

West Lake Monthly Meeting 1849 - 1876

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West Lake was established in 1803 as a Preparative meeting under Adolphustown Monthly Meeting. Both men and women held their own meetings and recorded separate minutes. The men's minutes from this period have not survived. West Lake first built a meeting house on "Bowerman Hill" just west of Bloomfield. Due to growth, in 1817 a new and larger meeting house was built in eastern Bloomfield on the site of the current Bethany Christian Reformed Church. The old burial ground survives south of the road across from this meeting site. In 1821, West Lake was established as the Monthly Meeting and Adolphustown became a Preparative meeting. Subordinate meetings were Green Point, Ameliasburgh, Haldimand and Cold Creek. In 1828 the Quakers separated in two factions and this book was maintained by the Hicksite Quakers.

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9th mo Sml Leavens case deferred from 6th mo
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F Howe case deferred from 7th mo to 10th 19, 82
I Richmond deferred from 7th to 10th mo from 10th to 5th mo next 1856
F Howe case again deferred from 10th mo to 1st mo
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10/5 Meeting house & grounds deferred from 5th to 9 mo [18]57
9/17/57 3 minutes deferred to 12 mo
12/17/57 Meeting house & grounds committee deferred to 3/58
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?? Canada quota of all monies to be raised for ??

West Lake quarter Pays	34 per[torn]
Leeds monthly meeting	20 percent of that
West Lake monthly	80 Do

By a late revision of the quotas on all monies raised by the quarterly meeting

West Lake M pays	63
Leeds do do	45
Kingston do	22
The preparative meetings	
West Lake	43
Ameliasburg	32
Cold Creek	13
Huntingdon	8

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By a revision of quotas made in 3 month 1866

West Lake pays	38
Ameliasburg	32
Cold Creek	18
Huntingdon	12 on all monies raised by the monthly meeting

By a revision of the quotas made by the fourth month meeting in 2nd month 1873.

West lake Monthly Meeting pays	44 percent
Cold Creek	31
Kingston	10

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15 on all monies raised by the four months

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 6th mo 14th 1849

Representatives being called were present except one Haldimand excepted

The queries with the advices were all read in this meeting and five of them answered as follows, no act from Haldimond

The Com in Paul Vanvolkinburgh case not ready to report they were continued

The Com to visit W^m Cronkhite on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit and he acknowledged the complaint Just but not disposed to make friends satisfaction The meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Joseph Waring and Archalus Southard to prepare a testification against him and Produce to next meeting

The Com to prepare a testification against Joseph phelps produced one which was read and approved to clerk directed to sign it and appoints Joseph Locklin and Solomon Vermelion to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com to visit Gilbert Latta on his acknowledgement inform ~~him of his right to~~ attention thereto not ready to report they were continued with James matigaret added

The Com in archibald Lattys case not ready to report they were continued

The Com in John Lattys case not ready to report they were continued

The Com in John T Dorlands case not ready to report they were continued

The Com to visit Stephan Garratt on act of a complaint against him Inform they have made him a visit and request

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a longer time they were continued

The Com to Select three Children for friends boarding School not ready to report they were continued

Gilbert Haight Cornelius Bowerman Archelus Southard and Joseph Haight, ware appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the acts and report

1st Ans, Friends are mostly Careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline although there is a painful neglect of this Important duty with some friends particularly in the middle of the week, the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Ans Love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren with two exceptions and under care when differences hath arisen care hath been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction mostly avoided

3rd Ans Friends are careful to keep them selves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel yet some - are deficient therein and do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life life [sic] and conversation consistant with our profession altho deviations are apparent the scripturs of truth are frequently read in friends families and some care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

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4th Ans Friends do avoid the use of Spirituos Liquors except for medicinal purposes they appear to be clear of frequenting taverns of of attending places of diversion as far as appears -

9th Ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline

Adjourned to meet at west lake as heretofore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake 19th of 7th mo 1949 -

Rep. being called ware Present

The Com in the case of paul Vanvolkinburgh report further attention and found the complaint Just but not Producing an acknowledgement it is defered for next meetings consideration

The Com to prepare a testification against W^m Cronkhite produced one which was read and approved of the Clerk directed to Sign it and appoints Daniel D Haight and William Yerx to show him a copy there of inform him of his right to appeal and report

The represent appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended and produced a number of London epistles, pamphlets, and some books, but not producing the minutes from the Yearly Meeting they were continued to forward the same. -

The com to show Joseph Phelps a copy of a testification against him, and inform him of his right to appeal, report the appointment answered, and he manifested no disposition of appealing. -

The Com in the case of Gilbert Latty inform they have made him a visit and request a longer time, to report in 10th Mo

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One of the committee to visit Archbald Latty, on account of a complaint against him inform, they made him a visit and he did not appear to be in a disposition to make friend's satisfaction, after consideration this meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him, and

appoints Vincent Bowerman and William Garratt to prepare a testification against him and produce to next meeting. -

The committee to visit John Latta on account of his acknowledgment inform they have made him a visit to good Satisfaction and believe him sincere therein, after consideration accepts his acknowledgment and appoints Solomon Vermilier and William Yerks to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report.

The committee appointed to visit John T Dorland on account of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit and he acknowledged the complaint to be just, it is deferred for next meeting's consideration

The Com in the case of Stephen Garratt requested a longer time they were continued

The com to select 3 children for Friend's Boarding School not ready to report, they were continued to report in 10th Mo

Adjourned to meet at Ameliasburgh as heretofore

West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at Ameliasburgh 8th mo 16th 1849

Representatives being called were present except one

We acknowledge the reception of guntry Stephens Certificate from Shaftsbury, and Sherbourn monthly meeting England

Right

The case of Paul Vanvolkinburgh claiming the attention of this meeting is again deferred for next meetings consideration

One of the Com to show W^m Cronkhite a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment not answered they were continued

The Com to draft and forward a testification against Archibald Latty Produced one which was read and approved the Clerk directed to Signit and appoints James Matigaret and Joseph Lockin to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com to inform John Latty of his Privilege of meeting report the appointment answered

The case of John Dorland again claiming the attention of this meeting, after an Expression of opinion is again deferred to next meeting,

One of the Com to visit Stephen Garratt on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him another visit and he acknowledged the Com Just and did not appear to be in a disposition to make friends Satisfaction, after consideration thereon is deferred to next meetings consideration

Came to this meeting from ameliasburgh Preparative meeting a request to be Joined in membership with friends Signed Philip H Stephenson, Cornelis Bowerman and Smith Leavens were appointed to make him a visit on the act and report

Adjourned to Meet at west Lake as here to fore

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West Lake monthly Meeting of friends held at west 9th mo 20th 1849

Reps being called 4 were ~~Present~~ absent

The queries with the advices were all read in this meeting and five of them answered as follows

The case of Paul Vanvolkinburgh is a gain deferred to next meeting

The Com to show W^m Cronkhite a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered.

The Com to Show Archibald Latty a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

The Case of John Dorland again claiming the attention of this meeting, after Consideration the meeting Comes to the Conclusion to disown him and appoints Vincent Bowerman and Arnoldi Dorland to Prepare a testification against him and Produce to next meeting.

The case of Stephen Garratt again claiming the attention of this meeting after Consideration thereon comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Daniel D Haight and Jonathan I Bowerman to Prepare a testification against him and Produce to next meeting

The Com to visit Philip H Stephenson on act of his request Inform they have made him a visit and believe him Convinced of friends

Right

Principles, and by enquiry dont fined but his life and Conversation is orderly the meeting is united in receiveing him into membership and appoints W^m Garratt and Isaac Barton to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

Jame Matigaret, Jonathan I Bowerman, Daniel D Haight and Joseph Brown were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

was received from the Preparative meetings of ministers and elders a minute proposing to the ~~Consideration~~ Monthly meeting the consideration of appointing Jane Cronk to the Station of an elder Samuel I Dorland and Archelus Southard were appointed In conjunction with a com of woman friends to hear and consider objection if any to the appointment and report

1st Ans, Friends are generally careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline although some are deficient therein, particularly on the middle of the week not quite clear of sleeping an some Instances of other unbecomeing behaviour which is under care and some care extended in the above deficiencies

2nd And, nothing appears but that love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren when differences hath arisin Care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3rd Ans, Friends are Careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in Plainness of speech behaviour and apparel

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Yet deviations are apparent and friends are endeavouring by example and Precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession the scripturs of truth are frequently read in friends families and some care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Ans Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for medicinal purposes except one instance, two instances of young friends attending places of |Diversion which is under cae

9th Ans Care hath been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline.

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at west Lake 10th mo 18th 1849

Reps being called ware Present Except one

Three of the representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended and Produced the minutes directing the subordinate meetings to rais their proportion of one thousand dollars for the yearly meetings use the Preparatives are requested to rais their Proportion of said sum and pay to the Clerk of this meeting.

