

Canada Half Yearly Meeting 1810 - 1855

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By 1810 the Quaker community in Upper Canada had grown to the point where New York Yearly Meeting and Philadelphia Yearly Meeting agreed to establish the amalgamation of Pelham, Yonge St. and West Lake Monthly meetings under the new Canada Half Yearly Meeting. The CHYM had the powers of a Quarterly Meeting under New York Yearly Meeting. The location of the meeting was to alternate between West Lake and Yonge St. This book continued in the hands of the Hicksite Quakers after the separation of 1828.

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Persuant to a request, unitedly issued, from Adolphus, Yongstreet, and Pelham Monthly meetings, To Philadelphia, and New York, Yearly meetings, suggesting the propriety of their being united, and meeting twice in each year, in the capacity of a Quarterly meeting, & C. And agreeable to the conclusion, and direction, of said Yearly meetings, friends of those Monthly meetings respectively, now convened, at West Lake, in the capacity of a half year meeting. This 31st day of 1st month 1810, Together with a Committee from New York Yearly meeting who were appointed to attend the opening of said meeting, And produced the following minutes (That is)

Yearly meeting in New York, 5th mo 1809, It is concluded that a meeting be established in Canada, composed of the Monthly meetings of Adolphus, Yongstreet, and Pelham, Vested, with the authority of a Quarterly Meeting, to be held twice a year, as proposed by the two yearly meetings (that is) New York and Philadelphia, who by their committees visited those several meetings, and to be established as follows (that is) At West Lake the 4th day of the week, following the last first day in the first month. The Select meeting the day proceeding - And at Yongstreet the 4th day of the week the last first day, in the 8th month. To be called Canada half years meeting. And to become a branch of this Meeting and to be opened in the first month next.

The names of the committees from New York being called, four of them were present, and one from Philadelphia.

The names of the representatives from our several Monthly meetings Aaron White, Jacob Cronk and others who being Called air present -

The consideration of a Clerk coming before the meeting and Amos Armitage being named is united with and appointed thereto for one Year.

The Queries were all read in this meeting together with the answers thereto now received from our several monthly meetings which being carefully attended to a summary thereof is as follows (that is) -

First answer - Our meetings are all attended, altho -

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A slackness hath appeared in some, the hour nearly observed Yet sometimes it hath been out of season with some, Not Clear of sleeping, Nearly clear of other unbecoming behaviour therein as far as appears some care said to be taken in the above deficiencies -

2nd Love and unity are maintained amongst the most of us as becomes brethren, tho Some are not clear of talebearing, backbiting and of spreading evil reports, and some care extended, When differences have arisen care hath been taken to end them

3rd Most friends appear in good measure careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel though departures from plainness is manifest amongst many, The holy scriptures is frequently read (we believe) in friends families, We know of no pernicious books amongst us, The corrupt conversation of the world not sufficiently guarded against by some and some care taken in each deficiency -

4th Most friends appear careful to avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous liquers, frequenting of taverns and places of diversion altho one meeting says some are in the practice of using spirituous Liquers to liberaly in their families as medicine and otherwise and care extended, Moderation and temperance generally observed at Marriages birth and burials -

5th It dont appear but that they are advised and assisted in such business as they are capable of, and their children in some way to get school learning in order to fit them for business

6th No friends children placed contrary to discipline - As to learning in our present situation, some children do not receive as Suficiently -

7th Clear in the several parts of this query, except some instances of going out in marriage and under care -

8th Clear of takiung oathes, paying Priests wagers, bareing arms, and other military service And of being concern'd in ilegal trade, of lotteries and of dealing in prized goods, Except one Instance of attending a training which is under care -

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9th Some are careful to make their wills seasonably though the neglect is apparent in many, No misapplication of public gifts or legacies

10th Most friends appear careful in performing their promises and in paying their just debts seasonably though some dificiency on those accounts and some care taken, as also with those that give reasonable grounds to fear they are launching into business beyond their abilities to manage as becomes our religious profession -

11th Some gone and some come without certificates and under care

12th We believe care is taken to deal with offenders measureably in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline altho one meeting says instances of delays have occured -

13th They are -

A proposition was now recieved from Yongstreet Monthly meeting Informing that they have had under consideration the propriety of establishing a meeting for worship and a preparitive meeting at Queenstreet and now suggest the propriety thereof to this meeting Proposing that the meeting for worship be held on first and third days of each week except the third day of the week proceeding the monthly meeting, and that the preparitive be holden on third day of the week preceeding the week of the Monthly meeting

The Subject claimed the consideration of this meeting and after friends communicated their prospects resulted in a belieaf that it was right to seperate a committee to unite with a committee of Women friends to visit that meeting and take the different circumstances relative thereto into consideration and inform next meeting the result of their deliberations. To which service the following friends are seperated (that is) Jacob Cronkhite, James Noxon, Cornelious Blunt, William Shotwell, Isaac Phillips and John Dorland

The Monthly meeting of Yongstreet inform that Two Hundred and Forty three pounds Eleven shilling and sixpence halfpenny N York currency has been taken by distrant in lue of military requitionsm, And that eight friends have duffered each one months imprisionment on the same account -

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The monthly meeting of Pelham suggest to the consideration of this, The propriety of friends accepting lands from Government under and by virtue of the Proclamation in such cases granted to U. E. Loyalists which with the proof it requires being considered a brake of our discipline - The subject claimed the deliberate attention of this meeting and as it was felt to be a matter that required careful and mature consideration it was thought most adviseable to seperate a committee to take the subject into due consideration and indeavour to inform themselves as far as they may be enabled, the true state of the case, and inform next meeting their sense thereon, To which service the following friends are seperated (to wit, Timothy Rogers, Amos Armitage, John Dorland, William White, Hugh McMullen, Samuel Taylor, Joel Haight, Isaac Philips, David Wilson, Edward Barker and William Shotwell

Friends of Yongstreet Monthly meeting conveyed to this in writing a scruple of the propriety of friends bauing [buying?] the Clergy reserves which some have done - The subject is refered to the careful consideration and inspection of the above committee who are advised to report thereon to our next meeting

This Meeting being informed that the select members belonging to Yong street and Pelham monthly meetings hath not heartofore been authorized when met in the capacity of a prepartive meeting to prepare answers to the Queries and forward them to a superior meeting of which they were members and the subject coming under consideration and friends expressing their prospects there on conclude it would be right for them in future, the Select members of those meeting respectively to meet in the capacity of a preparitive meeting, read answer the Quer4ies keep records of their proceedings and forward their accounts that concern the select half years meeting there to

William Shotwell, Ichabod Bowerman, Jacob Cronk, Isaac Philips and John Done, Are appointed to attend our ensuing Yearly meeting with the accounts from this and report produceing such business as may be directed down -

We now adjourn to meet at Yonge Street the 4 day day of the week following the last first day in 8 month Next -

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At Canada half years Meeting held at Yongstreet 29th of 8th mo 1810

The representitives from our several monthly meetings, to attend the service of this, are Cornelious Blunt, and others, Whose names being called were all present except two.

The representitives to our last Yearly meeting, Report that two of their number attended, And produced extracts from said meeting with 324 Copies of the London printed Epistle; One of which was read to our satisfaction, And our representitives are requested to apportion them to our several Monthly meetings -

Said Extracts are as follows -

At a Yearly meeting held at New York by adjournments from the 28th of 5th month to the 2nd of 6 month 1810 Inclusive

The meeting taking into consideration the propriety of making an appointment to attend the approaching half years meeting in Canada, after a time of deliberation it appeared to be the sense thereof that such a step would probably be usefull, ~~The following friends~~ the following friends are appointed to the service, and desired to report thereon next year, (that is) Samuel Willis, Whitehead Hicks, Joseph Talcot, Caleb Maccumber, Stephen Gerllit, Thomas Roach, Elias Hickee and David Sands,

The meeting having compleated the revision of the discipline, has placed it under the care of the meeting for sufferings to be printed, and they are to forward a copy thereof to each of our men and Womens meetings for discipline, and our Quarterly meetings are directed to forward to the meeting for suffering all the books of discipline now in use which are in the posession of said meetings or of any of their Subordinate Meetings and report thereon next year

Agreeably to the reports of the committee appointed to examine the Treasurs accounts, the meeting concludes that the sum of five hundred dollars be raised the present year, And our quarterly meetings are requested to rais their respective quotas thereof and forward to the Treasurer of this meeting -

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Agreeably to the proposeal of the Committee appointed to the superintandance of the boarding School at Ninepartners, the meeting concluded that the interest on the Permanant fund for the board and tuition of the children of friends in low circumstances be offered the present year to the following Meetings (That is) one third to Stanford Quarterly Meeting, and two thirds to Canada half Year's meeting - Extracted from the minute of said meeting

Ritchard Mott Clerk -

By the extracts it appears that the Yearly meeting hast appointed a committee to attend this meeting, who haveing their names called two were present

It also appears by said extracts that the Yearly meeting hath given two thirds of the Interest of the Permanant fund belonging to the bording school in Ninepartners for the boarding and tuition of the children of friends in low circumstances, To this meeting for the present Year - Jacob Cronk, Aaron White, Daniel Haight, Samuel Hughs, William Done, Amos Armitage, Joshua Guilham, Nathaniel Potter, and William Shotwell, To take charge of the donation, And indeavour to find such children as may be likely to be benifitted thereby and forward them to that school, and report their care to our Next meeting.

The Queries ware read in this meeting with answers to the usial six from our several Monthly meetings which are in substance as follows -

First answer - All our meetings for worship and discipline are attended by friends generally, although some are deficient in that necessary duty and one meeting mentions more particularly so in the middle of the week, The hour nearly observed, Not all clear of sleeping in meetings and one meeting notices some instances of unbecomeing behaviour therein and some care taken in the deficiencies mentioned

^{2nd} Love and unity are in a good degree maintained amongst most of our members, though one meeting says not so fully as is desired, and two meeting remark that all

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are not clear of detraction and one mentions care therein, care appears to be taken to end differences when they appear -

3rd It is believed that friends are generally in a good degree careful to keep themselves in plainness, And to use endeavours to preserve their children therein, Though a departure there from is too manifest in many of our Youth, both in speech and apparel Its believed that the scriptures of truth are frequently read in most friends families, and pernicious books avoided, one meeting mentions that the corrupt conversation of the world is too prevalent with some and some care extended

4th - It dont appear but friends are careful in regard to the unnecessary use of spirituious liquers and where it appears otherwise some care has been taken. Clear of frequenting tavern and places of diversion as far as appears and a good degree of moderation and temperance is observed at Marriages births and burials. -

10th Some are deficient in performing their promises and in the seasonable payment of their just debts and some care extended Clear in the other parts as far as appears

12th A good degree of care is taken to deal with offenders Seasonably in meekness and agreeably to discipline -

The Committee appointed to visit the meeting at Queenstreet relative to the establishment of a meeting for worship and a preparitive meeting at that place Report That some of them attended to the service and believe it would be right to continue that meeting under the care of a committee till our next half years meeting Which being united with and they continued with the adition of Thomas Linvill, Amos Hughs and James Star, Who are desired to report to next meeting

The friends appointed to take into consideration the nature and propriety of the case brought from Pelham monthly meeting - Produced the following Report

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We of the committee have attended to the appointment and after carefully inspecting into the nature of the case brought from Pelham monthly meeting, we give it as our united belieaf that no member of our religious society can consistant with our principles receive or accept of such lands or other rewards whatever from Government as is given for actual service in war or for aiding or assisting therein Signed by David Wilson, Amos Armitage, William Shotwell, Timothy Rogers, Isaac Philips, Edward Barker, Samuel Taylor, Hugh McMullen -

The above report being read and united with and a copy thereof directed to Pelham monthly meeting -

The friends appointed to take into consideration the nature and propriety of friends leasing the Clergy reserved Reported as follows (That is) We of the committee haveing carefully attended to our appointment and are all united in believeing that it is inconsistant with our religious principles for any members of our religious society to Lease lands that is Set apart

or reserved by Government for the sold use and maintainance of a protestant Clergy - Signed David Wilson, Amos Armitage, William Shotwell Timothy Rogers, Isaac Philips Edward Barker, Samuel Taylor and Hug McMullen,

The above report being read is united with and the monthly meetings to be informed thereof

The friends of Pelham monthly meeting conveyed to this in writing the propriety of their holding their meetings for discipline in future in a seperate capacity The meeting takeing the subject into consideration and haveing the concurrence of the Womens meeting therein is united with and they they in future directed to hold their meetings for discipline Men and women seperate, and a copy of this minute to be forwarded to that meeting

This meeting received a minute from Yongstreet monthly meeting proposeing to our consideration the

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Propriety of forwarding a request to the Yearly meeting for our discipline to be reconsidered relative to spirituuous liquers But as the revised discipline is now recieved and does manifest consideration thereon this meeting defers it for the present and the representatives are desired to inform that monthly meeting thereof -

By a minute from the meeting for Sufferings it appears That that meeting by its Committee has forwarded to this meeting twenty two copies of the revised book of disapline for the use of this ~~and its~~ and its subordinate meetings and requests that all the old books be sent to the care of John Murny Jun^r Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting - Therefore our Clerk is directed to forward the old Old Book belonging to this and the womens half years meeting - And our monthly meetings are also desired to forward their old Books and those from their Preparitives agreeable to said direction and report thereon to our next meeting - And our representitives are desired to apportion the said revised copies to our several monthly meetings.

We now adjourn untill the usial time to be held at west Lake

At Canada half Years Meeting held at west Lake the 30th of the 1st month 1811 -

The time for which the Clerk was appointed to serve this meeting being expired After solid consideration thereon this meeting reappoints the same friend to that service for the insueing year

The representitives from our several monthly meetings being called were all present except two And reasons given for their absence

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The Queries being read in this meeting, with the answers braught up from our several monthly meetings A summary whereof is insubstance as follows - Which is directed to be forwarded to the insueing Yearly meeting

1st Answer - All our meetings are kept up, the hour nearly observed altho many are negligent in attending them, especially on week days, Not all clear of sleeping therein, and a restless disposition appears in some in our meetings for discipline in the above particulars some care has been extended -

2nd - We believe love and unity in a good degree, subsists amongst us though a contrary disposition appears in some, of which care is taken, When differances become known endeavours are used to end them And most friends avoid and discourage tale bareing and detraction -

3rd Friends are mostly careful to keep themselves in plainness and are using their indeavours to train up their own and other friends children under their care in plainness agreeable to the contents of this query Altho a departure from it is manifest in some and care taken, We beleieve the scriptures of truth are frequently read in most families -

4th It is beleived that friends generally do avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous liquors, one meeting says some use it to large quantities under the name of medicine and otherwise, and care extended, none to charge with frequenting taverns, One instance of attending at a place of diversion which is under care -

5th The circumstances of the poor has been inspected and some relieaf afforded them, Some of their children are not in so good a way to git learning as is wished for but under care

6th We have none to charge with a breach of this query, except three instances of Keeping company on account of marriage which hath been advised against -

7th We believe friends are clear of complying with millitary requisitions excepting two cases which is under care -

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8th A dificiency in performing of promises and payment of just debts is not suficiently attended to by some and one of our members hath launched into business beyond his ability to manage to whom timely care has been extended -

9th We beleieve a good degree of care rests on the minds of friends to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to discipline -

10th The answers forwarded from this meeting, are the substance of and founded on the answers from the preparative meetings

The friends appointed at last meeting to forward Children to the boarding school at Ninepartners - Report that they have fitted two to be forwarded to that school - (That is) Thomas Brown and Margerit Potter - With which this meeting unites And directs the clerk to forward a copy of this to the superintendent of that School -

The committee appointed in the case of Queenstreet Report that they have attended to the appointment and in takeing the different circumstances relative to their request into view - do give it as their Judgment that it would not be expedient to grant their request at this time though they are united in believeing it would be right to allow them to hold a meeting for worship as heartofore under the care of a committee to be appointed by Yonge street monthly meeting - After a time of soled delibration thereon and haveing the unity of the women this meeting unites

therewith and requests the care and necessary care and information of that Monthly meeting to our next half year meeting

Adolphus monthly meeting informs that they are united in believeing that a benifit might arise if friends at Green Point were allowed to hold a meeting for worship at that place The meeting takeing the subject into soled consideration and haveing the unity of the Women this meeting unites therewith and requests the care and necessary information of that monthly meeting to our next half years meeting -

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A concern was spread before this meeting respecting the propriety of friends holding their monthly meetings at Adolphus and west Lake The meeting appeared united in selecting the following friends (That is), Samuel Hughs, William Reid, Timothy Rogers, Thomas Linvill, Hosea Eddy, David Wilson, Samuel Taylor, & James Starr, To unite with a committee of Women friends and to inquire into the present situation of holding their monthly meetings and report their sense respecting whether it may not be right for an alteration -

We Now adjourn to meet tomorrow at ten Oclock

31st of 1st month 1811 Friends being met according to adjournment

The representitives being called were present as yesterday except one

Six of the Committee appointed to inspect into the present situation of friends holding their monthly meetings at adolphus and west lake - Report that they have attended to the service and are united in believeing that it would be of religious usefulness for the monthly meeting of Adolphus to be held alternately at Adolphus and West Lake - Which this meeting unites with And directs that in future they Answer the Queries in the first, fourth, Seventh, and Tenth months and directs a copy of this minute to that Monthly meeting -

No information from our monthly meetings respecting forwarding the old books of disciline as directed by the meeting for sufferings They are dyrected to report thereon to our next meeting

A concern arose in this meeting respecting the

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Propriety of the monthly meetings of Yonge street and Pelham allowing preparetive meetings to be held under the care of committees It is the sense of this meeting that such indulgances is contrary to our present discipline - But that such meetings for worship as are already allowed by the said monthly meetings, be continued - under the care of committees untill our next half years meeting The Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to Yonge street and Pelham Monthly meetings

This meeting appoints Edward Barker, Jonathan Bowerman, Joseph Leavens, William Christy, Peter Becket and Samuel Taylor To attend the insueing Yearly meeting as our

representatives with such business from this as is directed thereto and Report producing such business as may be handed down

We now adjourn to meet at Yongestreet at the usial time

At Canada Holf years meeting held at Yonge Street the 28th day of the 8th mo 1811 -

The representative from our several Monthly Meeting to attend the service of this meeting are Judea Bowerman and others, Whose names being calld ware present except two and they prevented by Indesposition -

Two of the friends appointed to attend our last yearly meeting Inform that four of them attended and produced the extracts from said meeting, also a number of the London printed Epistles one of which being read to our Satisfaction, Our representative are desired to apportion them to our respective monthly meetings

The extracts are as follows

At our Yearly Meeting held in Newyork by adjournments from the 27th to the 30th of the 5 m^o 1811 inclusive -

The Quarterly Meetings of Westbury, Purchase, Easton, and Ferisburgh, Report, that the

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Old books of discipline have been collected and forwarded as directed, The other meetings are desired to report here in next year

The committee to receive the Quotas as heartofore settled on the Quarterly meeting, Reported, That they thought it right to propose to this meeting, That when money is to be raised by direction of this meeting or the meeting for sufferings, That of one hundred dollors,

Westbury Quarter raise	27\$
Purchase	22
Ninepartners	19
Easton	10
Stanford	10
Ferrisburg	6
Canada	2
Farmington	4

And in the same proportion with other sums, Which was concurred with, and our quarterly meetings desired to proceed accordingly -

The committee to examine the Treasurers accounts - Proposed that Seven hundred and fifty dollors be be [sic] raised the present year and placed in the hands of this meetings treasurer, Which was concurred with and our Quarterly meeting are directed to raise that sum agreeably to the above Quota and pay it to the treasurer accordingly -

Agreeably to the proposeal of the committee to the superintendance of the boarding School at Nine partners it was concluded that the Interest on the parmanant fund be offered for the present year to the Quarterly meeting of Stanford and the half years meeting of Canada in equil proportion -

It haveing been observed that owing to a misapprehention

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In some of the Quarterly meetings of the former conclusions of this meeting Relative to posts of honor and profit in the Government, Reports have not been braught forward on that subject so generally as usial, It was concluded to the request the Quarterly meetings to report here on next year in order that this meeting may be furnished with the necessary information on the subject

It was also concluded that in that article of discipline which relates to Civil Government in page 102 The following words "nor his collections" be aded after the words "service in the church, The Quarterly meetings are requested to have the alterations made in all the copies belonging unto them and their subordinate men and womens meetings -

Extracted from the minutes

Ritchard Mott Clerk -

Pelham Monthly Informs that Jeremiah Moore has Notified them of his intention of appealing to the Half years meeting from their Judgement against him, and they have appointed, Hosea Eddy, Nathaniel Potter, Isaac Wilson and Thomas Rice to attend this meeting with copies of the minutes of their proceedings in his case; And he attending at this time in order to procicute his appeal, This meeting appoints Gilbert Dorland, Daniel Haight, Cornelious Blunt, Stephen Bowerman, Amos Hughs, Thomas Linvill, Lewis Powel, David Wilson William Ried, Murdic McLoad, Isaac Webb, Isaac Wiggins, William Cuningham, Samuel Hughs, To take the subject into careful and delibirate consideration and Report

The Queries being read in this meeting and the answers to the usial five from our respective monthly meetings a sumery where of is as follows

First answer - All our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended altho sorrowful deficiencies in these respects noted, the hour in a good degree observed

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The hour in a good degree observed, some instances of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour appears, Some care said to be taken in the above deficiencies

2nd It is belieaved that love and unity are in a good degree maintained as becomes bretheren, altho a departure therefrom is obvious in some, when differances hath arrison, care hath been taken to end them, It is also belieaved that friends are mostly in a good degree careful to avoid and discourage tale bareing and detraction -

3rd It appears that most friends are in a good degree careful to keep themselves in plainness and to train up their children in a religious life, neglects have been menifested, and some care taken, The scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families, and some care appears to have been taken toards other under their care in these respects -

4th We believe most friends avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous liquors frequenting of taverns and of attending at places of diversion, Excepting some are said to be using Spirits unnecessary and some care taken -

9th It appears that friends are in a good degree careful to deal with offenders seasonably and we trust in the spirit of meekness measureably agreeably to discipline -

By the minutes from Yonge street Monthly meeting it appears that they have taken the necessary care in the case of Queen street Meeting and they are united in proposing to the consideration of this meeting, the Establishment of a meeting for worship and a preparitive meeting at that place, After takeing the subject into deliberate consideration and haveing the unity and concurance of the women therein this meeting unites and approves the same and derects that meeting to take the necessary care and report to our next meeting -

By the extracts from the Yearly meeting now

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Received it appears that the committee to examine the Treasurers accounts proposed that Seven hundred and fifty dollors be raised the present year and placed in his hands which was concured with and the Quarterly meetings directed to raise the same agreeable to the present Quotas of which Canada half Years meeting pays two dollors on every hundred dollors directed to be raised and pay to the treasurer, This meeting appoints Judea Bowerman, Daniel Haight, James Noxon, Gilbert Dorland, John Doan, John Dunham, Amos Armitage, Isaac Wilson, Nathaniel Potter and Hosea Eddy, To apportion the same on our respective monthly meetings and report -

We now adjourn to meet tomorrow at the tenth hour -

29th of 8th mo 1811 Friends met nearly agreeable to adjournment

The representitives being called ware present as yesterday -

In the accounts braught up from Adolphus monthly meeting it appears that meeting is united in belieaveing it right to propose to the consideration of this, The establishment of a meeting for worship and a preparitive meeting at Jacob Cronks (Green Point) The preparitive meeting to be held on the second fifth day in each month, After takeing the subject into consideration and haveing the unity of the women, this meeting concurs therewith and directs that monthly meeting to take the necessary therein and report to our next meeting -

In the accounts braught up from Pelham Monthly meeting it appears that they have beleived it right to propose to the consideration of this meeting the establishment of a meeting [sic] of a meeting for worship and a preparitive meeting at Willink - Which this meeting takeing into soled consideration believes it right that a meeting for worship only be allowed at that place as heartofore under the care of a committee to be appointed by Pelham monthly meeting untill our next half years meeting and then that meeting to report their care therein -

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The committees in the case of Jeremiah Moores Appeal braught in the following repo[r]t (That is) To the half years meeting now sitting - We the committee on the appeal of Jeremiah Moore, haveing given attention to the subject and after carefully examined into the proceedings

of the monthly together with the committee in his case, and also he and the appellant on his own behalf, and upon diliberate consideration thereon, We agree to report, that the proofs aqllagd against Jeremiah altho he may stand on the U. E. List are not suficient in our Judgement to confirm the judgement of the monthly meeting against him for receiveing of his lands for any service in war Either directly or in directly Signed by Isaac Wiggans, Thomas Linvill, Lewis Powell Cornelious Blunt, William Cuningham, Stephen Bowerman Daniel Haight, Gilbert Dorland, Murdic McLeod, John^d Hughs David Wilson, Amos Hughs and William Reid -

The above report being read is united with and Pelham Monthly meeting to be informed thereof - and John Doan, Judea Bowerman, Samuel Hughs, Cornelious Blunt, David Wilson and Daniel Hairght are appointed to take a solid oppertunity with Jeremiah and inform him of the result of this meeting in his case

The committee appointed to apportion the present Quotas on our respective monthly meetings Report, as their Sense that when two Dollors on the Hundread are to be raised by this meeting - Adolphus monthly meeting pay four shillings Yonge street four shillings and Pelham two shillings Hallifax Currency and so in proportion either in a greater or lessor sum which this meeting unites with and directs a copy of this minute to our respective monthly meetings, and they are desired to rase their quotas and forward the same to our next half years meeting

By the extracts from the yearly meeting now received -

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It appears that the Quarterly meetings are requested to insert a small adition in all their books of discipline as is pointed out in the extract, This meeting appoints Daniel Haight Jonathan Bowerman, William Reid, Nathaniel Pearson, Isaac Wilson, Thomas Rice and Nathaniel Potter to insert the addition agreeable to directions in the extract - And also to inspect into that part of the extracts relative to posts of profit and honour, and report their sense thereon to our next meetings -

It also appears by the extracts that the yearly meeting has given one half of the interest on the parmenant fund belonging to the boarding school at Nine partners to canada half years meeting for the present year which this meeting offers to Adolphus and Pelham in equil proportion and each monthly to defray their expences that may now that has heartofore or may hear after arise thereon -

In the accounts braught up from Yong steet [sic] monthly meeting it appears that they unite in a conclution of a meeting for worship to be held at whit church as heartofore under the care of a committee which this meeting with the unity of the women concur with and desires that monthly to take the necessary care therein and report to our next meeting -

It also appears that they unite in a consideration of a meeting for worship at Uxbridge as heartofore under the care of a committee Which this meeting with the unity of the women concur with and desires that monthly meeting to take the necessary care there in and report to our next meeting

A concern arose in this meeting respecting the propriety of separating a solid and judicious committee to Visit Pelham monthly meeting and the different branches there of -

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After taking the subject into deliberate consideration the meeting appoints, Stephen Bowerman, Joseph Leavins, Cornelious Blunt, Amos Armitage, Samuel Hughs, Murdic McLeod, Reubin Burr David Wilson, James Noxon, William Reid, Isaac Philips, James Star and Daniel Haight to unite with a committee of Women friends in visiting that monthly meeting and its respective branches and report to our next meeting -

Pelham Monthly meeting informs that the old book of discipline are forwarded as directed Yonge Street and Adolphus are desired to report there on to our next half years Meeting -

We now adjourn to meet at West Lake at the usual time -

At Canada half years meeting held at West Lake 29th of 1st Mo. 1812.

The representatives from our several Monthly meetings to attend the service of this are present -

The consideration of appointing a Clerk for the ensuing year coming before the meeting Philip Dorland being named the meeting united in appointing him to that service -

The Queries were read and considered in this Meeting together with the answers there to now received from our several monthly meetings which being carefully attended to a summary whereof is in substance as follows

First answer, Saith All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended tho a Slackness in some the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour appears, and some care taken in the above deficiencies -

2nd It appears as though love and unity are maintained amongst us in a good degree as becomes brethren Some deficiencies noted and care expressed and that they are careful to discourage tale bearing and detraction -

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3rd Friends are mostly careful to keep themselves in plainness tho some deficiency noted and advice given and endeavors to train up their own and other friends children under their care in a religious life and conversation and in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel in a good degree consistent with our profession - The scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some care extended in these respects towards others under their tuition

4th Friends appear to be generally careful to avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous liquors frequenting of taverns and attending places of diversion - some it is thought do use it unnecessarily and some care extended

5th The circumstances of the poor and those likely to require assistance are inspected and some relief afforded them they are advised and assisted in such business as they are capable

of their children are not all in so good a way to get learning to fit them for business as could be wished

6th We believe friends are clear in the several parts of this query Except one instance of marrying by a Priest and one instance of attending a marriage accomplished by A priest and a like instance of marrying out and care said to be taken -

7th Clear in the several parts of this query except one meeting says some evasion of our Testamony in respect to war and care expressed

8th Some deficient in performing promises by not paying their Just debts so seasonably as is wished - We know of none that have extended their business beyond their Ability to manage -

9th Friends appear to have been in a good degree careful to deal with offenders seasonably and in the spirit of meekness measureably agreeably to our discipline

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Yonge Street Monthly meeting informs that the necessary care has been taken respecting establishing a meeting for worship and a preparative meeting at Queen Street their meeting for worship is held on first and fourth days the Preparative is held on fourth day following the first first day in each month which was opened in tenth month last and is called Queen Street Preparative meeting

Adolphus monthly informs that the meeting at green point has been established agreeably to the direction of last Half years meeting and that two copies of our Book of Discipline is wanted for the use of that meeting

Pelham Monthly informs that they have taken the care directed by last Half Years Meeting respecting Willink Meeting and are united in proposing to this Meeting's consideration the establishing a Meeting for worship and a Preparative Meeting at that place after taking the the [sic] subject into consideration and having the unity of the women this Meeting concurs therewith and directs that monthly Meeting to take the necessary care in opening a Meeting at that place and inform next Meeting a copy of this minit is directed to Pelham Monthly -

The friends appointed to inform Jeremiah Moor of the judgment of last meeting in his case report the appointment answered

Our several monthly meetings inform that the money directed to be raised by last Half Years meeting is compleated this meeting directs its Representative to forward the same to the Yearly meetings Treasurer and report

The friends appointed to insert the word directed by our last yearly meeting to be added to all our copies of Discipline Report the appointment answered

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and that they have also attended to the appointment relative to posts of profit and honour and do not find any friends that has accepted any such offices within the verge of this meeting which information is directed to our next Yearly Meeting.

Adolphus and Pelham Meeting's inform that they concluded to accept of the interest of the parmanant fund as offered by last Half Years meeting Which information is directed to our next half years meeting -

Adolphus and Pelham meeting inform [attempts appear to have been used to erase this]
This meeting adjourns to the 10th hour tomorrow

Friends met nearly according to Adjournment this 30th of 1st month 1812 -

Representitives all present -

Yonge Street Monthly meeting informs that they have taken the necessary care respecting Whit Church and Uxbridge Meetings and are united in allowing them a further indulgence. After haveing the unity of the women therein the meeting united therewith and directs that meeting to take the necessary care therein and report there on as occation may require -

Six of the friends appointed to visit Pelham monthly meeting and the meetings that compose it Report that they have performed a visit and unitedly laboured in some measure agreeably to their strength to their own satisfaction And they trust to the satisfaction of some others -

Yonge Street and Adolphus inform that their old books of discipline are forwarded as directed -

Yonge Street monthly meeting informs that that the Value of the property taken from Seven friends in lue of Military requisitions amounts to Sixty nine dollors forty four cents Which account is directed to the yearly meeting -

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Our friend Gideon Mulenex from Marlsborough Monthly Meeting hath attended this meeting and the different branches thereof except one Also appointed a number of meetings amongst those not of our Society whose labours of love amongst us were acceptable - the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute -

This meeting directs its representitives to request from the meeting for Sufferings Six Copies of the book of discipline to furnish three Preparitive meetings recently established -

This meeting being informed by the representitives that they have received this meetings Quota for the Yearly meetings Stock from our several Monthly meetings They are directed to pay it to our representitives to attend the Yearly Meeting Who are directed to pay to the Treasurer therof and report -

Was received a minute from the Meeting of Suffering held in New York the 11th of 6th mo 1811

By which the Quarterly meetings are requested to recommend the opening subscriptions for to raise the sum of six hundred and forty two Dollors sixty one cents for building a meeting house at Starksborough - And they are directed to forward the money to Shadrack Recketson and Ritchard R Laurance New York or Joseph Brentnale in Troy or the trustees appointed to superintend the building -

This meeting Requests its monthly meetings to raise its Quota of the sum and pay it into the hands of this meetings Clerk and report -

Pelham Monthly meeting suggests to the consideration of this the propriety of making an alteration in the holding of this meeting - After a time of consideration and a free communication of prospects the meeting appeared united in

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Selecting the following friends to take the matter into consideration and make a Visit to that meeting and report their sense in one Year or at next meeting if prepared (That is) John Dorland, John Dunham, Cornelious Blunt, James Noxon, Daniel Haight, Samuel Hughs, Joseph Leavens. Lewis Powell, Thomas Linvill, David Wilson, John Doan, Amos Hughs, and Philip Dorland -

It is concluded that monthly meetings may for the future indulge meetings for worship only under the care of committees untill they may think right to apply for an Establishment

A copy of this minute is directed to our monthly meetings -

The following friends are appointed to attend our insueing Yearly meeting with the business from this and bring back such business as may be directed to this (That is) Aaron White, Jacob Cronkhite, Joshua Gilham, Daniel Haight, W^m Webster and Stephen Bowerman -

Adjourned to Yonge Street at the usial time in ~~& 6 mo next~~

Canada Half Years meeting held at Yonge street 2nd of 9th mo 1812

The Clerk being absent the meeting appoints Amos Armitage for the day -

The representitives appointed to attend the service of this meeting being called were present except four and and [sic] reasons given for the absence of two. -

One of the representitives appointed to attend the Yearly meeting Inform that two of them attended and produced the extracts 270 Copies of the Epistle and 6 Copies of the book of discipline - Our representitives are directed to apportion them to our respective monthly meetings -

The Extracts being read is as follows (That is)

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The Queries being read in this meeting with the answers as they came up from our several Monthly Meetings A Summary whereof is in substance as follows (That is)
Answer 1st Our meetings on first days and those for discipline are attended by most of our members (Except some who have seperated themselves from us) at Yonge street meeting, Other weekday meetings attended by a considerable number, The hour nearly observed not all

clear of Sleeping, and one meeting mentions some of their members not raising when a friend appeared in prayer on which Occation Some care is taken -

2nd A good degree of love and unity is maintaind amongst many of our members but not in so general a manner as is desired, A care is continued to indeavour to end differances and to discourage detration -

3rd A good degree of Care is taken by friends to keep themselves in plainness and to train up their own and other friends Children under their care in plainness of speach behaviour and apparel and in a religious life and conversation Yet a departure there from is apparrent in some of our members, The scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended toareds other under our care on those accounts, one meeting says some of their members lightly esteeming the scriptures on which account some labour has been extended -

4th Not all clear of the unnecessary use of Spirituous liquers for which some care has been extended, Generally clear of frequenting taverns and places of diversion -

9th Care is taken in a good degree seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and measureably agreeable to our discipline -

No information from Pelham monthly meeting respecting the establishment of the meeting at Willink, They are desired to inform Next meeting -

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The Representitives from last half years meeting Inform that this Meetings quota was payed agreeable to direction

No Information from Alolphus and Pelham Monthly meetings respecting this meetings Quota for building a meeting house at Starksburg, They are directed to give information thereon to next meeting That from Yongstreet ready but not forward -

The committee appointed to visit Pelham monthly not ready to report are continued -

It appears from the Extracts of our last Yearly meeting that one third of the interest arising on the permanant fund of Nine partners boarding school is offered to this meeting, Which is by this offered to Adolphus and Pelham as heartofore -

It also appears by the extracts that Six hundred dollors be raised for the Yearly meetings use - Therefor our Monthly meetings are directed to raise their respective quotas of the above sum and forward to our next meeting -

Likewise our several monthly meetings are requested to take the necessary care respecting that part of the extracts relative to schools, and report to our next meeting -

The Womens Meeting requests the assistance of this in a dificult case - To which service the following friends are seperated (that is) Edward Barker, Jacob Cronk, Josua Gilham, John Taylor, James Noxon and Cornelious Blunt and to report their attendance to next meeting -

We now adjourn to meet at west Lake at the usial time -

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Canada Half Years meeting held at West Lake the 3rd of 2nd m^o 1813 -

The consideration of appointing a Clerk coming before the meeting Philip Dorland being named is appointed for the insueing year -

The representitives from our several monthly meetings to attend the service of this are. Stephen Bowerman, Gilbert Dorland, Thomas Linvill, Nicholas Bronson?, William Lundy and others whose names being called are present except five and reasons given for their absence -

The queries ware read and considered in this meeting with the answers from our several monthly meetings a summery Whare of is in substance as follows - Which are directed to our next yearly meeting by our representitives who are Cornelious Blunt, Jonathan Bowerman, Timothy Rogers, Nathaniel Person, and William Shotwell, and they are directed to bring back such business as may be directed down -

Answer 1st All our religious meetings for worship and discipline are attended tho a slackness appears in some the hour nearly observed, not quite clear of sleeping one meeting says some unbecomeing behaviour has been observed, care expressed in the above dificiencies

2nd It appears that love and unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us as becomes bretheren one meeting says except one Instance and care taken, When differences arise endeavours are used to end them and a good degree of care is taken to discourage tale bareing and detraction -

3rd It appears that friends are mostly carefull to keep themselves in plainness and indeavour to train up their own and other friends children under their care in a religious life and conversation and in plainness of speach behaveour and

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And apparel, and that the scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families, And a care extended in these respects to others under their tuition -

4th We believe that our members are mostly clear and do avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous liquors, frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion -

5th The circumstances of the Poor and of those that appear likely to require assistance has been inspected and relief afforded where it has appeared necessary some advice given friends children are not all in so good a way to git learning as could be wished -

6th Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears

7th One meeting says not all clear of complying with Military requisitions one instance of bareing arms and both under care - Clear with respect to the latter part of this query

8th It appears that friends are generally careful to comply with their promises and pay their Just debts tho one meeting informes some difficiency on those accounts and care taken, We know of none who extend their business beyond their ability to manage, When occation of fear appears on those accounts care is extended

9th We believe care is take Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness agreeable to discipline

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Pelham Monthly meeting has not forwarded information respecting the establishment of a meeting at Willinks that meeting is desired to give information to our next mg

Adolphus and Pelham Monthly meetings inform that their quotas for building a meeting house at Starksburg is forwarded as directed by former minute of this meeting

A part of the Committee appointed to make a Visit to Pelham Monthly meeting Report that they have not fulfilled the charge, But by conferring to gether agree to suggest to the consideration of the meeting whether it would not be Adviseable

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Under present circumstances to discontinue the care, till way may open to revive it again, After consideration the meeting unites with the committee -

Adolphus and Pelham Monthly Meetings informs that they excepted of the Interest of the permanant fund offered last meeting. Which information is directed to the ensueing Yearly meeting -

Our several Monthly meetings inform that the money directed to be raised for the Yearly meetings Stock is compleated which is directed to the yearly meetings treasurer by our representitives -

The friends appointed to assist the women report the appointment answered -

Yonge street Monthly meeting informs That John Widifield intended to appeal from the Judgement of that meeting and he informd in writeing that circumstances were such that he could not attend this meeting and desired that it may lay over untill next, After consideration this meeting appears united in granting his request Yonge street monthly meeting is desired to give him the information - A copy of this minute is directed to that meeting -

Yongestreet Monthly meeting also inform that William Reid intended to appeal from the Judgement of that meeting but as he has not appeared to prosecute his appeal nor forwarded any reason there for the subject is left -

The Meeting Adjourns to Yonge Street at the usial time in 8 mo Next

Canada half Years meeting held at Yongstreet 1 of 9 m^o 1813

The Clerk being absent Thomas Linvill is appointed for the day -

The Representitives for the Monthly Meetings are Judea Bowerman, Ichabod Bowerman, William Southard, James Noxon, Cornelious Blunt, William Shotwell, Daniel Pound, Amos Scott, Isaac Lean, Joshua Gilham, Henry Bon???

