin & Wing Rogers are appointed to visit him on that account and Report.

also a Complaint against Joseph Penrose for departing from plainness in dress and address a[nd] marrying a woman not in membership with friends by the assistance of Priest. Harvey Armitage & Aminon Powell are appointed to Visit him on that account and Report.

Yonge Street Monthly Meeting having requested this Meeting to treat with Thomas Sutton on their behalf for accomplishing his marriage with a woman not in membership with friends by the assistance of a priest. Wing Rogers & Thomas Reazin are appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

Our friend Bridget Haight has this day Returned a Certificate which she received from this Meeting in 2<sup>nd</sup> mo last and also a returning minute from West Lake Quarterly Meeting held 27<sup>th</sup> of 2 mo. Expressing Satisfaction with her Company and gospel labours amongst them

The preparative meeting of Ministers & Elders informed this meeting they were united in proposing for the Consideration of the Monthly Meeting the propriety of appointing Gervas

Cornell to the station of an Elder having the unity of the womens meeting therein Wing Rogers and Robert Richardson are appointed to hear and Consider objections to him if any appear and Report.

Jonathan Rogers inform'd the Meeting that he is about leaving the province for Some time and Requests a Certificate of Membership, friends are united in directing the Clerk to furnish him with one.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> ? of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1850**

Th Representatives names being call'd were present

The assistant clerk being absent having left the province Elijah Bostwick is appointed to be in his stead

The Clerk informs he has forwarded the information in the case of James Richardson to the preparative meeting of Ministers & Elders

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The Clerk is continued to forward the information to Waterford Monthly Meeting in the Case of Thomas Gooouch

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Harvey J Pearson is Continued to report next month

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Joseph Penrose report attention to the appointment but not being ready to make a full report they are Continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to visit Thomas Sutton is Continued to report next month

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to hear and consider objections to Gervas Cornell if any should appear report they do not find that any have been made the proposition from the Meeting of Ministers & Elders is united with and he is appointed to the Station of an Elder having the unity of the Womens Meeting therein the Clerk is directed to forward the informatio[n] to the preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders

Jonathan Rogers has been furnish'd with a certificate as directed by last meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time in next Month in Maraposa.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 6 of 6 month 1850**

The Clerk being absent Edward Rorke is appointed for the day

The Representatives names being call'd were present Except one

The Queries were read with the Answers from the preparatives in Substance as follows.

1 Query. Most Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and Discipline, tho a slackness appears with some on the middle of the week, the hour Nearly observed, not clear of sleeping and Some care taken, no other unbecoming behaviour in them to Remark

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity is mostly maintained amongst us Excepting one instance which is under notice, we hope talebearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged

3<sup>rd</sup>. Most friends are carefull 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 ex-

tend a care in these Respects towards others under their tuition

4 Friends do avoid the use of distill'd sperituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion.

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

The Clerk is continued in the Case of Tho<sup>s</sup> Gooouch.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Harvey J. Pearson not ready to Report is continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Joseph Penrose report attention they are continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Thomas Sutton is Continued

The Clerk is continued to forward the information in the Case of Gervas Cornell to the Preparative meeting of Ministers & Elders

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession report attention to the appointment and it is their belief it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it being their Request & with which this meeting unites with the Concurrence of the Womens meeting. Robert Betts, Harvey Armitage and Ambrose Boone are appointed to unite with a Com<sup>tee</sup> of Womens meeting in the Oversight thereof and Report in 1<sup>st</sup> month next.

Pickering preparative meeting reports that James Woodruff has so far transgressed the good order of our Religious Society as to marry a woman not in Membership with friends by the assistance of a hireling minister, also dealing in spirituous liquors. Wing Rogers & Ambrose Boone are appointed to treat with him and Report to next meeting

Wing Rogers, John Gibb, Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin and John Cruess are appointed the Representatives to attend the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11<sup>th</sup> of 7 month 1850**

The Representatives names being call'd were present

Three of the Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report they attended and have handed in some books and pamphlets which are directed to the preparative Meeting also some Copies of the London Yearly Meeting Epistle one of which has been read at this time to satisfaction

The Clerk is Continued in the case of Thomas Gooouch.

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The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Harvey J. Pearson report as follows

"We of the Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Harvey J. Pearson have attended to our appointment and did not find him in a suitable state of mind to make satisfaction, which we submit to the Monthly Meeting"

Wing Rogers

Thomas Reazin

which being united with this meeting has come to the Conclusion to disown him from being any longer a member of our Religious society and appoints Peter Taylor and John Cruess to prepare a testimony of denial against him and Report to next meeting

The Case of Joseph Penrose is continued another Month

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Thomas Sutton have produced an acknowledgement from him in which they believe him to be sincere and that his life and Conversation are consistent this meeting is united in accepting it and Continuing him in membership and appoints John Gibb and Cornelius Austin to inform him thereof and report.

The Clerk informs he has forwarded the information in the Case of Gervas Cornell to the Preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of James Woodruff report as follows  
We your Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of James Woodruff Report that we have attended to our appointment and are united in the judgment that he is not prepared to give satisfaction to his friends.

Ambrose Boone

Wing Robers

which being united with this meeting concludes to disown him from being any longer a member of our Religious Society and appoints James Richardson & Peter Taylor to prepare a minute of denial against him and Report.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1850.**

The Representatives names being call'd were present

The Clerk informs he has fulfill'd the appointment in the Case of Thomas Gooch

The friends to produce a testimony of denial against Harvey J. Pearson have done which has been read and approved the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting. Harvey Armitage

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and Cornelius Austin are appointed to inform him thereof and of his Right to appeal, furnish him with a copy if Required and Report.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Joseph Penrose is Continued another month

The friends to prepare a minute of denial against James Woodruff have produced one which has been read and approved the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this Meeting. Thomas Reazin and James Richardson are appointed to inform him thereof and of his right to appeal and furnish him with a copy if Required and report.

A Certificate of Membership from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting on behalf of Benjamin Cody and Susan his wife was read and accepted in this meeting the Clerk is directed to forward it for Recording

The women's meeting inform they are united in accepting the acknowledgment of Hannah Sadler formerly Rogers, with which this meeting unites

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Thomas Sutton report the appointment answerd.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 9 mo 5. 1850**

The Representatives names being call'd were present Except one

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the Answers to the usual five a summary of which as follows is directed to the Ensuing Quarterly meeting. the Advices have been also read.

1<sup>st</sup> Query. Most friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and discipline tho' a slackness prevails with some on the middle of the week. the hour nearly observed not clear of Sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour in these to remark except one instance and some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are mostly maintain'd as becomes brethren except one instance which is under notice tale-bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged

3<sup>rd</sup>. Most friends are carefull 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 christ[ian] profession we believe the the Scriptures of Truth are

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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 use of distilld spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

William Wright, Robert Betts, Harvey Armitage and Benjamin Cody are appointed to attend the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our representatives and report.

The friends to inform Harvey J. Pearson of the Conclusion of the Meeting in his Case report the appointment Answerd and that he did not manifest any disposition to appeal

The Committee in the Case of Joseph Penrose is Continued another Month with William Wright and Ambrose Boone added.

The friends to inform James Woodruff of the Conclusion of the Meeting in his Case report the appointment Answerd and that he did not manifest any disposition to appeal.

A Certificate of membership for Benjamin Cody and Susan his wife has been handed to the Recorder

Pickering preparative Meeting has raised 3S/7 ½ d for the use of the poor, which is paid to the treasurer.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time in Maraposa

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 10<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1850**

The Clerk being absent Edward Rorke is appointed for the day and Benjamin Cody is appointed assistant

The Representatives being call'd were present except one

One of the representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they attended

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of Joseph Penrose not being ready to report is Continued

A minute from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting was produced stating that Rufus Birchard has deviated from the good conduct so far as to be guilty of maltreating his wife and requesting the care of this meeting in the case. W<sup>m</sup> Wright Thomas Reazin & John Cruess are appointed to treat with him and report to this meeting



Also stating that Elisha Birchard had so far transgressed the good order of our Society as to marry a woman not in membership with with [sic] friends by the assistance of a priest Ambrose Boone Harvey Armitage are appointed

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to treat with him & report.

A Minute from Carlow Monthly Meeting Ireland, stating that "the Marriage between William Wright and Mary Wright was solemnized in Friends Meeting house at Ballitore in the County of Kildare the 18<sup>th</sup> day of 4<sup>th</sup> mo. 1850. has been read and accepted. it is directed to be handed to the Recorder.

A Circular from the Committee to the case of Nine partners Boarding School was Rec<sup>d</sup>. and read in this meeting.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 7 of 11 month. 1850.**

The Representatives names being call'd were present

The Clerk being absent James Richardson is appointed for the day

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of Joseph Penrose inform attention but not being ready to make a full report they are Continued to report in first month next

The Committee in the Case of Rufus Birchard not being ready to report is Continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Elisha Birchard inform they made him a visit but not being ready to report in full, they are continued to report first month next

The time for which the Clerk and assistant were appointed being nearly Expired Richard Dale, Thomas Reazin, Harvey Armitage, and Aminon Powell are appointed to bring forward the names of Two friends to fill those stations the Ensuing year

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being nearly expired James Richardson & Thomas Reazin are appointed to settle with him and bring forward the name of a friend to serve in that station the ensuing year.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 5<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1850**

The Representatives names being call'd were present.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to bring forward the names of 2 friends to serve as Clerk and assistant have proposed Peter Taylor for Clerk and Benjamin Cody for assistant, which being united with they are appointed to that Service for one Year.

The Queries were read in this meeting and the answers from the Preparatives a summary of which (as follows) is directed to the Quarterly Meeting

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1<sup>st</sup> Query Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and Discipline 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 and Some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup>. One Meeting says Love and Unity are not so fully maintained as would be desirable when differences arise care is taken to end them we fear tale-bearing and detraction are not so fully avoided and discouraged as would be desired, the other preparative has answer'd the Query clear

3<sup>rd</sup> Most Friends are carefull 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 their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends avoid the use of distill'd spirituous liquors excepting for purposes Strictly medicinal as far as appears none to charge with frequenting Taverns or attending places of diversion

9. We believe Care is generally taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline.

James Richardson, Harvey Armitage, Elijah Bostwick and Benjamin Cody, are appointed to attend the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives and report

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Rufus Birchard not being ready to report [are] continued.

The Friends appointed to Settle with the Treasurer report they attended to the appointment and found a balance in his hands of £3.11.5 they also proposed James Richardson to serve as Treasurer which being united with he is appointed to that service the Ensuing year

The time for which the overseers of the poor were appointed being expired Wm Wright, Benjamin Cody, Robert Betts, John Cruess, John A Haight & Elijah Bostwick are appointed to that service the Ensuing year

The time for which the overseers were appointed being nearly expired

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Richard Dale, John Robinson James Richardson Harvey Armitage and John Cruess are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve in that station the Ensuing year

James Richardson is re-appointed to the office of Recorder of Births and Deaths the Ensuing year.

Richard Dale is re-appointed to the office of Recorder of Certificates the ensuing year

Came to this from Pickering Preparative a request to be received into membership with friends Signed Alfred Crewford. Gervas Cornell John Cruess & Wing Rogers, are appointed to visit him and report to next meeting

Pickering preparative has raised and forwarded 4/4E for the use of the poor which the representatives are directed to pay to the Treasurer

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 9th of 1 month 1851.**

The Representatives being call'd were present

The Clerk being absent Jonathan H. Rogers is appointed for the day

One of the Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting reports that 3 of them attended & produced a number of the minutes of the New York Yearly Meeting, also an Extract from the

Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting directing its subordinate meetings to raise their proportions of \$1000. for the Yearly Meetings use and to have the alterations made in the Book of Discipline as directed in the Extracts. The preparative meeting are directed to raise their respective proportions of the Money for the Yearly Meetings use, pay it to the Treasurer of this meeting & report.

Richard Dale, Thomas Reazin, Benjamin Cody & Harvey Armitage are appointed to see the alterations are made in the Several copies of the Book of Discipline and report next month

A Certificate of Membership for Thomas & Mary Bowerman was received from West Lake Monthly Meeting held at West Lake 9<sup>th</sup> mo 19<sup>th</sup> 1850 which was read and accepted the clerk is directed to forward it to the Recorder

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession report attention to the appointment and that they are united in the belief that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence

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it being their request, this meeting unites with the report of the Committee & appoints Wm Wright, John Cruess, Joseph Cody & Richard Dale are appointed to unite with a com<sup>tee</sup> of the Womens Meeting in the oversight thereof and report in 6 mo next.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to propose the names of Friends to serve as overseers report they are united in proposing Thomas Reazin, Robert Betts, Wing Rogers Edward Rorke & Joseph Cody which being separately considered were united with and they were appointed overseers for one year

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Alfred Crawford inform some attention to the appointment but not ready to make a full report, they are continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in Rufus Birchard's case is continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to visit Elisha Birchard report[t] they have attended to the appointment and produced an acknowledgement from him Condemning his Error and Expressing a desire to be continued in membership with friends this meeting unites in accepting the same as satisfactory Edward Rorke and Harvey Armitage are appointed to inform him and report to next meeting

A Certificate of Membership for Margaret C. Austin was Rec<sup>d</sup> from Farmington Monthly Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> mo 21<sup>st</sup> 1850, which was read and accepted the Clerk is directed to forward it for recording and report

Came to this from Maraposa Preparative a proposal of Marriage Signed Elijah W. Bostwick and Margaret C Austin. Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin & Robert Betts are appointed to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and report next Meeting

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the Case of Joseph Penrose report they have attended to the appointment and are united in the belief that he is not in a suitable disposition of mind to make satisfaction to friends this Meeting unites with the report of the Com<sup>tee</sup>. Benjamin Cody and Edward Rorke are appointed to prepare a minute of denial against him and produce it to next meeting

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 6 of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1851**

The Representatives names being call'd were present.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting and the Answers from the preparatives a summary of which as follows is directed to the

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Monthly Meeting the advices were also read.

1<sup>st</sup> Query. Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship & discipline, tho a slackness appears with Many especially in the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed, not quite clear of sleeping, and no other unbecoming in them to Remark

2<sup>nd</sup>. One meeting says Love and Unity are not maintained as becomes Brethren, when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them. We believe tale bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3. Most friends appear carefull 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 these respects towards others under their tuition.

4. Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors Excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears and are clear of frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion.

5<sup>th</sup>. The Circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been inspected and they have been advised and assisted in Such employments as they are Capable of, and their children and all others under our care are in some way to get School learning to fit them for Business

6.. Two instances of keeping Company with 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 childrens 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>. 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>. None to charge with neglect of performing their pro.

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mises or of paying their just debts, or extending their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our Religious profession

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

10<sup>th</sup>. We believe they are

John Robinson, Thomas Bowerman, John Gibb and W<sup>m</sup> Wright are appointed to attend the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives

The friends appointed to have the alterations made in the books of Discipline report that they have been made in all the books which they could find. It was proposed to lay before the Yearly meeting, the need there is of a few more copies of the Book of discipline in this meeting

The Clerk informs that he has forwarded Tho<sup>s</sup> & Mary Bowermans Certificate for recording

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of Alfred Crawford report they have attended to the appointment they are Continued to report next month.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in Rufus Birchards case report attention they are continued another month with Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale and John Robinson added

The friends to inform Elisha Birchard of the conclusion of the Meeting in his case report the appointment answerd

The Clerk informs he has forwarded Margaret C. Austin's Certificate for Recording

The friends appointed to enquire into Elijah W Bostwick's clearness of other marriage engagements inform they do not find but that he is clear in that respect, and he having the consent in writing of his surviving parent, and nothing appearing to obstruct he is left at liberty to accomplish his marriage with Margaret C. Austin at some suitable time between this and another monthly meeting according to the order of friends

Thomas Bowerman & John Cruess are appointed to attend the marriage. See that it is orderly conducted, forward the Certificate for recording and report.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Joseph Penrose's case is continued

Came to this from Pickering preparative a complaint against Robert Rogers for having so far transgressd the good order of our

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Religious Society as to marry a woman not a member amongst us by the assistance of apriest. Robert Richardson and Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin are appointed to visit him on that account and report to next meeting.

Pickering preparative informs they have raised 6/10E for the use of the poor, which the Representatives are directed to pay to the Treasurer

Came to this from Cork Monthly Meeting Ireland held the fifth of Ninth month 1850. a certificate of membership for Susanna & Wilhelmina Johnson, minor daughters of Gervas Johnson which has been read and accepted. the Clerk is directed to forward it for Recording.

Our Esteemed friend Bridget Haight laid before this meeting a prospect which she had of attending West Lake Quarterly Meeting and of appointing a meeting on the way, unity having been Expressed with her prospect she is left a liberty to pursue it as truth may open the way, she being a minister in good esteem amongst us, the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a Copy of the foregoing minute Signed on behalf of this meeting and by the Correspondent also.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 6<sup>t</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1851**

The Representatives being call'd were present

The Clerk being absent Joseph Cody is appointed for the day

Our friend John Harris attended this meeting with a minute of Concurrence from Pelham Monthly Meeting dated 2 mo 5<sup>th</sup> 51 whose Company and gospel labours were Satisfactory The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a Copy of the foregoing minute Signed on behalf of this meeting.

Two of the Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they attended.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Rufus Birchard's is continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to attend the marriage of Elijah Bostwick report that it was orderly conducted and the Certificate is forwarded to the Recorder.

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The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Joseph Penrise produced a testification of denial against him which was read approved and Signed. Wing Rogers & John Cruess are appointed to show him and if required furnish him with a copy, inform him of his right to appeal and report to next meeting. "Joseph Penrose having had a right of membership with friends hath so far deviated from the good order of our Society as to depart from plainness in dress and address, also to marry a woman not in membership with us by the assistance of a Priest and he having been treated with in order to bring him to a sense of his outgoings without the desired effect we therefore disown him and consider him no longer a member of our Religious Society untill he make satisfaction according to Discipline"

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Robert Rogers report that they attended to the appointment and found him in a tender state of mind and desirous of retaining his membership is in the practice of attending meetings and gives evidence of attachment to our Religious principles which Report is satisfactory to the meeting. Gervas Cornell & Harvey Armitage, are appointed to inform him of the result of the meeting in his Case and report to next meeting

The Clerk informs this meeting that the Certificates for Susanna and Wilhelmina Johnson have been forwarded to the Recorder

Also that Bridget Haight has been furnished with a Copy of the minute as directed.

Maraposa Preparative informs they have raised their quota of money for the Yearly meeting and paid it to the monthly meetings clerk

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 10<sup>th</sup> of 4 month 1851**

The Representatives names being call'd were present.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in Alfred Crawford's case report. We your Com<sup>tee</sup> in Alfred Crawford's case have attended to the appointment and think he is convinced of Friends principles and see nothing to hinder his being received into membership, which we submit to the Judgment of the meeting." Sign<sup>d</sup> John Cruess Gervas Cornell & Wing Rogers, which report being united with he is received into membership with friends. Thomas Redmond & Wing Rogers are appointed to inform him thereof & report

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Rufus Birchard's case is continued

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No report from the Com<sup>tee</sup>. in Joseph Penrose's case it is Continued

One of the Com<sup>tee</sup>. in Robert Rogers case report the appointment answer'd.

Our friend Bridget Haight has this day returned a certificate which She Rec'd from this Meeting in 2 mo last, together with a returning minute from West Lake Quarterly Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 26<sup>th</sup>. Expressive of Unity and Satisfaction with her gospel labours amongst them

Joseph Cody informs that John Harris was furnished with a copy of the minute of the Monthly Meeting as directed



### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 8 of 5<sup>th</sup> mo. 1851.**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

The friends appointed to inform Alfred Crawford of his reception into membership report the appointment answered.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in Rufus Birchard's case inform not ready to report it is Continued.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Joseph Penrose's case not being ready to report is Continued.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 5<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1851**

The Representatives being call'd were all present

The Clerk being absent Edward Rorke is appointed for the day.

The Queries have been read with the Answers from the preparatives they are in Substance as follows and are directed to the Quarterly Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Query All our meetings for Religious worship and discipline are attended altho Some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week, the hour appears to be mostly observed, not quite clear of Sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour in them to Remark and Some care taken.

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2<sup>nd</sup>. One meeting Says that Love and Unity are not so fully maintained as could be desired, the other expresses it is maintained in a good degree except one instance which is under care 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>. Most friends are carefull 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 extend a care in these respects towards other under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the use of distill'd spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears none to vcharge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears.

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

Ambrose Boone, John Cruess, John Haight, Harvey Armitage are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Rufus Birchard's case have produced an acknowledgment from him with the tenor of which, and the report of the Com<sup>tee</sup> in his case, the meeting is Satisfied and Concludes to Receive it as satisfaction. Cornelius Austin and Tho<sup>s</sup> Bowerman are appointed to inform him thereof and Report the clerk is directed to inform Yonge Street Monthly Meeting of this conclusion and also of the conclusion of the meeting in Elisha Birchards case.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to have the oversight of the meeting in the 6th Concession have reported as follows "We your Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed to the oversight of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Con of Pickering have attended to our appointment and do not find but that it is orderly conducted and that it



would be right to grant them a further indulgence of 6 mo. it being their request. We would also Recommend a tender watchfull care to be extended to that meeting.”

John Cruess	Joseph Cody
W <sup>m</sup> Wright	Ricard Dale
Hannah Cruess	Margaret Terrill

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and appoints Ambrose Boone, John Haight, John Robinson, Benjamin Cody, W<sup>m</sup> Wright and John Cruess in Conjunction with a Com<sup>tee</sup>. of women friends to have the oversight thereof and report in 12 mo next.

One of the Com<sup>tee</sup> in Joseph Penrose' case reports the appointment answer<sup>d</sup>

Pickering preparative reports they have raised 4/5<sup>d</sup> Quarterly Collection which is directed to be paid to this meetings Treasurer

### Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 10<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1851

The Representatives names being call'd were present

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in Rufus Birchards case report the appointment answer<sup>d</sup>

the Clerk has forwarded information of the result to Yonge Street as directed

The representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report 3 of them attended, and have produced a number of copies of the London Yearly Meetings epistle one of which has been read at this time to good satisfaction, they are directed to be distributed also a minute directing its subordinate meetings to raise their proportions of £100 to defray the expense of building a meeting house in Whitchurch that preparative meeting paying ¼ of Said sum and Yonge Street Monthly Meeting and the Quarterly meeting paying the remainder equally between them this meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportions of said sum and report.

Yonge Street Monthly meeting informs they have received an acknowledgement from Joseph Sing with the tenor of which they are Satisfied this meeting appoints Ambrose Boone, Wing Rogers, W<sup>m</sup> Wright & John Haight to treat with him and Judge of his fitness for membership and report.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to collect accounts of Births and Deaths are requested to report next month

### Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 7<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1851.

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to visit Joseph Sing report attention to the appointment they are continued to report in 10<sup>th</sup> mo next.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to collect accounts of Births & Deaths report the appointment answer<sup>d</sup> up to first mo of this year they are released and Elijah Bostwick, W<sup>m</sup> Wright, Harvey Armitage & Cornelius Austin are appointed to the like service and to report in 1st mo: next

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### Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1851.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with the Answers from the Preparatives to the usual five a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting the Advices were also read

1<sup>st</sup> Query Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline altho' a slackness appears in some especially in the middle of the week, the hour nearly observd Clear of Sleeping and of all other unbecoming behaviour in them as far as appears.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are not so fully maintained as could be desired when differences arise, care is mostly taken to end them tale-bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Friends are carefull to keep themselves; their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behavior 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 their families and Some care is extended in these Respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup>. Friends avoid the use of distill'd 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 we trust in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline

Gervas Cornell, Wing Rogers, Cornelius Austin and Harvey Armitage are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives & report.

Came to this from Pickering preparative a Complaint against Ephraim Robinson for having so far transgressed the good order of our Religious Society as to marry a woman not in membership with us, contrary to the order of Friends. Wing Rogers and James Richardson are appointed to visit him on the account and report

Our Esteemed Friend Bridget Haight laid before this meeting a prospect, which she had of attending Pelham Quarterly Meeting and

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also of attending a meeting in the Township of Canboro if she should feel call'd upon to do so, after a time of deliberation her prospect was united with and she was left at liberty to pursue it as truth may open the way, the clerk is directed to furnish her with a Copy of this minute signed on behalf of this meeting

The Com<sup>the</sup>. to service of funerals and of Friends Burying grounds are requested to report next month

Jonathan Rogers having requested a certificate from this meeting to proceed in marriage with Rachel Peckham a member of Norwich Monthly Meeting. Richard Dale & Thomas Reazin are appointed to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and report to an adjournment of this meeting

Pickering Preparative has raised and forwarded 4/4 ½ Quarterly Collection which the Representatives are directed to pay to the Treasurer.

Adjourned to meet at 6 o'clock this evening

Met agreeably to adjournment.

The Representatives names being call'd three were present.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed to enquire into Jonathan Rogers' clearness of other like engagements report they did not find but that he was clear, the clerk having produced a certificate for him which being read and approved he is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting

Adjourned to meet at the usual time in next mo in Maraposa.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 10 of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1851**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

The Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they attended and have produced an Extract from the Minutes of this meeting directing its subordinate meetings to raise their pro of \$1000 for the Yearly Meetings use this meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportions of said sum and report in 2<sup>nd</sup>. mo next and also to attend to the direction respecting education.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to visit Ephraim Robinson not being ready to report is continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to the oversight of Funerals and care of Burying grounds report that they have attended to the appointment and believe that funerals have been orderly conducted and that the burying

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they are released and Gervas Cornell, Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin, Edward Rorke and John Gibb are appointed to the same service for the ensuing year

The subject of appointing a Com<sup>tee</sup> to visit the members of this meeting who do not make a practice of attending with us having been again revived and weightily Considered, it was concluded to lay it over for further consideration

The womens meeting inform they are united in receiving Rhoda Sutton into membership with friends with which this meeting concurs believing the necessary care has been taken in the case

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to visit Joseph Sing not being ready to report is continued

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 6<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1851**

The Representatives names being call'd those from Pickering were present no account from Maraposa

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to visit Ephraim Robinson report as follows

"We visited Ephraim Robinson since our last meeting, found him in a tender frame of mind, he wishes to be retained in membership with friends, expresses attachment to our Religious principles which we submit to the meeting" Wing Rogers

James Richardson

after deliberation this meeting concludes to continue the case under the Care of the Com<sup>tee</sup> to report in first month next

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Joseph Sings case not being ready to report is continued

The time for which the clerk and assistant to this meeting were appointed being nearly Expired, Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin & Harvey Armitage are requested to propose to next meeting the names of 2 friends to serve the meeting in these offices the Ensuing year.

Our friend Bridget Haight has returned a certificate which she received in 9 mo last also a returning minute from Pelham Quarterly meeting held at Pelham 9 mo 24<sup>th</sup> 1851. Expressing satisfaction with her Company amongst them

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11 of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1851**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

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The Com<sup>tee</sup> to propose the names of 2 friends to serve as clerk and assistant not being ready to report is continued, the present clerk and assistant are continued also.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the answers from the Preparatives a summary of which as follows is directed to the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting, the advices have been also read

1<sup>st</sup> Query. Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline, though a slackness still prevails with some on the middle of the week. the hour nearly observed, not quite clear of Sleeping and no other unbecoming behaviour in them to Remark and some care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup> One meeting says 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 and discourage tale bearing and detraction.

3<sup>rd</sup>. We believe 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. 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 use of distill'd sperituious liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears, clear of frequenting Taverns or of attending places of diversion.

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

Harvey Armitage, Benjamin Cody, Thomas Reazin & Alfred Crawford, are appointed as our Representatives to attend the Quarterly meeting, they are directed to call on the Treasurer for any money which may be in his hands for that meeting produce a receipt for the same and report.

In Consequence of the way in which we feel obliged to answer

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The Second query this meeting would Request the Quarterly meeting to appoint a com<sup>tee</sup> to enquire into the present disunity existing amongst us.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to the oversight of the meeting in the sixth concession not being ready to report is continued; the meeting is continued under their care also.

Two of the Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Joseph Sing have reported as follows. "We a part of your Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed to visit Joseph Sing on his application to be reinstated into membership,

report that we have attended thereto and can say we sympathise with him in his outward trials. yet we believe he is not fully grounded in all the Truths of Christianity as professed and held by Friends, and also that his inconsistencies in other respects are such as we don't unite with; therefore we are of the opinion that he is not in a fit state of mind to make satisfaction to friends for his past delinquencies"

Signed W<sup>m</sup> Wright

Ambrose Boone

which being united with the clerk is directed to inform Yonge Street M. Meeting of the Conclusion of this meeting in his Case.

Maraposa Preparative reports they have raised and forwarded their Quota of money for Building Whitchurch meeting house

Pickering preparative has raised and forwarded 6/3 for the use of the poor.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 8 of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1852**

The Representatives being called were all present

The Committee to propose the names of two friends for Clerk and assistant have proposed Peter Taylor for Clerk and Joseph Cody for assistant which being united with they are appointed to that Service the Ensuing year.

The Clerk being absent Ben<sup>n</sup> Cody is appointed for the day

One of the Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they attended and produced a Receipt from the Treasurer of that Meeting for the sum of £8.10 it being part of our Quota for Building a meeting house at Whitchurch they also

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produced an extract from that meeting directing us to forward out proportions of £85 for building the meeting house instead of £100 as before directed; the preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportions accordingly

The Committee to have the oversight of the meeting in the Sixth Concession not being ready to report are Continued one month longer and the Meeting is Continued under their care

No account from the clerk in Joseph Sing's case he is directed to Report next month.

The overseers of the poor not being ready to report are Continued to Report to next meeting

The time for which the overseers were appointed being expired Elijah Bostwick, John Robinson, Tho<sup>s</sup> Bowerman and Cornelius Austin are appointed a Com<sup>tee</sup> to propose to next meeting the names of friends to serve in that station the Ensuing year. the present overseers are continued another month.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to collect accounts of Births and Deaths not being ready to report is continued to report next mo

Richard Dale is Re-appointed recorder of Certificates the Ensuing year.

W<sup>m</sup> Wright and Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin are appointed to Settle with the Treasurer and propose the name of a friend for that Service the Ensuing year and report to next meeting

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 2 month 5. 1852.**

The Representative names being calld were present Except one

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with the advices answers from the Preparatives a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly meeting the advices have been also read.

1 Query Friends are Carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and Discipline altho some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week. Some care taken. One meeting says not clear of Sleeping and clear of all other unbecoming behaviour in them as far as appears.

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2<sup>nd</sup>. One Meeting says 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 tale bearing and detraction as far as appears

3<sup>rd</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 a care is Extended in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distill'd sperituos liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of Frequenting Taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as appears.

5<sup>th</sup> The circumstances of the poor have been inspected and Some relief afforded, and have been advised and assisted in Such Employment as they 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> We believe there is one instance of keeping company and marrying out of meeting we know of no parents conniving at their children Keeping company with Such nor of any attending the marriage of those who go out from us or marriages accomplish'd by a priest

7<sup>th</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> Friends are generally carefull to keep 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>. We believe care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

10<sup>th</sup> We believe they are

Gervas Cornell, William Wright, Cornelius Austin and Noadiah Woodruff are appointed to attend the Ensuing Quarterly meeting as our Representatives and report.

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession report "they attended thereto and found that it was attended by nearly all the members who reside in that neighbourhood and orderly conducted, and we propose to grant them a further indulgence it being their request" which being united with the former committee is released and

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James Richardson, Thomas Reazin, G Cornell and Richard Dale are appoin[ted] to have the oversight thereof in Conjunction with a Committee of Women friends and report in 6 mo next

The Clerk not being ready to report in Joseph Sings case is continued to report.

The overseers of the poor report they have enquired into their circumstances and afforded Some Relief within the past year, which being united with They are released and Thomas Reazin, Wing Rogers Elijah Bostwick, Peter Taylor and Cornelius Austin are appointed overseers of the poor the Ensuing year.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to propose the names of Friends for overseers have proposed Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin, Robert Betts & Wing Rogers for Pickering & Edward Rorke & Joseph Cody for Marapossa, which being seperately Consider'd are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that station the Ensuing year

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to collect accounts of Births and Deaths report they attended to the appointment and handed to the Recorder the number of Births & Deaths up to 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1852, the Same Com<sup>tee</sup> is reappointed for this year.

The Recorder of Births & Deaths reports he has attended to his appointment and he is continued in the same Situation the Ensuing year

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to settle with the Treasurer report they found the Books correctly kept, and there remains in his hands of £4.2.0 ½ and they propose that James Richardson be reappointed to that Service for the Ensuing year which was united with.

Women friends inform that they are united in Receiving Lydia Jane Lapp into membership with friends with which this meeting unites believing the nescessary care has been taken in the case

Pickering Preparative inform they have raised 3/9 for the use of the poor which the representatives are directed to pay to the Treasurer

Maraposa Preparative has forwarded information on the subject of Education Viz No Select Schools Fourteen of an age Suitable to attend School and a portion of those attending district Schools and all in a way to obtain Schooling to fit them for business, which is directed to be forwarded to the clerk of the Quarterly meeting to be embodied with the like information from Pickering

Maraposa has raised and forwarded their Quota of money for the Yearly Meetings use

The case of Ephraim Robinson claiming the attention of this meeting it is concluded to defer it for 2 months longer

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 11<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1852.**

The Clerk being absent Robert Richardson is appointed for the day.

The representatives names being call'd were all present

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended

The Clerk reports he has attended to the case of Joseph Sing

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 4 month 8<sup>th</sup>. 1852**

The representatives names being call'd were present

The Committee in the Case of Ephraim Robinson inform attention to the appointment but not being ready to report they are Continued

Joseph Cody having requested to be released from the office of overseer this meeting Complies therewith and appoints Harvey Armitage and John Gibb to propose to next meeting the name of a friend to serve in his Stead Joseph Cody is Continued until another is appointed

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 5 month 6<sup>th</sup>. 1852**

The Clerk being absent Richard Dale is appointed for the Day and Elijah Bostwick assistant

The Representatives names being call'd two were absent

Our Esteemed friend Harvey Derbyshire attended this meeting with a certificate of unity from Salem Monthly meeting. Henry Co. Iowa, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 18<sup>th</sup>. 1852 and endorsed by Salem Quarterly Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 21<sup>st</sup> 1852 whose Company and gospel labours amongst us have been acceptable and edifying.

Our Esteemed friend Susannah Derbyshire has also attend[ed] this meeting in Company with her husband and produced a ??? certificate of Concurrence from Salem M<sup>o</sup> Meeting held at Salem 2 mo 18<sup>th</sup>. 52 whose Company has been Satisfactory

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to visit Ephraim Robinson have produced the following report. "We visited Ephraim Robinson since we last reported he appear'd to give up the prospect of retaining his right

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to membership altogether, which we submit to the meeting.

Signed Wing Rogers Ja<sup>s</sup> Richardson  
with which this meeting unites and appoints Elijah Bostwick & Richard Dale to prepare a testimony of Denial against him and produce it to next meeting

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to bring forward a name to Serve as overseer in place of Joseph Cody released at his own request have proposed Harvey Armitage and he is accordingly appointed, until the time for which the other overseers were appointed Expires

We this day Received a Certificate form Knaresborough Monthly Meeting, Yorkshire, England for Joseph Dale which is accepted, the Clerk is directed to forward it to the recorded and also to acknowledge the receipt of it to Said meeting

Came to this from Cork Monthly Meeting Ireland a Complaint against John Johnson one of their members but now residing within the Compass of this Meeting requesting us to treat with him on their behalf Abroze Boone and W<sup>m</sup> Wright are appointed to take the necessary care in the Case and Report.

Came to this meeting from Maraposa Preparative a complaint against John Pearson which is as follows. "John Pearson has departed from plainness of dress and address and declined the attendance of our Religious Meetings also in a controversy with one of his neighbours has in anger taken a ??? or hand axe, using threatening or profane language" Wing Rogers and Harvey Armitage are appointed to take the necessary care in the Case and report.

Also one against Sam<sup>l</sup> Reazin for marrying a woman not in membership by the assistance of a priest. Wing Rogers and Rob<sup>l</sup> Richardson are appointed to visit him and report.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 6 mo 10th. 1852.**

The Representatives names being call'd were present

Our Esteemed friend Jane Young attended this meeting with a certificate of Unity and Concurrence from West Lake Monthly Meeting held 18 of 3rd month 1852 whose com=

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pany and gospel labours have been satisfactory to us

Our Esteemed friend Townsend Garratt attended this meeting as a companion to Jane Young on a Religious Visit, with a Certificate of Unity from West Lake Monthly Meeting held at Ameliasburg 5<sup>th</sup>. mo 20<sup>th</sup>. 1852 whose Company has been acceptable to us

Our Esteemed friend Hannah Terrill attended this meeting as a Companion to Jane Young with a Certificate of Unity from West Lake Monthly Meeting held at Ameliasburg 5 mo. 20<sup>th</sup>. 1852 whose Company has been acceptable to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish them with Copies of the foregoing minutes

Ira Clark, Clayton Webb, Arnoldi Haight & Stephen Cody have attended this meeting as part of a Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed by Yonge Street Quarterly Meeting to assist this Monthly Meeting in a difficult case

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the answers from the Preparatives a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting the advices have been also read.

1<sup>st</sup> Query Most Friends are Carefull to attend our Meetings for Religious worship and Discipline, tho' an evident slackness appears in Some on the middle of the week and Some care taken. the hour nearly observed Not clear of sleeping and no other unbecoming behaviour in them to Remark.