The case of Paul VanValkinburgh again claiming the attention of this meeting and an acknowledgement receved from him Job Aylsworth and Esli Terril and W^m Valentine ware appointed to enquire into the sincerity

Right

thereof to investigate the whole subject and report

We unite with the woman in disowning Jane Jackson formerly Cronkhite

The com to prepare a testification against John T Dorland not Producing it they ware continued.

The com to hear and consider objections if any to Jane Cronk being appointed to the Station of an elder report they have not heard any thing to Prevent her from being appointed to that station and She is appointed accordingly

The com to Prepare a testification against Stephen Garratt Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to signit and appoints Samuel I Dorland and Benjmin Dunam to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report

One of the com to inform Philip H Stephenson of his Privilege of meetings report the appointment answered.

Came to this meeting from Camden preparative meeting a request to be joind in membership with friends signed Christopher R Switzer, John Cronkhite and Esli Terrel ware appointed to make him a visit See whether he is convinced of friends Principles and Consistant in his deportment and report -

Adjourned to meet at ameliasburgh as here to fore.

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Ameliasburgh 11th mo 15th 1849

Rep being called ware Present except 1 and a reason assigned for his absence

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The Com appointed to visit Paul Vanvolkinburgh on his acknowledgement infom they have made him a visit and Investigated the matter but did not find him idsposed to make that satisfaction the nature of the case required, after consideration thereon this meeting comes to

the conclusion to disown him and appoints W^m Garratt and Samuel I Dorland to Prepare a testification against him and Produce to next meeting.

The com to Prepare a testification against John T Dorland produced one which being read was approved of the Clerk directed to signit and appoints Daniel D. Haight and Gilbert Haight to show him a copy there of Inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com to show Stephen Garratt a copy of a testification against and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

The com to visit Christopher R Switzer on act of his request inform they have made him a visit to good satisfaction, and believed him measurably convinced of friends principles and did not find but his life and conversation was orderly after consideration the meeting comes to the conclusion to receive him into membership and appoints Cornelius Bowerman and Joseph Waring to inform him of his Privilege of meeting and report

The com to select 3 children for friends Boarding School not ready to make a full report they were con,d

Adjourned to meet at west lake as heretofore

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west Lake 12th mo 13th 1849

Rep being called ware present Except one

The queries ware all read in this meeting with the answers to five of them a summary of which is as follows, no act from Camden

1st Ans, Friends are carful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & dicipline though there is a great deficiency there in particularly in the middle of the week the hour not so nearly observed as could be desired not all clear of sleeping one instance of other unbecomeing behaviour and some care taken in the a bove deficiencies -

2nd Ans, Love and unity is generally maintained as becomes brethren when differences hath a risen care hath been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction mostly avoided and discouraged

3rd Ans, Friends are generally carful to keep them selves their own and other friends children under thier care in plainness of speech behaviour & apparel, we hope they do by example and precept endeavor to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession the scripturs of truth we believe are frequently read in friends families & care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Ans We no of no friend makeing use of distilled Spiritous liquors excepting for the purposes strictly medicinal nor of any frequenting taverns ~~or~~ of one instance of a young friend attending places of diversion which is under care

9th Ans Care is taken to deal with offenders seasonably we trust in the spirit of meekness agreeably to dicipline

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No quarterly Collection

This meeting appoints Job Aylsworth, Esli Terril, Cornelius Bowerman & Smith Leavens, to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The Com appointed to prepare a testification against Paul Vanvolkinburgh produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to Signit it and appoints Samuel I Dorland and Jonathan I Bowerman to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com to show John T Dorland a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appoint answered.

The Com to inform Christopher R Switzer of his privilege of meetings report the appointment not answered they ware continued

The Com to select 3 children for friends boarding school not yet ready to report they ware continued

We acknowledge the reception of george Newel Holways, certificate from Sandwich monthly meeting held at Sandwich 10th mo 5th 1849

Came to this Meeting from west lake preparative a proposal of marriage Signed Judah H. Bowerman & Abigail Aylsworth Archelus Southard and Hevalind Hubbs ware appointed to enquire into his Clearness of other like engagements and report to next meeting

Also from the same meeting a proposal of marriage signed Vincent -

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Bowerman & Deborah Haight, - Joseph Waring, & Arnoldi Dorland ware appointed to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and ~~report~~ She being a widow they ware also directed to Se[e] that the rights of her children are secured and report

The following friends ware appointed to investigate the title of all the lands belonging to friends of west lake monthly meeting and report to wit, Archelus Southard Thomas Clark & Jonathan I Bowerman,

Adjourned to Meet at west Lake as heretofore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at west Lake 1st mo 17th 1850

Rep being Called ware present

The minutes of last month from Camden now received

Three of the representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended

The Com to show Paul Vanvolkinburgh a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment not answered

The Com to inform Christopher R Switser of his privelege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Com to Select 3 Children for friends boarding School not yet ready to make a full report they ware Continued

The Com to inquire into Judah H. Bowermans, clearness of Marriage ingagements report that nothing appears to obstruct, they having consent of parents their proposals ware allowed by the meeting, and they left at liberty to Consumate Said marriage between this and our next monthly Meeting according to the order of friends

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Heavlend Hubbs and Archelus Southard were appointed to attend Said Marriage See if it be orderly conducted and forward the Marriage Certificate to the recorder and report

The Com To inquire into Vincent Bowermans Clearness of marriage engagements also to see that the rights of her Children are secured, Report that by enquiry donot find but that he is clear and the rights of her Children appear to be secured, they having consent of the only Surviveing Parent and nothing appearing to obstruct, their proposals were allowed of and they left at liberty to consummate said marriage between this and our next monthly meeting according to the order of friends Joseph Warring and W^m Garratt were appointed to attend said marriage see that it be orderly conducted and forward the marriage Certificate to the recorder and report

The Com to investigate the titles of all the land belonging to west lake monthly meeting, Inform not yet ready to report they ware Continued

Came to this meeting from ~~west lake~~ Cold Creek preparative a request to be Joined in membership with friends Signed Ebenezer Petit, Marmaduke Richmond and Esli Terril were appointed to make him a visit se if he is convinced of friends principles and his life and conversation is orderly and report.

Came to this Meeting from Cold Creek preparative a proposal of marriage Signed Reuben C Garratt and Mary Elizabeth Haight, William Valentine and Esli Terrel are appointed to inquire into his

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Clearness of other like engagements and report

Also from the same meeting a proposal of marriage Signed, Henry S Bowerman and Maryann Garratt, Moses White & Gilbert Haight were appointed to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and report

Came to this meeting from Camden preparative a complaint against edward Meeks for marrying a person not in membership with us and having his marriage accomplish by a priest Jonathan I Bowerman and Moses White were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

The following friends were appointed as a Com on a proposition from Camden for building a meeting house in that place and report their Sence thereon to next meeting to with. Jonathan I Bowerman Archelus Southard, Samuel I Dorland Gilbert Haight and W^m Garratt.

Adjourned to meet at ameliastown - as usual ~

West Lake monthly meeting of friends Held at ameliastown 2nd mo 21st 1850

Representatives being Called ware Present Except 3 -

The queries ware all read in this meeting with the advices and the answers as forwarded from the preparative meetings, are in substance as follows

The Com to show Paul Vanvolkinburgh a Copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

The Com to select 3 children for friends boarding School inform they are all in

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The Com to attend the marriage of Judah H. Bowerman and Abigail Elsworth report they attended said marriage and did not discover but it was orderly Conducted and the Marriage Certificate is forwarded to the recorder

The Com to attend the Marriage of Vincent Bowerman and Deborah Haight Report they attended said Marriage and did not discover but it was orderly Conducted and the Marriage Certificate is forwarded to the recorder

The Com to investigate all the Titles of the lands belonging to west lake monthly meeting inform not yet ready to report they were continued

One of the Com to visit Ebenezer Petit on act of his request inform some attention not yet ready to report they were Continued

The Com to inquire into Reuben C Garrats Clearness of marriage engagement report that nothing appears to obstruct, they having consent of parents their Proposals were allowed by the meeting and they left at liberty to consummate Said marriage between this and our next monthly meeting according to the order of friends, W^m Valentine and Marmaduke Richmond were appointed to attend said marriage see if it be orderly conducted and forward the marriage Certificate to the recorder and report

The Com to inquire into Henry Bowermans clearness of marriage engagements report that nothing appears to obstruct, they having Consent of parents thier Proposals were allowed by the meeting and they left at liberty to Consummate said marriage between this and our next monthly meeting

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According to the order of friends W^m Garratt and Benjamin Boundage were appointed to attend said marriage see if it is orderly Conducted and forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

One of the Com to visit Edward Meeks on act of a Complaint against him report they have made him a visit to pretty good satisfaction and he acknowledged the Complaint Just, and sent an acknowledgement Condemning his out goes, with which this meeting unites and appoints Thomas I Dorland and Jonathan Vanvolkinburgh to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