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William Lundy, John Dunham, Amos Hilborn, being called are present except three and a reason given for the absence of two -

The Representitives appointed to attend the Yearly meeting Inform the business was forwarded to that meeting but no accounts recieved, They are desired to give attention there to and report

The Queries were read and considered with the answers from our Several Monthly Meetings to the 1st 2nd 3rd 4th & 9th A summary where of is as follows (That is)

First Answer - Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, tho some remains to be too neglectful therein - Not all clear of Sleeping in meeting and some care taken in the above deficiency, no other unbecomeing behaviour apparrent -

2nd Love and unity appears to be in a good degree maintained as becomes bretheren, tho not with out some exceptions and some care extended when differences arise endeavours are used to end them, and most friends are careful to avoid and discourage tale bareing and detraction -

3rd It appears that most friends are careful to keep themselves in plainness and to indeavour to train up those Children under their care agreeable to the contents of this query - the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families -

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

9th Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness with indeavours to do it agreeable to discipline -

No information from Pelham respecting Willink they are desired to inform next meeting
John Widifield not now appearing to prosecute his appeal the subject is left -
William Reid now being present and informing

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that he continues his intention to prosecute his appeal, After consideration the following friends are appointed to give attention to the subject and report their sense thereon (That is) John Dorland, Daniel Haight, Judea Bowerman, Cornelious Blunt, Daniel Outwater, Ichabod Bowerman, Joshua Gilham, Frederick Stover and Daniel Pound, -

Pelham Monthly Meeting again requests a New arrangement of the half Years meeting After a time of weighty consideration the meeting appoints James Noxon, Cornelious Blunt, Judea Bowerman, Thomas Linvill, Asa Rogers, Isaac Phillips, Samuel Lundy, John Dunham, Joseph Webster, John Dorland and Ichabod Bowerman, To attend to the subject and report their sense to our next meeting

This Meeting adjourns to meet the 10 hour tomorrow -

The Meeting met agreeable to adjournment 2nd of 9th m^o 1813

The Committee appointed to attend the appeal of William Reid Report they have attended thereto and heard and considered his objections and Examined the minutes of Yonge Street Monthly meeting in his case And are united in belieaveing it right to to confirm the Judgement of the monthly meeting in his case Which this meeting unites with and appoints, Thomas Linvill, and Isaac Webb to inform him thereof and report t our next meeting -

This Meeting adjourns to the usial time at the West Lake -

Canada Half Years Meeting held at west Lake the 2nd day of 2nd mo 1814 -

The consideration of Appointing a Clerk Comeing before the Meeting Philip Dorland being names is appointe for one Year -

The representitives being called was present except Seven a reason given for the absence of One

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One of the friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting Inform that he attended and produced a number of copies of the London General Epistle one of which was read in this meeting and its contents were comfortable and edifying They are recommended to the attention of our Subordinate meetings -

He like wise produced the following extract (to witt) At a Yearly Meeting held in New York by Adjournments from the 24th To the 28th of 5th month, Inclusive 1813 -

The subject of members of Our society accepting places of profit and honour in the government, as referred from last year, renewedly ingaged the consideration of the Meeting and after a free discussion, it appears to be its sense, to recommend to the subordinate Meetings a careful attention thereto, agreeably to the advice issued last year, in order that our members may, if possible, be convinced of the impropriety of excepting any post of profit and honour in the government: and our Quarterly Meetings were requested to report thereon as usual.

The meeting takeing into consideration the subject of Schools, with the reports from the Quarterly Meeting thereon concluded to recommend to the subordinate meetings continued attention to the interesting concern, and that reports of the number of Schools within their respective limits be braught forward annualy.

The guarded education of the children of Friends, being justly considered of primary importance, not only to the objects thereof, but to the well-being, and suport of the testimonies borne by us to the world; Friends are earnestly exhorted to avail themselves of every means in their power to give their children the benefit of a suteable education.

In delibrateing on the important subject, the Meeting was Introduced into a feeling sympathy for those of its members

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who from their limited circumstances, are unable to provide meanes for the instruction of the youth; and concerned to remind friends of the claims which their brethern in religious profession posing but little outward substance, have upon their christian benevolence; that so, those to whom a greater portion of welth has been intrusted may be found in the spirit of charity, good stewards "ready to distribute, willing to communicate" But should it be found that in some parts of the Yearly Meeting, Friends, for want of pecuniary means are unable to establish suitable Schools, it is desired that a representation of such cases may be made by the Quarterly Meetings next year.

In order to give more efficient relief to the description who have an especial claim to our brotherly sympathy, and to open the way for the admission of their children into the Boarding Schools, it was unitedly concluded to request, the subordinate Meetings to open subscriptions for the purpose of raising a sum in addition to the present permanant Fund of that Institution, the interest of which is speifically applied to the education of the children of Friends in straitened circumstances and forward the amount to Samuel Parsons, Treasurer, and under the

exercise which attended this interesting concern, Friends are encouraged to a liberality Suited to the grateness of the subject.

In the course of our deliberations the meeting was led to view the banefull effects resulting from the use of Distilled Spirituous Liquors: and although it is belieaved, that the exercise of former years and the advices; which the meeting has been engaged to give have been very useful, yet, in takeing at this time a general view of the enslaved and deplorable condition of our poor in temperate fellow creatures, the minds of Friends were deeply impressed with the subject, It was particularly affecting that any amongst us should through unwatchfulness countenance this great evil; and affectionately desired that Friends may be increaseingly careful to abstain from the use of an article so destructive in its affects except for medical purposes - by

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Which circumspection and care & qualification would be witnessed to admonish in the spirit of love on evere proper and necessary occation.

Extracted from the minutes Richard Mott Clerk

This meeting also received writon Epistle from London yearly meeting 1813 directed to this, which was read to our united comfort and satisfaction and the brotherly sympathy there is manifested has excited in the meeting a belief that there is an acknowledgement due from this to that meeting therefore the meeting appoints Philip Dorland, Thomas Linwell? And Daniel Haight, to prepare a few lines for that purpose directed to that meeting ~

The queries were read and considered in this month and a summary taken from the accounts braught from our monthly meetings are in substance as follows
(That is)

First answer- All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended except one for worship neglected, and a reason given, the hour nearly observed- not quite clear of sleeping- One meeting says two instances of other unbecoming behaveiour and care attended in the above deficiencies~

2nd We believe that love and unity are in a good degree maintained as becomes bretheren altho it appears there is a want in some when differences appear care is taken to end them ~ tale bearing and detraction is discouraged ~~

3rd It appears that friends are generally careful to keep themselves in plainness, and to indeavour to train up those children under their care agreeable to the contents of this query, the scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families

4th Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears- except fo attending at a place of diversion and care taken

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5th The circumstances of the poor and those who appear likely to require assistance are attended to and relief afforded their children are not all in good a way of getting school learning as is desired ~

6th Clear in several parts of this query as far as heath appeared except one instance of keeping company and marrying one not of our society and care taken~

7th None known to bare arms tho some few have so far complied with military requisitions as to drive their own teams when pressed - none to charge with paying fines or taken be there of care extended in this deficiency

8th It appears there are a few who are deficient in performing their promises and paying their first debts - one to charge with extending their business beyond their ability to manage ~

9th We believe friends are mostly careful to deal with offenders seasonably with desires to do it in the spirit of meekness agreeable to our discipline

10th It appears they are ~~~~~

This meeting received from London that meetings general epistle for 1813 which being read and its interesting contents considered likewise the probability of a disapp?? F copies coming through the former chanel of our yearly meeting on account of the unhappy contest between the two countries thinks best to direct three hundred coppies of them printed for the rise of this and our subordinate meetings and directed the monthly meetings to raise eighteen dollars to defray the expense and pay it to the clerk of this meeting ~

No account from Pelham monthly meeting respecting Willink they are desired to give information

The friends appointed on the request of Pelham monthly meeting for a different arrangement of the half yearly meeting

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Disire a longer time Which this meeting grants and directs them to attend to the subject and report to the next half years meeting held at West Lake -

William Reid informed this meeting that he intended to appeal to the Yearly meeting from the Judgement of this. The following friends are appointed to attend that Meeting with the necessary information in his case (That is) John Haight, Robert Hubbs, Daniel Haizlet, Cornelious Blunt and Jonathan Clerk

It appears that the Yearly meeting has offered one third of the Interest arising from the parmanant fund of the boarding shcool at Nine partners to this Meeting which we accept and disire it to be disposed of as heartofore -

Also said meeting directs one Thousand dollors raised for the Yearly meetings stock. This meeting directs its monthly meetings to raise their Quotas and pay it into the hands of the Clerk of this meeting -

A minute was received from the meeting for Sufferings held New York 25th of 5 m^e 1813 Recommending the Quarterly Meetings to open Subscriptions for raising the sum of five hundred dollors for building a meeting house at Ranseller Ville This meeting Requests Its monthly meetings to open Subscriptions to rais their preportions and pay it into the hands of this meetings Clerk to be forwarded -

Adjourned to the 10th hour tomorrow morning

Met nearly at the time adjourned to this 3rd of 2^{mo} 1814 -

On the subject of Schools we regret that the scattered situation of our members renders it so that there is but one School kept agreeable to the advice on that subject -

Agreeable to the advice of the Yearly Meeting this

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This Meeting directs its Monthly Meetings to take the necessary care respecting the raising money for the Boarding school at Nine partners -

This meeting was informed by the Yearly meeting that the friends residing in the Towns of Hamburg Eden and Concord in Niagara County are by that meeting put under the care of Farmington Quarter which information is directed to Pelham Monthly meeting -

Was received a receipt dated New York 5 mo 1813 Signed John Murry Jun^r for one pound Eighteen shillings and nine pence it being due for building Starksburg Meeting house. Also one of the same date for twelve dollars being for our Quota for the Yearly meeting -

The referance from Adolphus Monthly meeting the Request of Josiah Bull he having formerly been a member of Oswego monthly Meeting and disown^d by that meeting after a time of comparing prospects the meeting think but for it to be left -

The friends Appointed to draw a few lines directed to the Yearly meeting in London produced the following Which after being read and considered was approved and signed as it follows (To wit)

To the Yearly meeting of friends in London

Dear friends - In deliberateing on the subject of addressing you, our minds feel some what imbarressed, Our infant, as well as seperated situation from our friends on this Contenant, are considerations of weight with us, Yet in contemplating on the many favours we enjoy, whilst the Nations of the earth are continually convulsed with wars and are animated by a spirit devoted to distroy each other, we feel a portion of that gethering love that brings distant brethern nigh, which

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Is much increased at this time, by an evedance, that nothing less than the same flow, did influence our friends in England; So feelingly to sympathize with us in our remote situation, As is manifested by your acceptable Epistle, from your Last Year meeting in London particularly Addressed to us - Which we have now received to gether with your anual Epistle, Both of which was read in this meeting, and did afford us peculiar satisfaction, and as a testamony of our feelings on the occation, we are disposed to direct to you these few lines by way of acknowledgement, for your brotherly condecention and under (we trust) of that love which if rightly abode in will tend to build us up in the most holy faith -

We are your bretheren and Sisters -

Signed in and by order of Upper Canada Half Years Meeting held at West Lake
the 2nd & 3rd days of 2 m^e 1814 by - Philip Dorland
Lydea S Dorland } Clerks

This meeting being informed that the money is ready is ready to be paid for the yearly meetings Stock and building a meeting house at Ranslerville The Clerk is directed to forward it to the treasurer and Trustees -

The following friends are appointed to attend our ensueing Yearly Meeting with the business from this to that Meeting and to bring back such as may be directed down (That is) Daniel Haight, Robert Hubbs John Haight, Cornelious Blunt and Jonathan Clark
Adjourn'd to the usial time at Yong street

Canada half years Meeting held at Yong street the 31st of 8th mo 1814

The representitives appointed from our several Monthly Meetings to attend this are,
Joseph Leavens

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Gilbert Dorland, Jacob Cronk, John Dorland, John Dunham, Isaac Philips, Henry Widifield, Levi Hughs, Joseph Collins, Jesse Wilson, Samuel Taylor, John Harret, Peter Becket William Shotwell and Gorge Bradshaw - Their names being called ware present except five and a reason given for the absence of one -

One of the friends appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting inform that four of them attended and produced the following extract -
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Two of the friends appointed in William Reid case report that four of them attended to the appointment and he not appearing to procecute his appeal the subject was left till next year with directions that the appelant be notified there of which notice ~~they~~ they inform has been given and that he expressed his intention to attend to it -

The Clerk Reports that he has recieved from the monthly at Kingston three hundred coppies of the London Anuel epistle which this meeting directs apportion to the monthly meetings

Adolphus and Yongstreet Monthly Meetings inform they have subscribed the sum of Six pounds nine Shilling and Seven pence 1/2 penny H [Halifax] Currency for the boarding School nine partners which is left for the consideration of next meeting -

Pelham Monthly Meeting informs that Asher Burwell intends to appeal from the Judgement of that to this Meeting - And the appelant being now present and informs that he still continues his intention The following friends are appointed to give attention to his case and report (That is) Jacob Cronk, Daniel Haight Watson Playtor, Asa Rogers, Thomas Linvill, Henry Widifield, Reuben Burr, and Philip Dorland -

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers to the first, Second, Third, fourth and Ninth as brought up from the several monthly meetings are in substance as follows -
Answer to the first - Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, some deficiency noted The hour nearly observed no remark of unbecoming behavior except some appearance of sleeping -

2nd We believe love and unity are in a good degree maintained

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As becomes brethren, when difference is known, care is taken, most friends are careful to discourage tale bearing and detraction -

3rd Most friends appear careful respecting plainness, some deficiency noted, in parents and children, We believe mostly careful to train up children under our care agreeably to the contents of this Query -

4th Friends appear to be clear in the contents of this Query except some mention of the supposed unnecessary use of spirituous liquors -

9th We believe care is mostly taken to deal with offenders in a good degree agreeable to this query -

No account from Pelham respecting Willink This meeting request the clerk to take the necessary care that account may be brought to our next meeting -

Adjourned to meet tomorrow at one O'clock P.M.

Met nearly according to adjournment this first day of ninth month 1814

The representatives being called were present as Yesterday except one and a reason given for his absence

The committee on account of Asher Burwell appeal Report They have attended to the subject heard the appellants objections, and examined the minutes of Pelham Monthly meeting in his case, And are united in believing there is an error in that meeting procedure against him that does require the correction of Said meeting, With which this meeting unites and directs a copy of this minute to that meeting and appoints Daniel Haight, Joseph Landcaster Thomas Linvill and Joseph Webster to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting -

It appears from the extracts of our last Yearly Meeting that its Quarters were directed to raise the sum of one

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Thousand Dollars for that Meetings use Our Several Monthly meetings are desired to raise this meetings quota of the sum and produce it to Our next meeting. The Clerk is directed to forward copies of this minute to our several Monthly meetings -

This meeting Adjourns to the usual time at the Lake -

Canada half Years meeting held at West Lake the 1st day of 2nd mo 1815 -

The consideration of a Clerk coming before this meeting and Thomas Linvill: being proposed is concurred with

The representatives from our several Monthly Meetings being called are present except Six and reasons given for the absence of two -

The Queries being read and considered in this mg with answers from our several Monthly meetings - The substance where of is contained in the following Summary -
Answer First Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious Worship and discipline - Some slackness expressed - The hour nearly observed No unbecoming behaviour to remark except some appearance of Sleeping in some at times -

2nd We believe love and unity are in a good degree maintained as becomes bretheren When difference are known care is taken - friends appear to be generally careful to discourage talebearing and detraction with some exceptions in one meeting

3rd Most friends appear to be careful to keep themselves in plainness but some deficiency noted both in Parents and Children We believe mostly careful to train up their own children and those of other friends under their care agreeably to the contents of this query

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The scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families and a good degree of care appears to be extended in these respects towards others under their tuition -

4th Friends appear to be clear in the particulars of this query except a few Instances noted of unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors -

5th The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been attended to and some relief afforded - Some children are not in so good a way to get schoolearning as is desired

6th We know of no breach of this query except two instances of keeping company with those not of our society on account of marriage -

7th None known to bare arms or comply with military requisition except some instances of friends driving their teams when pressed and of furnishing grain or flour when demanded by authority for the use of the army - Clear of paying fine or tax in lue of military requisitions as far as appears -

8th Friends appear to be mostly careful to perform their promises and pay their Just debts - one instance expressed not as seasonable as was wished -

9th We believe care is mostly taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and measureably agreeably to our discipline -

10th They are -

The committee appointed to take into consideration the request of Pelham Monthly meeting for a different arrangement of the half years meeting report that they have several times met and conferred on the subject and give it as their united Sense that the time is not yet fully come to make any further arrangement on account of our present situation - after a time of solid deliberation on the subject - it appears to be sense of this meeting that the Committee be continued

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With Nicholas Brown and Jonathan Bowerman aded and that they indeavour to pay a visit to that meeting and report in one year or sooner if performed -

Adolphus Monthly meeting inform that they have taken into consideration the present situation of Kingston Meeting and are united in belieaveing it would be right to discontinue it - Which being considered is united with and haveing the approbation of the women Said meeting is discontinued for the present and the Clerk is directed to send the necessary information to adolphur [sic] monthly meeting -

The following friends are appointed to attend the Insueing Yearly meeting on behalf of this, in the case of William Read (That is) Jonathan Bowerman William Southward Samuel Taylor, Nicholas Brown and Jacob Cronk -

The money produced from the monthly meetings on account of the boarding school is directed to be returned -

The friends appointed to inform Asher Burwell of the meetings result on his appeal Report the appointment answered -

The Representative from the monthly meetings inform they are prepared to pay the respective Quotas for the Yearly meetings stock - The Clerk is directed to recieve it and forward the same to the Yearly meeting treasurer -

It appears by a minute from Pelham monthly that agreeable to the directions of this meeting they have by a committee made an Estimation of the money wanted to finish the meeting houses at Pelham and black cheek? And find that Three hundred and fifty dollors will be wanting for that purpose It is directed to the Yearly meeting -

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This meeting is exercised on account of a number of Individuals in this province who have been disown'd by different Monthly Meetings in the United States and now appear desireous to make satisfaction - Which is directed to the notice of the Yearly meeting -

John Dorland and Daniel Haight are appointed to procure a book to record the minutes of this meeting in and produce it to our next meeting Jonathan Bowerman - William Southward - Samuel Taylor - Nicolas Brown - and Jacob Cronk are appointed to attend the ensuing yearly meeting as Representatives

Adjourned to the usial time at Yong street -

CanadaHalf years Meeting held at yonge Street the 30th of 8th M^o 1815 -

The Representatives from our Several Monthly Meetings being called were present, except three~

The Queries were read and considered with answers brought up from the monthly meetings, to the first - second - third - fourth and ninth, the substance whereof is nearly contained in the following Summary ~

First Answer.) All our Meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended, although a slackness prevails with some, the hour nearly observed, not quite clear of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour appears ~

2nd It appears that Love and unity are maintained as becomes Brethren by most amongst us, except one instance mentioned by one meeting, when differences become known care is taken to end them, tale-bearing and detraction generally discouraged, with some exceptions mentioned by one meeting ~

3^d. Most friends are careful to keep themselves in plainness, and to endeavour to train up their own, and other Children under their care agreeable to the contents of this Query; it appears that the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families, tho some want of plainness is mentioned by one meeting ~

4th Nothing appears but that friends are generally careful respecting the contents of this Query ~

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9th It appears that endeavours are mostly used, reasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline ~

The Representatives appointed ~~to attend~~ to attend the yearly meeting report that four of them attended, they produced written Extracts, and several printed Copies of a minute of our yearly meeting containing acceptable Counsel and advice, also a number of Copies of the London Epistle, one of each being read was satisfactory, - The minutes and Epistles are directed to be apportioned to our several monthly meetings by our Representatives ~

The Extracts being read are as follows (to wit)

At a yearly meeting held in New York by adjournments from the 29th of the 5th month to the 3^d. of the 6th month inclusive 1815 ~

The following minute of the Half years Meeting in Canada relative to finishing the meeting Houses at Pelham and Black Creek, was read and refer^d. to the meeting for Sufferings for the necessary attention ~

The Committee on the appeal of William Reid made the following report in writing - to wit - We the Committee appointed on the appeal of William Reid have attended to the appointment and examined the minutes & proceedings of yonge Street Monthly meeting and the Half years meeting in Canada in his case, hear what the appellant and the Half years meeting Committee had to offer; and in carefully attending to the Subject are united in reporting to the yearly meeting as our judgment, that the proceedings of those meetings in his case are regular, and ought to be confirmed ~

The Report of the Committee was concurred with ~

Extracted from the minutes of said meeting ~

Richard Mott Clerk ~

The Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to Pelham monthly meeting, respecting that part of the Extracts relative to their application for money to finish the meeting

houses at pelham and Black Creek - also to forward information to Yonge Street monthly meeting respecting the decision of the yearly meeting on William Reids appeal ~

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A Receipt was produced to this meeting dated Newyork 5th m^o 29th 1815 Signed Rich^d R. Lawrence for Twenty Dollars, being our Quota of the yearly meeting Stock ~

Information was forwarded to Adolphus monthly meeting respecting the discontinuance of Kingston meeting ~

Yonge Street monthly meeting inform^d that Rowland Burr intends to appeal from the Judgment of that meeting in his case; and he now being present, informs he continues his intention to prosecute his appeal, which being considered the following friends are appointed to give attention thereto & report (That is) Joseph Lancaster - Jonathan Bowerman - Samuel Taylor - Jesse Willson - Cornelius Blount - Joseph Hazard - Elias Moore and Amos Scott

We now adjourn to meet at the first hour P. M. tomorrow -

Friends being met nearly agreeable to adjournment the 31st of 8th m^o. 1815

The Representatives being call^d were present as yesterday except one and a reason given for his absence ~

The Committee on the appeal of Rowland Burr made the following report in writing (to wit) ~

We the Committee on the appeal of Rowland Burr, have met and examined the minutes in his the case, and heard what the appellant and the monthly meetings Committee had to offer, and on deliberate consideration are united in reporting, that the judgment of the monthly meeting Should be reversed ~

The Report of the Committee is concurred with ~ and the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to yonge Street monthly meeting ~

Joseph Lancaster - Joseph Leavans - Thomas Linvill and James Noxon are appointed to inform the appellant of this meetings result in his case and report their care therein to next meeting ~

The friends appointed to procure a Book to record the minutes of this meeting in - informed they have procured one; price 5 Dollars which Book is received by the meeting ~

Daniel Haight informed by a few lines, that he has (at the request of the Clerk) Transcribed all the minutes of this meeting, ???ged in his

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his care into a Book procured for that purpose, for which Service he would be willing to receive ten Dollars; which being added to the price of the Book amounts to fifteen Dollars - our several monthly meetings are desired to raise their Quotas of said sum and forward the same to Jonathan Bowerman and Nicolas Brown, who are appointed to Settle with the friends that had

the care of purchasing the Book and transcribing the minutes, also to examine whether the work is correct and report to next meeting ~

We now adjourn to the usual time at West Lake ~

Canada Half years Meeting held at West Lake the 31st of 1st M^o 1816 ~

The consideration of appointing a Clerk coming before the meeting and Thomas Linvill being named is united with and he appointed to that service for one year, and Jonathan Clark appointed assistant ~

The Representatives from the several monthly meetings being being [sic] called were present except five and a reason given for the absence of one ~

The Queries being read with the answers from our monthly meetings, which answers were in substance nearly as follows ~

First answer - All our meetings for religious Worship and discipline are attended, although a slackness prevails with some - the hour nearly observed, not all clear of sleeping, and one meeting says some instances of other unbecoming behaviour therein ~

2nd It appears that love and unity are in a good degree maintained as becomes brethren, although two meetings expresses some want of love and unity; when differences have arisen care hath been taken to end them, Tale-bearing and detraction generally avoided and discouraged

3^d It is believed that most friends are careful to keep themselves in plainness, and to endeavour to train up their own and other Children under their care agreeable to the contents of this query, altho a manifest deviation appears in some with regard to plainness, the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families ~

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4th We believe friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous liquors and frequenting Taverns, two instances mentioned of attending places of diversion ~

5th The Circumstances of the poor have been inspected and relief afforded them, advice given those who appear^d likely to require it, one meeting says some Children not in a way of getting sufficient School learning ~

6th Clear in the Several parts of this query except one meeting expresses some breaches ~

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

8th Clear in the several parts of this query, only one meeting expresses some deficiency in the performance of promises in the payment of just debts as seasonable as is desired ~

9th It appears that care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders (we trust) in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to discipline ~

10th We believe they are ~

Our beloved friend Isaac Thorn from Nine partners monthly meeting attended this meeting, having previously ~~attended~~ visited most of the branches of adolphus monthly meeting, whose company and Gospel labours of love amongst us were truly acceptable and edifying - also our friend Reuben Hows his Companion from the same meeting, whos exemplary deportment amongst us was acceptable ~

The Clerk is directed to furnish them with a Copy of this minute

The friends appointed to Settle with the friends who had the care of purchasing a Book and transcribing the minutes of this meeting, informed the appointment is answered ~

Pelham monthly meeting informed that Ashur V. Burwell intends to appeal from the Judgment of that meeting, but he not appearing the subject is left till next Half years meeting

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Our several monthly meetings are desired to collect an account of their Sufferings and forward to next Half years meeting ~

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The womens meeting informed, that a concern had arisen with them to appoint a Committee to visit Pelham monthly meeting, which this meeting taking into Solid consideration the like concern arose and spread with us, and the meeting being united therein appoints Henry Widdifield - Jonathan Clerk Daniel Haight Nicolas Brown - Gilbert Dorland - Samuel Waters Jacob Cronk and Joseph Leavans to Join with a Committee of women friends in visiting that monthly meeting and its Branches as Truth may open the way, and report ~

The meeting now adjourns to the 10th hour tomorrow morning ~

Friends being met nearly agreeable to adjournment this first Day of 2n^d M^o 1816 ~

The Representatives being call^d were present as yesterday ~

Eight of the Committee appointed to take into consideration the request of Pelham monthly meeting for a different arangement of the Half Years Meeting report they have attended to the appointment and part of them have visited that meeting and its several Branches, and by deliberately conferring together on the subject do give it as their united Judgment that the time is not yet fully come for any alteration, after a time of solid deliberation and having the unity of the womens meeting; The report of the Committee is concurred with ~

Yonge Street monthly meeting informs, they are united in the establishment of a meeting for worship and a Preparative meeting at Whitchurch, and now suggest the propriety thereof for the consideration of this meeting - proposing that the meeting for worship be held on the first and fourth days of the week to begin at the usual hour, the preparative meeting to be held on the fourth day of the week, following the second first day in each month to be called Whitchurch preparative meeting.

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which being considered and having the unity of the womens meeting this meeting approves thereof the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to yonge Street monthly meeting ~

Pelham monthly meeting iforms, they are united in the establishment of a meeting for worship and a preparative meeting at Norwich and now Suggest the propriety thereof for the

consideration of this meeting, proposing that the meeting for Worship be held on the first and fourth days of the week to begin at the usual hour and the preparative meeting to be held on the last fourth day in each month to be called Norwich preparative meeting which being considered and having the unity of the womens meeting this meeting approves thereof, the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to pelham monthly meeting ~

A minute was received from the meeting for Sufferings held in New York the 13th of 6th mo 1815 requesting the Quarterly meetings to raise their proportions of Three hundred and fifty Dollars, the sum wanted to finish the building of Pelham and Black Creek meeting Houses, and pay to Richard R Lawrence in New york or Joseph Brintnell in Troy - our monthly meetings are requested to raise their respective cotas of said sum and pay to this meetings Clerk who is directed to forward the same to Richard R Lawrence in New york ~

A minute of the yearly meeting held in New york in 1796 seting forth the mode of proceedure prescribed by that meeting to be pursued, in preparing for building meeting houses, being received is as follows, a copy thereof is directed to be forwarded to each of our monthly meetings (to wit) It was concluded that when a meeting House is thought necessary to be built that the Preparative Meeting propose the dimentions, make an estimate of the Cost, and ascertain the amount of their subscriptions and forward the same with a plan of the house to the monthly meeting for their judgment and advice, and

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and if on a careful attention thereto, the monthly meeting should approve thereof, but conclude the expence will be too great for them, that the same be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, and if after the like care in the Quarter, that meeting also approve of the proposal, but apprehend the sum wanted is greater than circumstances will warant them in undertaking to raise, the same be handed forward to the meeting for Sufferings and if after carefully attending to the subject and proceedings of those meetings together with the size and plan of the house, the meeting for Sufferings approve thereof, then Subscriptions be recommended to the Quarterly meetings for raising the deficient sum; and that the meeting for Sufferings be authorised when they think the circumstances require it, to grant liberty for the building to be proceeded in, previous to receiving the amount of the Suscriptions from the Quarters ~~copies of the above minute was directed to our monthly meetings~~

James Noxon - Joseph Leavens - Samuel Way and Asa Rogers, are appointed to attend the ensuing yearly meeting as our Representatives, who are directed to call on Richard R. Lawrence in New york, for the money allowed by the meeting for Sufferings, to finish pelham and Black Creek meeting houses, and pay it to the Friends who may be appointed by pelham monthly meeting to receive it ~

We now adjourn to the usual time at yonge Street

Canada Half Years meeting held at yonge Street the 28th of 8th m^o 1816 ~

The Representatives from the monthly meetings being called were present except five and a reason assigned for the absence of one ~

Ashur V. Burwell not appearing to prosecute his appeal the case is suspended - the Clerk is directed to forward information thereof to pelham monthly meeting -

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The Queries being read with answers from the monthly meetings to the first 2^d - 3^d 4th and 9th a summary whereof is as follows - (to wit)

First answer - Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship and discipline tho often neglected by some, the hour nearly observed, not all clear of sleeping in meetings, and one meeting says, some instances of other unbecoming behaviour in them ~

2^d Love and unity are maintained as becomes brethren, tho not so fully by all as is desired, when differences arise care is taken to end them, Tale-bearing and detraction mostly discouraged ~

3^d Friends are generally careful to keep themselves in plainness, and to endeavour to train up their own and other children under their care in a religious life and conversation, and in plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel, tho a departure from plainness appears in some, the Scriptures of truth we believe are frequently read in their families ~

4th It appears that most friends are careful to avoid the unnecessary use of spirituous liquors, none to charge with frequenting taverns, a few instances of attending at places of diversion ~

9th We believe a good degree of care is taken to deal with offenders, in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline ~

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Walker ~~from~~ from the monthly meeting of Purchase, Westchester County State of New York attend this meeting having previously attended Pelham and yonge Street monthly meetings, and visited most of their branches, as also the greatest part of the families of friends within the limmits of yonge Street monthly meeting, having first obtained the unity of said meeting therein, her company and Gospel labours of love amongst us were truly acceptable and eddifying -- The Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of This minute ~

Our beloved Friend Ruth Mealy from Ferrisburgh monthly meeting attended this meeting in company with Elizabeth Walker, having previously attended Pelham and yonge Street monthly meetings and visited most of their Branches as

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also most of the families of Friends within the limits of yonge Street monthly meeting whose company and religious services amongst us were acceptable, the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute ~

Our Friend Samuel Mellis from Shapauqua monthly meeting State of New York, attended this meeting in company with our Friends Elizabeth Walker and Ruth Mealy whose exemplary deportment amongst us was acceptable, the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute ~

Our beloved Friend Jesse Hains from Concord monthly meeting state of Pennsylvania, attended this meeting, having previously visited most of the Branches of Pelham and Yonge Street monthly meeting, whose company and Gospel labours amongst us were acceptable, also our Friend Nathan Sharpless his companion from the same meeting, whose exemplary deportment amongst us was acceptable. The Clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute ~

Yonge Street Monthly meeting informed, that Robert Willson intends to appeal from the Judgment of that meeting, but he not being prepared to prosecute his appeal the subject is left till next meeting ~

The Representatives appointed to attend the yearly meeting inform^d that two of them attended, they produced a Receipt dated New York 5th mo 23^d 1816 and Signed Rich^d R Lawrence for Seven Dollars being this meetings quota of the money wanted to finish the meeting Houses of Pelham and Black Creek, but did not receive the Money allowed by the meeting for Sufferings to finish said meeting Houses, it not being ready - they also produced a number of Copies of the London Epistle, one of which being read was Satisfactory, Written Extracts from the yearly meeting being produced are as follows - (to wit)

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At a Yearly Meeting held in New York by adjournments from the 27th of the 5th month to the 31st of the same inclusive 1816. ~

The Committee appointed to revise the Quota for raising money, proposed that when one hundred Dollars are to be raised that,

Westbury Quarterly Meeting pay	25 Dollars
Purchase Ditto	19
Nine Partners	17
Easton	8
Stanford	7
Ferrisburgh	4
Canada	3
Farmington	10
Duanesburgh	3
Saratoga	4

And in the same proportion for any other Sum ~

The report of the Committee was concurred with and directed to the observance of our quarterly meetings in raising money requested by this meeting and the meeting for Sufferings ~

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurers account proposed that the Sum of Eight hundred Dollars be raised the present year, which was concurred with; and our Quarterly Meetings are requested to raise their respective quotas thereof agreeable to the above arrangement and pay to the Treasurer of this meeting

Extracted from the minutes of said meeting ~

Richard Mott Clerk ~

It appears by a minute of the Meeting for Sufferings, held in New York the 12th of 12th m^o 1815 that the Quarterly meetings are requested to raise their quotas of 953 Dollars to assist in building a meeting House at Derurgter? and pay to Jeremiah Thompson in New York, Joseph Brintnell in Troy or to the Trustees appointed to Superintend the Building

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It also appears by a minute of the meeting for Suffering, held in New York the 11th of 6th mo. 1816. that the Quarterly meetings are requested to raise their Quotas of 600 Dollars to assist in building a meeting House at Berne in Rennessellairville monthly meeting - and 543 Dollars to assist in building a meeting House at Oak hill in the same monthly meeting; and 360 Dollars to assist in building a meeting House at Pleasant Creek in Leray Monthly meeting; and 400 Dollars to assist in building a meeting House at Farmington and pay to Richard R Lawrence in New York or Joseph Brintnell in Troy our monthly meetings are requested to raise their respective quotas of the aforesaid sums and pay to this meetings Clerk who is directed to forward the same agreeable to the direction of the yearly meeting and the meeting for Sufferings

By a minute of the meeting for Sufferings held in New York the 11th of 6th m^o. 1816. it was ~~recomm~~ proposed to the consideration of the Quarterly and their Subordinate meeting the necessity of greater exertions being made in the particular meetings to raise money for their accomodation with meeting Houses; and that the monthly and Quarterly Meetings be very careful in the examination of the Subject and of their ability, agreeably to the plan laid down by the yearly meeting before their applications are forwarded to the meeting for Suffering, being of the opinion that if care was always suitably exercised, the number of applications for assistance would be much lessened

Eight of the Joint Committee appointed to visit Pelham monthly meeting, report they visited that monthly meeting and Some of its Branches to pretty good satisfaction, and where a deficiency appeared labour was bestowed according to ability afforded, which they believe was also Satisfactory to them ~

The Meeting now adjourns to the first hour tomorrow afternoon ~

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Friends being met nearly agreeable to adjournment this 29th of 8th m^o. 1816 ~

The representatives being call^d were present as yesterday ~

A minute of the meeting for Sufferings held in New York the 12th of 12th m^o 1815 being now received is as follows (to wit)

The Committee on the distribution of Books taking into consideration what addition can be usefully made to the present mode of handing out Books explanatory of our principles to be spread amongst those not of the Society, propose to the meeting, that although any Friends concerned to spread our principles is at liberty to call on the Committee for Books of that discription, it is judged it may be useful to request the corresponding members of the meeting for Sufferings appointed by the Several Quarterly meetings, to give increased attention to the

subject, and to open the way for applications; the list of Books are to be forwarded by them to the Committee for distribution in new york, or to the Clerk of this meeting ~ The proposal of the Committee was approved and the Clerk was directed to forward a copy of this minute to each of our Quarterly meetings ~

Extracted from the minutes

Samuel Parsons Clerk ~

This meeting takeing into consideration the propriety of appointing a few Friends to correspond with the meeting for Sufferings held in New York, - unite in appointing the following friends (to wit) James Noxon - Peter Lossing - Thomas Linvill and Samuel Taylor; The Clerk is directed to forward a Copy of this minute to the meeting for Sufferings ~

By printed Extracts from the yearly meeting held in new york in the 5th m^o. 1816 now received, it appears that the Quarterly meetings are requested to appoint Committees to visit their monthly and preparative meetings, with a view to afford such counsel, advice and assistance as they may be quallified for

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for , and as circumstances may require, in promoting Schools to be kept under the direction of friends, and they are likewise desired to continue to report a statement of the schools under the direction of the monthly and Preparative meetings ~

Agreeable to the foregoing advice the meeting appoints the following friends to unite with a committee of women friends and to give strict attention to the subject and report thereon to our next Half Years meeting (to wit) Peter Lossing - John Haight - James Noxon - Joseph Leavens - Jesse Willson - Henry Widdifield - William Doan - Samuel Way - Watson Playter - George Bradshaw Thomas Linvill - Samuel Taylor - Daniel Haight - John Herrot - Joseph Willson - Gideon Gardner and William Lundy ~

Yonge Street monthly informed that a Preparative meeting was opened at Whitchurch in the third month last and is held as heretofore proposed - also the the [sic] same monthly meeting inform^d that they have concluded to discontinue the meeting for worship at Whitchurch which falls on the day of holding the Half Years meeting at Yonge Street, with which this meeting concurs, and directs the Clerk to forward the necessary information to ~~be forwarded to~~ yonge Street monthly meeting ~

Information was received from Pelham monthly meeting that a Preparative meeting was opened at Norwich in the Second month last and is held as as [sic] heretofore prosed ~

Samuel Taylor and Jesse Willson are appointed to receive the money allowed by the meeting for sufferings to finnish the meeting Houses at Pelham and Black Creek and report ~

We now adjourn to the usual time at West Lake

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The consideration of a Clerk coming before the meeting and Thomas Linvill being proposed is appointed for one year

Canada Half Years Meeting held at West Lake the 29th of first month, 1817 ~

The Representatives from the several monthly meetings being called were present except two and a reason given for the absence of one ~

Our beloved Friend Enoch Dorland from Oswego monthly meeting Dutchess County, State of New York, attended this meeting, whose company and Ministerial labours amongst us were acceptable - also his Companion James Congdon from the same meeting, whose exemplary deportment was also acceptable

The Clerk is directed to furnish them with a Copy of this minute ~

The Queries being read with the answers from the several monthly meetings, the substance whereof is nearly as follows ~

Answer to the first - Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship and discipline although a slackness prevails with some. The hour for the most part nearly observed, not all clear of sleeping in meetings, and one instance of other unbecoming behaviour in one meeting ~

2nd Love and unity we believe are in a good degree maintained as becomes Brethren, when differences arise care is taken to end them, Tale-bearing and detraction generally discouraged ~

3^d It appears that most friends are careful to keep themselves in plainness and to endeavour to train up their own and all other Children under their care agreeable to the contents of this query though deviations appear in some respecting plainness, the Scriptures of Truth we believe are frequently read in their families ~

4th Friends appear to be generally careful in these respects except two instances of attending places of diversion ~

5th The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance are attended to - Some Children are not in a way of getting sufficient School learning ~

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6th Several instances of keeping company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage, also of attending marriages of those who went out from us, and marriages accomplished by a Priest, clear as far as appears respecting the remaining part of this query ~

7th Clear as far as appears ~

8th Some deficient in performing their promises by not paying their Just debts so seasonably as is desired - none known to extend their business beyond their ability to manage

9th It appears that a good degree of care is taken - Seasonably to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline ~

10th We believe they are ~

It appears that this meeting's quota of the Sums called for by the Yearly meeting and the meeting for Sufferings, is raised as directed by our last Half years meeting ~

No report from the friends appointed to receive the money allowed by the meeting for Sufferings, to finish the meeting houses at Pelham and Black Creek they are continued ~

The Committee on the subject of Schools report they have attended thereto, and issued Such counsel and advice to the monthly and preparative meeting as they were capable of, and find there are three Schools within our limits taught agreeable to the direction of the Yearly Meeting, and an encouraging prospect presents that their number will shortly increase - which is directed to the yearly meeting, and the Committee is continued and desired to give strict attention to the subject and report to our next Half years meeting ~

Yonge Street monthly meeting inform^d that the value of property taken from the members of that meeting in lieu of Military requisitions since the first month 1816 amounts to Sixty Seven Dollars which is directed to the Yearly Meeting ~