2<sup>nd</sup>. One meeting says Love and Unity is not so fully maintained as would be desired, when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them, and Friends do avoid and discourage tale:bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. We believe friends are mostly carefull 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 respect towards them under their tuition

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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 we trust in the sperit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

Thomas Reazin, Joseph Cody, Peter Taylor and John Cruess are appointed to attend the Ensuing Quarterly meeting as our Representatives and report.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to produce a testimony of denial against Ephraim Robinson not being ready to Report is Continued

The Clerk is Continued to acknowledge the Rec<sup>d</sup> of Joseph Dale's Certificate as directed

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to visit John L Johnson have produced an acknowledgement from him to Cork Monthly Meeting also one to the person to whom he sent the threatening letter, but from the language of those acknowledgments and also from the Report of the Com<sup>tee</sup> as to his apparent Sincerity this meeting does not feel justified in accepting them as satisfactory, the clerk is directed to forward a Copy of the foregoing minute and his two acknowledgments to Cork Monthly Meeting

The case of John Pearson is continued under the care of the Com<sup>tee</sup> another month.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Sam<sup>l</sup> Reazin not being Ready to report is Continued.

Came to this from Maraposa Preparative a complaint against James Tiff for being unwilling to Come to a just Settlement with a friend with whom he has had dealing. Peter Taylor, and Wing Rogers are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report.

Pickering preparative has raised and forwarded 2/6 for the use of the poor.

This meeting adjourns to meet at ½ past 5 this evening

Met agreeable to adjournment.

The Representatives names being call'd one was absent.

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 8<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1852**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

One of the Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting reports he attended and has produced a number of the London Yearly Meetings Epistle and Copies of an Address from that meeting to friends America, one of each of which has been read at this time to good satisfaction they are directed to the preparatives for distribution.

Richard Dale, W<sup>m</sup> Wright, Cornelius Austin & Harvey Armitage are appointed to examine Some pamphlets which have been Sent here by private individuals and report thereon to next meeting also to distribute some Bibles & Testaments to such Friends as are in need of them, also some other pamphlets which have been sent by the Yearly Meeting

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case Ephraim Robinson have produced a testimony of denial against him which has been read and approved the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting. Gervas Cornell and Henry Betts are appointed to inform thereof and of his right to appeal to furnish him with a copy if required and report

The clerk is continued in the case of Joseph Dale's certificate and also in the case of John Lecky Johnson.

The com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of John Pearson not being ready to report is Continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of Samuel Reazin report they attended to the appointment and did not find him disposed to give friends any satisfaction, this meeting therefore concludes to disown him and appoints Peter Taylor and Elijah Bostwick to prepare a testimony of denial against him and report to next meeting

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of James Tefft report they attended to the appointment and brought about a final settlement between him and the other friend apparently to mutual satisfaction with which this meeting unites

Benjamin Cody having applied to this meeting for a certificate of removal for himself, and his wife and child. This meeting appoints Harvey Armitage and Peter Taylor to make the necessary enquiry

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and prepare a certificate for them and report to next meeting.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 5 of 8 mo 1852**

The Representatives names being call'd two were absent

The friends appointed to examine some pamphlets sent from New York not being ready to report are Continued.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Ephraim Robinsons case not being ready to report is continued.

The Clerk informs he has attended to the appointment in the Case of Joseph Dale's certificate and also in the case of John L. Johnson.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of John Pearson inform they have paid attention to the appointment but not being ready to report they are Continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of Samuel Reazin have produced a testimony of denial against him as directed which has been read and approved the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting Harvey Armitage and Cornelius Austin are appointed to inform him thereof also of his right to appeal furnish him with a copy if required and report.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to prepare a Certificate of removal for Benjamin Cody and Susanna his wife and their daughter Sarah (a minor) have produced one which has been read and with some alteration approved the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting, also to have it recorded and forward it to Yonge Street Monthly Meeting signed by the Correspondent

Women friends inform they are united in disowning Martha Brown formerly Slater? with which this meeting concurs believing the necessary care has been taken in the Case

They also inform they are united in returning Martha Clendennan formerly Cruess' in membership with friends with which this meeting Concurrs

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 9<sup>th</sup> month 9<sup>th</sup>. 1852**

The representatives names being call'd 2 were absent

The Queries were read in this Meeting with the Answers to the usual five, a summary of which (as follows) is directed to the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting; the advices have been also read

1<sup>st</sup> Query Most Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and discipline - tho' a slackness appears in some on the middle of the week; the hour nearly observed - not quite clear of sleeping; and some care taken, no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity are not so fully maintained as would be desirable, when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them, we believe friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction.

3<sup>rd</sup> Most Friends are carefull to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel; and do Endeavour by Example & precept to train them up in a religious life and Conversation consistent with our christian Profession The Scriptures of Truth we believe are frequently read in their families and Care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the use of Distill'd Sperateous Liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears. none to charge with frequenting taverns One instance of attending a place of diversion which is under care

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

Richard Dale, Gervas Cornell Harvey Armitage and Ammon Powell are appointed representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting and report.

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a report which has been read, but on a consideration of the whole Subject it was thought best to dismiss it and the committee

One of the Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Ephraim Robinson reports the appointment answerd

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th Concession, report "they have attended to the appointment and did not discover but that the meeting was orderly conducted and that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it being their request" which being united with the former Com<sup>tee</sup> is released and Robert Betts, Harvey Armitage W<sup>m</sup> Wright & Robert Richardson are appointed to have the oversight thereof in Conjunction with a Com<sup>tee</sup> of women friends and report in 1<sup>st</sup> month next

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of John Pearson not being ready to report is continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Samuel Reazin reports the appointment answerd

The Clerk is Continued in the case of Benjamin Cody's and families Certificate

Pickering preparative informs they have raised 4/4 ½ for the use of the poor.

Pickering preparative having applied to the monthly meeting to have an alteration made in the time of holding that meeting when it comes in the week of Quarterly Meeting, it was therefore proposed and united with, that when this should occur the preparative meeting should be held, the 5th day of the week previous to the usual time of holding it.

Stephen Cody, Henry Widdifield Clayton Webb and Arnoldi Haight attended this meeting as part of a com<sup>tee</sup> appointed by the Quarterly Meeting to advise this meeting in a difficult case, when they recommended "to let the difficulties in this meeting that are past be as the past, and that friends do endeavour to forget and forgive, and that if difficulties should arise, that they should extend a care according to the directions laid down in the discipline, in the spirit the discipline directs, and if the preparative and monthly meeting can not decide upon the case then ask the assistance of the Quarterly meeting, which advice was satisfactory to the meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time in Maraposa

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**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 7 of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1852.**

The Clerk being absent Edward Rorke is appointed for the day

One of the Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended except one, but not having forwarded the business from the Quarterly Meeting they are continued to report next Month.

The Committee in the case of John Pearson report, "we have attended to the appointment, and have extended further labour without the desired effect, and we are united in the judgment that he is not prepared to give Satisfaction to his friends for this outgoings" this meeting unites with the report of the Com<sup>tee</sup>. and Concludes to disown him and appoints Ambrose Boone & Edward Rorke to prepare a minute of denial against him and report to next meeting

The clerk reports the appointment answerd in the case of Benjamin Cody's certificate

**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 11<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month. 1852**

The Representatives names being call'd 2 were absent

By the Extracts from the minutes of the Quarterly meeting held at Pickering 20 of 9 month (as forwarded by the representatives) the Extracts and minutes of New York Yearly meeting

the minute from the meetings for Sufferings, Some memorials and addresses on the subject of Slavery, were directed to the observance of the Monthly Meetings. This meeting directs them down to the preparatives for distribution.

The Monthly meetings were also directed to raise their Quotas of \$1000 for the Yearly Meetings use and pay it to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting.

This meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportions of said sum, pay it to the Treasurer of this meeting and report.

in order to carry out the recommendation of the Yearly meeting as to raising a fund for education this meeting appoints

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Richard Dale, Gervas Cornell, Harvey Armitage & James Tifft to unite with a Com<sup>tee</sup> of women friends in getting up a subscription list for that purpose and report.

this meeting directs its preparatives to forward the information respecting the number of Children attending School &c as Sought for by the Yearly meeting, and report in first month next

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to produce a testimony of denial against John Pearson not being ready to report is continued.

**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Pickering 9 of 12 month. 1852**

The Representatives names being call'd 2 were absent

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the Answers from the Preparatives to the usual five a summary of which (as follows) is directed to the Quarterly meeting, the advices have been also read.

1<sup>st</sup>. Query. Friends are mostly carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and discipline 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 in them to Remark and Some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity are not so fully maintained as could be desired, when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them, friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Friends are mostly carefull 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 their families and some do extend a care in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends avoid the use of distill'd spirituious Liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as

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appears, 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 we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

Peter Taylor, Gervas Cornell, Cornelius Austin & Wing Rogers are appointed to attend the Ensuing Quarterly meeting as our representatives and report.

No report from the Com<sup>tee</sup> for raising a fund for education they are continued

A testimony of denial against John Pearson has been produced and read and approved, the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting. Tho<sup>s</sup> Reazin & Wing Rogers are appointed to inform him thereof, also of his right to appeal, furnish him with a copy if required and report.

The time for which the clerk and assistant to this meeting were appointed being expired, Robert Richardson and Thomas Reazin are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of 2 friends to serve in that station the Ensuing year, the clerk and assistant are continued another month.

Pickering preparative has raised and forwarded 6/3 for the use of the poor.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 6<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1853.**

The Representatives being call'd were present.

The Clerk being absent Edward Rorke was appointed for the day.

2 of the Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to raise a fund for Education not being prepar'd to report is continued

One of the friends to take the nescessary care in the case of John Pearson reports the service perform'd

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to propose the names of 2 friends for clerk for Clerk [sic] and assistant Clerk to this meeting proposed Peter Taylor for Clerk and Joseph Codey for assistant which being seperately considered were united with and they are

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appointed to the service for one year.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of the meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup>. Concession of Pickering report as follows "we your Com<sup>tee</sup> to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession have attended to the appointment and did not see but that it was orderly Conducted and that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it being their request." with which this meeting unites, and the former Com<sup>tee</sup> being released John Haight, Joseph Cody, Thomas Reazin Thomas Bowerman & Harvey Armitage are appointed to have the oversight of that meeting in Conjunction with a Com<sup>tee</sup> of Women friends and report in 6<sup>th</sup> mo next.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to Collect accounts of Births & Deaths report they have handed to the Recorder all such accounts as have Come into their hands, they are released and Joseph Cody Robert Betts, Edward Rorke, Wing Rogers & Thomas Reazin are appointed to that service and to report in 1st mo next.

A Communication from Cork Monthly Meeting was read requesting further care in the case of John L. Johnson, this meeting appoints John Cruess and Edward Rorke to that Service and report when done.

Adjourned.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Pickering the 10<sup>th</sup>. of 2<sup>nd</sup>. month, 1853**

The representatives being called were present.

The Clerk being absent Jon<sup>n</sup>. H. Rogers was appointed for the day.

The Queries were read in this meeting, and the Answers from the preparatives, a Summary of which, (as follows,) was directed to the Quarterly Meeting the Advices were also read.

1<sup>st</sup> Query. Most Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious Worship & Discipline, but an evident Slackness prevails with others, especially on the middle of the week; and also as to the hour to be observed, not quite clear of Sleeping; no other

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unbecoming behaviour in them to remark; Some care taken in the above deficiencies.

2<sup>nd</sup> We believe Love & unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us as becomes Brethren, except in two instances; some care taken. when differences arise Care is mostly taken seasonably to end them; and Friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction, as far as we Know

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 do endeavor, 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 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 attending places of Diversion.

5<sup>th</sup> The circumstances of the poor have been inspected, and some relief afforded them, and they are advised & assisted in such employments as they are capable of; and their children, and all others under our care, are in some way to get School-learning to fit them for business.

6<sup>th</sup> One instance of keeping company and marrying a person not of our Society, by the assistance of a Priest which is under care: We Know of no parents Conniving at their childrens' 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> 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 do not know of any friends who are deficient in performing their promises, paying their just debts or, any extending their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our Religious profession; and those who

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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, we trust in the Spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline

10<sup>th</sup> We believe they are.

James Richardson, Richard Dale, Thomas Bowerman, John Gibb & Harvey Armitage are appointed representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

The Committee to raise a Fund for Education report they have attended to the appointment, and obtain'd a Subscription of one Pound Ten Shillings. The money is directed to be p<sup>d</sup> to the Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting -

A Complaint against Ralph Robinson, was presented from Pickering Preparative, for marrying a Woman not in membership with friends by the assistance of a Priest; and for a long time having neglected the attendance of our religious meetings. Wing Rogers & Gervas Cornell are appointed to visit him on that account, and report next month.

Women Friends inform that they are united in retaining membership with friends Susannah Tanner, formerly Bowerman, with which this meeting Concur; also that they are united in retaining a member Lavina Bossie? formerly Hughes with which this Meeting Concurs

Our proportion of money for the Yearly Meeting's use is raised & directed to be paid to the Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting.

Pickering Preparative informs it has raised and forwarded 7/6 cy for the use of the poor Adjourn to meet as usual next month.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Maraposa the 10<sup>th</sup> of 3 month 1853**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one.

The Clerk being absent Edward Rorke is appointed for the day.

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Three of the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly report they attended, they have handed in a receipt from the Treasurer of that meeting for £1.5.0 being our Quota for the Yearly Meetings use and also for £1.10.0 for the Education fund.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Ralph Robinson not being prepared to report is Continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of funerals and care of friends burying grounds not being ready to report is continued to report in 5<sup>th</sup> month next.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo. 1853 at Pickering**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the Case of Ralph Robinson report they have visited him Since last meeting and did not find that he had any desire to retain his membership, but at the Request of a friend this Meeting concludes to Continue his case under the care of the Com<sup>tee</sup> another month.

Agreeably to the Request of Thomas & Rhoda Sutton? forwarded from Maraposa Preparative, this meeting concludes to Receive their son Alfred (a minor) into membership with friends Harvey Armitage & John S Cruess are appointed to inform them thereof & report.

The time for which the overseers of the Poor were appointed being expired and they not being ready to report are continued to report next month.

Women friends inform they are united in disowning Phila McLauchlin formerly Pearson with which this meeting concurs believing the necessary care has been taken in the case.

The time for which the overseers were appointed being expired, Jonathan Rogers, Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale, Harvey Armitage & John S Cruess are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve in that station the Ensuing year, and the present overseers are continued another month.

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James Richardson recorder of Births & Deaths is reappointed for the Ensuing Year

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being expired Peter Taylor & Robert Richardson are appointed to Settle with him and also to propose the name of a Friend to serve as Treasurer the Ensuing year.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to inform John L Johnson of the Conclusion of Cork Monthly Meeting in his case report the service performed

Elijah Bostwick, Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale, Harvey Armitage & John S. Cruess are appointed to prepare and forward to the clerk of the Quarterly meeting with as little delay as possible the information required by the Yearly Meeting respecting schools.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 5<sup>th</sup> month 1853.**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of Ralph Robinson not being ready to report the case is continued under their care 2 months longer.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to inform Tho<sup>s</sup> & Rachel Sutton? of the Reception of their son Alfred into membership with friends report the appointment answered

The Overseers of the poor not being ready to report are continued to report next month

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. appointed to propose the names of Friends to serve as overseers are continued to report next month the former overseers are continued also.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to forward the information respecting Schools as directed by last meeting report the appointment answered.

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Complaint against Charles Penrose for having for some time neglected the attendance of our Religious meetings, and married a woman not in membership with Friends by the assistance of a Priest, this meeting appoints Joseph Cody and Ambrose Boone to visit him on that account & report.

George Hughes having applied to this meeting for a Certificate of removal and membership for himself, his wife and minor Children, Joseph, Mary, Sarah, Agnes, John & Rachel, this meeting appoints James Richardson & Robert Richardson, to unite with a Com<sup>tee</sup>. of women friends in making the necessary enquiry & prepare a Certificate accordingly and report

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of funerals and care of friends burying grounds not being ready to report is continued.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Maraposa 6 mo 9<sup>th</sup>. 1853.**

The Representatives names being call'd were present

The Queries were read in this meeting with the Answers to the usual five a summary of which as follows is directed to the Ensuing Quarterly meeting, the Advices were also read.

1<sup>st</sup>. Query. We believe most Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and Discipline, the hour nearly observed, not quite clear of Sleeping, some care taken, no other unbecoming behaviour that we know of

2<sup>nd</sup> We believe Love and Unity are maintained as becomes brethren except in two instances in one meeting where unity is not so fully maintained as would be desired & some care taken, 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>rd</sup>. Most friends are carefull 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

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and Conversation Consistent with our christian profession we believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in their families and that they do extend care? in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup>. We believe Friends do avoid the use of distilled sperituos liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as we know.

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

Noadiah Woodruff, James Richardson, Joseph Cody & John Cruess are appointed to attend the Ensuing Quarterly meeting as our representatives & report.

The overseers of the Poor, not being ready to report are Continued another month.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to propose the names of suitable friends to serve as overseers not being ready to report is Continued another month, the former overseers are continued also

One of the Com<sup>tee</sup>. to settle with the Treasurer reports his accounts have been examined and a Balance of £3.7.8 remains in his hands, it was proposed to reappoint James Richardson to that service for the Ensuing year with which this meeting unites

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to visit Charles Penrose not being ready to report is Continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to prepare a certificate of removal for George Hughes & family have produced one which has been read and approved the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting also to have it Signed by the Correspondent and forward it to their place of Residence

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of funerals and Care of friends burying grounds are continued to report next month.

Women friends inform they are united in disowning Anna Birchard with which this meeting unites believing the nescessary care has been taken in the case.

Pickering Preparative inform they have raised 2/6 for

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the use of the poor which the Representatives are directed to pay to the Treasurer.

## **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 7 mo. 7<sup>th</sup>. 1853**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except 2

Our Esteemed friend Daniel Barker attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity & concurrence from Holly spring Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Randolph C°. North Carolina 8 mo 15<sup>th</sup>. 1851. and Endorsed by the Southern Quarterly Meeting held at Marlborough in Randolph C°. North Carolina 8 mo 23<sup>rd</sup> 1851.

Also a Certificate of Unity & Concurrence from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at New Garden Guilford C°. North Carolina 5<sup>th</sup> of 11 mo 1851. whose Company and gospel labour amongst us have been satisfactory

Our Esteemed Friend Lydia Barker attended this meeting in Company with her husband Daniel Barker with a Certificate of Unity from Friends of Holly Spring Monthly Meeting held in Randolph C°. North Carolina 16 of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1853. And Endorsed by the Southern Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Holly Springs in Randolph C°. 5 mo 28. 1853 whose Company has

been acceptable to us the Clerk is directed to furnish these Friends with Copies of the foregoing minutes.

One of the Representatives to attend the to attend the Quarterly Meeting report 2 of them attended they produced an Extract from the Minutes of that meeting directing the Monthly Meetings to make the required alteration in the Book of Discipline and also to forward the information respecting Schools in 9 mo next

the Monthly Meetings were also directed to raise their proportions of \$1250 for the Yearly Meetings use this meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportions of said Sum and to report in first mo next.

The representatives also laid on the table a number of Copies of Extracts from the Minutes of New York Yearly Meeting held 27 of 5 mo 1853 to the 2 of 6 mo inclusive one of which has been read at this time

Also a number of the London Epistles of the London Yearly

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Meeting which are directed for distribution to the Preparative Meetings.

The overseers of the Poor, report they have attended to their appointment when any cases have come under their notice, they are released and Robet Richardson, Elijah Bostwick, Harvey Armitage, Aminon Powell are appointed to that service the Ensuing year.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve as overseers have proposed the following Viz. Thomas Reazin and Robert Betts for Pickering, and Edward Rorke and Tho<sup>s</sup> Bowerman for Maraposa which being seperately Consider'd are united with and they are appointed to that service the Ensuing year.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Charles Penrose not being ready to report is Continued

The Clerk is Continued to forward George Hughes certificate as directed

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to the oversight of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Con<sup>n</sup> not being ready to report is Continued

Robert Rogers having requested a Certificate of Membership from this Meeting, to Red Cedar M. M. Cedar Co. Iowa Peter Taylor & Elijah Bostwick are appointed to prepare one for him and report to next meeting

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the Case of Ralph Robinson not being ready to report is Continued

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11 of 8<sup>th</sup>. month. 1853.**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in the case of Charles Penrose report "we attended to our appointment and are united in the judgment, that he is not prepared to make satisfaction to his friends for his outgoings" which being united with, this meeting concludes to disown him &

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appoints W<sup>m</sup> Wright and Peter Taylor to prepare a testimony of denial against him and Report to next meeting.

The Clerk informs he had forwarded George Hughes' certificate as directed

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession report, we attended to our appointment and did not see but that it was conducted orderly and believe it would be right to grant them a further indulgence of 6 months it being their request which being united with, (except as regards the time) the former Com<sup>tee</sup>. is released, and Noadiah Woodruff, Richard Dale, James Richardson & Cornelius Austin are appointed to unite with a Com<sup>tee</sup>. of women Friends in having the oversight thereof and to report in 1<sup>st</sup> month next

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to prepare a Certificate of removal for Robt Rogers have done so & it having been read was approved the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting, also to have it signed by the Correspondent, and forward it as addressed.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of Ralph Robinson inform they have visited him & that he does not appear to have any wish to retain his membership amongst friends, this meeting therefore concludes to disown him and appoints James Richardson and Peter Taylor to prepare a testimony of denial against him and report to next meeting

A Request was forwarded from Maraposa Preparative Signed by Edward & Elizabeth Rorke to obtain the right of membership for their adopted son, after deliberation this meeting appoints Richard Dale & Cornelius Austin to have an opportunity with them and report to next meeting their sense of the case.

Jonathan Rogers, Wing Rogers, Cornelius Austin and Elisha Birchard are appointed to see that the required alterations are made in the Books of Discipline in this monthly Meeting.

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### Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8 of 9 month 1853.

The Representatives names beng call'd 2 were absent

The Queries were read in this meeting with the Answers from the Preparatives to the usual five a summary of which is as follows is directed to the Ensuing Quarterly meeting, the advices were also read

1<sup>st</sup> Query Most friends are carefull to attend all our meeting for Religious worship and discipline tho a slackness appears in some on the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed, not clear of Sleeping and no other unbecoming behaviour in them to Remark and some care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity are mostly maintained amongst us as becomes brethren one instance of personal disunity and some care taken, when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them, we fear tale-bearing and detraction are not so fully avoided and discouraged as would be desirable.

3. Friends are mostly carefull 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 their tuition

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John Cruess Jonathan Rogers Robert Richardson and Harvey Armitage are appointed Representatives to attend the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives and report

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to prepare a testimony of denial against Charles Penrose have produced one which has been read and approved. the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

John Cruess Harvey Armitage & Wing Rogers are appointed to inform him thereof and of his right to appeal furnish him with a Copy if required and report.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to prepare a testimony of denial against Ralph Robinson have produced one which has been read and approved the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Robert Betts & W<sup>m</sup> Wright are appointed to inform him thereof and of his right to appeal - furnish him with a copy if required and report.

The Clerk informs he has forwarded Robert Rogers certificate as directed

No report from the Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed in the case of the request of Edward & Elizabeth Rorke, they are continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. appointed to make the required alterations in the Books of Discipline not being ready to make a full report is Continued.

Pickering preparative informs they have raised and forwarded 5/0 for the use of the poor, which the representatives are directed to pay to the Treasurer.

Joseph Bowerman inform'd this meeting that he was about removing to reside within the Compass of Oswego Monthly Meeting and requests a certificate of Membership from this meeting. W<sup>m</sup> Wright & Gervas Cornell are appoint'd to make the necessary inquiry, and prepare a Certificate for him & report

Our friend John A Haight laid before this meeting a prospect which has for a length of time attended his mind of pay[ing] a Religious visit to all the meetings of Friends in Canada and also to the meetings of Friends Constituting the Quarter meetings of Le Ray & Farmington and Unity having been expressed with him in his Concern and women friends also uniting ??? he is left at liberty to pursue his

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prospect as Truth may open the way he being a minister in Unity with us.

Our friend Wing Rogers having express'd a willingness to accompany our friend John Haight on his proposed visit, and this meeting uniting therein and women friends having also express'd their unity, he is left at liberty to attend to that service he being a member in Unity with us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish John Haight and Wing Rogers with copies of the foregoing minutes Signed on behalf of this meeting also by the clerk of the Womens meeting and the Correspondent

## Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 6 of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1853.

The Clerk being absent Ambrose Boone is appointed for the day.

The Representative names being call'd were present except one.

The Representatives to last Quarterly Meeting report they attended but not having brought the accounts from that meeting they are requested to produce them to next meeting.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of Cha<sup>s</sup> Penrose report they attended to the appointment and that he did not manifest any intention of appealing.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of Ralph Robinson report they attended to their appointment and that he did not manifest any intention of appealing.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. appointed on the Request of Edward & Elizabeth Rorke not being ready to report is continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to prepare a certificate of removal for Joseph Bowerman not being ready to report is continued.

The clerk informs he has furnish'd John Haight and Wing Rogers with copies of the minutes as directed.

Alfred Crawford a member of this meeting having applied for a certificate in order to proceed in marriage with Sarah Bloodgood a member of Pelham Monthly Meeting

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Thomas Redman and Thomas Reazin are appointed to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and report to next meeting.

W<sup>m</sup> Wright informed this meeting that the sum of £25. part of Chandles Wharton's donation had been put into his hands he is requested to take charge of it untill next monthly Meeting

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Pickering the 10<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1853.**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one and a reason given for his absence

The clerk being absent Jonathan Rogers is appointed for the day

The representatives to last Quarterly Meeting not having produced the business from that meeting as directed they are Continued.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed in the request of Edward & Elizabeth Rorke are Continued to report to next meeting

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to prepare a certificate of Removal for Joseph Bowerman is Continued.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. appointed on the application of Alfred Crawford for a certificate. Report they have attended to the appointment and did not find any thing to prevent the issuing of one on his behalf. Jonathan Rogers (clerk for the day) is directed to prepare a certificate for him, sign it on behalf of this meeting, also to obtain the signature of the Correspondent to it and report to next meeting

Robert Richardson and Jonathan Rogers are appointed trustees for this meeting to take charge of £25. part of our proportion of Chandles Wharton's donation, the Interest to be applied to purposes of education amongst Friends

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 8 of 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1853**

The Representatives names being call'd were present.

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Our esteemed friend James Haight attended this meeting with a certificate of Unity and concurrence from West Lake Monthly Meeting held at Hillier the 18 of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1853 whose Company and gospel labours have been acceptable to us the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the foregoing minute signed on behalf of this meeting and also by the correspondent.

The Queries were read in this meeting with the Answers from the Preparatives to the usual five a summary of which (as follows) is directed to the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting the advices were also read.

1<sup>st</sup> Query Most Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for Religious worship and discipline though a slackness is at times apparent espically in the middle of the week. The hour not so fully observed by some friends as should be. friends generally appear to guard against sleeping, and no other unbecoming behaviour in them to Remark.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Love and Unity are mostly maintained amongst us as becomes brethren We hope love and Unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us excepting two instances, and some care taken. when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them tale-bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as we Know

3<sup>rd</sup> We believe most Friends are carefull 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 their families and care taken in these Respects towards others under their tuition.

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

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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

Jonathan Rogers, John Cruess, Aminon Powell and Thomas Reazin are appointed our Representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report. The representatives to last Quarterly Meeting report that no business was sent from that Meeting to the Monthly Meeting

The committee on the Request of Edward and Elizabeth Rorke report that that they attended to their appointment and it is their oppinion that it would be right to grant their Request, which being united with this meeting concludes to Receive their adopted child W<sup>m</sup>. John Campbell (a minor) under the care of Friends

The Committee to prepare a Certificate of Removal for Joseph Bowerman report that from the present position of his outward affairs they can not see that he can be furnish'd with a clear certificate, after deliberating on the Report this meeting has come to the conclusion that the same Com<sup>tee</sup>. shall inform him of the impediments that lie in the way of granting him a certificate and report to next meeting.



Our esteemed friend Bridget Haight laid before this meeting a prospect which has for some time attended her mind, of appointing some meetings amongst those who are the descendents of friends and those connected with friends within the Compass of Pickering and Yonge Street Monthly Meeting and Unity having been expressed with her in her prospect she is left at liberty to pursue it as Truth may open the way

Jonathan Rogers informs he has furnish'd Alfred Crawford with a certificate as directed

The Treasurer is directed to pay to ??? ??? any account which he may have paid as postage for ??? ??? papers coming to this meeting.

W<sup>m</sup> Wright having expressed a wish to be released from the

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office of Correspondent for this meeting James Richardson Jonathan Rogers and John Cruess are appointed to propose to next meeting the name of a friend to serve in that capacity.

The time for which the clerk and assistant were appointed being nearly expired Gervas Cornell, Thomas Reazin, John Cruess and Harvey Armitage are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of two suitable friends to Serve in that Capacity the ensuing year.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held a Mariposa the 5<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup>. month 1854.**

The Representatives being called, were present except one.

The Committee to propose the names of two friends to Serve as Clerk and assistant have proposed Jonathan H. Rogers for clerk and Joseph Cody for assistant clerk, which being united with, they are appointed to that Service for the ensuing year.

The Representatives to last Quarterly Meeting report they attended

The Committee in Joseph Bowerman's case is continued with the addition of John Cruess, Harvey Armitage and Ambrose Boone to the Committee; to report next month.

The Committee to propose the name of a friend to serve as Correspondent is Continued to report next meeting.

The Preparative Meetings are directed to raise their proportions of \$1250 for the Yearly Meeting's use, and to furnish information respecting Schools agreeably with the Extracts from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting, and report next month.

Our esteemed friend Hester Garratt attended this Meeting with a Minute of unity and concurrence from West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake the 15<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1853. whose company and gospel labor amongst us have been Satisfactory - the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the foregoing Minute Signed on behalf of this Meeting and also by the Correspondent.

The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession, Pickering not being prepared to report, are Continued to report next month. the Meeting was Continued also another month

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The Committee to collect accounts of Births & Deaths is Continued, to report next month.

A Certificate of removal for Christopher Dale a minor Son of Richard Dale, to Brighthouse Monthly Meeting of Friends, Yorkshire England, was read in this meeting, & being approved, the Clerk was directed to Sign it on behalf of this meeting, & hand it to the Correspondent to be Signed by him & forwarded.

Our esteemed Friend Bridget Haight laid before this meeting a concern which has attended her mind, with a prospect of visiting in a religious Capacity the families of Friends in this Monthly Meeting; Unity having been expressed with her concern, She is left at liberty to pursue her prospect as Best Wisdom may direct

Adjourns

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 2<sup>nd</sup> Month 9<sup>th</sup> 1854.**

The Representatives being called, they were present, except one & a reason given for his absence.

The Assistant Clerk being absent James Richardson was appointed to serve for the day.

The Queries were read in this Meeting and the Answers to them from the Preparatives; a Summary of which (as follows.) is directed to the Quarterly Meeting. The Advices were also read.

Ans<sup>r</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup> "Most Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for Religious Worship & Discipline, although some are deficient therein; Some Care taken the hour, for the most part nearly observed; not quite clear of Sleeping in Meetings, and no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup>. "We trust Love & Unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us, excepting two instances & Some care taken; When differances arise Care is mostly taken to end them - Friends avoid and discourage tale-bearing & Detraction, as far as we know -

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under their Care, in plainness of speech behaviour & apparel, and 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 that care is extended 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 are clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of Diversion, as far as appears.

5<sup>th</sup>. "The circumstances of the poor have been inspected, and some relief afforded; and their children and all others under our care, are in a way to obtain School-learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup>. "We do not know of any who keep Company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage or parents conniving at their children Keeping company with Such; or any attending the marriages of those who go out from us, or marriages accomplished by a priest; (with the exception of one, of recent date, accomplished out of the order of our Society and under Notice.

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 do not know of any 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 if any give occasion for fear on those accounts they are timely laboured with for their 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.

10<sup>th</sup>. "We believe they are.

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Robert Betts, Gervas Cornel, John Gibb & John Cruess are appointed representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report.

The Committee in Joseph Bowerman's case report attention; they are Continued to report next month. The Women's Meeting inform that they were united in receiving Electa Birchard into membership with friends, with which this meeting Concurs.

The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession, Pickering, report as follows Viz. "that they have attended to the Appointment & believe the meeting has been orderly conducted; & that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence, it being their request" with which the Meeting unites; & Thomas Reazin, Gervas Cornel, John Cruess & Harvey Armitage are appointed, to have the oversight of that meeting (in Conjunction with a Committee of Women Friends;) & report in 6<sup>th</sup>. mo. next.

The Committee to propose the name of a Friend to Serve as Correspondent to this Monthly Meeting (in room of W<sup>m</sup> Wright who requests to be released from that Service) propose James Richardson, with which the meeting unites, and his name is directed to be forwarded accordingly

Came to this meeting from Mariposa Preparative, a Proposal of Marriage, Signed, Clark Birchard and Cecilia Terrill; - Harvey Armitage & John Cruess are appointed to inquire into his clearness of other like engagements, & report to next meeting.

The Preparatives inform that the money for the Yearly Meeting's use is raised & forwarded to this meeting The Representatives are directed to forward it to the Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting; together with the information respecting Schools, as directed by the Yearly Meeting.

The Committee to collect accounts of Births & Deaths, is continued to report next meeting.

W<sup>m</sup>. Wright informed the meeting that the Certificate of removal for Christopher Dale has been forwarded as directed last meeting.

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The Clerk informed that Hester Garratt had been furnished with a Returning Minute, as directed last meeting - but without the Correspondent having Signed it.

Pickering Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders having informed that "they are united in proposing to this Meeting the Consideration of appointing Sarah Reazin to the Station of an Elder, having the unity of the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders therein", Robert

Betts & Harvey Armitage are appointed to unite with a Committee of Women friends to receive & consider objections, (should any arise) and report next month.

Pickering Preparative paid 8/9 for the use of the poor.

Adjourned to meet in Mariposa at the usual time in next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Maraposa 9<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1854**

The representatives being called were all present

The Clerk being absent Ambrose Boone is appointed for the day.

One of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting reports they all attended; they have produced a receipt from the treasurer of the quarterly meeting for our quota of money called for by the Yearly Meeting.

The committee in Joseph Bowermans case report that they have paid further attention to the appointment and that as far as comes to their knowledge the obstructions that were presented this far as a certificate on his behalf are removed, they have also presented a certificate of removal for him addressed to Oswego Monthly Meeting State of New Yorke ??? which are satisfactory to this meeting and the Clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf furnish Joseph Bowerman with a copy of it and produce the signiture of the correspondent thereto and report to our next meeting.

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The committee to enquire into Clark Birchards clearness of other marriage engagements report they find no obstruction and consent of Parents being given the parties are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage according to the order of our Society Edward Rorke & Cornelius Austin are appointed to attend the marriage and see that it is orderly conducted hand the certificate to the recorder and report to our next meeting.

Our esteemed friend Rebecca Cody having attended this meeting with a certificate of unity & concurrence from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting dated 16<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1854 and satisfaction and unity having been satisfied with her labours and prospects, the Clerk is requested to furnish her with a copy of the s<sup>d</sup>? minute and report to our next meeting

The committee to collect the accounts of births and deaths report the service performed up to 7<sup>th</sup> month last, they are accordingly released and Robert Betts, John Gibb, Gervis Cornel & Elisha Birchard are appointed to that service to report in 1<sup>st</sup>. month next.

The Committee ??? ??? ??? of objections should any arise to Sarah Reazin being appointed to the station of and elder not being ready to report they are continued.

Was produce to this meeting from Maraposa Preparative a proposal of marriage signed Elihu Rogers & Susannah Cruess John ??? and Robert Betts are appointed to inquire into E. Rogers clearness of other like engagements and report to our next meeting

One of the overseers of Maraposa Preparative Meeting having been removed by death Elisha Birchard Joseph Cody & Edward Rorke are appointed to bring the name of a friend to serve in that station for the remaining part of the time for which they we last appointed

This meeting concludes to meet at Pickering at the usal time next Month.

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**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Pickering 6<sup>th</sup>. of 4<sup>th</sup>. Month 1854**

The Clerk being absent, Peter Taylor was appointed for the day.

The Representatives names being called they were all present.

The Clerk has taken the remaining Case in the case of Joseph Bowerman's certificate, as directed.

One of the friends appointed to attend the marriage of Clark Birchard, report they did not see but that it was orderly conducted; and that they handed the Certificate to the Recorder.

The Clerk has furnished Rebecca Cody with a Copy of the minute in her case as directed by last meeting

The Committee to hear & consider objections, if any should appear, to the appointment of Sarah Reazin to the Station of an Elder, report they did not find that there were any, and the Women's meeting uniting therein, she is accordingly appointed to that Station.

The clerk is directed to forward information to the preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders.

One of the Committee to enquire in Elihu Rogers' clearness of other Marriage engagements, reports they have found nothing to prevent his proceeding in Marriage with Susannah Cruess; and consent of parents having been obtained they are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage according to the Order of our Society, between this and another Monthly Meeting

Alfred Crawford & Cornelius Austin are appointed to attend the marriage, See that it is orderly Conducted, hand the Marriage Certificate to the Recorder, and report to next meeting.

The Committee to bring forward the name of a friend to serve as Overseer in Mariposa, not having reported, they are continued another month.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next Month at Pickering.

**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Pickering 11<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Month 1854.**

The Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is app<sup>td</sup>. for the day.

The Representatives names being Called were present except one.

The Committee app<sup>td</sup>. to attend the marriage of Elihu Rogers and Susannah Cruess, report they attended, and did not see but that it was orderly conducted; also that they have handed the

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the Marriage Certificate to the Recorder.

The Committee to bring forward the names of a Friend to serve as Overseer in Mariposa, have proposed the name of Harvey Armitage, which being united with, he is appointed to that service for the remaining time for which the Other Overseers are appointed.

Friends of Brighthouse Monthly Meeting, England, have acknowledged the receipt and acceptance of a Certificate of Removal for Christopher Dale (a minor Son of Richard Dale,) from this Monthly Meeting.