The Com appointed on a proposition from Camden for Building a meeting house in that Place the size to be 40 feet by 28, and the Probable expence £60 Inform attention thereto and believe thier request a reasonable one and the meeting appear united in proposing to the quarterly meeting to rais the sum of £30 to assist in building said house

we unite with the woman in accepting Sarah Wycots acknowledgement formerly Bowerman

we unite with the woman in accepting Lydia Philips acknowledgement formerly Bowerman,

we unite with the woman in receiving Elizabeth Switzer into membership

The preparative meeting quotas for the yearly meeting stock is raised and forward No quarterly Collection

Samuel I Dorland, W^m Mullet, Edward Cronk and W^m Valentine were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

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The time for which the overseers were appointed being expired the following friends were appointed to bring forward names to serve the following year to wit. Jonathan I Bowerman Moses White Thomas Clark W^m Valentine Simon Terril Smith Leavens, and W^m Mullet

we unite with the woman in receiving Mariah Latta into membership

1st Ans, All our meetings for religious worship and Dicipline are attended yet some friends are quite deficient herein the hour mostly observed not clear of sleeping and one instance of other unbecomeing behaviour and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2 Ans Love and unity are mostly maintained amongst us as becoms brethren when differences hath arisen care has been taken to end them talebearing and detraction mostly avoided and discouraged

3rd Ans Friends are mostly Carful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, altho deviations in these respects are apparrent and we believe they do endeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our profession, the Scripturs of truth we believe are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition,

4th Ans We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for purposes medicinal as far as appears and we believe they are clear, of frequenting taverns, or attending places of Diversion

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5th Ans The Circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been duly inspected and relief seasonably afforded them Advice and assistance in such employments as they are capable of have been given - and thier Children and all others under our care are in some way to get school learning to fit them for business -

6th Ans, Two instances of keeping Company and marrying persons not of our society marriages accomplish by a priest, we no of no friends to Charge with Conniveing at their Children keeping Company with such nor any that have attended the marriages of those that have gone out from us or marriages accomplish by a priest

7th Ans friends are Clear of bearing armes of complying with military requasions or of apying any fine or tax in lieu thereof -

8th Ans Some deficient in performing their promises by not paying their Just Debts as seasonable as is desired, and two instances where some care has been extended, we no of none that have extended their business beyound thier ability to manage as becoms our religious profession

9th Ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to Dicipline but not so seasonable as would have been best -

Then Adjourned as usual

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake 3rd 21st 1850

Representatives being Called ware Present Except 2, -

The Com to investigate all the titles of land belonging to west lake Monthly

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Meeting report ~~they have investigated the titles of the property belonging to~~ that we find the Titles of all the meeting house grounds in proper order except that of Ameliasburgh and Haldimond,

The Title of that of Ameliasburgh being something objectionable in the wording but your committee are of the opinion there can no difficulty ever arise there-from

It appears that the title of Haldimand meeting house ground was in the hands of the other party at the time of separation and has never been obtained by Friends since, but your committee think it might be easily obtained as the separatist make no claim on the property.

A deed for the Burying ground at Camden was made in 1848 to a Friend in that place who was one of the principal purchasers and deposited in an office in Kingston subject to fees of one pound fifteen shillings which your committee have advanced and procured said deed and memorial duly prepared and attested for the Register office which is produced here As this title makes this land the property of an individual it appears necessary that Friends adopt some measure to have the Right transferred to the Monthly Meeting

Jonathan I Bowerman and John Cronkhite were appointed as trustees in trust to procure ~~said deed~~ a deed for the land aforesaid in Camden and report

One of the Com to visit Ebenezer Petit on act of his request inform further attention they were continued.

The Com to attend the marriage of Reuben C Carratt and Elizabeth

Right

Inform they attended said marriage and did not discover but it was orderly conducted and the marriage certificate was handed to the recorder.

one of The Com to attend the marriage of Henry Bowerman and Mary ann Garratt inform they attended, said marriage and did not discover, but it was orderly conducted and the marriage certificate was handed to the recorder

No act from the Com to inform Edward Meekes of his privilege of meetings they were continued

The Com to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended and Produces the following minute directing the monthly meetings to raise their proportion of 30 pounds for the purpose of Building a meeting house in Camden, this meeting also directs the Preparative meetings to raise their proportion of said sum and pay to the Clerk of this meeting.

The Com to bring forward names to serve as overseers propose the following except two and they proposed by the meeting all of which being separately read and considered was approved of and they appointed to that Service for one year,

Vincent Bowerman Moses White James Matigaret, Solomon Vermilier Joel Meeks George Card Daniel D Haight Gilbert Haight John Cronkhite Esli Terrel Marmaduke Richmond James Staples and John Clark,

The Educational Com of the yearly meeting for their Information request answers to the following queries

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How many Children are there of suitable age to attend schools and how many attend Day or mixed Schools, this meeting appoints the following Com to give the necessary Information, W^m Garratt Archelus Southard Harvy Boundage Esli Terril, Smith Leavens Jonathan I Bowerman and Joseph Locklin

Then Adjourned to meet at west Lake as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at West Lake 4th mo 18th 1850

Reps being Called were Present

The Trustees appointed to take a deed of a piece of ground in Camden for a burying place Inform attention there to they were continued

This meeting was informed That the Com to visit Ebenezer Petit on act of his request was out of health they were continued

No act from the Com to Inform Edward meekes of his Privilege of meetings they were continued

The Com appointed by a request of the educational Com of the yearly meeting of newyork Inform the Information required was forwarded Except from ameliastown, they were continued to complete it and forward the names and report

Came to this meeting from Cold Creek Preparative a proposal of marriage Signed Edward B. Sweetman and Margaret Terrel, Gilbert Haight and Vincent Bowerman were appointed to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and report

Right

We unite with the woman in receiving Mary Jane Noxon acknowledgement formerly Baker.

The Case of Gilbert Latta deferred from seventh month last now came before this meeting, and is the Judgement of the Com in his case that his acknowledgement not be accepted with which this meeting unites, and appoints Joseph Locklin and Cornelius Bowerman to inform him of the same and report

we unite with the woman in disowning Deborah McCoy formerly Mullet

Adjourned to meet at ameliastown as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Ameliastown 5th mo 16th 1850

Rep being Called were present Except three

The trustees appointed to take a deed of a piece of ground in Camden for a burying ground in form it not completed they were continued

The Com to visit Ebenezer Petit on act of his request inform they have made him a visit to pretty good Satisfaction, believe him measurably convinced of friends principles, and do not find but his life and conversation is consistent, yet we fear that in the last Particular he is not always careful, after Deleberation there on, his case is deferred for next meetings consideration

No act from the Com to inform Edward meeks of his privilege of meetings they were continued

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The Com to forward the necessary information as to the number of children of Suitable age to attend School and the number who attend District and Select Schools and of those that attend no School, belonging to west lake monthly meet - Inform it has been attended to

The Com To enquire into Edward B Sweetmans clearness of other like engagements inform thare is nothing appeared to obstruct, they having Consent of Parents and guardians are left at liberty to Consumate Said marriage between this and our next monthly meeting according to the order of friends W^m Valentine and Townsend Garratt were appointed to attend said marriage see if it is orderly Conducted and forward the marriage Certificate to the recorder and report.

one of the Com to inform gilbert Latta that his acknowledgement was not accepted inform the appointment not answered they ware continued

Hester Garratt laid before this meeting a prospect she had of attending Laray quarterly meeting, and the meetings belonging thereto the meeting expressed thier unity therein and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way, she being a minister in good esteem, and Maryann Valentine as companion

Joseph Brown laid before this meeting a concern he had of attending laray quarterly meeting and Indian River Meetings this meeting expressed its unity therein and he left at liberty

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to pursue his prospect with the dictates of truth he being a minister in good esteem

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

The following friends were appointed to have chare of all the Burrying grounds belonging to west lake monthly meeting, to attend funerals of those to be entered therein to with. Joseph Brown, Hevaland Hubbs, Samuel I Dorland, Vincent Bowerman, Daniel D Haight Esli Terrel, Townsend Garratt, Thomas I Dorland, John Cronkhite, Solomon Vermilier, Cornelius Bowerman, W^m Valentine, Joseph Waring, John Clark, Samuel Hudson, Gilbert Haight and George Card

Then adjourned to meet at west lake on 2nd fifth day in 6th mo

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at West Lake 6th mo 13th 1850

Rep being Called ware present Except 3

The queries ware all read in this meeting, with the answers to the usual five as forwarded from the different preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows,

1st Ans Friends are carful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline although there is a Painful neglect of this important duty particularly on the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed not quite Clear of sleeping, no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

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2nd Ans Love and unity appear to be pretty generally maintained amongst us as becomes brethren two instances excepted in which there had been some care tale bearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided

3rd friends are Careful to keep them selves thier own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, but not as much with some friends as is desired and do indeavour by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our christian profession / we believe the scripturs of truth are frequently read in friends families and care extended toward others under our tuition