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Adolphus Monthly meeting inform^d. They are united in the establishment of a meeting for worship and a preparative meeting at Ameliasburgh, proposing that the meeting for worship be held on the first and fourth days of the week to begin at the usual hour, the preparative meeting to be held on the sixth day of the week following the second fifth day in each month - to be called Ameliasburgh preparative meeting, which being considered and having the unity of the womens meeting this meeting approves thereof, the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to Adolpus monthly meeting ~

Also the same monthly meeting suggests to this meetings consideration the propriety of aranging the preparative meetings of Adolphus - Green point and West Lake to be held in future in the following manner (to with) Adolphus preparative meeting on the third day, and Green point on the fourth day preceeding the second fifth day and that of West Lake on the Second fifth day in each month, with which this meeting unites and directs the necessary information to be forwarded to Adolphus monthly meeting ~

Yonge Street monthly meeting inform^d they are united in the establishment of a meeting for worship and a preparative meeting at Uxbridge, proposing, that the meeting for worship be held on first and fifth days of the week to begin at the usual hour - the preparative meeting to be held on the fifth day following the first first day in each month, to be called Uxbridge preparative meeting, with which this meeting concurs, the womens meeting uniting therein

The Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to yonge Street Monthly Meeting ~

A proposal was received from Pelham monthly meeting for building a meeting House at Norwich of the following dimentions (that is) the House to be a fraim of one Story high and fifty feet in length by thirty six feet in bredth estimate

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estimated cost one thousand Dollars - amount of their subscriptions four hundred and fifty Dollars; after carefully attending thereto this meeting approves of the proposal and concludes to raise the additional sum of one hundred Dollars, which leaves the Sum of four hundred and fifty Dollars wanted; the proposal is directed to be forwarded for the consideration of the meeting for Sufferings in granting the deficient sum ~

Robert Willson not appearing to prosecute his appeal the case is discontinued ~

Jacob Cronk - William Christ - Joseph Marsh and William Shotwell are appointed to attend the Yearly meeting as Representatives who are directed to pay our quota of the yearly meeting Stock ~

We now adjourn to the usual time at yonge Street

Canada Half Years meeting held at Yonge Street the 3^d of 9th month 1817 ~

The Representatives from the several monthly meetings being called were present except five, and reasons assigned for the absence of two ~

Our beloved Friends Elizabeth Coggeshall and Ann Shipley from New York monthly meeting, attended this meeting, having previously visited all the Branches of Pelham and yonge Street monthly meetings, whose company and Religious Services amongst us were acceptable and eddifying

Also our friend Samuel Wood from the same monthly meeting, attended this meeting, in company with our friends Elizabeth Coggeshall and Ann Shipley, whose exemplary deportment was acceptable - The Clerk is directed to furnish them with Copies of these minutes ~

The Queries being read with the answers from our Several monthly meetings to the 1st - 2nd - 3^d - 4th and 9th. the substance whereof being nearly as follows ~

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Answer to the first - All our meetings for worship and discipline are attended altho, a slackness prevails with some, the hour nearly observed, not all clear of Sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark ~

2nd. It appears that love and unity are maintained in the general, as becomes Brethren, when differences arise care is extended, Tale-bearing and detraction mostly discouraged ~

3^d. Most friends appear to be in a good degree careful to keep themselves in plainness and to endeavour to train up those Children under their care agreeable to the contents of this query, tho. deficiencies are noted, respecting plainness, both in heads of families and Children - the Scriptures of truth we believe are frequently read in their families

4th. The unnecessary use of Spirituous liquors and frequenting Taverns mostly avoided, one or two instances excepted - and it appears that a few young friends have attended places of diversion ~

9th. It appears that care is mostly taken Seasonably, to endeavour to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline ~

One of the Representatives appointed to attend the yearly meeting inform^d. that three of them attended, and produced a number of copies of the London Epistle, also 19 copies of the New york yearly meetings Epistle, one of each being read was satisfactory ~

The Extracts of last yearly meeting being produced, contains a minute as follows (to wit) The Committee appointed to take into consideration the Subject respecting raising money to build meeting Houses, agreed to propose, that when a new meeting house is wanted to be built, quarterly meetings be encouraged to use all reasonable exertions, to build their own meeting houses, by recommending Subscriptions to circulate through all their monthly meetings: nevertheless, where quarterly meetings find themselves inadequate to the expence, they may be at liberty to inform the meeting for Sufferings of the amount of their subscription, and ask for assistance, and when the meeting for Sufferings is Satisfied with the size estimate & C it

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it may recommend all the quarterly meetings to open subscriptions to raise their respective quotas of the deficient Sum, provided, it do not exceed one half of the estimated cost. - the meeting unites with the report, and it was directed to the observance of our Subordinate meetings

It appears by the Extracts of last yearly meeting that Subordinate meetings are desired to use their best endeavours to establish Schools conformably to a minute of 1816, and as select as circumstances will admit, and to procure teachers belonging to the Society, suitably qualified in respect both to moral and literary attainments, and report yearly the number of Schools within their limits including only Such Schools as are under the sole control of monthly or preparative meetings, of which the houses are owned or rented exclusively by friends, and the managers appointed by the monthly or preparative meetings ~

It also appears by the extracts that subordinate meetings are requested to have the following alteration made in all their copies of the Book of Discipline, and report it to next yearly meeting (to wit) that part of the 60th page of the Book of Discipline from the word connexions in the 20th line to the end of the same paragraph, closing with the words state of mind, shall be cancelled and the following sentence substituted in its place. --- It is concluded that when any friend shall marry a person not a member of our Society, he shall after being Suitably laboured with, be disowned, excepting where the monthly meeting is fully Satisfied with the Sincerity of the person offering an acknowledgment, in which case the meeting is at liberty to accept it -

Our Several monthly meetings are requested to have the above alteration made in all their copies of the Book of discipline and report it to our next half years meeting ~

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By a minute of last yearly meeting it appears, that the Quarterly meetings are requested to raise their proportions of Eight hundred Dollars for that meetings use and pay to said meetings Treasurer ~

It als[o] appears by a minute of the meeting for Sufferings held the 8th of 4th month 1817. that the Quarterly meetings are requested to raise their proportions of Six hundred Dollars to assist in building a meeting house at Bridge Water and pay to Richard R. Lawrence in New york or Joseph Brintnell in Troy and by a minute of said meeting held the 10th of 6th month 1817. The

Quarterly meetings are requested to raise their proportions of Five hundred and fifty Dollars to assist in building a meeting House at New Baltimore and Four hundred and fifty Dollars to assist in building a meeting house at Norwich and pay to John Murray Jn^r New York Joseph Brintnell in Troy, or to the Trustees who may be appointed to Superintend the building ~ see page 74

Our monthly meetings are desired to raise their respective quotas of the aforesaid Sums, and pay to this meetings Clerk who is directed to forward the same agreeable to the directions of the yearly meeting and meeting for Sufferings ~

Our monthly meetings are requested to raise their proportions of one hundred Dollars the Sum granted by our last Half years meeting to assist in building the meeting house at Norwich, and pay to this meetings Clerk, who is directed to pay it to the Friends appointed to Superintend the building - see page 74

A Receipt was produced to this meeting dated 5th m^o. 26th. 1817, and Sign^d. Richard R Lawrence for one hundred Dollars and fifteen Cents, being our quota of the mone called for by the yearly meeting and meeting for Sufferings, as mentioned in the minutes of our Half years meeting in the 8th. m^o. 1816 ~

Yonge Street monthly meeting inform^d that a preparative meeting was opened at Uxbridge in the third month last, and is held a proposed ~

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Pelham monthly meeting inform^d. that the Friends of Norwich preparative meeting requests the privilege of holding a monthly meeting at that place, but their request not being produced the subject is left for the consideration of next Half year meeting, The Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to Pelham monthly meeting ~

A proposal was received from Adolphus monthly meeting for building a meeting house at West Lake of the following dimentions (to wit) the house to be a Fraim, fifty feet in length by thirty feet in width, the posts twenty feet - estimated cost Sixteen hundred Dollars, amount of their Subscriptions eight hundred and fifty nine Dollars, which leaves Seven hundred and forty one Dollars wanted, after carefully attending thereto the meeting approved of the proposal and directed it to be forwarded for the consideration of the meeting for Sufferings in granting the deficient Sum ~

Jonathan Bowerman - Arthur Elsworth - Samuel Taylor - Fredrick Stover - Thomas Linvill and Nicholas Brown, are appointed to revise the monthly meetings quotas, and report to next Half years meeting ~

The Representatives are directed to aportion the Epistles and Extracts to our several monthly meetings

Adjourned to the usual time at West Lake ~

Canada Half years meeting held at West Lake the 28th of first month 1818 -

The Representatives from the monthly meetings being call^d. Were present excep two ~

The consideration of a Clerk coming before the meeting and Thomas Linvill being proposed is appointed for this time ~

The Queries being read with the answers from the several monthly meetings, the substance whereof is as follows ~

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Answer 1st All our Meetings for Religious Worship and Discipline are attended, tho a slackness prevails with some in this important duty, the hour nearly observed, not all clear of sleeping, and one meeting mentions some instances of other unbecoming behaviour in meetings for discipline, and care said to be taken in the above cases ~

2nd. It appears that Love and unity are maintained amongst most of our members, tho not so fully by all as could be desired - when differences arise care is taken to end them -- Tale-bearing and detraction mostly avoided and discouraged ~

3^d. Most Friends appear careful to keep themselves in plainness, and to endeavour to train up their own and other Children under their care in a religious life and conversation, and in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, tho a departure from plainness in some degree is obvious, and some care taken -- The Scirptures of Truth are frequently read in their families ~

4th. We know of none to charge with using Spirituous Liquors unnecessarily, two instances excepted, frequenting Taverns mostly avoided several instances of attending places of diversion, and care extended in the above cases ~

5th. The circumstances of the poor and of those appearing likely to require assistance have been inspected and relief afforded them one meeting says some Children are not in a way at present of partaking of school learning ~

6th. Clear as far as appears except one instance of a young friend attending a marriage of one going out from us, and care taken - and of three young friends attending a marriage accomplished by a Priest ~

7th. None to charge in these respects at this time ~

8th. Some are deficient in performing their promises by not paying their just debts seasonably, and care said to be taken - none known to extend their business beyond their ability to manage, and when there has appeared occasion for fear on these accounts labour has been bestowed ~

9th. It appears that friends are in a good degree careful to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline ~

10th. We believe they are ~

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By accounts received from our several monthly meetings, it appears that the alteration is made in all our Copies of the Book of Discipline respecting marriages with persons not of our Society, and that two Copies are wanted by yonge Street monthly meeting, information thereof is directed to be forwarded to the yearly meeting ~

The Subject respecting the request of Friends of Norwich preparative meeting for the establishment of a monthly meeting at that place being now revived, and their request produced

and read - the meeting unites in appointing the following friends to Join with a Committee of Women friends in visiting that meeting and report their Judgment of the propriety of granting their request: (to wit) John Dorland - Jacob Cronk - Jonathan Clark Daniel Haight - Isaac Webb and Nicholas Brown ~

Our several monthly meetings informed, that they have raised their quotas of the moneys called for by our last Half years meeting and directed the same to ??? to the Clerk of this meeting ~

The Clerk inform^d. that a Copy of the minute respecting the proposal of Adolphus monthly meeting for building a Meeting House at West Lake, was forwarded to one of the corresponding members of the meeting for Sufferings ~

The Committee appointed to revise the monthly meetings quotas, report, that they met and confereed together on the subject, and give it as their Judgment, that when any sum of money is directed by the Half years meeting to be raised - each monthly meeting pay an equal proportion ~

The report of the Committee was concurred with and directed to the observance of our several monthly meetings ~

Adjourned to the eleventh hour tomorrow ~

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The twenty ninth of the month and fifty of the Week, Friends having met agreeable to adjournment ~

The Representatives being called were present as yesterday except one and a reason assigned for his absence ~

The Committee on the subject of Schools report they have given further attention thereto, and still find encouragement - they are continued and to report next meeting ~

By accounts received from the monthly meetings, it appears that there are two Schools Taught agreeable to the advice of the Yearly meeting, an account thereof is directed to be forward to the yearly meeting ~

It appears that the value of property taken from Friends since the first month last, for demands of a Military nature, amounts to fifty eight Dollars and fifty Cents, which is directed to the Yearly Meeting ~

Yonge Street monthly meeting requests the assistance of this meeting in a difficult case, which being weightily considered the meeting appoints the following Friends to assist or advise them as may appear best, and report their care therein (to wit) Judah Bowerman - Jacob Cronk - Daniel Haight - Jonathan Bowerman - John Bull and Samuel Way ~

By a minute of the meeting for Sufferings held in New York the 12th of 8th month 1817 now received, it appears that the Quarterly meetings are requested to rais their proportions of Twelve hundred Dollars to assist in building a meeting House at the Valley in Marlborough Monthly meeting and pay to Richard R. Lawrence in New York, Joseph Brintnell in Troy, or to the Trustees who may be appointed to Superintend the Building ~ and by a minute of said meeting held the 9th of 12th m^o. 1817 the Quarterly meetings are requested to raise their proportions of Five hundred and forty Dollars to assist in building a meeting House at Palmyra,

and pay to Samuel Wood in New York, Joseph Brintnell in Troy, or to the Trustees who may be appointed to Superintend the building -

Our monthly meetings are desired to raise their quotas of said sums and pay to this meetings Clerk who is directed to forward the same agreeable to the direction of the meeting for Suffering ~

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Our beloved Friend John Wine from Flushing Monthly Meeting Long Island, attended this meeting, whose company and Ministerial labours amongst us were truly acceptable and eddifying ~

Also our Friend Gilbert Lawrence ~~from~~ his Companion from the same meeting attended this meeting, whose company was acceptable ~

Our beloved Friend Mary Naftell from the monthly meeting of Withams in Essex old England, attended this meeting, whose company and Gospel labours were acceptable and eddifying ~

also our Friend Hannah Lewis her Companion from the monthly meeting of Friends for the Southern District Philadelphia attended this meeting, whose company and exemplary deportment amongst us was acceptable ~

Likewise our Friend Jacob Conklin ~~attended~~ from Shapauqua monthly meeting, attended this meeting with Mary Naftell, whose company was also acceptable ~

The Clerk is directed to furnish them with Copies of these minutes

Nicholas Brown - Henry Widdifield - John Bull and William Lundy are appointed to attend the yearly meeting as our representatives, who are directed to pay our quota of the yearly meeting Stock ~

We now adjourn to the usual time at Yonge Street ~

Canada Half Years Meeting held at Yonge Street the 2ⁿ^d of 9th m^o. 1818 ~

The Representatives from the monthly meetings being called ten were present ~

The consideration of a Clerk coming before the meeting and Thomas Linvill being proposed is appointed for one year and Daniel Haight is appointed Assistant ~

The Queries being read with the answers from the monthly meetings, the substance whereof is as follows ~

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Ans 1st. All our meetings for religious Worship and Discipline are attended, altho a Slackness prevails with some, the hour nearly observed - some instances of sleeping and care expressed in the above deficiencies, no other unbecoming behaviour noted ~

2n^d. It appears that Love and unity are maintained in the general, tho not without some exception, when differences arise care is taken to end them - most Friends are careful to avoid and discourage Tale-bearing and detraction ~

3^d. Most Friends appear careful to keep themselves in plainness and to endeavour to train up their own and other Children under their care agreeable to the contents of this query, altho deficiencies in these respects are obvious and some care taken - the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in their families ~

4th. Clear as far as appears except a few instances of using Spirituous Liquors unnecessarily and of some young Friends attending places of diversion, and care taken in the above cases ~

9th There appears to be a good degree of care taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline ~

The Committee on the Subject of Schools report that the concern has been promotive of good, and the prospect somewhat encouraging, tho there appears too general a remissness amongst Friends considering the importance of the Subject - on which a lively exercise was witnessed, and after several interesting communications being received the meeting concluded to continue the Committee desiring that our subordinate meetings may witness an increased labour in so good a work ~

The Committee to attend Norwich preparative meeting on account of their request, inform^d some attention but no visit, they are continued and desired to visit friends of that place as way may open and report to next meeting ~

The Committee to attend Yonge Street monthly meeting report that three of them attended, and gave them such advice as they were capable of, and as they thought the State of that meeting would admit of ~

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The Clerk inform^d that he has received from our several monthly meetings their quotas of the moneys directed by our last Half years meeting to be raised ~

The Representatives to attend our last yearly meeting inform^d that three of them attended

The following Receipts were produced (to with) One dated New york 5th m^o. 25th 1818
ans Sign^d Phin.^s S. Bunting for Rich^d. R Lawrence for Twenty four Dollars Quota of yearly }
meeting Stock and Eighteen Dollars Quota towards building a meeting House at Bridgewater}
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And one of the same date sign^d. Jn.^o Murray Jn^r. for Thirty Dollars Quota towards
building a meeting House at Norwich and another at New Baltimore -----
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Also one Receipt dated 3^d. m^o. 4th. 1818 and sign^d Frederick Stover and Peter Lossing
Trustees, for one hundred dollars the sum granted by this meeting towards building a meeting
house at Norwich ----- 100
\$172⁰⁰

By a minute of our last yearly meeting now received it appears that the Quarterly meetings are requested to raise their proportions of one thousand Dollars for that meetings use, and forward the same to said meetings Treasurer ~

and by minutes of the meeting for Sufferings held in New York the 10th of 2nd m^o and 9th of 6th m^o 1818 now received the Quarterly meetings were requested to raise their proportions of Seven hundred forty two Dollars and 38 Cents, to assist in building a meeting house at Junius, and Seven hundred and forty one Dollars to assist in building a meeting house at West Lake, and pay the same to William Waring in New York, Joseph Brintnell in Troy, or to the Trustees who may be appointed to Superintend the Buildings ~ Our monthly meetings are desired to raise their respective quotas of the above Sums, and pay to this meetings Clerk, who is directed to forward the Same agreeably to the direction of the yearly meeting and meeting for Sufferings ~

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Received a Letter as follows -----

To the half years meeting of Friends in upper Canada -
Dear Friends -

Chamless Wharton a friend late of this City in his Will Bequeathed One Thousand Dollars "To be disposed of paid and applied for the use of the People called Quakers in upper Canada in such way and manner as the yearly Meeting held at Philadelphia or a Committee thereof may judge best and most advantageous" -----

The yearly Meeting directed the Meeting for Sufferings to take charge of the Legacy, who appointed us to apply the same in such manner as may be most likely to fulfil the design of the Testator. We accordingly on behalf of the said Meeting, desire it may be applied by your Meeting in the promotion and establishment of schools where most needed by, Friends within your limits; and herewith furnish you with the said sum of one Thousand Dollars ~ we are your Friends ~ Philadelphia 5th m^o. 23^d. 1818 ~

Tho^s. Stewardson - Ellis Yarnall - Thomas Hister - Joseph Scattergood

After carefully attending to the subject, the meeting appoints Jonathan Bowerman - Isaac Willson and Amos Armitage to take charge of said Legacy until next Half years Meeting, and unite with the School Committee in considering what manner would be the most proper to dispose of it, so as to answer the design of the Testator, and the desire of the Committee of the meeting for sufferings in Philadelphia, and report their Judgment thereon ~

Yonge Street Monthly meeting requests the assistance of this meeting in a difficult case - Daniel Haight - Jonathan Bowerman - Cyrus Richman - Judah Bowerman - Azaliah Schooley - Jesse Willson - Charles Hill and Joshua Gilham are appointed to assist and advise friends of that meeting in their difficulty and report their care therein to next Half years meeting ~

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A few lines being received are as follows to wit~

The committee to the appropriation of the interest arising from the permanent fund of the boarding school at Nine Partners, propose to offer to the acceptance of friends of the half years meeting in Canada the board and tuition of the two children members of the society one year, but it is to be understood that the expenses for clothing etc must be otherways provided for ~

Signed on behalf of the committee Philip Hoag ~

Which this meeting accepts and offers to the monthly meetings~

It appears by a minute of the meetings of sufferings held in New York the 9th of 6th mo 1818 that, that meeting concluded to have an edition published of the principles of religion as professed by friends, by Henry Tuke, being a very valuable book and that the printer is willing to supply each quarterly meeting with the number it may want a price not exceeding twentyfive cents half bound, to be paid when the books are sent for application to be made to Samuel Wood and sons No 261 Pearl Street New York ~ The clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to each of our monthly meetings ~

Adjourned to the usual time at West Lake ~

Canada Half Year meeting held at West Lake the 3d of 2nd mo 1819~

The representatives from the several monthly meetings being calld were present except two~

Yonge street monthly meeting informd that lewis Powel has signified his intention of appealing from the judgement of that meeting, but he is not appearing to prosecute his appeal the subject is left till next half years meeting~

The queries being read with the answers from this monthly meeting, being is substance as follows ~

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First answer- It doth not appear but that all our meetings for worship and discipline are attended, tho a slackness appears in some to attend them, the hour nearly observed, not all clear of sleeping, and one meeting says some instances of other unbecoming behaviour, and care is said to be taken in the above disorders ~

2nd love and unity are in a good degree maintained as becomes brethren with some exceptions and care taken, care has also been taken to end differences tale-bearing and detraction mostly avoided ~

3rd Friends are generally careful to keep themselves in plainness and and to raise u their own children and those of other friends under their care in a religious life and conversation, and in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, although there is some (mostly of the youth) not so plain as is desired, the scriptures of the truth are frequently read in friends families, and some care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition~

6th Some instances of keeping company with those not of our society on account of marriage, and several instances of attending marriages accomplished contrary to our discipline, and care taken, clear as far as appears with respect to parents connivance~

4th Clear as far as appears except two instances of using spirituous liquors unnecessarily, and two of two of attending places of diversion and some care taken~

5th The circumstances of the poor have been inspected and relief afforded- some advice and assistance in employment has been given and most of the children under our care in some way to get school learning~

7th We believe they are~

8th Some are deficient in performing their promises by not paying their just debts seasonably, no other apparent deficiencies as respects this query~

9th It appears that care is mostly taken, seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline ~

10th They are_____

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The committee to visit Norwich preparative meeting on account of their request, report they have attended to their appointment and met with friends of the several branches of that meeting and are united in the belief that it may be right to allow a monthly meeting at that place - after a time of weighty deliberation and having the unity of the womens meeting, the report of the committee was concurred with - the monthly meeting to be held on the second fourth day in each month, to be called Norwich monthly meetings and to be opened in the third month next, the queries to be read and answered in the first-fourth-seventh and tenth months- James Noxon- Nicholas Brown- Judah Bowerman-Amos Armitage- Asa Rogers- Isaac Willson- and John Taylor are appointed to attend the opening thereof and report.

The committee on the subject of schools report, they have given further attention thereto, and that there is a prospect encouragingly opening - the committee is continued to the interesting subject and Joshua Gilham- Charles Hill- Frederick Stover- Jonathan Clark- Aron Armitage and Peter Taylor are added and a desire to witness that our monthly meetings may be encouraged to promote the concern by appointing committees to confere with this committee~

The committee on the subject of schools also report that they have jointly with the friends thereto added taken under consideration the most proper mode of disposing of the donation of Chamless Wharton, forwarded to our half years meeting by the meeting for sufferings at Philadelphia- and give it as their sense in the subject, that the money be divided amongst the monthly meetings in the following manner, (that is) Adolphus monthly meeting to have three hundred Dollars- Yonge Street monthly meeting Three hundred dollars- Pelham monthly meeting two hundred dollars and Norwich monthly meeting two hundred dollars; the principle to be considered a permanent fund, and the interest be appropriated as each monthly meeting may judge proper, promotive of the object intended, which sum together with future donations for the like purpose to be thereto added - and that our monthly meetings be encouraged to liberality in

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promoting subscriptions to aid the desirable object of enlarging the fund for the guarded education of the rising generation~

The report of the committee was concurred with~

The committee appointed to advise and assist Yonge Street monthly meeting informed they attended to the appointment and gave them such advice and assistance as they were capable of~

It appears that Yonge Street monthly meeting has accepted the offer of sending two children to the boarding school at Nine Partners - with which this meeting unites~

Adjourned to the tenth hour tomorrow morning ~

Friends being met about the time adjourned to this fourth day of the second month
1819~

The representatives being called were present as yesterday~

Our esteemed friends, Jemima Reese- Martha Riketson and Seth Griffin from the ?Peris monthly meeting in the state of New York, attended the adjournment of this of this meeting acceptably~

Adolphus monthly meeting informs that they have concluded to establish a meeting for worship and a preparative meeting in the town of Young at or near Gersham Wings. The meeting for worship to be held on first and fifth days in each week to begin at the usual hour, and the preparative meeting to be held on the first fifth day of each month. To be called Leeds preparative meeting, and to forward their accounts by representatives to the monthly meeting once in three months (that is) at the times when the queries are answered, with which this meeting unites and leaves that monthly meeting at liberty to open said preparative meeting when they think most convenient- having obtained the concurrence of the womens meeting therein~

Yonge Street monthly meeting informs that they have concluded to establish a meeting for worship and a preparative meeting at Pickering- the meeting for worship to be held in the first and fifth days in each week to begin at the usual hour, and the preparative meeting to be held in the first fifth dy after the first first day in

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In each month to be called Pickering preparative meeting, which being considered, and having the concurrence of the womens meeting, this meeting unites therewith, and leaves friends of that monthly meeting at liberty to open said preparative meeting when they think most convenient ~

Yonge Street monthly meeting also informs that they have concluded to alter the time of holding the week day meeting for worship and the preparative meeting at Queen Street, and the time of holding the preparative meeting at Whitchurch - the week day meeting at Queen Street to be held in future on the third day of the week, and their preparative meeting to be held on the first third day after the first first day in each month - and the preparative meeting at Whitchurch to be held in future on the first fourth day after the first first day in each month, which now receives the approbation of this meeting the womens meeting uniting therein ~

A Proposal was received from Pelham Monthly meeting for seting up a Quarterly meeting to be composed of Pelham and Eden monthly meetings, and to be held alternately at

Pelham and Hamburg, after a time of weighty deliberation on the important subject, the meeting concluded to Seperate a Committtee to join with a Committee of women friends, to visit Pelham monthly meeting, and if way should open to unite with a Committee from Farmington Qarterly meeting in visiting Eden monthly meeting and report - to which service the following friends are appointed (to wit) Jonathan Clark - Daniel Haight - John A. Haight - Nathaniel Yager - William Christy - Jacob Cronk - James Noxon - Amos Armitage - Henry Widdifield and Nicholas Brown ~

A Concern was spread in this meeting respecting the propriety of holding a meeting for worship previous to entering upon the business of this meeting at each place, which resulted in a conclusion to spread it before the womens meeting who uniting with us, the subject is directed to be forwarded for the consideration of the yearly meeting ~

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It appears by accounts brought forward that there are three Schools within our limits kept agreeable to the direction of the yearly meeting -

Yonge Street monthly meeting informs that the value of property taken from friends within the verge of that meeting in lieu of Military requisitions since the first month 1818 amounts to five hundred Dollars and 27 Cents ~

Six Copies of the Book of Discipline are wanted, that is two for Norwich - two for Pickering and two for Leeds ~

Asa Rogers - Joshua Gilham - Charles Hill and Judah Bowerman are appointed to revis the Quota and report to next meeting

The Clerk informed that he has received from our several monthly meetings their proportions of the moneys directed by our East Half years meeting to be raised ~

Daniel Haight - Jonathan Bowerman - Thomas Jones and Nicholas Brown are appointed Representatives to attend the yearly meeting, who are directed to pay our quota of the yearly meeting Stock

Adjourned to the usual time at Yonge Street ~

Canada half years meeting held at Yongstreet 1st of 9^{mo}. 1819

The Representative from our several monthly meetings are present except four and reasons given for three of them of them.[sic]

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Daniel Haight is appointed Clerk to this meeting for one year and Amos Armitage assistant

Lewis Powel informed this meeting, that he continued disposed to procecute his appeal. The following friends are appointed to attend to his case and report their judgement there in to the next siting of this meeting (That is) Robert Hubbs, Samuel D Cronk Ritchard Morden, Smith Kenney?, Joseph Wilson, Isaac Barton

One of the friends appointed to attend the yearly meeting inform that two of them attended it They paid our quota of the yearly meetings stock, but not producing a receipt therefor are desired to produce one to our next meeting -

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The Queries were read and considered in this meeting and their answers are forwarded from our several monthly meetings and in substance as follows

Answer to the first All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended, though a slackness prevails with some - the hour nearly observed - not all clear of Sleeping and care taken no other unbecoming behaviour remarked -

2nd It appears that love and unity are maintained in the general as becomes bretheren, two instances excepted which are under care when differences appear care is taken to end them Tale Baring and detraction is discouraged -

3rd Most friends appear carefull to keep themselves in plainness and to endeavour to train up their own children and those of other friends under their care, agreeable to the contents of this query though diviations are apparent in some the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families and care extended in these respects toards others under their tuition -

4th It appears that friends are generally carefull to avoid the unnecessary use of spirituious liquors three instances excepted and some care extended clear as to the remaining part of this query as far as appears

9th It is believed that care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and in a good agreeably to our discipline

It appears in the extracts from the Yearly meeting That the committee on the proposition from Wesbury Quarterly Meeting relative to a change in the Third Query produced ??? ??? the following

Third Query "Are Friends careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends Children, under their care, in plainness of speach, behaviour, and apparel, and do they indeavour by example and precept, to train them up in a religious life and conversation, consistent with our Christian profession & Are the Scriptures of Truth

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Frequently read in their families, and do they extend a due care in these respects toards others under their tuition.

The Meeting united with the report and the Query as now revised, was, was derved to the observeance of the subordinate Meetings, who ware requested to have the alteration made in all their Copies of the Book of Discipline and report thereon next year - - This Meeting derved the Clerk to insert the alteration in this meetings copies and also recommends it down to all our monthly and preparetive meetings for information to be returned thereon for ??? Next meeting

A number of printed copies of extracts from our last Yearly meeting, containing remarks, and salutary advice was now recieved: One of them was read, and its contents Satisfactory to us, they are directed to the attention of our monthly meetings -

Four of the friends appointed to attend the opening of Norwich monthly meeting: Report their attendance and that it is their judgement that the boundary line include the town of Ancastor and westward - with which this meeting unites

This Meetings Committee to promote the interesting concern for the guarded education of the youth Report attention to the subject, and that altho there appears a necessity for a greater excitement for its promotion, th?? has some advancement been made since last meeting

A desire is witnesses at this time that our monthly meetings may be encouraged to a perseverance there in and our Committee is continued to the service ~

The committee on account of Pelham Monthly meetings ??? ??? for a Quarterly meeting Inform they have attended to the subject but have made no visit they are continued to the service -

Norwich Monthly meeting informed that they are united in establishing a meeting for worship at Pine Street

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To be held on first and fifth days esept Monthly Meeting week and a preparative Meeting to be held the fifth day preceeding the second fourth day in each month - With which this meeting unites (haveing the concurance of the Women) and directs that meeting to proceed accordingly

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Said Meeting also propose an alteration in the time of holding the present Preparative meeting from the last to the first fourth day in each month - with which this meeting concurs -

One of the representitive to our last Yearly Meeting Inform that he has recieved Six copies of our book of discipline - They are directed to be forwarded as follows (that is) Two to Yongstreet, Two to Norwich, and two to Adolphus Monthly meetings And Norwich now requests four more copies. The meeting appoints Sam^l Taylor to send to the meeting for Suffering New York for them and to inform next meeting

This Meeting adjourns to meet tomorrow one Oclock P. M.

The Meeting met near the time adjourned to this 2nd day of 9th month 1819

The Representitives present as Yesterday

The Committee in Lewis Powels case report in writing as follows (that is) We the Committee appointed on the appeal of Lewis Powell, have attended to the appointment and examined the minutes of the Preparative and Yongestreet Monthly Meeting in his case, hears what the Appelant, and the monthly meeting information? This said? to offer, ??? carefully all ??? to the subject are united in Reporting to the half years Meeting our judgement, That the proceeding of ??? meetings ??? care are ??? ??? ??? to be confirmed The report of the committee is concured with Asa Rogers & Amos Armitage are appointed

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To inform him thereof and report to our next meeting

The friends appointed last Meeting to revise the Monthly Meeting Quotas Now Report as their judgement that Adolphus pay Thirty, Yongstreet Thirty, Pelham Twenty Norwich Twenty percent on all monies to be raised which is concured with

The former Clerk Informs that he has agreeably to direction forwarded all monies recieved in charge, but not haveing recieved receipts therefor he is desired to produce them to our next meeting -

By the Extract of our last Yearly meeting it appears that the Quarterly Meeting are Requested to raise their Quotas of the sum of one Thousand Dollors for the Yearly Meeting use for the present year Our Monthly Meeting are request to raise their respective Quotas and inform Next meeting -

By a Minute recieved from the Meeting for sufferings held in New York 13th of 4th month 1819 It appears that That Meeting has directed the Quarterly meetings to raise the sum of six hundred and twenty five dollors to assist in building two meeting houses That is One at Rensselerville, and one at Charles Town This meeting request the monthly Meetings to raise their proportions of this meetings Quoto and to forward it to the Clerk of this meeting Who is desired to forward it as directed by said Meeting To Jeremiah Thompson? In New York Joseph Brintnell in Troy or to the Trustees appointed to superintend the building

In the Extracts from our Last Yearly Meeting is the following revised Recommendation (To Witt) The Meeting at this time [faded text] recommendations raised and by years past, to the Quarterly? Meetings, that before entering? [faded text]

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For exercised minds to communicate suitable counsel and advice to members, but the interruption occasioned by the others withdrawing upon doning the shutters, often disturbs the quiet and Solimnity of Such Meeting: and it is recommended in order to carry this advice into Effect that Friends be careful to inform their neighbours of this conclusion, and those few friends be appointed to extend care at the doors, in order to prevent the introduction; at such seasons, of those who are not members of our society - Which is directed To our monthly meetings for the information of friends

It is the Judgement of this Meeting that a Meeting for worship be held the day following Next half Years Meeting at the West Lake at the usial hour

The Meeting adjourns to meet at the West Lake The usial time

Canada Half Years meeting held at West Lake 2nd Month 2nd 1820

The Representitive from our Monthly Meetings present except five - A reason offered for one -

The Queries were considered in this meeting, and their answers, forwarded from our Monthly Meetings, are in Substance as follows (Viz) ---

1st answer - All our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended, Some remisness apparent, the hour nearly observed, some account of Sleeping, no other unbecomeing behavior in them, noted, and ~~some care said to be taken~~, and some care Said to be taken in the above dificiencies ---

2nd Love and unity are maintained in a good degree as becomes bretheren, (with some exceptions) and some care expressed, care has been taken to end differences, when they have appeared, no charge against any for tale bareing, or detraction --

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3rd The most of friends, appear careful, to keep them selves their Own, and other friends children, under their care, in plainness of speach, behavior, and apparel, and do indeavour, by example, and precept, to train them up in a religious life, consistant with our profession, the scriptures of truth are frequently read in our families, and some care is extended toards others under our care in these respects, remisness is apparent and some labour said to be extended --

4th They do generally, Three instances are noted where it is belieaved, ardent Spirits has been used unnecessaraly - One Instance of attending a place of diversion, care said to be taken in each. -

5th The Circumstances of the poor is inspected, and some relieaf administered, some advice extended & some is assisted in imployment, that some children are not in so good a way, to-get School learning as is desireable --

6th Some Instances of keeping company, and some of attending marrages, Contrary to our order, to whom care has been extended -

7th Clear excepting one Instance of attending a Training and one of paying a fine, Both under care -

8th Friends appear mostly carefull to perform their promises and pay their Just debts, in due season, Though more care as respects extending business as is desireable, Some advice given

9th We believe Care is taken, to deal with offenders in a good degree as queried after --

10th They are ---

It appears that the revised answer, to the third Query, hath been inserted, in all our copies of the book of discipline except one - To which the care of pelham monthly meeting is directed --

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The friend Intrusted to pay the money raised for the Yearly Meetings use, and other purposes, produced receipts for the following Sums (Viz) One from Ritchard R Laurance ???

[smeared] New York 5th month 27th 1819 for the Valley meeting house 36\$

Yearly Meeting Stock 30 ~~66~~/100

One Dito from Samuel Wood for Palmyra Meeting house 26 20/100

dated New York 5 month 28th 1819

and one Dito of the last mentioned date from William Warring for

Junius Meeting house 22 - 27

The whole amounting to \$104-47/100

The committee on account of Schools handed the following Report (Viz) We have given further attention to the Interesting Subject of our appointment, and find the prospect somewhat Incourageing - A desire is renewed witnessed in this meeting, that our Monthly Meetings

persevere therein - And our Committee is continued to the Service, and to report to our Next meeting --

No account from the friend who was directed to send for Some Copies, of our book of discipline - He is desired to inform next meeting --

The friends appointed to inform Lewis Powell, that the Half Years meeting had confirm'd the Judgement of Yongstree Monthly Meeting in his case, - Report the app^t answered -

Adjourned, untill the close of the Meeting for worship Tomorrow - About which time friends presided? to the remaining business

Representatives present as Yesterday -

The friends appointed on account of Pelham Monthly Meetings Requesting a Quarterly Meeting, Report, They have ~~have~~ attended to their appointment, a part of them have attended Pelham Monthly Meeting, and have met with a Committee of Farmington Quarter, and were united with its being forward to the Yearly Meeting

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After a time of Weighty deliberation on the subject, this meeting defers the further consideration of ~~the Subject~~ there of untill our next meeting, under the Cre of the Committee. ~

We expect our Quotas of the Yearly meeting Stock will be forwarded in due Season --

The Clerk is directed to forward the money for building Ranslwervill and Charlestown Meeting houses to Jeremiah Thomson of Newyork -

Our beloved friend William Rickinson, from Rochester Great Bitton, attended this Meeting, with a Certificate of the concurrence, and Sympathy, of friends at home, his exemplary deportment and Gospell labour, are exceptable to us -

Also our beloved friend Anna M Thorn attended this Meeting, with a minute from Nine partners Monthly Meeting, Expressive of their unity with her therein, Whose company and Labours of Love are exceptable -

Likewise our beloved friend, Mary Bristol, attended this Meeting as a companion to Anna M. Thorn, With a minute from Nine partners Monthly Meeting, Expressive of their unity with her therein, whose deportment has been satisfactory To us. --

Our Friend Nicholas Brown, opened in this Meeting a concern which had for some time rested on his mine, to pay a religious Visit, in the Northern, and Western parts, of our Yearly Meeting, To attend the Yearly Meeting of Road Island, and the Northern and Eastward parts of that Yearly meeting, and produced the within Certificate from Yongstreet monthly meeting, The subject claimed the solid consideration of the meeting, was united with, and the Clerk is desired to furnish him with a copy of this minute

The meeting taking into consideration the prospect of ??? resulting from holding a meeting for worship the day following our half years meetings in future do conclud that one be held accordingly

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The following friends are appointed our Representatives To the Yearly meeting (Viz) James Noxon, Nicholas Brown Amos Armitage and Joseph Marsh --

The Meeting concludes for this time ~

Canada Half Years Meeting held at yonge Street the 30th of Eighth month 1820.

The Representatives being called were present except six and reasons given for the absence of four. ~

Amos Armitage is appointed Clerk to this meeting for one Year & George Bradshaw assistant. ~

Norwich Monthly meeting Inform'd that Samuel Taylor Intends to appeal from the Judgment of that meeting in his case, and he being present - also Inform'd that he continues his Intention. The follow friends are appointed to give attention thereto and report - (to wit) Aron White, Jacob Cronk, John Cooper, Henry Bonnel, Asa Randell, Isaac Webb, Asa Rogers & Amos Armitage. ~

The Queries were read with the answers from the Monthly meetings, the substance whereof is as follows. ~

ans 1st It appears that most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship and discipline, th'o some are deficient therein espicially on week days, the hour nearly observed, - some appearance of sleeping - no other unbecoming behaviour to remark; - care taken in the above cases ~.~.

2,^d Love & unity appers to be maintained as becomes Brethern with some Exceptions, when differences arise, care is taken to end them. Tale bearing and detraction generally avoided and discouraged ~.~

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3,^d We believe that most friends are careful to keep themselves their own, and other friends Children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour & apparel, and do endeavour by Example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation Consistant with our Christian profession, the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families, and care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition .~.