A Certificate of Removal for Henry and Hannah Lapp, from West Lake Monthly Meeting, held 3<sup>rd</sup>. Month 6<sup>th</sup> 1854 was read in this meeting & accepted: the Clerk is directed to hand it to the Recorder.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next Month, in Mariposa.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 8<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1854**

The representatives being called were present except one.

The Clerk being absent Thomas Reasin is appointed for the day.

The Queries have all been read in this meeting with answers to the usual five a summary of which is as follows and is directed to the Ensueing Quarterly Meeting. The advices were also read.

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for Religious worship and discipline; the hour nearly observed; but a slackness in attendance in some is still apparent on the middle of the week. Not clear of sleeping some care taken - no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans We trust love and unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, excepting two instances and some care taken; when differences arise care is mostly taken to end them; tale bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> ans We believe most Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own and other Friends children under their care, in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel; and endeavour, by example and precept to train them up in a Religious Life and conversation consistent

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with our Christian profession we believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in their families, and care taken 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; none to charge with frequenting taverns, or of attending places of diversion.

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

Henry Lapp, Joseph Cody, Gervas Cornell, Harvey Armitage, and Thomas Reazin are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as our representatives and report

The committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession report as follows "that they have attended to the appointment and believe the meeting has been orderly conducted; and that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence, it being their request with which this meeting unites and appoints Ambrose Boone - Gervas Cornell Joseph Cody and John Gibb to have the oversight thereof in conjunction with a committee of women Friends to report in 12<sup>th</sup> month next.

Came to this meeting from Mariposa preparative a complaint against John S Cruess for having married a woman not in membership with Friends by the assistance of a Priest, Joseph Cody, Thomas Reasin and Gervas Cornell are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report.



Pickering preparative reports 6S 3d raised for the use of the Poor  
Adjourned to meet at Pickering next month

**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 5<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1854.**

The clerk being absent Peter Taylor was appointed for the day.

The representatives names being called were present except ???

Part of the representatives to attend the Q<sup>s</sup> meeting are ??? ??? having attended and have

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produced an extract from the minutes of that meeting directing its subordinate meetings to raise their proportions of \$1500 for the Yearly Meetings use and pay it to the Treasurer of the Q<sup>s</sup> meeting. This meeting directs its Preparatives to raise their respective Quotas of said sum and Pay it to this meetings treasurer and report in first month next. The representatives also handed in a number of extracts from the minutes of the Yearly meeting, a number of the London Yearly meetings epistles one of which has been read at this time to satisfaction, also some pamphlets which are directed down for distribution. the preparatives are also directed to furnish the the [sic] information respecting schools a[s] directed in the extracts,

No report in the case of Henry and Hannah Lapps certificate the Clerk is requested to report next month

Two of the Committee to Visit John Cruess report as follows, We the Committee in the case of John S Cruess have visited him and find him desirous of retaining his membership is in the practice of attending meetings and gives evidence of attachment to our religious society, which report this meeting receives and retains him a member amongst friends Alfred Crewford and Harvy Armitage are appointed to inform him thereof and report,

Was handed into this meeting from Pelham Monthly Meeting a certificate of removal for Sarah Crawford (formerly Bloodgood) which has been read and accepted the clerk is directed to forward it to the recorder.

Jonathan H Rogers having requested a certificate of removal for himself and his son Stephen C Rogers a minor Peter Taylor and James Richareson are appointed to make the necessary enquiry and prepare a certificate by next meeting

Jonathan H Rogers having been appointed in 11th mo 1853 to act as a trustee in connection with Robert Richardson, in taking charge of £25 part of our proportion of Chandles Waters donation belonging

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to this meeting, and having removed from within the compass of this Meeting, he is released from the appointment and Gervas Cornell is appointed to act as Trustee in his place.

Thomas Reasin and Gervas Cornel, are appointed to bring forward next meeting, the name of a friend to act as Clerk to this meeting in place of Jonathan H Rogers, who has removed to Norwich.

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

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 10th of 8th month 1854**

The representatives names being called were present except one

The committee appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to act as Clerk to this meeting have proposed Richard Dale which being united with he is appointed to that service for the remainder of the time for which the former Clerk was appointed.

The Clerk reports having handed Henry and Hannah Lapps certificate to the recorder.

The committee appointed to inform John S. Cruess of the meetings conclusion in his case report the appointment fulfilled.

The Clerk reports having handed Sarah Crawfords certificate to the recorder.

The Friends appointed to prepare a certificate of removal for Jonathan H Rogers and his son Stephen C Rogers a minor not being ready to report are continued to report next month.

The Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to the preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders respecting Sarah Resins appointment to the Station of an Elder.

The Women's Meeting have informed this, that they are united in disowning Mary Jane Press this

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Meeting after weightly considering her case have concluded to lay it over another month.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 7<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1854.**

The representatives names being called were present except one and sufficient reason given for his absence.

The Queries were read in this Meeting with the Answers from the Preparatives to the usual five a summary of which (as follows) is directed to the Ensueing Quarterly Meeting, the Advices were also read.

1<sup>st</sup> Query Most 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 quiet clear of sleeping, and some care taken in the above deficiencies, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

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

Thomas Reazin, Robert Richardson, Harvy Armitage, and Henry Lapp, are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report.

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate of removal on behalf of Jonathan H Rogers and his son Stephen (a minor) who have removed from this, to Norwich Monthly Meeting, had produced one, which having been read and approved the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this Meeting, also to get the Correspondents name to it; See that it is properly recorded and forward it to Norwich Monthly Meeting

The Clerk reports he has forwarded the necessary information respecting Sarah Reazins appointment to the Station of an Elder, to the Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders.

The case of Mary Jane Press having again claimed the attention of this Meeting it has concluded to unite in the decision of the Womens Meeting in her case.

Came to this Meeting from Maraposa preparative Meeting a complaint against Elihue Birchard for marrying a Woman not in membership with us by the assistance of a Priest, the Parties to the said Marriage not being within the degrees of kindred permitted amongst us. Cornelious Austin and Wing Rogers are appointed to Visit him and report next month.

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Maraposa Preparative Meeting has raised and forwarded their proportion of Money for the Years Meetings use.

Pickering Preparative Meeting reports they have raised 5S..4d for the use of the poor which is directed to be paid to the Treasurer.

The Overseers of the poor not being quiet [sic] ready to report they are continued another month.

Our Esteemed Friend John A Haight has now returned the Certificate granted him in 9th month last together with returning Minutes of unity with his company and gospel labours, from Pelham Quarterly Meeting held at Norwich the 17th of 6th mo. 1854.

West Lake Q<sup>r</sup> Meeting held at West Lake the 5th of 10th month 1853 And one from Pelham Q<sup>r</sup> Meeting held at Pelham 17th of 9th month 1853.

Our Esteemed Friend Wing Rogers has also returned a minute of Unity Granted him in 9th month last to accompany Our Friend John A Haight along with a returning minute from Pelham Q<sup>r</sup> Meeting held at Pelham 9th mo 17th 1853 expressive of satisfaction with his company.

The time for which the Overseers were appointed being expired Henry Betts, Thomas Redman, Henry Lapp, and Cornelious Austin, are appointed to propose to this Meeting the names of suitable friends to serve in that station the ensuing year. The present Overseers are continued one Month longer.

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Maraposa at the usual time next month;

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 5th of 10th month 1854**

The Representatives names being called were present except one

One of the Representatives to the last Quarterly reports they all attended but not having Produced the Extracts from said meeting they are requested to Produce them to next meeting.

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The Clerk reports he has attended to his instructions respecting Jonathan H Rogers and his Son Stephens Certificate

The Committee in the case of Elisha Birchard not being ready to report, they are continued to report next month

The Committee to the oversight of the Poor report that They have attended to Their appointment the Past year. They are released and John Cruess, Harvy Armitage, William Wright, and Richard Dale, are appointed our Committee for that service the ensuing year.

The Committee appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve as overseers have proposed the following Viz Thomas Resin, and Robert Betts for Pickering and Edward Rork, and Joseph Cody for Maraposa, which having been separately considered are united with, and they are appointed to that Service for one year.

A Certificate has been recieved from Marsden Monthly Meeting, Lancashire, England, on behalf of Susanah Wilson which was read and accepted, the Clerk is directed to acknowledge the acceptance of it, and see that it is properly recorded.

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

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 9th of 11th month 1854**

The representatives being called were present.

The assistant Clerk being absent Peter Taylor was appointed for the day.

The representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting have produced a number of the minutes of Last Yearly Meeting which are directed down to the Preparative meetings for distribution.

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The Committee to visit Elisha Birchard reports that the complaint against him is correct. This Meeting concludes to disown him, and appoints John Cruess and Richard Dale to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce it at next meeting.

The Clerk informs that he has acknowledged the acceptance of Susanah Wilson<sup>s</sup> Certificate and seen it recorded.

The committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Friends burial grounds are continued to report next month.

James Richardson is reappointed Recorder of Births and Deaths the ensuing year.

Richard Dale is reappointed Recorder of certificates for one year

This meeting adjourns to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 7th of 12th month 1854**

The representatives names being called were presant:

The Querries were all read in this Meeting, with answers to the usual five, which are as follows and are directed to the Quarterly Meeting. Alfred Crawford, Jervas Cornell, Thomas Resin and Rufus Birchard, are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing quarterly meeting and report

1st Ansr most friends are carefull to attend all our Meetings for religious worship and disipline though slackness is apparent in some especially in the middle of the week. The hour mostly observed by those attending, Not quiet clear of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd Love and unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us as becomes breatheren excepting two instances

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When differences arrise care is mostly taken to end them. Friends do avoid and dis courage talebearing and detraction as far as appears.

3rd We believe most friends are careful to keep themselves their own, and other Friends children under thier 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, consistant with our religious profession, also that the scriptures of truth are frequently read in thier families, and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition.

4th 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.

9th We believe care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our disipline

The comtee to produce a testimony of denial against Elisha Birchard have produced the following one, Which having been read and approved the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this Meeting and Alfred Crawford and Thomas Redman, are appointed to inform him thereof and inform him of his right to appeal, also to furnish him with a copy if required,

Elisha Birchard having so far transgressed the good order of our religious society as to marry a woman not in membership with us by the assistance of a Priest. The Parties to said marriage not being within the degrees of kindred permitted amongst us, we therefore disown him from being any longer a member of our religious society.

The committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Friends burial grounds, not being ready to report, are continued to report next month.

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Came to this Meeting through the Preparative, a complaint against Elijah W Bostwick, for marrying a woman not in membership with us, by the assistance of a Priest, Alfred Crawford, and William Wright are appointed to visit him and report.

Also a complaint against Joseph Dale for marrying a woman not in membership with us by the assistance of a Priest, Robert Richardson, and Jervas Cornell, are appointed to visit him and report

Also a complaint against Aron Betts, for Marrying a Woman not in membership with us. Richard Dale, and Jervas Cornell, are appointed to visit him and report.

Pickering Preparative Meeting has raised 6s..6d and Maraposa three shillings for the use of the poor which is directed to be paid to the Treasurer, of the Monthly Meeting.

The time for which the Clerk and assistant Clerk were appointed being nearly expired, Jervas Cornell, and Thomas Reazin are appointed to propose to next meeting two Friends to serve as Clerk and Assistant the ensuing year.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> to the care of the Meeting in the 6th Concession report they have attended to their appointment and believe that it has been orderly conducted. This Meeting grants them a further indulgence of Six Months it being thier request and appoints Jervas Cornell, Noadiah Woodruff, and Robert Betts in Conjunction with a Committee of Women friends to have the oversight of said meeting and report in Sixth month next.

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Maraposa at the usuall time next Month.

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 11th of 1st month 1855**

The representatives names being called were presant.

The Committee to bring forward names of suitable friends, to serve this Meeting as clerk and assistant Clerk, have proposed Richard Dale for Clerk and Joseph Cody for Assistant, which having been separately considered are united with, and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

One of our representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports he attended, one of the others has given a satisfactory reason for not attending.

The committee to inform Elisha Birchard of his disownment and right to appeal report the service performed.

The Committee to the Oversight of Funerals and care of Friends burial grounds are continued another month,

The Committee in Elijah W Bostwick<sup>s</sup> case have attended thereto. They are continued another month, with John Cruess, and Harvy Armitage, added to the appointment

Our Esteemed Friend Bridjet Haight having in a weighty manner laid before this meeting a concern which hath for a length of time attended her mind and recently with encreased weight, to pay a visit in gospel love to Aramossa Particular meeting, also the families of Friends remotely situated from meetings, within the compass of Yonge Street Monthly meeting and of appointing some meetings, as way may open, this meeting after deliberately considering her prospects and unity being expressed therewith, leave her at liberty to persue them as Truth may direct. She being a minister in good esteem amongst us. The Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute, signed by the Clerks and Correspondent of this Meeting, and Richard Dale and Jervas Cornell are appointed in conjunction with a commt<sup>ee</sup> of Women friends to see that she is provided with a suitable companion and Conveyance.



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The committee in Joseph Dales' case have submitted the following report. We your committee in Joseph Dale's case have attended to our appointment and find him very desirous to retain his membership and we believe his life and conversation are consistant which is united with and he is accordingly continued a member and Thomas Redman and Thomas Reazin are appointed to inform him thereof.

The committee in Aron Betts's case have attended thereto, but not being ready to report they are continued to report next month.

Maraposa preparative has forwarded the report on education agreeably to the direction of the Yearly meeting, no report from Pickering Preparative,  
adjourned to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month

## Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held the 8th of 2nd mo 1855

The representatives names being called were presant.

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives have been read in this meeting a summary of which as follows are directed to the Quarterly meeting.

The advices were also read.

1st Query All our Meetings for worship and dicipline are attended, although a slackness appears with many; the hour for the most part nearly observed not quiet clear of sleeping, and no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies.

2nd We believe love and Unity are maintained amongst us as becomes breatheren, except one instance of difference between two Friends some care taken, when differences arrise care is mostly taken to end them, talebearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3rd Most friends appear carefull to keep themselves thier and other friends children under thier care, in

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plainness of speech behaviour, and apparrel; and 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 care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th We believe friends avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending and of attending [sic] places of diversion, as far as we know

5th We believe the circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance are duly inspected and some relief afforded, them; and they are advised and assisted in such employments as they are capable of; and their children and all others under our care are in a way to get school learing to fit them for business.

6th We do not know of any keeping company with persons not of our society on account of marriage, or parents conniving at thier children's keeping company with Such, or of any attending the marriage of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by a preist

except two instances, one of going out in marriage and one attending the marriage of one that went out from us, and accomplished by a priest and some care taken.

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

8th We know of none who are deficient in performing thier promises or paying thier just debts, or of any who extend thier business beyond thier ability to manage, as becomes our religious profession.

9th We believe care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, seasonably in the spirit of meekness and agreably to our dicipline.

10th They are.

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Thomas Redman, Noadiah Woodruff, Henry Lapp, and John Cruess, are appointed our representatives to attend the ensueing Quarterly Meeting and report.

The committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Friends burial grounds not being ready to report are continued one month longer.

The Committee in Elijah W Bostwick's case report some attention, They are continued another Month.

The Clerk reports that he furnished Bridgett Haight with a certificate as directed last meeting. The committee to see that she had suitable company and conveyance also report thier appointment answered.

One of the committee in Joseph Dales case report the service performed.

The committee in Aron Betts<sup>s</sup> case have attended thereto but think it will lose nothing by Laying over another month they are accordingly continued.

The preparatives have raised and forwarded their respective Quotas of 1500 dollars for the yearly meetings use which our representatives are directed to forward to the clerk of the Quarterly meeting (and produce his reciept) also the information respecting schools as directed by the Yearly Meeting.

The Preparatives have raised 1s5 for the use of the poor which the clerk is directed to pay to the Treasurer of this meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Maraposa at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 8th of 3rd month 1855.**

The representatives names being called three were presant.

One of our representatives to our last Quarterly meeting reports that three of them attended, they have also produced a reciept from the treasurer of said meeting for our Quota of 1500 dollars for the Yearly meetings use.

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The committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Friends Burial grounds report that they believe the Funerals have been orderly conducted, They are released, and Thomas

Resin, Joseph Cody, Richard Dale, Harvy Armitage, and John Cruess, are appointed, to that service for one year.

The committee to treat with Elijah W Bostwick have produced a report the tenour of which this meeting is not satisfied with, they are accordingly continued another month.

The committee in Aron Betts's case not being ready to report are continued another month.

The committee to collect accounts of Births and deaths are continued another month with Henry Lapps name added.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 4th month 1855**

The Representatives names from Pickering Preparative being called were present, no minutes were produced from Maraposa Preparative Meeting.

No report from the Committee in Elijah W Bostwicks case they are continued.

The Committee in Aron Betts's case are continued to report in seventh month next.

The committee to collect accounts of Births and Deaths are continued to report next month.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 10th of 5th Month 1855**

The representatives names being called were present.

The assistant Clerk being absent James Richardson is appointed for the day.

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A Certificate of removal on behalf of W<sup>m</sup> Dickenson West Minster Monthly meeting london, England has been read and accepted the Clerk is directed to acknowledge the receipt of it to the aforesaid Meeting and see that it is properly recorded.

The committee in Elijah W Bostwick's case have produced a report which this meeting accepts and has concluded to continue him a member of our religious society. James Richardson and Robert Betts are appointed to inform him thereof.

The Committee on births and deaths are continued.

Came to this Meeting from Maraposa Preparative a complaint against Joseph Birchard which is as follows. Joseph Birchard has departed from plainness in dress and address and attended the Marriage of one who went out from us, and accomplished by a Priest. Also has accomplished his own Marriage with a woman not a member of our society by the assistance of a Priest, and attended a place of diversion accompanied with music. Robert Betts and Jervas Cornell are appointed to Visit him and report next meeting

Also came through Maraposa preparative a complaint against Thomas Birchard for attending two marriages of those who went out from us, and were accomplished by a Priest, also for attending a place of diversion accompanied with music John Robinson and James Richardson are appointed to Visit him and report.

A Certificate of removal on behalf of William Gouch has been recieved from Waterford Monthly meeting Ireland, which has been read and accepted the Clerk is directed to acknowledge the receipt of it to said meeting and see that it is properly recorded.

This Meeting concludes to Meet at Maraposa at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa, the 7th of sixth month 1855.**

The representatives names being called were presant.

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers from the Preparatives to the usual five a summary of which (as follows,) are directed to the Quarterly meeting, the advices were also read.

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> All our Meetings for religious worship, and dicipline are attended, although a slackness appears in some, especially on the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed, not clear of sleeping and some care taken no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2nd We believe love and unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us, as becomes bretheren except one instance between two friends, and some care taken, when differences arrise care is mostly taken to end them. Tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3rd Most Friends appear carefull, 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 consistant with our Christian profession. We believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families, and care is extended in those respects towards others under our tuition.

4th We believe 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.

9th We believe care is mostly taken to deal with offenders seasonably, in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline

Jervas Cornell, Cornelious Austin, Joseph Cody and Elihu Rogers are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, and report.

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The Clerk informs that he has acknowledged the reciept of William Dickensons certificate to West Minster Monthly Meeting England, and recorded it.

The Committee in Elijah W Bostwick<sup>s</sup> case report the service performed.

The Committee to collect accounts of Births and Deaths not ready to report are continued

The Committee in Joseph Birchards case report attention but are, continued for further service in his case.

The committee to the oversight of the meeting in the sixth Concession have attended to thier appointment and believe it has been orderly conducted they also believe it right to grant them a further indulgence of six months it being thier request which this Meeting unites with and

appoints James Richardson, Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale, Robert Betts, and Joseph Cody in conjunction with a committee of Women Friends, to the oversight thereof and report in 12th month next.

The Committee in Thomas Birchard's case not being ready to report are continued.

The Clerk informs that he has acknowledged the receipt of William Gouch's certificate to Waterford Monthly Meeting, Ireland, and recorded it.

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being expired Jervas Cornell and Robert Betts are appointed to settle with him, and propose a name for that service another year.

Maraposa has raised 4s-4 ½ and Pickering Preparative 4- for the use of the poor, which the Clerk is directed to pay to the Treasurer of this Meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time at Pickering

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 5th of 7th month 1855**

The Representatives names being called were present.

One of the representatives to our last quarterly meeting reports that three of them attended. They have produced some extracts of the minutes of the yearly meeting, a number of the London Epistles, and some memorials and pamphlets, one of each of the Extracts have been read at this time to satisfaction, they are all directed down to the preparatives for distribution.

The preparatives are also directed to raise their respective Quotas of \$1500 for the Yearly Meetings Use and pay it to the treasurer of this Meeting and forward information respecting schools agreeably to the Extracts from the minutes of the yearly meeting by twelfth month next.

Our esteemed Friend Bridgett Haight has now returned the Certificate given her in 1st month last, expressing at the same time her own peace of mind after being enabled to accomplish her prospects. She also produced a returning Minute from Yonge Street monthly meeting expressive of the Unity and Satisfaction with her gospel labours, amongst them.

The Committee on births and deaths are continued to report next month, with Joseph Cody's name added to the appointment.

The committee in Joseph Birchard's case not being ready to report are continued.

One of the Committee appointed to Visit Thomas Birchard reports the service performed and believes it would be best to continue him a member which this meeting unites with, and appoints Harvy Armitage to inform him thereof.

The committee to settle with the Treasurer have attended to their appointment and found

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a balance in favour of this meeting of 2£ 19s 3d they are united in proposing James Richardson which the meeting unites with and he is accordingly reappointed to that service the ensuing year.

A Certificate of membership has been received on behalf of Stephen K Church, and his Wife Mary? also their daughter Mary A which is accepted and the clerk is directed to acknowledge the acceptance of it to New York monthly meeting and record it,

Adjourned to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 9<sup>th</sup> of 8th month 1855**

The Representatives names being called three were present

The committee to collect accounts of births and deaths report the appointment answered up to 1st month 1855 and Robert Betts, Thomas Redman, Cornelious Austin and Harvy Armitage are appointed to that service and report in first month next.

The Committee in Joseph Birchards case not being ready to report are continued with Cornelious Austins name added,

Harvy Armitage reports the service performed in the case of Thomas Birchard

The Clerk informs that he has acknowledged the acceptance of Stephen K Church and familys certificate to New York Monthly meeting and recorded it.

Maraposa Preparative has forwarded their quota of Money called for for the Yearly meetings use for the treasurer of this meeting.

Our Esteemed Friend Bridgett Haight has at this time in a very feeling and weighty manner laid before this meeting a concern

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Dear Friends

We have been again permitted to meet together from the different parts of the Dominion for the purpose of Transacting the Business of the Church for which our hearts has been made truly Thankful under a Sence of the over Shadowing Our Heavenly Fathers Love & we feel that we can adopt the Language we have one Master even Christ and all we are Brethren

We have at this time Reserved your exceptable Epistle as well as one from nearly all of the Yearly Meeting in America and also one from London & Dublin which has been cheering to our Hearts in feeling that we are not forgotten by our distant Friends alThough far Separated by Sea & land in that Love that having no Bounds We have the exceptable Company of a Number of Ministers from Other yearly meetings whos Labours of Love is still like a refreshing Shower upon the tender Grass & which has care? to many of us to rejoice to feel that our Heavenly Father

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which has for some years and latterly with increased weight attended her mind, to Visit in Gospel love the Yearly Meeting of Friends in Indiana and some meetings within its Compass also some Meetings in the States of Mitchigan and New York as way may open, This Meeting after Weightily considering her prospects and much unity have been expressed having also the unity of the Women's meeting therein she is left at liberty to persue them as truth may direct the



Clerk is directed to furnish her with a certificate signed by the Clerks and Correspondent and Jervas Cornell and Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale are appointed to see that she is furnished with Suitable company & in conjunction with a committee of women friends  
adjourned to meet at usual time next month

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 6th of 9th month 1855**

The representatives names being called three were presant.

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual five have been read, a summary of which as follows are directed to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting

Ans<sup>r</sup> 1st Most Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline, though a slackness appears in some, Especially on the middle of the week, one case of declining the attendance of our meetings and under care, the hour nearly observed, not quiet clear of sleeping. and no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2nd Love and unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us as becomes brethren excepting one instance of differance between two friends, when differences arrise care is mostly taken to end them. Friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as appears.

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is still mindful of us in Sending his Faithful messengers amongst us  
this quarterly the answers to

In considering the State of Society we with you have to lament the deficiencies apparent amongst us yet are comforted in the reports fro[m?] our Subordinate Meeting that Love and unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us which is the true badge of DecipleShip The Cause of Firstday Schools still retains a lovely interest in the mind of many Friends particularly some of our young Friends who are engaged in the work which we trust will be a blessing to our religious Society & we feel grantified to find that our Schools are regularly kept up of the many favours bestowed us by the Great Read of the Church We have been favoured to transact the various duties of this Yearly Meeting in much Harmony ??? for which we feel truly Thankful and we ??? trust with grateful hearts to the Giver of every good and perfection

With the salutation of Love we remaain

your friends

under a grateful Sense of the many favours bestowed upon us by the Great Head of the Church

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3rd We trust most Friends are carefull to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under thier 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 consistant 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 thier tuition

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medecinal as far as appears, none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion,

9th We trust care is mostly taken to deal with offenders. seasonably, in the spirit of meekness and agreably to our dicipline.

The advices have also been read Jervas Cornell, Henry Lapp, Cornelious Austin and Elihue Rogers are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting as our representatives and report.

The committee in Joseph Birchards case not being ready to report are continued

The Clerk has Produced a certificate for our friend Bridjett Haight which has been read approved and signed in this meeting.

The committee to see that she is provided with suitable company &c not being ready to report are continued to report at the adjournment of this meeting on fifth day next, adjourned to meet at the rise of the meeting for worship next fifth day

Ninth month 13th 55 friends met according to adjournment.

the representatives names being called one was presant

The committee to see that Bridjett Haight is properly provided with company &c not being ready to report, this meeting adjourns to the rise of the meeting for worship next fifth day.

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Ninth mo. 20th Friends met according to adjournment

the representatives names being called one was presant.

The Clerk being absent James Richardson was appointed for the day.

The Committee to see that Bridjet Haight is provided with suitable company report that two suitable Friends have offered to accompany her. This meeting concludes to meet at the usual time at Maraposa next Month

## **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 11th of 10th month 1855**

The representatives names being called were presant.

The committee in Joseph Birchard's case not being ready to report are continued another month.

The committee to the oversight of the poor for the past year report they have attended to thier appointment, they are released and Henry Lapp, Richard Dale, Robert Betts, and John Cruess and William Wright are appointed to the [sic] that service the ensuing year.

The time for which the Overseers were appointed being expired, Richard Dale, James Richardson Cornelious Austin, Harvy Armitage Elieu Rogers, and Henry Lapp, are appointed to bring forward names of suitable friends to serve in that station the ensuing year.

This meeting adjourns to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8th of 11th month 1855.**

The representatives names being called were presant except one.

The committee to bring forward names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as Overseers have proposed the following Viz. Thomas Rezin and Robert Betts for Pickering Edward Rorke and Joseph Cody for Maraposa

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which having been separately considered are united with, and They are accordingly appointed to that service for one year. the committee are continued to propose another name for Pickering

The Committee in Joseph Richards case not being ready to report are contained one month longer

The time for which the Recorder of Births and deaths was appointed being expired James Richardson is reappointed to that service for one year

The womens meeting have informed that they are united in disowning Ester Main formerly Bostwick with which this meeting unites.

The time for which the recorder of Certificates being expired Richard Dale is reappointed to that service for one year.

Maraposa preparative had ~~raised~~ forwarded thier account of the number of Children attending School according to the direction in Yearly Meetings Extracts

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Maraposa at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 6th of 12th month 1855**

The representatives names being called one was absent

The assistant Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day.

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the Usual five, have been read and considered in this meeting, a summary of which as follows are directed to the Quarterly Meeting, the advices have also been read.

Noadiah Woodruff, James Richardson, John Cruess, and Harvy Armitage are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> All our Meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended although a slackness appears with many especially in the middle of the week and some instances

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of wholly neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings for some time, not quiet clear of sleeping, and some care taken in the above deficiencies, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, except one instance of a person not a member amongst friends imposing himself on the meeting causing disorder who was encouraged by two of our members

2nd Ans<sup>r</sup> Love and unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us as becomes bretheren, except two instances and one of them a difference between two friends which we cannot settle. When differences arrise care is mostly taken to end them. Talebearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3rd Ans<sup>r</sup> We believe most friends are carefull to keep Themselvis, thier own and other Friends children under thier 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 their families, and care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition.

4th Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends do appear to avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion

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

Came from Pickering Preparative Meeting a proposal of marriage signed Daniel H Rogers and Ann Richardson

The committee to the Oversight of the meeting in the sixth concession are continued one month longer.

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The committee in Joseph Birchard<sup>s</sup> Case not being ready to report are continued.

Pickering Preparative has raised 8s-1 ½ D for the use of the poor.

The time for which the Clerk and assistant Clerk were appointed being nearly expired, Jervas Cornell, and John Cruess and Robert Betts, are appointed to proposed to this meeting the names of two suitable friends for that service the ensuing year

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the womens meeting informs that they are united in receiving Phebe Locke into membership with friends with which this meeting unites.

This meeting Concludes to meet at Maraposa at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 10th day of 1st month 1856.**

The representatives names being called three were present

The Committee to propose the names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as Clerk and assistant Clerk for the ensuing year, not being ready to report are continued to report next month the present clerk and assistant are continued one month longer.

Our esteemed Friend Henry Widderfield attended this meeting, with a minute of unity and concurrence from Yonge Street monthly meeting, liberating him to Attend and appoint some meetings within the compass of this whose company and Gospel labours have been acceptable and edifying to this Meeting

Our dear Friend Ira Clark attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity from Yonge Street monthly meeting to accompany his friend Henry Widderfield in his religious prospects whose Company has been acceptable to friends the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of the foregoing minutes.

Daniel H Rogers having produced a certificate from Yonge Street Monthly meeting Expressive of his clearness of other marriage engagements The written consent of surviving parents having also been produced, The parties are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage according to the order of our society between this and another monthly meeting, and Noadiah Woodruff and Richard Dale are appointed to see that said marriage is orderly conducted, and hand the Certificate to the Recorder and report next month.

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The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6th Concession are continued to report next month the meeting is also continued.

The Committee in Joseph Richards case not being ready to report are continued one month longer

The committee to collect accounts of births and deaths not being ready to report are continued to report next month.

Thomas Sutton a member of this meeting having removed with his family to within the compass of Yonge Street monthly meeting John Creuss and Joseph Cody are appointed to make the necessary enquiry on thier behalf, and produce a certificate of removal to next meeting if nothing appear to obstruct

The committee to bring forward another name for overseer in Pickering Preparative Meeting have proposed Thomas Redman which is united with and he accordingly appointed for the time for which the other overseers are appointed.

This Meeting Concludes to meet at the usual time next month at Pickering

## Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 7th of 2nd month 1856

Representatives names being called three were presant

The Committee to propose the names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as Clerk and Assistant are continued to report next month, the presant Clerk and Assistant are also continued.

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives have been read and considered in this Meeting. They are as follows and are directed to the Quarterly meeting. The Advices have also been read.

Joseph Dale, Robert Richardson, Joseph Cody and Cornelious Austin, are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report, they are also directed to call on the Mo meetings treasurer for our Quota of money for the Yearly Meetings use and pay it to the Q<sup>r</sup> Meetings Treasurer and produce his reciept

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1st Ansr Most Friends are Carefull to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and Dicipline with the exception of a few who absent themselves one of which cases is at the presant time under care. the hour nearly observed by most attending; Not Quiet clear of sleeping, and some care taken, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2nd. Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes brethren except two instances of want of unity When differences arrise care is mostly taken to end them, Talebearing and detraction, are mostly avoided and discouraged, as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends appear carefull to keep themselves thier own and other friends children, under thier care in plainness of speech, behaviour, and apparel, and do endeavour by Example and precepts to train them up in a Religious life and conversation consistant with our religious,

profession. We believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in thier families and care extended in these respects towards others under thier tuition

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal; and are clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of diversion, one supposed case contrary to the former part of this Query now under notice

5th The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance, have been inspected and some relief afforded, and they are advised and assisted in such employment as they are capable of, and thier children and all others under our care are in a way to get school learning to fit them for business.

6th None to charge with keeping company with those not of our society on account of marriage, or parents conniving with thier children's keeping company with such, one instance of a friend accomplishing his marriage by the assistance of a Priest which is under care.

7th 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

8th We do not know of any who are deficient in performing their promises of paying thier just debts; or of extending

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Thier business bhond thier Ability to manage, as becomes our Religious proffession; And those who give occation for fear on there accounts, are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery.

9th We believe care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness and according to dicipline

10th We believe They are.

The clerk informs he has furnished Henry Widderfield and Ira Clark with coppies of returning minutes as directed last meeting

One of the Friends appointed to attend the marriage of Danial H Rogers and Ann Richardson reports that the marriage was orderly conducted and the certificate recorded

The committee to the oversight of the meeting in the sixth concession report they have attended to thier appointment and believe it has been orderly conducted and are united in the belief that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it being thier request with which this meeting unites and appoints Joseph Cody, Jervas Cornell and Thomas Rezin in conjunction with a committee of Women Friends, to have the oversight thereof and report in 6th month next.

The committee in Joseph Birchards case have produced an acknowledgment from him condemning his conduct as charged against him in the complaint in which they think he is sincere, with this meeting unites and accordingly continues him a member. Joseph Cody and Cornelious Austin are appointed to inform him thereof.

The committee to collect accounts of births and Deaths report the appointment answered, Cornelious Austin Elihu Rogers, Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale, and Joseph Cody, are appointed to that service the presant year to report in first mo next.

The Committee to make the nesessary inquiry on behalf of Tho<sup>s</sup> Sutton and family, and prepare a certificate, are continued in conjunction with a committee of Women Friends



Came through Pickr<sup>g</sup> Preparative by way of the overseers a complaint against Henry Resin for Marrying a first Cousin by the assistance of a Priest, James Richardson and Jervas Cornell are appointed to treat with him and report

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Came from Pickering Preparative Meet<sup>g</sup> a proposal to build a house on the Meeting House ground ??? [smeared] 20 feet and 9 ft Posts for a friend in indigent circumstances, which is refered back to Picker<sup>g</sup> Preparative to forward an estimate of the expence of said Building, to next meet<sup>g</sup>

The preparatives have raised and forwarded 11s..3d for the use of the poor which the representatives are directed to Pay to the Treasurer of the monthly meeting.

This Meeting Concluds to meet at Maraposa at usual time next month

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 6th of 3rd month 1856**

The representatives names being called were presant

The Committee to propose the Names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as clerk and assistant for the ensuing year, have proposed Richard Dale for Clerk and Joseph Cody for assistant Which having been separately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

The representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they attended. They have also Produced a receipt from the Quarterly Meetings Treasurer for £7?..18s..5d being Our Quota of money for the Yearly meeting's use

The friends appointed in Joseph Birchards Case report the appointment answered.

The Committee to make the nescessary enquiry and prepare a certificate for Thomas Suton and Family have produced one on thier behalf wich has been read and approved The Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of the meeting and forward it to Yonge Street monthly meeting also see that it is recorded.

The Committee in Henry Reazins Case have attended to thier appointment and Confirmed the statement as entered in the complaint against him

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This meeting Therefore proceeds to disown Him and appoints Richard Dale and Harvy Armitage to prepare a testimony of denial against Him and produce it to next meeting.

The proposal to build a House on the meeting house ground in Pickering for a friend in Indigent circumstances is laid over for the consideration of next meeting

The Committee to the Oversight of Funerals and Care of Friends Burial Grounds, report, that they they [sic] believe Our funerals have been orderly conducted the past year. They are released and Thomas Reazin, Robert Betts, Harvy Armitage and John Cruess are appointed to that service the ensuing year.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as Usual next month

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 10th of 4th mo: 1856**

The representatives names being called were present except one for whose absence a reasonable excuse was given.

The assistant Clerk being absent Peter Taylor was appointed for the day.

The Clerk reports that he has attended to his appointment in the case of Thomas Sutton and Familie's Certificate

The Committee to prepare a testimonial of denial against Henry Reazin have produced one as follows

Henry Reazin having so far deviated from the Order of our society as to accomplish his marriage with his first Cousin by the assistance of a Priest. We therefore disown him from being any longer a member of our religious society until he become sensible of his error and make satisfaction to his friends. Richard Dale and Wing Rogers are appointed to hand him a copy thereof and inform him of his right to appeal.

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The proposal to build a house on the meeting house ground in Pickering is laid over for the consideration of next meeting

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

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 8th of 5th month 1856**

The Representatives names being called were present except one.

The committee in Henry Rezin's case report the service performed.

This meeting concludes to leave Pickering Preparative meeting at liberty to build a house 14 by 20 feet and nine foot Posts on the meeting house ground in Pickering for a friend in indigent circumstances when they think the proper time is come.

Came from Maraposa Preparative a complaint against John Gibb for wholly neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, for a length of time, also for having a party at his house, with spiritous liquors furnished for the occasion. James Richardson, and Jervas Cornell are appointed to visit him and report, next meeting.

Also a complaint against Aminon Powel, for wholly neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings for some time past. Thomas Rezin and James Richardson are appointed to visit him and report.

Came through the Womens meeting a Certificate of removal for Philadelphia Bowerman, addressed to Oswego monthly meeting which has been read and approved. The Clerk is directed to sign forward and record it on behalf of this meeting.

This meeting Concludes, to meet at Maraposa at the usual time next month.

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 5th of 6th month 1856.**

The representatives being called three were present

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives have been read and considered in this meeting they are as follows and are directed to the Quarterly meeting. The advices have

also been read. Jervas Cornell, Joseph Dale and Henry Lapp and John Cruess are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting and report.

1st Query Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline although some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week, the hour is nearly observed, not clear of sleeping, and no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark, some care taken in the above deficiency.