3th ans We no of no friends making use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal nor any frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion

9th ans Care has been taken in most cases to deal with offenders seasonably we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurbly agreeably to dicipline

The Com as trustees to take a Deed of a piece of ground in Camden for a burying place inform attention thereto they ware Continued

Moses White	{ ware appointed to
Job Aylsworth	{ attend the quarterly
Thomas I Dorland	{ meeting with the acts
Vincent Bowerman	{ from this and report
and James Matigaret	{

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The case of Ebenezer Petit defered from last meeting now claiming the attention of this is again defered for next meetings consideration

No act from the Com that Edward Meeks has been informed of his privilege of meetings they ware continued

The Com to attend the marriage of Edward B. Sweetman and Margaret Terrel report they attended said marriage and did not discover but that it was orderly ~~discovered~~ Conducted and the Marriage Certificate was forwarded to the recorder

one of the Com to inform Gilbert Latty that his acknowledgement was not accepted inform it is not answered they ware continued

Came to this meeting from Camden preparative a request to bejoined in membership with friends, signed andrew Meeks, Gilbert Haight and John Cronkhite ware appointed to make him a visit see if he is Convinced of friends principles, and his life and Conversation is orderly and report

Also from the same meeting an acknowledgement for his out goes Signed Paul Vanvolkinburgh Gilbert Haight and Thomas I Dorland ware appointed to make him a visit enquire into the Cincerity there of and report

Came to this meeting from ameliasburgh preparative a complaint against Cicero Dorland for going out of Plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel and neglecting the attendance our meetings, Archelus Suthard and Hevalind Hubbs ware appointed to make him a visit on the act and report

Then Adjourned as usual

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West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at west Lake 7th mo 18th 1850

Rep being Called were present Except 1

The Com as trustees to take a deed of a piece of ground in Camden for a burying place inform further attention they were continued

3 of the representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended

The case of Ebenezer Petit deferred from last meeting now claiming the attention of this and after deliberation thereon resulted in adding Daniel D Haight's name to the former Com in his case and report to next meeting

No act from the Com to inform Edward Meeks of his privilege of meetings they were continued.

The Com to inform James Latta that his acknowledgement was not accepted report the appointment answered

The Com to visit Andrew Meeks on act of his request inform they have made him a visit to good satisfaction believe him convinced of friends principles and did not discover but that his life and conversation was orderly after consideration there on the meeting comes to the conclusion to receive him into membership and appoints Cornelius Bowerman and James Haight to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

One of the Com to visit Paul Vanvolkinburgh on act of his acknowledgement report he made him a visit in Company with another friend and believe him Sincere, after consideration thereon accepts his acknowledgement and appoints Nathaniel Branscomb and Benjamin Dunam

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to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

The Com to visit Sicero Dorland on act of a Complaint against him inform they have made him a visit and he appears anxious to retain his membership and sent an acknowledgement which is left under the care of the meeting another month

Came to this meeting from Ameliasburgh preparative meeting a complaint against Ichabod Bowerman Vincent Bowerman and W^m Mullet were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Adjourned to meet at Ameliasburgh as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Ameliasburgh 8th mo 15th 1850

Rep being Called were present

The Com as trustees to take a deed of a piece of ground in Camden for a burying place not yet ready to Report they were Continued

The Com in the case of Ebenezer Petit not ready to report they were continued

One of the Com to inform Edward meekes of his privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Com to inform Andrew Meekes of his privilege of meetings report the appointment not answered they were continued

The case of Sicro Dorland deferred from last meeting now claiming the attention of this after deliberation thereon appoints Benj Dunam and W^m Mullet to enquire into the sincerity of his acknowledgement and report in Eleventh mo

The Com to visit Ichabod Bowerman on act of a com against him inform they have made him a visit to pretty good satisfaction

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and produced an acknowledgement after deliberation appoints John White and Joseph Haight & Esli Terril to enquire into the sincerity thereof and report in 11th mo

The Com to inform Paul Vanvolkinburgh of his privilege of meetings report the appointment not answered They were continued

Joseph Thomas Waring and W^m Garratt was appointed to draft a Certificate for Charles G Bowerman who has removed to reside within the Compass of Frankfort monthly meeting Pennsylvania and enquire whether he has left Clear of debt and marriage engagements and report -

Samuel I Dorland and James Haight were appointed to draft a Certificate for Thomas and Mary Bowerman who has moved to reside within the compass of Pickering monthly meeting to make enquiry whether they have left clear of debt and report

Gilbert Haight and Jonathan I Bowerman were appointed to make the necessary enquiry with regard to granting a Certificate to Henry Lapp who has gone to reside within the compass of Pickering monthly meeting, and Produce one if nothing appears to Prevent, and report

we unite with the woman in receiving Sophiah Vanvolkinburgh into membership

We unite with the woman in disowning Catherine Gerow formerly Hutchinson,

Then adjourned to meet at W. L.

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at west Lake 9th mo 19th 1850 -

Rep being Called were present Except three and a reason assigned for the absence of 2

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers from the different Preparatives a Summary of which is as follows

The Com as trustees to take a deed of a piece of ground in Camden for a burying Place inform it not Completed they were continued

The Com in the case of Ebenezer Petit not yet ready to report they were continued

The Com to inform Andrew Meeks of his Privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

Samuel I Dorland Hevalind Hubbs D. D Haight and James Matigaret were appointed to attend the ~~monthly~~ quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The Com to inform Paul Vanvolkinburgh of his privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Com to draft a certificate for Charles G Bowerman to make enquiry respecting his outward affairs report they have made the enquiry and nothing appears to Prevent the Issuing of one and Produced one accordingly which was approved the Clerk directed to signit and appoints forward -

The Com to draft a Certificate for Thomas and Mary Bowerman to make Enquiry respecting ~~Their~~ his outward affairs inform they have made the enquiry and not appears to Prevent the Issuing of said Certificate and Produced one accordingly which was approved The Clerk directed to signit and forward

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The Com to draft a Certificate for Henry Lapp to make enquiry respecting his outward affairs inform they have made the enquiry and find the case such it will not warrant the meeting in granting a certificate

We unite with the woman in accepting Sabrina Meeks Into Membership

The preparative Meetings inform the money for building Camden meeting house is not all raised, they are requested to rais and forward to this meeting and report

No quarterly Collection

Hester Garratt a minister in good Esteem with us Expressed in this meeting a desire she had of attending yong Street quarterly Meeting, and some of the meetings belonging thereto this meeting unites with her theron and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way

The Clerk was directed to furnish with a copy of the above minute

from the reading of the 2nd answer to the queries brought up from Camden, a concern has a rose in this meeting, with regard to the want of love and unity and resulted in appointing the following Com to endeavor to restore unity of feeling, and report to wit. Esli Terrel John Cronkhite Daniel D Haight Gilbert Haight and Samuel I Dorland -

Samuel Hudson and James Purdy ware appointed as overseers to act ~~in the~~ with the former ones in Haldimond Preparative meeting

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First Ans - All our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended altho there is a slackness with some friends, the hour is nearly observed not all clear of sleeping, no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark, Some care taken in the above deficiencies

Second Ans - one meeting says Love and unity not so fully maintained by some friends as is desired - when differences arise care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is mostly avoided.

Third Ans - We believe most friends are Carful to keep them selves thier own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel altho deviations in these respects are apparent and we believe they do endeavor by Example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our religious Profession - we trust the scripturs of truth are read in friends families and care is extended towards others under our tuition

Fourth Ans friends avoid the use of Distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal two instances excepted as far as appears and some care taken, none to charge with frequenting taverns, and several instances of attending Places of diversion

Ninth Ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders though not so seasonably in all ???
[smear] cases as might have been best in the spirit of meekness and measurably a greeably to
dicipline

Then adjourned as usual

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 10th 17th 1850

Rep being called ware present

The Com as trustees to take a deed of a piece of ground in Camden for a burrying place
inform it not completed they ware continued

The Com in the case of Ebenezer Petit inform attention there to not yet ready to report
they ware continued.