4th Clear in the several parts of this Query as far as appears .~.

9th It appears that care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline.

It appears that the third revised Query, has been Inserted in all of the copies of the Book of Discipline .~.

A part of the Committee on the request of pelham Monthly meeting for a Quarterly meeting - Inform'd they have given further attention thereto, and after conferring with the committee of Farmington quarterly meeting on the Subject, agree'd to report as their belief, that the time is not yet come - which Report is united with, - The Clerk is directed to forward the Necessary Information to pelham Monthly meeting .~.

The Committee on the account of Schools Inform'd they have given further attention thereto, and the prospect still continues encouraging - they are continued and report to nex meeting.

Adolphus monthly meeting suggested to this, the consideration of a division, or alteration of that meeting. After a time of solid deliberation thereon, It was concluded to separate a Committee to Join with a committee of Women friends in visiting that meeting, and report their Judgment in the case. To Which service the following friends are appointed, (to wit) Henry Widdifield, Watson Playter, William Lundy, Nicholas Brown, Asa Rogers, John A. Haight, Joseph Willson, Daniel Cornell, Joshua Gillam, David Barton, Charles Hill, Amos Scott & Amos Armitage

One of the friends appointed to attend the Yearly meeting, Inform'd that he attended, and produced the Extracts with a number of Epistles, one of each being read, also six copies of the Book of Discipline, four of which are directed to Norwich Monthly meeting

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By a minute of the meeting for Sufferings held in New York the 8th of 2^d month 1820. (now received) It appears that the Quarterly meetings were requested to raise their proportions of Six hundred ninety eight Dollars and 62 centos to assist in building a meeting house at Hamburg and pay to William Warring in New York, Joseph Brintnell in Troy, or to the Trustees appointed to superintend the Building .~.

And by a minute of said meeting held the 13th of 6th month 1820. the Quarterly meetings were requested to raise their proportions five hundred Eighty five Dollars to assist in Building a meeting house at Scipio, and to pay to Joseph Brintnell in Troy Jeremiah Thompson in New York, or to the Trustees appointed to Superintend the Building .~.

It also appears by the Extracts of our last Yearly meeting, (now received) that the Quarterly meetings were requested, to raise their proportions of one thousand Dollars for that meetings use and pay to its Treasurer; Our Monthly meetings are desired to raise their respective Quotas of said sums, and pay to this meetings Clerk - who is directed to forward the same, agreeably to directions of the Yearly meeting and Meeting for Sufferings .~.

A Minute of our last Yearly Meeting now produced, is as follows (to wit) the meeting being led into a consideration of the present mode of appointing the members of the meeting for Sufferings. It was concluded after deliberately attending thereto, that the members composing that meeting, should be appointed by the Yearly Meeting; And that their number should consist of forty: This appointment has accordingly now been make; And our Quarterly meetings are requested to release their Corresponding members, and those who now stand appointed to that service - Extracted from the minutes of said meeting Samuel Parsons Clerk .~. Agreeable to the above minute, this meeting Releases its Corresponding members .~.

Adjourn'd untill the close of the meeting for worship to morrow.

Agreeably to adjournment, now proceeds to the remaining business this 31st of 8th month 1820.

Representatives present as Yesterday:

The Committee on the appeal of Samuel Taylor made the following report in writing, (to with) We the Committee

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on the appeal of Samuel Taylor, have given attention to the subject, and after carefully Examining into the proceedings of the monthly meeting - together with the committee in his case, also heard the appellant on his own behalf; And upon solid deliberation thereon believe, that it would not be best to confirm the Judgment of Norwich monthly meeting in his case.~.

The report of the committee is concurred with - and the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary Information to Norwich Monthly meeting.- James Noxon, John A. Haight & Joseph Willson are appointed to Inform the appellant of this meetings result in his case, and report to next meeting.~.

No receipt produced for the money directed for the Yearly Meetings stock.

Adjourn'd until the usual time at West Lake .~.

Canada Half Year's Meeting held at West Lake the 31st of the first month 1821.

The Representatives from the monthly meetings being called were present, except five and a reason given for the absence of one.~.

The Assistant Clerk being absent - Thomas Linvill is appointed for the day

The Queries being read with the Answers from the several monthly Meetings, the substance whereof is as follows.

Ans 1st It appears that friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship and discipline - th'o some are deficient therein. the hour nearly observ'd, not all clear of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken.

2^d Love and unity we believe are maintained as become Brethern Excepting a few Instances, When differences arise care is taken to end them, and friends do mostly avoid and discourage tale-bearing and detraction.

3^d Friends appear generally careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care, in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and do in some measure endeavour by Example & precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Christian profession, the scriptures of truth we believe are frequently read in their families, and some care extended in these respects towards others under their tuition.

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4th It appears that friends do generally avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors - frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion.

5th We believe the circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance has been Inspected and relief afforded them. And some advice given, friends children and others under our care mostly In some way to get school learning - th'o one meeting expresses a want of means to school their Children.

6th Three Instances of keeping company on account of marriage, and four young friends have attended the marriages of those gone out from us, and the above cases under care.

7th Clear as far as appear.

8th Friends are mostly careful in performing their promises and paying their Just debts - a few Instances excepted, and some care taken, none to charge with extending their business beyond their ability to manage.

9th It appears that care is taken to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and measureably agreeable to discipline.

10th They are .~.

The committee on account of schools report they have attended thereto, and the prospect still continues encouraging - they also request to be released, the meeting concurs therewith, and they are released therefrom.~.

The committee on the proposal from Adolphus monthly Meeting reported as follows (to wit) We of the committee appointed on the proposition of Adolphus monthly meeting, having met, and after takeing the subject under our consideration, think it may be best, (under present circumstances) that the monthly Meeting be established at West Lake Watson Player William Lundy, Asa Rogers, John A, Haight, Daniel Cornell, Nicholas Brown, Amos Armitage, Clarissa Lydde, Margaret Bonnel & Mary Parson. The report was concured with, and it was concluded that the monthly meeting in future be call'd west Lake monthly meeting, having the unity of the womens meeting therein.

The Clerk Inform'd that a copy of the conclusive minute respecting pelhams proposition for a Quarterly meeting was forwarded to that meeting.~.

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A proposal was received from Yonge Street monthly meeting for rebuilding a meeting house at Uxbridge, twenty two feet in width by thirty two in length, a frame of one Story high, After carefully attending thereto, It was concluded that the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars be raised for that purpose ~ And our Monthly meetings are requested to raise their proportions of said sum and pay to this meetings Clerk and report to next meeting.~.

It appears that two Schools within our limits, are kept agreeable to the advice of the yearly meeting.~.

The Clerk inform'd that he has Receiv'd, from all the monthly Meetings; their Quotas of the money directed by the yearly meeting and Meeting for Sufferings - to be raised, Except nine dollars fifty three cents which is yet due from Norwich ~ and the Clerk is directed to forward the money in his hands by the Representatives to attend the yearly meeting - who are Aron White, James Noxon, Asa Rogers & Judah Bowerman.

The friends appointed to inform Samuel Taylor of the result of last meeting in his case, Inform the appointment answer'd.

No Receipt yet produced for our last years Quota.

Adjourn'd until the usual time at Yonge Street.

Canada Half Years meeting held at Yonge Street the 29th of the Eighth month 1821. ~

The representatives from the several monthly meetings, being called were present, except four and reasons given for the absence three.~

The consideration of a Clerk coming before the meeting - Amos Armitage being proposed for that servise, is appointed for one year and Thomas Linvill assistant.

Our friend George Withy from Frenchay monthly meeting in England attended this meeting with certificate of concurrence of friends at home, whose company and ministerial labours amongst us were acceptable

Our friend Samuel Wood from the monthly meeting of new york in company with our friend George Withy from England attended this meeting acceptably.~~

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Our friend Patience Sleeper attended this meeting, with a certificate from Ceasars Creek monthly meeting in Warren County, State of Ohio - Endorsed by Miami Quarterly meeting - whose company and labours of love amongst us were truly acceptable.

Our friend Hannah Kirk from Center monthly meeting in Clinton County State of Ohio, companion to our friend Patience Sleeper attended this meeting acceptably ~

Our friend William Stanton from Center monthly meeting in Clinton County State of Ohio, in company with our friend Patience Sleeper attended this meeting acceptably.~

The Queries were read with the answers from the monthly meetings the substance whereof is as follows ~

1st answer It appears friends are mostly careful to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and discipline, the hour nearly observed not all clear of sleeping, some care taken, no other unbecoming to remark.~.

2^d Love and unity appears to be generally maintained as becomes Brethern - yet in some instances not so fully as could be desired, when differences hath arisen care has been taken to end them, Talebearing and detraction appears to be generally avoided and discouraged. ~.

3^d Friends are mostly careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Christian profession, the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families, and care is Extended in these respects towards others under their tuition.~.

4th It appears friends are generally careful to avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors - three instances excepted, clear of frequenting of Taverns and attending places of diversion.~.

9th We believe care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness, and agreeable to our discipline.~.

One of the representatives to attend the yearly meeting, Inform'd he attended and paid this meetings Quotas of the money call'd for by the yearly meeting and meeting for sufferings - but omitted bringing the receipts, he produced the Extracts and a number of copies of the

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London Epistles, one of the Epistles being read was satisfactory.~

By the Extracts now received, it appears that the yearly meeting has appointed a committee to attend this meeting, who having their names called, four were present.

It also appears by said Extracts, that the Quarterly meetings were requested to raise their proportions of one thousand dollars for the yearly meetings use, and pay to its Treasurer - our Monthly meetings are requested to raise their Quotas of said sum and pay to this meetings Clerk. ~

The Clerk Inform'd that he has received from the different monthly meetings to assist in building Uxbridge meeting hours the following sums (to wit

from West Lake	\$35:40 cents
from Pelham	17:66 ½
from Yonge Street	14:56
from Norwich	<u>6:37 ½</u>
which makes	74:00 - \$

And our monthly meetings are requested to raise the remainder of their Quotas towards building the meeting house at uxbridge and pay to this meetings Clerk - who is directed to pay the monies lodged in his hands for that use to the trustees to superintend the said building.

The Representatives to the yearly meetings that have heretofore paid in this meetings Quotas and not yet produced their receipts, are requested to forward them to next meeting.~

Adjourn'd until the usual time at West Lake

Canada Half years meeting held at West Lake the 30th of 1st month 1822. ~

The representatives from the monthly meetings of West Lake Pelham & Yonge Street, being called were present Except three, and reasons for the absence of two. No accounts received from Norwich.

The Queries were read, with the answers from West Lake, Pelham, and Yongs Street monthly meetings, a Summary thereof is as follows~

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first Answer Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline - th'o some are neglectful therein, The hour nearly observ'd by most not all clear of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, and care taken in the above deficiencies ~.

2^d It appears that Love and unity, are in a good degree maintained as becomes brethern - Except three Instances and them under care, When differences arise care is taken to end them, And friends do generally avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction.

3^d. Friends generally 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 consistant with our Christian profession. The Scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families, and care extended In these respects towards others under their tuition ~.

4th Clear as aar as appears in the several parts of this Query - excepting two Instances of useing Spirituous liquors unnecessarily and care taken.

5th The circumstances of the poor are Inspected, and friends are endeavouring to have all children under their care Instructed in school learning to fit them for business~.

6th Four Instances of keeping company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage - and care taken. Clear as far as appears in the remaining parts of this Query ~.

7th Clear as far as appears ~.

8th It appears that friends do Endeavour to perform their promisses and pay their Just debts - yet some deficiency is acknowledged and some care taken, and we trust friends are mostly careful not to extend their business beyond their ability to manage, as becomes our religious profession

9th Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders, in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to our Discipline ~.

10th We believe they are ~. ~

Our friend Ruth Spencer attended this meeting with a minute of Concurrence from Renslervill monthly meeting (State of Newyork) whose company and gosple labours amongst us were truly acceptable

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Our friend Nathan Spencer with a minute of concurrence from Ranslervill Monthly meeting in company with his wife Ruth Spencer attended this Meeting acceptably ~. The Clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of the above minutes. ~

It appears by accounts brought up from the monthly meetings, that the value of the property taken from friends in lieu of military requisitions since the first month 1821 amounts to 157 dollars 75 cents which is directed to the yearly meeting ~.

The Clerk Inform'd that he has received from the different monthly meetings towards building Uxbridge meeting house the following sums. to wit.

from West Lake	\$ 8:63 cents
from Pelham	12:34 - in full
from Yonge Street	<u>26:36</u>
which makes	\$47:33 cents

Also received the sum of twenty four dollars towards the yearly Mtg Stock?

Samuel Baker, Amos Armitage, Joseph Hazard and Jacob Cronk are appointed to attend the yearly meeting as our representatives pay the money raised for the yearly meetings use, as directed, and report.

Adjourn'd untill the usual time at Yonge Street. ~

Canada Half Years meeting held at Yonge Street the 28th of 8th month 1822.

The Representatives from the several monthly meetings being called - were present except three.

The consideration of a clerk coming before the meeting, Amos Armitage being proposed, and appointed to that service for one year and Thomas Linvill assistant. ~

West Lake monthly meeting Inform'd that Daniel Haight purposes appealing from the Judgment of that meeting in his case, and he being present - also informs that he continues his Intention - the following friends are appointed to give attention thereto and report (to wit) Henry Bonnel, Joshua Gillam, Jesse Willson, Frederick Stover, Levi Schooley, Watson Playter, Joseph

Pearson, Charles Hill, Amos Scott, William Crothers, Elijah Shotwell, Asa Rogers & Henry Widdifield

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The Queries were read, and the answers from the several monthly meetings to those that required answering at this time - being also read, are in substance as follows ~

1st answer Friends generally are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline, th'o some are deficient therein, the hour for the most part nearly observ'd, not all clear of sleeping in meetings, one Instance of other unbecoming behaviour therein, and care taken in the above deficiencies ~.

2^d. Love and unity we believe are generally maintained as becomes brethern, some Instances excepted which is under care, When differences arise care is taken to end them, Talebearing and detraction mostly avoided and discouraged ~

3^d. It appears that most friends are careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and do endeavour by Example and precept to train them up in a Religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession. The Scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families, and care extended in these respects towards others under their tuition ~

4th It appears that friends in general do avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors - frequenting Taverns, or attending places of diversion, yet there are some Instances of deviations noted in each particular & care taken

9th It appears that care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline ~

Our friend Stephen Grellet with a minute of concurrence from the Monthly meeting of New York, attended this meeting, whose company and Gosple labours amongst us were truly acceptable ~ Also our friend John Hancock with a minute of concurrence from the same meeting in company with our friend Stephen Grellett attended this meeting acceptably.~

One of the representatives to attend the yearly meeting, Imform'd in writing that he attended, and forwarded to this meeting the Extracts and a number of Epistles - one of the Epistles being read - Its interesting contents were truly acceptable ~.

It appears by the extracts of our last yearly meeting now received that the Quarterly meetings were requested to raise their proportions of one thousand dollars for that meetings use, our monthly meetings are desired to raise their respective Quotas of said sum and forward to our next half years meeting ~.

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It also appears by the Extracts - that the subordinate meetings were requested to have the following alteration made in the several copies of the Book of Discipline belonging to the mens and Womens meetings and report thereon - to wit

It is concluded that when any friend shall marry a person not a member of our Society, - after being suitably laboured with, he shall be disowned - unless a tender susceptible state of

mind should be manifested, in which case the meeting shall be at liberty to attend thereto, and should the person in this state of mind, present an acknowledgment, evidently the result of Religious conviction - the monthly meeting may accept it as satisfactory ~.

The above alteration is directed to the observance of the monthly meetings, and they to report thereon to our next half years meeting.~.

The following Receipts were produced, to with; one dated New York Sixth month first, 1821, sign'd William Waring for twenty dollars ninety six cents being Canada Quota for building a meeting house at Hamburg \$20:96 cts. and one of the same date sign'd Jeremiah Thomson for --- 17:55 for Canada half years meetings proportion towards building a meeting house at North Street Scipio ~

Also one dated New York 5th mo. 30th 1821 Sign'd Richard R Lawrence for thirty dollars being Canada's Quota for Yearly meeting Stock ~

Also one dated New York 5th mo. 29th 1822: Sign'd R. Lawrence for twenty four dollars towards Canada half years meetings Quota for use of the Yearly meeting Stock ~

The meeting adjourns to meet to morrow at the close of the meeting for worship

Friends being now met agreeable to adjournment this 29th of 8th mo. 1822

Representatives present as yesterday ~

The Committee on the appeal of Daniel Haight reported in writing as follows (to wit) We the committee on Daniel Haight appeal have attended to the appointment, and having examined the minutes in his case - are united in reporting to the half years meeting - the Judgment of the monthly meeting be reversed -. Which being considered is united with, and the Clerk is directed to furnish that meeting with the necessary Information thereof Jesse Willson, William Doan and Henry Widdifield are appointed to Inform him of this conclusion and report to next meeting ~.

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The clerk Inform'd, that he has received from West Lake, Pelham & Yonge Street monthly meetings, their respectives Quotas in full, for Building a meeting house at Uxbridge~.

It appears by the minutes of last meeting, that, there is yet due from Norwich monthly meeting, Six dollars yearly meeting Stock and twenty three dollars Sixty three cents towards building a meeting house at Uxbridge - which said sums are requested to be forwarded to our next half years meeting and report thereon ~.

Adjourn'd until the usual time at West Lake.~.

Canada Half Years Meeting held at West Lake the 29th of 1st month 1823.

The Representatives being called, were present Except seven, and reasons given for the absence of two ~.

The Queries being read, with the answers from the several Monthly meetings, the substance whereof is as follows ~

1st answer Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline, alth'o some are deficient in this Important duty, the hour for the most part nearly observ'd, some

Instances of sleeping in meetings, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark - and some care taken in the above deficiencies ~.

2^d Love and unity, we believe are maintained in the general as becomes Brethern, Except a few Instances to the contrary and care extended; when differences arise care is taken to end them, Tale bearing and Detraction mostly avoided, and discouraged ~.

3^d It appears that most friends are in a good degree careful to keep themselves, their own, and other friends children under their care, in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Christian profession - the Scriptures of truth we believe are frequently read in their families, and care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition ~.

4th Clear as far as appears, Except a few Instances of useing Spirituous Liquors unnecessarily, and three Instances of attending places of diversion and under care ~.

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5th ans. The circumstances of the poor have been Inspected and relief afforded, most children under our care, are instructed in school learning to fit them for business,

6th Clear as far as appears, except one instance of keeping company with a person not of our Society on account of marriage - and two friends attending such a marriage, and a few friends attending a marriage accomplished by a priest and under care ~.

7th Clear, except one Instance of attending a training which is under care.

8th It appears that friends are endeavouring to perform their promises and pay their Just debts, although some deficiencies are acknowledged in these respects and care taken - we know of none who extend their business beyond their ability to manage ~.

9th It appears that care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline ~.

10th We believe they are ~ - - -

Our friend John Wyne attended this meeting, with a minute of concurence from flushing monthly meeting (Long Island) whose company and labours were truly acceptable - Also his friend his companion Josiah Hazard with a minute of concurence from Cornwell monthly meeting, whose company was acceptable ~.

It appears that the alteration is made in all the copies of the Book of Discipline agreeable to direction ~.

The friends appointed to Inform Daniel Haight of the result of last meeting in his case, Report the appointments answer'd

The Clerk Informs, that he has received from West Lake, Pelham & Yonge Street monthly meetings their Quotas for the yearly meetings Stock - And Norwich monthly meeting is requested to raise their deficient sums and report to next meeting ~.

A concern arose in this meeting, to appoint a committee to visit Norwich monthly meeting - after a time of Solid deliberation thereon the meeting unites in appointing the following friends to that service, (to wit) Samuel Baker, Jacob Cronk, Amos Armitage, Elijah Collins, Isaac Barton, John Cooper, Samuel Waters & Joel Hughes, and they to report their care therein to next meeting ~

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Jonathan Bowerman, Gilbert Dorland, Steward Christy, Abraham Brown & James Noxon are appointed to Examine the minutes of this Meeting relative to money matters, and make a true statement thereon to next meeting ~.

Samuel Baker, Jonathan Bowerman, Joel Hughes, Nicholas Brown & Joel Haight are appointed to attend the Ensuing Yearly Meeting as our Representatives, pay our Quota of the Yearly meeting stock and report to next meeting ~

Adjourn'd until the usual time at Yonge Street ~

Canada Half Years meeting held at Yonge Street, the 3^d & 4th of 9th mo. 1823

The representatives being called; were present, Except six, and a reason given for the absence of one ~

The consideration of a clerk coming before the meeting, Amos Armitage being proposed, is appointed to that service for one year & Thomas Linvill assistant ~

The Womens meeting inform, that Elizabeth Burr, purposes appealing from the Judgment of Yonge Street monthly meeting in her case, and she being present, also Inform'd that she continues her Intention - the following friends are appointed to unite with a committee of women friends and give the necessary attention thereto, and report - to wit - George Bradshaw, Jacob Cronk, Frederick Stover, Samuel Baker, Jesse Willson & Isaac Barton ~

The Queries were read, with the answers from the monthly meetings, the substance whereof is as follows ~

1st answer friends generally appear careful to attend all our meetings for worship and discipline, yet some are deficient in the middle of the week, the hour nearly observ'd, not quite clear of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour appears, and some care taken in the avove deficiencies ~

2^d Love & unity are generally maintained as becomes brethern, yet not so fully as Queried after, when differences arise care is taken to end them, Tale bearing and detraction generally avoided and discouraged ~

3^d We believe that most friends, are careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech

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Behaviour and apparel, and are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation, consistant with our Christian profession, the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families, and care extended in these respects towards others under their tuition. ~

4th Friends are mostly careful to avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors, frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion, except some Instances of taking Spirituous Liquors unnecessarily, which is under care ~

9th we believe care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline ~

Our Beloved William Forster Jun^r, attended this meeting with a Certificate of concurrence from the monthly meeting of Shaftesbury & Sherborne, in great Britain, Whose company and labours with us were truly acceptable and edifying - also our friend John Paul his companion from the monthly meeting of friends, for the Northern district Philadelphia, whose company was acceptable

Our Beloved friend John Mann, attended this meeting with a Certificate of concurrence from London grove Monthly meeting, (Pennsylvania) whose company and labours were truly acceptable & edifying, - Also our friend Richard Bernard, his companion from fallowfield monthly meeting Pennsylvania, whose company was acceptable ~.

Our Beloved friend George Hatton attended this meeting with a Certificate of concurrence, from white water Monthly meeting, Wayne County, State of Indiana, whose company and Labours were truly acceptable and Edifying ~.

The Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes ~

A part of the Committee appointed to visit Norwich monthly Meeting, Inform, that they have attended that meeting to some satisfaction and believe that the visit may be productive of some benefit. - and the committee releas'd ~~from further~~

———Norwich monthly meeting Informs, that they have concluded to Establish a meeting for worship, and a preparative meeting at Yarmouth - the meeting for worship to be held on the first and fifth days in each week, and the preparative meeting to be held on the last fifth day in each month, called Yarmouth preparative meeting; - Which being considered, and having the concurrence of the women's meeting. - this meeting unites therewith ~

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and leaves friends of that monthly meeting at liberty to open said preparative meeting, when they think most convenient ~

One of the Representatives to attend the yearly meeting, Inform'd, that two of them attended and produced an Extract, Requesting the Quarterly meetings to raise their proportions of 400 dollars for that meetings use, and pay to its Treasurer (William R. Thurston) New York ~) Our monthly meetings are desired to raise their respective Quotas of said sum and pay to this Meetings Clerk ~.

The following Receipt was produced, (to wit) dated New York 3^d month 26th 1823. Sign'd John Barrow for thirty dollars, being the Quota of Canada Half years meeting, for the yearly meetings use ~

The friends appointed to examine the minutes of this meeting Relative to money matters, not being ready to report, - are continued, and report to next meeting ~.

Adjourn'd till tomorrow at the close of the meeting for worship ~

friends being met agreeable to adjournment this 4th day of 9th month 1823. ~

The Representatives being called were present as yesterday ~.

The Joint Committee on the appeal of Elizabeth Burr, Reported in writing as follows (to wit) We the committee appointed on Elizabeth Burr,s appeal, having met with the monthly meetings committee, and after having heard the appellant, and examined the minutes in her case - are unanimously of the opinion, that the Judgment of the Monthly Meeting should be confirmed. ~ which being considered, is united with, and Aron White & John Palmer are appointed to unite with Women friends and Inform her of the result of this meeting in her case, and report to next meeting ~.

Norwich monthly meeting is desired to forward the sums remaining unpaid on their former Quotas; to our next half years meeting;

Adjourn'd until the usual time at West Lake ~.

Canada Half Years meeting held at West Lake the 28th of 1st mo. 1824.

The Representatives being called, were present Except five and reasons given for the absence of two ~

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The Queries being read, with the answers from the several monthly Meetings (Except Pelham) the substance whereof is as follows ~

1st answer It appears that most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, the hour not so well observ'd by some as is desired, some Instances of sleeping & two instances of other unbecoming behaviour in them, and care taken ~.

2^d. Love & unity we believe are maintained as becomes brethern - th'o not without some exceptions, when differences arise care is taken to end them, Talebearing and detraction not so fully avoided and discouraged as is desired, and some care taken. ~

3^d. It appears that most friends are in a good degree careful to keep themselves, their own, and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant 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 ~

4th Friends appear careful to avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors, frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion, except one Instance of a friend taking Spirituous Liquors unnecessarily, and four young friends attending a place of diversion - which is under care. ~

5th The circumstances of the poor have been Inspected & relief afforded, and they have been advised and assisted in such employment as they are capable of, and most children under our care, are instructed in school learning to fit them for business. ~

6th Two Instances of keeping company with persons not of our society, on account of marriage, no parents to charge with conniving at their children keeping company with such, Three Instances of attending the marriage of them who went out from us, clear of attending any marriage accomplished by a priest, the above cases under care. ~

7th Clear of bearing arms, of complying with military requisitions, and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereon, as far as appears. ~

8th Some are deficient in performing their promises; by not paying their Just Debts timely, we know of none at present who extend their Business beyond their ability to manage, not any who give occasion

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For fear on these accounts, except one Instance, and some care taken in the above Deficiencies.~

9th It appears that care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness & agreeably to our Discipline.~

10th It appears they are.~

Samuel D. Cronk, John Cooper, Timothy Rogers & Amos Armitage are Appointed to attend the yearly Meeting as our Representatives and report ~

The Joint committee to Inform Elizabeth Burr of the result of last meeting in her case reported they Inform'd her, and that she Inform'd them that she Intended to appeal to the yearly meeting from the Judgment of the Half years meeting in her case, John Cooper, Samuel D, Cronk & Amos Armitage are appointed to Join Women friends & attend the Yearly meeting with the minutes Relative to her case, and report ~.

Our Esteemed friend Christopher Healy attended this meeting, with a Certificate of concurrence from from [sic] the Falls monthly meeting, Bucks County Pennsylvania, whose company and Gosple labours amongst us were truly acceptable - Also John Miller Jun' from the same meeting attended this Meeting acceptably -: the clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes.

A proposal was received through West Lake monthly meeting, from the preparative meeting of Leeds Requesting the sum of Sixty dollars to assist In finishing their meeting house, which being united with, our monthly meetings are requested to raise their respective proportions of said sum and pay to this meeting clerk ~

The friends appointed to Examine the minutes of the half years meeting relative to money matters, Inform, that in attending to the appointment, they find the deficient sum, appears to be in the hands of Daniel Haight,~ Abraham Brown, Joel Hughes & Henry Widdifield are appointed to take further care therein and forward the deficient sum alluded to as ~~directed~~ in former minutes, and report ~

The Clerk Inform'd that he has received from West Lake Yonge Street and Norwich monthly meetings, their Quotas of the money call'd for by the Extracts of our last Yearly meeting, the Representatives are directed to take charge thereof and pay it to the Yearly meetings Treasurer and report ~

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The clerk also Inform'd that he has received from Norwich Monthly Meeting the sum of Eleven Dollars ninety nine cents towards Building Uxbridge meeting house ~

Adjourn'd until the usual time at Yonge Street ~

Canada Half Years meeting held at Yonge Street the first of 9th month 1824.

The Representatives being called, were present except four ~

The consideration of a Clerk coming before the meeting, Amos Armitage being proposed is appointed to that service for one year & Nathan Dennis assistant ~

The Queries being read, with the answers from the several Monthly meetings, the substance whereof is as follows ~

1st answer Friends are careful to attend all our meetings, for religious worship and Discipline, th'o a slackness appears in some particular in the middle of the week, The hour mostly observed, Some Instances of Sleeping and some care taken, no other unbecoming behaviour appears, except one meeting says some unbecoming behaviour and under notice ~

2^d. Love & unity are generally maintained as becomes brethern, yet a want of it appears in a number of Instances and care taken, When differences arise, care has been taken to end them, Some friends do not avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as is desired, and some care taken ~

3^d. It appears that friends generally, 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 consistant 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 ~.

4th Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors, frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion, except several Instances of partaking Spirituous liquors unnecessarily, and one Instance of attending a place of diversion and care taken ~

9th Care is mostly taken seasonably, to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline ~.

Our beloved friend Isaac Stephenson attended this meeting, with a Certificate of concurrence from the monthly meeting of Darlington, with an Indorsement from Durham Quarterly meeting held at new castle in Great Britain, whose company & labours were truly Acceptable

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The friends appointed to attend the Yearly meeting, with the minutes in the case of Elizabeth Burr,s appeal - Inform they attended, and that an Investigation thereof was suspended till next year ~

The Representatives appointed to attend the Yearly meeting, Inform they all attended, obtain'd Pelham Quotas and paid our Quota as directed, produced a receipt therefor, signed Wi^m N. Thurston for twelve dollars Yearly meeting stock. - Also produced the Extracts with a number of minutes of advice, which was directed down to the several monthly meetings.

It appears by the Extracts now received, that the Quarterly meetings were requested to raise their proportions of Eight hundred dollars for the yearly meetings use, and pay to its Treasurer - Our Monthly meetings are desired to raise their respective proportions of said sum, and pay it to the Clerk of this meeting ~

The friends appointed to collect the money due from Daniel Haight to this Meeting, - Inform, they have not yet received the money - they are continued with the addition of John Cooper, and report to next meeting ~

The Clerk Inform'd that he had received the sum of Sixty dollars from the Different Monthly meetings, for assisting in building a meeting house at Leeds - John Cooper and Judah Bowerman are appointed to receive the said sum of the Clerk and pay it into the hands of the trustees of said Building, produce their receipt and report to next meeting ~

The Clerk Inform'd that he had received Seven dollars. Eighty three cents from Norwich towards building a meeting house at Uxbridge, & that there is Yet due from said monthly meeting the sum of three dollars Eighty one cents on the same account

Adjourn'd until the usual time at West Lake ~

Canada Half Years meeting held at West Lake the 2^d. of the 2^d. mo. 1825.

The Representatives being called, were present except seven and a reason given for the absence of one ~

The Queries being read, with the answers from the several monthly meetings, the substance whereof is as follows ~

1st ans. Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline - tho' some are neglectful therein, the hour for the most part nearly observ'd some Instances of sleeping in meetings, and some unbecoming conduct in one meeting for discipline, and care taken in the above deficiencies ~

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2^d Love & unity are in a good degree maintained as becomes brethren, a few Instances excepted and care taken, when difference arise, care has been taken to end them, and most friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction ~

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

4th friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous liquors, frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion - except a few Instances of partaking Spirituous Liquors unnecessarily and four Instances of attending a place of diversion, and care taken ~

5th The circumstances of the poor have been Inspected, some relief afforded and some advice given, most children under our care, are instructed in School learning to fit them for business ~

6th Three Instances of keeping company with persons not of our society on account of marriage, no parents that connive at their children keeping company with such, Several Instances of young friends attending such marriages, and two Instances of attending marriages accomplished by a Priest which is under care ~.

7th Clear of bearing arms, of complying with military requisitions, or paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof as far as appears ~.

8th It appears that some are deficient in performing their promises, and in paying their Just debts seasonably, we know of none who extend their business beyond their ability to manage, and some care taken ~.

9th we believe that care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline ~

10th They are ~

Was receiv'd at this meeting, a written Epistle by Elisabeth Robson, which being read, whose Interesting contents thereof was truly acceptable, which is directed to the different monthly Meeting ~.

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A minute from the half years meeting of Ministers and Elders being produced, is as follows, (to wit) The friends appointed to visit Norwich preparative meeting of ministers and Elders Inform'd they attended that meeting, and believe, that under the feeble state in which the meeting is held, it would be better to discontinue it for the present, which was concured with and directed to be forwarded for the approbation of the Half Years meeting for discipline, proposing, that the friends constituting that meeting be in future considered members of Yonge Street preparative meeting of ministers and Elders - which being considered in united with and the clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to Norwich monthly meeting.

Yonge Street monthly meeting Informs, that there is a subject before it, in which it required assistance, Jonathan Bowerman, Jacob Cronk, Jesse Willson, Frederic Stover, Samuel Baker, Joshua Waring, Cornelius White & Adam Stover are appointed to attend that meeting, advise and assist them as truth may open the way, and report their care therein to next meeting ~

Cornelius White, Jonathan Bowerman, Frederic Stover & Nathan Dennis are appointed to attend the ensuing yearly meeting with the accounts from this, call on the clerk for this meetings Quota for the yearly meetings use and pay it to the treasurer thereof and report.

The case of Elisabeth Burr appeal being reviv'd, the meeting appoints Jonathan Bowreman, Nathan Dennis, Cornelius White & Frederic Stover to attend the yearly meeting with the minutes in her case and report to next meeting~

West Lake monthly meeting Inform'd, that Leeds & Adolphus preparative meetings requests the privilidge of holding a monthly meeting Alternately at each place, after deliberate consideration, it was concluded to appoint the following friends to Join with a committee of women friends in visiting each preparitive meeting and report their judgment of the propriety of granting their request, to which service Timothy Rogers Abraham Brown, Thomas Linvill, Samuel Waters, Adam Stover, Elijah Collins, Jesse Willson & Benjamin Birdsall are appointed and report their care therein to next meeting ~

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The friends appointed to receive the money, due from Daniel Haight to this meeting, Inform that the money is ready being nineteen dollars eighty one cents, which is directed to be forwarded by our representatives to Rensselaer & charlestown ~.

The friends appointed to convey the money for finishing the meeting house at Leeds into the hands of the trustees, Inform, the money is paid as directed and their receipt produced ~

The Clerk Inform'd that he received the Quota's from the several Monthly meetings as directed by a minute of last meeting for the yearly meetings use

Also received three dollars eighty one cents from Norwich monthly meeting being their Quota in full for Building Uxbridge meeting house ~

Adjourned until the usual time at ~~West Lake~~ Yonge Street. -

Canada Half Years meeting held at Yonge Street the 31st of 8th mo 1825.

The Representatives being called, were present, except five and reasons given for the absence of three ~

The consideration of a clerk coming before the meeting, Amos Armitage being proposed, is appointed for one year & Joel Hughes assistant ~

The Queries being read, with the answers from the several Monthly meetings, the substance whereof is as follows ~

1st answer Friends generally appear careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, th'o negligence prevails with some, particularly in the middle of the week, the hour nealy observ'd - some Instances of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, care taken in the above deficiencies

2^d Love & unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us as becomes Brethern - with some exceptions and care taken, when differences arise care is taken to end them, talebearing and detraction avoided and discouraged by most ~

3^d It appears that there is a care with friends, to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care, in plainness of speech behaviour & apparel, and do endeavour by example & precept to train them up, in a religious life & conversation consistant with our christian profession, the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in most friends families & care extended in these respects towards others under tuition

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4th ans. Friends generally avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors, except five Instances, which are under care, none to charge with frequenting taverns, or attending places of diversion except one instance of each and care taken ~

9th Care is taken, seasonably, to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline ~.

Yonge Street monthly meeting Inform'd that Esther Brown purposes appealing from the Judgment of that meeting, In her case, and she being present, also Inform'd that she continues her intention, the meeting appoints John Vanscriber, Cornelius White, Cornelius Mills, John Hill, Elisha Cornell & Frederic Stover to Join with a committee of Women friends and carefully and deliberately to consider the case and report their Judgment respecting it ~

The friends appointed to attend Yonge Street monthly meeting Inform, that a part of them attended to the appointment, and gave them such advice & assistance as to them appeared right ~

Yonge Street monthly meeting Inform'd, that they are united in discontinuing the preparative meeting & meeting for worship at Queen Street, Which being considered, is concurred with, having the unity of the womens meeting therein. the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information.

Norwich monthly meeting Inform'd, that they are united in holding their monthly meeting a part of the time at Yarmoth, in the following mann[er] (to with) said meeting to be held at Yarmoth, the second fourth day in the tenth, Second & Seventh months, which being considered and having the unity of the womens meeting, this meeting approves thereof, the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary information to that meeting ~

A part of the committee appointed to visit Leeds & Adolphus preparative meetings (on account of their request for the privilage of holding a monthly meeting) Inform, that they attended to the appointment, and are united in believeing that it would be right to grant their request which being considered & having the unity of the womens meeting therein, this meeting unites in Establishing a monthly meeting to be held altern[ately] at each place, on the third of the week, preceeding the third fifth day in each mo[nth] to begin at the usual hour and to be called Leeds & Adolphus monthly meeting, to be opened at Adolphus in the tenth month next, Cornelius White, Jacob Cronk

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John Haight, John VanSkiver, & Samuel D. Cronk are appointed to Join a committee of Women friends in attending the opening of said meeting, and report their care therein to next meeting ~

Adjourn'd until the close of the meeting for worship to morrow ~

Friends being met, agreeable to adjournment, this thirty first day 8th month 1825.

The representatives present as yesterday ~

The Joint committee on the appeal of Esther Brown reported in writing as follows (to wit) we the committee by a close Investigation into Esther Browns case, are united that the Judgment of the monthly meeting be reversed, Which being considered is united with, Samuel Waters & Otis Smith are appointed to Join a committee of women friends take a solid opportunity with her and Inform her of this result, and report to next meeting ~

Three of the Representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, Inform, they attended, paid our Quotas as directed, and produced receipts therefor, - Also produced a number of minutes of advice, with the Extracts, one of the minutes of advice being read - they are directed to the observance of our monthly meetings ~.

It appears by the Extracts now received, that the Judgment of this meeting, in confirmation of the proceedings of Yonge Street monthly Meeting, in the case of Elisabeth Burr be reversed ~.

It also appears by said Extract, that Quarterly meetings are requested to raise their proportions of four hundred dollars for the Yearly meetings use and pay to its treasurer - our

Monthly meetings are directed to raise their proportions of said sum and pay to this meetings clerk ~.

It also appears that Quarterly meetings are at liberty to make application by minute to the treasurer of the Yearly meeting, for one copy of Discipline, for each preparative meeting both mens & womens for the use of its overseers ~.

The Clerk Inform'd that he has paid the money granted by the half years meeting to assist in building a meeting house at Uxbridge - for which he produced their receipt in full, adjourn'd until the usual time at West Lake ~

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Canada Half Years meeting held at West Lake 1st of 2^d mo. 1826

The Representatives being called, were present, except seven and A reason given for the absence of one ~.

The Queries being read with the answers from the several Monthly meeting, the substance whereof is as follows ~

1st an^s: Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and Discipline, th'o some are deficient therein, and two Instances of neglect in the attendance of meetings for discipline, the hour for the most part nearly observ'd, some Instances of sleeping and two Instances of other unbecoming behaviour therein, care taken

2^d Love & unity appears to be maintained as becomes brethern, several Instances excepted, When differences become known care is taken to end them, Talebearing and detraction avoided and discouraged, Except a few Instances, and care taken in the above deficiencies ~.

3^d friends are careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care, in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel - th'o deviations therein are apparent and some care Extended, Most friends endeavour by example & precept, to train them up in a religious life and conversation, consistant with our Christian profession, the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition ~.

4th It appears, friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors, frequenting Taverns or attending places of diversion, except five Instances of using Spirituous Liquors unnecessarily & three Instances of attending a place of diversion and care taken ~.