2nd Ans' Love and unity are maintained amongst friends as becomes brethren except two instances of want of unity, and one case of difference between two friends some care taken, friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears.

3rd We believe most friends are carefull to keep themselves thier own, and other friends children under thier care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian proffession. We believe the scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and care extended in these respects towards others under thier Tuition

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal, and are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversions as far as we know.

9th Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline

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The Committee in John Gibbs case have paid attention to thier appointment but not being ready to make a full report they are continued with John A Haight and Rich<sup>d</sup> Dales names added to the appointment

The Committee in Aminon Powels case not being ready to report are continued.

The Clerk reports that he has attended to his appointment in regard to Philadelphia Bowermans Certificate

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th concession not being ready to report are continued the meeting is also Continued.

The preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders having laid before this meeting thier united Judgment that William Wright has lost his usefullness as an Elder and member of that meeting they having previously obtained the unity of Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders therein this meeting is united in releasing Him from any longer an Elder having also the unity of the Women's meeting therein. The Clerk is directed to inform the Select meeting of our dicission in his case

This meeting having been concerned about the grave stones in Maraposa burial ground, being erected considerable above the height allowed by our Dicipline appoints Cornelious Austin and Joseph Cody in addition to the presant Committee to advise with the parties and have them reduced to the height specified in the dicipline.

This meeting adjourns to meet at the usual time at Pickering next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 10th of 7th month 1856.**

The representatives names being called 2 were absent

The Assistant Clerk being absent Jas Richardson is appointed for the day.

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One of the Representatives to our last Q<sup>r</sup> meeting reports that 2 of them attended. They have produced some extracts from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting and a number of London Epistles one of each, have been read to good satisfaction, they are directed to the preparatives for distribution also a minute of the Q<sup>r</sup> meeting directing the subordinate Meetings to raise thier respective Quotas of 1500 dollars for the Yearly meetg

The Committee in John Gibbs' case not being ready to report are continued.

The Committee in Aminon Powels Case not yet ready to report are Continued.

Came from the Womens meeting a Certificate of removal for Hannah Sadler addressed to Norwich Monthly Meeting which has been read and approved, and Signed the Clerk is directed to forward it and see that it is recorded, also get the Correspondents name to it.

The Committee to the Oversight of the meeting in the 6th concession are continued one month longer the meeting is also continued.

Clark Birchard, Elui Rogers, Thomas Resin and John Cruess are appointed in conjunction with a committee of Women Friends to collect subscriptions for educational purposes, as advised in the extracts of the Yearly meeting and report in first month, next

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month.

## Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 7th of 8th month 1856

The Representatives names being called were presant

The Clerk reports he has attended to his appointment in the case of Hannah Sadlers Certificate.

The Committee in John Gibbs case are continued one month longer.

The Committee in Aminon Powels case not being ready to report are continued

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the Sixth Concession have attended to thier appointment and believe it has been orderly conducted and believe it right to grant

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Them a further indulgence of six months it being thier request with which this meeting unites, and appoints James Richardson, Robert Betts, and Richard Day in conjunction with a committee of Women Friends to the oversight thereof and report in 1st month next.

Came from Pickering Preparative by way of the Overseers a complaint against William Wright as follows. Jervas Cornell and Richard Dale, are appointed to visit Him and report William Wright has for some time neglected the attendance of our religious meetings and has joined and Identified Himself with those that have seceded from us, and set up a separate meeting contrary to the order of our religious society.

Came to this meeting through Pickering Preparative by way of the Overseers a complaint against Ambrose Boone for Wholly neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings and joining and Identifying himself with those that have seceded from us and setting

up a separate meeting contrary to the order of our religious society. Jas Richardson and Peter Taylor are appointed to visit him and report next meeting.

Our Esteemed Friend Isaac Jay attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and concurrence, Missisawawa Monthly Meeting of Friends Indiana, and Endorsed by the Northren Quarterly Meeting Grant Co. Indiana whose company and Gospel labours have been acceptable and edifying to us.

Our Esteemed Friend Luke Thomas attended this meeting in Company with Isaac Jay with a certificate of Unity from New Garden Monthly Monthly [sic] Meeting of Friends Indiana dated the 19th of 7th month 1856 whose company and Solid deportment has been acceptable to this meeting The Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the afforesaid Minutes and Sign them on behalf of this meeting also by the Correspondent.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11th of 9th month 1856.**

The Clerk and Assistant Clk being absent Peter Taylor was appointed to act as Clk and James Richardson as assistant for the day.

The representatives names being called 2 were absent.

The Queries were read in this Meeting with the Answers from the Preparatives to the usual five, A summary of which is as follows and is directed to the Quarterly Meeting, the advices have also been read. Thomas Reazin, James Richardson, Cornelieous Austin and Alfred Crawford are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report.

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends are mostly carefull to attend all our Meetings for religious worship and dicipline although some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week. The hour for the most part nearly observed not quiet clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some cae taken in the above deficiency.

2nd Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes bretherin excepting two Instances which are under care. When differences arrise care is mostly taken to end them. Talebearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Friends are mostly carefull 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 consistant with our Christian proffession. 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> Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes stritly medicinal as far as appears one instance excepted and care taken, none to charge with frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion.

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

1. The Committee in John Gibbs case not being ready to report are continued

The Committee in William Wrights case report they visited him and that he justified himself in what he had done and showed no disposition of acknowledging his error, this meeting therefore concludes to disown him and appoints Jervas Cornell and Peter Taylor to prepare a

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Testimony of denial against him and Produce it at next meeting.

The Committee in Ambrose Boones Case report they visited him, and that He acknowledged the complaint to be just, but showed no disposition to make satisfaction to Friends This meeting therefore concludes to disown him and appoints Jervas Cornell and Joseph Dale to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce it at next Meeting.

No report being made by the Clerk in the case of the returning minutes for Isaac Jay and Luke Thomas, it is left to be reported next Meeting

Pickering Preparative informs they have raised 6s-10d for the use of the poor which the representatives are directed to pay to the treasurer.

Adjourned to Meet as usual next month at Maraposa

### **Pickering monthly meeting of Friend held at Maraposa 10th month 9th 56**

The Representatives names being called were all presant.

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly meeting reports they all attended

Two of the Committee in John Gibbs case report they attended to thier appointment and propose to lay over his case till first month next with which this Meeting Unites.

The Committee in Aminon Powls case not being ready to report are continued with Robert Richarson's name added to the appointment.

The Committee to prepare a testimony of denial against William Wright have produced one which has been read and approved The Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting and Alfred Crawford and Noadiah Woodruff are appointed to inform him thereof hand him a copy if desired and inform him of his right to appeal.

The Committee in Ambrose Boone's case have produced a testimony of denial against him which has been read approved and signed and is as

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follows, Joseph Cody, and Henry Lapp are appointed to inform him thereof hand Him a copy if required and inform him of his right to appeal.

Ambrose Boone having for some time wholly neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings, and assisted in setting up a separate meeting contrary to the order of our society and thereby Identifying Himself with those who have separated themselves from us, and having been visited on account of these outgoings, he persisted in justifying himself in the course he had persued, We therefore disown him from being any longer a member of our religious Society untill He becomes sensible of his error and makes satisfaction to Friends.

William Wright having wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and assisted in setting up a separate meeting contrary to the good order of our religious society, thereby Identifying Himself with those who have separated themselves from us, and having been



visited for these outgoings, he persisted in justifying himself therein, We therefore disown him from being any longer a member of our religious society untill he makes satisfaction to Friends.

The Clerk reports that he furnished Isaac Jay and Luke Thomas with returning minutes as directed in 8th mo: last

Came to this meeting through Maraposa preparative a complaint against James Tift for marrying a woman not a member of our society, he having also removed from the precincts of this meeting. Alfred Crawford and Richard Dale are appointed to make the necessary enquiry whether he is within the Compass of any meeting of Friends and report.

Came from the meeting of ministers and Elders a minute proposing Thomas Rezin to the Station of an Elder they having also the unity of the Select Quarterly meeting therein, Robt Richardson, Jos<sup>h</sup> Cody and Henry Lapp are apptd to hear and Consider objections thereto and report.

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The time for which the Overseers of the poor were appointed being expired and no report from them they are Continued to report next month.

The time for which the overseers were appointed being nearly expired Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale, Robert Richardson Harvy Armitage and Henry Lapp, are appointed to propose to this meeting the names of suitable Friends to Serve in that Station the ensuing year.

This Meeting Adjourns to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month

### **Pickering monthly meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 6th of 11th mo 1856**

The Assistant Clerk being absent James Richardson is appointed for the day.

The Committee in Aminon Powels Case have paid attention to thier appointment but not being quiet ready to report they are continued till first month next.

The committee in W<sup>m</sup> Wrights case not being ready to report are continued one month longer,

No report from the committee in Ambrose Boone's case, they are continued.

No report from the Committee in James Tifts case they are continued

The Overseers of the poor not being ready to report are continued.

Our Esteemed Friend William Kilsey attended this meeting with a certificate of unity from Ypsilante Monthly meeting Mitchigan, in Company with Lydia B Wilson and Mary P Jones whose company and Solid deportment has been acceptable to this Meeting

Our Esteemed Friend Lydia B Wilson attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity and concurrence from Raisin monthly meeting held at Palmyra Michigan the 10th of 9th mo: 1856, whose company and Gospel Labours amongst us have been edifying and satisfactory to this meeting

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Our Esteemed Friend Mary P Jones attended this meeting as companion to Lydia P Wilson, with a certificate of unity from Raisin mo meeting of Friends held at Palmira, Michigan,

the 9th of 10th mo: 1856. Whose company and labours of love amongst us have been acceptable and Satisfactory to this meeting

The Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the forgoing minutes Signed by himself and the correspondent on behalf of this Meeting

The Committee to propose names of suitable friends for overseers the ensuing year not being ready to report are continued to report next month, the presant overseers are also continued.

A Certificate of removal having been recieved from England for five Minors of the name of Moor, Wing Rogers, and Richard Dale are appointed to try to find out where they reside and report.

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

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 15th of 12th mo 1856**

The Representatives names being called 2 were absent a sufficient reason being given for the absence of one

The Assistant clerk being Absent Ja's Richardson was appointed for the day.

The Queries with the Answers to the Usual five were read and Considered in this Meeting they are as follows, and are directed to the Quarterly Meeting. The Advices have also been read.

John Robinson, Harvy Armitage, Wing Rogers and Cornelious Austin are appointed our representative to Attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report -

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline, although a slackness appears with some especially in the middle of the week, some care taken, the hour not so well observed by some Friends as could be desired not clear of sleeping and no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

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2nd Ans<sup>r</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, if differences arrise care is taken to end them. Talebearing and detraction avoided and discouraged as far as we know.

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans<sup>r</sup> Most friends are Carefull to keep themselves thier own and other Friends children under thier 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 consistant with our Christian proffession. We believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in Friends families and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly Medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion except some cases of our Youth attending a place of diversion which is under care

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

The Committee in W<sup>m</sup> Wrights case not being present are continued.

The Committee in Ambrose Boones Case not being present are continued

The committee in Jas Tifts case are continued

The Committee to the oversight of the poor are Continued

This meeting concurs with the Women's meeting in disowning Deborah Boone.

The Clerk informs that he furnished Our esteemed friends W<sup>m</sup> Kelsey, Lydia B Wilson, and Mary P Jones, with copies of returning minutes as directed by last meeting

This meeting Concurs with the Women Friends in disowning Ann Boones

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The Committee to Propose the names of suitable Friends to serve this meeting as overseers have proposed the following Viz. Joseph Cody and Edward Rorke, for Maraposa and Thomas Rezin and Robert Betts for Pickering which having been separately considered are united with and they are accordingly apptd to that service for one year.

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being expired Jervas Cornell, and Joseph Dale are appointed to Settle with him and bring forward the name of a suitable friend for that service the ensuing year

Adjourned to meet as usual next Month

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held at Maraposa the 8th of 1st mo: 1857**

The Representatives names being called were present

Three of the representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they attended; and a satisfactory reason given for the nonattendance of the other.

One of the friends appointed in William Wrights case reports he attended to his appointment, he did not shew any disposition to appeal.

The committee in Ambose Boones case not being ready to report are continued.

The committee in James Tifts case report some attention to thier appointment they are continued.

The committee to the oversight of the poor report that they have attended to thier appointment and rendered some assistance, they propose to this meeting to put a house on the meeting house ground in Pickering for a Friend in indigent circumstances, which is united with and the preparatives are directed to raise thier respective quotas of £32..12 towards purchase of said house and back rent, for said friend.

The committee are released and Harvy Armitage, Joseph Dale, Joseph Cody and Robert Richardson are appointed to that service the ensuing year

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The committee to settle with the Treasurer report they have done so, and found a ballance in his hands of 3s..3p They propose James Richardson to that service the ensuing year which is united with.

The committee to hear and consider objections if any to Thomas Reazin being appointed an Elder report they have heard of none, and this meeting after duly considering the subject are united in judgement with the select meeting, and accordingly appoints him to the station of an Elder, and the clerk is directed to give the necessary information to the meeting of Ministers and Elders.

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th concession not being ready to report, are continued one month longer, the meeting is also continued.

Came through Pickering Preparative meeting a proposal of Marriage Signed Edmund Wright and Hannah Dale

The Committee in John Gibbs case report that it is thier belief that it will not be to his benefit or that of this meeting to continue him any longer a member in his presant state of mind with which this meeting unites and appoints Richard Dale and Joseph Cody to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce to next meeting.

The Committee in Aminon Powels case not being read to report are continued, another month.

The time for which the recorders were appointed being expired this meeting reappoints them to that service the ensueing year.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as usual next month.

#### **Pickering monthly meeting of Friends held at Pickering 5th of 2nd mo: 1857**

Th representatives names being called three were presant

The Queries with the answers thereto have been read and considered in this meeting. They are as follows and are directed to the Quaterly meeting. The advices also been read Thomas Reazin, Richard Dale,

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Joseph Cody, and Henry Lapp, are appointed our representatives to attend the ensueing Quarterly meeting. They are directed to call on the Treasurer for our Quoto of the yearly meetings stock and pay it to the quarterly meetings Treasurer.

One of the Friends appointed in Ambrose Boones Case reports he attended to his appointment. He did not shew any disposition to appeal.

1st Query Most Friends appear carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious Worship and dicipline, though Slackness still appears in some especially on the middle of the week The hour for the most part nearly observed not clear of sleeping, and no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd Ans<sup>r</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren; if differences arrise, Care is taken to endeavour to end them, and Friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears.

3rd We believe most Friends are carefull to keep themselves, thier own and other Friends children in under thier 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 consistant with our christian proffession, we believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families, and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition.

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal except one instance, none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion three instances of attending a place of diversion excepted and care taken in the above deficiencies

5th The circumstances of the poor have been inspected and some relief afforded them; and thier Children and all others under our care, are instructed in school learning to fit them for business.

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6th Ans<sup>r</sup> None to charge with keeping company with persons not of our society on account of marriage or Parents conniving at thier Children's keeping company with such, or of attending the marriage of those who go out from us, or marriages accomplished by a Priest

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

8th We do not know of any that are deficient in performing thier promises or paying thier just debts; or any who extend thier business beyond thier ability to manage as becomes our religious profession and those who give ocation for fear on those accounts are timely laboured with for thier preservation and recovery

9th We believe care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the spirit of meekness and agreably to our dicipline.

10th We believe they are.

The committee in Jas Tifts case are continued

The clerk informs that he had forwarded the necessary information to the select meeting in Thomas Reazins case.

No report from the Preparatives in regard to raising their proportions of £32..10s towards purchasing a house and back rent for a poor friend.

The committee to the oversight of the meeting in the sixth concession report, they have attended to thier appointment and believe it has been orderly conducted and think it would be right to grant them a further indulgence of six months it being thier request, with which this meeting unites and appoints Jervas Cornell Thomas Reaziin, Joseph Dale and John Cruess to the oversight thereof and report in sixth month next.

Edmund Wight having produced a certificate from Norwich monthly meeting certifying his clearness of other marriage engagements, the written consent of Parents having also been produced, the parties are

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left at liberty to proceed with thier intended marriage in a religious meeting of our society between this and another month and Jervas Cornell, and Robert Richardson are appointed to see that it is orderly conducted and hand the certificate to the recorder.

The Committee in John Gibbs case have produced a testimony of denial against him with which this meet<sup>g</sup> unites and appoints Wing Rogers and Henry Lapp to inform him thereof, hand him a copy if required and inform him of his right to appeal.

The committee in Aminon Powels case report that they have attended to thier appointment, and did not find him in a suitable disposition to make satisfaction to friends. This meeting therefore concludes to disown him and appoints Richard Dale and Joseph Cody to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce to next meeting.

The committee to collect accounts of births and deaths, report the appointment answered and Joseph Dale, Thomas Reazin, John Cruess and Henry Lapp, are appointed to that service the ensuing year.

The time for which the presant Clerk and assistant clerk were appointed being nearly expired Robert Betts and Robert Richardson are appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends for that service the ensueing year.

The committee appointed to open subscriptions for educational purposes as directed by the extracts of the Yearly Meeting, report they have collected 1£..10s..0d which the representatives are directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Quarterly meeting.

A circular from the Book Committee in New York has been recieved and read in this meeting which is directed to the Observance of the preparative meetings

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Our beloved friend Bridgett Haight has now returned the Certificate given her in 9th month 1855 and has produced 2 acceptable returning minutes from Indiana Yearly Meeting, also 26 returning minutes from the different Quarterly and monthly meetings, that she attended within the Compass of said yearly meeting and one from Adrian Q<sup>r</sup> meeting Michigan all expressive of general satisfaction.

A proposal having come from the select meeting proposeing Elizabeth Rork to the station of an Elder, Robert Richardson and Joseph Cody are appointed in conjunction with a Committee of Women friends, to hear and consider objections if any and report next meeting

Adjourned to meet at Maraposa as usual next month.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 5th of 3rd month 1857**

The representatives names being called were present

The Committee appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as clerk and Assistant, have proposed Richard Dale for clerk and Joseph Cody for assistant which having been separately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

Three of the representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they attended, The have produced a reciept from that meetings Treasurer for our quota of the yearly meetings stock, also one for £2..15s of Voluntary subscriptions raised by this meeting as directed in the last yearly meetings extracts

One of the friends appointed to attend the Marriage of Edmund Wright and Hannah Dale reports that it was orderly conducted, and the Certificate recorded.

One of the friends appointed in John Gibbs case reports the service performed, he manifested no disposition to appeal.

The committee in Elizabeth Rorke's case not being ready to report are continued.



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The Committee to prepare a testimony of denial against Aminon Powel have produced one which has been read and approved the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting and Wing Rogers and Harvy Armitage are appointed to inform him thereof hand him a copy if required and inform him of his right to appeal.

Came through Marapossa preparative by way of the overseers, a complaint against Henry Powel for wholly neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings for a length of time and attending places of diversion. Wing Rogers and Henry Lapp are appointed to Visit him and report next meeting

Came through Maraposa preparative a complaint against Joseph Birchard for having a party at his house with music Danceing and Speritous Liquors, and is in the habit of attending such parties. Thomas Reazin and Harvy Armitage are appointed to Visit him and report next meeting

Also a complaint against Tho<sup>s</sup>. Birchard for being in the practice of attending the above mentioned parties Stephen Church and John S Cruess are appointed to Visit him and report.

The Committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Friends Burial grounds not being ready to report are continued one month longer.

James Tift having transgressed the good order of our religious Society and at the same time removed from within the limits of this or any other meeting before any care could be taken in his case, this meeting therefore concludes to disown him from being any longer a member of our society and the clerk is directed to inform him thereof.

Maraposa preparative has forwarded thier Quota of £32 as directed by this meeting towards defraying the expences of a House and rent for a friend in Pickering

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 9th of 4th mo: 1857.**

The Representatives names being called two were presant.

The assistant Clerk being absent Jas Richardson was appointed for the day.

The Committee in Elizabeth Rorke's case not being ready to report are continued.

The Committee in Aminon Powel's case report the service performed, he shewed no disposition to appeal

The Committee in Henry Powel case have paid attention to thier appointment but not being ready to report are continued

The committee in Joseph Birchard's case have been to visit him but did not find him at home they are continued to report in 6th month.

The committee in Thomas Birchard's case are also continued.

The Committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Friends Burial grounds not being ready to report are continued to report next mo:

Came from the Womens Meeting a certificate on behalf of Hannah Wright formerly Dale Addressed to Norwich Monthly Meeting with which this meeting unites and directs the Clerk and Correspondent to sign and forward it on its behalf, and see that it is recorded.

The Clerk has done nothing in James Tifts case since last meeting  
This Meeting adjourns to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month.

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#### **Pickering monthly meeting of Friends held at Pickering 7th of 5th mo: 1857.**

The Representatives names being called were presant.

The Committee in Elizabeth Rorkes case reports that They have heard some objections and considered them and are united in the belief that it is best to defer the appointment at presant with which this meeting unites.

The Committee in Henry Powels case are continued too report next month.

No report from the Committee in Thomas Birchards case, they are continued with Cornelious Austins name added

Was produced from the Women's meeting a Certificate of removal on behalf of Sarah Crawford, addressed to Norwich monthly monthly [sic] meeting with which this meeting unites and directs the Clerk and Correspondent to sign it on its behalf, forward it and get it recorded.

Also one on behalf of Maturia Bowerman addressed to Oswego monthly meeting which is united with the Clerk is directed to get it properly signed, forward, and record it.

The committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of friends burial grounds are continued to report in 10th month

The clerk is continued to report on behalf of Hannah Wrights Certificate

No report from the Clerk in James Tifts case.

Adjourned to meet as usual next month in Maraposa.

#### **Pickering Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 6th month/57**

The representatives names being called were presant.

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual five have been read in this meeting they are as follows and are directed to the Quarterly meeting the advices have also been read.

Jervas Cornell, Thomas Reazin, Henry Lapp, Harvy Armitage and Wing Rogers are appointed our representatives to attend the ensueing Quarterly Meeting and report.

The clerk is still continued in James Tifts case.

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1st Ans<sup>r</sup> All our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended although there is a slackness with some especially on the middle of the week, the hour for the most part nearly observed, not clear of sleeping and no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, and care taken in the above deficiencies.

2nd Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, if differences arrise care is taken to endeavour to end them, talebearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3rd Friends generally appear carefull to keep themselves thier own and other friends children under thier care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel, although deviations are

apparent with some, we believe they endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation, consistant with our Christian proffession. We believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in thier families, and care extended in these respects towards others under thier tuition

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors [sic] excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears.

9th Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline,

The committee to Visit Henry Powel have attended to thier appointment and did not find him in a sufficient state of mind to make satisfaction to friends, this meeting therefore concludes to disown him and appoints Richard Dale and Joseph Cody to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce next meeting.

Part of the committee in Thomas Birchards case have attended to thier appointment they are continued with John Hights name added to the appointment to report in 11th mo

The committee in Joseph Birchards case have visited him. He did not manifest any disposition to make satisfaction to friends or any wish to be continued a member

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of our society this meeting therefore concludes to testify against him and Richard Dale and Joseph Cody are appointed to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce to next meeting.

The clerk reports that the certificates issued for Sarah Crawf[ord?] Matura Bowerman and Hannah Wright have been signed forwarded and recorded as directed.

William Dickenson having requested our certificate to Westminster monthly meeting London into the compa??? of which he has removed Joseph Dale and Thomas Reazin are appointed to prepare a certificate on his behalf and produce next meeting

A Certificate of removal for five minors of the name of moor has been recieved from Lewis and Chichester monthly meeting, England the subject of its acceptance is laid over for the consideration of next meeting

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th concession are continued to report next month

Pickering Preparative has raised 3s..1 ½ d for the use of poor

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as usual next month.

## **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 9th of 7th month 1857.**

The representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report that two of them attended, and a sufficient reason was given for the nonattendance of the other three, they have produced a number of the London yearly meetings Epistles, which are directed to the observation of the Preparative meetings.

The Committee to prepare a testimony of denial Against Henry Powel, have produced one, which this Meeting approves, and appoints Henry Lapp and Harvy Armitage to hand him a copy thereof and inform him of his right to appeal.

The Committee in Joseph Birchards case have produced a testimony of denial against him which has been read approved and signed.

Harvy Armitage and Joseph Cody are appointed to ??? ??? [off page] thereof and inform him of his right to appeal ???

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The Committee to prepare a Certificate on behalf of W<sup>m</sup> Dickenson, have produced one addressed to Westminster mo meeting, London, which the Clerk, and Correspondent, are directed to sign and forward to said meeting, and see it recorded.

The Clerk is directed to return the Certificate recieved from Lewis and Chichester monthly Meeting, on behalf of five Minors name of Moor, to said meeting, with our reasons for not accepting it.

Our Esteemed Friend Phebe R Gifford attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and Concurrence from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends, and Endorsed by Sandwich Quarterly Meeting liberating her for religious service within the compass of New York Yearly Meeting whose company and Gospel Labours amongst us have been to our satisfaction and Edification.

Our Esteemed Friend Isaac R Gifford also attended this meeting in company with his Wife (Phebe R Gifford.) and Produced a certificate of unity and Concurrence from Dartmouth mo meeting whose company and solid deportment amongst us has been acceptable to this meeting the clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above Minutes, on behalf of this Meeting.

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the Sixth concession have attended to thier appointment and believe it has been orderly conducted and believe it right to grant them a further indulgence of Six months it being thier request with which this meeting unites and appoints, Richard Dale, Ja<sup>s</sup> Richardson, and Henry Betts to have the oversight thereof in conjunction with a committee of Women Friends and report in first month next.

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Came to this Meeting through Maraposa Preparative An acknowledgement friend request to be again restored into membership with us signed Joseph Sing Wing Rogers, John A Haight, James Richardson Jervas Cornell and Peter Taylor are appointed to visit him and report in 10th month next.

Came from Maraposa preparative a proposition for this monthly meeting to raize 35£ towards defraying the Cost of Erecting a Shed on the Meeting House ground in Maraposa with which this Meeting unites and directs its Preparatives to raize thier respective Quotas of said sum by first mo next

Was forwarded to this Meeting from Yongstreet Mo meeting a complaint against Smith Clark for Marrying a Woman not in membership with friends by the assistance of a Priest with a

request that this meeting take the necessary care in his case he having removed to within the compass of this meeting. Harvy Armitage and Joseph Cody are appointed to Visit him and report

Adjourned

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 6th of 8th month 1857.**

The Representatives names being called three were present.

The Committee in Henry Powels case are continued.

The Committee in Joseph Birchards case have attended, to their appointment. He did not manifest any disposition to appeal

The Clerk informs that he has forwarded Wm Dickenson's Certificate to Westminster monthly meeting and recorded it as directed, and has also returned the Certificate on behalf of five minors name of Moor to Lewis and Chichester Monthly Meeting with our reasons for not accepting it as directed last Meeting.

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The Clerk reports that he has furnished Phebe R Gifford and Isaac R Gifford with with [sic] returning minutes as directed last month.

The Committee in Smith Clarks case have Visited him and Produced a report expressive of his desire to be retained a Member, is in the Practice of attending meetings, and gives evidence of attachment to our religious principles with which this meeting is Satisfied, and he is accordingly retained a Member Henry Lapp and Harvy Armitage are appointed to inform him thereof, the Clerk is also directed to inform Yonge St. monthly meeting of our decision in his case.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as usual next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th mo, 10th 1857**

The Representatives names being called 3 were present a sufficient reason was given for the absence of the other one

The assistant clerk being absent Jas' Richardson was appointed for the day.

Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual five were read in this Meeting they are as follows and are directed to the Quarterly Meeting the advices have also been read, Thomas Reazin, Peter Taylor, Cornelious Austin, and Harvy Armitage are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report.

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> All our Meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although a slackness appears with some especially in the middle of the week. The hour nearly observed, not clear of sleeping and no other unbecoming behaviour to remark.

2nd Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, if differences arise care is taken to end them, talebearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

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3rd Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends are Carefull to keep themselves thier own and other Friends Childerin under thier care in plainness of speech, behaviour, and apparrel and do endeavour by example, and precept, to train them up in a religious life, and conversation, consistant with our Christian Proffession. We believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in thier families, and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous Liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as we know.

9th Care is mostly taken to deal with offenders seasonably in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to dicipline

The Committee to inform Smith Clark of the Meetings decision in his case report the service performed the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information to Yonge Street Monthly Meeting.

Pickering Preparative have forwarded 6s..10d for the use of the poor

This meeting after again reconsidering the case of Joseph Sing have come to the conclusion that it better to erase the minutes from our book as he was disowned by Yonge Street Monthly Meeting before this meeting was organized.

Adjourned to meet at Mariposa as usual next month.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 8th of 10th mo: 1857**

Th Representatives names being called were all presant

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended, but they not having produced the extract from the Minutes of said Meeting or the extracts from the Yearly Meeting they are continued to produce them next month.

The preparatives are also directed to raize thier respective proportions of money for the Yearly meetings Use.

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The Clerk reports that he has furnished information in Smith Clarks Case to Yonge St Monthly meeting as directed.

The Clerk is directed to return Joseph Sing's acknowledgement and the Minute in his case, to Mariposa Preparative Meeting and report,

The Committee to the Oversight of Funerals and Care of Friends burial grounds are continued to report next month.

The Committee in Thomas Birchards case have visited him and did not find him in a suitable state of mind to make satisfaction to friends, This meeting therefore proceeds to disown him and appoints Richard Dale and Joseph Cody to prepare a testimony of denial against Him and produce it to next meeting.

The Clerk informs that he has informed James Tift of this meetings conclusion in his Case.



Came through Mariposa preparative a complaint Against Milton Pearson, for marrying a Woman not in membership with Friends, also for wholly neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings Harvy Armitage and Cornelious Austin are appointed to visit him and report.

Was recieved from Pontefract Monthly Meeting England A Testimony of denial against James and Sarah Nixon, also a certificate of removal for thier three minor Children Viz. George Child, Robert Beard and Mary Jane Nixon. James Richardson, Thomas Reazin, and Richard Dale are appointed to Visit them in conjunction with a committee of Women Friends hand them a copy of the testimony of denial and report next meeting, the acceptance of the certificate is laid over for the consideration of next meeting.

Adjourned to Meet at Pickering next month.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 11th month 1857**

The Representatives names being called 2 were presant

The representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting have produced an Extract from Said Meeting in which the Extracts and Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting are directed to the observance of the monthly meetings, one of the Extracts has been read to satisfaction, They are directed to the preparatives for distribution.

Mariposa Preparative has raized and forwarded thier proportion of money for the Yearly meetings use as directed.

The Clerk is continued to return Joseph Sing's acknowledgement to Mariposa preparative meeting as directed last month.

The committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Friends Burial grounds are continued to report next month.

The Committee to prepare a testimony of denial against Thomas Birchard have Produced one with wich this meeting is satisfied and directs the Clerk to sign it. Joseph Cody and Cornelious Austin are appointed to inform him thereof hand him a copy if required and inform him of his right to appeal.

The Committee in Milton Pearson's case have paid some attention to thier appointment but not being ready to report they are continued to report next month,

The committee appointed to Visit James Nixon and Family not having attended to thier appointment are continued to report next month

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held at Pickering 10th of 12th mo/57**

The Representatives names being called three were presant

The Queries with the Answers from the Preparatives to the Usual five have been read in this meeting, they are as follows, and are directed to the Quarterly Meeting the Advices have also been read. Jervas Cornell, Robert Betts, Cornelious Austin, and James Richardson are appointed representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> Most Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline, the hour not so fully observed as would be desirable, not clear of sleeping, and no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies.

2nd Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, if differences arrise care is taken to end them, we believe most friends avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction.

3rd. Most friends are carefull to keep themselves, their own and other friends Children, under thier 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, consistant with our Christian proffession We believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families, and care extended in these respects towards others under thier tuition

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for the purposes strictly Medicinal, and are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears.

9th Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreably to our dicipline

The Clerk informs that he has returned Joseph Sings acknowledgment to Marap[osa preparative Meeting as directed last month.

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The Committee to the care of friends burial grounds and the Oversight of funerals are continued.

The committee in Thomas Birchards case have attended to thier appointment, he did not manifest any disposition to appeal.

The Committee in Milton Pearsons case have again Visited him, and did not find him in a suitable state of mind to make satisfaction to friends or manifest any wish to be retained a member. This Meeting therefore proceeds to disown him and Richard Dale, and Peter Taylor are appointed to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce it at next meeting.

The Committee to visit James Nixon and family on behalf of Pontefract Monthly Meeting report that they find that they are all returned to England, the Clerk is therefore directed to return the minute and Certificate on thier account to said Meeting with the necessary information

The time for which the Overseers were appointed being expired they are continued one month longer.,

Adjourned to meet at Mariposa at the usual time.

## **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 17th of 1st month 1858**

The Representatives names being called 2 were presant

One of the representatives to our last Quarterly meeting reports that 2 of them attended They have produced a number of London Yearly Meetings Epistles, and some pamphletts which are directed for the preparatives for distribution one of the Epistles have been read to satisfaction

The Committee to the Oversight of Funerals and care of Friends burial grounds are continued

The Committee to prepare a testimony of denial against Milton Pearson have produced one with which this meeting is satisfied, and Joseph Cody and Henry Lapp are appointed to inform him hand him a copy if required and inform him of his right to appeal

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The time for which the Overseers were appointed being expired Jervas Cornell, Thomas Redman, Cornelious Austin Rufus Birchard, and Harvy Armitage are appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends for that service the ensuing year.

The Committee to the Oversight of the meeting in the 6th Concession have attended to thier appointment and believe that it is orderly conducted and think it would be right to grant them a further indulgence of 6 months it being thier request, with which this meeting unites and appoints, Thomas Reazin Juhn Cruess, and Clark Birchard in conjunction with a Committee of Women Friends to the oversight Thereof and report in sixth month next.

Yonge St mo meeting inform us that they have recieved an acknowledgment from W<sup>m</sup> Ray with the tenour of which they are satisfied and request us to take the necessary steps in his case, we therefore appoint Jervas Cornell, Thomas Reazin, Richard Dale, and Joseph Cody, to Visit him and report

The Meeting adjourns to Meet at Pickering at the usual time

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held at Pickg the 11th of 2nd mo/58**

The Representatives names being called 3 were presant.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the answers from the preparatives a summary of which as follows are directed to the Quarterly Meeting. The advices have also been read.

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline although some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week the hour nearly observed, not quiet clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, with the exception of our preparative meeting somewhat disturbed for the want of that moderation and forbearance in some presant that would have been desirable and some care taken in the above deficiencies

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2nd Ans<sup>r</sup> Love and unity are maintained amongst most friends as becomes brethren, if differences arrise care is mostly taken speedily to end them, Friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears

3rd We believe most friends are carefull to keep themselves thier own and other friends children under thier care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation Consistant with our Christian proffession. We believe the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and care extended to those under our tuition.

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled speritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as we know.

5th We believe the circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been inspected and some relief afforded them and thier Children and all others under our care are in a way to get school learning to fit thm for business

6th We do not know of any keeping company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage or of Parents conniving at their childrens keeping company with such, or of any attending the marriages of such or marriages accomplished by a Priest

7th We believe Friends to be clear of bearing arms of Complying with Military requisitions or of paying and fine or tax in lieu thereof.

8th We do not know of any who are deficient in performing thier promises or paying thier just debts or any extending thier business beyond thier ability to manage as becomes our Religious proffession and those who give occation for fear on these accounts are timely laboured with tor thier preservation and recovery with one exception however to this Query of that of one of our members going ??? for a larger amount than he is able to pay which is under notice

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9th We think Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreably to our dicipline.

10th We believe they are.

Robert Richardson Cornelious Austin, Henry Betts, and Peter Taylor, are appointed Representatives to attend the ensueing Quarterly meeting, they are directed to call on the Treasurer for our Quota of money for the Yearly meetings use pay it to the Treasurer of the Quarterly meeting and Produce his reciept.

The Committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Friends Burial grounds are continued to report in 6th month

No report from the Committee in Milton Pearson's case they are continued

The Committee to bring forward the names of friends for overseers have proposed, Thomas Reazin, and Robert Betts for Pickering and Edward Rorke and Joseph Cody for Mariposa which having been saporately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

The Committee in William Rays case report they have paid some attention to it but are not ready to make a full report they are continued.

The Committee to the oversight of the poor are expected to report next month.

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being expired, Peter Taylor and Robert Richardson are appointed to settle with him and propose to next meeting the name of a friend to that service the ensueing year.

The time for which the Recorders were appointed being expired Richard Dale is reappointed Recorder of Certificates and James Richardson reappointed Recorder of Births and Deaths the ensueing year.

Pickering Prepartive Meeting has raized and forwarded thier proportion of money for the yearly meetings use

The time for which the clerk and assistant clerk were appt being nearly expired Joseph Dale and Tomas Reazin are appointed to bring forward the names of suitable Friends for that service the ensuing year.

Adjourned to meet at Mariposa next month

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held at Mariposa the 11th of 3rd mo. 1858**

The representatives names being called were all presant

The committee to bring forward the names of two Friends to serve this meeting as Clerk and and [sic] assistant have proposed Richard Dale for clerk, and Joseph Cody, for assistant which having been separately considered are united with, and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports that they all attended they have produced a reciept from the Treasurer of said meeting for our Quota of money for the Yearly Meetings use, as directed.

The Committee to inform Milton Pearson of this Meetings conclusion in his case report the service performed, and that he did not manifest any disposition to appeal.

The Committee in William Rays case have have [sic] paid some attention to thier appointment since last Month but are not ready to report They are continued.

The Committee to the oversight of the poor report that they have attended to thier appointment the past year and afforded relief where it was thought necessary they are released and Thomas Reazin Robert Richardson Harvy Armitage and Clark Bichard, are appointed to that service the ensuing year.

The Committee to settle with the Treasurer not being ready to report are continued.