One of the representatives to attend the quarterly meeting report they all attended
except one; and Produced a minute directing the subordinate meetings to rais their Proportion
of one thousand dollars for the yearly meetings use the Preparatives are requested to rais thier
Proportion of said sum and pay to the Clerk of this meeting also to the observance of the
extracts of the yearly meeting and minutes also to the observance of the Epistles of the London
yearly meeting one of which being read contained much Salutory Counsel and advice

The money for building Camden meeting house not all forwarded the Preparatives are
requested to forward the same

The Com appointed on a concern of the want of love and unity from Camden preparative
meeting inform it has not been attended to they ware continued

This meeting was informed that Joseph Baker wished a minute to leeds monthly meeting
Expressive of his right of membership and marriage ingagements Vincent Bowerman and W^m
Mullet ware appointed to make inquiry respecting his clearness of like engagements, and
furnish him with a

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copy of the above minute and report,

Came to this meeting from west lake Preparative a Proposal of marriage Signed
Stephen Hubbs and Lydia Bowerman, John White and Job Aylsworth ware appointed to make
enquiry respecting his clearness of other like engagements and report

Came to this meeting from west Lake preparative a complaint against James R Wright
for neglecting the attendance of our meetings and associating himself with the Sosiety of odd
fellows and conforming to thier practices, Benj Dunam and D D Haight ware appointed to labor
with him on the actt and report

Adjourned to meet at ameliasburgh as here to fore -

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends Held at Ameliasburgh 11th mo 21st 1850 -

Rep being called ware Present

The Com as trustees to take a Deed of a Piece of ground in Camden for a burying place
inform further attention there to they ware continued to report in first mo next,

The Com in the case of Ebenezer Petit not yet ready to report they ware continued

The money for building Camden Meeting house not yet all raised, the Preparatives were continued to forward it to next meeting

The Com appointed on a Concern that a rose in this meeting of the want of love and unity in Camden Preparative Meeting, report that three of them attended to the appointment and

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have not been able to effect a reconciliation between the parties they were continued to report in first mo next

One of the Com to enquire Into Joseph Bakers- clearness of marriage engagements and furnish him with a minute expressive of the same inform the appointment answered

The Com to visit James R Wright on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit and he acknowledged the Complaint Just but did not appear to be disposed to make satisfaction the meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Joseph Waring and Vincent Bowerman to Produce a testification against him to next meeting

One of the Com - to enquire into Stephen Hubbs clearness of marriage engagements inform there has nothing appeared to obstruct and they having consent of parents thier Proposals were allowed by the meeting and they left at liberty to consummate said marriage between this and our next monthly meeting according to the order of friends Joseph Waring and Archelus Southard were appointed to attend said marriage see it orderly conducted and hand the marriage Certificate to the recorder and report

one of the Com- to visit Sicero Dorland on act- of his acknowledgement Defered from 8th mo last inform attention thereto not yet ready to report they were continued

The Com to visit Ichabod Bowerman on act of his acknowledgement

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deferred from 8th mo last inform attention thereto not ready to report they were continued

Our beloved friend Margaret Potter expressed in this meeting a concern that had accompanied her mind for a length of time of visiting Pretty generally the meetings of Indiana yearly meeting and the southern part of ohio and some of the meetings of Newyork yearly meeting as way may open, This meeting expressed a full unity with her in her prospects she being a minister in unity with us -

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute -

Then Adjourned to meete at West Lake 2nd 5th day in 12th mon -

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake 12th mo 12th 1850

Rep being Called were Present Except 3 -

The queries were all read in this Meeting with the answers as forwarded from the Preparatives a summary of which is as follows

No quarterly Collection Collection [sic]

The Com appointed to visit Ebenezer Petit on act of his request inform they have made him another visit, and believe him in a measure convinced of friends Principles, yet fear he will not live consistant thereto they were continued with James Haight and Vincent Bowerman added

The Money for building Camden meeting house not all raised, the preparatives were continued to forward it,

Gilbert Haight, Vincent Bowerman James Haight and Archelus Southard were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report,

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The Com to produce a testification against James R. Wright produced on which was read and approved of the Clerk directed to sign it and appoints John White and Richard Southard to show him a copy thereof Inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com to attend the marriage of Stephen Hubbs and Lydia Bowerman inform they attended Said marriage and did not discover but it was orderly conducted and the marriage Certificate was handed to the recorder

Jane Young inform this meeting that she had a prospect of accompany Margaret Potter in her intended visit as set forth in her Certificate, with which this meeting unites, She being a member in unity with us

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minuted

The Com to visit Sicro Dorland on act of his acknowledgement Inform they have made him a visit and wished a longer time they were continued to report next month

The Com to visit Ichabod Bowerman on act of his acknowledgement inform they have made him a visit and could not find much sincerity therein after consideration thereon is deferred to next meeting

Came to this meeting from west lake preparative a complaint against Benj Hubbs for keeping company with and marrying a person not in membership with us and having his marriage accomplished by a Priest also for going out of Plainness of speech and apparel, Benj Dunam and marmaduke

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Ellis were appointed to make him a visit on the act and report,

Also from the same meeting one against anthony White for keeping company with and marrying a person not in membership with us and having his marriage accomplished by a priest also for going out of plainness of speech and apparel, John Cronkhite and W^m Garratt were appointed to make him a visit on the act and report

Also from the same meeting one against Moses White Jun^r for keeping Company with and marrying a person not a member of our society and having his marriage accomplished by a priest also for going out of plainness, Daniel D Haight and marmaduke Huchenson were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

1st Ans, Our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are all attended yet some friends are quite deficient herein the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Love and unity are mostly maintained amongst us as becomes brethren when differences hath a risen Care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction we trust is mostly avoided and discouraged

3rd Ans Friends are Careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, yet deviations are apparent, and are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian Profession, yet some are deficient herein, the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition Some care taken

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4th Ans friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal Purposes as far as appears none to charge with frequenting taverns, one meeting says Several instances of young friends attending places of diversion and some care taken

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

Then Adjourned as usual

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 1st Mo 15th 1851

Rep being called were present

The Com appointed to visit Ebenezer Petit on act of his request in form it has not been attended to they were continued

The money for building Camden meeting house not yet all raised the Preparatives were continued to forward it

The Representatives to attend the quarterly meetings report that one of them attended

The Com to show James R Wright a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered and he manifested no disposition of appealing,

The Com to visit Sicro Dorland on act of his acknowledgement report further attention they were continued

The Com to visit Benj Hubbs on act of a complaint against him in formed they have made him a visit and he acknowledged the complaint Just in part but did not appear to be in a disposition to make friends satisfaction it is left under the Care of the Com another month

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The Com to visit Anthony White on act of a complaint against him inform it has not been attended to they were continued.

The Com to visit Moses White Junr on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit and request a longer time they were continued

William Valentine and Jonathan I Bowerman were appointed to select two children Suitable to recive the benefit of £5 00 each to the Boarding School for 6 or 12 months it being the donation from friends in england

The Com appointed to effect a reconsileation between parties in Camden Parparative Meeting with regard to the want of love and unity, inform they have again had the Parties together and are comforted In believeing the difficulty is removed.

The Case of Ichabod Bowerman a gain claiming the attention of this meeting now claiming the attention of this, after consideration thereon comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Arnoldi Dorland and Smith Leavens to prepare a testification against him and Produce to next meeting

We unite with the woman In accepting hester oliver into membership

Our beloved friend Hester Garratt having in a feeling manner expressed in this meeting a concern that rested on her mind for a length of time, of visiting in the love of the gospel, Pelham quarterly meeting, and Some of the meetings belonging there to, and young Street Quarter, and most or all of the meetings, and some of the families of friends with in the limits of said meeting as truth

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may open the way much unity was expressed with her in her concern and she was left at liberty to Pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct, She being a minister in unity and a friends in good esteem amongst us as such we recommend her to your Christian care and over sight and remain your friends

This meeting was informed that hannah Terril had a Prospect of accompanying hester Garratt as set fourth in her Certificate with which this meeting unites She being a member in unity with friends

The Clerk was directed to furnish them with copys of the above mintues,

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Ameliasburgh 2nd mo 20th 1851

Rep being called ware Present except one no act from Camden

The queries with the advices ware all read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the Preparatives a summary of which is as follows

Samuel I Dorland William Garratt, James Matigaret and Samuel Hudson ware appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The Com to visit Ebenezer Petit on act of his request inform they have made him a visit and he still had a wish to become a member - after consideration this meeting comes to the conclusion to receive him in to membership and appoints W^m Valentine and Marmaduke Richmond to inform him of his right of membership and report

The money for building Camden meeting house not yet all raised the Preparatives are

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continued to for it to next meeting

one of the Com to visit Cicero Dorland inform further attention they ware continued

The case of Benjamin Hubbs left under the care of the Com last month are still continued with Cornelius Bowerman added

we unite with the woman in receiving Susannah Seamerhorn into membership

The Com to visit anthony White on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit to pretty good satisfaction and he sent an acknowledgement with which this meeting unites and appoints Gilbert Haight and Vincent Bowerman to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

One of the Com to visit Moses White Junr on act of a complaint against him inform further attention they were continued

The Com to select 2 children for the boarding school inform attention they were continued

The Com to prepare a testification a gainst Ichabod Bowerman produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to sign it and appoints W^m Garratt and Benj Terry to show him a copy there of inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Preparatives inform the money for the yearly meeting stock is raised and forwarded

The alterations in all the copies of the book of Dicipline are not made for the want of printed slips for the same

The time for which the overseers were appointed having expired this meeting appoints the following friends to bring forward names for that service to next meeting Viz. Samuel Hudson Jonathan I Bowerman James Matigarete

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Caleb Garratt Moses White W^m Valentine