5th The circumstances of the poor, and those who appear likely to require assistance have been Insepcted and some relief afforded, they have been advised and assisted in such employment as they are capable of, - some of their children and some others are not in a way at present to get school learning to fit them for business ~

6th Clear as far as appears of keeping company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage, Except two Instances

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and care taken, no parents to charge with conniving at their children keeping company with such, three Instances of attending the marriage of a friend accomplished by 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 It appears

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[Certificate]

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends of West Lake in Upper Canada.

Dear Friends,

Gideon Paull, a member of this Meeting, having removed to Hallowell near Hingston into the compass of your, & upon inquiry made relative to his conduct & respecting debts, nothing appearing to prevent the issuing of a certificate on his behalf. We accordingly recommend him to your Christian care, & informing you also that he appears to be clear of any marriage engagement, remain with love

Your Friends,

Signed in & on behalf of Grace-church }
Street Monthly Meeting held in London
The 4th of 10th month. 1826.

Thomas Fisher
Banks Farrand
John Lister
Jos. J. Lister
John Sanderson
Ew^d Harris
Thomas Christy
John Hooper
Jn^o Beck
Joseph Coventry

Jacob Farrand
Thomas How
D B Hanbury
Jos^{eph} Harris

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For altering the time of holding said meeting to the Second fifth day of the week in each month and the preparative meeting at Adolphus be

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held on the fourth day of the preceeding week - with which this meeting unites, having the unity of the Women therein, the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary Information ~

West Lake monthly meeting Inform'd, that they have concluded to Establish a meeting for worship & a preparative Meeting at Cold Creek - the meeting for worship to be held on first & fifth days in each week at the usual hour, the preparative to be held on the second fifth day in each month, to be called Cold Creek preparative meeting, Which being considered the meeting concludes to refer the subject for the consideration of next meeting ~

It appears that thirty four copies of the Book of Discipline, are wanted within the compass of this meeting - Which Information is directed to be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Yearly meeting.

The Clerk Inform'd that he has received the present Quotas from the Monthly Meetings as directed ~.

James Noxon, Judah Bowerman, Thomas Linvill & Amos Armitage are appointed Representatives to attend the Ensuing Yearly meeting, with the accounts from this - call on the Clerk for this meetings Quota, for the Yearly meetings use, and pay it to the Treasurer thereof, and report ~

Adjourn'd until the usual time at Yonge Street ~

Canada Half Years meeting held at yonge Street the 30th of 8th month 1826. -

The representatives being called were present, except five and a reason given for the absence of two ~

The consideration of a Clerk coming before the meeting, and Amos Armitage being proposed, is appointed for one year & Joel Hughes assistant

The Queries being read, with the answers from the several monthly meetings, a summary whereof is as follows ~

1st answ Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and Discipline, yet there appears a deficiency in others, particularly on week days, the hour for the most part nearly observ'd, some Instances of sleeping, and some other unbecoming behaviour mentioned in one account, & care taken in the above deficiencies ~

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3^d. Most friends are in a good degree careful, to keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care, in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and endeavour by example & precept to train them up, in a Religious life and conversation, consistant with our christian profession, the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families, and care extended in these respects, towards others under tuition ~

4th Friends generally avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors, frequenting taverns, some Instances of attending a place of diversion & three Instances of Intoxication, which is under notice ~

9th It appears that care is mostly taken seasonably, to deal with offender we trust, in the spirit of meekness & agreeably to our Discipline ~

The case of Sarah Willson's appeal being revi'd, and she being present - also continues her intention, the meeting appoints, Samuel D. Cronk, Peter E. Leavens, Stephen Bowerman, Jacob Gainer, John Palmer, Joshua Gillam, Amos Scott & John Ferris to Join with a committee of women friends and give the necessary attention thereto, and report their sense thereon to the next siting, the appellat express'd her satisfaction with the above committee.

The proposition from West Lake monthly meeting, for the Establishment of a meeting for worship & a preparative meeting at Cold Creek, being revived - after a time of deliberation thereon & having the unity of the womens meeting This meeting approves thereof, and leaves that monthly meeting at Liberty to open said meeting, when they think most convenient, and report ~

Three of the representatives appointed to attend the yearly meeting Inform, they attended - paid our Quota as directed & produced a receipt therefor - also forwarded 34 copies of the Book of Discipline - which the Representatives are directed to forward to the different monthly meetings ~

The friends appointed to visit the monthly meeting of Norwich, Inform, that they have not yet perform'd the service - they are continued to the service with the privilege of requesting that meeting to adjourn to a time suitable for them to attend & they to report to next meeting ~

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John Cooper, Vincent Bowerman, John Ferris, Isaac Willson, Israel Bradshaw, Adam Stover, William Hulet, Joel Hughes & Abraham Brown, are appointed to revise the Quotas on the different Monthly meetings & report to next seting ~

Adjourn'd until the close of the meeting for worship tomorrow ~

friends being met agreeable to adjournment this 31st of 8th month 1826.

The Representatives present as yesterday ~

The Joint committee on the appeal of Sarah Willson, reported in writing as follows (to wit) "we of the Committee appointed on the appeal of Sarah Willson, having met with the monthly meetings committee, and having heard the appelland and examined the minutes in her case, are unanimously of the opinion that the Judgment of the monthly meeting should be confirmed, the report of the committee was concurred with Isaac Barton & William Cromwell are appointed to Join with women friends and Inform her of this result, & report to next meeting ~

The friends appointed to revise the Quotas on our several Monthly meetings, reported as follows, (that is) when one hundred Dollars are to be raised West Lake pay twenty seven, Pelham Eighteen, Yonge Street thirty, Norwich twenty, Leeds & Adolphus five dollars, and in the same proportion with other sume, the meeting concurs therewith, and directs the Clerk to forward the necessary Information ~

It appears by the Extracts now received, that Quarterly meetings are requested to raise their proportions of Eight hundred dollars for the yearly meetings use & pay to the Treasurer thereof - our monthly meetings are desired to raise their respective Quotas of said sum & pay it to this meetings Clerk ~

Adjourn'd until the usual time at West Lake ~

Canada Half Years meeting held at West Lake the 31st of 1st month 1827.

The Representatives being called, were present except four & a reason given for the absence of two ~

The assistant Clerk being absent, Samuel D. Cronk is appointed for the day ~

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The Queries being read, with the answers from our several monthly meetings a summary whereof is as follows ~

1st ans,r It appears that friends are careful to attend all our meetings for Religious worship & Discipline - th'o some are too neglectful in this Important duty, the hour nearly observ'd with some exceptions, not all clear of sleeping in meetings & care taken in the above deficiencies, no other unbecoming behaviour Except one meeting says, some unbecoming behaviour in meetings ~

2^d Love & unity appear to be in a good degree maintained as becomes Brethern, three Instances excepted, and care taken, When differences arise care is taken to end them, Tale bearing & detraction avoided & discouraged by most friends - one Instance of detraction excepted which is under care ~

3^d friends are generally careful to keep themselves, their own and other friends Children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel - th'o deviations are apparent & some care taken, they do endeavour by Example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation, consistant with our Christian profession, it appears that the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families and care extended in these respects towards others under their tuition ~.

4th It appears that friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors, frequenting Taverns, or attending places of diversion - except five Instances of using unnecessarily and three young friends attending a place of diversion; and care taken in the above caces ~.

5th The circumstances of the poor & of those appearing likely to require assistance, have been Inspected & relief afforded them, and most Children under our care, are instructed in school learning to fit them for business ~.

6th Several Instances of keeping company with those not of our Society on account of marriage, and nine Instances of attending marriages accomplished out of the order of our Society and care taken in the above deficiencies caces, clear in the remaining part of this Query ~.

7th Clear of bearing arms, of complying with Millitary requisitions, and of paying any fine, or tax in lieu thereof - except one instance of bearing arms and one Instance of attending a training - which are under care ~.

8th Several Instances of deficiencies in performing promises & paying Just debts seasonably, and one Instance of a friend extending his

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Business beyond his ability to manage as becomes our religious profession, and care taken in the above caces ~.

9th It appears that care is mostly taken seasonably, to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline

10th They are ~

Our friend Thomas Shilitoe from great Brittrain, attended this meeting with, a certificate of concurrence from the monthly meeting of Hitching, with an Endorsment from the Quarterly meeting of Bedfordshire & hertfordshire held at hertford 22^d of 3^d month 1826 - accompanied with a certificate from the Yearly meeting of Ministers & Elders held in London, whose Company was acceptable ~.

The friends appointed to Inform Sarah Willson of the result of last meeting in her case, reported that the service is perform'd - and she notified this meeting, that she Intends procecuting her appeal to the Yearly meeting, Jacob Cronk, William Cuningham, Abraham Brown & Stuart Christy are appointed to attend said meeting, with the minutes relative to her case, and report ~

The Committee appointed to visit the Monthly meeting of Norwich, reported in writing as follows. "To the Half years meeting next ensuing - We your Committee appointed to visit the monthly meeting of Norwich, report, we have attended said meeting, and have carefully examined into their proceedings from which we have discovered the necessity of rendering them such assistance and advice, as we were enabled, - have carefully examined into the cause of a want of Love & unity among them, which we found to exist in a painful degree - as also a great cause of complaint on the subject of Tale bearing and detraction, And under the feeling of these things, we have endeavoured to shew them the Inconsistency of such conduct ~.

Signed 3^d of 10th mo. 1826. Samuel Barker, Henry Bonnel, Henry Widdifield, Cornelius White, Samuel D. Cronk & Jacob Cronk ~.

After reading the report of the aforesaid Committee, this meeting was lead into a deep and painful exercise, on the account of the want of Love and unity in that meeting - After a time of solid deliberation thereon, It was concluded to continue the committee for further service therein, and they to visit that monthly meeting and labour

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with them as truth may open the way, and the monthly meeting is desired (at the request of the committee) to adjourn to a time suitable for them to attend and they to report their care therein to next meeting ~.

Yonge Street monthly meeting Inform'd, that they are united in holding their monthly meeting, a part of the time in friends meetinghouse at Pickering, the first, fourth, Seventh & Eleventh month - Which being considered & having the unity of the women therein, this meeting approves thereof. The Clerk is directed to forward the necessary Information to that meeting ~

Adjourn'd until the close of the meeting for worship tomorrow ~.

friends being met agreeable to adjournment, this first day of Second month 1827~

Representatives present as yester day, except one ~.

The consideration of dividing the Yearly meeting, coming before this meeting, after a time of Solid deliberation thereon, the meeting fully united therewith and having the unity of the womens meeting, the subject is directed to be forwarded t our next Yearly meeting - proposing that the meeting be opened at Farmington on second day following the second first day in the

sixth month, and that it will be called Genesee Yearly meeting. And having received a few lines from a Joint committee of Scipio & Farmington Quarterly meetings requesting our result on the subject, Thomas Linvill & Amos Armitage are appointed to forward the necessary Information agreeably to their request ~.

The Clerk Inform'd that he has received the Quotas from all the monthly meetings, agreeable to the direction of last meeting ~.

William Cuninghame, Sala Blancher, Daniel Haight, Abraham Brown & Henry Widdifield are appointed to attend the ensuing Yearly meeting as our Representatives with the accounts from this - call on the clerk for this meetings Quota for the yearly meetings use and pay it to the Treasurer thereof, and report to next meeting ~.

Aduourn'd until the usual time at Yonge Street ~.

Canada Half Years meeting held at Yonge Street the 29th of 8th mo 1827

The representatives being called, were present Except Seven, and reasons given, for the absence of four. ~....

The consideration of a Clerk coming before this meeting

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and Joel Hughes being proposed is united with and appointed to that service for one year and Gilbert Dorland assistant

The Queries were read in this meeting together with, the answers brought up from the several Monthly meetings a summary thereof is as follows ~

1 Ans It appears that most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship, and Discipline, while some are deficient in these respects, Especially in the middle of the week; The hour for the most part nearly observed; some instances of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, and some care taken in the above deficiencies ~

2 Ans Love and unity are in a good degree maintained as becomes bretheren with some exceptions and care taken when defferences have arisen care has been taken to end them talebearing and Detraction, mostly avoided and discouraged, ~

3 Ans Friends are mostly careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care, in plainness of speech Behaviour and apparel (one instance of misbehaviour noted and under care) friends are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Christian profession, the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in their families, and care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition ~

4th Ans Friends avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritious Liquors frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion, except four instances of the unnecessary use of Spiritious Liquor and two instances of attending a place of diversion and care taken in the above cases, and one meeting mentions one instance of using Spiritious Liquor to excess and a few instances of useing it unnecessarily at publick gatherings ~

9 Ans Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders Endeavouring to do it in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline ~

One of the friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting

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reported that three of them attended and paid over Quotas as directed for which they are desired to produce the receipt to next meeting, they also produced an Extract from that meeting ???[smudge] committee appointed, to visit Norwich Monthly meeting reported as follows. - To the Half years meeting next insuing We of your committee continued to visit the Monthly Meeting of Norwich report we have again attended that Meeting and have found that in the course of their proceedings matter of great difficulty appeared in consequence of which we have entered into a close investigation, Relative thereto and find there exists such difference in sentiment amongst the members and such a want of passiveness and unity with each other that some of their proceedings could not be disposed of agreeable to the order of our Discipline as we apprehended and we also discovered that there Still remains just cause of complaint on the painfull subject of Tale bearing and detractio. -

Norwich 16th of 2nd month 1827 Jacob Cronk, Samuel Baker Samuel D Cronk, Henry Widdifield Henry Bonnel, Aron White; The report being read and deliberately considered the meeting united in continuing the committee to visit that meeting again, and to continue patiently to labour as ability may be afforded; and to report their sence of the state of that Monthly meeting to next Half Years meeting. ~

West Lake Monthly meeting informed that they are united in establishing a meeting for worship and a preparative meeting at or near Freeman Clarks the meeting for worship to be held on first and fourth days of the week the preparative meeting to be held on fourth day preceeding the Second fifth day in each month to be called Haldermond Preparative meeting; this meeting concurs therewith having the unity of the womens meeting therein and leaves that Monthly meeting at liberty to open Said Preparative meeting when they think most convenient

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Three of the friends appointed to attend the Yearly meeting on account of Sarah Willsons appeal reported that they attended and it appears by an Extract now recieved that the judgement of Yonge Street Monthly meeting confirmed by the Half years meeting against her is reverced, the necessary information is directed down to Yonge Street Monthly meeting .~.

It appears by an Extract now recieved that Quarterly meetings are directed to raise their proportions of Two Thousand Dollars for the yearly meeting use and pay to its treasurer our different Monthly meetings are directed to pay their proportions of said sum to this meetings Clerk. ~

It also appears by said Extract that the Quarterly meetings are requested to direct the opening of Subscriptions for the use of the committee appointed for the civilization of the Indian natives and pay to John Barrow of New York, treasurer to the committee; the monthly meetings

are directed to pay attention thereto and pay the money which may be raised to the Clerk of this meeting. ~

Adjourned until the usual time at west Lake

Canada Half years Meeting held at West Lak. the 30th of 1st mo 1828.

The representatives from four of our Monthly Meetings being called were present Except five. ~

No accounts recieved from pelham Monthly Meeting

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers brought up from four of our monthly meetings a Summary of which is as follows, which is directed to the Half Yearly meeting

1st Ans Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and Discipline altho a Slackness appears in some, friends, the hour nearly observed by most, Some instances of Sleeping several instances of other unbecoming behaviour in meeting and Some care extended in the above deficiencies. ~

2nd Ans It appears that Love, and unity are maintained amongst friends as becomes Bretheren, Several instances excepted three of

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which are under care, when differences have arisen care, has been taken to end them, Some instances of tale-bearing and detraction and some care has been extended. ~

3rd Ans Most friends are carefull to keep them selves their own and other friends children under their care in planeness of Speech, behaviour, and apparel, tho deviations in those respects are obvious, and are endeavouring by example and precept to trane them up in a Religious life and conversation consistant with our Christian profession, the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition. ~

4th Ans Friends do avid the unnecessary use of Spitious Liquors except Six instances four of which are under care, none to charge with frequenting taverns, three instances of attending places of diversion one of which is under care. ~

5th Ans The circumstances of the poor and those who appear likely to require assistance have been inspected and some relief afforded them and some are instructed and assisted in such imployments as they are capable of, most Children under our care instructed in School learning to fit them for business. ~

6th Ans Friends are clear of keeping company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage as far as appears except one instances and that under care, we know off no Parents who conive at their children keeping company with Such, or any who attend the marriages of those who go out from us except two instances and those under care, two instances of attending marriages accomplished by a Priest and them under care. ~

7th Ans Clear of bearing armes, of complying with military requisitions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu, thereof. ~

8th Ans Friends are mostly careful to perform their promises and pay their just debts except two instances none Known to extend their business beyond Their, ability to manage as becomes our Religious profession, when ther has been a fear on those accounts labour has been extended

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9th Ans Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline

10th Ans They are. ~

The committee continued to visit Norwich Monthly meeting informes that they have not performed the service, they are therefore continued to attend thereto and to report to next half years meeting. ~

The Subject of discontinuing the meeting for worship appointed to be held the day following the Half years meeting for Discipline comeing before this meeting, after deliberating on the Subject the meeting was united in the following conclution (to wit) that Said meeting for worship be held tomorrow as usual, and that it be discontinued in future. ~

The representatives appointed to attend last yearly meeting produced the Treasurers receipt for our Quota of yearly meetings Stock as directed by last Half years meeting. ~

Yonge Street Monthly Meeting informes that they are united in asking the advice and assistance of this meeting in a dificult case the meeting therefore appoints Aron White, John Cooper William Christy, Cyrus Richmond, John Burley and William Garret, to Sit with that Monthly meeting and advise and assist them as truth may open the way and report their care therein to next meeting. ~

The Clerk informes that he received from West Lake Yonge Street, Leeds and Adolphus their proportions of the Yearly Meetings Stock and also Seven dollars from Norwich and that he has also received Nineteen Dollars and seven cents for the use of the committee appointed by the yearly meeting to have the care of the Indian Natives

Joshua Wareing, Samuel D Cronk, Thomas Robinson, Amos Armitage, Thomas, Linvill and Thomas Jones, are appointed to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting as our representatives with the accounts from this - call on the

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Clerk for this meetings Quota for the yearly meetings use and pay it to the Treasurer thereof, also Nineteen Dollars and Seven cents for the use of the committee appointed to the care of the Indian natives which they are directed to pay to John Barrow of Newyork and report to next meeting.

The meeting now concluded to meet at the appointed time at west Lake

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**Canada Half Years Meeting held at Yonge Street the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1828**

The Representatives being called were except 11 and reasons given for the absence of three ~

The consideration of a Clerk coming before this meeting and Joel Hughes being proposed was united with and he appointed to that Service for one year and George Bradshaw assistant. ~

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers brought up from the monthly meetings of which the following is a Summary. ~

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Friends are generally careful to attend all our meetings for worship and Discipline altho Some are neglectful therein, the hour nearly observed, Some instances of Sleeping in meetings and some other unbecoming behaviour in them Some care in the above deficiencies.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity are maintained by most friends as becomes Brethren, thos a want of it appears in others, when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them, talebearing and detraction not enough avoided and discouraged

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans Most friends appear careful to keep them selves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparrel and some are endeavouring by example and precept to train them-up in a religious life and conversation in some measure consistant with our christian

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profession, we believe the Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition, ~

4<sup>th</sup> Ans None to charge with the unnecessary use of Spitious Liquor except two instances which are under care, Clear in the remaining part of this Query as far as appears except one instance of attending a place of diversion and Some care taken. ~

9<sup>th</sup> Ans We believe care is taken in a good degree Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline. ~

The committee continued to visit Norwich Monthly meeting informes that they have not fully performed the Service this meeting taking the case into consideration united in releasing the committee from the appointment

One of the committee appointed to advise and assist Yonge Street Monthly Meeting in a difficult case reported that four of them attended that meeting and gave them Such advice and assistance as appeared to them best. ~

One of the Representatives appointed to attend the Yearly meeting informed that he did not attend to the appointment and it appears the money raised for the use of the committee appointed to the oversight of the indians was paid as directed and our Quota for the Yearly meetings Stock was forwarded in order to be paid as directed. ~

This meeting recieved the Extracts and a number of copies of an Epistle from the yearly meeting one of which read

It appears by the aforesaid that this meeting is requested to open voluntary Subscriptions

to raise three Hundred Dollars for the yearly meetings use and pay to its treasurer This meeting directs the monthly meetings to pay attention to raising the Same and pay to the Clerk of this meeting

Adjourned until the usual time at West Lake

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**Canada Half Yearly Meeting held at West Lake 28<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1829.**

The representatives from four Monthly meetings being called ??? [smudge} were present except Six no accounts received from Leeds and Adolphus

The assistant Clerk being abscent Peter Levens is appointed for the day. ~

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers thereto brought up from four Monthly meetings of which the following is a Sumary which is directed to the yearly meeting to attend which this meeting appoints William Cromwell William I Phillips Cornelias White James Noxen Ju<sup>nr</sup> and Samuel D Cronk who are directed to call on this meetings clerk for the money raised for the yearly meetings Stock and pay it as to the Treasurer of the yearly meeting and report. ~

1<sup>st</sup> Ans It appears that friends are mostly careful to attend all our meetings for worship on first days and those for discipline other mid-wek meetings not so well attended by some the hour for the most part is nearly observed Some instances of sleeping in meetings no other unbecoming behaviour in them to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity appears to be maintained by friends in general, as becomes Bretheren except one instance when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them tail-bearing and detraction mostly avoided and discouraged

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans Friends are in a good degree careful to keep them Selves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel tho deviations are apparant and are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Christain profession The Scriptures of truth we believe are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition. ~

4<sup>th</sup> Ans It appears that friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritious liquor frequenting Taverns and attending places of devirion except two instances of attending a place of devirion and Some care taken

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5<sup>th</sup> Ans The circumstances of the poor and those who appear likely to require assistance have been inspected and relief seasonably afforded them and we believe they are advised and assisted in Such employments as they are capable of there appears to be some deficiencie in school learning to fit them for businiss for want of suitable Schooles. ~



6<sup>th</sup> Ans We know of none who keep company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage none known to conive at their childrens keeping company with Such one instance of attending a marriag that went out from us. ~

7<sup>th</sup> Ans It appears that friends are clear of bearing armes of complying with military requisitions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof. ~

8<sup>th</sup> Ans It appears there are some friends deficient in performing their promicees and paying their Just debts Seasonably we know of none to extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our Religious profession or to give occation for fear on these accounts.

9<sup>th</sup> Ans It appears that care is taken in a good degree Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline. ~

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

West Lake Monthly Meeting informes that they are united in discontinuing the preparative meetings of ameliastown and Cold Creek, which being considered is concured with having the unity of the womens meeting therein. ~

Yonge Street Monthly meeting informes that they are united in asking of this meeting the privilage of holding their monthly meeting at Yonge Street and Pickering alternately that is at pickering in first month Yonge Street in second and so alternately this meeting united with the proposition and leves them at liberty to hold their meeting as proposed having the unity of the womens meeting therein. ~

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Norwich Monthly meeting requests the privilage of holding their meeting at pine Street and Yarmoth that is to be held at pine Street in first month at yarmoth in Second and so alternately this meeting united with the proposition having the unity of the womens meeting therein

A concern was Spread in this meeting to appoint a committee to visit Leedes and Adolphas Monthly meeting on account of having recieved no reports from that meetint at this time the concern was united with and Stephen Whight, John Cooper, William Cuningham, and Samuel Waters, are appointed to joine a committee of the womens meeting and attend that Monthly meeting in conjunction with the Yearly Meetings committee and report their sense of the State thereof to next Half years meeting. ~

The Clerk informes that he has recieved from four monthly meetings the following Sums for the yearly meetings Stock - from

|              |               |
|--------------|---------------|
| West Lake    | \$6..16 Cts   |
| Pelham       | 1.. 62        |
| Yonge Street | 2.. 70        |
| Norwich      | <u>1.. 97</u> |
| Whole amount | 12..45        |

This meeting concludes to meet at the appointed time at Yonge Street

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## Canada Half years Meeting held at Yonge Street the 2<sup>nd</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1829

The representatives from four Monthly Meetings being called were present except four. ~

This meeting being convened at Yonge Street at the time appointed and being prevented from transacting the business of the Society by those who have separated themselves from us and declared - their disunity with us and also many who never had a right of membership with friends remaining in the house we are therefore under the necessity of retiring to the nearest convenient place to transact our business

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agreeable to the above conclusion we adjourn to William J Phillips to transact our business.~

Friends being met at the place adjourned to representatives present as above.~

The consideration of a Clerk coming before this meeting and Joel Hughes being proposed was united with and he appointed to that service for one year and Samuel D Cronk assistant.

The queries were read in this meeting with the answers brought up from the monthly meetings of which the following is a summary.~

1st Ans        It appears that friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, a few individuals excepted, the hour is nearly observed not all clear of sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark some care taken in the above deficiencies.~

2nd Ans        Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as become brethren except two instances and care taken when differences have arisen due care has been taken to them, talebearing and detraction generally avoided and discouraged.~

3d Ans        It appears that friends are generally careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech, behaviours and apparel and are endeavouring 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 our tuition.~

4th Ans        It appears that friends are clear of unnecessary use of spirituous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion except one instance of attending a place of diversion and care taken.~

9th Ans        We believe care has been taken on a good degree seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline.~

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The representatives appointed to attend the yearly meeting reported that they all attended except one and paid the money as directed for which they produced the treasurers receipt they also produced an extract and an epistle from the yearly meeting which epistle being read its interesting contents were truly edifying~

The committee appointed to attend Leedes and Adolphas monthly meetings reported that they attended that meeting and did not find them disposed to be in subordination to this half years meeting after deliberating that monthly meeting and it is concluded that in future the members now constituting that meeting shall be considered members of West lake Monthly meetings ~

The extract from the yearly meeting being read it appears that there is an alteration to be inserted in all our copies of the book of discipline respecting the appointment of elders; this meeting appoints Watson Playter, and Joel Hughes to make the insertion in the copies belonging to this and the womens half yeares meeting; and the monthly meetings are directed to have the insetion made in all the copies within their respective limits~

This meeting received the following advice from several friends appointed by the yearly meeting to advise and assist subordinate meetings ( to wit) ? of the yearly meeting committee now present are united in proposing to friends of the half years meeting that they adjourn that meeting to some place where they can meet in the quiet seperate from their opposers and that they empower the monthly and preparatory meetings within their limits to do the same and that the monthly meeting be empowered to alter the time and place of holding such of their meetings for worship as they shal think necessary.

Signed of behalf of the committee

Jesse Merritt

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This meeting is united with the foregoing advise and directs the necessary information is directed down to the observance of the monthly meetings. ~

It appears that there is a number of Extracts and epistles from the yearly meeting which is directed down to the observance of the monthly meetings. ~

Our friend Martha Smith attended this meeting with a certificate of concurance from Buckingham Monthly Meeting in Pensylvania dated 4<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1828 indorsed by Bucks Quarterly Meeting held at the falls dated the 28<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1828 whoes company and gospal labours were acceptable and edefing..~

This meeting is united in adjourning to meet at friends Meeting house at Green point at the time heretofore appointed to meet at West Lake. ~

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## **Canada Half Years Meeting held at Green point the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1830**

The representatives from two Monthly Meetings being called were present except one and a reason given for his absence

No account from Pelham and Norwich

The Quearies were all read in this meeting with the answers brought up from two monthly meetings of which the following is a Sumary which this meeting directs to the yearly meeting to attend which this meeting appoints John Cooper, Amos Armitage, Jacob Cronk, and Joseph Hazard, who are to report to next meeting. ~

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for worship, and Discipline, the hour not so well observed by all as is desired, Some instances of Sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour observed, Some care taken in the above deficiencies. ~

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2<sup>nd</sup> Ans. Love and unity are maintained as becomes Brethren except two instances and under care, when differences hath arisen care hath been taken to end them, tale bearing and detraction mostly avoided and discouraged, ~

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans Most friends appear careful to keep them selves 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> Ans. Most friends avoid the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors frequenting Taverns and attending Places of divirtion except one in stance which is under care. ~

5<sup>th</sup> Ans. The circumstances of the poor hath been inspected and no relief wanted our children and others under our care are in Some way to get School learning to fit them for buisness except one meeting Says Some are not in a way of geting School learning owing to particular obstructions in respect to Schools. ~

6<sup>th</sup> Ans Clear in the Several Parts of this query except one instance of keeping company on account of marriage with one not in membership with friends and one instance of attending a marriage accomplished contrary to Discipline. ~

7<sup>th</sup> Ans. Friends are clear of bearing armes arms of complying with military requisitions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof except one instance of one friend attending a training

8<sup>th</sup> Ans Some deficiency in performing of promises by not paying Just debts Seasonably one instance of extending business beyond ability to manage as becomes our religious profession Some care taken in the above deficiencies. ~

9<sup>th</sup> Ans We believe care has been taken in a good degree Seasonably

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to deal with offenders except one instance we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measureably to Discipline.~

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

No accounts from the friends appointed to make the in sertion in our Books of Dicipline they are continued to the Service and to report thereon to next meeting. ~

This meeting concluds to meet at yonge Street at the usual time

## Canada Half Years Meeting held at Yong Street the 1<sup>st</sup> day of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1830

The representatives being called were all present. -

The Clerks time of Service being expired Joel Hughes being proposed was united with and appointed Clerk for one year and William Thomas assistant. ~

The Queries were read in this Meeting with the answers brought up from three monthly meetings of which the following is a Sumary. - No answers produced fro[m] Norwich

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and Discipline altho others are neglectful therein especially on the middle of the week the hour nearly observed not all clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour observed and some care taken in the above deficiencies. ~

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans It appears that Love and unity are not so fully maintained by all as becomes brethren when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them talebearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discouraged. ~

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans It appears that friends are mostly 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

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4<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritious Liquors as far as appears except two instances none known to frequent Taverns or attend places of diversion. ~

9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care is mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline. ~

Our esteemed friend Elisha Dawson attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and concurence from North west fork Monthly meeting held the 10<sup>th</sup> day of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1830 whos company and labours were acceptable

Also our esteemed friend Stephen long companion to Elisha Dawson attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and concurence from Bradford Monthly meeting held the 7<sup>th</sup> day of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1830 whos company and labours were acceptable. - The Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes. ~

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting reports that three of them attended but not producing the extracts from that meeting they are desired to forward them to next Meeting. ~

The friends appointed to make an insertion in this meetings copies of the Book of Discipline having not fulfilled the appointment they are continued and to report to next meeting. ~

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It appears by propositions received from Pelham and Norwich Monthly Meetings that they are desireous that an alteration in the places of holding this Half years meeting Should take place; this meeting feeling interested for the welfare of thos Monthly Meetings united in appointing a committee to visit them and report to next meeting what alteration they believe would be most beneficial to them and for the general good of Society to which Service the following friends are appointed (to wit) Cornelias White John Watson William I Phillips John

Cooper Jacob Cronk William Cuninghame James Noxen and Ira Brown who are directed to unite with a committee of women friends in attending those meeting. ~

This meeting concludes to meet at green point at the appointed time

### **Canada Half Years Meeting held at Green Point the 2<sup>nd</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Mo 1831.**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called were present except four  
The Clerk being absent Samuel D Cronk was proposed and united with for that service for the day.

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers from the monthly Meetings a summary of which is as follows which are directed to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting to attend which this meeting appoints Samuel Walters David Barker Cornelius White and Thomas Graham who are to report to next meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Friends appear generally careful to attend all our meetings for Worship & Discipline some instances of individuals excepted the hour mostly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

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3<sup>rd</sup> Friends are mostly careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and 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 friend's families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup>. It appears that friends do avoid the unnecessary use of spirituous liquors frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion.

5<sup>th</sup>. The circumstances of the poor and of such as appear likely to require assistance have been inspected and some relief afforded and they advised and assisted in such employments as they are capable of. Some deficiency appears in regard to school learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup>. Clear as far as appears except two instances of attending marriages accomplished by a Priest - and one of them a marriage of one that went out from us.

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>. Friends endeavour to perform their promises and pay their just debts none known to extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession or that give occasion for fear on these accounts except two instances and advice given

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The friends appointed to make the insertion in our books of discipline relating to the alteration in the appointment of elders have preformed the appointment

The committee appointed to attend Pelham and Norwich monthly meetings report that 8 of their number attend said Meetings allso had a conference with committees of the same and found that the friends of said meetings were mostly desirous of the establishment of a quarterly meeting to be held circular viz. At Black Creek, Pelham Yarmouth and Norwich The committee viewing their situation and under a feeling of much exercise on account of the importance of the subject are united in the belief that a meeting to be held twice in the year composed of Pelham and Norwich Monthly Meetings that is on the third fourth day in the first month at Pelham and the third fourth day in seventh month at Yarmouth might be beneficial to them and tend to the furtherance of the cause of Truth in those parts, which being united with is directed to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting for its concurrence having the unity of the Women's meeting therein

This Meeting is united in asking of the Yearly Meeting for the sum of 300 dollars to assist in finishing a Meeting house at Yong Street.

The Representatives produced the following Extracts as directed by last Meeting ~~who~~ accompanied with an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting which being read are directed down to the observance of the Monthly Meeting

at a yearly Meeting held in new york by adjournments from 24<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Month to the 28<sup>th</sup> of the Same inclusive 1830

The Meeting was led into near feeling and sympathy with those of our Brethern in the Different parts of this Yearly Meeting who are still subjected to the treats and Difficulties which have so generally pervaded our borders, and our quarterly Meetings are desired to pay careful attention to the subject

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In order to afford and relief whose it may appear necessary

The following article of Disapline in relation to Acknowledgments is Directed to be inserted in all our Books of Disapline

Nmely Persons having been Disowned and wishing to become Members stand on the ground of requesters, and writen acknowledgment from such be no longer required, and the following words erased, B2? If it be from a disowned person, it is to be shown to the Overseers and by them handed to the Preparative Meeting

Our quarterly Meetings are requested to open Voluntary Subscriptions to raise five hundred Dollars for this Meetings Stock and pay the amount raised to Thomas Everet? - Treasurer

This Meeting Directs this Meeting's Clerk to Make the alterations in the Books of Disapline of Mens and Womens belonging to this Meetg and report

The Monthly Meetings are requested to make the Necessary Alteration in the Books of Discipline and reports to our next Meeting

This Meeting has raised by Voluntary Subscription fifteen Dollars for the yearly Meetings stock and to be forwarded by our representatives who are directed to produce the Treasurer to N Myty

This Meeting concluded to Meet at Young Street at the appointed time

### **Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at Young Street the 31<sup>st</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1831**

The Representatives being Called were present - except Six

The Clerks time of appointment being expired Samuel D Cronk being proposed was united with and he appointed to that Service for one year and Peter Leavens assistance Clerk.