No report from the Committee appointed to collect accounts of Births and Deaths they are continued to report next month.

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Came through Mariposa preparative Meeting a Complaint against Thomas J Brooks as follows. Thomas J Brooks has been so unguarded as to become Endorser for another person for a large amount, and becoming liable therefor has removed to the United States to avoid the legal consequences of such Endorsement. Edward Rorke is appointed to ascertain the name of the Monthly Meeting within the limits of which he resides and report next month.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as usual

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th of 4th mo 1858**

The Representatives names being called 3 were presant

The committee in William Rays case are continued

The Committee to settle with the Treasurer have attended thereto and have found a ballance in his hands of \$18 they propose the reappointment of James Richardson for the ensuing year which being united with he is accordingly appointed to that service for one year

The Friend appointed in Thomas Brooks case is continued.

Was recieved from Brighthouse Monthly Meeting England a Certificate for Christopher Dale which is accepted and the Clerk is directed to acknowledge the acceptance thereof to Said Meeting and see that it is recorded

Was recieved from NewCastle Monthly Meeting England a Certificate of removall on behalf of William and Sarah Thompson, and thier Minor Sons Thomas and Theodore, which is accepted and the Clerk is directed to acknowledge it for Said meeting and record it

Joseph Cody and Jervas Cornell are appointed in conjunction with a Committee of Women friends to to [sic] visit the above named friends, and inform them of the Acceptance of thier Certificate

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held at Pickering 9th of 5th mo 1858**

The Representatives names being called three were presant

The Committee in William Rays Case, are continued

The clerk reports that he has answered the reciept<sup>s</sup> of and also recorded Wm Thompson and Family<sup>s</sup> and Christopher Dale's Certificates. The committee also report that they have informed William Thompson of the acceptance of His.

Was recieved from Lewis and Chichester Monthly Meeting England, a minute stateing thier decision to omit from Membership the Childeron of John and Rebecca Moor The Clk is directed to see that it is handed to them and first take a copy of it and report.

Adjourned to Meet at Mariposa at the Usual time.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held at Mariposa 10th of 6th mo 1858**

The Representatives names being called were all presant

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual five, have been read and considered a summary of which as follows are directed to the Quarterly Meeting the Advices have also been read

1st Ansr All our Meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended though some are deficient therein especially in the middle of the week, the hour not so fully observed as could be desired by some friends, not quiet clear of sleeping no unbecoming behaviour to remark, and some care taken in the above deficiencies.

2nd Ansr Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes bretheren, when differences arrise care is taken to end them, talebearing and detraction is mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3rd Most Friends appear carefull to keep themselves, thier own and other Friends Children under thier 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 consistant 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.

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4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled speritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, and are clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of diversion as far as we know.

9th Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the sperit of Meekness and agreeably to our dicipline.

Thomas Reazin, Richard Dale, Joseph Cody, and Henry Lapp are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives, and report.

The Committee in William Rays case are continued.

Came through Mariposa preparative a complaint against X Thomas J Brooks as follows. Thomas J Brooks has been so unguarded to become security (for a person who has failed in business) for a larger amount than he is able to pay and has absconded to avoid the legal consequences of such security, we believe to within the compass of Hamburgs Monthly Meeting the Clerk is directed to forward the complaint to said Meeting with other nesessary information, and request them to treat with him on our behalf.

A Complaint has been received from West Lake Monthly Meeting held 5th mo 13-58 against John Cronkhite Jr for neglecting the attendance of meetings, and marrying a person not in membership with us, requesting us to treat with him on thier behalf he being removed to within the compass of this Meeting. John S Cruess, Wing Rogers, and Joseph Cody are appointed to confer with him and report in 1st mo.

Pickering Preparative reports having raised 10£ towards building a shed in Maraposa, the committee are directed to call on the mo Meetings treasurer for said sum and the Preparatives are directed to raise the remainder and pay to the treasurer of the mo Meeting.

William Gouch having requested a Certificate of removal to Waterford Monthly Meeting Ireland, Thomas Reazin and Richard Dale, are appointed to make the necessary enquiry and prepare one by next meeting.

The Committee to Collect accounts of Births and Deaths report the service performed. They are released and Joseph Dale, Christopher Dale John S Cruess and Smith Cark, are appointed to that service up to 1st mo 1859,

Adjourned

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held the 8th of 7th mo: 1858**

The Representatives names being called three were presant.

Two of the Representatives to our last Q<sup>r</sup> meeting Report they attended, They have produced some Extracts from the last Yearly Meeting, and a number of the printed Minutes of said meeting, one of the extracts has been read at this time to satisfaction, they are all directed to the preparatives for distribution, The representatives not having produced a minute from the Quarterly Meeting are continued to produce it to next meeting

The Committee in William Ray's case Report they have Visited him and are united in believing that he is not in a suitable state of mind to be reinstated into Membership with our society at presant with which report this meeting unites and directs the Clerk to send the nescessary information to Yonge St Mo: Meeting.



Mariposa preparative has raised thier proportion of £35 towards the expence of building a shed on the meeting house ground in Mariposa.

The committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th Concession are continued, the meeting is also continued, one month longer,

The subject of entering the names of the Children whose parents are only one of the Members of our Society on our register of births and deaths having claimed the attention of this meeting Jervas Cornell, Thomas Reazin Henry Lapp, Peter Taylor, Joseph Cody, and James Richardson are appointed to investigate the subject and report thier sense of it to a future Meeting,

This Meeting adjourns to Meet at Pickering at the usual time next month

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 8th month 1858**

The representatives names being called 3 were presant

The Assistant Clerk being absent James Richardson is appointed for the day.

The Representatives are continued to produce the minute of last Q<sup>r</sup> meeting next month

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the sixth Concession, not being ready to report are continued to report next month the meeting is also continued.

The subject of entering the names of those children on our register of births and deaths, whose parents are one or both of them members, having again claimed the attention of this meeting it is concluded to refer the subject for the advice of our next Q<sup>r</sup> meet.g.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 9<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo. 1858.**

The Representatives names being called were all presant.

The Queries with the Answers from the preparatives to the usual five, a summary of which as follows are directed to the Quarterly Meeting, the Advices have also been read,

John Cruess, Harvy Armitage, Robert Betts and Thomas Reazin are appointed to our Representatives to attend the ensuing Q<sup>r</sup> meeting and report.

Our Representatives to our last Q<sup>r</sup> meeting have produced a minute from said meeting directing the monthly meetings to raize thier proportion of \$1600 for the Yearly meetings Use also to forward information respecting schools, agreably to the Extracts from the minutes of the yearly meeting which is directed to

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The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th Concession have attended to thier appointment, and think it has been orderly conducted and believe it right to grant them a further indulgence it being thier request, with which this meeting unites, and appoints Peter Taylor Henry Betts, Joseph Dale, Joseph Cody, and Harvy Armitage in conjunction with a committee of Women Friends, to the oversight thereof and report in first month next,

Adjourned to meet at Mariposa at the usual time

**Pickering monthly meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 7th of 10th month 1858.**

The Representatives names being called were all present  
The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report, they attended,  
The Womens Meeting informs us that they are united in receiving Mary Adelia Betts into membership with our religious society with which this meeting also is also united.  
Adjourned to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month

**Pickering Monthly Meetg of Friends held 11th of 11th mo 1858**

The Representatives names being called 2 were present  
Our Esteemed Friend John Page attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity and Concurrence from Weare Monthly Meeting of Friends and Endorsed by Salem Quarterly meeting, Massachusetts whose company and gospel labours amongst us have been satisfactory and edifying, the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute  
Our Esteemed Friend Ester C Weeks attended this meeting with a Certificate of Unity and concurrence from Shappaqua Monthly Meeting whose Company and gospel labours have been truly acceptable and edifying amongst us.

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Our Esteemed friend Phebe Ann Wedon attended this Meeting in company with Ester C Weeks with a certificate of unity from Butternuts Monthly meeting whose company and solid deportment has been truly acceptable to this meeting  
Adjourned to meet at the usual time next month

**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8th of 12th mo. 1858.**

The Representatives names being called three were present  
The Assistant Clerk being absent Peter Taylor is appointed for the day  
The Queries with the answers from the Preparatives have been read in this meeting a summary of a summary of [sic] which as follows are directed to the Monthly Meeting. The advices have also been read.  
1st Ans<sup>r</sup> All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended, although a slackness, still prevails with some, especially in the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed by most Friends not clear of sleeping and no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, and some care taken  
2nd We believe love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes bretheren When differences arise care is mostly taken to end them, tale bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged, as far as appears.  
3rd Friends are careful to themselves their own and other Friends Children under their care in Plainness of speech behaviour and apparel although deviations are apparent with some, and they 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 thier families, and care extended in these respects towards others under thier tuition

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for purposes strictly Medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion as far as appears.

9th We believe care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline

Thomas Redman, Elijah Bostwick, Harvy Armitage, and Edward Rorke are appointed our Representatives to attend the ensueing Quarterly meeting and report.

Came through Pickering Preparative a proposal of marrige Sign<sup>d</sup> Stephen Cronkhite and Mary Adelia Betts

Adjourned to Meet at Mariposa as usual.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 6th of 1st mo 1859**

The Representative names being called were all presant

Three of the Representatives to our last Q<sup>r</sup> meeting report they attended and produced a minute from said meeting in refference to the subject of registering those children who are not members, but whose parents are one or both Members of our Society on our Registers. Viz That it is **X** the judgement of this Meeting that Monthly Meeting can act as they think proper. This Meeting Therefore directs its Recorder to record the Births of all such Children on application, on a separate page, or otherwise denoting that they are not members. They also produced a number of London Epistles one of which has been read to satisfaction they are directed to the preparatives for distribution.

The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6th Concession not being ready to report are Continued to report next month, the Meeting, is also continued.

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A Certificate of clearness from other Marriage engagements haveing been recieved from West Lake Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Stephen Cronkhite, also the consent of his only surviving Parent, being produced, and the Consent of Mary Adelia Betts, Parents the Parties are left at liberty to proceed in marriage with each other according to the order of our religious society between this and next monthly Meeting Jervas Cornell, and John S Cruess are appointed to see that the marriage is orderly conducted and the Certificate handed to the recorder

Came to this meeting through Pickering Preparative a proposal of Marriage signed Joshua N Richardson and Sarah E Reazin, Richard Dale and Elijah W Bostwick are appointed to inquire into the young Mans clearness of other like engagements and report next meeting.

The time for which the overseers were appointed being nearly expired Jervas Cornell, James Richardson, Harvy Armitage, and Henry Lapp are appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve in that station the ensueing year.

The Committee appointed in the case of John Cronkhite Junier not being ready to report are continued to report in third month next

Adjourned

## **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering The 10th of 2nd Month 1859**

The Representatives names being called three were present

The Queries with the Answers from the preparatives have been read, a summary of which as follows are directed to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting

The advices have also been read.

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> All Our Meetings for religious and discipline are attended by Most friends, The hour nearly observed by most friends, not quiet clear of sleeping, and no and no [sic] other unbecoming behavior to remark, and some care taken in the above deficiencies.

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2nd Ans<sup>r</sup> Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, except one instance, if differences arise care is taken to end them. Talebearing and detraction, are avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3rd Most friends are carefull to keep themselves, thier own, and other friends Children under thier care in plainness of speech, behaviour, and apparel, and do endeavour by example, and precept, to train them them [sic] up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Christian proffession. We believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Friends avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for the purposes strictly Medicinal and are clear of Frequenting Taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as appears.

5th Circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been inspected and some relief afforded them; and thier Children and all others under our care are in a way to get school learning to fit them for business.

6th None to charge with keeping company with persons on account of marriage nor parents conniving at thier Children keeping company with such, or of any attending the Marriage of those who go out from us or Marriages accomplished by a Priest except one instance of keeping company with, and marrying a person not in membership with us which is under notice.

7th Friends are clear of bearing arms, of complying with millitary requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof.

8th Friends are mostly carefull to perform thier promises and pay thier just debts seasonably none appear to extend thier business beyond thier ability to manage as becomes our religious proffession and if any give occation for fear on those accounts they are timely laboured with for thier preservation and recovery

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9th Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline

10th We believe they are.

Richard Dale, Noadiah Woodruff, Clark Birchard and Cornelious Austin, are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our representatives and report.

Part of the Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6th Concession report that they have attended to thier appointment and believe it is orderly conducted and think it would be

right to grant them a further indulgence it being thier request with which this meeting unites and and [sic] appoints Jervas Cornell, Richard Dale, and Stephen Church, in conjunction with a committee of Women friends to the oversight thereof and report in 6th month next.

The Committee appointed to attend the marriage of Stephen Cronkhite and Mary Adelia Betts report the Marriage was orderly conducted and the Certificate handed to the recorder.

The Committee appointed to enquire into Joshua N Richardson's clearness of other marriage engagements report that they find no obstructions to the proposed marriage, and the parties having produced thier Parents consent, this meeting leaves them at liberty to proceed with thier intended marriage according to the order of our religious society, between this and next Monthly Meeting Richard Dale and Robert Richardson are appointed to see that it is orderly conducted and return the Certificate to the Recorder and report.

The time for which the Recorders were appointed being expired Richard Dale is reappointed Recorder of Certificates, and James Richardson recorder of Births and Deaths the ensuing year

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The Committee to bring forward the names of suitable friends, to serve in the station of overseers the ensuing year not being quiet ready to report are continued to report next month the overseers are also continued.

The time for which the Clerk and Assistant were appointed being nearly expired Joseph Dale, Wing Rogers and Cornelious Austin are appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends for that service the ensuing year.

The Overseers of the poor not being ready to report are continued to report next month.  
Adjourned to meet at Mariposa at the usual time

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting held at Mariposa the 10th of 3rd month 1859**

The Representatives names being called three were presant

The Committee to bring forward the names of Friends to serve as Clerk and Assistant have proposed Richard Dale for Clerk and Joseph Cody for assistant which having been separately Considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

Two of the representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they attended and a sufficient reason assigned for the noneattendance of the other two

One of the Committee to attend the marriage of Joshua N Richardson and Sarah E Reazin reports the marriage was orderly conducted and the Certificate recorded.

The Committee to bring forward the names of suitable Friends to serve as overseers have proposed Phenies Reazin and Robert Betts for Pickering and Joseph Cody and Edward Rorke for Mariposa, which having been separately Considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service the ensuing year.

The Overseers of the poor not being quiet ready to report are continued to report next month.

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The Committee in the Case of John Cronkhite Jun<sup>r</sup> have paid attention to it but are not ready to report they are continued

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being nearly expired Joseph Dale and Thomas Reazin are apptd to settle with him and propose a Friend for that service the ensuing year

Adjourned to meet as usual next Month

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 9th of 4th month 1859**

The Representatives names being called 2 were presant

The Assistant Clerk being absent Peter Taylor was appointed for the day.

The Committee to the oversight of the poor report they have attended to thier appointment the past year, and rendred some assistance where they thought it needfull, the appointment of a new committee is defered till next month

The Committee in John Cronkhite June<sup>rs</sup> case is continued

The committee to Settle with the Treasurer have done so and found a ballance due to him of \$4 and 5 cents, they propose the reappointment of James Richardson the ensuing year which is united with and he is appointed to that service for one year.

The Committee on births and deaths not being ready to report are continued.

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This Meeting adjourns to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 5th month 1859**

The Representatives names having been called were all presant

The Committee to Collect Accounts of Births and Deaths are continued to report next month.

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The Committee in John Cronkhite's Case have paid some attention to it, but not being ready to report they are continued

The Overseers of the poor for the past year are released and Peter Taylor, Joseph Dale, Henry Lapp, and Joseph Cody, and Thomas Redman are appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The Committee to the Oversight of funerals and Care of Friends Burial grounds, report that they have attended to thier appointment They are released, and Thomas Reazin, Joseph Dale, Joseph Cody, and Henry Lapp are appointed to that service the ensuing year.

Mariposa preparative meeting having requested the Advise of that Meeting in a difficult Case James Richardson, Thomas Redman, Robert Richardson, and Peter Taylor, are appointed to advise with and assist said meeting to the best of thier ability, and report.

This Meeting Concludes, to meet at Mariposa as usual next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 9th of 6th mo 1859**

The Representatives names having been called were all presant

The Queries have been read, with the answers from the preparatives to the usual five, a summary of which as follows are directed to the Quarterly Meeting

The advices have also been read

1st All our Meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended although some are deficient on the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed, not clear of sleeping, and no other unbecoming behavior to remark and some care taken

2nd Love and unity are maintained amongst us, as becomes brethern, except one instance, which is under care. If differences arrise, care is taken to end them. And we believe friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction

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3rd Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends are carefull to keep themselves, thier own and other friends children under thier care, in plainness of speech, Behaviour and Apparrel, and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious Life and conversation consistant with our christian profession although deviations are apparent. We believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in thier families and care extended in these respects towards others under thier tuition.

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as appears.

9th Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our disipline.

Robert Richardson, Joseph Cody, Thomas Reazin, and Clark Birchard are appointed our representatives to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report.

The Committee appointed to collect accounts of births and deaths report the appointment answered up to first month last. They are released, and Peter Taylor, Thomas Redman Henry Lapp, and Clark Birchard, are appointed to that service up to first month next.

The Committee in John Cronkhites case are continued to report in 10th mo next

The Committee appointed to advise with and assist Mariposa preparative, have attended to thier appointment but not being ready to report they are continued.

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th concession not being ready to report are continued, the Meeting is also continued

Came from the Womens meeting a certificate of removal on behalf of Mary Adelia Cronkhite addressed to West Lake Mo meeting with which this meetg unites The clerk is directed to sign forward and record it.

Adjourned to meet at the usual time at Pickering

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 7th of 7th month 1859**

The Representatives names having been called were all presant.

Our Esteemed Friend James Jones, with Certificate of Unity and Cuncurrence from China Monthly Meeting of Friends held 18th of 5th month 1858, liberating him for religious service within the compass of this and some other Yearly meetings, and Endorsed by



Vassalborough Quarterly Meeting, held at East Vallalborough, Main, 5th mo 28th 1858 whose company and Gospel labours amongst us have been satisfactory, and Edifying. The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute.

Our Esteemed Friend Adam Spencer attended this Meeting with a certificate of unity from Norwich Mo; Meeting held the 8th of 6th month 1859 in company with James Jones whose company and labours of love amongst us have been acceptable to this meeting.

All the representatives to the last Quarterly meeting report they attended, they have produced an extract from the minutes of said meeting, directing the monthly meetings to raise their proportions of \$1709 for the Yearly Meetings use, Also to the observance of the direction of the Yearly Meeting, respecting Education as directed in the Extracts of said meeting one of which has now been read to satisfaction. The Clerk is directed to forward an extract of the above minute to each preparative meetg

The Committee to the Oversight of the Meeting in the 6th Concession not being quiet ready to report are continued to report next month the Meetg is also continued

The Committee to the Oversight of the poor being in want of money the Preparatives are directed to raise their respective proportions of ten dollars and pay to the Monthly Meetings Treasurer.

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In order to Carry out the Views of the Yearly Meeting as directed in the printed Extracts, Jervas Cornell, Richard Dale, Clarkson Rogers, Rufus Birchard, and Smith Clark are appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to open subscriptions according to direction of said meeting.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as usual.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11th of 8th mo/1859**

The Representatives names having been called Two were present, a satisfactory reason was given for the absence of one of the others

The assistant clerk being absent Peter Taylor was appointed for the day.

The Clerk informs that he handed a copy of the returning minutes to James Jones, signed by the correspondent as directed last meeting.

The clerk reports that he furnished the preparatives with a copy of the Minutes of last meeting as directed

The Committee to advise with and assist Mariposa preparative are still continued to report in Tenth month next.

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th concession report they have attended to their appointment and believe it has been orderly conducted and that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it being their request with which this Meeting unites and appoints Robert Betts, Joseph Dale, Robert Richardson and Henry Lapp in conjunction with a committee of women friends to the oversight thereof and report in first month next.

No report from the preparatives respecting their proportion of \$10 for the use of the poor.

Came through Pickering preparative a proposal of Marriage signed Thomas J Rorke, and Sarah V Richardson.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as usual

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**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8th of 9th month 1859**

The Representatives names having been called were all present

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual five have been read a summary of which as follows are directed to the Quarterly meeting. The advises have also been read

Noadiah Woodruff, Eliu Rogers, Clark Birchard and Joseph Cody are appointed our Representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report.

This Meetings treasurer reports that he has paid this meetings Quota of the Yearly Meeting Stock to the Q<sup>r</sup> Meetings Treasurer

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended, although a slackness appears in some, the hour nearly observed, by most friends, not clear of sleeping and some care taken no other unbecoming behaviour to remark

2nd Love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren except one instance, which is under care, if differences arise care is taken to end them, talebearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3rd Friends are careful to keep themselves, their own, and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, although deviations are apparent 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 their families, and care extended in those respects towards others under our tuition.

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, and are clear of frequenting Taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears.

9th Care is mostly taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

The preparative's report that their respective Quotas of \$10 for the use of the poor has been paid to the Treasurer

Was received from Waterford Monthly Meeting Ireland an acknowledgement for our Certificate on behalf of William Gooch.

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A Certificate has been received from Yonge St Monthly meeting stating their belief as the result of enquiry that Thomas J Rorke is clear of any other marriage engagements and the consent of all the surviving Parents having been obtained, the parties are now left at liberty to accomplish their intended marriage according to the order of our religious society between this and next monthly meeting and Richard Dale, and Jervas Cornell are appointed to see that marriage is orderly conducted, and the Certificate properly recorded

Adjourned to meet at Mariposa next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa 6th of 10th month 1859.**

The Representatives names having been called were present

The clerk being absent, Smith Clark is appointed for the day.

The Representatives appointed to attend the last Quarterly Meeting report that Three of them attended They produced a number of extracts and some books, they are directed to the observance of the preparative Meetings

One of the Committee report that he attended the Marriage of Thomas and Sarah Rorke and that it was orderly Conducted and the Certificate properly recorded

No report from the committee to advise and assist Mariposa preparative. They are continued

Adjourned

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 10th of 11th month 1859**

The Representatives names having been called three were absent a sufficient reason was given for the absense of one.

The Committee appointed to assist Mariposa preparative Meeting not being ready to report are continued.

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Came through Pickering Preparative a complaint X against John Betts for Marrying a woman not in Membership with Friends, Wing Rogers and Jervas Cornell, are appointed to Visit him and report.

Came through Pickering Preparative Meeting a request to be recieved in to membership with Friends Signed Richard Collins. Joseph Cody Thomas Reazin, and Richard Dale are appointed to visit him and report.

The Committee in John Cronkhite<sup>s</sup> case are continued to report in first month.

Adjourned to Meet at Pickering as usual.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8th of 12th month 1859**

The Representatives names having been called two were present.

The Assistant Clerk being absent James Richardson was appointed for the day.

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual five have been read in this meeting a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting, the Advices have also been read

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> All our Meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended, although a slackness still prevails with some, the hour for the most part nearly observed, not clar of sleeping and no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, and some care taken

2nd Ans<sup>r</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, except one instance which is under care, if differences arrise care is taken to end them. Talebearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appear.

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3rd Ans<sup>r</sup> We believe most friends are carefull to keep Themselves thier own and other friends children under thier care in plainness of speech, behavoiur and apparrel, and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Christian proffession. We believe the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families, and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

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9th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreably to our dicipline.

Thomas Reazin, Jervas Cornell, Richard Dale and James Richardson, are appointed our representatives to attend the ensueing Q<sup>r</sup> Meeting and report.

The Committee in John Betts<sup>s</sup> Case not having attended to thier appointment they are continued

Mariposa preparative have forwarded thier proportion of money for the Yearly Meeting<sup>s</sup> use, also the report of number of children attending schools, according to the direction of the Yearly Meeting.

Was recieved from Peru Monthly Meeting a Complaint against Jacob Hoag for marrying a woman not in membership with friends and requesting this meeting to labour with him on thier behalf. Wing Rogers, and Jervas Cornell are appointed to Visit him and report

Was forwarded from Yong St Monthly Meeting a complaint against John Rorke Jun<sup>r</sup> for Marrying a Woman not in Membership with friends, and for neglecting the attendance of our Meetings, and he being now residing within the limits of this meeting Robert Richardson and

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Joseph Dale are appointed to Visit them and report.

The Womens Meeting have informed us that they are united in recieving Ellen Collins into membership with friends, with wich this meeting concurs.

Came through the Womens Meeting a certificate of removal for Ann Rogers (formerly Richardson) both addressed to Yonge St Mo: Meeting, with which this meeting unites the Clerk is directed to sign and record them and the Correspondent to sign and forward them.

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Mariposa at the usual time next month.

## **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 5th of 1st month 1860**

The Representatives names having been called were all presant. They have produced an extract from said meeting, directing this meeting to raize and forward its quota of \$20 for the use of the quarterly meeting in sixth mo's next also to the observance of the London Epistles one of which has been read at this time to good satisfaction. They have also produced a number of diciplines as revised by the last yearly meeting which are directed to be acted on from this time. The above minute is directed to the observance of the preparative meetings, and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy.

The Committee in John Betts<sup>s</sup> Case not being ready to report are continued

The Committee in Richard Collins<sup>s</sup> Case report that they have visited him, and believe that he is sincere in his request, and that it is on the ground of conviction they also believe that he is of a consistent life and conversation. This meeting is united in receiving him into membership with our Religious society and appoints Jervas Cornell and Peter Taylor to inform him Thereof.

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The Committee in Jacob Hoag<sup>s</sup> case have attended to their appointment, and found him desirous of retaining his membership with friends, and they do not find but that his life and conversation are consistent therewith, this meeting is therefore united in continuing him a member of our religious society and Cornelious Austin is appointed to inform him thereof. The Clerk is also directed to give the necessary information to Peru Monthly Meeting

The Committee in John Rorke's Case not being ready to report are continued

The Clerk reports that the Certificates of removal on behalf of Ann Rogers, and Sarah V. Rorke have been signed and forwarded to Yonge St. Monthly meeting, and duly recorded.

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the sixth Concession, not being ready to report are continued one month the meeting is also continued

The committee in John Cronkhite's case not being ready to report are continued to report in 3rd month

The committee appointed to advise with and assist Mariposa preparative Meeting in a difficult case not being ready to report are continued.

This meeting adjourns to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 9th of 2nd month 1860**

The Representatives names having been Called three were present

The assistant clerk being absent James Richardson is appointed for the day

The queries with the answers from the preparatives have been read a summary of which as follows, is directed to the Quarterly Meeting, the advices have also been read

Henry Betts, Clark Birchard, Robert Richardson, Peter Taylor and Cornelious Austin, are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting. They are directed to pay our proportion of money for the Yearly Meetings Use to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting and produce his receipt.

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Answers to the Queries.

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, the hour for the most part nearly observed, though one preparative reports a deficiency in the attendance of meetings, and some care taken. Friends appear to be clear of all unbecoming behaviour in them.

2nd We believe Friends are preserved in love one towards another if differences arise care is taken to end them. Friends avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as we know

3rd Answer

Most Friends endeavour to train up thier Children, and those of other Friends, under thier care in the principles of the Christian Religion, as proffessed by us, And in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. They endeavour to be good examples themselves in these respects, and we believe they endeavour to to [sic] guard thier children, and all others under thier care, against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books.

4th Ans<sup>r</sup>

We believe most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in thier Families Collectively.  
5th Ansr Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors, excepting for purposes strictly medicinal, and are clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of diversion as far as we know

8th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends appear to be just in thier dealings, and with a few exceptions which are under care, are punctual in fulfilling thier engagements. They are generally carefull to conduct thier business as becomes our Religious proffession, and when any give occation for fear on these accounts they are seasonably laboured with for thier preservation, and recovery.

6th Ans<sup>r</sup> The Circumstances of the poor and of those who appeared likely to require assistance, have been inspected and some relief afforded them, and thier children and all others under our care, are properly educated for the ordinary duties of life.

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9th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline.

7th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof.

The Committee in John Betts<sup>s</sup>. Case not being ready to report are continued to report next month.

The Clerk reports that necessary information has been forwarded to peru Monthly Meeting respecting Jacob Hoag by our Correspondent.

The Committee in the Case of John Rorke Jun<sup>r</sup> report they have visited him and found him without any desire to be continued a member of our religious society therefore this Meeting concludes to disown him and Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale and Henry Betts are appointed to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce to next Meeting

The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6th Concession, have attended to thier appointment and believe it has been orderly conducted and think it would be right to grant them a further indulgence of six months it being thier request, with which this Meeting unites and appoints Jervas Cornell, Thomas Reazin, and James Richardson and John Haight in Conjunction with a committee of women friends to the oversight Thereof, and report in 6th month next.

Th Committee appointed to Advise with and Assist Mariposa preparative meeting in a difficult case report that they have attended to thier appointment and have reason to believe that

the cause of the difficulty is removed, which report this meeting accepts and the Committee is accordingly released

The time for which the recorders were appointed being expired this meeting is united in reappointing them they are according appointed to that service for one year

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The time for which the Overseers were appointed being nearly expired Jervas Cornell, James Richardson, Clark Birchard and Cornelious Austin are appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve in that station the ensuing year.

The time for which the Clerk and Assistant were appointed being nearly expired Peter Taylor, Elijah W Bostwick, Clark Birchard, and Cornelious Austin are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of two friends for those services the ensuing year.

Came to this Meeting through Pickering Preparative a request to be recieved into Membership with Friends, signed Eliu K Chapman, and Nelson G Chapman Thomas Reazin, James Richardson, and Jervas Cornell are appointed to Visit them and report.

Adjourned to meet as usual at Mariposa

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 8th of 3rd month 1860**

The Representatives names having been called were all presant.

The Committee appointed at our last meeting to bring forward the names of Friends to serve this meeting as Clerk and Assistant, have proposed Richard Dale for Clerk and Joshua N Richardson, for assistant, which having been separately considered are united with and they are according appointed to that service for one year.

Two of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they attended. They have produced a receipt from the Treasurer of said Meeting for our Quota of money for the yearly Meetings use, a sufficient reason was given for the nonattendance of one of the representatives

The Committee in John Betts<sup>s</sup> Case not being ready to report are continued

This meeting finding by the revised dicipline that it has no Authority to disown John Rorke Jun<sup>r</sup> the Clerk is directed to give the nescessary information in his case to Yong Street monthly Meeting.

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The Committee Appointed last Month to Visit Eliu H Chapman and his son Nelson J Chapman a minor on thier request to be recieved into membership with our religious society have attended to thier appointment and believe the request was made on the grounds of convincement and that the visit was to good satisfaction. This Meeting is united in recieving them into membership with us and appoints Jervas Cornell, and Thomas Reazin to inform them thereof.

The Committee to bring forward the names of sutable Friends to serve this Meeting as overseers not being ready to report are continued, the presant overseers are also continued one month longer.



A Certificate of removal on behalf of Catherine Moor and her Minor son Joseph John is accepted and has been received from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting which is accepted. The Clerk is directed to acknowledge the acceptance of it, and record it.

The Committee in John Cronkhites case report they have visited him, and found him desirous of retaining his membership, they are continued to report in one year or sooner if ready, with Henry Lapps name added to the appointment.

This meeting adjourns to meet at Pickering as usual next Month

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 4th month 1860**

The Representatives names having been called three were present

The Clerk reports that he has forwarded the necessary information in John Rorke's case, to Yonge St monthly meeting

The Committee to inform Eliud H Chapman and his son Nelson of this meeting's decision in their case reports the service performed.

The Clerk reports that he has forwarded a receipt of the acceptance of Catherine Moor's Certificate and also that of her minor Son Joseph John to Yonge St Monthly Meeting and recorded it.

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The Committee appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as overseers, have proposed the following Viz Thomas Reazin and Robert Betts for Pickering and Joseph Cody, and Henry Lapp for Mariposa, which having been separately considered are united with, and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

One of the Committee appointed in John Betts's Case have attended to the appointment but are not ready to make a full report they are continued with Joseph Dales name added to the appointment

Mariposa preparative have raised their proportion of money Called for for the use of the Quarterly Meeting, no report from Pickg

The meeting finding that it is necessary to appoint another friend as Trustee, to a title of land held by this meeting and taken from Jonathan H Rogers by Trustees appointed by this meeting in 1847 as recorded in pages 17 and 19 in this Book and called the ground on which Friends Meeting house Stands, and Friends Burial ground in Pickering. This meeting according appoints Thomas Reazin one of the trustees to hold the title of above named property in place of Ambrose Boone, who has ceased to be a member of our Religious Society

Concluded to meet at Pickering as usual next Month

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 10th of 5th month 1860**

The Representatives names being called are all present.

The Committee in John Betts's Case not being ready to report are continued.

Pickering Preparative reports they have raised their proportion of money called for by the Quarterly Meeting.

Joseph Dale and Peter Taylor are appointed to propose to this [sic] meeting a friend to act as trustee to hold the title of our meeting house and Burial ground in Mariposa in

places of Aminon Powel who has ceased to be a member of our religious socitey whose appointment is recorded in page 17 of this book and also propose where all our titles shall be deposited in future

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being expired Robert Richardson and Elijah Bostwick are appointed to examine his accounts and bring forward the name of a friend for that service the ensuing year.

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The Committee to the oversight of Funerals and care of Friends burial grounds, report that Funerals have been ordeerly conducted the past year, they are released and Elijah W Bostwick, Jervas Cornell, Henry Lapp, and Joseph Cody are appointed to that service the ensuing year.

The time for which the overseers of the poor were appointed being expired, and having reported that the have attended thereto and given some relief where they thought it necessary they are released, and Harvy Armitage, Henry Lapp, Robert Richardson and Jervas Cornell are appointed to that service the ensuing year.

Came through Mariposa Preparative by way of the overseers a complaint against John Cruess as follows. John Cruess has been so unguarded to get into difficulty with a person which has resulted in his having to sign a paper, to avoid prosceution at law, in which he acknowledges he has wilfully and malliciously slandered him, by using a spreading reports both slanderous and untrue, with a twofold aspect, of injuring him and benefiting another. Thereby bringing a reproach on himself and his friend. Jervas Cornell Richard Dale, and Joseph Dale are appointed to visit him and report.

Adjourned to meet as usual next month at Mariposa

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 7th of 6th month 1860**

The Clerk being absent Joseph Cody is appointed for the day, and Robert Richardson is appointed Assistant, in absence of the Regular Assistant Clerk

The Representatives names having been called? were all presant

Jervas Cornell, Joseph Cody, Robert Richardson and Henry Lapp, are appointed our representatives to attend the the [sic] ensuing Quarterly Meeting, they are directed to call on our treasurer for our Quota of Money, for the use of the Quarterly Meeting and Produce a reciept from the said meetings Treasurer.

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The Committee in John H Betts's Case report that they have attended to thier appointment and find that he is in the pra[c]tice of attending meetings and expresses a wish to retain his Membership with friends and they think him sincere in his request; this meeting is united in continueing him a member and appoints Robert Richardson and Robert Betts to inform him thereof.

The Committee to propose to this meeting a a [sic] friend to act as trustee in place of Animon Powel, not being ready to report are continued.

The Committee appointed to examine the treasurers accounts not being ready to report are continued.

The Committee in John Cruess<sup>s</sup> Case report they paid attention thereto but not being ready to make a full report, they are continued.

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th concession report that they believe it has been orderly conducted, and think it would be right to grant them a further indulgence of 6 months it being their request, with which this Meeting unites And appoints Robert Richardson, Smith Clark, Joseph Cody, Joseph Dale and Robert Betts in conjunction with a committee of Women friends to have the oversight thereof and report in first month next.

The Committee to collect accounts of Births and deaths not being ready to report are continued, another month

The Preparative meeting meeting of Ministers and Elders are united in proposing to the monthly meeting the consideration of Harvy Armitage being appointed to the station of an Elder, having the unity of the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders therein.

This Meeting appoints Joseph Cody and Edward Rorke to hear and consider objections if there be any and report to next meeting

This meeting now adjourns to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 7th mo: 1860.**

The Representatives names being called were all present.

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting, reports they all attended except one who has produced a sufficient reason, for not attending They have produced a receipt from the Treasurer of said meeting for our Quota of money for the use of the Quarterly Meeting, but no other extracts They are continued to produce them next month.

One of the Friends appointed in John H Betts<sup>s</sup> case reports the service performed.

The Committee appointed to propose to this meeting a suitable Friend to act as trustee to hold the title of our Meeting house and burial ground in Maraposa in place of Aminon Powel who has ceased to be a Member of our religious society, have proposed Joseph Cody which is united with and he is accordingly appointed a trustee of the above named property.

They also propose that Robert Richardson be appointed to hold the title deeds of all lands being the property of Pickering monthly meeting with which proposal this meeting unites and he is accordingly appointed appointed [sic].

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's Account and bring forward a name for the ensuing year, report they have attended to it and find a ballance in favour of the Meeting of \$4..13 cents They propose the reappointment of James Richardson which is united with he accordingly appointed for one year, and is directed to purchase a new treasurers account book.

The Committee appointed to Visit John Cruess on the complaint against him report that they have visited him and found him in a tender state of mind and desirous to make full satisfaction to friends in in [sic] which desire he appeared to be sincere his case is continued in care of the present Committee.

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The committee appointed to collect accounts of births and deaths not being ready to report are continued.

The Committee in Harvy Armitage<sup>s</sup> Case not being ready to report are continued.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as Usual next Month

## Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 9th of 8th month 1860

The Representatives names having been called three were present

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting not having produced the extracts from Said meeting are continued

The committee to collect accounts of births and deaths report the service performed, they are Released and Thomas Reazin, Joseph Dale, Clark Birchard, and Harvy Armitage, are appointed to that service from first month last to first month 1861

The Committee appointed to hear and consider objections to Harvy Armitage being appointed to the station of Elder, report they have heard, of none.

This meeting appears united in the appointment and having the concurrence of the womens meeting therein he is accordingly appointed an elder and is directed to give the necessary information, to the Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders.