1st Ans most friends appear Carful to to [sic] attend all our meetings for religious worship and Dicipline although we must acknowledge a painful neglect of this Important duty in some cases, one meeting says the hour not so nearly observed as is Desirable, not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd ans we believe love is Partly generally maintained a mongst us as becomes brethren altho there is an evident want of unity in some cases, tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided and discouraged, - Some care taken

3rd ans Most friends appear carful to keep themselves thier own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel & are endeavouring by Example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Profession altho deficiencies in these respects are apparent amongst us and some care taken the scrpturs of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th ans we believe friends do a void the use of distilled Spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinale and clear of frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion as far as appears

5th ans the circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been inspected none appear to require assistance at Present they are advised and assisted in such employment as they are capable their children and all others under our care mostly in a way to get School learning to fit them for business

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6th Ans none knone to keep company with persons not of our sosiety on act of marriage nor Parent to connive at their children keeping company with such one instance of a young friend attending a marriage of one who has gone out from us and three instances of attending marriages accomplished by a priest and some care taken

7th Ans 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

8th ans friends are generally carful to perform their promises and pay their just debts with four exceptions and some care taken, we no of none who extend their business beyond their abilities to manage as becoms our religious profession, those who give occasion for fear on those acts are timely Labored with for their preservation and recovery

9th ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline though not so seasonably in all cases as might have been desirable

10th They are -

Then adjourned to meet at west lake as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 3^d Month 20th 1851.

Representatives were present except one

The Clerk being absent Archelaus Southard was appointed for the day

No account from the Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting they are desired to report next month

One of the Committee to inform Ebenezar Pettit of his right of Membership informs the appointment answered

The money for Building Camden meeting house not yet all raised the Preparative Meeting is requested to forward it to next meeting

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The committee appointed to visit Cisero Dorland report they have made him a visit to pretty good Satisfaction after deliberation thereon this meeting comes to the conclusion to continue him A member and appoints Jonathan I Bowerman and Arnoldi Dorland to inform him thereof and report

The Committee in the case of Benjamin Hubbs report they have made him a visit and Request a longer time they are continued to report next meeting

The Committee to inform Anthony White of his privilege of meetings inform the appointment answered.

This meeting unites with the women in Receiving the Certificate of Mary Robinson from Leeds Monthly meeting

One of the Committee appointed to visit Moses White Jun, on a complaint against him informs he has made him a visit to pretty good satisfaction and produced an acknowledgement from him condemning his outgoings after deliberation thereon This meeting appoints Gilbert Hait and Smith P Leavens to inquire into the sincerity thereof and report to next meeting

One of the Committee appointed to select 2 Children for Friends Boarding School report further attention but not ready to make a full Report they are continued

No account from the Committee to show Ichabod Bowerman a Copy of the Testification against him and to inform him of his right to appeal they are continued

The Committee appointed to bring forward names to serve as OverSeers for the ensuing year have forwarded the following (except three) namely George Lear, Moses White Solomon

Vermilier Samuel Baker Jun, Valentine Brown William Robinson John Cronkhite Gilbert Hait
Arnoldi Dorland Joel Meaks Esly Terrill Simon Terill -

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Townsend Garratt George Kelly James Purdy and James Staples which being seperately read
and united with are appointed to serve in that station of One year

Then this Meeting adjourned to meet as heretofore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at west Lake 4th mo 17th 1851 -

Rep being Called were present Except one

The time for which the Clerk and assistant was appointed having expired William Garratts
name being proposed was united with and appointed to that service for one year and Joseph
Waring assistant

Two of the representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they
attended

Ameliasburgh preparative meeting inform the money for building Camden meeting
house not all raised they war requested to forward it to next meeting

The Com to inform Sicero Dorland of his privilege of meetings report the appointment
answered

The Com to visit Benj. Hubbs on act of a Complaint against him not yet ready to report
they ware continued

The Com to visit Moses White Junr. on his acknowledgement for his gou-goes inform
they have made him a visit to some degree of satisfaction they ware Continued to report in 10th
mo - next

The Com to select 2 Children for friends boarding School not ready to report they ware
continued.

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One of the Com to show Ichabod Bowerman a copy of a testification against him and
inform him of his wright to appeal report the appointment answered

A request Came before this meeting from Cold Creek preparative for the monthly
meeting to be held there 4 times in the year viz. 1st 4th 7th and 10th mo or Such other times
as the meeting may think best, it is defered for next meetings Consideration

Then Adjourned to meet at ameliasburgh as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at ameliasburgh 5th mo 15th 1851 -

Rep being Called ware present Ex - 1 -

ameleasburgh preparative meeting inform the money for building Camden meeting
house not quite all raised they ware requested to forward it to next meeting

The Com to visit Benj Hubbs on act of a complaint against him Inform they have made
him a visit and he did not appear disposed to make satisfaction after Consideration thereon
Comes to the Conclusion to disown him and appoints, Vincent Bowerman and Daniel D Haight
to prepare a testification against him and Produce to next meeting,

No act from the Com to select 2 children for friends boarding school they were continue a request from Cold Creek deferred from last month for the holding of the monthly meeting four times in the year at that place now Claiming the attention

Right

of this, and after deliberation and Expression of sentiment resulted in appointing a Joint Com of men and woman friends, to visit said meeting and report thereon in 8th mo next to wit, James Haight Joseph Dorland Joseph Waring - Job Aylsworth Cornelius Bowerman and John Cronkhite,

Cornelius Bowerman Expressed in this meeting a desire of visiting Some meetings and also of appointing some on his return from the yearly meeting as way may open with which this meeting unites he being a minister in unity with us

Hester Garratt a minister in unity with us, expressed in this meeting a prospect she had of attending the yearly meeting and on her return to visit ferrisburgh and Laray quarterly meetings and some of the meetings belonging thereto. She is left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way

The Clerk was directed to furnish them with Copies of the above minutes -
Then adjourned to meet at West Lake 2nd fifth day in 6th mo.

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake 6th mo 12th 1851 -

Rep being called from the Several preparative meeting were present except 1

The queries were all read In this meeting, with the advises and answers from the different preparative meetings a Summary of which is as follows

The following friends were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting as our representatives to wit. Job Aylsworth Samuel I Dorland William Robinson and John Cronkhite

The money for building Camden meeting house Is all raised and paid which is £24--00 -

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The Com to prepare a testification against Benj Hubbs Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to signit and appoints Joseph Waring and Job Aylsworth to show him a copy thereof Inform him of his right to appeal and report

One of the Com to select 2 children for friends boarding school inform not yet ready to report they were continued

Came to this meeting from ameliaburgh preparative a complaint against Jacob Cronkhite for marrying a person not in membership with us and having his marriage accomplish Contrary to the order of friends, John White and Daniel D Haight were appointed to labor with him on this act and report.

Came to this meeting from Camden preparative a complaint against David Cronk for not attending meetings and going out of plainness of dress and address Jonathan I Bowerman and Moses White were appointed to labor with him on the act and report,

Also from the same meeting one against Alexander Vanvolkinburgh for going out of plainness of dress and address and for not attending our meetings, John Cronkhite and Vincent Bowerman were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

also from the same meeting one against George Card for marrying a person not of our society and for having his marriage accomplished out of the order of friends Vincent Bowerman and Jonathan I Bowerman were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

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Came to this from the preparative meeting of ministers and elders a minute that they were united in proposing to the monthly meeting the propriety of acknowledging Thomas Clark a minister Archelus Southard Job Aylsworth and W^m Valentine were appointed to hear and consider objections if any to his being acknowledged as such and report

Came to this from the preparative meeting of ministers and elders a minute that they were united in proposing to the monthly meeting the propriety of acknowledging Jane Young a minister, Daniel D Haight and Richard Southard were appointed with a Com of woman friends to hear and consider objections if any to her being acknowledged as such

1st Ans. all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended, yet not as diligently by all as is desired, the hour is nearly observed, not quite clear of sleeping - no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Love and unity are mostly maintained amongst us as becoms brethren we no of no no [sic] differences, friends we believe do avoid and Discourage tale bearing and detraction, as far as appears

3rd Friends appear mostly carful to keep them selves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, alto deviations are apparent and are we trust mostly endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our profession we believe the scripturs of truth are frequently read in friends families and Care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

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attending Places of diversion and some Care taken

Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably a greeable to dicipline but not so seasonable in all cases as is desired

Then adjourned to meet at W. L. as here to for

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west Lake 7th mo 7th 1851 -

Rep being Called ware present

Two of the Rep appointed to attend the quarterly meeting inform they attended but not producing the extracts from the yearly meeting they ware continued to forward to next meeting

The Com to show Benj Hubbs a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

The Com to select 2 children for the Boarding School, Inform it not Completed they ware continued

The Com to visit Jacob Cronk on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit and he appeared disposed to retain his membership, after consideration is left under the care of the Com to report in 10th mo next

The Com to visit David Cronk on act of his out goes in form they have made him a visit and he acknowledged the complaint Just but not disposed to make satisfaction the meeting Comes to the Conclusion to disown him and appoints Richard Southard and Vincent Bowerman to prepare a testification against him and Produce to next meeting

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One of the Com to hear and consider objections if any to Thomas Clark being acknowledged a minister inform not yet ready to report they ware continued

The Com to visit alexander Vanvolkinburgh on act of his out goes inform they have made him a visit but did not find him in a situation to make satisfaction the meeting Comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Amos Hubbs and Joseph Waring to prepare a testification against him and produce to next meeting

The Com to labor with george Card on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit and he appeared ~~disposed~~ desirous to retain his membership and is a diligent attender of meetings This meeting is united with the report of the Com - and appoints Thomas J Dorland and James Haight to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

The Com to hear and consider objections if any to Jane young being acknowledged a minister inform they have attended to the appointment and there appears to be none She is therefore acknowledged as such with the unity of this meeting

The Clerk was directed to furnish the Preparative meeting of ministers and elders with a copy of the above minute

Adjourned to meet at ameliastown as heretofore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Ameliastown 8th mo 21st 1851

Rep being called ware present except 1

The representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting produced the extracts as directed by last meeting.