The queries were all read in this Meeting and a Summary answers to five of them brought up from the Monthly Meetings which is as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for Worship and and [sic] Discipline the hour Mostly observed, not all clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and Some care taken in the above Deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained as becomes Brethren accept Two instances which are under care, when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them Talebearing and Detraction avoided and Discouraged as far as appears

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It appears that friends are Mostly careful to Keep themselves in plainness (accept one instance and that under care) and endeavour to Keep their own and other friends children under their care in plainness, of speech behaviour and apparel, although Some Deviations in apparel are obvious and friends are endeavouring 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 extended in those respects towards others under our tuition ---

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritous Liquors frequenting taverns and 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 Discipline ---

Two of the Representatives appointed to attend the Yearly reports they all attended and produced an Epistle one of which was read and its contents was Satisfactory to this Meeting which are Directed to the observance of the Monthly Meetings also the following Extracts

At the Yearly Meeting of New York held by adjournments from 23<sup>rd</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Month to the 27<sup>th</sup> of the Same inclusive 1831 It is Directed that in the article of Discipline respecting Marriage that the words Nor between a Man and his Deceased Wifes half Sister be arased from all the copies of the Book of Discipline, and in the article respecting collections for the Poor the words, regular quarterly, be erased, and the word, Seasonable Substituted, and our quarterly Meetings are requested to Direct it to be done and report



The report of the committee on the Indian concern was Satisfactory to the Meeting, and they were encouraged to give renewed attention to this interesting subject, and in order to enable them to pursue it more fully, our quarterly Meetings are requested to Direct the opening of Voluntary Subscriptions to raise \$400 Dollars and to pay the amount raised to John Bassod? Treasurer of the committee and report

The Monthly Meetings are requested to make the above alteration in the Books of Discipline and report to Next Meeting

This Meeting's Clerk is directed to Make the alteration in this and the various Books of Discipline and report

This Meeting Directs its Monthly Meetings To open Voluntary Subscriptions for raising its proportion

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of four hundred Dollars for assisting the Indian committee pay it to this Meeting's Clerk and report

One of the friends appointed to attend the yearly Meeting produced the following receipt Recie<sup>d</sup> New York 5<sup>th</sup> Month 22<sup>nd</sup> 1831 of Cornelius White fifteen Dollars from Canada half years Meeting for the yearly Meetings -

Signed Thomas Everrt -

Samuel D Cronk informed this Meeting that he has received the Sum of Three hundred Dollars of the Yearly Meeting, for finishing Young Street Meeting house which is Directed to be Paid to the Trustees for building that House and report to Next Meeting

This Meeting concludes to Meet at Green Point at the usual time

## **Canada half Years Meeting held at Green Point 9<sup>th</sup> of Second Month 1832**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called were Present accept five

The queries Done all read in this Meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Summary which this Meeting directs to the Yearly Meeting

To attend the following friends are appointed William I Phillips Jacob Cronk Benjamin Birdsall James Noxon Jur Stephen White who are to attend and report to Next Meeting -

1<sup>st</sup> It appears all our Meetings for religious Worship and Discipline have been attended, although a Slackness appears in Some friends More particularly in the middle of the week. The hour nearly observed No other unbecoming behaviour observed accept one instance which is under care Some care taken in the above Deficiencies -

2<sup>nd</sup> We believe Love and Unity are in a good Degree Maintained as becomes Brethren accept four instances which is under care, When Differences have arisen care hath been taken to end them Tale bearing and Detraction Mostly avoided and Discouraged

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5<sup>th</sup> The circumstancies of the Poor have been inspected and Some relief afforded, Most children under our care are instructed in School Learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> We Know of none that Keep company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage, None to charge with conniving at their childrens Keeping company with Such, None Known to attend the Marriages of those who have gone out from us, or attending Marriages accomplished by a Priest, accept one instance of Keeping company with a Person not of our Society on account of Marriage and Three instancies of attending marriages accomplished by a Priest and under care 7<sup>th</sup>

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The Monthly Meetings reports they have raised by Voluntary Subscription the Sum of Three Pounds Seven Shilling and Three Pence and Paid it this Meetings Clerk The Representatives are requested to call on the Clerkd for the Mony and Pay it to John Barrow and report to next Meeting

This and the Monthly Meeting has made the necessary alteration in the Books of Disapline as Directed in 1830

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This Meetings Clerk informs that the alteration is Made in this Meetings Book of Disapline as Directed

The Monthly Meetings reports that the alteration is made in all their copies of the Book of Dicipline as Directed

Samuel D Cronk informs that he has Paid the Three hundred Dollars for Young Street Meeting house as Directed Received of Samuel D Cronk the Sum of Three hundred Dollars from the Yearly Meeting for finishing Young Street Meeting House

Young Street 3<sup>rd</sup> Month 31<sup>st</sup> 1831 Signed Nathan Dennis  
Samuel B Phillips

This Meeting concludes to Meet at Young Street at the usual time

## Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at Young Street 29<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1832

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called wase presant accept Three and a reasons given for the absence of Two ---

The appointment of a Clark claiming the Consideration of this Meeting Samuel D Cronk being proposed is united with and appointed to that Service for one year and Joel Hewes assistant

The queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers brought up from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Summary --

1<sup>st</sup> Friends are careful, to attend all our Meetings, for religious worship and Disapline, though a Slackness appears in Some, particularly in the Middle of the Week, The Hour nearly observed, not all clear of Sleeping. No other unbecoming behaviour observed, and Some care taken -

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This Meeting adjourns o Meet at Green Point at the usual time

### **Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at Green Point 30<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month 1833**

The representatives from Three of the Monthly Meetings being called were presant accept five and a reason given for the absence of one No account from Pelham Monthly Meeting

The queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers brought up from three Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Summary which was directed to the yearly Meeting to attend. This Meeting appoints Stephen White Peter Leavens Trueman Clark and Richard Morden and report

1<sup>st</sup> Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious worship and Disapline Though a Neglect is apparint in others, particularly in the Middle of the week. The Hour Mostly observed Not all clear of Sleeping, No other unbecomeing behaviour observed, Some care taken in the above Definiencies

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5<sup>th</sup> The circumstancies of the Poor have been inspected and assistance afforded and advice given, Most children under our care are in some way of geting 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, No Parents who connive at their children's Keeping company with Such, None Known to attend the Marriages of those who have gone out from us, or Marriages accomplished by a Priest, accept one instance of Keeping company and Marrying a person not of our Society, and Two instancies of having their Marriages accomplished by the assistance of a Priest and under care -

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of bearing arms or of complying with Military requisitions or of paying any fine or Tax in Lieu thereof as far as appears -

8<sup>th</sup> We believe friends do endeavour to perform their promises, and pay their just Debts, None Known to extend their business, beyond their abilities to manage as becomes our religious profession, accept Two instancies that have given occasion for fear on those accounts and advice given ---

9<sup>th</sup> Care appears to be taken Seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of Meekness and Measureably agreeable to Disapline

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

The representatives forwarded a Minute from the Yearly Meeting as directed which is as follows

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At the yearly Meeting held in New york by adjournments from 28<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Month to the 1<sup>st</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month 1832

On receiving the report of the committee appointed last year, on the proposition for a division of Canada half Years Meeting, and attending to the Subject, the proposition was united with and it was concluded that a half years Meet'g be accordingly established agreeably to the

proposition, to be held on the Third fourth day in the Eight Month at Zormaust? And on the third fourth Day in Second Month at Pelham, and Adnominated Pelham half Years Meeting, and Elisha Baker Aces Rathbone John Calvin & John Mesill? are appointed to join a committee from the Women's yearly Meeting to attend at the opening of it - in Second Month Next

End Signed Stephen Underhill Clerk.

this Meeting directs a copy of this Minute to Pelham and Norwich Monthly Meetings

The representatives appointed to the yearly Meeting Not producing the extracts to Last Meeting have produced them as directed which is as follows

The Meeting being informed that Some misunderstanding had arisen in one or More of the quarterly Meetings in relation to the Mode of answering those queries that are answered once in the year, Some apprehending that it was necessary to answer for the whole year, It was the judgment of the yearly Meeting that in answering, those queries, as well as the rest, that they are answered for the present-time being, giving the state of Society at the time they are answered, as that all unsettled cases of violation of the Discipline are to be considered as exceptions in the answers It is directed that in the article of discipline in relation to treating with offenders, The following words be erased from all the copies of the Book of Discipline, Viz, and they are also to prepare an essay of a testimony, or Minute of Denial, as the case may require, and produce it to next Meeting, when an appointment shall be made to Show him a copy thereof, and furnish him with it, if required, and acquaint him with his privilege of appealing, and the following words Substituted "and furnish him with a copy of the complaint against him, if required, and acquaint him with his privilege of appealing, and our quarterly Meetings are requested to direct the change to be made accordingly and report thereon Next Year

Extracted from the Minutes Stephen Underhill Clk

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This Meeting directs the Monthly Meetings to make the alteration in the Books of Discipline and report N Meeting

Samuel D Cronk is appointed to make the Necessary alteration in this Meetings Book the womens Book of Discipline and report

One of the representatives produced the following receipt Received of Jacob Cronk Thirteen Dollars fifty five cents it being collection from Canada half years Meeting for the Benefit of the Indians

New York 5<sup>th</sup> Month 29<sup>th</sup> 1832

Signed John Barrow Treasurer

Young Street Monthly Meeting informed this that they were united in establishing a Meeting for Worship and a preparative Meeting in the Township of King, The Meeting for worship to be held on first and fourth Days, at the usual hour and the Preparative Meeting to be held at the close of the Meetg for worship on the fourth day of the week, Preceding the week of the Monthly Meeting, To be called King Preparative Meeting after a time of Deliberation thereon and having the unity of the womens Meeting This Meeting is united therewith and leaves that Monthly Meeting at liberty to open Said Meeting when they think Most convenient This Meeting directs a copy of this Minute to young Street Monthly Meetg

This Meeting adjourns to Meet at the usual time at Young Street

### **Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at Young Street 28<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1833**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called were Present ---

The consideration of a Clerk coming before this Meeting Samuel D Cronk being proposed is united with and aptd to that service for one year and Joel Hewes assistant

West Lake Monthly Meeting informed this that Isreal Bowerman proposed appealing from the judgment of that Meeting in his case and he being present also informed that continued his intentions of prosecuting his appeal

The following friends are appointed to give attention

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thereto and report (to wit) Syrus Dennis Amos Armitage Abraham Brown Peter Wilson Watson Plator and Joel Hewes

The queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers brought up from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Summary

1<sup>st</sup> Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious worship and Discipline, The Hour Mostly observed, not all clear of Sleeping, No other unbecoming behaviour to remark and Some care taken -

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Two of the friends appointed to attend the yearly Meeting reports they attended and produced the extracts from that one of which was read in this meeting which is as follows

At a Yearly Meeting held in New York by adjournments from 27<sup>th</sup> to the 31<sup>st</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> Month 1833

The following report was received from the joint commt appointed Last year on the proposition for a deviseon of this Yearly Meeting

To the Yearly Meeting

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The joint committee of Men and Women friends, on the Subject of establishing a New Yearly Meeting report, That in consequence of the prevalence of the Chaleza? at the ??? ??? ??? [smudge] the quartly Meetings of Farmington and Scipio Stood adjourned for the accommodation of the committees but few of our member attended to the appointment, although friends ware pretty generly preposed, and desirious of attending thereto, - at a Meeting of the comtee to take the Subject into consideration the membering being generly presant, after a fair and full expression of Sentiments, The committee is united in recommending to the yearly that a yearly Meeting be established as proposed by the quartly Meetings of farmington Scipio, consisting of those Meetings, and the too half years Meetings of Canada, to be called Genesee yearly Meeting of friends, and to be opened on Second day after the Second first day, in Tenth Month 1834 at farmington at the Eleventh hour (am) The Meeting of Ministers and Elders on the Seventh day preceeding at the Same hour, The interesting Subject now claimed the Solid consideration of this Meeting, and the report of the committee was fully united with, and friend of the quartly Meetings of farmington and Scipio, and half years Meetings of Canada and Pelham, are left at liberty to open a Yearly Meeting agreeably to the proposition

Signed Stephen Underhill Clk

The extracts are Directed to the observance of the Monthly Meetings also

Epistles

from Baltimore Yearly Meeting one of which was read in this meeting to our Sattisfaction they are Directed Down to the Monthly Meetings

This Meeting adjourns to Meet at the close of the Meeting for worship to Morrow -

### **Friends Met about the time adjourned to this 29<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>Mo</sup> 1833**

The representatives being called were presant -)

The friend appointed to make the alteration in this and the Womens Book of Discipline reports the aptment is answered

West Lake Monthly Meeting report they have Made the alteration in their Books of Disapline as Directed

Young Street are continued to report to next Meeting

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The friends in the case of Isreal Bowerman reports as follows, The committee appointed on the appeal of Isreal Bowerman have attended to the appointment and having carefully examined the proceedings of the Monthly Meeting and heard the committee and appelant - We are united in the belief that the proceedings of the Monthly Meeting in his case are correct after a time of Soled consderation this Meeting Meeting [sic] is united in confirming the judgment of that Monthly Meeting This Meeting appoints Nicholes Austin James Brown to inform him of the Judgement of this Meeting and to report to next meeting

[the following is written in the left margin of the page]

A copy of this Minute is directed to West Lake Monthly Meeting

Their are recevd from the Yearly Meeting twenty Three Dozen pamphlets, containing Memorials of Deceased friends which are Directed Down to the Monthly Meetings  
This Meeting adjourns to Meet at Green at the usual time

**Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at Green Point - 29<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month 1834 -**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called ware presant

The queries ware all read in this Meeting with the answers braught up from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Sumary, which are directed to the Yearly Meeting to be opened at farmington which this Meeting appoints Jacob Cronk Jonathan Clark, Cornelius White, James Noxon John Watson and Nicholas Brown as our representatives and to report

1<sup>st</sup> It appears Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious Worship and Disapline, The Hour nearly observed, not all clear of Sleeping Some care taken, No other unbecomeing behaviour to remark --

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

No account from Young street Monthly Meeting of the alteration being Made in the books of disapline they are continued to report



One of the friends appointed to inform Isreal Bowerman of the judgement of this Meeting in his appeal, reports they gave him the information

This Meeting adjourns to Meet at Yount street at the Usual time

### **Canada half years Meeting of friends held at Younge Street the 3<sup>rd</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Month 1834**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called were present except Three

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The consideration of a Clerk coming before this Meeting Samuel D Cronk being proposed is united with and appointed to that and Nathan Dennis assistant for one year

The queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers brought up from the Monthly Meetings the following is a Summary of five of them as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for Religious worship and Discipline, although there is a Slackness in Some, The hour nearly observed by most, not all clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark Some care taken in the above Deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity is Maintained as becomes Brethren except Two instances one of which is under care, when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them, friends do not all avoid and Discourage tale bearing and Detraction and 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 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 read in friends families and care extended towards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritous Liquers frequenting taverns and attending places of Diversion as far as appears

9<sup>th</sup> Care has been Mostly taken Seasonally to deal with offenders, we trust in the Spirit of Meekness and Measureably a greeable to Discipline.

Yonge Street Monthly Meeting Minutes informs this that George Lister had a prospect of appealing from the judgment of that he not being present it is left for his appearance to our Next

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Three of the friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting reports they all attended and produced the following extract from that Meeting which is as follows

At Genese Yearly Meeting of friends held at Farmington by adjournments from the 9<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month to 13<sup>th</sup> of the Same inclusive 1834

It was concluded by this Meeting that the sum of two hundred dollars be raised for its use - Our quarterly and half years Meetings are therefore directed to forward their respective quotas of that Sum to Isaac Lapham who is their Meetings treasurer ~

The committee on Indian concerns propose the raising of one hundred and fifty Dollars for their use, our Quarterly and half years Meetings are directed to forward their respective quotas of that Sum to Thomas G. Alsop Treasurer of that committee -

The committee to regulate the quoutus the quoutus of the different Meetings, proposed that when money was wanted to be raised for the use of this Meeting, Farmington and Scipio pay each one third, and Canada and Pelham half Years Meetings, pay each one Sixth - which being Satisfactory to friends, Said Meetings were directed to pay be to e regulated accordingly Taken from the Minutes

Joseph Jones Clerk this year

Our Monthly Meetings are directed to raise their proportion of Said Sums pay it to this Meetings Clerk and report to our next half Years Meeting

No account from Younge Street Monthly Meeting relative to the alteration in the Books of Disipline they are desired to report

This Meeting adjourns to Meet at green at the usual time in first Month

### **Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at Green Point 28<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month 1835**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called ware presant

The queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers brought up from the

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Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Sumary,

They are directed to the Yearly Meeting to attend this Meeting appoints Samuel D Cronk Stephen White Jonathan Clark Abaslom Brown William I Phillips as representatives and report

1<sup>st</sup> Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for Worship and Disapline, The hour mostly observed, not quite clear of Sleeping, and Some care taken, No other unbecoming behaviour to remark

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes Brethern accept a few instancias, when differences have arisen endeavours have been used to end them, Talebearing and Detraction Mostly avoided and Discouraged Care has been taken in the above Deficiencies

3<sup>rd</sup> friends are generly careful to Keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaveour and apparel, Most friends, do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession, The Schriptides of Truth are frequently read, we believe in friends families and care in these respects towards others under our Tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritous Liquers frequenting taverns, and attending Places of Diversion

5 The circumstancies of the Poor have as far as appears been inspected and Some relief afforded, and advice given, Most children are in Some Way to get School Learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> We know of none who Keep company with persons not of our Society on account of Marriage No parents to connive at their childrens Keeping company with Such None Known to attend any Marriage gone out from us as Marriages accomplished by a priest

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

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8<sup>th</sup> Friends appear generally careful to perform their promises and pay their just Debts, though not as Seasonable as is desired, None known to extend their business beyond their abilities to manage as becomes our religious profession or that give occasion for fear on those accounts

9<sup>th</sup> Care is Mostly taken Seasonable to Deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of Meekness and agreeably to Discipline

10<sup>th</sup> They are

This Meeting Clark informs the Meeting that he has received from the Monthly Meetings the the Sum of Thirty Three Dollars Thirty three cents which is this Meeting's quota for the Yearly Meetings use also the sum of Twenty five Dollars from the Monthly Meetings for the Indian committee which is this Meeting's quota The representatives are directed to produce receipts to Next Meeting

Our friend Precella Cadwalder attended this Meeting with certificates of unity and concurrence from Miami Monthly Meeting of friends held 4<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Month 1829 and Black River quarterly Meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> Mo 1829 also from Indiana Yearly Meeting held in Ohio 1<sup>st</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1830 which was read in this Meeting whose company was Satisfactory to us

This Meeting is informed that the alteration in the Books of Discipline of Young Street Monthly is performed as directed

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Young Street at the usual time

### **Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at Young Street 2<sup>nd</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Month 1835**

The Representatives from the Monthly meetings being called were present

The consideration of a Clerk coming before this Meeting Samuel D Cronk being proposed was united with and appointed to that Service for one year and Joel Hewes assistant

The queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers brought up from the Monthly Meetings

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of which the following is a Summary

1<sup>st</sup> All our Meetings for worship and Discipline are attended Yet a Slackness with Some. The hour nearly observed not all clear of Sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, and Some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity are not So well maintained amongst Some of our members, as could be desired, When Differences become Known Some care is taken speedily to end them and that friends mostly avoid and Discourage tale bearing and detraction ---

3<sup>rd</sup> Friends appear mostly careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and and [sic] we believe most friends 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 a Care in these respects towards others under our tuition

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9<sup>th</sup> Care has been mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders with endeavours to do it in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Disapline

The friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting reports that four of them attended that Meeting and produced the following extract which is as follows

At Gensee Yearly Meeting of friends held at farminton by adjournments from 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month 1835.

The committee appointed last year to attend to the important concern of improving the condition of the Indians, reported that some of their numbers has met the Palmayus Indians in council who ??? desireous for friends to continue their care for them, evinceing a feeling of gtatatude to us for fast Services, They united

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the proposition for us to Send a sutable friend to reside amongst them, offering the care of 200 acres of Land or more if necessary, and to put buildings on it by taking their timber to repay the expanxe, The committee are of the opinion that much usefulness might arise, in providing a Suitable person could be obtained to take the charge of Such an establishment, organized Something ??? the plan of a manual labour School who would also have to extend to the protection of the Indians in their rights, from trespassin on their timber &c, by aiding and advising them as well as encouraging them to assume habits of industry, A School has been taught under the charge of the committee amongst them, for ten months of the past year, and the committee have caused a prossecution to be commenced against one of the trespassers which we understand has to remunated? In obtaining a judgment of \$250 Dollars against him, with these viewes of the Subject; the committee are of the opinion, that this Meeting would not be at any expence hereafter for more than two or three years, after which we are united in the belief that the proposes farm would be Sufficent to defray all the expence under these considerations it was concluded to propose to the meeting to raise by Voluntary Subscriptions \$150 Dollars for the use of the Indian committee and place it in the hands of the Indian committee and place it in the hands of the treasurer of the comm The report of the committee was sattisfactory to the Meeting and they ware encouraged to continue their Labour, for the benifit of those people and our quartily and half years Meetings are requested to raise by Voluntary Subscription \$150 Dol and pay to Thomas J Alsop Treasurer of the committee The committee on education made the following report viz The committee on the interesting Subject of education of our Youth haveing attended to their appointment as far as practible,

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Under attended? circumstances has concluded to recommend to this Meeting to request of each of our Monthly and Preparative Meetings to appoint a committee to establish ??? ??? ??? practicable To be intirely under the care of friends ??? ??? ??? the duty of this committee to

See what the ??? ??? ??? friends as are not in ??? ??? to pages are placed at the schools and the Monthly Meeting be directed to pay Expenses on all of the ??? ??? appointments propose? And and that the Monthly Meetings report t our next Yearly Meeting, the number of Schools to be established, the number of schollars that have attended also that these committees be directed to aid friends in procuering Suitable teachers for family Schools, and report to this Meeting, the same information relative to them, as in the other case, after a time of Solid deliberation and a free communication of the Sentiment, the report of the committee was adapted by the Meeting, and recommended to the observance, of our Subordinate Meetings

The committee appointed at last Sitting on the Subject of Slavery, reported, that the Subject had received their close attention and resulted in preparing a Minute of advice to our Subordinate Meetings and an essay memorial to congress both of which ware presented to the Meeting. The minute of advice is as follows viz

Much exercise has been felt in this Meeting on account of the oppressed condition of our american brethern on ??? of colour, held in Slavery, and a care? was? expressed by many friends, that we do all in our power for their relief, among the many in our reach is that of abstaining from the use of articles produced by their labour, and believeing that thos steps would have a Salutory affect, and be productive of much goods, We affectionately advise friends to attend to the scriptures they may find on this subject, The subject engaged the solid attention of friends, and the Minute of advice was

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directed Down to our Subordinate Meetings, and the memorial to congress having been read and approved, was directed to be Signed by the Clark and forwarded

Extracted from the Minuts Joseph Jones Clerk

a copy of this extract is directed to our Monthly Meetings and for them to report to our next half Years Meeting the number of schools and Schollers Within their compass Also to open Voluntary Subscriptions for raiseing our proportion of one hundred and fifty Dollars for the Indian committee and pay to this Meetings Clark

The representatives produced receipts for the Mony raised as the Yearly Meeting ??? which are as follows, Farmington 13<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Mo. 1835

Received of Samuel D. Cronk Thirty Three Dollars and thirty three cents, for the use of the Genesee Yearly Meeting from Canada half years Meeting .....Signed Isaac ... Lapham Treasurer

Received 6th Month 1835 of Sameul D. Cronk for the hands of of [sic], Lydia Rickkott? Twenty five Dollars for the care of the committee on Indian concerns for Genesee Yearly Meeting Signed Thomas J Alsop Treasurer

The Subject of holding a Meeting for Worship the day following the half years Meeting for Disapline comeing before this Meeting and after consideration thereon their was much Unity expressed and ??? ??? concluded to hod a Meeting for worship in future at the Usual time and places: having the Unity of the Women's Meeting therein

This Meeting adjourns to Meet at Green Point at the usual time

## **Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at Green Point 3<sup>rd</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Month 1836**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called were present

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The queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers brought up from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Summary which is directed to the Yearly Meeting

to attend this Meeting appoints Peter Leavens Joseph Hazard Nicholas Austin Amos Armitage and Thomas Watson who are to call on the Clerk for the Money raised for the Indian committee and pay it to its Treasurer and report

1<sup>st</sup> que It appears all our Meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended although quite a Slackness in Some of our members, The hour nearly observed not all clear in that of Sleeping, No other unbecoming behaviour observed Some care taken in the above Deficiencies -

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4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritous liquors 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 Some advice given, most children are in Some way to get School learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> We do not Know of any that Keep company with persons not of our Society on account of Marriage

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### **Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at Young Street 2<sup>nd</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Month 1835**

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting produce an extract from that Meeting a copy of which is directed to our Monthly Meeting which is as follows

At Genesee Yearly Meeting of friends held at Farmington by adjournments from 15<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month to 19<sup>th</sup> inclusive 1835

The committee appointed last year to attend to the important concern of the improvement of the Indians, reported that Some of their number had met the Calasagus? Indians in counsel, who Seemed desirous for friends to continue their care for them, evincing a feeling of gratitude towards us for for past Overseers?, They renewed the proposition for us

to Send a Suitable family to reside among them offering the use of 200 acres of Land, or more if necessary, and to put buildings on it, by taking their timber to defray the expences the committee are of opinion that much usefulness might arise, provided a Suitable person could be obtained to take charge of Such an establishment organized Something on the plan of a manual Labour School, who would also have to attend to the protection of the Indians in the ??? right from trespassers on their timber & C by aiding and advising them as well as encouraging them to assume habits of industry - A School has been taught under the charge of the committee amongst them for Six months in the past year and the committee have caused a prosecution to be commenced against one of the trespassers, which we understand has terminated in obtaining a judgment of \$250 Dollars against him - With these views of the Subject, the committee are of the opinion that this Meeting would not be to any expence for more than Two or three years, after which we are united in the belief that the proposed farm would be sufficient to defray all the expence, under their consideration it was concluded to propose to the Meeting to raise by voluntary Subscription \$150 Dollars for the use of the Indian committee and place it in the hands of the treasurer of the committee.

The report of the committee was Satisfactory to the Meeting and they were encouraged to continue their labour

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for the relief of those people and our Quarterly and half Years Meetings was requested to raise by Voluntary Subscriptions the said Sum of \$150 Dollars and pay to Thomas J Alsop treasurer to the committee

The committee on education made the following report Viz - The committee in the interesting Subject of the education of our gaust? Having attended to their appointment as far as practicable, under attendant circumstances, have concluded to recommend to this Meeting to request each of our Monthly and Preparative Meetings to appoint a committee to establish Schools within their limits, when practicable, to be entirely under the care of friends and that it shall be the duty of this committee to see that the children of Such friends as are not in circumstances to pay, are placed at the Schools and the Monthly Meeting be directed to pay a part or all of the amount, as may appear most proper, and that the Meetings report to our next, yearly Meeting, the number of Schools so established, the number of Scholars that have attended; also that these committees be directed to aid friends in procuring Suitable teachers for family Schools, and report to their Meeting, the same information relative to them as in the other cases - - After a time of Solid deliberation and a free communication of Sentiment the report of the committee was adopted by the Meeting, and recommended to the observance of our Subordinate Meetings ---

The committee at the Last Sitting on the Subject of Slavery, reported that the Subject had received their close attention, and resulted in proposing a Minute of advice to our Subordinate Meetings, and an essay of a memorial to congress both of which were produced to the meeting, the Minute of advice is as follows Viz Much exercise has been felt in this Meeting, on account of the oppressed conduct of our American brethren, and Sisters of colour, held in Slavery, and a concern expressed by many friends, that we may do all in our power for their relief. Among the means within our reach, is that of abstaining from the use of articles produced

by their Labour and believing this step would have a Salutory affect, and be productive of much good

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We affectionately advise friends to attend to the Scruples they may feel on this Subject, The Subject engaged the Soled attention of friends, and the Minute of advice was directed Down to our Subordinate Meetings and the mamorel to congress having been read and approved was directed to be Signed by the Clerk and forward

Extracted from the Minutes of the Meeting

Joseph Jones Clerk

This Meeting sirects the Monthly Meetings to raise their proporten of Mony of 150 Dollars pay it to this Meetings Clerk and report also to report to our next half Years Meeting the progress in Schools as directed in the above extract

Taken from the Minuts Samuel D Cronk

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Extracts for West Lake

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9<sup>th</sup> Care is Mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of Meekness and agreeably to our disapline

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One of the Monthly Meetings reports that they have one School within their limits of Thirty three Schollars Taught agreeable to the direceton of the Yearly Meeting

The Clark informed this Meeting that he has received the Sum of Six pounds five Shillings from the Monthly Meetings for the Indian committee



Our friend Margaret Brown opened in this Meeting a concern which had rested? her mind for years to pay a religious visit to the families of the City of New York a Pheledelphia, also to appoint Some Meetings amongst others not of our Society - and produced a certificate from Young street Monthly Meeting the Subject claimed the Solid consideration of this Meeting was united with her therein the clerk is directed to make the necessary endorsement

At a Meeting for Sufferings held at Farmington 6<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1835 It is concluded that our Clerk be not authorized to deliver books of disapline, accept on the application of a Monthly or quartely Meeting

Signed William S Burling Clerk

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Youngstreet at the usual time --

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#### **Canada hal Years Meeting of friends held at Young Street 31<sup>st</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1836**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called ware Presant except one.

The consideration of a Clerk and an assistant comeing before this Meeting Samuel D Cronk was proposed and united with as Clerk and Joel Hughs assistant for one year

The queries war all read in this Meeting and a Sumary answers to five of them on as follows

1<sup>st</sup> We believe most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious worship and Disepline The hour nearly observed not all clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour observed and Some care taken.

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained by most friends as becomes Brethern Two instances accepted when differencies have arisen care has been taken to end them, friends do mostly avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction Some care taken in the above deficiencies

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9<sup>th</sup> Care is Mostly taken to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to Desapline

Four of the Representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting reports they attended and Produced the following Minute or extract from the Yearly Meeting

At Genasce Yearly Meeting of friends held by adjournment from the 13<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month to 18<sup>th</sup> of the Same inclusive 1836

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Farmington quarterly Meeting has forwarded a proposition to alter the time of holding that quarter to the first fourth Day in first fourth, Seventh, and tenth Months an Scipio quarter also forwarded a proposition to alter the time of holding that quarterly Meeting, on the Second fourth Day in the first fourth, Seventh and Tenth Months in Seventh Month at Desiter? which alteration was united by this Meeting

The committee on indian concerns informed this Meeting, that in that important concern, they were progressing as fast as practicable, with clearing and Building in order to be prepared for opening a manual labour School amongst the Indians and in progressing, it would require more money at this time than heretofore, for which it is anticipated, the products of the farm when cleared will remunerate, They recommended the Meeting to raise five hundred Dollars for the use of the committee, This Meeting taking the Subject into consideration request our Subordinate Meetings to raise that Sum by Voluntary contributions and pay it to Thomas J Alsop Treasurer of that committee

The committee on the proposition from the womens Meeting for establishing Manual Labour Schools reported they considered the Subject and concluded to propose to this Meeting, to forward the recommendation to our quarterly and half Years Meetings, to establish Manual Labour Schools within the limits of each, and also the appointment of a committee by this Meeting, to aid? and ??? [smudge] our Subordinate in promoting that concern, the committee also expressed a great desire that friends will be liberal in their endeavouring to promote the establishment Such Schools, as will be beneficial, to the Service above mentioned the following friends are appointed and the Subject is directed to the attention of our quarterly and half Years Meetings (Namely) Sunderland P Gardner, Nathaniel Russel, Griffeth Cooper, Reuben Dean, Oliver Durfee, Edward Herringden, William Burling, Samuel Lundy, Alden Gifford, Pliny Denton, John H Robinson, John Searing, Josiah Lachworth, Thomas J Alsop Aden G Cory, Stephen Esher?. John Merritt, John Hugga?, Acuss Rathborn Stephen Dordeu, Peter Leavins Stephen White, Joseph Hazard Cornelius White John Watson. Nich Brown. Charles Hill Abram Chase, Thomas Graham Isaac Willson Benj. Birdsall

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The committee appointed to designate what are Posts of prophet and Honor in government report they considered the Discipline Sufficient on that Subject and that each monthly meeting be left at liberty to construe the Disciplines for themselves, it is also the united judgment of the committee that friends had best avoid accepting all offices under government which report was Satisfactory To the Meeting and is directed Down to the Subordinate Meetings  
Extracted from the Minute of the Yearly Meeting

Signed Thomas J Alsop Clerk

The Monthly Meetings are directed to endeavour to raise their their [sic] Proportion of five hundred Dollars to ??? the Indian committee pay the amount to this Meetings Clerk and report

The Subject of Establishing a Manual Labour School as recommended in the forgoing contract claiming the attention of this Meeting , meeting [sic], it was concluded to appoint a comttee to take the Subject into consideration in all its bearings and report their judgment thereon to Next Meeting the following friends are appointed Stephen White Peter Leavens Joseph Hazard John Cooper Jonathan Noxon, Joel Hughs Nich Austin Isaac Eves Peter Willson William I Phillips Joseph Hillben?

The following receipt was received Recevd of Joseph Hazard Twenty five Dollars for the use of the Committee on Indian concerns for Canada half Year Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> Month 10<sup>th</sup> 1836  
Signed Thomas J Alsop Treasurer

This Meeting taking the Subject of adjourning this Meeting to West Lake into consideration are united in the conclusion for us to meet at West Lake at the usual time

### **Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at West Lake 1<sup>st</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> Month 1837**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called ware present acct one  
The assestant clark being absent William Thomas is appointed for the day  
The queries ware all read in this Meeting and a Sumary answers to them are as follows which are directed to the Yearly Meeting  
To attend this Meeting appoints Samuel D Cronk Richard Morden James Noxon Isaac Eves Abraham Brown James Brown who are to call on the Clerk

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of this Meeting for the Money raised for the Indian committe and report  
First query Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious worship and disapline, the Hour not so well observed by all as is desired, Several instancies of Sleeping Clear of all other unbecomeing behaviour in them as far as appears and Some care taken  
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3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends appear in a good degree careful to Keep themselves their own and other friends Children under their care in Plainness of Speech behaveour and apparel, Though deviations are apparent and Some care taken, and their appears to be a care resting on the minds of most friends to train up their children and those under their care in a religious life and conversation consistant with our religious profession. The Schriptides of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards other under their tuition  
4<sup>th</sup> Friends avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritous Liquors frequenting Taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears accept one instance of using spiritous liquors to access and under care  
5<sup>th</sup> The circumstancies of the Poor have been inspected and assistance given and most children are in Some way to get School learning to fit them for business ~~~~~  
6<sup>th</sup> We Know of none Keeping company with those not of our Society on account of Marriages nor any parents that connive at their children Keeping company with Such none Known to attend the mariages of those who go out from us, or Marriages accomplished by a Priest accept two instancies of Keeping company with persons not of our Society on account of

Marriage, and one instance of attending the marriage of one that went out from us and accomplished by a Priest and under care --

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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> Most friends are careful to perform their promises and pay their just debts. None Known to extend their business beyond their abilities to manage as becomes our religious profession; accept one instance and that under care, and those who have given occasion for fear on these accounts have been timely Laboured with for their preservation and recovery

9<sup>th</sup> Care hat been taken in a good degree Seasonable to Deal with offenders in the Spirit of Meekness and agreeable to disapline

10<sup>th</sup> They are

The Clerk of this Meeting informs that he has recived the Sum of Eighteen Pounds Seven Shillings and Six pence from the Monthly Meetings for the Indian comtee

Came to this from West Lake Monthly Meeting a proposition for holding the Monthly Meeting a part of the time at green Point that is in third Eighth and Eleventh Months This Meeting taking the subject into consideration are united in the alteration and the necessary information is directed to be forwarded to that Meeting having the unity of the womens Meeting -

The Committee appointed to the Subject of a Manual Labour School reports as follows We of the Committee appointed on the Subject of manual Labour School having met and Sereously considered the Subject are decidedly of the opinion that the establishment of ~~Such~~ a School of that description in this Half Years is at presant impracticable Signed Nich Austin Stephen White Isaac Eves Jonathan Noxon William J Phillips Joseph Hazard which report this Meeting is united with

Our friend Nicholas Brown Spraead beofe this Meeting a concern that accompanies his Mind to make a religious Visit to the families of friends in the Citty

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of New York and if way opens to those of Long Island and to attend the Yearly Meeting of New York also the Yearly Meeting of Pheladelphia and to appoint Some Meetings amongst those not of our Society and produced a Minute from the Monthly Meeting of Youngstreet expressive of their unity. This Meeting is united in leaveing him at liberty to proceed as truth may open the Way he being a Minister in unity with us The Clark is directed to make the necessary endorsement on the Mo Meet Minute

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he being a Minister in unity with us The Clark is directed to make the necessary endorsement on the Monthly Meeting Minute

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Youngstreet at the usual time --

### **Canada half Year Meeting of friends held at Young Street 30<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1837**

The representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called were present except Two and a reason given for the absence of one

Freeman Clark on behalf of the Representatives proposed to this Meeting Samuel D Cronk as Clerk and Peter Leavens assistant, which this Meeting is united with and appoints them for one year

The Queries were all read with the answers from the Monthly Meeting to five of them are as follows

1<sup>st</sup> All our Meetings for worship and Discipline are attended Yet there remains a Slackness with Some friends The hour nearly observed though not So fully with all as is desired, not all Clear of Sleeping No other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken -

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2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained by most friends as becomes Brethren, though not So fully with all as is desired When differences have arisen, Care has been taken to end them, friends mostly avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as appears.

3<sup>rd</sup> Some friends appear careful to Keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel, Yet there appears a Slackness to be a great want of it in others, We believe Some friends 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 of truth [sic] are frequently read in friends families and care extended in these respects towards others under their tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritous Liquors, frequenting taverns and attending places of Diversion as far as appears, except Some friends attending an exhibition of Animals and one instance of attending a place of Diversion

9<sup>th</sup> Care has been taken generally Seasonably to deal with offenders, endeavouring to do it in the Spirit of Meekness and agreeably to our Discipline

One of the friends, appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting reports on behalf of the Representatives that they all attended and produced the following extract from that Meeting which is as follows

At Genesee Yearly Meeting of friends convened the 12<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month and held by adjournments to 17<sup>th</sup> of the Same inclusive 1837.

The com<sup>t</sup> on Indian concerns made the following report which is directed to our Subordinate Meetings, who are requested to raise the Sum requested, by Voluntary Subscription and pay to the Treasurer of the committee

We the com<sup>t</sup> on Indian concerns Report that we have cause the house, which was in contemplation To be erected on the reservation, To be complete, accept a trifling job of finishing above

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with a good cellar under it, The Barn also is finished, a good well of water dug and completed, and we have cleared about 25 acres of Land, and got it well fenced, There is also about 20 acres which is chopped and now clearing, we have twelve acres of wheat in the ground that looks pretty well, there is also ten acres of land under contract to be cleared all of which is to be completed by the Ninth Month next. There are 50 apple Trees set out, Tho the Season was not profitably for corn the Past year there was 70 bushels raised which has been Part of it used for feeding, Some Sold and Some handed out to the Suffering Indians, There was about 200 bushels of Potatoes about 100 Bushels of oats and about 30 Bushels of Wheat, Some of each is still remaining on Land. The comt in consequence of the high Price of Labour and provision have though[t] it right to give the friends employed on the reservation 500 Dollars per year, They boarding themselves as heretofore, there has been obtained a qualified female School Teacher at 1 50/100 Dollar per week and boarded, The School is now opened with flattering prospects, having 35 Schollors and and expectation of 10 or 15 more, who are Steadily to attend, They are to be employed a portion of time in domestic and agricultural persuits and it is evident to the comtee that what has already been Done by friends has given the Indians encouragement to adopt more industrious habits, and have this Spring taken hold of agriculture with renewed Exercise, Seem more engaged in making improvements on their Land, The comtee has expended as are holden for the amount of 1482 Dollars 53 cents They have recivd 1383 Doll 35 cents leaving a ballance owe the comtee on the 1<sup>st</sup> of 5 Month Last of 99 Doll 13 cents It is necessary to persue the course marked out for the comtee by the Yearly Meeting, To have an additional Sum raised, to apply in clearing Land and other expences incured, we therefore recommend for the yearly Meeting to raise 300 Doll. for the use of the comtee pay To the Treasurer of the comtee

Signed on behalf of the committee Thomas J Alsop  
Margaret Brown

Our Subordinate Meetings are requested to raise 100 Dollars for the use, of the Meeting and pay it to Isaac Lapham Treasurer of the Meeting

Extracted from the Minutes of Said Meeting and Signed Thomas J Alsop Clark this year

This directs the above extract down to the Monthly Meetings for them to rais by Voluntary Subscription their proportion

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of 300 hundred Dollars for the Indian Comtte also 100 Dollars for the Yearly Meetings use, pay it to this Meetings Clerk and report

a receipt was produced to this Meeting which is as follows

Recd Farmington 6<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 1837 of Samuel D Cronk Twenty Three Dollars fifty cents for the use of the comtee on Indian concerns for Genasee yearly Meeting from Canada half Years Meeting

Signed Thomas J Alsop

This Meeting adjourns to Meet at West Lake at the usual time

## Canada half Years Meeting of friends held at West Lake 31<sup>st</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month 1838

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being Called were present except Two -

The queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Summary which this Meeting Directs to the Yearly Meeting, to attend this Meeting, appoints Stephen White Samuel D Cronk Nicholas Brown Havland Brown who are to call on this Meeting Clark for the money raised for the Indian Committee and the Yearly Meetings use and report

All our Meeting for religious Worship and Discipline are attended although a remissness in this important Duty is apparent The Hour Nearly observed by most friends not all Clear of Sleeping No other unbecoming behaviour to remark and Some care taken in the above Deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and Unity appears to be Maintained by most friends as becomes Brethren, when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them & friends Do mostly avoid and Discourage Tale bearing & Detraction as far as appears -

3<sup>rd</sup> Friends appear in a good degree Careful to Keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and Do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession

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The Scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and a care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritous Liquors frequenting Taverns or of attending places of Diversion as far as appears except one instance of a friend Suffering Liquor to be handed on his primasies at a publick Venue and Care taken

5<sup>th</sup> The circumstances of the poor have been inspected & Some advice given and Some relief afforded and their Children and all others under our Care in in Some way to get School Learning to fit them for business - - - -

6<sup>th</sup> None Known to Keep Company with persons not of our Society on account or Marriage no parents to charge with conniving at their Childrens Keeping company with Such None Known to attend the marriages who go out from us or marriages accomplished by a Priest except one instance of attending a Marriage accomplished by a Priest and care taken

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of bearing arms or of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or Tax in lieu thereof as far as appears except Three instances of friends bearing arms and Some Care taken

8<sup>th</sup> It appears friends are endeavouring to perform their promises and pay their just Debts in a good degree Seasonable, None Known to extend their business beyond their abilities to manage yet there is one Instance of a friend who has given occasion for fear on this account and Some care taken

9<sup>th</sup> Care has been taken in a good degree Seasonable to Deal with offenders, endeavouring to do it in the Spirit of Meekness and agreeable to discipline,

10<sup>th</sup> The[y] are

The Monthly Meetings has raised four pounds Three Shilling and four pence for the Yearly Meetings use and the Sum of Eight Pounds Eight Shillings and Six pence for the Indian committee for which the representatives are to Call on the Clark for, and forward it as directed

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This Meeting adjourns to meet at Young street at the usual time --

## **Canada half years Meeting of friends held at Young Street 29<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1938**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called were present except one  
The consideration of a Clark coming before this Meeting Samuel D Cronk being proposed is united with and appointed to that Service for one year and Dorland Noxon assistant

The queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings to five of them of which the following is a Summary

1<sup>st</sup> Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious worship and Discipline the Hour Mostly observed not all clear of Sleeping, no other unbecoming behaviour observed and Some care taken -

2<sup>nd</sup> We believe Love and unity are Maintained by most friends as becomes Brethren, Yet it evidently appears there is a want of it in others, when differences arise care has been taken to end them, Tale bearing and detraction not So fully avoided and Discouraged as would be best -

3<sup>rd</sup> Some friends are careful to Keep themselves, their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel, and 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 friend families and care is extended towards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of spiritous Liquors frequenting Taverns or of attending places of Deversion as far as appears -

9<sup>th</sup> Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of Meekness and Measureably agreeable to Discipline

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting report that they attended

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and produced the following extract at Genasce Yearly Meeting of friends held by adjournments from the 11<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> Month to 16<sup>th</sup> of the Same inclusive 1838

a report was received from the comtee on Indians concerns in which they State that their progress in that important business of a millorating? The condition of the Tribe under the care of friends is progressing and that the Money on hand rest? the crops on the ground should they not be injured will be nearly sufficient for the present year but to avoid imberasment should they not turn as is desired they recommend raising 150 Dollars for its use the rep is united with, & our Subordinate Meeting are requested To raise their respective proportions of that Sum & pay to Giffert M Cooper Treasurer of the comtee -

This Meeting has been exercised on the Subject of the information received from the remote parts of this yearly Meeting that there are those in remote Settlements whose children



have grown up without proper literary Education, and this Meeting taking the Subject into consideration it united in the conclusion to direct our Subordinate Meetings to raise, what they can by voluntary Subscription for the purpose of aiding individuals in remote Settlements and others who are unable to Educate their children and pay it to the Treasurer of this Meeting

Signed Thomas J Alsop Clark

This Meeting directs the above Extract to our Monthly Meetings and to pay the Sum raised to this Meetings Clerk and report -

The following receipts was produced to this Meeting which is as follows Recivid 6<sup>th</sup> Month 1<sup>2th</sup> 1838 of Stephen White Thirty Three Dollars Seventy cents for Canada half years Meeting in indian concerns

Signed Oliver Durphey

Farminton 12<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> Month 1838 of Stephen White Sixteen Dollars Ninety Seven cents for Canada half years Meeting for the Yearly Meetings use

Signed Isaac Lapham Treasurer

This Meeting adjourns to meet at West Lake at the usual time -

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#### **Canada half years Meeting of friends held at West Lake 30<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month 1839**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meeting being called ware presant - - -

The queries ware all read in this Meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meeting of which the following is a Sumary which are directed to the yearly Meeting to attend the Yearly Meeting appoints Samuel Noxon, Cornelius White Richard Morden John Watson and James Brown who are to call on the clark for the Money raised for Indian committe and report to Said Meetg

~~The queries ware all read in this Meeting~~

1<sup>st</sup> Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for religious Worship and disapline although a Slackness appears in Some, espetially in the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed by most Some appearancies of Sleeping and altogather clear of other unbecoming behaviour in Meetings and Some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity are maintained by most friends as becomes brethern. When differencies become known care has been taken to end them. Some instancies of Tale bearing and care taken, Detraction guarded against as far as appears -

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep themselves, and endeavour 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 Schriptures of truth are read in friends families and Some care extended towards others under tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the unnecessary use of Spiritous Liquors, One instance of frequenting a tavern and Several instancies of attending a horse race and Some care taken -

5 We know of no Poor, or any requireing assistance amongst us, Some of our children and others under our care are are [sic] not in as good a way To get School learning as could be desired

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6<sup>th</sup> None Known to Keep company with persons not of our Society on account of Marriage, no Parent to charge with conniving at their children Keeping company with Such, None Known to attend the Marriages of those who go out from us, or Marriages accomplished by a Priest, except one instance of a friend having his Marriage accomplished by a Priest and Two instances of attending of attending [sic] a Marriage accomplished by a Priest

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of bearing arms or of complying with Military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof as far as appears, except one instance of a friend complying with Military requisitions So far as to attend trainings & under care

8<sup>th</sup> Friends are careful to perform their promises and pay their just debts except one instance of not performing promises nor paying just debts None Known to extend their business beyond their abilities to manage except one instance of fear on those accounts and care taken in the above particulars

9<sup>th</sup> Care has been mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the Spirit of Meekness and agreeably to our discipline

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

Agreeable to the accounts from the Monthly Meetings there is not any money raised for education

West Lake Monthly Meeting raised £5<sup>2</sup>/<sub>6</sub> for the  
And Young Street Monthly Meeting £3 13/16<sup>6</sup> Indian Committee which the  
representatives are directed to pay to its Treasurer and report

This Meeting adjourns to meet at Young Street at the usual time

## **Canada half years Meeting of friends held at Young street 28<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1839**

The Representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called were present

The consideration of a Clerk coming before this Meeting Samuel D Cronk being Proposed is united with Joel Hughs assistant for one year

The queries were all read in this Meeting With the answers from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Summary -

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9<sup>th</sup> Care has been taken Mostly Seasonably to Deal with offenders endeavouring to Do it in the Spirit of Meekness and agreeably to Disapline accept one Meeting Says that care has not been taken

Two of the representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting reports that four of them attended and produced the following extract

At Genasee Yearly Meeting of friends held at farmington by adjournment from the 10<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month to the 15<sup>th</sup> of the Same inclusive 1839

A proposition from Michigan Quartely Meeting to erace the words = of misters [ministers] and elders form from [sic] a Paragraph of the disapline, page 23<sup>rd</sup> was considered and united with and Womens Meeting having informed us of their concurrence the proposed change is accordingly adopted the paragraph in question will read thus.