John Cruess case is still continued.

Adjourned to meet as usual at Pickering

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[It appears there are some missing minutes for what should be the 9th month 1860]

Robert Richardson, Joseph Cody, Eliu Rodgers, and Cornelious Austin.

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting they now produced an extract from said meeting directing its subordinates to raise thier proportion of \$2000 for the use of the Yearly meeting, also to report as heretofore respecting schools, and to the observance of the Extracts from the yearly Meeting one of which has been read at this time to good satisfaction.

The Clek reports he has given the necessary information to the select meeting in Harvy Armitage<sup>s</sup> case.

This Meeting requests the assistance of the quarterly Meeting in John Cruess's Case.

Adjourned to meet as usual at Mariposa

### Answers to the Queries

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> We believe Most Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings, for religious worship and dicipline - the hour nearly observed no unbecoming behaviour to remark.

### 2nd

Friends are preserved in love one towards another except the one instance under care, if differences arrise due care is taken to end them and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction.

### 3rd Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends do endeavour to train up thier Children and those of other Friends under thier care in the principles of the christian religion as proffessed by us And in plainness of dress language

and deportment which it enjoins. We believe most friends are good examples in these respects themselves, and that they endeavour to guard thier children and all others under thier care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books.

4th Ans<sup>r</sup>

We believe most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in thier families collectively.

5th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for Medicinal purposes, and are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as we know.

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9th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust, in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa, the 11th of 10th month 1860.**

The Representatives names having been called three were presant

An Extract from our last Quarterly Meeting has been produced infoming this Meeting that they have acceeded to our request for assistance in a difficult case and have appointed Arnolde Haight, Levi Rodgers, and Ira Clark, as thier Committee for that purpose which committee are all now presant with us.

One of the representatives to our last Quarterly meeting reports they all attended and have produced an extract from said Meeting; directing the printed minutes of the Yearly Meeting to the observance of the Monthly Meetings They are directed to the preparatives for distribution.

A Certificate has been recieved from Newcastle Monthly Meeting England, on behalf of Spence Walker which is accepted and the Clerk is directed to acknowledge the acceptance thereof to Said Meeting

Also one from same meeting on behalf of Thomas Walker which the clerk is directed to forward to Norwich Monthly Meeting, within the Compass of which meeting he now resides.

The Quarterly Meetings Committee having deliberately and feelingly entered with us into the consideration of John Cruess<sup>s</sup>. case have given as thier united Judgment that he should be disowned, by this Meeting and that great tenderness should be manifested in the proceedings hereafter, much of a similar sentiment has been expressed by this meeting but it is finally concluded to lay it over for the consideration of next meeting

Adjourned to Meet as usual at Pickering

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8th of 11th Month 1860;**

The Representatives names having been called two were presant

The Clerk reports that he has Acknowledged the reciept of Spence Walker's Certificate to Newcastle Monthly Meeting as directed and also forwarded Thomas Walker's Certificate to Norwich Monthly Meeting

This Meeting after once more deliberately considering the case of John Cruess have concluded to disown him from being any longer a Member of our religious Society and appoints Peter Taylor and Richard Dale to prepare a testimony of Denial against him and present to next meeting

This Meeting having in a deliberate manner considered the propriety of issuing a testimony to the worth of our late much esteemed friend Bridgett Haight are united in the belief that it would be right to do so, and we appoint James Richardson, Peter Taylor and Richard Dale, in conjunction with a similar Committee of Women friends, to prepare one and present to a future meeting.

Adjourned to meet as usual at Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 6th of 12th month 1860**

The Representatives names having been called were all present

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual six have been read and considered in this Meeting a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly meeting

The advices have also been read.

Jervas Cornell, Thomas Reazin, Smith Clark, and Harvy Armitage are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives and report

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#### **first Answer**

Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious worship and discipline. The hour for the most part nearly observed, and no unbecoming behaviour in them to remark.

#### **2nd Ans<sup>r</sup>**

Friends appear to be preserved in love one towards another, If differences arise care is taken to endeavour to end them, and friends are careful to avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as we know.

#### **3rd Answer**

We believe friends do endeavour to train up their Children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language and deportment which it enjoins. Some are good examples in these respects themselves, and we believe, they endeavour they endeavour [sic] to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious Books.

#### **4th Ans<sup>r</sup>**

We believe friends are diligent in reading the Holy scriptures in their families Collectively

#### **5th Answer**

Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly Medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion as far as we know.

#### **9th Answer**

Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

Harvy Armitage, Smith Clark, James Rodgers and Eliu Chapman are appointed to collect Voluntary supscriptions, in accordance with the views of the Yearly Meetings on educational purposes and report in 2nd month.

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The Committee appointed to prepare a testimony of denial against John Cruess have produced the following which the Clerk is directed to sign on behalf of this meeting. John A Haight and Thomas Reazin, are appointed to inform him of the meetings conclusion in his case furnish him with a copy if required and inform him of his right of appeal. John Cruess having been so unguarded as to allow himself to be led into the commission of acts calculated to bring reproach not only on himself but also on the society of which he is a member And we feeling bound to testify against such conduct in any who make profession with us. we do hereby disown him from being any longer a Member of our Religious Society until by repentance and amendment of life, he may be favoured to see his errors,

The Committee to prepare a testimony concerning our late beloved Friend Bridgett Haight not being ready are continued to produce one when prepared.

Adjourned to meet as usual at Mariposa

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 10th of 1st month 1861.**

The Representatives names being called were all present.

Two of the Representatives to the last Quarterly Meeting report they attended but not having produced the business from that Meeting to this, they are continued to do so at next Meeting

The Committee to inform John Cruess of this meetings conclusion in his case have done so and report that he did not manifest any disposition to appeal.

A Certificate of removal having been received from Mansfield Monthly Meeting England, on behalf of Robert Boot who they are informed is residing in Toronto, James Richardson and Thomas Reazin are appointed to confer with him and invite him to our next monthly meeting

The Committee to the Oversight of the meeting in the 6th Concession are continued another month. The meeting is also continued.

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Came through the Womens Meeting to this; A proposal from the Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders to appoint Elizabeth Richardson to the station of an Elder. This Meeting appoints Joseph Dale, and Joseph Cody in Conjunction with a Committee of Women friends to hear and consider objections to said appointment if any and report next meeting.

Adjourned to meet as usual at Pickering as usual.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 7th of 2nd month 1861**



The Representatives names having been called three were absent

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual have been read in this Meeting a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting. The advices have also been read.

1st Answer

Most Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious worship and discipline the hour nearly observed, and with some exception in one meeting they are clear of all unbecoming behaviour in them.

2nd Answer

We believe friends are preserved in love one towards another, when differences arise care is taken to end them, and friends avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction, as far as we know

3rd Answer

We believe friends do endeavour to train up their Children, and those of other Friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language and deportment, which it enjoins, Friends appear to be good examples in these respects themselves, although deviations are apparent in these important duties. We believe Friends endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books.

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4th Answer

We believe they are.

5th Answer Friends avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors, except for medicinal purposes, and are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as appears.

6th Answer The circumstances of the poor are inspected and some relief afforded them, they are advised and assisted in suitable employments, and their Children and all others under our care are educated for the ordinary duties of life

7th Answer

Friends are clear of bearing arms, of complying with military requisitions, and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof

8th Answer

We believe friends are just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements and they are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession, and when any give occasion for fear on these accounts they are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery

9th Answer

Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

Joseph Cody, Richard Dale, Joshua N Richardson and Harvy Armitage are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting. They are directed to call on the treasurer for Our Quota of money for the Yearly Meetings use and pay it to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting and produce his receipt.

Our Representatives to the last Quarterly Meeting have have [sic] produced an extract from said meeting directing the London Epistles to the observance of the Monthly meetings they are directed to the preparatives for distribution

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Also an extract from the Representative Meeting which our Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting are directed to attend to

A Certificate of removal has been recieved from Albens monthly Meeting England on behalf of Robert Boot which this meeting accepts and directs the Clerk to acknowledge the acceptance of to said Meeting and see that it is properly recorded.

The committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the Sixth concession, report they have attended to thier appointment And believe it has been orderly conducted and think it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it being thier request with which this Meeting unites and appoints James Richardson, Peter Taylor, Eliud Chapman and Thomas Reazin, to the oversight thereof in conjunction with a similar committee of Women friends, to report 7th Mo:

The time for which the clerk and Assistant Clerk were appointed being nearly expired. Peter Taylor, Joseph Dale, Joseph Cody and Harvy Armitage, are appointed to propose to next meetings suitable friends for that service the ensuing year.

The Committee appointed to prepare a testimony concerning our late beloved Friend Bridgett Haight have now produced one which having been read in our men and Womens Meeting and approved the clerks were directed to sign in on behalf of this meeting and forward it to the Quarterly Meeting.

Adjourned

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 7th of 3rd month 1861**

The representatives having been called were presant except one, and a satisfactory given for his absence.

The Clerk and Assistant being Absent, Joseph Cody is appointed Clerk for the day and Smith Clark Assistant

Our Esteemed Friend Richard Harkness attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and concurrence from Adsian Monthly Meeting held 10th of 1st month 1861 liberating him for religious service in Canada whose company and gospel labours amongst us have been satisfactory and edifying

Our beloved friend Samuel Satterthwate? also attended this Meeting as companion to Richard Harkness, whose company and solid deportment has been acceptable to us.

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting attended except one and a satisfactory reason given for his absence. They also paid our portion of the money for the Yearly Meetings use as directed and produced a receipt.

The Clerk not being presant to report in Robert Boots Case is continued to report at next meeting.

The Committee to bring forward the names of suitable Friends to serve this Meeting as Clerk and Assistant the ensuing year have proposed Richard Dale for Clerk and Joshua N Richardson for Assistant which propositions having been separately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to those services for one year

The Representatives to last Quarterly Meeting report that the testimony concerning our late beloved friend Bridgett Haight, was forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting as directed.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as usual Next Month

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11th of 4th month 1861**

The representatives names being called three were presant and a sufficient reason given for the absense of the other one.

The Clerk reports that He attended to His instructions in regarding Robert Boots Certificate.

The time for which the recorders were appointed being expired this meeting is united in reappointing them

The time for which the Overseers were appointed being expired Joseph Dale Cornelious Austin, Harvy Armitage and Peter Taylor are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of suitable Friends to serve in that station the ensuing year. The presant overseers are continued.

Came from Mariposa preparative meeting a proposal to build a meeting house which proposition is laid over for the consideration of next meeting and friends of that meeting are requested to produce a plan, and an estimate, of cost, of said meeting house, to our next meeting

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as usual

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8th of 5th mo: 1861**

The Representatives names having been called were presant except one:

The Committee appointed last month to bring forward the names of Friends to serve this meeting as Overseers, not being ready to report, are continued to report next month, the presant Overseers are also continued.

The proposal from Mariposa preparative to build a meeting house is laid over for the consideration of next meeting

The Committee to the Oversight of funerals and care of Friends burial grounds report they have attended to thier appointment and think our funerals have been -

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orderly conducted. They are released and Joseph Dale, Jervas Cornell, Smith Clark, and Joseph Cody, are appointed to that service the ensuing year.

Came from Pickering Preparative a complaint against Clarkson Rodgers, for marrying a person, not in membership with us. Robert Richardson, and James Richardson, are appointed to visit him and report

The above named Committee are also expected to see that the Meeting house grounds and property belonging thereto are kept in proper repair.

Adjourned to Meet at Mariposa next month as usual.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 6th of 6th mo: 1861.**

The Representatives names being called were presant.

The Committee to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve this Meeting as overseers, have proposed the following Viz Robert Betts, and Thomas Reazin, for Pickering, and Joseph Cody, and Henry Lapp, for Mariposa which having been separately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

Came from Mariposa preparative a proposal to build a meeting house 50 feet by 30 and 12 feet high the estimated cost to be \$700 the Preparative meeting to Pay  $\frac{1}{3}$  and the Quarterly Meeting  $\frac{1}{3}$  which proposal this Meeting after deliberate consideration is united with and directs it to the consideration of the Quarterly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to Visit Clarkson Rodgers report they have attended thereto and found him desirous of retaining his membership, and they believe his life and conversation are consistant with our proffession This Meeting is united in retaining him a member Richard Dale and Joshua Richardson are appointed to inform him thereof and report.

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The Committee in the Case of John Cronkhite Junier, have produced a report which the Clerk is directed to endorse on behalf of this meeting and hand to the Correspondent to be forwarded to West Lake Monthly Meeting.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as usual.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11th of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1861**

The Representatives names being called 3 were presant

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended. They have produced an extract from said meeting, directing its subordinates to raize thier respective proportions of \$700 to defray the expence of erecting a Meeting house in Mariposa

The preparatives are therefore directed to raize thier proportions of  $\frac{1}{3}$  of said sum and pay to the treasurer of this meeting by 11th month next. They are also directed to raize thier respective proportions of  $\frac{1}{3}$  of said sum being the monthly meetings Quota for said purpose.

The following friends are appointed our Committee of Managament for building a meeting house in Mariposa, Viz Smith Clark, Robert Richardson, Joseph Cody, Christopher Dale, Henry Lapp, Harvy Armitage, Peter Taylor and James Richardson

The Committee in Clarkson Rodgers<sup>s</sup> Case report the service performed.

The Clerk reports he forwarded the business in John Cronkhite's Case to West Lake monthly meeting as directed.

The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the sixth Concession not being quiet ready to report are continued one month longer, the Meeting is also continued

This Meeting Adjourns to meet at Pickering at the usual time next month

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8th of 8th Month 1861**

The Representatives names being called three were present.

The committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th Concession report that they have attended to thier appointment and that they believe the meeting has been orderly conducted and that it will be right to grant them a further indulgence of six months it being thier request, with which this Meeting unites and appoints Joseph Dale Henry Betts, and Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale in conjunction with a similar committee of Women friends to the oversight thereof and report in third month next.

The time for which the treasurer was appointed being expired Joseph Dale and Richard Collins are appointed to examine his accounts and propose a friend to serve in that station the ensueing year.

Adjourned to meet as usual next Month

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 9th month 1861.**

The representatives names having been called 2 were present

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual six have been read in this meeting they are as follows and are directed to the Quarterly Meeting The advices have also been read. James Richardson, Joseph Cody, Cornelious Austine and Richard Dale are appointed our representatives to attend the ensueing quarterly meeting and report

The committee appointed to settle with the treasurer have attended to thier appointment and believe his accouts are correctly kept and find a ballance in his hands of \$27,, 62 cents in favour of the meeting, they propose James Richardson for

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Treasurer the ensueing year which is united with and he is accordingly reappointed.

Came from Yonge St Monthly Meeting a complaint against John Clark who is now residing within the compass of this Meeting Joseph Cody, and Cornelious Austin are appointed to Visit him on thier behalf and report to this Meeting

Adjourned to met as usual at Mariposa

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 10th of 10th month 1861**

The Representatives names being called three were present.

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports that two of them attended and a sufficient reason has been given for the none attendance of the other two. but they not having produced the business from said meeting they are continued to produce it to next meeting

Smith Clark is appointed assistant Clerk for the day

The Committee in John Clarks case report they have attended to thier appointment and found him desirious to retain his membership with friends. He is in the practice of attending meetings we believe as often as cercumstances will admit. The Clerk is directed to forward a copy of the above minute to Yonge St Monthly Meeting

Our Esteemed Friend Cynthia Derbyshire attended this Meeting with a Certificate of unity and concurrence from Rolin Monthly Meeting Michigan liberating her for religious service in Canada and within the Compass of Farmington Quarterly Meeting Whose gospel labours amongst us we can truly say have been satisfactory and edifying

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A Certificate of removal has been recieved from West Lake Monthly Meeting on behalf of George and Edward Fieldhouse which the Clerk is directed to acknowledge the receipt of to said meeting and record it

Adjourned to meet as usual at Pickering

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 7th of 11th month 1861**

The Representatives names having been called were all present

The Representatives to our last Quarterly meeting have produced an extract, directing the minutes of the Yearly Meeting also the extracts to the observance of the Monthly Meetings also directing our meetings to raise their respective quotas named therein, and pay to the Quarterly Meetings treasurer, and forward information respecting schools agreeably to the directions of the extracts a copy of the above minute is directed to the observance of the preparative meetings.

The clerk reports He has forwarded information to Yonge St Monthly Meeting in John Clarks case as directed, And also acknowledged the receipt of George and Edward Fieldhouse's Certificate to West Lake monthly meeting

Our Dear friend Cynthia Derbyshire once more attended this meeting and we can again unitedly record that her company and go[s]pel labours amongst us have been to our satisfaction and Edification

Our Dear friend Phebe Bishop attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and concurrence from Norwich Monthly Meeting whose company and Gospel labours amongst us have been satisfactory and edifying.

Came through Pickering Preparative Meeting a request to be recieved into membership with our religious society, signed William Ray, Wing Rodgers, Peter Taylor and Henry Betts are appointed to visit him and report.

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John Cruess having requested through Mariposa Preparative Meeting, to become a member of our religious society Elijah W. Bostwick, Richard Collins, and Smith Clark are appointed to visit him and report when ready.

Adjourned to meet at Pickering as usual

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 12th mo. 1861**

The Representatives names being called two were present a sufficient reason has been given for one that was absent

Our esteemed Friend Jonathan Devol, attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and concurrence from Moreau Monthly Meeting of Friends, liberating him for gospel service in this and some other Quarterly meetings within the Compass of New York Yearly Meeting whose company and gospel labours, amongst us have been a strength and satisfaction to this meeting

Our Dear Friend Rufus Hazard attended this meeting in company with Jonathan Devol with a Certificate of unity and concurrence from Ferrisburgh Monthly Meeting whose company and solid deportment have been acceptable and satisfactory to this meeting

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual six have been read in this meeting a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting,

The advices were also read.

Joseph Cody, Robert Richardson, Jervas Cornell, and Harvy Armitage are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report They are directed to pay our Quota of money called for by the Quarterly meeting towards building a meeting house in Mariposa as directed by that meeting in 6th mo: last.

The Committee in William Rays case not being ready to report are continued.

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The Committee in John Crues<sup>s</sup> Case not being ready to report are continued.

Came through the Womens Meeting from the preparative Meeting of ministers and Elders a proposal to appoint Esther Cody to the station of an Elder. Robert Richardson, and Peter Taylor are appointed in conjunction with a committee of Women Friends to hear and consider objections if any appear, and report next meeting.

Came to this meeting from the Select preparative meeting a proposal to appoint Joseph Cody to the station of an Elder. Eliu Rodgers, and Joseph Dale are appointed to hear and consider objections if any appear and report next meeting.

A Certificate of removal has been recieved from Dublin Monthly Meeting on behalf of Benjamin Wills Wood, and accepted. The clerk is directed to inform him thereof, and reciept it to Dublin Monthly Meeting also record it.

Came from Mariposa preparative a proposal to hold the monthly meeting, alternately at Mariposa and Pickering, which is laid over for the consideration of next meeting.

Adjourned

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 9th of 1st month 1862,**

The Representatives names being called were all presant

Three of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they attended, a sufficient reason was also given for the noneattendance of the other. The have produced a number of London Epistles which are directed to the preparatives for distribution and also an extract from the Representative Meeting which is directed to the observance of the preparative Meetings and report next month

The Committee in William Rays case report they have visited Him but are not ready to report they are continued.

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The Committee appointed to hear and consider objections to Esther Codys being appointed to the station of Elder report There hath not any appeared. This meeting is united with the Womens Meeting in appointing Her to the Station of an Elder. The Clerk is directed to give the necessary information to the preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders.

The Committee to hear and consider objections (should any appear,) to Joseph Cody being appointed to the Station of an Elder not being ready to report are continued

The Clerk reports that he has informed Benjamin Wills Wood of our acceptance of His Certificate and also recorded it and acknowledged the receipt thereof to Dublin Monthly Meeting.

Part of the Committee in John Cruess<sup>s</sup> Case have attended to thier appointment but are not ready to report they are continued.

Adjourned to meet as usual at Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 6th of 2nd month 1862**

The Representatives names being called were all presant

The Queries with the Answers from the preparatives have been read and considered in this meeting a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting. The advices have also been read

1st Ans<sup>r</sup> Most Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Dicipline. The hour nearly observed, one meeting says not quiet clear of all unbecoming behaviour in them and some care taken.

2nd Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends are preserved in love one towards another, if differences arrise, care is taken to end them, and they mostly avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction

3rd Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends do endeavour to train up thier Children and those of other Friends under thier care, in the principles of the Christian Religion, as proffessed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment.

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which it enjoins. We believe they endeavour to be good examples in these respects themselves, and also to guard thier Children and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books Although deviations are apparent amongst us in the important parts of this querie.

4th Ans<sup>r</sup>, We believe Friends are deligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in thier families collectively.

5th Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal, and are clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of diversion as far as we know.

6th Ans<sup>r</sup> The Circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance are inspected, and relief, afforded them and they are advised and assisted in suitable employments and thier children, and all others, under our care are educated for the ordinary duties of life.

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

8th Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends are just in thier dealings and mostly punctual in fulfilling thier engagements, and are mostly carefull to conduct thier business as becomes our religious profession and when any give occation for fear in these respects they are seasonably laboured with for thier preservation and recovery.

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

Elijah W Bostwick, Henry Betts, Joseph Cody and Smith Clark are appointed our representatives to attend the ensueing Quarterly Meeting. They are directed to call on our Treasurer for our proportion of money called for by the Yearly Meeting Pay it to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting and produce his reciept

The Womens Meeting have informed This meeting that they are united in recieving Mary Rodgers into membership with our Religious society, with which this meeting also unites

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The Committee in William Rays case not being ready to report are continued.

The Committee to hear and consider objections to Joseph Cody being appointed to the station of an Elder, should any appear report that they hath not appeared any thing to obstruct his being appointed to that station and unity having been expressed therewith he is accordingly appointed to the station having the unity of women of an Elder the clerk is directed to give the necessary information to the preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders.

The preparatives have raised and forwarded thier proportion of money Called for for the use of the Yearly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to Visit John Cruess have attended to thier appointment, and believe He is sincere in his request, and unity having been expressed therewith. He is accordingly admitted into membership with our religious society, and Harvy Armitage and Edward Rorke are appointed to inform Him of the conclusion of the meeting in his case.

This Meeting having deliberately considered the proposition from Mariposa preparative, to hold this Monthly Meeting alternately at Pickering, and Mariposa, have come to the conclusion that the time has not yet fully come.

The time for which the clerk and Assistant clerk were appointed being nearly expired, Jarvas Cornell and Joseph Cody are appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve in that station the ensueing year

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Mariposa as usual

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the Sixth of third Month 1862.**

The Representatives names being called were all presant

The Committee to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as clerk and assistant, have proposed Richard Dale for Clerk and Joshua N Richardson for Assistant which having been separately considered, are united with and They are accordingly appointed to those services for one year.

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One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended and paid the Money called for by the Yearly Meeting, to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting as directed, and produced receipt

No report from the Committee in William Rays case they are continued

The Clerk informs that he has given the necessary information, to the preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders, of Joseph Codys appointment to the Station of an Elder.

The Committee appointed to inform John Cruess of his reception into membership with Friends report the service performed.

The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the Sixth Concession not being ready to report are continued to report next Month the meeting is likewise continued

This Meeting is united with Women Friends in receiving into Membership with our religious society the three Minor daughters of Eliu and Elizabeth Chapman at their request. Viz Sabina A, Cornelia H. and Ida P.

Was received through the Womens Meeting a Certificate of removal from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting on behalf of Ellen Maria Wilson, which is accepted and the Clerk is directed to receipt it to said Meeting and record it

Stephen H. Church having removed His family out of the precincts of this Meeting. Jervas Cornell and Richard Dale, are appointed in conjunction with a Committee of Women Friends, to make the necessary enquiry respecting the settlement of His temporal affairs and prepare a draught of a Certificate of removal on their behalf, if no obstructions appear and and [sic] present to next meeting

This Meeting adjourns to Meet as usual at Pickering

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pi[c]kering the 10th of 4th month 1862.**

The Representatives names having been called were present except one and a sufficient reason has been given for his absence.

The Committee in William Rays case attention but are not ready to report they are continued

Our Esteemed Friend Stephen Cartland attended this Meeting with a Certificate of unity and concurrence, from Durham Monthly Meeting State of Main and endorsed by Falmouth Quarterly Meeting held at Windham 2nd Mo: 6th 1862 liberating Him for religious service in some parts of Indiana and New York Yearly Meetings whose company and Gospel labours amongst us have been acceptable and Edifying The Clerk is directed hand him a copy of this minute and sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Part of the Committee appointed to the Oversight of the Meeting in the 6th Concession report that they believe the meeting has been orderly conducted and that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it being their request, with which this meeting unites and appoints Robert Richardson, Joseph Dale, Jervas Cornell and Eluid Chapman in conjunction with a committee of Women friends to the Oversight thereof and report in 12th month

The Clerk reports that he has recieved and recorded Ellen Wilsons Certificate as directed

The committee to prepare a Certificate for Stephen H Church and family not being prepared to report are continued.

Mariposa preparative reports they have raised thier portion of Money for defraying the expence of building a meeting house in Mariposa no report from Pickering preparative

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8th of 5th Month 1862**

The Representatives names being called, three were presant

The Committee appointed in William Rays case report they have attended to thier appointment but are not ready to make a full report they are still continued to report when ready.

The Committee appointed to prepare a Certificate of removal for Stephen H Church and Family. report that they do not appear to be settled in the bounds of a Friends Meeting as to warrant this Meeting in sending a certificate of removal on thier behalf at presant, thier Case is therefore continued under the care of the Committee to report when ready.

Adjourned to Meet at Mariposa as usual next Month.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the fifth of Sixth month 1862**

The Representatives names being called were all presant

The Committee to the care of Friends Burial grounds and the oversight of Funerals not being ready to report are continued.

The time for Which the overseers were appointed being expired James Richardson Edward Rorke, Clark Birchard and Jervas Cornell, are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve in that station the ensuing year. The presant overseers are continued one month longer.

Was recieved through the preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders, a proposal to acknowledge Wing Rodgers a Minister Robert Betts and Harvy Armitage are appointed to hear and consider objections should any appear, and report next meeting

Smith Clark, Wing Rodgers, Richard Dale, and Joseph Cody, are appointed our Representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report.

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A communication has been recieved from West Lake Monthly Meeting requesting this meeting to extend further care with John Cronkhite Jun<sup>r</sup> on thier behalf which after a due deliberation thereon it is the Judgment of this Meeting that West Lake Monthly Meeting are in a better position to judge in his case than we are as we have no chance whatever of observing any change in his conduct we therefore conclude to refer the case back to West Lake Monthly Meeting the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of the puport of this minute to said meeting.

Adjourned to meet as usual at Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 10th of 7th mo: 1862.**

The Representatives names being called are all present

The Committee to the Oversight of Funerals and care of Friends burial grounds report they have attended to thier appointment the past year They are released and Clark Birchard, Joseph Cody, Thomas Reazin, and Joseph Dale, are appointed to that service the ensuing year.

The Committee to bring forward the names of suitable Friends to serve this meeting as overseers have proposed Thomas Reazin, and Robert Betts for Pickering, and Joseph Cody, and Smith Clark for Mariposa, which having been separately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

Thomas Walker a member of this meeting having removed to within the Compass of Norwich monthly meeting Richard Dale and Thomas Reazin are appointed to make the necessary enquiry and prepare a certificate on his behalf if no obstruction appear, and present it to next meeting.

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The committee appointed last month to hear and consider objections to Wing Rodgers being acknowledged should any appear report that they have heard of no objections, and being united therewith and having the unity of the womens meeting therein He is accordingly, acknowledged a minister amongst us. The Clerk is directed to give the necessary information to the preparative meeting of ministers and Elders.

The Clerk report that He has forwarded information as directed, to West Lake Monthly Meeting in the case of John Cronkhite Jun<sup>r</sup>.

The Committee of Management to erect a meeting House in Mariposa report that they have been enabled to finish the building and settle for it they believe to the general satisfaction of Friends

This meeting concludes to meet again as usual at Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 7th of 8th month 1862.**

The Representatives names being called were all present.

Our Esteemed Friend David H Bennett, attended this Meeting, with a Certificate of unity and cuncurrence from Butternutts monthly meeting, of Friends Liberating Him for religious service in the Northern, and Westren Quarterly Meetings within the compass of this Yearly Meeting whose Company, and Gospel labours amongst us have satisfactory and Edifying.

Our Esteemed Friend Betsy Bennett also attended this Meeting with a certificate of unity from said Meeting, in Company with Her Husband whose company and solid deportment has been acceptable and satisfactory

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The Committee appointed to make the necessary information, and prepare a certificate of removal on behalf of Spence Walker have produced one addressed to Norwich Monthly

Meeting with which this Meeting is satisfied and directs the Clerk to sign it and forward it to said meeting

The Committee in William Ray's case report that they are united in the belief that it would not be right for them to recommend this meeting to receive him into membership with friends. This meeting unites with the report of the committee and appoints Robert Richardson and Joseph Dale to hand him back his request or? inform them of this meeting's conclusion in His case and report

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended. They have produced an Extract from said meeting directing its subordinates to raise their respective Quota's of \$1700 for the Yearly Meetings use, and also their Quota's of 1/3 of \$350 for repairing the meeting house in Yonge Street and forward information respecting schools as usual all of which is directed to the observance of the Preparatives.

This Meeting concludes to meet as usual at Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11th of 9th mo:/62**

The Representatives names being called were all present

The Queries with the answers to the usual six have been read in this Meeting, a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting. The advices have also been read.

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Harvy Armitage, Joseph Cody, Richard Dale and Robert Betts, are appointed our Representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, and report

The Clerk reports that he forwarded Spence Walkers Certificate to Norwich Monthly Meeting as directed

The Committee appointed, to inform William Ray of this meeting's conclusion in His case report, the service performed.

Came through Pickering Preparative a request to be received into membership with Friends Signed John Clemasha, Peter Taylor, Thomas Redman, Thomas Reazin, and Wing Rodgers, are appointed to visit Him and report

Adjourned to meet at Mariposa as usual.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering Mariposa the 9th of 10th mo/62**

The Representatives names being called were all present.

The Clerk being absent, Joseph Cody is appointed for the day

Our esteemed Friend Adam Spencer, attended this meeting, with a certificate of unity and concurrence from Norwich Monthly Meeting of Friends held the 10th of 9th month 1862, whose gospel labours have been satisfactory and edifying to us.

The representatives appointed to attend our Last Quarterly meeting report they attended but not having produced the business from said meeting, they directed to produce it to next meeting.

The committee in John Clemesha<sup>s</sup> case report attention They are continued  
Came to this meeting through Mariposa preparative a complaint against Asa W Elsworth for wholly neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings for a length of time, Alfred Crawford and Harvy Armitage are apptd to visit him and report  
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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 6th of 11th mo/62**

The Representatives names being called three were present

The Representatives to our last Quarterly meeting have produced a number of the extracts of the minutes of our last Yearly meeting, which are directed to the observance of the preparative meetings.

The Committee in John Clemesha<sup>s</sup> case report further attention, but not being ready to make a full report they are continued.

The Committee in Asa W Elsworth's case not being ready to report are continued.

The Certificate issued by this meeting to Rahway monthly meeting on behalf of Stephen H Church and family, has been returned, by said meeting on account of They not being settled.

A Certificate of removal, having been recieved from Dublin monthly meeting dated 12th month 1860 on behalf of Amelia Greer, but as she was not settled at the time it was thought best not to record it, and although we have made enquiry respecting Her through our committee, we have not been able to ascertain where She resides, we therefore direct the clerk to return the Certificate with a copy of this Minute

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being expired Robert Richardson and Elijah Bostwick are appointed to settle with Him, and propose a friend for that service the ensuing Year,

Adjourned

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11th of 12th mo/62**

The Representatives names being called were all present

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual Six have been read a summary of which as follows are directed to the Quarterly meeting the Advices have also been read

1st Ans<sup>r</sup>

All our meetings for religious worship and Dicipline are attended, the hour nearly observed, and not quiet clear of unbecoming behaviour as regards sleeping and some care taken

2nd Ans<sup>r</sup>



We believe Friends are preserved in love one towards another, If differences arise care is taken speedily to end them, and friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as appears.

3rd Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends appear careful to endeavour to be careful to train up their children, and those of other friends under their care, in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language and behaviour which it enjoins Friends appear to be good examples in these respects themselves, and we believe they endeavour to guard their Children and all others, under their care against corrupt conversations and reading pernicious books, although deviations are apparent in the several parts of this query

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4th Ans<sup>r</sup>

We believe Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th Answer

Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal as far as we know

9th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

Harvy Armitage, Joseph Cody, Jervas Cornell and Thomas Reazin are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting they are directed to call on the Treasurer for our Quota of  $\frac{1}{3}$  of 350 dollars as called for by the Quarterly Meeting in Sixth month last, and pay it to said meetings treasurer and produce his receipt.

Three of the Committee appointed to visit John Clemesha on his request to be reinstated into membership with our religious society, report that they have attended to their appointment, and believe Him to be sincere in His request and as far as they have been able to ascertain His conduct and conversation are consistent therewith, with which report this meeting is united, and concludes to reinstate Him into membership with Friends provided that the monthly meeting in England of which he was formerly a member (and disowned,) Concur therewith. The Clerk is directed to correspond with said meeting, and forward a copy of the above minute with other necessary information

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A number of copies of an address, from the Representative Meeting of New York Yearly Meeting, to its members and friends elsewhere, has been received, and [sic] read, it purport being on behalf of the coloured refugees from slavery this Meeting appoints James Richardson, Joseph Cody, Wing Rodgers, Harvy Armitage and Joseph Dale, to distribute them and open subscriptions on behalf of those sufferers as advised in the address.

The Committee in Asa W Elsworth's Case not being ready to report are continued

The Clerk reports that He returned Amelia Greers Certificate with the necessary information to Dublin monthly meeting as directed

One of the Friends appointed to examine the treasurer's accounts reports He attended to the appointment, and found that His accounts were correctly kept and that there is a ballance of \$1 and 70 cents against the meeting. They propose the reappointment of James Richardson which is united with and He is accordingly appointed Treasurer for one year

The Committee appointed to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th conces<sup>n</sup> report that they have attended to thier appointment and believe the meeting has been orderly conducted and think it would be right to grant them a further indulgence of six months it being thier request Elijah W Bostwick, Jervas Cornell and Thomas Reazin are appointed in conjunction with a committee of Women friends to the oversight thereof, and report in 6th month next.

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The Mariposa preparative has forwarded thier proportion of money called for by the Quarterly and Yearly Meetings and also the report of schools as directed in the extracts from the Yearly meeting no report from Pickering

This Meeting adjourns to meet as usual at Mariposa.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 8th of 1st mo: 1863**

The Representatives names having been called were all presant.

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports that they all attended but through some mistake they are not prepared to produce the Business from said meeting. They are therefore continued to produce it to next meeting,

The clerk reports that the necessary correspondence, in the case of John Clemesha has been attended too.

The Committee in Asa W Elsworth,<sup>s</sup> case report that They have attended to thier appointment. This meeting after deliberate consideration believing that it would be best to bestow further labour in his case, have concluded to lay it over in care of the presant Committee to report in 8th month next or sooner if they think proper.

Was produced from the Womens Meeting a Certificate of removal from West Lake mo meeting on behalf of Hannah Richardson which this Meeting is united with women friends in accepting

The Clerk is directed to acknowledge the reciept thereof, see that it is not properly recorded.

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No report from Pickering Preparative relative to our proportion of Money called for by the Quarterly and Yearly, Meeting, or also the report respecting Schools.

Adjourned to meet as usual at Pickering

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 2nd month 1863.**

The Representatives names being called were presant

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives have been read a sumary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting

The Advices have also been read.

1st Ans<sup>r</sup>

All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended, although a slackness appears in some in the middle of the week. The hour nearly observed. Not quite clear of unbecoming behaviour as regards sleeping

2nd Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends appear to be preserved in love one towards another, if differences arise care is taken to end them peaceably and detraction is avoided and discouraged as far as appears.

3rd Ans<sup>r</sup> Friends do endeavour to train up their children and those of other Friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress Language and deportment which it enjoins. Friends appear to be good examples themselves in these respects And we believe they endeavour to guard their Children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books although deviations are apparent in the several important parts of this query

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4th Ans<sup>r</sup>

We believe Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their Families collectively.

5th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, except for purposes strictly medicinal, and are clear of frequenting taverns, and attending places of diversion as far as we know.

6th Ans<sup>r</sup>

The circumstances of the poor are inspected and some relief afforded them, and they are advised and assisted in suitable employments, and their Children and all others under Our care are properly educated for the ordinary duties of life

7th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends are clear of complying with Military requisitions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof.

8th Ans<sup>r</sup>

With some exceptions in one meeting we believe Friends are just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements and are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession and when any give occasion for fear on these accounts they are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery.

9th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of Meekness and agreeably to our discipline.

Jervas Cornell, Elijah W Bostwick Smith Clark, and Joseph Cody are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting They are directed to call on the Treasurer for our Quota of money called for by the Yearly Meeting and pay it to the treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting and produce his receipt

The Clerk having neglected attending to his directions respecting Hannah Richardsons' Certificate is continued to report next month

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Was produced by the Quarterly Meetings representatives a number of the London Epistles one of which has been read at this time to the satisfaction of this meeting they are directed to the observance of the preparative meetings

The time for which the Clerk and assistant were appointed being nearly expired Robert Richardson and Harvy Armitage are appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends, for that Service the ensuing year.

Adjourned to meet as usual in Mariposa

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 5th of 3rd Mo: 1863**

The Representatives names being called were all presant.