It appears by a minute recieved from the quarterly meeting that the Subordinate

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meetings are directed to rais their Proportion of one thousand dollars for the yearly meetings use and pay to the Clerk of the quarterly meeting, also to the observance of the london epistles and extracts from the yearly meeting

This meeting directs its subordinate meetings to rais their Proportion of Said Sum and pay to the Clerk of this meeting and send to this meeting an act of the state of the schools within their limits at which the Children of friends are receiving their education the number of children of an age Suitable to attend school and whether all are in a way to acquire the necessary Portion of school learning.

The Com to select 2 children for the Boarding school inform the appointment answered

The Com to prepare a testification against David Cronk Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to signit and appoints Valentine Brown and Thomas J Dorland to show him a Copy therof inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com to hear and consider objections if any to Thomas Clark being acknowledged a minister inform not yet ready to Report they were continued

The Com to prepare a testification against alexander Vanvolkinburgh produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to signit and appoints Valentine Brown and Solomon Vermilier to show him a Copy thereof inform him of his right to appal and report

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The Com appointed to Consider the Proposition from Cold Creek of holding the monthly meeting four times a year at that Place inform attention there to not yet ready to report they were continued

Came to this from west Lake preparative a complaint against John Harris for keeping company with and marrying a person not in membership with us and having his marriage accomplished out of the order of friends also for not attending our meetings, and going out of plainness of speech and apparel, Daniel D Haight and John Cronkhite were appointed to labor with him on the act and report.

Came to this meeting from west Lake preparative a proposal of marriage Signed George N Holway and Mariah A Ellison, Archelus Southard and John White, were appointed to enquire into his Clearness of other like engagements and report

We unite with the woman In disowning Abigail Blunt

The Com to inform George Card of his privilege of meetings inform it has not been attended to they were continued

A request Signed by the friends of huntingdon for holding a meeting for worship at Samuel Baker Junrs house on an Indulged meeting on first day at eleven of the clock after consideration thereon This meeting is united in granting their request, and appoints the following friends as a Joint Com with the woman friends to visit said meeting to have the Charge and oversight thereof and report in three months to wit Gilbert Haight Arnoldi Dorland - Cornelius Bowerman, Esli Terril & Townsend Garratt

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James Haight Expressed in this meeting that he had a prospect of attending young Street quarterly meeting and some of the meetings belonging thareto also of appointing Some meetings, there was a unity expressed with him there in and he left at liberty to pursue his prospect as truth may open the way, he being a minister in unity with us, having the unity of the womens meeting.

The Clerk was directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

Then Adjourned as usual

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at W. L. 9th mo 18th 1851 -

In Calling the representatives from the different ~~monthly~~ Preparative meetings four were absent,

The queries were all read In this meeting as forwarded from the different preparative meetings a summary is as follows

No act from the Com to show David Cronk a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal. They were Continued

The Com to hear and consider objections if any to Thomas Clark being recommended a minister inform not ready to report they were Continued

No act from the Com to show Alexander Vanvolkinburgh a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal they were continued.

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The Com to Consider a proposition from Cold Creek on holding the monthly meeting four times a year at that place inform not yet ready to report they were continued

The Com to visit John Harris on ac of a complaint against him inform not ready to report they were continued

one of the Com to inform George Card of his privilege of meetings, report the appointment not answered they were continued,

The Com to enquire into George N Holways Clearness of marriage engagements inform they have made enquiry and nothing appears to obstruct their proposals were allowed by the meeting, and having Consent of parents are left at liberty to consummate said marriage between this and our next monthly meeting; according to the order of friends, Samuel I Dorland and W^m Garratt were appointed to attend said marriage see if it be orderly conducted and forward the marriage Certificate to the recorder and report

we acknowledge the receipt of Mariah A Ellisons certificate of her right of membership and Clearness of marriage engagements from nine partners monthly meeting -

we unite with the woman in receiving Louis Card into membership

Came to this meeting from West Lake preparative a proposal of marriage Signed W^m Hubbs and Margaret Jane Bowerman, Job Ailsworth and George G Lear were appointed to enquire into his Clearness of other like engagements and report Archelus Southard Joseph B Dorland Nicholas D Lazier and Esli Terrel, were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting and report

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Our beloved friend Hester Garratt laid before this meeting a prospect she had of attending young Street quarterly meeting with which this meeting has unity, She being a minister in unity with us, is left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a Copy of the above minute

1st ans, all our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended altho there is quite a slackness in some friends, the hour nearly observed in collecting, one meeting says it is painful to see friends tarry so long without doors not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark some care taken

2nd Ans Love and unity is not so fully maintained as is desired, when difference arises care has been taken to end them, tale bearing and detraction is not altogether avoided

3rd Ans, Some friends are careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and we believe they do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent

with our Christian Profession yet there are many deficiencies apparent, we trust the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and a care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition, Some Care taken in the above deficiency

4th ans friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors as far as appears except for medicinal purposes and are clear of frequenting taverns Several instances of attending a place of Diversion and some care taken

9th ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness but not as seasonably in all Cases perhaps as would have been best

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West Lake monthly meeting of friends held at west lake 10th mo 16th 1851 -

Representatives from two of the preparative meetings being called were present - no act from west lake

The Com to hear and consider objections if any, to Thomas Clark being recommended a minister inform not yet ready to report they were continued with James Matigart and W^m Garratt added

One of the Com to show David Cronk a Copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

One of the Com^{es} to show Alexander Vanvolkinburgh a Copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

The Com to consider the proposition from Cold Creek inform not yet ready to report they were continued

The Com to visit John Harris on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit and he did not appear disposed to make satisfaction the meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Thomas Waring and Vincent Bowerman to prepare a testification against him and produce to next meeting,

One of the Com to inform George Card of his privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Com to attend the marriage of George N. Holway and Maria A Ellison, inform they attended Said marriage and did not discover but it was orderly conducted, and the marriage certificate was handed to the recorder

The representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended

The Com to enquire into W^m G. Hubbs Clearness of marriage engagements inform they have made enquiry and nothing appears to obstruct ~~thier~~ they having consent of parents thier proposals were allowed by the meeting and they left at liberty -

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to accomplish Said marriage between this and our next monthly meeting according to the order of friends Vincent Bowerman and Archelus Southard were appointed to attend said marriage see if orderly conducted and forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

The Com to visit Jacob Cronkhite on act of a complaint deferred from 7th mo last in form they have attended to the appointment and he still desires to retain his right of membership and after consideration thereon, is deferred for next meeting consideration

The Com to visit Moses White Jnr. on act of a complaint against him and to report in this month informs it remains the same, they were continued to report in first month

Our esteemed friend Cornelius Bowerman laid before this meeting a proposal he had of attending the most of the meetings belonging to Pelham quarter, and some of the meetings belonging to yongstreet quarter and of appointing some meetings, ~~with which~~ this meeting unites with him and leaves him at liberty to pursue his prospect as truth opens the way he being a minister in unity with us

The Clerk was directed to furnish ~~to furnish~~ him with a copy of the above minute

Then Adjourned to meet at ameliastown as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Ameliastown the 20th of 11th mo 1851

Rep being called were Present

The minutes of the last mo now received

The Com to hear and Consider objections if any to Thomas Clark being recommended a minister not ready to report they were Continued

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The Com to consider a proposition from Cold Creek not yet ready to report they were continued

The Com to forward a testification against John Harris produced one which being read was approved, the clerk directed to sign it and appoints Benj. Dunam and Job Aylsworth to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com appointed to attend the marriage of William Hubbs and Margaret Jane Bowerman Inform they attended and did not discover but it was orderly conducted and the marriage Certificate was handed to the recorder

The case of Jacob Cronkhite again claiming the attention of this meeting and resulted in retaining him into membership and appoints James Haight and W^m Garratt to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

We unite with the woman in disowning Caroline nash

Amos Bowerman requested our certificate to young Street monthly meeting for him Self and three Children Viz. Eliza Malissa and James - Thomas Waring and Vincent Bowerman were appointed to make enquiry respecting his outward affairs and if Clear forward one to next meeting

Then Adjourned to meet at west Lake the 2nd 5th day in 12th mo 1851 -

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at west lake 11th day of 12th mo 1851 -

Rep being called from the different preparative meetings, Camden excepted were present except 2 -

The queries were all read with the advices and answers to five of them from the different preparative meetings, Except Camden, a Summary of which is as follows

Two of the Com to hear and consider objections if any to Thomas Clark being recommended a minister inform not ready to report they are continued

Cornelius Bowerman, Esli Terril W^m Mullet and Daniel D Haight were appointed to attend the quarterly Meeting with the business from this and report

The Com to Consider Proposition from Cold Creek for holding the monthly meeting four times a year at that place, inform not ready to report they were continued

The Com to show John Harris a Copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

The Com to inform Jacob Cronkhite of his privilege of meetings report the appoint answered.