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When a Minister has a concern to make a religeous Visit to Europe or to other forreign parts, as the clearest evidence should be obtained in the undertaking, the concern together with the certificate of the monthly and Quarterly meeting is to be laid before the yearly meeting for its approbation, and; if that be obtained, a certificate thereof, signed by the clerk should be given.

The committee to whom was referred an apprehended error in the alterations made in our books of discipline reported they were united in recommending as their judgement of the intention of the Yearly Meeting that the whole of the 6th query as it originally stood, expunged, and that it read "Do any, by attending marriages or otherwise countenance a hireling ministry, - which was united with and the womens meeting Concurring the clerk was directed to forward the same to our subordinate meetings for their attention.

The committee on the application from Michigan for assistance in the erection of meeting houses, made a report, on consideration of which the meeting united in ~~reports on consideration of which~~ directing the sum of 500 dollars to be raised for that purpose and that not only Michigan but the two half year meetings in consequence of the necessity they have been under to build several meeting houses be excused from contributing to this object, except in the way of voluntary subscription. The meeting directed that the money raised be paid to Isaac Lapham, to be held subject to the order of the Quarterly meeting of Michigan

Signed Thomas McClintick Clk

The following Extract from Genesee yearly meeting is as received which is as follows

At Genesee Yearly Meeting of Friends held by adjournments from the 11<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>m</sup> to 16 of the same inclusive 1838

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The following alteration in our books of discipline are directed to the observance of our subordinate meetings

1st That part of the third Query which relates to the reading the scriptures be expunged; and added to the advices which are read quarterly.

2 That written acknowledgements be no longer required from persons under dealing

4 That the discipline be so altered that the men and women friends shall stand on the same footing in all ~~meeting~~ matters in which they are equally interested such as deliberations respecting alterations of discipline and that in receiving and disowning members and in granting and receiving certificates of removal the two branches of our ~~yearly~~ monthly meeting shall each obtain the concurrence of the other before the Subject be concluded, accordingly on page 37 relative to disowning members insert the concurrence of the womens meeting shall be obtained

5<sup>th</sup> Page 87 on the Subject of removal certificates insert no certificate of removal is to be received or granted without the concurrence of the womens meeting ~~shall be obtained~~

Page 23<sup>rd</sup> Third line from the bottom after the word membership insert and the approbation of the womens Meet be obtained,

Page 34<sup>th</sup> to erase the following ~~and~~ the ultimate judgment to be in the mens Meeting

Page 23<sup>rd</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> line from the bottom erase "and extensive and insert, a Visit, that in relation to certificates of removal page 88<sup>th</sup> the words freedom from marriage engagements as the case may require be, expunged

6<sup>th</sup> That the discipline on the Subject of Marriage Stand as follows Young and unmarried persons in membership with us, before they made any procedure with a View to Marriage Should Seek for right direction in this important concern Should Early acquaint their Parents or guardians with their intentions, and wait for their counsel, by which

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they may be preserved from the Dangerous bias of forward and uncertain affections, Proposals of Marriage are to be presented in writing to the Preparative Meeting of which the women is a Member Signed by the Parties, and should the Parties be be [sic] members of one Monthly Meet the the Preparative Meet is to appoint two or more friends to See if the way be clear for the mans proceeding in Marriage and a Time for care should be taken by the womens Meeting concerning the woman if She be a widow having children two or more men friends Should be appointed to See that their rights are legally Secured and the Preparative Meeting is to forward the ??? Proposals together with the names of the committee appointed in the case to the Next Monthly Meeting where the Said comtee are required to report the man to the mens Meet and the woman to the womens Meeting, and where consent of Parents or gardeans is also to be Produced, should the the [sic] Parties be members of Different Monthly Meetings, the man is to Produce to the Monthly Meeting a certificate from the Mont Meeting of which he is a Member, applied for at the Preparative of which he belongs, expressive of his clearness from other like engagements, and Should the comttee report that there appears to be no obstruction to their Proceeding, The Meeting is ??? [smudged] then at liberty to accomplish their Marriage at a Public Meeting of our Society, but not on the first Day of the Week

7th That the three last lines on the Subjec of Meetings for Sufferings be expunged, and the following inserted, Any Member who feels a concern shall be at liberty to attend the settings of this Meeting

Syned Thomas J Alsop Clk

The above Extracts are directed down to the Monthly Meeting with Some printed Slip to make the alterations in the Books of Disapline and to report to next Meeting

The Representatives not being ready to report relative to the Money raised for the Indian comtee they are cont and to report to next Meeting

This Meetings Clark is directed to make the intended alterations in this and the Womans Book of Disapline belonging to the half years Meeting

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A proposition respecting ltering the time of holding our half years Meeting being made, the Meeting united in appointing the following friends to unite with a committee of women friends and take the Subject into consideration, and report thereon to Next Meeting The comtee are Samuel D Cronk Stephen White Joel Hughs Cyrus Dennis Peter Willson Abraham Brown, Peter Leavens Cornelius White John Watson Rowland Brown and Jonathan Noxen

This Meeting adjourns to meet at West Lake at the usual time

## **Canada half years Meeting of friends held at West Lake 29<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> Month 1840**

The representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called Ware presant accept one

The assistant Clark being absent William Thomas is appointed for the day

The queries ware all read in this Meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Sumary

This Meeting appoints Cornelius White Jonathan Noxon John Cooper Amos Armitage Sylvanis Brown as representatives to attend the Yearly Meeting With the business and report

1<sup>st</sup> All our Meetings for Religious Worship and Disapline have been attended although their remains a Slackness with Some friends. The hour is Nearly observed by most friends, not quite Clear of Sleeping. No other unbecoming behaviour to remark and Some care taken in the above Defecencies

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and endeavours are used to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our religious profession and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

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5<sup>th</sup> The Circumstancies of the Poor have been inspected, and relief Seasonably afforded, and Some advice given and Most of friends children and others under their care are in Some Way to get School learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> None Known by attending Marriages or otherwise countenance a hireling Ministry, accept one instance of countenanceing a hireling Ministry by attending a Marriage accomplished by a Priest

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

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9<sup>th</sup> Care has been Mostly taken Seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of Meekness and Measureably agreeable to disipline

10<sup>th</sup> They are

The Monthly Meetings informs they have Made the alterations in their Books of Disipline as far as the presented Slip we ware furnished with

The following Receip was produced Recivd from Samuel Noxon fifteen Dollars Twenty Cents on account of the Indian Committee Signed Griffith M. Cooper

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This Meetings Clark reports he has Made the alteration in this and the Womens Books of Disipline as directed

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the Propriety of altering the time of holding the Half years Meeting are united in proposeing the Meeting to be held at West Lake the fourth day after the Last first day in Second Month and the fourth day after the Last first day in the Ninth Month at Youngstreet and this Meeting taking the Subject into consideration are united in dropping it for the Presant having the unity of the woman Meet

No Money raised by this Meeting for Building Meeting houses in Michagan

One of the Monthly Meetings reports the Sum of Three Pounds fifteen Shillings for

Demands amounting to one Pound five shillings and Nine pence for none compliance with Military requisiton

This meeting adjourns to meet at yonge Street at the usual time

## **Canada Half years meeting of friends held at Yonge Street the 2<sup>nd</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1840**

The representatives being called are present except two

The representatives proposed the name of Joel Hughes for Clerk and David Barker assistant which are united with and they appointed to that Service for one year

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a sumary

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our Meetings for religious worship and Discipline have been attended (except one account states that two meetings have not been attended) yet there remanes a slackness with some friends the hour not so well observed as is

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desired not all clear of sleeping and one account states that some other unbecoming behaviour has been observed and care taken

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity is maintained amongst us in a good degree as becomes Brethren except one instance (and care taken) when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction not altogether avoided

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans There appears to be a care with most friends to keep them selves their own and other friends Children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christain profession and care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition

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9<sup>th</sup> Ans It appears that care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders endeavouring to do it in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline

One of the representatives appointed to attend the yearly Meeting reports that three of them attended and produced the following extract which was read

At Genesee yearly Meeting of friends held at Farmington by adjournments from the 15<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo to the 19<sup>th</sup> of the Same inclusive 1840

A report of our Indian committee was read and approved by this meeting A deep sympathy was felt and expressed respecting the condition and prospects of this interesting and afflicted people and the meeting were united in the continuation of efforts for their well fare

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during their continuance on their reservations this meeting directs that the sum of \$500 dollars be raised the ensuing year for the use of the committee one tenth part of the amount to be raised by Canada and Pelham Half Years Meetings each and two fifths by Farmington and Scipio Quarters each, the money when raised is directed to be paid to Grefith M Cooper

The committee on the application from Michigan for funds to aid them in building a meeting house to Parma proposed that the Sum of 200 dollars be raised for that purpose with which this meeting uniting that amount is accordingly directed to be raise by the Quarterly and Half Years Meeting in their respective proportions and pay it to Isaac Lapham to be held Subject to the order of Michigan Quarterly meeting

Extracted from the minuts

Thomas McClintock Clerk

Agreeably to the directions of the foregoing extract this meeting directs the Monthly Meetings to rais their proportions of the sums there in named and pay the money to the Clerk of this meeting and report to next meeting

The representatives to the yearly Meeting also produced a number of printed Slips containing the alterations of Discipline as directed by the yearly Meeting of 1838 This meeting directs them down to the observance of the Monthly Meetings

Our Beloved friend Rachel Hicks attended this meeting with a minute of unity and concurrence from West burry Monthly meeting dated 15<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1840 and ondorsed by westbury Quarterly meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1840 whos company and labours amongst us were acceptable

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Also Our friend Maria Farrington companion to Rachel Hicks with a minute of unity and concurrence from Flushing Monthly Meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> mo 7<sup>th</sup> 1840 whoes company was acceptable

William Willets also companion to Rachel Hicks attended this meeting with a minute of unity and concurrence from Westbury Monthly Meeting held the 20<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1840 whoes company was acceptable

This Meeting adjourns to Meet at West Lake at the appointed time

**Canada Half Years Meeting of Friends held at West Lake the 3rd day of 2nd mo 1841**

The representatives being called are all present

The Queries were all ~~present~~ read in this Meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a sumary which is directed to the ensuing Yearly Meeting David Barker, James Cooper, Isaac Eves, Rowland Brown and Thomas Stinson are appointed representatives to attend S<sup>d</sup>-meeting who are directed to call on this meetings Clerk for the money raised for the use of they committee on Indian concersn being ten pounds five Shillings and also that to assist in building a meeting hours in Michegan being five pounds twelve Shillings and four pence and pay the same agreeably to the direction of the yearly meeting and report thereon to next meeting

This meeting reieved an account of Sufferings of a friend for none compliance with Millitary requisions amounting to three pounds fifteen Shillings for a demand of Six shillings and eleven pence which is directed to the yearly meeting

The clerk informs that he has recieved from West

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Lake Six pounds five shillings for the use of the committee on Indian concerns and four pounds three shillings and four pence to assist in building a meeting house in Michegan and from yonge Street the sum of four shilling for the use of the aforesaid committee and one pound nine Shillings and a penny to assist in building a Meeting house in Michegan

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our Meetings for worship and discipline have been attended altho there appears a slackness with some of our members in this important duty the hour is mostly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behavior has been observed and it appears that Some care has been extended in the above deficiencies

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

This meeting adjourns to meet at Yonge street at the appointed time

### **Canada Half Years Meeting of Friends held at Yonge Street the 1<sup>st</sup> day of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1841**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called are all present

The term of the clerks service being elapsed the representatives proposed the name of Joel Hughes for clerk and David Barker assistant which are united with and they appointed to that service for one year

The representatives appointed to attend our last yearly meeting reported that they all attended and paid the money as directed and they produced the following Extract from that meeting

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At Genesee Yearly Meeting of Friends held at Farmington by adjournments from the 14<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month to the 18<sup>th</sup> of the same inclusive 1841

This meeting directs that four hundred dollars be raised the ensuing year by our subordinate meetings and paid to Isaac Lapham the Treasurer

Extracted from the minutes

Tho<sup>s</sup> McIntock Clerk

The representatives also produced a number of copies of a report of The Yearly Meetings Committee on Indian concerns and several copies of a minute of advice from That meeting one of which was read to our satisfaction. The aforesaid copies of report and minute of advice are directed to the observance of our subordinate meetings

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a summary

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline attended still there remains a slackness with some friends the hour nearly observed not all clear of sleeping and some care taken It appears that unbecoming behaviour has been apparent in one particular meeting

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3<sup>rd</sup> Ans Some friends are careful to keep themselves and endeavour to keep 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 and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

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West Lake Monthly Meeting informs that they are united in discontinuing the preparative Meeting and meeting for worship in Holderness after deliberating thereon this meeting united there with and leaves that meeting at liberty to discontinue the same when they think best having the unity of the womens meeting

It appears by an extract from the yearly meeting now received that this meeting is directed to raise its Quota of four hundred Dollars for the yearly Meetings use and pay it to Isaac Lapham Treasurer

This meeting directs the Monthly Meetings to raise their Quotas of S<sup>d</sup> sum and pay the same to this Mtgs Clerk and report to our next meeting

This Meeting concludes to meet at West Lake at the appointed time

### **Canada Half Years Meeting of friends held at West Lake the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1842**

The clerk being absent John Watson was proposed and being united with is appointed Clerk for the day

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers from the monthly meetings..a Summary of which is as follows which are directed to be forwarded to the ensuing yearly Meeting to attend which as our representatives Rowland Brown, Stephen White John Cooper

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Nicholas Austen and Jonathan Noxen, are appointed and they are directed to call on the Clerk for our Quoto of money called for by the yearly meeting and pay the Same to Isaac Lapham Treasurer and produce his receipt to our next meeting and report

It appears that the Monthly Meetings have forwarded their proportions of money called for by the yearly meeting and the Clerk has recieved it subject to the direction of this meeting

A proposition for a division of the Monthly Meeting of Yonge Street was forwarded by that meeting to this in Substance as follows viz-

That the preparative Meetings of Uxbridge and Pickering should constitute a Monthly meeting to be held at Pickering on the fifth day after the third first day in each month at the usual hour to be called Pickering Monthly and that the meeting of ministers and Elders be held on the day preceeding the Monthly Meeting in 1<sup>st</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> months at the usual hour and that Yonge Street Monthly Meeting be composed of Yonge Street, Whitechurch and King, preparative Meetings and that it be held one third of the time in each place viz, at Whitechurch in 1<sup>st</sup> month a[t] Yonge Street in 2<sup>nd</sup> and at King in 3<sup>rd</sup> and thus in succession and that the monthly meeting and meeting of Ministers and Elders be held on the same days of the months as heretofore

The subject claiming the attention of this and womens meeting they united in appointing a Joint committee to visit the Preparative meetings constituting yonge Street Monthly Meeting and report their sense of the propriety of said Divison and how the said meetings be held to which service Samuel Noxen, James Noxen, Richard Morden David Barker, Stephen White and James Cooper are appointed

This Meeting concludes to meet at Yonge Street at the usual time

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1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our Meetings for worship and Discipline the hour nearly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour observed

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### **Canada Half years Meeting of friends held at Yonge Street the 31<sup>st</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1842.**

The representatives being called are present except one

The representatives proposed the name of Joel Hughes for clerk which is united with and he is appointed to that service for one year and David Barker assistant

Our friend Samuel Keese attended this Meeting with a minute of unity and concurence from Perue Monthly Meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1842 Indorsed by Feresburg Quarterly Meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> mo 5<sup>th</sup> 1842

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Sumary

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9<sup>th</sup> An            Care is mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders endeavouring to do it in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline

The representatives appointed to attend the yearly Meeting reported that four of them attended and they produced the following extract which was read (to wit)

At Genesee Yearly Meeting of Friends held at Farmington by adjournments from the 13<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> mo to the 18<sup>th</sup> of the same inclusive 1842

5<sup>th</sup> day 16<sup>th</sup> of the month the committee appointed last year to give to our Discipline such revision as might appear necessary made a report stating that they had carefully attended to the service and presented an essay embracing the result of their labors. The meeting in attention to the subject during a portion of this and the succeeding session having deliberately considered all the alterations proposed by the committee they went with a few variations adopted and the whole being concurred in by women's meeting this meeting directs that the meeting for Sufferings have 400 copies of the Book of Discipline printed as now revised draw on our

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Treasurer for the requisite funds to defray the expense and apportion them among our subordinate meetings as may be necessary

6<sup>th</sup> day 17<sup>th</sup> Information was now received that the building directed last year to be erected for the accommodation of committees during the sitting of this Yearly Meeting has been completed and the expense defrayed

7<sup>th</sup> day 18<sup>th</sup> The committee on the Treasurer's accounts reported that they find a balance in his hands of \$133.30 and they recommend that \$100 be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year

The[y] also proposed the appointment of Isaac Lapham for Treasurer all which was united with by the meeting

An interesting report was received from our committee on the Indian concern furnishing satisfactory evidence that the labors of the committee in conjunction with committees of New York Philadelphia and Baltimore Yearly Meetings have been greatly beneficial and [sic] that the way increasingly opens as Friends remain feelingly alive to the concern for promoting the advancement of these our fellow beings of the Seneca nation in civilization and Moral culture the sum of \$200 was directed to be raised for the use of that committee in furtherance of these objects and paid to Griffith M Cooper

This Meeting also directs that 1000 copies of the report be printed under the care of the Meeting for sufferings for the use of friends in the different branches of this Yearly Meeting

Extracted from the minutes

Th<sup>o</sup> McClintock Clerk

It appears by the foregoing extract that this meeting is directed to raise its Quota of \$100 for the yearly meetings use and pay to Isaac Lapham Treasurer and also \$200 for the use of the committee on Indian concerns and pay to Griffith M Cooper

This Meeting directs the Monthly

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meetings to pay their respective proportions of the afores<sup>d</sup> sums to the Clerk of this Meeting and report to next

The representatives als[o] produced the Treasurers receipt for Sixty six dollars and Sixty Six cents

West Lake Monthly Meeting informes that David B Hill purposes appealing to the Half years Meeting from the Judgement of their meeting in his case and he being present signified that he continued his intention This meeting therefore appoints Rowland Brown Peter Willson Mordeca Widdifield Cyrus Dennis Nicholas Austin and Sylvanus Brown to attend to the appeal and to report their sense thereon to next a future siting of this Meeting

Seven of the jint committee appointed on the proposition for a division of Yonge Street Monthly Meeting produced the following report (to wit) We of the committee appointed by the last Half Years Meeting on the proposition from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting for a division of that Meeting now report that Seven of our number have attended thereto and made the preparative constituting that Meeting a visit thereon and it is our untied judgment that a division of that Meeting take place as follows (that is to say) that pickering and Uxbridge constitute a Monthly Meeting to be held agreeable to the proposition to the Half Years Meeting and that Yonge Street Whitchurch and King constitute a Monthly Meeting to be held two therds of the time at Yonge Street and one third at King that is to say to be held at Yonge Street in 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> months at Yonge Street and in 12<sup>th</sup> at King and thus to be held in succession at the same time as Yonge Street Monthly Meeting heretofore

Signed on behalf of the committee

8<sup>th</sup> mo 27<sup>th</sup> 1842

David Barker

Catharine White

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after deliberating thereon the Meeting united with the report and appoints John Cooper Stephen White and George Thomas to unite with a committee of women friends and attend the opening of Pickering Monthly Meeting in 10<sup>th</sup> month next at the time Stated in the proposition and to report to next Meeting

Our friends Nicholas and Margaret Brown offered offered [sic] to this Meeting a minute of unity and concurence from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting to pay a religious visit to Baltimore Yearly Meeting and other places therein mentioned this meeting unites with them in their concern and leaves them at liberty to proceed therein and directs the Clerk to enter the necessary endorcement on S<sup>d</sup> minutte and Signe the same on behalf of this meeting

This Meeting now adjourns to meet tomorrow at 9 oclo

## **Friends Met agreeably to adjournment this 1<sup>st</sup> day of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1842**

Representatives present as yesterday except one

The committee appointed on the appel of David B Hill produced the following report (to wit) We the committee appointed on the appeal of David B. Hill have attended to the appointment and are agreed in confirming the judgement of the Monthly Meeting

The Meeting taking the Subject into consideration after freely discussing the same are united in refering the case to next meeting under the care of the committee

This Meeting concludes to Meet at West Lake

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#### **Canada Half Years Meeting of Friends held at West Lake the 1<sup>st</sup> day of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1843**

The representatives from the Several Monthly Meetings being called are present except one and a reason given for his absence

The Quearies were read in this Meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings a Summary of which is as follows and is directed to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our representatives who are Samuel Noxon, James Cooper, Rowland Brown, Joel Hughes, and John Watson. They are directed to call on this meetings clerk for our Quota of Money called for by the Yearly meeting and pay the Same as directed in the Extract and report to next meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Ans           It appears that all our Meetings for religious worship and Discipline have been attended yet there appears quite a slackness with some of our members in this important Duty The hour nearly observed by most not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies.

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6<sup>th</sup> Ans           It appears there are six instances of friends having countainanced a hirling ministry in accomplishing their marriage by the assistance of a Priest and three instances of other friends attending marriages so accomplished all of which are under care

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Yonge Street Monthly Meeting informes that Joel Phillips purposes appealing to this meeting from the judgment of that Monthly meeting in his case and the appelant informed this

meeting by writing that his situation prevented him from prosecuting his appeal at this time and requests the privilege at next meeting this meeting therefore refers the case to next Half years meeting

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West Lake Monthly Meeting forwarded to this a Testimony concerning esteemed friend Jame Noxon Deceased which being read was united with and directed to be forwarded to the meeting for sufferings together with the testimony from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting alluded to near the close of the former

The Clerk informs that he has received from the Several Monthly Meetings their respective Quotas of money for the yearly meetings use and also for the committee on Indian concerns

The appeal of David B Hill being revived in this meeting four of the committee appointed in the case reported as follows (to wit) We of the committee appointed on the appeal of David B Hill have made a farther investigation in the case and are united in confirming the judgment of the Monthly Meeting in his case This meeting united with the report of the committee and accordingly confirms the judgment of West Lake Monthly Meeting against him and appointed Thomas N Watson Samuel Hughes and Thomas Converse to inform him of this conclusion acquaint him with his privilege of appealing to the Yearly Meeting and report to next meeting

The committee appointed to attend the opening of Pickering Monthly Meeting informs that one of them attended the opening of that Meeting at the time appointed

This meeting deeming it expedient to revise the Quotas of the Monthly Meetings appoints Samuel Noxon, John Cooper, Nicholas Austin, Rowland Brown, Reuben Powel and Thomas N Watson to take the subject into consideration and report thereon to next meeting

This Meeting concludes to meet at Yonge Street at the appointed time

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#### **Canada Half Years Meeting of friends held at Yonge Street the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31 of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1843**

The representatives being called are present except 2

The term of the Clerks appointment being elapsed the representatives proposed the name of Joel Hughes for Clerk and George James Thomas assistant which are both united with and they appointed to that service for one year

The case of the appeal of Joel Phillips being revived and the appellant being present being present [sic] informed that he intended prosecuting his appeal this meeting therefore appointed Richard Mordon Stephen White, John Cooper, George James Thomas, James Striker, and Thomas Stinson, to attend thereto and here the appellant in his own behalf and also to examine the proceedings of the Monthly Meeting in his case and report their Judgment thereon to a future sitting of this meeting

One of the representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting reported that three of them attended and they produced receipts for this Meetings Quota of money as directed they also produced the following extract



At Genesee Yearly Meeting of friends held at Farmington by adjournments from the 12<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> mo to the 16<sup>th</sup> of the same inclusive 1843

A report from our committee on Indian concerns was read being vary satisfactory to the Meeting affording evidence of the Beneficial effects of the Labors of Friends in behalf of this interesting and suffering people and furnishing increasing ~~evidence~~ encouragement to continue our efforts in extending to them such advise and assistance as their exigences may require the Sum of 150 dollars being needed for

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the use of the committee the current year our Subordinate branches (Pelham and Michigan excepted) were directed to raise that amount and forward it to Griffith M Cooper

The committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts and propose a friend for Treasurer made a report which was satisfactory to the meeting and Isaac Lapham being proposed for Treasurer was united with and appointed to that service for the ensuing year

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Thomas M Clintock Clerk

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the Monthly Meetings a summary of which is as follows

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship and discipline the hour is generally observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

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The committee appointed to inform David B Hill of the conclution of last Half Years Meeting in his case reported that they have fulfilled the appointment and that he informed them that he intended to appeal to the Yearly Meeting from the Judgement of the Half Years meeting in his case This meeting therefore appoints John Cooper, Walter Stigny Rowland Brown and Samuel Hughes to attend the yearly meeting with copies of the Minuts of the Monthly and Half

years meetings relative to his case and give Such explanations on the Subject as may be necessary and report

The committee appointed to propose to this meeting a revision of the Quotas of the Monthly Meetings reported that in future West Lake Monthly Meeting pay one half and Yonge Street and Pickering each one fourth of all monies directed by the Half Years Meeting to be raised after deliberating on the report the meeting united in refering it to next meeting for consideration

It appears by the extract from the yearly Meeting now recieved that this meeting is directed to raise its proportion of 150 dollars for the use of the committee on Indian concerns and pay to Grifith M Cooper This meeting therefore directs the Monthly Meetings to raise their respective Quotas of the aforesaid Sum and pay to this Meetings Clerk and report

Pickering Monthly Meeting forwarded to this the following proposition (to wit) This meeting taking into consideration the propriety of altering the time and ~~and~~ place of holding the Half Years meeting in the summer Season are united in proposing that the meeting should be held in future the same time in the 6<sup>th</sup> mo that it

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is at present in the 8<sup>th</sup> and that it should be held at Pickering having the unity of the womens meeting therein it is refered to the Half years meeting for its concurence

The subject clamed the attention of this meeting and after freely discussing the subject the meeting united in refering it to next meeting for consideration

This Meeting is informed that the revised Discipline is now recieved and ready for distribution the representatives are diricted to take charge of a soficiant number of copies to suply all the Meetings and also the overseers within the limits of their respective Monthly Meetings

This Meeting now adjourns to meet at the close of the meeting for worship to morrow

### **Friends Met agreeably to adjournment this 31<sup>st</sup> day of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1843**

Representatives present as yesterday

The committee appointed on the appeal of Joel Phillips prodused the following report (to wit) the committee appointed to hear the appeal of Joel Phillips have attended thereto and after deliberatly hearing and considering the case are united in confirming the judgment of the Monthly meeting the foregoing report being read and deliberatly considered is united with and the judgement of the Monthly Meeting confirmed Cyrus Dennis and James Willson are appointed to inform him of this conclusion acquaint him with his prevalage of appealing to the Yearly Meeting and report to next Meeting

This Meeting concludes to Meet at West Lake at the appointed time

### **Canada Half Years Meeting of friends held at Westlake the 31<sup>st</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1844**

The representatives being called are present except one

The Queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers from the Monthly Meetings of which the following is a Summary a copy of which is direct to the ensuing Yearly Meeting

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by our representatives who are Samuel Noxon, John Cooper, Richard R. Mordon, Caleb Stickny, Samuel Hughes and Rowland Brown, they are directed to call on the clerk for money and pay our Quota for the use of the committee on indian concerns (being twenty five dollars) agreeably to the direction of the yearly Meeting and report to next Meeting

The subject of a revision of the Quotas of the Monthly Meetings claimed the attention of this meeting after deliberating thereon the meeting united in referring it to a committee to which service the following friends are appointed (to wit) Samuel Noxon, John Cooper, Nathan Dennis, Rowland Brown, Mordica Widdifield, and William Phillips, who are directed to report to next Meeting

-The proposition for altering the time and place of holding the Half years meeting in the summer Season as referred from last meeting to this was revived and after some time spent in discussing the subject it was concluded to discontinue the care for the Present

West Lake Monthly Meeting proposed to this the propriety of requesting of the Yearly Meeting to be released from paying money in future for the use of the committee on indian concerns the subject claimed the attention of the Meeting and a sunity therewith being expressed it is directed to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting

This Meeting having recieved no official report from the committee appointed to inform Joel Phillips of the result of his appeal continues S<sup>d</sup> committee to report to next meeting

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### **Canada Half years Meeting of Friends held at Yonge Street the 28<sup>th</sup> day of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1844**

The representatives being called are all present

The representatives proposed that Joel Hughes be appointed Clerk to this meeting the ensuing year and William James Thomas assistant which is united with and they are appointed to that Sevice for one year

The Queries were in this Meeting with the answers from the monthly meetings of which the following is a summary

1<sup>st</sup> Ans IUt appears that most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and Discipline altho a great neglect in this important duty is apparent the hour is nearly observed Some instances of Sleeping and some other unbecoming behaviour observed and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> AnsIt appears that Love and unity are in a good degree maintained as becomes Brethren when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them talebearing and detraction generally avoided and discouraged

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans Some friends are careful to keep them selves 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 Christain profession and care is extended in these respects toward others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Ans It appeares that friends do generally avoid the use of all intoxicating liquors as a beverage none known to frequent Taverns two instances of attending a place of diversion and some care taken

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9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care has been mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline

One of the representatives appointed to attend the yearly meeting reported that Six of their number attended that meeting and they produced a receipt for this Meetings Quota of money for the use of the committee on Indian concerns Several printed extracts from the minuts of the yearly meeting were recieved one of which was read to our satisfaction The representatives from the Monthly Meetings are directed to apportion S<sup>d</sup> Extracts to the several Monthly Meetings

It appears by the aforesaid Extract that the Sum of 100 dollars is wanted for the use of the committee on Indian concerns which is recommended to be raised by voluntary contributions and that the same method be adopted to raise money to assist in building a meeting house at Livonia in the state of Michigan the monthly meetings are recommended to cherish a Spirit of liberality in contributing to the raising of money for the aforesaid purposes and pay what may be raised to this meetings Clerk

The committee to whom was referred the consideration of a revision of the Quotas of the Monthly Meetings proposed that West Lake pay 45 Yonge Street 30 and Pickering 25 per cent on all monies raised by direction of the Half years Meeting a free discussion of the subject ensued which resulted in the following conclusion that West Lake pay 40 Yonge Street 32 ½ and Pickering 27 ½ percent

The committee continued to report respecting informing Joel Phillips of the result of his appeal reported that the necessary information has been given the appellant

Pickering Monthly Meeting requested the assistance of this Meeting in raising 25 pounds to assist in building a Meeting house in Uxbridge. The subject claimed the attention of the meeting and after deliberating thereon the Meeting united in granting

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the Sum of 37£ - 10 S as it appears the sum requested will not complete the building. The Monthly meetings are directed to raise their respective Quotas of S<sup>d</sup> sum and pay to Mordica Widdifield and report thereon to next Meeting

The committee appointed to attend the yearly Meeting on the appeal of David B Hill reported that the duties of their appointment are fulfilled and the Judgment of the Half years Meeting is confirmed

### **Canada Half years meeting of friends held at West Lake the 29<sup>th</sup> day of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1845**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called were all present ~

The clerk being absent David Barker was proposed to serve the meeting for the day was united with and accordingly appointed to that service

The queries have all been read in this meeting together with the answers as they came up from the monthly meetings of which the following is their summary which ~~which~~ is directed to the Ensueing Yearly meeting by our representatives who are David Barker Richard R Morden John Watson Rowland Brown Stephen White and Joseph Hazard who are also directed to call on this meetings clerk for the money raised for the use of the committee on Indian concerns being two pounds four shillings and seven pence half penny pay the same to the Clerk of the Yearly meeting and report to our next meeting

no money raised to assist in building a meeting house in Michiga at Livonia --

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Ans 1<sup>st</sup> All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although a slackness is observable in some of our members in this Importa[nt] duty, particularly in the middle of the

week the hour nearly observed by most, not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, and some care taken ~~~

2<sup>d</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained as becomes brethren except two Instances, which are under care; when differences have become Known care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction not altogether avoided and discouraged ``

3<sup>d</sup> There is a care with friends to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and appearel although deviations are apparent, they do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a life and conversation consistent with our christian profession and care is taken in this respects to wards others under our tuition 4<sup>th</sup> Friends do not altogether avoid the use of Intoxicating liquors as a beverage none known to frequent taverns or attend 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 some relief has been afforded and advice given their children and all others under our care are in a way to get school learning to fit them for business ~~~

6<sup>th</sup> None known by attending marriages or otherwise to contenance a hireling ministry ~~~

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of bearing armes of complying with military requisitions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof as far as appears ~~~

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8<sup>th</sup> Friends are careful to perform their promises and pay their just debts although not so seasonably with all as is desired, none known to Extend their business beyond their abilities to manage as becomes our religious profession - nor any that give a cause for fear on those accounts ~~~

9<sup>th</sup> We believe care is taken mostly seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline ~~~

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

Yount Street monthly meeting reports having raised the sum £1-1-8p and Pickering monthly meeting the sum of 1-2-11 for the use of the committee on Indian concerns West Lake reports no money raised for the use of the committee on Indian concerns nor for building a meeting house at Livonia in michigan

Came to this from West Lake monthly meeting a proposition whither the time had not nearly arrived for the friends composing Canada and Pelham Halfyears meeting, in Canada, to compose a ~~seperate~~ Yearly meeting - after a time of solid deliberation on this Important Subject - it was concluded best to appoint a Committee of this meeting to unite with a comittee of womens meeting to confer together - upon the Subject and report to our next meeting their sense of the subject to which service the following named friends were appointed (viz.) David Barker Joseph Hazard John Watson Rowland Brown Nicholas Brown Samuel Hughs Jonathan Noxon Cyrus Dennis John Cooper Henry B Cooper William T Phillips and Thomas N Watson

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~~West Lake monthly meeting having raised~~

West Lake monthly meeting reports having raised the sum of fifteen pounds being their quota of money called for by this Halfyears meeting to assist in building a meeting house at Uxbridge Youngstreet and Pickering monthly meetings report theres not completed They are directed to complete it and report there on to next meeting.