The committee appointed to propose to next meeting, the names of two suitable Friends to serve this meeting as Clerk and assistant have proposed Richard Dale for clerk, and Edward Cornell, assistant, which having been separately considered, are united with; and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

The Assistant not being presant Joshua N Richardson is appointed for the day.

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting attended except one who was prevented by sickness. They have produced a number of copies of the report of a Committee of the Representatives of the Yearly Meeting, on the condition and wants of the coulered refugees; which are directed to the preparatives for distribution, but they not having produced a reciept, for our Quota of money called for by the Yearly meeting, they are continued to produce it to next meeting.

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The Clerk reports that He has attended to His directions respecting Hannah Richardson's Certificate

This Meeting adjourns, to meet as usual at Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held the 9th of 4th month 1863.**

The Representatives names being called were all presant except one.

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly meeting, has produced a reciept for our proportion of money called by the yearly meeting.

Was recieved from the Womens Meeting a request to be recieved into membership with our religious society Signed Eliza Cruess, and also one for thier two minor Children

Signed John and Eliza Cruess which were united with

This meeting adjourns to meet as usual

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held the 7th of 5th Month 1863.**

The Representatives names being called are all presant

The time for which the Overseers of the poor were appointed being nearly expired and they not being ready to report, they are continued to report next month

This meeting is united with Women friends in recieved Caroline Taylor into membership with our religious society

Adjourned to meet as usual at Mariposa.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 11th of 6th Month 1863.**

The Representatives names being called are all present

The time for which the overseers of the poor were appointed being expired, they are released and Smith Clark, Joseph Cody, Joseph Dale, and James Richardson, are appointed to that service for three years.

No report from the Committee in care of the meeting in the 6th Conces<sup>n</sup> they are continued The meeting is also continued.

The Committee in Asa W Elsworths case report that He has attended some of our Meetings since they last reported, and also expressed his intention of endeavouring to be more faithful in his attendance for the future. He also expressed a desire to be retained a member His case is continued under the care of the present committee to report in 10th mo: next

The time for which the Overseers were appointed being nearly expired, Harvy Armitage, Richard Dale, Joshua Richardson, and James Richardson, are appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve in that station the ensuing year.

James Richardson, Smith Clark, Harvy Armitage and Thomas G Reazin are appointed our Representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report.

This Meeting Adjourns to meet at the usual time at Pickering.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 9th of 7th month 1863**

The Representatives names being called are present

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly meeting reports that three of them attended, but they not having produced the business from said meeting, they are continued to produce it to next meeting.

No report from the committee appointed in 12th month last, to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th concession, they are continued to report next month, the meeting is also continued

Our Esteemed Friend James Jones attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and concurrence, from China Monthly Meeting of Friends, held the 13th of 5th month 1862, and endorsed by Vassalboro Q' meeting held 30th of 5th month 1862, liberating Him for religious services in some parts of New York and New England Yearly Meetings, whose company and Gospel Labours amongst us have been acceptable and edifying.

Our Esteemed Friend Ruben Jones also attended this meeting in Company with James Jones with a certificate of unity from Litchfield monthly meeting held at Winthrop, the 26th of 6th mo: 1863 whose company and solid deportment, has been acceptable

The Clerk is directed to hand them copies of the above minutes.

The Committee to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as overseers have proposed the following Viz Joseph Cody and Smith Clark for Mariposa and Thomas Reazin and Richard Dale for Pickering, which having been separately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year.

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Came from Mariposa Preparative, a proposition to have the monthly meeting held alternately at Pickering and Mariposa, which after some consideration thereon is laid over for the decision of next meeting.

This meeting adjourns to meet as usual at Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 6th of 8th mo/63**

The Representatives names being called are all present but one,

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting, have produced a minute from said meeting, directing the extracts of the last yearly meeting to the observance of the monthly meeting one of which has been read to satisfaction

The preparatives are directed to raise their respective proportions of \$3000 for the yearly meetings use, and also report the number of Children attending, the different schools, and the number of First day schools, also the whole number of members, belonging to their respective meetings agreeably to the extracts of the yearly meeting,

The committee to the oversight of the meeting in the Sixth concession report that they have attended to their appointment and believe the meeting has been orderly conducted and are united in recommending its continuance six months longer, it being their request with which this meeting concurs and appoints Peter Taylor, Henry Betts,

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and John A Haight in conjunction, with a committee of Women friends to the oversight thereof and report in first month next.

This meeting concludes, to meet as usual at Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held the 10th of 9th mo: 1863.**

Agreeably to the request of the Yearly meetings committee this meeting adjourns to meet at ½ after 8 o'clock on 3rd day morning the 29th of the month,

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held according to adjournment the 29th of 9th month 1863**

The Representatives names being called were present except one and a sufficient reason given for his absence

The following Minute from our last yearly Meeting has been produced and read

Copy

The Reports from the Quarterly meetings of Pelham, Yonge Street, and West Lake, contain propositions for the establishment of a yearly meeting, composed of these three meetings in Canada, which on consideration were referred to a Committee of men and Women friends with instructions to give careful attention thereto, and report the result of their deliberations for a future meeting

At the setting on fifth day morning this committee reported,

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That after careful and deliberate consideration they were united in proposing that a committee be appointed to Visit the Quarterly Meetings in Canada and such other subordinate

Meetings, as may to them appear necessary in order to mingle with Friends there, and report thier conclusion to our next Yearly Meeting which was united with and the following friends were appointed to the service Viz William Henry Chace, Isaac P Haines, William H Potter, James Congdon, William Cromwell, Samuel G Slocum Joseph Flagler, Joseph Haviland, Maria Willets, David H Bennett, Phebe Jane Howland, Lidia H. Haviland, Hannah S Murray, Ruth C More and Mary Lanes

All of the above Committee have acceptably attended this meeting except three and sufficient reason given for the absence of one.

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual six a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting

The Advices have also been read

1st Answer

All our meetings for religeous worship and dicipline are attended by most friends the hour is nearly observed, not quiet clear of all unbecoming behaviour as regards sleeping and some care taken.

2nd. Answer

Friends appear to be preserved in love one towards another, if differences arrise care is taken to end them, and we believe talebearing and detraction is avoided and discouraged

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3rd Answer

With some exceptions to the first part of this querie, We believe friends do endeavour to train up thier Children and those of other Friends under thier care in the principles of the Christian religion as proffessed by us, and in plainness and simplicity of dress, language and deportment which it enjoins. They appear to be good examples in these respects themselves, and we believe they endeavour to guard thier children and all others under thier care against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books

4th answer

We believe most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in thier families collectively

5th answer

Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous Liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as we know

9th answer

Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline.

Joseph Cody, Peter Taylor, Richard Dale, and Harvy Armitage, are appointed our representatives to attend the ensueing Quarterly Meeting and report

Our Esteemed friend Israel D Titus attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and concurrence from Norwich Monthly Meeting liberating him for religious service in this and West Lake

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~~Monthly~~ Quarterly Meetings whose company and Gospel Labours have been acceptable

Our Esteemed Friend Albert C Stover attended this meeting with a certificate of unity from Said meeting in Company with Israel Titus, whose company and solid deportment has been satisfactory to this meeting.

An Extract of a minute from Preston Monthly meeting Lankashire England has been recieved, expressive of thier Assent to the reinstatement of John Clemesha, into Membership with our religious Society, Richard Dale and Joseph Cody are appointed to inform him thereof  
Adjourned to meet as usual at Mariposa.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 8th of 10th mo / 63**

The Representatives names being called three were presant.

The Assistant Clerk being absent Joshua N Richardson is appointed for the day.

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended. They have produced a minute from said Meeting directing the London Epistles, the Minutes of our Last Yearly Meeting, and a number of the Reports of the Coulered Refugees to the preparative meetings for distribution

One of the London Epistles has been read at this time to satisfaction.

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The Extract also informs us the proposition to have this Monthly held alternately at pickering and Mariposa after 1st mo: 1864 was united with

The Committee in John Clemensha<sup>s</sup> Case not having attended to thier appointment are continued to report next month

This meeting concluds to meet as usual at Pickering

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 11th mo: 1863**

The Representatives names being called were presant except one

One of the Committee in John Clemesha<sup>s</sup> case report the service performed.

The Committee in Asa W Elsworth's Case report, that He continues to be more diliget in attending our Meetings than heretofore and they believe His conduct and conversation are consistant with our principles This Meeting is therefore united in continuing Him a Member of our religious society and appoints Harvy Armitage and Wing Rodgers, to inform Him thereof

This Meeting concludes to meet again as usual at Pickering.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held the tenth of 12th month 1863**

The Representatives names being called were presant except one

The Queries with the answers from the preparatives to the usual Six have a summary of which as follows are directed to the Quarterly Meeting.

The Advices have also been read

1st Answer

Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline although a slackness appears with some especially in the middle of the week, the hour is nearly observed one meeting says not quiet clear of all unbecoming behaviour as regards sleeping and care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends appear to be preserved in love one towards another if differences arrise care is taken to end them and we believe talebearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged

3rd Ans<sup>r</sup>

Most Friends endeavour to train up thier Children and those of other friends under thier care in the principals of the Christian religion as proffessed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins they appear to be good examples in these respects themselves, and do endeavour to guard thier children and all others under thier care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books,

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4th Ans<sup>r</sup>

We believe Most friends are deligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in thier families collectively

5th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends do avoid the use of distilled speritous liquors except for purposes strictly Medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as we know

9th Ans<sup>r</sup>

Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline

Richard Dale, Joseph Cody, Jervas Cornell and Joshua N Richardson are appointed our representatives to attend the ensueing Quarterly Meeting and report.

The Committee in Asa W Elsworth's case not being ready to report are continued

The time for which the committee to the oversight of Funerals, and care of Friends Burial grounds being expired they report they have attended to thier appointment They are released and Elijah W Bostwick Thomas Reazin, Joshua N Richardson and Joseph Cody, are appointed to that service for one year and report

The committee to collect accounts of births and Deaths not being ready to report are continued to report next month

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being expired Edward Cornell and Peter Taylor are appointed to examine his accounts and propose a Friend for that service the ensueing year, and report next month

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The preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders inform this meeting that they are united in proposing to this meeting the consideration of acknowledging Catherine Moor a Minister they having the unity of the Quarterly meeting of ministers and Elders therein. Peter Taylor and Elijah W Bostwick are appointed in conjunction with a similar committee appointed by the

womens meeting to hear and consider objections should any arise and report to a future meeting

The preparatives are directed to raise their proportion<sup>s</sup> of ten dollars for the use of the poor and pay to the treasurer of the Monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to meet as usual at Mariposa.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 7th of 1st Month 1864**

The Representatives names being called are all present.

The Assistant Clerk being absent Joshua Richardson is appointed for the day

One of our Representatives to the last Quarterly Meeting reports that three of their number attended.

The Committee in Asa W Elsworths care report the service performed.

The Committee appointed to collect accounts of births and deaths are continued one month longer to collect up to the end of the 1863

The Committee appointed to hear and consider objections (if any arise) to Catherine Moor being acknowledged a minister not being ready to report are continued

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The Committee appointed to settle with the treasurer report, they have done so, and find a balance in favour of the Meeting of \$18,63 cents they also propose the reappointment of James Richardson with which this Meeting unites, and He is accordingly appointed to that Service for one year.

No report from the preparatives concerning their raising their Quota's of \$10 for the use of the poor as directed last month

Mariposa Preparative reports that they have 14 Children of a suitable age to attend school all attending district schools but one. One first day school And that there are 87 Members belonging to that Meeting, No report from Pickering

This Meeting adjourns to as usual

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 11th of 2nd mo 1864**

The Representatives names being called are all present,

The Queries with the answers from the Preparatives have been read a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting

The Advices have also been read

1st Ans<sup>r</sup>

Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline with some exceptions in the Middle of the week the hour nearly observed, and not quite clear of all unbecoming behaviour and some care taken.

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2nd Answer

Friends appear to be preserved in love one towards another, if differences arise, care is taken to end them, And Friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction as far as we know

3<sup>rd</sup> Answer

Friends do endeavour to train up thier Children, and those of other friends under thier care, in the principles of the Christian Religion as professed by us, and in the plainness, and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. We believe Friends are good examples in these respects themselves, and do endeavour to guard thier Children and all others under thier care, against corrupt conversation and the reading pernicious books although, deviations are apparent in the several parts of this querie.

4th Answer

We believe Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in thier families Collectively

5th Answer

Friends 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 we know.

6th Answer

The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance are duly inspected and relief seasonably afforded them, and they are advised and assisted in suitable employments, and thier Children and all others under our care are educated for the ordinary duties of life

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7th Answer

Friends are clear of Complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof.

8th Answer

Friends are just in thier dealings and punctual in fulfilling thier engagements, as far as we know, We believe they are carefull to conduct thier business as becomes our religious profession and when any give occasion for fear in these respects, They are seasonably laboured with for thier preservation and recovery.

9th Answer

Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

Elijah W Bostwick, Clarkson Rodgers, Smith Clark, and Joseph Cody are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting they are directed to pay our quota of Money called for by the Yearly Meeting to the treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting and produce his receipt

By the reports from the preparatives there are 30 Children in this Meeting attending district Schools, between, the age of 5 and 16, and one not attending school and one attending a school taught by a friend there are also 2 first day schools under the care of Friends, and 181 Members belonging to this Monthly Meeting.

Mariposa preparative have paid thier Quota of \$10 as directed last Meeting no report from Pickering.

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The Committee to collect accounts of births and Deaths have reported the service performed up to the beginning of the presant year, They are released and Smith Clark, Elijah W Bostwick Joseph Cody and Eliud Chapman are appointed to that service the ensuing year and report in first Month next.

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~~Mariposa preparative has paid thier Quota of \$10 as directed, no report from Pickering~~

The time for which the Clerk and assistant is appointed being nearly expired, Peter Taylor, Elijah W Bostwick, and Joseph Cody, are appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve in those stations the ensuing year.

The Committee appointed to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6th Concession not being ready to report are continued to report next month

The committee appointed to hear and consider objections (should any arrise) to Catherine Moor being acknowledged a Minister, report that no objections have been made to them And unity having been expressed, and having also the unity of the Womens Meeting therewith. This meeting therefore Acknowledges Her a Minister of our Religious Society, and directs the Clerk to forward the necessary information to the preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders

This meeting Concludes

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### Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 10th of 3rd mo/64

The Committee to bring forward the names of Friends to serve this Meeting as Clerk and assistant, not being ready to report are continued to report next month the the [sic] Clerks are also continued, but the Assistant not being presant, Joshua N Richardson is appointed for the day.

One of the Representatives to to [sic] our last Quarterly Meeting reports that three of them attended: and a sufficient reason has been given for the nonattendance of the other one They have produced a reciept from the treasurer of said meeting for our Quota of Money called for by the Yearly meeting.

Pickering Preparative reports having Paid thier Quota of \$10 to the Treasurer as directed

Part of the Committee appointed to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th Concession report that they have attended to thier appointment and believe it has been orderly conducted, And are united in granting them a further indulgence, it being thier request, with which this meeting unites and appoints, Elijah W Bostwick, Joseph Dale, and James Richardson in conjunction with sa similar committee of Women friends to the oversight thereof, And report in 8th month next.

The Clerk informs that He has forwarded the [sic] this Meeting<sup>s</sup> conclusion to acknowledge Catherine Moor a Minister to the preparative meeting of Ministers, and Elders, as directed.

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The time for which the Recorders were appointed being expired; This Meeting is united in reappointing them for three years, they are accordingly appointed, for said term;

This Meeting appoints, James Rodgers, Joseph Dale, John S Cruess, Joseph Cody and Thomas Reazin, in Conjunction with a similar committee of Women friends to to [sic] Collect Voluntary subscriptions on behalf of the Coloured Refugees

This Meeting concludes to meet, as usual in Pickering

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of friends held at Pickering 4 mo 7th 1864**

The Representatives names being calld 3 were presant

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to bring forward the names of suitable friends to Serve this meeting as Clerk and assistant, have proposed Peter Taylor as Clerk and Edward Cornell as assistant which having been seperately considered are united with and they are accordingly to that Service for one year

One of the Com<sup>tee</sup>. to Collect subscriptions in aid of the Colord refugees Report \$68.22 which they are directed to forward to Henry Dickenson of New York and Report

Came to this Meeting from Pickering preparative a Request to be Received into membership with friends Signed Seth C. Wilson Richard Dale and Gervas Cornell are appointed to visit him on that account and Report their sense of his case to next meeting

Our friend Wing Rogers has this day returned a minute which he Received last month to visit in gospel love the few friends Scattered in the Townships of Snowden, Emily and Coboconk and to appoint Some Meetings there as way may open and best wisdom direct, and informs the meeting that he has perform'd the visit to the peace and Satisfaction of his own Mind

This meeting concludes to meet next month in Mariposa

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 5<sup>th</sup> month 3<sup>rd</sup> 1864**

The Clerk being absent Joseph Cody is appointed clerk for the day and James Richardson assistant.

The Representatives being call'd three were present

The Committee to forward the Money raised for the color'd Refugees to Henry Dickenson of New York have done so and produced his Receipt for the amount

The Committee to visit Seth C. Willson have Reported as follows "We your Committee have visited Seth C Wilson according to our appointment, we believe that his Request is on the ground of convincement of the doctrines of Religion as profess'd by Friends, and he expressed a desire that he might be so enabled to live his future life and conversation may be Consistent therewith in which we believe he is sincere"

Sign'd

Richard Dale

Gerias Cornell

which Report is united with by the Meeting and he is accordingly Received into membership with Friends.

Wing Rogers and Clarkson Rogers are appointed to inform him thereof and Report.

This Meeting Concludes, to meet in Pickering as usual next month.

**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 6 month 9<sup>th</sup>. 1864**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one and a Reasonable excuse offer'd for his absence.

One of the Committee to inform Seth C Wilson of his Reception into membership with friends reports the appointment answerd

James H. Rogers having sent to this meeting a Resignation of his Right to membership in our Society. James Richardson and Henry Betts are appointed to visit him on account thereof and report

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The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession not being ready to report are continued and the Meeting is continued also.

The womens meeting inform they are united in Receiving Mary Ann Wilson into membership with friends, with which this meeting unites, believing the necessary care has been taken in the case

~~This Meeting Concludes to meet as usual next Month in Maraposa~~

James Richardson. Elijah W. Bostwick. Smith Clark and Cornelius Austin are appointed our Representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and Report

This Meeting concludes to meet as usual next month in Maraposa.

**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Maraposa 7 month 9<sup>th</sup>. 1864**

The Representatives names being call'd were all present

The Clerk and assistant being absent Joshua N. Richardson is appointed clerk and Richard Dale assistant for the day

The Committee in James H Rogers' case is Continued to Report next month

The Committee to oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession not being Ready to Report are continued another Month, the meeting is continued also

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting Reports three of them attended and have produced an extract the minute of that meeting; also the Extracts from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting which are directed to the observance of the preparative Meetings

James Richardson and Joseph Cody are directed to Correspond with West Lake Monthly Meeting in Relation to Rhoda Elsworth case

Our friend Wing Rogers has this Returned a minute Rec<sup>d</sup> from this Meeting in 5<sup>th</sup> mo last and informs the meeting that he has performed the visit to the peace and satisfaction of his own mind.

This meeting concludes to meet at Pickering next mo.

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**Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 10<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1864**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one



The Committee in the Case of James H Rogers report they visited him and he inform'd them that he had joined another Society and did not wish to be any longer a member amongst friends, this meeting therefor concludes to accept of his resignation, Gervas Cornell and Eliud Chapman are appointed to inform him thereof and report.

The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Co<sup>n</sup> Report they attended and did not but that the meeting was Conducted orderly and that it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it being their Request with which this meeting unites, Peter Talor, Eliud Chapman and Thomas Reasin are appointed, in conjunction with a committee of women friends to have the oversight thereof and Report in 1<sup>st</sup> month next

The Committee appointed to correspond with West Lake Monthly Meeting in the case of Rhoda Elsworth have handed in a letter from the meeting in Reference to her from the purport of which, this meeting comes to the conclusion to unite with women friends in Receiving her into membership with friends believing the necessary care has been taken in the case.

The time for which the overseers were appointed being expired, Elijah W. Bostwick, Robert Richardson, John Cruess and Joseph Cody are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of Suitable friends to serve in that station the ensuing year the present overseers are continued another month

This meeting concludes to meet as usual Next month in Maraposa.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 8 of 9 month 1864**

The Representatives names being call'd were all present

The assistant clerk being absent Joshua N Richardson is appointed for the day

The Queries have been Read in this Meeting with the Answers from the preparatives to the usual Six a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting, the advices have also been Read

1<sup>st</sup> Query Friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and discipline altho' a slackness with some in the middle of the week, the hour is observed, and they are clear of all unbecoming behaviour except sleeping and care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup> We believe friends are preserved in love one towards another, if differences arise care is taken speedily to end them and friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as we Know

3<sup>rd</sup> We believe friends do endeavour to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as profess'd by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins, they endeavour to be good examples themselves in these respects, and do endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and Reading pernicious books.

4<sup>th</sup> Friends are diligent in Reading the Holy scriptures in their families collectively as far as we Know.

5<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal, except one instance and care taken. And are clear of frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

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

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James Richardson, Robert Richardson, Smith Clark and Joshua N. Richardson are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and Report.

The Committee to inform James H Rogers of the reception of his resignation report the appointment answered

The Committee to bring forward names of suitable Friends to Serve as overseers have proposed Thomas Reazin and Richard Dale for Pickering and Smith Clark and Joshua N. Richardson for Maraposa which having been separately considered are united with and they are appointed to that station for the ensuing year.

Our friend Wing Rogers laid before this meeting a concern which has attended his mind for some time, of paying a visit in gospel love to West Lake Quarterly Meeting and the meeting of which it is composed also to visit families, and appoint some meetings as way may open, after deliberation this meeting is united in liberating him to pursue his prospect as Truth may direct, he being a minister in unity with us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute on behalf of the Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet as usual Next month in Pickering.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Pickering the 6th of 10th month 1864**

The Representatives names from Maraposa being called were present, no report from Pickering preparative meeting

One of the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting Report they attended

The Clerk informs he had furnished Wing Rogers with a Copy of the Minute as directed

This Meeting concludes to meet at Maraposa as usual next month

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 10th of 11 month. 1864**

The Representatives names being called three were present

The Clerk and Assistant being absent Richard Dale was appointed Clerk and Joshua N. Richardson assistant clerk for the day

This Meeting is united in receiving into membership with our religious Society the Minor children of Clarkson and Isabella Rogers namely Robert H. and Alexander M. Rogers. Edward Rorke is appointed to inform the parent or parents of the meetings Conclusion herein

This meeting concludes to meet at Pickering as usual next month.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 8th of 12th mo. 1864**

The names of the Representatives having been called they were present except one, a reasonable excuse has been given for his absence

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the Answers from the Preparatives to the usual Six a Summary of which (as follows is directed to the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting the Advices have also been read

1<sup>st</sup> Query Friends are carefull to attend all our Meetings for Religious worship and discipline, with Some exceptions especially on the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed. Clear of all unbecoming behaviours

2<sup>nd</sup> Friends are preserved in love one towards another if differences arise care is taken to end them. Friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as we know

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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

Gervas Cornell, Elijah W. Bostwick, Joseph Cody and Eluid Chapman are appointed our Representatives to attend the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report.

This meeting has been inform'd the appointment in the case of Clarkson Rogers' minor children has been answer'd

The Trustees of the Donation of Chanoles Warton report they have now in their hands as principal and interest the Sum of £93..8.10 ½ this Meeting directs the Trustees to invest the above sum at interest on what they would consider to be good security.

The Committee to the oversight of funerals and care of friends burying ground Report they have attended to the appointment and have endeavoured to have funerals orderly Conducted, they are released and Elijah Bostwick Thomas Reasin Joseph Cody, and Cornelius Austin are appointed to that service for one year and also to take charge of property belonging to the meeting

This meeting directs its preparatives to raise their proportion of \$46 and report

The meeting concludes to meet as usual next mo in Maraposa

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 5th of 1 month 1865.**

The Representatives names being call'd were all present

One of the Representatives to last Quarterly Meeting reports that three of them attended Maraposa preparative reports that they have raised their proportion of \$16 call'd for by the Monthly Meeting. Pickering has also raised their Quota of Said Sum.

Our Esteem'd friend Wing Rogers has this day returned a minute which he Recd in 9th last liberating him to pay a visit in Gospel love to West Lake Quarterly Meeting and the Meetings

of which it is Composed, which visit he informs the meeting he has been enabled to perform very much to the peace and satisfaction

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of his own mind

Our Esteem'd friend Catharine Moore in a feelling manner laid before this Meeting a concern which had for some time attended her of paying a visit in Gospel love to the friends of Hibbert Meeting and Queens-bush and also those of Sydenham preparative meeting and to appoint some other meetings as Truth my open the way, after a time of deliberation the Meeting united in liberating her to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct. She being a Minister in unity with us, the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the foregoing minute, signed on behalf of this Meeting. Thomas Reazin, Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale and Joseph Cody: are appointed in conjunction with a com<sup>tee</sup> of women friends to see that she is properly provided for before proceeding therein.

The womens meeting inform that they are united in receiving into Membership with friends Isabella Rogers, with which this meeting unites, believing the necessary care has been taken in the case

Yonge S<sup>t</sup> Monthly Meeting inform they have accepted a certificate of removal for Ellen Maria Wilson, which was forwarded from this meeting in 7<sup>th</sup> mo last.

This meeting is united in receiving into membership the two minor children of Alston and Hannah Ricketts.

This Meeting concludes to meet as usual next month in Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 9<sup>th</sup> 1865**

The Representatives names being call'd are all present

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the Answers from the preparatives a Summary of which (as follows) is directed to the Month Quarterly Meeting the Advices have also been read.

1<sup>st</sup> Query Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for Religious Worship and discipline, the hour nearly observed not quite clear of all unbecoming behaviour and some care take

2<sup>nd</sup> Friends are preserved in love one towards another, if differences arise due care is taken speedily to end them friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as we Know.

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3<sup>rd</sup> Friends do endeavour to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of christian Religion as profess'd by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins, they appear to be good examples themselves in these respects, and do endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and Reading pernicious books, yet we believe an increase of care in the above important duties is necessary.

4<sup>th</sup> We believe friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5<sup>th</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distilled Spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion as far as we know

6<sup>th</sup>. The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance are duly inspected. Relief is seasonably afforded them, they are advised and assisted in Suitable employments, and their children and all others under our care, are properly educated for the ordinary duties of life

7<sup>th</sup>. Friends are clear of Complying with military requisitions and of paying any fine or tax instead thereof.

8<sup>th</sup>. Friends are just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements, they are careful to Conduct their business as becomes our Religious profession, and when any give occasion for fear on those accounts they are Seasonably laboured with for their preservation and Recovery.

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

Smith Clarke, Elijah Bostwick, Joseph Cody, and Thomas Reasin are appointed our Representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and report.

The Clerk informs he has furnish'd Catharine Moore with a copy of the minute as directed, one of the Com<sup>tee</sup> Reports they have attended to their appointment, and that she has proceeded on her journey with Suitable company.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup>. Con<sup>n</sup> Report as follows  
"We the Com<sup>tee</sup> to the care of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Con<sup>n</sup> have attended to our appointment, and did not see but that it was conducted orderly and think it would be right to grant them a further indulgence it

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being their Request. Signed by Thomas Reasin, Eluid Chapman and Carslew? Taylor, Peter Taylor. - with which this meeting unites the Com<sup>tee</sup> is Released and Gervas Cornell, Elijah Bostwick and James Richardson are appointed in conjunction with a Com<sup>tee</sup> of women friends to have the oversight of that meeting and report in 6th month next

Came to this from Pickering Preparative a Request to be Received into Membership with friends singed Hawkins and Mary Woodruff and also for their three minor children, Catharine Lois, Emmeline and Emmitt? Emaly, this meeting appoints Wing Rogers and Gervas Cornell in conjunction with a committee of women friends to visit them on account of their Request and report to next meeting.

Came to this from Maraposa preparative a Request to be Received into Membership with friends signed Caleb Ellsworth, James Richardson and Alfred Crawford are appointed to visit him on account thereof and Report

Women friends inform they are united in Receiving Hannah Rickets into membership with which this meeting unites, believing the necessary care has been taken in the case.

According to the reports from the preparative meetings there are belonging to this meeting 39 children of school age 37 attending district Schools and 2 Receiving instruction at home there are two first day Schools under the care of friends. Subscriptions to the amount of

\$7.25 have been Rec<sup>d</sup> for the Color'd refugees and Kansas Indians which the Com<sup>tee</sup>. are directed to forward to New York

Women friends inform they are united in Receiving into Membership Agnes and Marcella Ellsworth, with which this meeting unites believing the necessary care has been taken in both cases

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed being expired Peter Taylor and Edward Cornell are appointed to settle with and propose to next meeting the name of a Suitable friend for that office the ensuing year

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to collect accounts of Births and Deaths not being ready to report are continued

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 9<sup>th</sup>. 1865**

The Representatives names being call'd were all present

The assistant clerk being absent Joseph Cody is appointed for the day

The Committee to visit Hawkins & Mary Woodruff on account of their Request report as follows, that they are united in believing that they are convinced of our Religious principles and are Sincere in their Request, with which this meeting unites, having the unity of the womens meeting therein. James Richardson & Thomas Reazin are appointed in conjunction with a Committee of women friends to inform them of the conclusion of the meeting in their case and also of the reception of their 3 minor children and report

The Committee to visit Caleb Ellsworth on account of his Request report that they believe him to be sincere in his request and that he is convinced of friends principles with which this meeting unites and appoints Joseph Cody and Smith Clark to inform him of his reception into membership with friends and report.

The Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they attended and have produced the London Yearly Meeting's Epistle one of which has been read at this time to good satisfaction also a number of copies of a paper call'd the "Free man" which are directed to the preparatives for distribution

The Committee to settle with the Treasurer Report the[y] found in his hands a balance of \$20.82 and they Recommend that all monies collected for the use of this meeting be placed in the hands of the Treasurer to be paid out by him as may be directed they also propose that James Richardson be Reappointed to act as Treasurer to this Meeting which is united with

The Committee to collect accounts of Births & Deaths report they have attended to the appointment up to the present time they are released and Elijah Bostwick, John S. Curess, Clarkson Rogers and Joshua Richardson are appointed to the like service and report in 3<sup>rd</sup> mo next

The time for which the Clerk and Assistant were appointed being expired James Richardson & Rich<sup>d</sup> Dale are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of 2 friends to serve the Meeting the Ensuing year

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The friends appointed as overseers of the Poor in Pickering wishing to be released this meeting accedes to their request and appoints Richard Dale Thomas Reazin and Elijah Bostwick to act with the other members of that Committee

This Meeting concludes to meet in Pickering as usual

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 6<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1865**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. appointed to bring forward the names of two friends to serve this meeting as clerk and assistant have proposed Peter Taylor for clerk and Edward Cornell for assistant which being united they are appointed to that service the ensuing year.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to inform Hawkins and Mary Woodruff of their Reception into membership with friends (and also of their 3 minor children) Report the appointment answer'd

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to inform Caleb Ellsworth of his Reception into membership with friends Report the appointment answer'd

Our Esteemed friend Catharine Moore has Returned a certificate which she received in 1<sup>st</sup> month liberating her to pay a visit in Gospel love to friends of Hibbert meeting Queens bush and Sydenham preparative, which she has perform'd to the peace of her own mind

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next mo in Maraposa

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 5 Month 10<sup>th</sup>. 1865**

The Clerk and assistant being absent Joshua N Richardson is appointed clerk and Smith Clark assistant for the day

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

Came from Maraposa preparative a Complaint against Valentine Dale for marrying a person not in membership with friends. Joseph Cody and Gervas Cornell are appointed to visit him on account thereof and Report to next meeting

Our esteemed friend Ira Clark visited this meeting with a minute of unity from Yonge Street monthly

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Meeting liberating him to visit in gospel love Pickering Monthly meeting and some of the meetings constituting West Lake Quarter and also to appoint some meetings amongst others not in profession with us, whose Company and gospel Labours have been acceptable and edifying to us.

This Meeting concludes to meet as usual in Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8<sup>th</sup> of 6 month 1865**

The Clerk being absent Joseph Cody is appointed for the day

The Representatives names being call'd were all present

Smith Clark, Clarkson Rogers, Henry Betts and Gervas Cornell are appointed Representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting



The Committee in Valentine Dale's case Report they attended to the appointment and find him desirous of Retaining his Right of membership with us, and that he is in the practice of attending meetings, with which this meeting unites and appoints Cornelius Austin and Smith Clark to inform him thereof and report

The Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession not being Ready to Report are continued, the meeting is continued under their care

Came to this from Maraposa preparative a Complaint against Elias Powell for being so unguarded as to use language to a man which caused them to fight, he has also wholly neglected the attendance of meetings. Joseph Cody and Cornelius Austin are appointed to visit him on account thereof and report to next meeting.

A proposition came from Maraposa preparative to hold the Monthly Meeting in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> months in the week of the Quarterly Meeting, the select preparative to be held in 2<sup>nd</sup> day evening at 6 o'clock and the Monthly Meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> day at 3 o'clock preceeding the Quarterly Meeting, the proposal was united with by men and women friends and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting

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Our Esteemed friend Wing Rogers in very feeling manner ~~laid before~~ expressed in this meeting a desire to visit in Gospel love Pelham Quarterly meeting and the meetings constituting it also to visit some friends families and appoint some meetings amongst friends and others going or returning as way may open, after deliberate consideration this meeting leaves him at liberty to proceed as best wisdom may direct, he being a minister in unity with us. The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute signed on behalf Of the meeting

This meeting concludes to meet at Maraposa as usual

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 6<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1865**

The Clerk being absent Richard Dale is appointed for the day.

The Representatives names being call'd are present except one

The assistant clerk being absent Joseph Cody is appointed for the day

Three of the Representatives to our last Q<sup>r</sup>. Meeting attended but not having produced the business from that Meeting they are continued

The com<sup>tee</sup>. in Valentine Dale's case have attended to their appointment

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Con<sup>n</sup> not being ready to report are continued the meeting is likewise continued

Our Esteem'd Friend William Green attended this Meeting with a certificate of unity and Concurrence from Lisburn Monthly Meeting held at Lisburn 10<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1865 liberating him for gospel labour in Canada and some other parts of this continent, whose company and gospel labour amongst us have been truly edifying and satisfactory

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Our esteemed friend George M Lisson attended this meeting in Company with W<sup>m</sup>. Green with a minute of unity from Scipio Monthly Meeting held 6 mo 21<sup>st</sup>. 1865, whose Company and labours of love amongst us have been truly acceptable and edifying

Our Esteem'd friend Aaron L Benedict attended this Meeting with a certificate of unity from Alum Creek Monthly Meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> mo 21<sup>st</sup> 1864, liberating him for Religious Service within the compass of New York and New England Yearly Meetings and endorsed by Alum Creek Q<sup>r</sup> meeting held at Goshen the 5 of 7 Mo 1864, whose company and gospel labour amongst us have been edifying and satisfactory to us

Our esteemd friend Phebe H Benedict attended this meeting with her husband Aaron L Benedict, with a minute of unity from Alum creek Monthly Meeting whose company has been acceptable

Our esteemed friend Lewis Bedell attended this meeting with a certificate of unity from Coeymans Monthly Meeting, York State held 4 mo 26<sup>th</sup>. 1865, endorsed by Stamford Q<sup>r</sup>. Meeting held at Creek 12 of 6 mo 1865, liberating him for Religious Service in New York and Iowa Yearly Meetings whose company and gospel labour has been acceptable and edifying to us

The clerk is directed to furnish W<sup>m</sup> Green with a copy of the Minute of this meeting Referring to him

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to visit Elias Powell report attention but not being Ready to make a full Report they are Continued

The clerk informs he has given Wing Rogers of the minute as directed

This meeting concludes to Meet as usual in Pickering next mo.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 10<sup>th</sup> of 8 month 1865.**

The Representatives names being call'd were all present Except one

The Representatives to last Quarterly Meeting not having produced the business from that Meeting are continued

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The Com<sup>tee</sup> to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup>. Concession Rep<sup>t</sup> they attended to the appointment, and did not see but that the Meeting was orderly conducted and think it would be Right to grant them a further indulgence it being their Request with which this meeting unites, the Com<sup>tee</sup>. is Released and Henry Betts Thomas Reasin and Rob<sup>t</sup>. Richardson are appointed in Conjunction with a Com<sup>tee</sup>. of women friends to have the oversight of the meeting and Report in 1<sup>st</sup> mo next.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in Elias Powell's case have paid attention to his case but not being Ready to make a full report are continued another month

The Clerk informs that W<sup>m</sup>. Green has been furnish'd with a Copy of the minute of this meeting as directed, and Aaron L Benedict has also had a Returning minute from this meeting.

This meeting concludes to Meet as usual next mo in Maraposa.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa the 7<sup>th</sup> of 9 month 1865.**

The Representatives names being call'd are present except one.

The Clerk and assistant being absent Richard Dale is appointed Clerk for the day and Joseph Cody assistant

The Queries with the Answers to the usual six from the preparative Meetings have been Read a summary of which is directed to the Quarterly Meeting, the advices have also been Read

James Richardson, Richard Dale, Joseph Cody and Smith Clark are appointed our Representatives to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, they are directed to Report in 11 mo next.

The Representatives to Quarterly Meeting have produced a minute from that informing us that our Request for altering the time of holding the Monthly Meeting in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> and also the select Meeting was granted, the minute is as follows

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The Request forwarded from Pick<sup>g</sup> Monthly Meeting for altering the time of holding the Select and Monthly Meetings was approved of women friends Concurring therein.

The Monthly Meeting to be held (in 2<sup>nd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> mo) on the third day of the week preceding the Quarterly Meeting at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the Select meeting to be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> day preceding at the hour of 6 o'clock in the evening

Taken from the Minutes,

Arnoldi Haight Clk.

The Clerk is directed to forward the information to the preparative Meetings

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in Elias Powells case Report they have visited him to some satisfaction, and after deliberately Considering his case, this meeting is united in continuing it under the care of the Com<sup>tee</sup>. to report in 12<sup>th</sup> mo next.

The time for which the overseers were appointed being expired they are continued one month longer

This Meeting adjourns to meet in Pickering as stated in the Minute from last Q<sup>r</sup> Meeting

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 26 of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1865. 26 of 9<sup>th</sup> mo. but was the 10<sup>th</sup> mo metg on acc of the Qr meeting**

The representatives names being call'd were all present

The Clerk reports that the information has been forwarded to the preparatives as directed by last meeting

Our Esteemed friend Joseph D Hoag attended this meeting with with [sic] a certificate of unity and concurrence from Salem Monthly Meeting of Friends held 15<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1865, and endorsed by Salem Quarterly Meeting held at Salem: Iowa 18<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1865, whose company and gospel labours amongst us have been satisfactory and edifying

Our Esteemed friend Jesse T Hartley attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity and concurrence from Gilead Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Gilead, Morrow C<sup>o</sup>. Ohio 10<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1865 and endorsed by Alum Quarterly Meeting held at Goshen Logan C<sup>o</sup> Ohio the 6<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1865 whose company and gospel labours amongst us have been Satisfactory and edifying he having also acceptably visited the families of Friends of this Monthly Meeting.

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Our esteemed friend Ellis Willets attended this Meeting as companion to Jesse T. Hartley with a minute of unity from Alum Creek Monthly Meeting held 5 mo 18, 1865, whose Company and labours of love amongst us have been acceptable and Satisfactory

The Clerk is directed to furnish these friends with Copies of the foregoing minutes signed on behalf of this meeting.

The time for which the overseers were appointed being expired James Richardson, Joseph Cody Elihu Rogers, and Gervas Cornell are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve in that station the ensuing year. the present overseers are continued another month.

Our Esteemed friend Wing Rogers has Returned a certificate which he received from the meeting in 6 mo last and states that he has been enabled to perform the visit to the peace and satisfaction of his own Mind

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next Month in Maraposa.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 8 of 11th month 1865**

The Representatives names being call'd were present

The Clerk and assistant being absent Joshua N Richardson is appointed clerk and Joseph Cody assistant for the day

The Representatives to attend last Quarterly Meeting report they attended and produced the following extract from that meeting. "The Extracts from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting and some Reports on the condition and wants of the color'd Refugees are directed to the observance of the Monthly Meetings, said Meetings are directed to raise their proportions of \$3200 for the Yearly Meetings use and forward it to this meeting in 2nd mo next"

No Report from the Clerk as to furnishing the friends with Returning Minutes as directed, he is continued to Report.

The Comtee. to bring forward the names of suitable friends for overseers have proposed Thomas Reazin and Richard Dale for Pickeering and Joshua N Richardson and Smith Clark for Maraposa whose names being seperately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that station the ensuing year

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next mo in Pickering

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### **Pickering Monthly meeting of Friends held the 7th of 12th mo. 1865**

The Clerk being absent Joseph Cody is appointed for the day.

The representatives names being called were presant except one

The queries were all read in this meeting, with answers to the usual Six, a summary of which is as follows, and are directed to the Quarterly meeting; the advices were also read

Ans. 1<sup>st</sup>.

Friends appear careful to attend all our meeting for religious worship and discipline, the hour is observed, and they are clear of all unbecoming behaviours in them, with some exceptions in regard to drowsing

Ans. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

We believe Friends are preserved in love one towards another. If differences do arise care is taken to end them, and we believe friends do avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction

Ans. 3<sup>d</sup>.

We believe friends do endeavour to train up their children, and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. Friends appear to be good examples in these respects themselves and we believe they endeavour to guard their children and all others under our care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

Ans. 4<sup>th</sup>.

We believe friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

Ans. 5<sup>th</sup>.

As far as we know friends avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal, and are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion

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Ans. 9<sup>th</sup>.

Care is taken seasonable to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness, we trust, and agreeably to our discipline

Robert Richardson, Richard Collins and Thomas Reazin are appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting and report

This meeting was informed that the Friends were furnished with returning minutes as directed

The committee in Elias Powells case report as follows but after deliberation thereon the meeting is united in continuing the case under the care of the committee with the addition of Wing Rogers name to report in third month next

The committee appointed to have the oversight of funerals and care of friends burial ground report as follows they are continued one month longer

This meeting concludes to meet as usual in Maraposa next month

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Maraposa the 11 of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1866.**

The Clerk being absent Joseph Cody is appointed for the day

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

The Representatives to last Quarterly Meeting not having reported they are continued to report next month

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to have the oversight of Funerals and care of friends burying grounds are Released and Edward Cornell, William Richardson, Smith Clark and John S Cruess are appointed to that Service this ensuing year.

Came to this from Pickering preparative a proposal of marriage Signed Benjamin Cody a member of Yonge Street mo mg. and Hannah Jane Reasin which is directed to the monthly meeting

A Certificate of removal for Elizabeth Smith was forwarded from West Lake Monthly Meeting which has been Read and accepted it is directed to be Recorded and acknowledged

This Meeting concludes to meet at Pickering on 3rd day of 2nd meeting week at 3 oclock P.M.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 20<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1866**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

Our Esteemed John L Eddy is in attendance at this meeting with a Certificate of unity from Kingston Monthly Meeting held at Kingston 1 mo 13 1866. liberating for gospel service within the limits of Yonge Street and West Lake Quarterly Meeting whose Company is acceptable to us.

The Queries have been Read in this meeting with the Answers from the preparatives a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting the advices have also been read

1<sup>st</sup>. Query Most friends are carefull to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and discipline the hour is observed, not quite clear of unbecoming behaviour

2<sup>nd</sup> Friends are preserved in love one towards another if differences arise due care is taken Speedily to end them and we believe friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction.

3<sup>rd</sup> Friends do endeavour to train up their children and all others under their care in the principles of the Christian Religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and Simplicity of dress, language and deportment which it enjoins. Most friends are good examples in these Respects themselves, and endeavour to guard their children and all others under their [care?] against corrupt conversation and Reading pernicious books.

4<sup>th</sup> We believe Friends are diligent in Reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

5<sup>th</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distill'd spirtuous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as we Know.

6<sup>th</sup>. The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to Require assistance are duly inspected and we think Relief is seasonably afforded them and they are advised and assisted in suitable employments

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and their children and all others under our care are properly ???[edu]cated for the ordinary duties of life

7<sup>th</sup>. Friends are clear of Complying with military Requisitions or of paying any fine or tax instead thereof.

8<sup>th</sup>. We believe friends are just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements and are careful to conduct their business as becomes our Religious Profession. And when any give occasion for fear on these accounts they are timely labour'd with for their preservation and Recovery

9<sup>th</sup>. We believe care is Seasonably taken to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline

Hawkins Woodruff, Thomas Reazin, Joshua N. Richardson Richard Dale and Smith Clarke are appointed our Representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting and Report.

Our Esteemed friend Caroline E Talbot is in attendance this meeting with a certificate of unity from Short Creek Monthly Meeting of friends, Ohio held 10<sup>th</sup> month 25<sup>th</sup> 1865 and Endorsed by the Quarterly Meeting of Short Creek held at Mount pleasant, Jefferson C<sup>o</sup> Ohio, the 18<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month, 1865 liberating her for Gospel service in Adrian Quarterly meeting and also amongst friends in Canada and Vermont and to appoint meetings amongst friends and others, whose Compa??? and gospel labours are acceptable to us.

Our Esteemed friend Susan Hussy is in attendance at this meeting as Companion to Caroline E Talbot, with a certificate of unity from Short Creek Monthly Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> mo 22<sup>nd</sup> 1865, whose Company is acceptable to us, the clerk is directed to furnish those two friends with Copies of the ??? minutes signed on behalf of this meeting and also by the correspondent.

One of the Representatives to last Quarterly Meeting Reports attended, the other two inform they were unable to attend from sickness, a minute has been produced from that meeting directing the Monthly Meetings to Raise their proportions of \$3500 for the purpose of erecting a house for the accommodation of Canada Yearly Meeting, also to raise their proportions of 1/3 of \$500

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Maraposa the 8<sup>th</sup>. day of 3 month 1866.**

The Clerk and assistant being absent Joshua N. Richardson is appointed Clerk and Joseph Cody assistant for the day

The Representatives names being call'd were all present

One of the Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report they attended, and have produced a number of Copies of the London Yearly Meeting's Epistle, one of which has been Read at this time to good satisfaction, they are directed to the preparative meetings for distribution

The Clerk has furnish'd Caroline E Talbot and Susan Hussy with Returning minutes as directed

The Committee appointed to attend the marriage of Benjamin Cody and Hannah J Reazin Report that it was Conducted in an orderly manner, and the Certificates is forwarded for Recording

The Committee in Richard Dale's case not being Ready to Report is Continued

No Report from the Committee in Jane Dales case they are Continued

The Clerk not having forwarded an acknowledgement of the Rec<sup>t</sup> of Elizabeth Smiths certificate he is Continued to attend to it.

The Committee in Elias Powells case is continued another month



W<sup>m</sup> J. Reazin and Richard Dale are appointed to settle with the Treasurer and propose to next meeting the name of a Friend to serve in that station the Ensuing year.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to collect accounts of Births and Deaths not being Ready to Report are Continued

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next month in Pickering.

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#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 5<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1866**

The Representatives names having been call'd were present except one

The Committee to hear and consider objections if any appear to Richard Dale being appointed to the station of an Elder, report they have not heard of any, this meeting therefore unites in the proposition and he is accordingly appointed to that station, the Clerk is directed to forward the information to the preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elder

The Committee in Elias Powells case inform attention but not being Ready to make a full Report they are continued

The Joint Committee to hear and consider objections if any appear to the appointment of Jane Dale to the station of an Elder, Report they have not heard of any, this meeting therefore unites with the proposition and she is accordingly appointed to that station. The Clerk is directed to furnish the information to the preparative meeting of ministers and Elders.

The Committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer Re[port they have done so and find a balance of \$18.72 in his hands, and propose his Re-appointment to that office with which this meeting unites and he is appointed Treasurer the ensuing year.

The Committee to collect accounts of Births and Deaths not being Ready to Report are Continued.

The time for which the clerk and assistant clerk to this meeting were appointed being expired Joseph Dale and Elias Chapman are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of two friends to serve as such the ensuing year, the present clerk and assistant are Continued another month.

Our Esteemed friend Chatharine Moore in a feeling manner laid before this meeting a prospect which had for some time attended her mind of paying a visit in Gospel love to friends of Le-Ray Q<sup>r</sup> meeting and one or two meetings belonging to West Lake Quarterly Meeting also to visit some scattering families and to

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appoint a few meetings as way may open, after a time of deliberation this meeting is united in liberating her to pursue her prospect as but wisdom may direct. The Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute Signed on behalf of the Mens and womens meeting and also by the Correspondent. Richard Dale and Thomas Reazin are appointed to see that she is properly provided for before commencing her proposed visit

This Meeting Concludes to meet as usual next month in Maraposa.

#### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Maraposa 12 of 5 month 1866**

The Representatives names being call'd were all present

The Comtee to bring forward the names of two friends to serve this meeting as Clerk and assistant have proposed Peter Taylor for Clerk and Edward Cornell for assistant which being seperately considerd are united with and they are appointed to that service the ensuing year

The assistant clerk being absent Joshua N Richardson is appointed for the day

The Clerk informs that information has been forwarded to the Preparative meeting of ministers and elders Respecting the appointment of Richard and Jane Dale to the station of Elders

The Comtee in Elias Powells Report they attended to the appointment and have labour'd with him without the desir'd effect, this meeting therefore concludes to disown him and appoints Peter Taylor and John S Cruess to prepare a testimony of denial against him and produce it to next meeting

The Comtee to collect accounts of births and deaths Report they have attended to it and handed in all accounts up to the first of this month they are Released and Valentine Dale, Elihu Rogers, Clarkson Rogers and Peter Taylor are appointed to the like service the Ensuing year

Came to this from Pickering preparative a proposal of Marriage Signed Frederick Swetman and Rachel L Wilson which is directed to the Monthly Meeting

Pickering Maraposa preparative inform they have directed their Representatives to call on the Treasurer for the money now in his hands

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and pay it to the Treasurer of the Monthly meeting

Our esteem'd friend Wing Rogers inform'd this meeting that he felt willing to accompany our friend Catharine Moore in her proposed Religious visit with which this meeting unites and leaves him at liberty to do so, the clerk is directed to furnish him with a Copy of this minute signed on behalf of this meeting and by the Correspondent.

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next mo in Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 7<sup>th</sup> of 6 month 1866**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

The Committee to prepare a testimony of denial against Elias Powell have produced one which has been Read and approved the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this Meeting Smith Clark and Richard Dale are appointed to inform him thereof, also of his Right to appeal and furnish him with a Copy if Required and Report.

West Lake Monthly Meeting informs that on enquiry they do not find but that Frederick Swetman is clear of other marriage engagements, and consent of parents having been obtained, they are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage between this and another monthly meeting according to the order of Friends. Gervas Cornell and Peter Taylor are appointed to attend the marriage see that is orderly conducted forward the certificate for Recording and Report.

The Money forwarded from Maraposa preparative has been paid to the Treasurer as directed for which his receipt has been produced

The Clerk has furnish'd Wing Rogers with a copy of the minute as directed

Came to this meeting from Pickering preparative a Request to be joined in membership with friends signed Moses Webster. Richard Dale and Gervas Cornell are appointed to visit him on account thereof and Report

Came to this from Maraposa preparative a Complaint

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against James Jones Terrill for marrying a woman not in membership with Friends. Gervas Cornell and Joseph Cody are appointed to visit him on that account and Report.

Smith Clark, Henry Betts, James Richardson and Joseph Cody are appointed to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives and Report.

Women friends inform they have accepted a certificate of Removal for Anna Hoag from Peru Monthly Meeting held at Au sable the 26<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1866, with which this meeting unites The Clerk is directed to acknowledg its Receit

The Committee to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup>. Concession are Requested to Report next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Maraposa 5<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1866**

The Representatives names being call'd they were present except one

The assistant clerk being absent Joseph Cody is appointed for the day.

The Committee in Elias Powells case not being ready to Report is Continued

Two of the Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that all of them attended and have produced an Extract from the minutes of that meeting directing the Subordinate meetings to Raise their proportion of \$64 to defray the additional expense of building a meeting house in Sydenham, the preparative meetings are directed to raise their Quotas of said sum pay it to the treasurer of the Monthly Meeting And Report

One of the Committee to attend the marriage of Frederick Swetman and Rachel Wilson, Reports they attended that the marriage was Conducted orderly and that the Certificate is forwarded for Recording

One of the Committee to visit Moses Webster on account of his Request, Report they attended thereto, but are not Ready to make a Report in full and an addition to the Committee having been asked for Joseph Cody is appointed to assist them in the case

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The Committee to visit James Jones Terrill not being Ready to Report is Continued

The Clerk is Continued to acknowledge the Receit of a Certificate for Anna Hoag.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of the Meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Concession Report they attended to the appointment and did not see but that it was orderly Conducted and that it would be Right to grant them a further indulgence with which this meeting unites, they are Released and Elijah W. Bostwick, Richard Dale, and Peter Taylor, are appointed in conjunction with a Com<sup>tee</sup> of Women friends to have the oversight thereof and Report in 1<sup>st</sup> mo next.

Our Esteemed friend Martha Austin attended this meeting with Certificate of Concurrence from Unity Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Albin, Maine 5 mo 17. 1866, and

endorsed by Vassalborough Quarterly Meeting held at East Vassalborough 5 mo 25. 1866 whose Company and Gospel labours amongst us have been satisfactory and edifying

Our Esteemed friend Lydia R. Taber attended this meeting as Companion to Martha Austin with a minute from Unity Monthly Meeting held 6 mo 21<sup>st</sup>. 1866, whose Company is acceptable to us

Our Esteemed friend Joseph Taber attended this meeting as Companion to Martha Austin, with a minute from Unity Monthly Meeting held at Albion, Maine 6 mo 17. 1866 whose Company and Solid deportment have been acceptable and instructive to us.

Our Esteemed friend Phebe B. Hathaway attended this meeting with a Certificate of Unity from Rollin Monthly Meeting Michigan held 12 mo 10<sup>th</sup>. 1864 and endorsed by Adrian Quarterly Meeting held 12 mo 28. 1864, liberating her for Such service whose Company and gospel labours amongst us have been Edifying and satisfactory to us

Our Esteemed friend Richmond Hathaway having accompanied his wife Phebe B. Hathaway is acceptably with us at this time, his Gospel labours have also been satisfactory & edifying

The Clerk is directed to furnish the friends from Maine with Copies of the above minutes respecting them

Women friends inform they are united in receiving Harriet

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Bostwick into Membership with which this meeting unites believing the necessary care has been taken in the Case

This meeting Concludes to meet as usual next mo in Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Pickering the 9<sup>th</sup> of 8 month 1866**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

The Committee in Elias Powells case is continued another month

The Committee to visit Moses Webster is continued another month

The Committee in the case of James Jones Terrill not being Ready to Report is continued

The Clerk informs he has acknowledged the Receipt of a certificate of Removal for Anna Hoag

The Clerk not having forwarded the Returning minutes as directed he is continued to do so.

Catharine Moore has this day Returned a certificate which She Received from this meeting in 4<sup>th</sup> month last liberating her to perform a Religious visit within the Compass of West Lake and LeRay Quarterly Meetings which she informs she has been enabled to accomplish to the peace and Satisfaction of her own mind

Women friends inform that they are united in retaining Sarah Ann Marks as a member of our Society with which this Meeting unites believing the necessary care has been taken in the case.

Wing Rogers has this day Returned a minute which he Received from this meeting liberating him to accompany Catharine Moore in her Religious visit mentioned above and

informs the Meeting that he was with her in her Gospel labours to the peace and Satisfaction of his mind

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next mo in Maraposa.

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defray the expense of building a Meeting house in Sydenham preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportion [of] said sums and pay it to the treasurer of the Quarterly M<sup>ts</sup>

The Committee appointed by the Quarterly Meeting held at Pickering the. [the previous sentence appears to have been entered in error.] At a meeting of the Committee (appointed by the Quarterly Meeting) held at Pickering the 2<sup>nd</sup>. of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1866 Arnoldi Haight Peter Taylor, William Valentine John Ray Henry Betts and Richard Collins were appointed to take a title of a piece of land of Gervas Cornell, together with that belonging to Pickering Monthly Meeting, to be held in trust for the Yearly meeting of Friends in Canada to be open'd in the year 1867.

Yonge Street Monthly Meeting informs this that on enquiry it appears that Benjamin Cody is clear of other marriage engagements, and the Consent of surviving parents having been obtained the parties are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage between this and other Monthly Meeting according to the order of our Society. Joshua N. Richardson and Gervas Cornell are appointed to attend the Marriage see that it is orderly conducted, forward the Certificate for Recording and Report

The necessary Care not having been taken as to Elizabeth Smith's certificate of Removal the Clerk is directed to have it done and Report to next meeting.

The preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders inform they are united in proposing to the Monthly Meeting the Consideration of appointing Richard Dale to the Station of an Elder, they having the Unity of the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders therein Robert Richardson Joseph Cody and Richard Collins are appointed to hear and Consider objections if any appear and Report

The preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders inform they are united in proposing for the Consideration of the Monthly Meeting the propriety of appointing Jane Dale to the Station of an Elder they having the unity of the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders therein. Peter Taylor and Robert Richardson are appointed to hear and Consider objections if any appear & Report.

This meeting Concluded to meet as usual next month in Maraposa.

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John Cruess, Gervas Cornell, Smith Clark and Thomas Reazin are appointed Representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Mtg and Report.

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Elias Powell's case is continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Moses Websters case is Continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in James Jones Terrill's case Report they visited him and found him desirous of Retaining his Right of Membership he is also in the practice of attending meetings and shows evidence of attachment to our principles, which is satisfactory he is therefore Retained a member amongst us. John S Cruess and Jacob Hoag are appointed to inform thereof and Report

No Report from the Clerk respecting the Returning minutes

Came from Maraposa preparative a Request to be Received into membership signed Elijah Hoag, Edward Rorke and Joseph Cody are appointed to visit him on account thereof and Report.

Maraposa Preparative, Reports they have forwarded to the Treasurer the balance of their portion of Money for the use of Canada Yearly meeting also for the Meeting house in Sydenham

This Meeting Concludes to meet as usual in Pickering

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Pickering 25<sup>th</sup>. of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1866**

[note it appears the minutes of the 10th month meeting was not entered in this book]

The names of the Representatives from Pickering being call'd were present, no report from Maraposa.

The Committee in Elias Powells case report the appointment answered

The Committee in Moses Websters case Report they visited him and believe him to be sincere in his Request and Convinced of Friends principles and that his life and conduct are consistent therewith, which being united with he is accordingly Received into membership with friends. Seth Wilson and Thomas Reazin are appointed to inform him thereof and Report.

No report from the Committee in James Jones Terrills case they are continued

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The clerk informs the Returning minutes are prepared and will be forwarded.

The Committee in Elijah Hoags case report they have visited him to good Satisfaction and believe him to be sincere in his request, with which this meeting unites if Peru Monthly Meeting Concur therein, the clerk is directed to write to that Meeting respecting it and Report.

The Women's Meeting inform they are united in Receiving into Membership with Friends Eleanor D Clark with which this Meeting unites believing the nescessary care has been taken in the case.

Women friends have handed in a certificate of Removal to Yonge Street Monthly Meeting for Hannah Jane Cody (formerly Reazin) with which this meeting unites

This Meeting concludes to meet as usual in Maraposa

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 8th of 11 month 1866**

The Representatives names being call'd were present

The Clerk and assistant being absent Joseph Cody is appointed Clerk and Smith Clarke assistant for the day,.

No Report from the Committee to inform Moses Webster of his Reception into Membership they are continued



The Committee in James Jones Terrills case Report the appointment answered  
The Clerk informs he has written to Peru Monthly Meeting but as yet has Received no answer

Came to this from Maraposa preparative a Request to be Received into Membership with friends signed Thomas Goouch, Wing Rogers and James Richardson are appointed to visit him on that account and Report

Was Received from New York Monthly Meeting a certificate of removal for Joseph Hunter. Joseph Cody and Joshua Richardson are appointed to make enquiry in the case and Report.

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next mo in Pickering

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering 12th mo 6th. 1866**

The Representatives names having been call'd they were present except one and a Reasonable excuse has been given for his absence

The Queries have been Read in this meeting with the Answers from the preparatives to the usual six a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly meeting, the advices have also been Read

1<sup>ans<sup>r</sup></sup> All our Meetings for Religious worship and discipline are attended, the hour pretty well observed not quite clear of unbecoming behaviour and some care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup>. Friends are preserved in love one towards another, if differences arise care is taken to end them, and friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as appears

3. We trust friends as endeavour to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian Religion as professed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins, they appear to be good Examples themselves in these Respects, and we believe friends do endeavour to guard their Children and all others under their care against corrupt Conversation and the Reading of pernicious books, yet there are some exceptions in Regard to plainness.

4<sup>th</sup> We do not Know but that friends are deligent in the Reading of the Holy Scriptures in their families Collectively

5. As far as we Know friends do avoid the use of distill'd spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion

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

Jacob Hoag Elijah W. Bostwick, James Richardson, and Joshua N. Richardson are appointed our Representatives to attend the Ensuing Quarterly Meeting and Report.

Friends of Peru Monthly inform us that they unite with Receiving Elijah Hoag into membership with friends, we therefore accept him as a member of our Society. Joshua Richardson and Jacob Hoag

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are appointed to inform him thereof and Report.



The Committee in the case Thomas Goouch Report they have attended to it but are not Ready to Report they are continued with Joshua N. Richardsons name added.

One of the Committee in Joseph Hunters case Report they have paid Some attention to it but not being ready to Report they are continued

Came to this from Pickering Preparative a complaint against Thomas Goouch Reazin for marrying a person not of our Society Gervas Cornell and Peter Taylor are appointed to visit him and Report.

Women friends inform they are united in accepting the Resign of Esther Sadler formerly Redman with which this meeting unites

The Representatives are directed to call on the Treasurer for whatever money may be in his hands for building Sydenham Meeting house, pay it to The Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting

This Meeting Concludes to meet next month in Maraposa

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Maraposa 1<sup>st</sup> month 10<sup>th</sup>. 1867.**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one

The Clerk and assistant being absent Joseph Cody was appointed clerk and Joshua N. Richardson assistant clerk for the day

The Representatives appointed to attend last Quarterly meeting not having Reported are continued.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to inform Elijah Hoag of his reception into membership with friends Report the appointment answerd

The Committee in the case of Thomas Goouch not being Ready to report are continued.

The Committee in Thomas G Reazins case Report they attended to the appointment and find that he is desirous of Retaining his Right of membership and he is in the practice of attending our Meetings, the above Report being satisfactory, the meeting is united in retaining him a member amongst us. Richard Dale and James Richardson are appointed to inform him thereof and Report.

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Women friends inform they are united in Receiving Phebe Jane and Mary Elizabeth Clark (minor daughters of Smith and Caroline Clark into membership with friends with which this meeting unites

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Joseph Hunters case Report "that on enquiry they find that he is in the habit of taking liquor to excess and he has wholly neglected the attendance of our meetings" it is concluded to lay it over for the Consideration of next meeting

The time for which the Overseers were appointed being expired Wing Rogers Clark Birchard, Moses Webster, Thomas Redman and Elijah Hoag are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of Suitable friends to serve as overseers and Report to next meeting, the present overseers are Continued also

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of the meeting in the 6th Con<sup>n</sup> not being Ready to Report they are continued.

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next month in Pickering.

## **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Pickering 19 of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1867**

The Representatives names being calld were present except one

The Queries have been Read in this Meeting with the Answers from the preparatives a summary of which as follows is directed to the Quarterly Meeting the advices have also been read

1<sup>st</sup> Ans<sup>r</sup>. Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and discipline, the hour nearly observed not quite clear of unbecoming behaviour and some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup>. Friends appear to be preserved in love one towards another 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>rd</sup> Friends do endeavour to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian Religion as profess'd by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins Most friends are good examples themselves in these respects and discourage

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To guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the Reading of pernicious books, and care taken

4<sup>th</sup>. We believe friends are diligent in the Reading of the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5<sup>th</sup>. Friends do avoid the use of distill'd spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as we know

6<sup>th</sup>. The Circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to Require assistance are duly inspected and Relief is seasonably afforded, they are advised and assisted in Suitable employments, and their children and all others under our care are properly instructed for the ordinary duties of life

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of Complying with military Requisitions or of paying any fine or tax instead thereof

8<sup>th</sup> We believe friends are just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements, And are carefull to conduct their business as becomes our Religious profession, and when any give occasion for fear on these accounts they are timely labour'd with for their preservation and Recovery

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

Thomas Reazin Elihu Rogers Peter Taylor and Joseph Cody are appointed our Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Report.

The Committee in the case of Thomas Gooch Report they attended to the appointment and believe him to be sincere in his Request and is a steady attender of our meetings, with which this meeting unites, the clerk is directed to correspond with the Monthly Meeting of Waterford Ireland by which meeting he was disowned, to Know if they have any objection to offer.

The Committee in Thomas G. Reazins case not being Ready to report is continued

Women friends inform they are united in Receiving Caroline Clark into membership with us, with which this meeting unites.

Joseph Hunters case is again laid over for further consideration

The Committee to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve as overseers have proposed Thomas Reazin and Richard Dale for

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Pickering and Smith Clarke and Joshua N. Rivchardson for Maraposa which being seperately considered are united with and they are appointed to that station the ensuing year

Part of the Committee to the oversight of the meeting in the 6<sup>th</sup>. Concession Report they attended to the appointment and did not see but that the meeting was orderly conducted and that it would be Right to grant them a further indulgence it being their Request, with which this Meeting unites. Gervas Cornell and Thomas Reazin are appointed in Conjunction with a Committee of women friends to have the oversight of that meeting and Report in 6<sup>th</sup> mo next

This Meeting concludes to meet in Maraposa next month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Maraposa 3 mo 7<sup>th</sup> 1867**

The Representatives names being call'd were present except one.

The Clerk and assistant being absent Joseph Cody was appointed Clerk and Joshua Richardson assistant for the day

One of the Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Reports they attended but not having produced the Extracts from the Minutes of that meeting they are continued

The Clerk informs that he has written to Waterford Monthly Meeting in Thomas Goouch's case

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in Thomas G Reazins case Report the appointment answer'd

Joseph Hunters case is again laid over for the consideration of another meeting

Came to this from Maraposa preparative a Request Signed by Jacob and Mary Ann Hoag for the Reception of their minor son Elijah W<sup>m</sup>. Hoag into membership with friends with which this meeting unites

The Committee to the oversight of funerals and care of friends burial grounds not being Ready to Report are Continued to Report next month.

This meeting concludes to meet as usual next mo in Pickering

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Pickering the 11 of 4 mo 1867**

The Representative having been call'd two were absent

By the Extracts from the Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting the subordinate are directed to raise their proportions of a further sum which shall make (in addition to that already raised) \$4800 and pay it to the Treasurer of the Com<sup>tee</sup> as soon as practicable report. the London Yearly Meeting Epistles are directed to be distributed

The Com<sup>tee</sup> in Joseph Hunters case Report that having attended to their appointment in his case they are of the opinion that owing to his Conduct and conversation not being consistent

with the principles of our Society it would be best to Return the Certificate to the meeting which issued it. the Clerk is directed to forward it also a copy of the foregoing minute

Women friends inform they are united in Receiving Mary Angela Hoag into membership with us, with which this meeting unites believing the necessary care has been taken in the Case.

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to the oversight of funerals and care of Friends burial grounds not being Ready to Report is continued

The time for which the Clerk and assistant were appointed being nearly expired Eliud Chapman and James Richardson are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of two friends to serve in that capacity the ensuing year

Came to this from Pickering preparative a complaint against Gervas Cornell Jr for marrying a person not a member of our Society Peter Taylor and James Richardson are appointed to visit on account thereof and Report.

This Meeting concludes to meet as usual next mo in Maraposa.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Maraposa 5 mo 9th. 1867**

The Representatives are present except one

The Clerk and assistant being absent Joseph Cody was appointed clerk and Joshua N Richardson assistant for the day.

The Clerk not having Reported in the case of Joseph Hunter he is continued to attend to it

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The Committee to the oversight of funerals and care of Friends burying grounds not having reported are continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to bring forward the names of two friends to serve as clerk and assistant to this meeting not having done so are continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. in the case of Gervas Cornell Jr. not being ready to report are continued

The Com<sup>tee</sup>. to collect accounts of Births and Deaths are continued

Information has been Received from Waterford Monthly Meeting (Ireland) stating that is cause of satisfaction to them that Thomas Gooch has applied to be Received in Membership with friends and that nothing appears there to hinder his Reception, he is therefore Received as a member amongst us Joshua N. Richardson and Joseph Cody are appointed to inform him thereof and Report.

Women friends inform they are united in Receiving Harriet S Cody into Membership with friends with which this meeting concurs.

This meeting Concludes to meet at Pickering at the Usual time next month

### **Pickering Monthly meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 5th of 6th month 1867**

The representatives being called 2 were present

The Committee appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve this meeting as Clerk and assistant, propose Richard Dale for Clerk and Edward Cornell for

assistant which being separately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year

Our Esteemed Friend Harvy Derbyshire attended this Meeting with a certificate of Unity and concurrence from Salem Monthly Meeting of Friends Iowa, and Endorsed by Salem Quarterly Meeting held at Salem 5th mo 11th 1867 liberating him for religious Service in Canada whose Gospel Labours have been acceptable and Edifying to us.

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On the 6th of 11th Month 1862 as recorded in tho; meeting book Page 238 a Certificate of removal was recieved from Dublin Monthly Meeting Ireland on behalf of Amelia Greer dated 12th Month 1860 but returned as she could not be found at the time by our committee. Taken from the record of Pickering Mo Meeting Canada by Richard Dale Recorder PS the length of time near two years from the date of your issue to the time of our receiving it, may be explained by saying that it remained a long time at West Lake where

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it was first recieved They not knowing where to send it and our Committee were also unsuccesfull in finding her at the time. The certificate was forwarded through the correspondents to Dublin Meetg in 11th Mo: 1862.

Richard Dale

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Came to this Meeting by way of Mariposa preparative a request to be recieved, into Membership with us, signed Samuel Reazin, Wing Rodgers and James Richardson, are appointed to Visit him and report next meeting.

No report from the Clerk in Joseph Hunters case.

The Committee in Care of Friends Burial grounds and Oversight of Funerals are continued to report next Month

The Committee appointed to Visit Gervas Cornell report that they have visited him and find him desirous of being continued a member and that his Conduct and conversation corresponds therewith, this Meeting therefore retains him in membership with our religious society, Thomas Reazin and Seth Wilson are appointed to inform him thereof.

The committee on births and deaths are continued.

This meeting believing it right to appoint a few friends to take the charge of our Meeting houses, and attend at the doors during the different sittings of our approaching Yearly meeting, appoint Elijah W Bostwick Joseph Dale, Joshua n Richardson, Christopher Dale, William Richardson and William T Dale, to said service.

Moses Webster and Thomas Reazin are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting and report

This meeting concludes to meet as usual at Mariposa next Month.

### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Mariposa the 11th of 7th mo 1867**

The Representatives names from Mariposa being called one is present

No Minutes from Pickering Preparative are produced.

One of the representatives to our last Q<sup>r</sup> Meeting reports They attended

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Our Esteemed Friends; Stephan Cartland a Minister from Durham Mo: meeting State of Maine Thomas Grover from Smithfield monthly meeting Edward C. Young from Goshen Mo Meeting Ohio, and Eliza H Varney from West Lake Mo Meeting, all Ministers, with Satisfactory Credentials from thier friends at home; whose Company and Gospel labours amongst us have been Satisfactory and Edifying, accompanied also by our Esteemed Friends, Thomas E Grover, Charles Lowder Ohio, and Catherine Slater West Lake whose Company has been acceptable The Clerk is directed to Furnish the above named Friends from other Yearly Meetings with Returning Minutes

One The Committee to Visit Samuel Reazin on his request to be recieved into Membership report They have visited him and believe him to be sincere in his request and convinced of friends principles also his life and conversation are Consistant therewith. This Meeting is united in recieved him a Member of our religious Society and appoints Smith Clark and Joseph Cody to inform him Thereof

Richard Dale and Joseph Cody are appointed to fulfill the directions of this meeting the 4rh Mo last in Joseph Hunters Case.

The Committee to the Oversight of funerals and care of Friends burial grounds report the appointment attended too: They are released and Joshua Richardson, Clark Birchard, Thomas Reazin and James Richardson, are appointed to that service for one year.

The Committee on Births and Deaths are continued.

The Committee to inform Gervas Cornell of the Meetings conclusion in his case report appt Answered

This Meetg Concludes to meet at Pickering as usual next Month

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### **Pickering Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Pickering the 8th of 8th month 1867**

The representatives names being called three are presant

Our Esteemed Friends, Edward C Young, from Goshen monthly meeting Ohio, Eliza P Varney and her Companion Catherine Taylor from West Lake are again with us whose Company and Gospel labours have been Satisfactory.

Joseph Hunters case is laid over for the consideration of next Meeting

A Certificate of removal has been recieved and accepted, from New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of John and Sarah Wright which the Clerk is directed to acknowledge to said meeting and return the certificate to the recorder

A Certificate of removal has also been recieved from Norwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Edmund and Hannah Wright with thier four minor Children Viz Phebe Jane, William V.

Geraldean, and Albert Edmund, which is accepted and directed to be acknowledged and recorded

The Committee on Births and deaths report thier appointment attended too they are released and Seth Wilson and Clarkson Rodgers are appointed in connexion with two Friends to be named in Mariposa next month Valentine Dale, and Samuel Reazin to said service for one year.

Came to this meeting by way of Mariposa preparative a request to be recieved into membership signed William Clark, James Richardson and Thomas Reazin are appointed to Visit him and report

Also one through the same Channel Signed Gervas Johnson Gervas Cornell and John Cruess are app<sup>td</sup> to Visit Him and report.

The Committee in Samuel Reazins Case report the service performed  
This Meetg Concludes to meet as usual at Mariposa

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We have been favoured to transact Various duties of this yearly meeting in much love and harmony and the Salutary advice and Counsel of our dear friends from a distance has been truly helpful and encourageing.

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Dear Friends

We are once more favoured to Meet again at our Annual assembly and read the many valuable Epistles from the different Yearly Meetings on this Continent (two excepted) also one from England and Ireland, all of which are contain much Valuable Advice Instruction and encouragement, that has been reviving and Cheering to many drooping Spirits, and we feel once more to Salute you as bretheren in that love which casteth out all fear and is the true badge of Christian decipleship

We have at this time been favoured with the presence of a number of ministers from the different Yearly Meetg on this Continent whose faithfull Gospel labours amongst us we unitedly believe has been blessed to many hearts, as also the excellent advice and labours of love through the different sittings of a many other valuable friends from other Yearly Meetings together with the solemnity which hath from time to time been spread over our meetings and manifested its self in a particular manner by many of our younger members has tended to strengthen our belief that Great Head of the Church is still Hovering around us and loudly calling us to be His immediate followers and Sheep His fold. The Concern for the promotion and maintainence of first day schools and the Distribution of Tracts Appears to be growing amongst us and junior members are manifesting a lively interest therein



We have been much Gratified and Interested in your report and labours, respecting the education of Freedmen amongst you as also the establishment of your agricultural department amongst them and we doubt not but that your labours of love will be blessed by Him who hath declared that He that giveth a cup of cold water to the Cast of these my deciples in my name shall not lose his reward

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