(Then Adjourned)

### **Canada Halfyears meeting of Friends held at Young Street the 3<sup>d</sup> day of 9 Month 1845**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being Called were present -

The representatives proposed the name of David Barker for clerk and Joel Houghs for assistant which were united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year

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The qaries have all been read in this meeting together with the answers as they came up from the monthly meetings of which the following is a Summary to five of them --

Ans 1<sup>st</sup> All our meetings for Religious worship and discipline are attended yet their is a slackness with some of our members - The hour nearly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark - And some care taken --

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4<sup>th</sup> Friends do mostly avoid the use of all Intoxicating Liquers as a beverage frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears ~

9<sup>th</sup> Care has been taken Seasonably to deal with offenders endeavouring to do it in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline ~

The representatives appointed to attend the yearly meeting report that four of them attended Said meetg and produced a receipt for our quota of money as directed - Also an Extract from the minutes of that meeting which was read and was satisfactory to the meetg and is as follows -

At Genesee yearly meeting held at Farmington by adjournments from the 9<sup>th</sup> of 6M to the 14<sup>th</sup> of the same Inclusive 1845 -

A report of the Indian committee was made to this meeting setting forth their proceedings during the past year which is satisfactory to the meetig and the Sum of \$100 being needed to carry out the measures now in progress and fulfill the obligations already incurred our subordinate meetings are directed to open Voluntary Subscriptions to raise that amount and pay it to Pliney Sexton and report -

Extracted from the minutes - Sunderland P Gardner Clk





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Came to this from Pickering monthly meeting a proposition for that monthly meeting to be held in future three times in the year at Uxbridge that is in the 3<sup>d</sup> month and 12<sup>th</sup> months which is united with by this meeting having the unity of the womens meeting therein

Ans 1<sup>t</sup> Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for Religious worship and discipline the hour is nearly observed by some Instances of sleeping and some care taken no other unbecoming behaviour to remark -

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7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of bearing armes of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu there of as far as appears

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Pickering and Youngstreet monthly meetings now reports there quota of money Called for by the Halfyears meeting to assist in building a meeting house at Uxbridge completed and paid as directed

Then adjourned to meet at Youngstret the usual time

## Canada Halfyears meeting of Friends held at Young street the 2<sup>d</sup> day 9 M 1846

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The time for which the clerk was appointed being Expired and David Barker being proposed for Clerk and Nicholas Austin for assistant which being united with they are appointed to that service for one year ~~~~~

One of the representatives appointed to attend the yearly meeting report that three of their number attended said meeting and paid over our quoto of money as directed and produced a receipt there for

Also an Extract from the minutes of that meeting which is as follows

At genesee yearly meeting of Friends held at Farmington by adjournments from the 15<sup>th</sup> of 6 Mo to the 20<sup>th</sup> of the same Inclusive 1846

A Satisfactory report of the committee on Indian concerns was read showing that the labours and care of friends on their behalf, has been instrumental in unssroving? their domestic condition and Elevating the standard of morality among them the sum of \$100 being needed for the use of the committee the current year and it appearing necessary to raise \$100 for the use of this meeting our subordinate meeting are requested to raise their respective proportions of those sums and pay that for the Indian committee to their treasurer and that for this meeting to the treasurer of the yearly meeting

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The committee appointed in 9 month last to attend Pelham Halfyears meeting with the proposition for a Yearly Meeting in Canada now made the folowing report which was read and was satisfactory to the meeting - viz We of, of the joint Committee of men and women Friends appointed by the Halfyears meeting in 9<sup>th</sup> Month last to attend Pelham Halfyears

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meeting with minits of this relative to the two Half years meetings of Canad[a] to compose a yearly meeting in Canada now report that 8 of our number attended said meting with said proposition agreeably to the duties of our appointment and gave such explanations as appeared necessary on the subject - 9 Month 2<sup>d</sup> 1846 - - -

Signed on behalf of the committee } David Barker

Eliza Cronk

Then adjourned to the usual time at West Lake

### **Canada Half years meeting of Friends held at West Lake the 3<sup>d</sup> day of 2<sup>d</sup> Month 1847**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being Called, were all present Except two ~~~

The queries have all been read in this meeting together with the answers as they came up from the monthly meetings of which to them the following is a Summary which is directed to be forwarded to our Ensuing Yearly Meeting by our representatives who are Nicholas Austin,, Stephen White,, John Watson,, Rowland Brown,, Cornelius White,, and Samuel Noxon - who are also directed to call on this meetings clerk for our quoto of money called for by the yearly meeting being £8-6 71/2 and pay that for the use of the committee on Indian concerns to the treasurer of that committee and that for the yearly meeting use to its Treasurer and report to our next meeting ~~~

Came to the Meeting from Youngstreet monthly meeting a proposition for holding that meeting one third of the time at Whitchurch that is in the 2<sup>d</sup>,, 5<sup>th</sup>,, 8<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> months after a time of deliberation there on, the meeting united with said proposition, having the unity of womens meeting therein

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The clerk is directed to furnish youngstreet monthly meeting with a copy of this minute

Youngstreet monthly meeting reports having raised the sum of £2-14-51/2 West Lake £3-6 4 and Pickering £2-5-10<sup>d</sup> for the yearly meetings use and committee on Indian concerns being this meetings quoto

The clerk reports having received received [sic] from from [sic] the monthly meetings the sum of £8-6-71/2 being this meetings quoto agreeable to the directions of our last meeting ---

Ans 1<sup>st</sup> All our meetings for Worship and discipline have been attended (Although there is quite a slackness with some of us members in this Important duty) the hour is nearly observed, not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark - and some care taken in the above deficiencies ---

2<sup>d</sup> Love and unity appears to be mostly maintained amongst us as becomes Brethren Except two Instances (which are under Care) when differences have become Known Endeavours have been used to end them one account says tale bearing and detraction not altogether avoided and discouraged ---

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5<sup>th</sup> The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been Inspected and some relief afforded and some advice given and their children and all others under our care are in a way to school learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> None Known by attending marriages or other wise to countenance a hireling ministry (Except one account says Several Instances of attending marriages accomplished by a hireling minister) and some care taken ~~~~

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of bearing armes 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 none that are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts none Known to Extend their business beyond their abilities to manage or any that give occasion for fear on those accounts ~~~~

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

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

Then Adjourned,

### **Canada Half years meeting of Friends held at Youngstreet the 1<sup>st</sup> day of 9th M. 1847**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called were present Except one

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The time for which the clerk and assistant having expired Cyrus Dennis on behalf of the representatives proposed the name of David Barker for clerk and Nicholas Austin assistant who were united with and they appointed to that service for one year ~~~

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The queries have all been read in this meeting together with the answers as they came up from the monthly meetings to five of them of which the following is a Summary ~~~

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Three of the representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly meeting report they attended and produced an extract from the minutes of that meeting which is ???

They also produced receipts for the money ~~for the money~~ forwarded by them to that meeting ---

At Genesee Yearly meeting of Friends held at Farmington by adjournments from the 14<sup>th</sup> of the 6 mo to the 18<sup>th</sup> of same inclusive 1847 --

A proposition from farmington Quarterly meeting to hold that quarter at the usual time in the 4th and 10th months at ~~farmington~~ Mindon instead of Farmington was united with and information being received of the concurrence of Womens meeting therein, the information is directed ~~towards~~ forwarded to our Subordinate meetings

The judgement of this meeting expressed in the minutes of last year that in the appointment of committees on appels the meeting has the right to sustain the nomination made when the objections of the appellant are unreasonable having been concurred in by womens meeting is also directed to be forwarded in the Extracts ---

The Committee Indian concerns made their annual report, which was united with, - And the sum of one hundred dollars required ~~the~~ by the committee was ordered to be raised and paid to Elisha Truman the treasurer of that committee - Extracted from the mits

Caleb Carmalt Clerk to the meeting this year

This meeting directs the above Extract down to the observance of our subordinate meetings who are directed to raise their respective quotas of 100 dollars for the use of the committee on Indian concerns pay the same to the clerk of this meeting and report thereon to our next

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Our Friend John Watson laid before this meeting a prospect that had for some time Impressed his mind to pay as expressed in the within certificate to pay a visit in Gospel love to those within the verge of this Halfyears meeting that have been disowned from society since the separation - after solid deliberation thereon the meeting united there with and leaves him at liberty to pursue his prospect as truth may open the way - The clerk is directed to Indorse the substance of this minute and said certificate -

Women friends concurring therein,

Womens meeting laid before this a concern that was expressed in that meeting for a joint committee of men and women friends be appointed to visit all the families of friends within the verge of this half years meeting, - after a time of Solid deliberation spent thereon it resulted in conclusion to refer the subject for next meetings consideration

The meeting then adjourned to the usual time at West Lake

### **Canada Half years Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 2M 2<sup>d</sup> 1848**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called were all present except one

The queries have all been read in this meeting together with the answers as they came up from the monthly meetings of which to them the following is a Summary which is directed to be forwarded to our Ensuing Yearly meeting by our representatives who are Jonathan Noxon, David Barker Rowland Brown Joel Hughs and Amos Armitage who are also directed to call on this meetings clerk for our quoto of money called for by

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The Yearly meeting on Indian concerns being four pounds three shillings and three pence halfpenny and pay the same to Elisha Truman treasurer of the committee and report there on to our next meeting ---

Ans 1<sup>st</sup> All Most friends are careful to attend all our meeting [blob] religious worship and discipline the hour for the Most part nearly observed, Some instances of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

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5<sup>th</sup> The circumstances of the poor and of those likely to require assistance have been Inspected and some Relief afforded and some advice given and the most of our children and all others under our care are instructed in schoollearning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of countenancing a hireling ministry by attending marriages or otherwise except one Instance of a friend attending a marriage and one Instance of accomplishing a a [sic] marriage by a Priest both of which are under care -

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9<sup>th</sup> Care is taken for the most part seasonably to deal with offenders with endeavours to do it in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline --

The subject referred from our last for a joint committee of men and women friends to be appointed to ~~attend~~ visit the families of friends of this Halfyears meeting again claiming the attention of this; after a time of deliberation thereon it resulted in conclusion to dismiss the subject from the minutes for the present as a way did not open for the meeting to enter upon a work of that kind at present

The clerk reports having received from Pickering monthly meeting the sum of £1 2 11 1/2 from Youngstreet `1-7-16 and from West Lake £1-13-3 1/2 making the sum of £4,,3,,3 1/2 being our quoto Called for by the yearly meeting on Indian concerns which is directed to forwarded ---

The meeting then adjourned to meet at the time at Youngstreet ~~~~~

## **Canada Half years Meeting of Friends held at Youngstreet the 30<sup>th</sup> day of 8 Month 1848,**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called were all present except three

The time for which the clerk and assistant were appointed to serve this meeting having Expired Joel Hughs on behalf of the representatives proposed the name of David Barker for clerk and Alfred Stevens assistant who were united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year

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The queries have all been read in this meeting together with the answers as they came up from the monthly meetings to five of them of which the following is a summary ~~~~~

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The representatives appointed at our last to attend the yearly meeting now report they all attended except one, paid over our quoto of money as directed and produced a receipt there for - also an Extract from the minutes of that meetings by which it appears that the sum of fifty dollars is necessary to be raided the present year for the use of the Yearly meeting,, also one hundred dollars for the use of committee on Indian concerns both of which Sums are directed down to the observance of our Subordinate meetings (the latter to be

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raised by voluntary contrabution) and paid to the clerk of this meeting and report thereon to our next meeting

They also produced an Epistle of advice which was read in this meeting to our satisfaction which is also directed down to the observance of our several subordinate meetings

Our Friends Nicholas and Margaret Brown laid before this meeting a concern as expressed in their Certificate to apy a religious visit to friends and others as therein mentioned - after atime of soled deleberation and feeling expresseous of Simpathy, the meeting ~~the meeting~~ united with their in their prosepect and they were encouraged to pursue the same, as truth may ~~direct~~ open the way they being Ministers in unity with us - The clerk is directed to Indorse the substance of this minute on their certificate

Then adjourned to meet at West Lake

### **Canada Halfyears meeting of Friends held at West Lake the 31<sup>st</sup> day of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1849**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called were all present --

The queries have ll been read in this meeting together with the answers as they came up from the monthly meetings of which the following is a sumery of them which is directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Yearly meeting by our representatives who are William Jas Thomas Nicholas Austin Caleb B Stickney Samuel Noxon Joel Hughs Alfred Stevens and Joseph B Wilson who are also directed to call on the clerk of this meeting for our quoto of money called for by the yearly meeting being 25 dollars and pay that for the use of the committee on Indian concerns to Elisha Truman their treasurer - and

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6<sup>th</sup> Several Instances of attending marriages accomplished by a hireling minister, most of which are under care -

7<sup>th</sup> Friends are clear of bearing armes of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in Lieu thereof, as far as appears ---

8<sup>th</sup> Friends are careful to perform their promises and

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pay their just debts except two Instances of nonperformance of promises in paying debt - and one Instance of Extending business beyond abilities to manage as becomes our religious profession - and some care taken

9<sup>th</sup> Care has been taken for the most pare seasonable to deal with offenders endeavouring to do it in the Spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline -

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

The clerk report having received from Pickering monthly meeting the sum of • 1-13 9 and from West Lake £2-10-8 and from Youngstreet £2-1 3 being their seveal quotos called for by this meeting for the Yearly meeting ----

Our quoto of money called for by the Yearly for its use as also that the use of the use of the [sic] committee on Indian concerns is raised being 25 dollars which is directed to be forwarded to the yearly meeting ----

Youngstreet monthly meeting forwarded to this a minute Suggesting the propriety of this meeting requesting of the Yearly meeting that the minutes of that meeting be printed at full length for distribution among our members - which after a time of deliberation spent there on the meeting did not see its way to unite there with - The clerk is directed to furnish Young Street monthly meeting with a copy of the substance of this minute ---

Then Adjourned to the usual time at Young Street

### **Canada Half years Meeting of friends held at Yonge Street 29<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1849**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called are present except four

The time for which the Clerk and assistant were appointed to serve being expired and Jonathan Noxen on behalf of the representatives

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proposed Joel Hughes for clerk and Alfred Stephens assistant which were united with and they are appointed to that service for one year

The representatives appointed to attend the yearly meeting reports that five of their numbers attended and paid the money as directed for which they produced, receipts they also produced an extract from the minutes of that meeting which being read was Satisfactory and is directed to the observance of the Monthly Meetings

The Queries were read in this Meeting with their answers from the monthly meetings a summary of them is as follows

Then adjourned to meet at West Lake at the appointed time

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline have been attended altho there remains a great deficiency in this important duty the hour is nearly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

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

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and endeavours are used by example and precept to train them up in a life and conversation consistent with our profession and some care is extended towards others under tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends do avoid the use of all intoxicating liquors as a beverage frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

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At Genesee Yearly Meeting for friends held at Farmington by adjournments from the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 6<sup>th</sup> mo. to the 14<sup>th</sup> of the Same inclusive 1849

The representatives being called it appeared that several were absent from the absence of two satisfactory reasons were assigned

Certificates of unity for friends in attendance from other Yearly Meetings were received and read as follows viz.

One for Samuel J Levick a minister from Haddonfield Monthly Meeting of friends held at Camden in the state of New Jersey dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1849

One from the same Monthly Meeting for William Folwell an Elder dated the same day as the last

One from Chester Monthly Meeting in the State of New Jersey for Sarah Hunt a minister and one for her husband Elisha Hunt an Elder both dated the 10<sup>th</sup> day of 5<sup>th</sup> month last

One for Caty Hazard a Minister from Cornwall Monthly Meeting in the State of New York, dated the 24<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> mo last

And one for Josiah Hazard minister from the same Monthly Meeting dated the same day as the last their company was acceptable to us

Epistles from the Yearly Meetings with whome we are in correspondance were recieved and read their instructive and interesting contents bringing a solemn covering over the Meeting minds of friends and awakening maney affectionate Sympathies it was concluded to appoint the usual committee to essay answers thereto if way should open in the authority of truth the Essays to be submitted to a future siting

To examine and settle the Treasurers accounts and report what Sum may be necessary to raise for the present year a committee was appointed

Third day morning 12th of the month

The meeting proceeded to consider the state of society as exhibited in the answers to the Queries from the Quarterly and Half years

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meetings during the consideration of the State of Society many living and instructive testimonies relitive to the attendance of our religious meetings - to the maintainance of Love and unity - and above all to the right education of our dear children and the bringing them up in the nurtire and admonition of the Lord were born by deeply exercised friends: the younger portion of the meeting were feelingly urged to a faithfull maintainance of our testimony upon the subject of plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel and an ardent desire was felt that friends may understand the position they occupy in the minds of their children it was shewn that their teachings were greater than the teachings of all the great men of the world: and while the Learning of the schooles may faid from memory the simple leasons of home written by parental Love and parental care upon the hearts of children Survive the Laps of years that they continue to Linger round the heart and often bring the wanderers from virtue in penitance and contrition to the enjoyment of the purity and the tenderness and the peace of their early days

The State of Society in several parts of the yearly meeting being brought before us by the reports from Pelham and by concerned friends it was concluded to appoint a committee to unite with women friends in taking the subject into consideration and after attending to the openings of truth therein report to a future siting

14<sup>th</sup> of the Month 5<sup>th</sup> of the week

The propriety of holding our yearly meetings by our own members without admitting Strangers being brought under the consideration of friends it was concluded that they be held select according to the ancient order and practice of our Society and a committee was

appointed to attend the door of the meeting house and prevent other individuals from intruding upon either the mens or womens meetings. The clerks are directed to furnish our subordinate meetings with information of the above conclusion

The committee on indian concerns made their anual report it appears that the time has nearly arrived when

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when we can with propriety close our connection with this injured people no money is wanted by the committee the present year but they are directed to continue their attention to the Indian concerns and to afford them such advice and council as their circomstances may from time to time require

The committee appointed to settle the treasurers accounts reported a balance in hands of 43 32/100 Dollars they were of the Judgement that no money is necessary to be raised the present year

The committee appointed to take into consideration the subject introduce from Pelham half years meeting report

“We are united in proposing that all those who have Seperated them

“selves from our religious society and set up meetings contrary

“To our order and so continue have relinquished their right of

“Membership with us but if any inform their respective monthly

“Meetings that they are desirous of remaining members they

“May do so without acknowlegment within one year which is adopted it being understood that the measure proposed is to apply to all our members whether in Michegan or elsewhere womens Meeting concurring

Extracted from the minuts by

Caleb Camault Clerk to the Meeting this year

### **Canada Half years Meeting of Friends held at West Lake the 30<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1850**

The representatives being called are present except two

The Queries have all been read in this Meeting with their answers as forwarded by the monthly meetings a summary of them being selected is as follows which is directed to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our representatives who are Jonathan Noxen, Amos Armitage, Nathan Dennis, Henry Cooper, and Cornelias White, they are directed to report thereon to our next meeting

The Meeting then concluded to meet Yonge Street at the appointed time

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1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended yet there remains a great deficiency with some of our members in this important duty the hour is nearly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained as becomes brethren no differences amongst us talebearing and detraction avoided and discouraged as far as appears except that the answer from one meeting implies a deficiency in love and unity and also the existance of tale bearing and detraction

3<sup>rd</sup> Most friends are careful to keep them selves there own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel; altho deviations are apparent and do endeavour by example and precept to trane them up in a life and conversation consistant with our christain profession and some care is extended towards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the use of all intoxicating liquors as a beverage frequenting Tavrns or attending places of diversion as far as appears

5<sup>th</sup> The circomstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been inspected and some relief afforded and Some advice given and their children and all others under our care are in a way to get School learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> None to charge with countenanceing a hirling Ministry by attending marriages or otherwise except three instances of accomplishing marriages by the assistance of hirling Minister one of which is under care and four instances of attending marriages so accomplished are under care

7<sup>th</sup> We believe friends are clear of bearing armes of complying with military requisions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof

8<sup>th</sup> Friends are endeavoring to perform their promises and pay their just debts none to charge with extending their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession and those who have given occation for fear on these accounts are timely laboured with for their preservation and recovery

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9<sup>th</sup> Care has been mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders endeavoring to do it in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline

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## **Canada Half Years Meeting friends held at Yonge Street the 28th day of 8th month 185[0]**

The representatives being called are present except one

The representatives proposed the name of Joel Hughes for Clerk to this Meeting which is united with and he is appointed to that service for one year and Alfred Stevens assistant

One of the representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting reported that three of their number attended that Meeting and forwarded the business which they were furnished with they also produced an extract from the minuts of that meeting which was read to the satisfaction of this meeting and is as follows

That part of the extract which related to the alteration of the Discipline is directed to the observance of the monthly Meetings

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers thereto forwarded by the monthly meetings a summary of them being united with is as follows

Ans 1 Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline one meeting says there is an omission in the attendance of our Meeting the hour generally

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

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

Ans 3 Most friends appear careful to keep them selves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel though deviations are apparent we believe endeavours are used by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christain profession care has been taken in these respects towards others under our tuition

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Ans 4 Friends do avoid the use of all intoxicating liquers as a beverage frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

Ans 9 Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline

The meeting then concluded to meet at West Lake at the appointed time

At Genesee Yearly Meeting of friends held at farmington by adjournments from the 10th day of the 6th monto to the 13th of the same inclusive 1850

Second day Morning 10th of the month

The names of the representatives being called They were all present except three

Certificates or minuts of unity for friends in attendance from other yearly meetings were received and read as follows

One for George Hatton a minister from whitewater monthly meeting in the state of indiana indorsed by whitewater Quarter dated 27 of 2 mo last

One for Samuel Townsend a Minister from Baltimore Monthly Meeting in the State of Maryland dated the 9 day of the 5 mo last

One for James Thorn a minister from Renschontel monthly meeting held 25 of 4 mo last

One for Benjamin Estes a minister from Laurain Monthly meeting held the 11th of 5 month last

One for John Powell an Elder Coeymans monthly meeting held at Coemans the 22 of 5 month last

One for Ann Wever a minister (sent in from women friends) from Green St. Monthly Meeting Philidelphia dated the 18th day of the 4 month last and endorsed by Philidelphia Quarter

A proposition from Pelham half years meeting having in view an alteration in that part of our Discipline that relates to the accomplishment of marriages by the assistance of a priest and against countenancing a hirling ministry being spred before the meeting it was concluded to appoint a committee to unite with women friends if they should appoint such committee to take the subject into consideration and report to a future seting

Epistles from all the yearly meetings with which war are in correspondence were recieved except from Ohio the Clerk of which informed us that way did not open to send one from that meeting

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to essay answers thereto and prepare one for who if way should open a committee was appointed

To examine and settle the treasurers accounts report the name of a friend to serve in meeting as Treasurer and what money it may be necessary to raise for the present year a committee was appointed

The committee appointed last year to peserve order in and about our meeting house and prevent Strangers from intruding upon either the mens or womens meeting during the sitings of our yearly Meeting were now released and a new comittee appointed for the present year

11<sup>th</sup> of the month and 3<sup>rd</sup> of the week

The meeting proceeded to consider the state of our Religious Society as reported to us from the several Quarterly and Half years meetings during the consideraiton of which much exersise was manifested and many living testimonies born to the necessaty of attending more faithfully our religious assemblies for devine worship to the cultivation of Love and unity among our members and to the training up of our Children in life and conversation consistant with our christain profession much solisitude was shown for the preservation of the Discipline and for its right administration and for the support of our testimony to a Living Gospel Ministry it was abundantly shewn that of our selves in our own finite will and wisdom we can do nothing to erase the glory and the honor of the infinite Jehovah that the pride and haughteness the ??? ability and self cofidence of man must be humbled and meekness humility and a sense of our unworthiness much be cultivated and more expecially must that spirit be kept in Subjection that under the aspect of reform discards the government the institutions and the restraints of religous Society and instead of approaching the throne in fear and trembling indulges a self confidence that chill the prayers which it clouds the hopes of those who wish to walk humbly with their God

13<sup>th</sup> of the month and fifth of the week

The committee to whome was refered the proposition from Pelham half years meeting made the following report The committee to whome was refered the proposed alteration in the descipline respecting Marrages haveing confereed together are united in proposing to the yearly Meeting that the alteration or addition forwarded to this meeting by Pelham Half years meeting be adipted so far as to insert the words "or the manner of said marriage

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Signed on behalf of the committee John Watson

Ann G Adams

the report being deleberately considered it was concluded to adopt the suggestion of the committee and our quarterly and Half years meetings were directed to have the necessary means taken to have their respective copies of the Discipline altered in their Subordinate meetings seasto? Corispond with the conclusion of the Yearly Meeting women friends concurring with us

The Committee appointed to settle the treasurers accounts made the following report which being united with William Clark was appointed Treasurer - The committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer's report sit done they find in his hands twenty four dollars and are not aware that any more money will be wanted they unite in proposing William Clark as Treasurer

An address from the Seneca nation of Indians to our religious Society being now introduced and read the minds of friends were dipped into deep sympathy for this deeply injured race and much feeling was produced at the Manifestation of gratitude and affection in this friendly moment of the nation who one inhabited this land - Our meeting for sufferings was directed to have a Sufficient number printed to supply each of our preparative meetings with a copy and have the same distributed among them and they are authorised to draw upon the Treasurer of the yearly Meeting for the necessary expence

Extracted from the minuts of the aforesaid yearly Meeting  
Calab Camalt Clerk -

### **Canada Half Years Meeting of friends held at West Lake 1<sup>st</sup> month 29<sup>th</sup> 1851**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called are all present

The Queries were al read in this meeting with the answers thereto as forwarded by the Monthly Meetings a summary of them being united with is as followes and is directed to be forwarded to the ensueing Yearly Meeting by our representatives who are Joseph N Willson, Joel Hughes, Jonathan Noxen, Rowland Brown and John Sailor who are directed to report thereon to next meeting

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The alteration directed by our last yearly meeting to be inserted in all our copies of the Book of Discipline has been accomplished

This Meeting concludes to meet at Yonge Street at the appointed time

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline have been attended yet their is quite a slackness with some of our members in this important duty the hour is nearly observed not all clear of sleeping in meetings no other unbecoming behavior to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes brethren but not so fully with all as is desired when differences have arrisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3<sup>rd</sup> Ans Most friends are carefull to keep themselves and we believe are endeavoring to keep their own and other friends Children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and to train them up in a life and conversation consistant with our Christain profession alth[o] deviations are apparent amongst us and care is extended wowards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends do avoid the use of all intoxicating Liquors as a beverage frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears except one instance of a friend making use of Spirituous liquors unnecessarily and one instance of a friend being concerned in horsracing and also gameing at Cards both of which are under care



5<sup>th</sup> Ans            The circumstances of the poor have been inspected and some relief afforded them and some advice given and most of our children and others under our care are in a way of getting School learning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> Ans            We know of no breach of this Query except two instances of accomplishing marriages by the assistance of a Hiring Minister and two instances of attending Marriages so accomplished which are under care

7<sup>th</sup> Ans            Friends are clear of baring armes of complying with military requisions and of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof except one instance of a friend paying a fine in lieu of military requisition and under care

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8<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends are endeavoring to performe their promises and pay their just debts none known to extend their business beyond their ability to manage or give occasion for fear on those accounts except one instance of an absconding debtor and care taken

9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care has been mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders endeavoring to do it in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline

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

### **Canada Half years Meeting held at Yong Street 3rd of 9th mo 1851**

The representatives being called are present except four and a reason given for the absence of one.

Seven of the representatives reported that they are united in proposing the name of David Barker for Clerk but he desiring to be excused the meeting united in reappointing Joel Hughes To that service for one year and Alfred Stevens assistant.

The queries were read in this meeting with the answers which were forwarded by the monthly meetings of which the following is as summary

The representatives appointed to attend the yearly meeting reported that three of them attended and they produced the following extract from sd meeting which being read to our satisfaction is directed to the observance of the monthly meetings

First An            All our meetings have been attended tho a slackness prevales with many friends in this respect the hour mostly observed some instances of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

Second            Love and unity appears to be maintained as becomes brethren no diffences known amongst talebearing and detraction avoided and discouraged as far as appears

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Fourth Friends do avoid the use of all intoxicating liquors as a beverage frequenting Taverns or attending places of diversions as far as appears except one instance of a friend making unnecessary use of spiritous liquors and some care taken

Ninth Care is taken mostly seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to discipline

### **Canada Half years meeting of friends held at West Lake 1st month 28th 1852**

The representatives being called are present except three.

The queries were read in this meeting with the answers forwarded by this monthly meetings the following summary of which being united with is directed to be forwarded to the ensuring yearly meeting by our representatives who are James Armitage Caleb B tigney, Jonathan Noxen, Joel Hughes, John sailor and John I Demill, who are directed to report to our next meeting

Nicholas and Margaret Brown opened in this meeting a prospect they had of paying a religious visit to the yearly meetings of Ohio and Indiana and also parts of the states of kentucky, Georia, and South Carolina, and they produced a certificate of the concurrence of Pickering monthly meeting and them therein after deliberating thereon this meeting also unites there with and directs the clerk to endorse the substance of this minute on the aforesaid certificate they being ministers in unity with us

This meeting concludes to meet at yonge street at the appointed time

1<sup>st</sup> Ans Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline the hours nearly observed some instances of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> We believe love and unity are maintained as becomes brethren no differences known and friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detractions as far as appear

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6<sup>th</sup> None known to countenance a hirling ministry by attending marriages or otherwise except one instance of a friend having his marriage accomplished by the assistance of a hirling minister and two instances of attending marriages so accomplished

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 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 discipline

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### **Canada Half Years Meeting of friends held at Yonge Street 9<sup>th</sup> month 1<sup>st</sup> 1852**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called are present except three and a reason given for the absence of one

The representatives proposed the name of Joel Hughes for Clerk and Gideon H. Bowerman assistant which were united with and they are appointed to that service for one year

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The Queries were read in this Meeting with the answers forwarded by the monthly meetings of which the following is a summary

The representatives appointed to attend our last yearly meeting reported that they all attended except two and they produced Several copies of an Extract from the minutes of that meeting which ~~together with several~~ being read was satisfactory and edefying They also produced a number of printed copies of an Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting which together with the aforesaid Extract is directed to the observance of our Subordinate Meetings

This Meeting concludes to meet West Lake at the appointed time

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline have been attended altho there remains a deficiency with some of our members in this important duty, the hour is nearly observed no other unbecoming behaviour to remark, and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity appears to be maintained as becomes brethren no differences Known amongst us tale bearing and detraction avoided and discouraged as far as appears

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4<sup>th</sup> Ans Friends do avoid the use of all intoxicating liquors as a beverage frequenting Taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears except one instance of a friend frequenting Taverns and making use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage and under care

9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to Discipline but not so seasonably with all as is desired

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#### Canada Half Years Meeting of friends held at West Lake Second month 2<sup>nd</sup> 1853

The representatives from the Monthly Meetings being called are present except one

The Clerk being absent Alfred Stevens is appointed Clerk for the day

The Queries were read in this meeting with the answers forwarded by the monthly meetings the following summary of them being united with is directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our representatives who are Nathan Dennis, James Armitage, Samuel Noxon, and Gideon H Bowerman

Wes tLake Monthly Meeting forwarded to this the following proposition (to wit) As their exists amongst us a divercity of sentiment with regard to these words of Discipline on the subject of marriage (Or at such other suitable place as the Monthly Meeting may approve) Some viewing it to be the privilage of parties marrying to hold their marriage at a private house only leaving it with the monthly meeting to Judge of the suitability of the place whilst others consider it to be the intention thereof to leave monthly meetings at liberty only to permit their being held in that way This meeting is united in proposing to the Half year meeting the propriety of requesting the yearly meeting to issue Such an explination of the intention of the sentence alluded to as may remove the present ambiguous state of the subject after deliberating thereon the meeting united in forwarding the proposition to the Yearly Meeting womans meeting concurring therein

1<sup>st</sup> Ans All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline have been attended Altho there is quite a deficiency with some of our members in this important duty. The hour is nearly observed by most friends, not all clear of sleeping in meetings no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2<sup>nd</sup> Ans Love and unity are not so fully maintained by all as is desired when diferences become known care has been taken to end them speedily and friends do mostly avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction as far as far as [sic] appears

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6<sup>th</sup> Ans None known to countenance a hirling Ministry by attending marriages or otherwise except one instance of a friend having his marriage accomplished by a hirling Minister and some instances of attending such marriage and under care and one meeting states some instances of countainanceing a hirling Ministry

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9<sup>th</sup> Ans Care has been taken mostly seasonably to deal with offenders endeavouring to do it in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline

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

### **Canada Half years Meeting of Friends held at Yonge street this 31st day of 8th month 1853**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called were all present except one Nathan Dennis on behalf of the representatives proposed the name of

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David Barker for clerk and Gidion H Bowerman for assistant which were united with and they were accordingly appointed to that service for one year

The queries have all been read in this meeting together with answers as they came up from the monthly meetings and the following ~~to~~ Summary to the usual five of them, was, adopted

Ans 1<sup>st</sup> All of meetings for Religious Worship and discipline have been attended but not so fully by all as is desired the hour not so strictly observed by some as would be best, not all clear of sleeping in meetings, no other unbecoming behavouir to remark and some care take ~~

2<sup>d</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, as for differences we Know of none, tale bearing and detraction mostly avoided and discouraged as far as appears ~~~

3<sup>d</sup> Most Friends are careful to Keep themselves and endeavour to Keep there own and other friends children children [sic] under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and appearel and they do endeavour by Example and precept to train them up in a life and conversation consistent with our christian profession, and some a care in these respects is extended towards others under our tuition -

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Two of this friends appointed at our last, to attend the Yearly meeting report that members attended said meeting,

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Meeting and forwarded the business of this as directed, and also produced a number of copies of Extracts from the minutes of that meeting one of which was read to our satisfaction and

encouragement - which are also directed down to the observance of our subordinate meetings -

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The meeting then adjourned to meet at West Lake at the usual time --

### **Canada Half years meeting of Friends held at West Lake the 1<sup>st</sup> day of 2<sup>d</sup> mo. 1854**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called were all in attendance except one --

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the monthly meetings and the following summary of them being united with was adopted, and is directed to be forwarded to the Ensuing Yearly meetig by our representatives who are James Armitage Samuel Noxon, Joseph Hazard Joel Hughs Joseph B Wilson and Rowland Brown, who are appointed to attend Said meeting with the business of of[sic] this and report to our next Ans 1<sup>st</sup> All of our meetings for Worship and discipline have been attended although there is a deficiency with some of our members in this Important duty the hour nearly observed by most friends not all clear of sleeping in Meetings, no other unbecoming behaviour to remark - and care taken

2<sup>d</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained as becomes brethren no differences known amongst us, tale bearing and detraction is avoided and Discouraged as far as appears

3<sup>d</sup> most friends appear careful to Keep themselves and endeavour to Keep ~~themselves and~~ other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel

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and some endeavour by Example and precept to train them up in a life and conversation consistant with our Christian profession, and a care is extended in these respects to wards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> We believe friends do avoid the use of all Intoxicating liquors as a beverage frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion Except - two Instances of making an unnecessary use of Spiritous liquors and under care

5<sup>th</sup> The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been Inspected and some relief afforded and it appears that their children and all others under our care are in a way to get schoollearning to fit them for business -

6<sup>th</sup> None Known by attending marrages or otherwise to countenance a hireling Ministry Except one friends accomplishing his marriage by the assistance of a ~~Priest~~ hireling minister - and ~~and~~ attending a marriage so accomplished and some countenancing them by attending their meetings and care taken in the above deficiencies

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 except one Instance of a friends complying with military requisitions so far as to attend trainings and under care

8<sup>th</sup> Friends are careful to perform their promises and pay their just debts, Except one Instance of nonperformance of Bonuses and paying just debts, none Known to Extend their business beyond their ability to manage and where fears have been entertained on these accounts some labour has been Extended --

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

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offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to discipline --

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A proposition came to this from West Lake monthly meeting to alter the holdings of the Halfyears metg after a time of deliberation spent on the Subject, it was concluded to refer - the whole subject - to a judicious committee of men and women friends to report to a future setting of this of this [sic] meeting Such time as they in their judgement may think best - to which Service the following friends are appointed Viz Joel Hughs, Thomas N Watson, Nathan Dennis, Samuel Hughs, Rowland Brown, Nicholas Austin, Sherman Brown, Caleb B Stickney, Walter H Stickney, Jonathan Noxon, Stephen White and Cornelius White ~~

Having the unity of the Womens meetig therein

The meeting then concluded to meet at Yonge street at the usual time

## **Canada Half years meeting of friends held at Yonge Street the 30th day of 8 m 1854**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called were all present except two

The time for which the clerk and assistant were appointed to serve this meeting having expired Joel Hughs on behalf of the representatives proposed the name of David Barker for Clerk and Alfred Stevens for assistant they were united with by the meeting and were accordingly appointed to that service for one year --

The queries have all been read in this meetig with the answers as they came up from the monthly meetings and the following summary to the usual five of them being united with was adopted by this meeting

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The representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly meeting now report they all attended Said meeting and forwarded the business of this as directed they also produced a number of Extracts from the minutes of that Meeting one of which was read to our Satisfaction and Encouragement and are directed down to the observance of our Subordinate meetings and that part of this Extract relating to the quotas in raising money be inserted on our minutes -, and is as follows,

The committee appointed to consider the proposition from Scipio quarterly meeting for a new adjustment of the quotas reported, that they had all met and deliberately considered the proposition, and were united in recommending to the yearly meeting that in future whenever the yearly meeting concluded to raise mony Farminton quarterly meeting should raise thirty two dollars in every hundred, Scipio twenty Eight Canada twenty and Pelham twenty dollars, which being united with the Information is directed down to be forwarded to those meetings ---

The committee appointed at our last meeting to take into consideration the proposition for altering the time of holding this meeting now made the following report (Viz) We of the joint committee appointed on the subject of a proposed change in the time of holding our Halfyears Meeting have attended to the appointment and are united in proposing that in future the meeting be held on second day after the last first day in fifth month at West Lake and ninth month at

yongestreet, the meeting of Ministers and Elders on seventh day preceeding which which [sic] we submit to the meeting for consideration

Signed on behalf of the committee 8m 29th 1854 by Joel Hughs

Elizabeth Dennis

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which was read and after a time of deliberation spent on this Important subject it was concluded to adopt the report and the meeting in future be holden accordingly, having the unity of womens meeting therein

Ans 1<sup>st</sup> most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and discipline while many are negligent in this Important duty particularly in the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed by most not all clear of sleeping in meetings no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>d</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained as becomes brethren, Except on Instance and under care, no other no other [sic] differences Known talebearing and detraction avoided and discouraged as far as appears ---

3<sup>d</sup> Most friends are careful to Keep themselves and Endeavour to Keep 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 life and conversation consistant with our christian profession and care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition ---

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the use of all Intoxicating liquors as a beverage frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as we Know

9<sup>th</sup> Care has been mostly taken to seasonably to deal with offenders endeavouring to do it in the Spirit of meekness and agreeble to disaplin

This meeting then adjourned to meet at West Lake on second day after after [sic] the last first day in fifth month next

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#### **Canada Half Years Meeting of Friends held at West Lake the 28<sup>th</sup> day of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1855**

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called were all in attendance

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers as they came up from the monthly meetings and the following sumary of their answers being united with by the meeting was adopted, and is directed to be forwarded to our Ensuing Yearly meeting, by our representatives who are Joel Hughs, Nicholas Austin, Jonathan Noxon, and John Stinson, who are appointed to attend Said Meeting with the business of this and report to our next ---

Our Friends John And Mary H Watson laid before this meeting a prospect that accompany their minds of paying a Religious Visit to Fishing Creek Halfyears meeting in the state of Pennsylvania as expressed in their certificate, with which this meeting fully unites, and leaves them at liberty to pursue their prospect, as truth may open the way, they being ministers in unity with us, the clerk is directed to Endorse the Substance of this minute on their certificate and sign it on behalf thereof of the meeting



## Answers

Ans 1<sup>st</sup> All our meetings for Worship and discipline have been attended yet there is a neglect with Some of our members in this Important duty the hour mostly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to observe - and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2<sup>d</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained as becomes brethren no differences Known amongst us, tale bearing avoided and discouraged as far as appears

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3<sup>d</sup> there is a care with friends to Keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel (Although deviations are apparent) and endeavours are used by example and precept to train them up in a life and conversation consistant with our christian profession and a care in these respects is extended towards others under our tuition

4<sup>th</sup> Friends do avoid the use of all Intoxicating liquors a beverage, frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion except one Instance of making too frequent use of Intoxicating liquors which is under care

5<sup>th</sup> The circumstances of the poor have been Inspected and some relief afforded and advice given, and their children and all others under our care are in a way to get schoollearning to fit them for business

6<sup>th</sup> None Known by attending marriages or otherwise to contenance a hireling ministry Except one friend Instance of a friend having his marriage accomplished by a Priest and one Instance of a friend attending a marriage so accomplished And under care ---

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

8<sup>th</sup> We believe friends are careful to perform their promises and pay their just debts, none Known to extend their business beyond their abilities to manage as becomes our religious profession nor any that give occasion for fear on on [sic] those accounts

9<sup>th</sup> Care has been mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders endeavouring to do it in the Spirit of meekness and agreeable to discipline ---

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

The meeting then adjourned to meet at Yong Street on second day after the last first day in 9<sup>th</sup> month next

### Canada Halfyears Meeting of friends held at Yongestreet the 1<sup>st</sup> day of 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1855

The representatives from the monthly meetings being called were all in attendance Except two - and a satisfactory reason given for the absence of one -

The time for which the clerk and assistant Clerk were appointed to serve this meeting having expired - Nathan Dennis on behalf of the representatives proposed David Barker for

Clerk and Alfred Stevens for assistant Clerk - they being separately considered were united with and are accordingly appointed to that service for one year ~~~

The queries have all been read in this meeting together with the answers as they came up from the different monthly meetings and the following summary answer to the usual five of them being united with by the meetg was adopted

Our beloved friend Priscilla Cadwaladar acceptably attended this meetg with a minute of unity and concurrence from Blue River monthly meeting of friends held the 6th of 8th month 1853 - Indorsed by Blue

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River Quarterly meeting of friends held at Vigo the the [sic] 27<sup>th</sup> of 8 month 1853 all in the State of Indiana

The representatives appointed at our last to attend the yearly meeting now report, they all attended said meeting = and an extract was produced from the minutes of that Meeting - which was read to our satisfaction and comfort It also appears by said Extract that one hundred dollars is directed to be raised for the use of that meeting the present year this meeting directs it subordinate meetings to raise their respective quotas of said sum pay the same to the Clerk of this meeting - and Report thereon to our next

Ans 1<sup>st</sup> Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship and discipline while many are negligent in this Important duty particularly in the middle of the week - the hour nearly observed by the most - not all clear of sleeping in meetings no other unbecoming behaviour to remark - and some care taken in the above deficiencies ---

2<sup>d</sup> Love and unity appears to be maintained as becomes brethren except on Instance and under care, no other ~~unbecoming~~ differences Known - Tale bearing and detraction avoided and discouraged as far as appears ~~~

3<sup>d</sup> Most friends are careful to Keep themselves and endeavour to Keep their own children 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 life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession and care is extended in these respects towards others under their tuition

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9<sup>th</sup> Care has been been [sic] mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders endeavouring to do it in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline

The meeting then adjourned to meet at West Lake at the usual time -

**END**