The Com to prepare a Certificate and Produce to this meeting for Amos Bowerman and three of his Children to yongstreet monthly meeting inform it not Completed they were continued.

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Quarterly Collection 3/2 for which the Clerk was directed to produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting ~

Haldimand preparative meeting informed their proportion of money for the yearly meetings use is raised and forwarded, the other preparative meetings are requested to forward theirs to next meeting -

1st ans All our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended altho a slackness in some friends, especially as regards the meetings for dicipline not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark.

2nd ans Love and unity are mostly maintained amongst us as becoms brethren when differences arise care is taken to end them talebearing and detraction we trust is mostly avoided and discouraged

3rd Ans Most friends appear Carful to keep themselves thier own and other friends Children under thier care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel we trust they do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Christion Profession altho there are many deviations apparent = we believe the scripturs of truth are frequently read in friends and we trust care is ~~taken~~ extended to others under our tuition

4th ans we no of no friends who make use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for medicinal purposes two instances excepted we no of none who frequent taverns Six Cases of attending places of diversion Care taken

9th ans Care we believe has been taken in a good degree to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake the 15th day of 1st mo 1852 -

Rep being Called ware present

one of the representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report that two of them attended

The Com to hear and consider objections to Thomas Clark being recommended a minister inform that they have Confered together and ware not ready to report they ware continued

The Com to Consider a proposition from Cold Creek Inform not ready to report they ware continued

The Com to prepare a Certificate for Amos Bowerman and three of his children which was read and approved of and directed to be Signed by the Clerk and forwarded by him to yongstreet monthly meeting

The Clerk not producing the treasurers receipt for 3/72 it being quarterly Collection he is directed to produce it to next meeting

Came to this meeting from ameliiasburgh preparative a complaint against Philip Cronkhite for going out of plainness and marrying a person not in membership with us, Joseph Waring and Moses White were appointed to labor with him on the act and report to next meeting

The Com appointed to visit an endulged meeting in huntingdon by a request from the friends of that place, as a Joint Com with the woman friends inform not ready to report they ware continued

Then Adjourned to meet at ameliiasburgh as heretofore

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West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at ameliiasburgh 19th day of 2nd month 1852 -

Rep being called from the different preparative meetings ware present Except 3, No act from haldimond, they ware requested to forward them to next meeting

The queries ware all read in this meeting with the advices and answers from all the preparative meetings except Haldimond, a Summary of which is as follows

Arnoldi Dorland, Daniel D Haight W^m Mullet and Jonathan I Bowerman ware appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report.

The Com to hear and Consider objections to Thomas Clark being recommended to the station of a minister, inform they are not yet ready to report they ware continued

we unite with the woman in receiving mary mabey into membership

The Com to consider a proposition from Cold Creek of holding the monthly meeting a part of the time at that place report that most of them have met together at different times, and considered the subject and are united in the opinion that it would be best not to mon in the matter at present with which this meeting unites,

The Clerk produced the treasurers recipt for 3/2 it being quarterly collection

One of the Com to visit Philip Cronk on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit and request a longer time with which this meeting unites they ware continued to report in fourth month next

A part of the Com to visit Huntington meeting inform they ware not ready to report they ware continued

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Came to this meeting from Camden Preparative meeting a complaint against Caleb W Brown for marriage a person not of our Sosiety and for running out of plainness of dress and

address Eslie Terrel and Solomon Vermillier were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

no quarterly collection

The money for the yearly meetings use Is reported to be raised

The Schools that most of friends children are receiveing thier education, are District mixed Schools, and some four family schools, there appears to be 96 children of suitable age to attend school, apart of which has at different times, attended friends Boarding School, and by the acts all or nearly so are in a way to get school learning to fit them for business,

None appear to hold posts of profit or honor under goverment nor any Districts

The alterations in the Book of Dicipline appear to be all made as requested

1st Ans all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended altho Sorrowfully neglected by some friends, the hour not so nearly observed by all as is desirable, not quite Clear of sleeping one instance of unbecomeing behaviour Care taken.

2nd Ans, Love and unity are mostly maintained as becom's brethren, when differences areise Care is taken seasonably to end them, tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3rd Ans Friends appear mostly Carful to keep themselves thier own and other friends children under thier care in plainess of speech bhaviour and apparel, yet there are deviations in these respects apparent and we trust they are endeavoring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and

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conversation consistant with our Christion profession the scrupturs of truth are frequently read in friends families, care extended towards others under thier tuition.

4th Ans, We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for medicinal purposes two instances excepted, we no of none who frequent taverns, a few instances of attending places of diversion some Care taken

5th Ans, The Circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been duly inspected and relief seasonably afforded, one case more assistance required, they have been advised and assisted in such employment as they are capable of thier children and all others under our Care are instructed in school learning to fit them for business -

6th Ans, We no of none keeping company with persons not of our sosiety on act of marriage, no parents known to Connive at thier children keeping company with Such or any attending marriages of those who go out from us 2 instances of marrying persons not of our sosiety,

7th Ans, friends are Clear of bearing armes of Complying with military requastions or of paying andy fine or tax in lieu thereof

8th Ans four instances of being deficient in performing their promises, in paying their just Debts one instance of extending ~~their~~ his business beyond their ability to manage, and those who have given occasion for fear on those acts have been timely labored with for their preservation and recovery

9th Ans, Care has been mostly taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our dicipline

10th Ans they Are -

Then Adjourned to meet as usual

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West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at W. L. 18th day of 3rd mo 1852 -

Rep being called from two of the Preparative meetings were present no act from Cold Creek, Haldimond Minutes now received as directed

No act from the representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting they were continued to report next mo,

The Com to hear and consider objection to Thomas Clark being recommended to the station of a minister not ready to report they were continued

The Com to visit Huntington meeting, not yet ready to report they were continued

No act from the Com to visit Caleb Brown on act of a complaint against him they were continued

Came to this meeting from West Lake Preparative a complaint against John Leavens, for so far disregarding the order of our Society as to be concerned in horseracing, making unnecessary use of Intoxicating liquors, and attending places of diversion, John Cronkhite and Vincent Bowerman, were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

from the same meeting one against Smith Bowerman for attending places of diversion and neglecting the attendance of meetings, Job Elsworth and Benj Dunam were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Also from the same one against Truman White for going out of plainness of speech and apparel, also for keeping Company and marrying a a [sic] person not in membership with us and having his marriage accomplish by a p out of the order of friends Gilbert Haight and marmaduke Ellis were appointed to labor with him on the act and report.

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we unite with the woman in disowning Elizabeth Pauyne

Came to this meeting from West Lake Preparative meeting, a complaint against W^m Rorke for Committing a breach of trust and thereby placing several persons which were his securities in great difficulty the Clerk was directed to forward it to yong street monthly meeting requesting them to take the necessary care in his case and in form this meeting of the result

Joseph Waring and Thomas Waring, were appointed to prepare Certificates for Thomas and George Rorke to youngstreet Monthly Meeting and produce to our next,

Our Esteemed friend Jane Young Opened in this meeting, a prospect that had accompanied her mind for a length of time, of visiting in gospel love, the meetings belonging to Pickering and yongstreet Pelham and Norwich, and the meetings of some parts of Michigan, This meeting unites with her in the prospect and leaves her at liberty to pursue the same as truth may open the way She being a minister in good esteem

Then Adjourned as usual -

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake 15th day of 4th mo 1852.

Rep being called were present Except 2

The minutes from Cold Creek of last month now received

The time for which the Clerk was appointed, being expired W^m Garratts name was proposed and untied with and appointed to that Service for one year, and Joseph Waring assistant

The representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting, report that 3 of them attended

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two of the Com to hear and consider objections to Thomas Clark being recommended to the station of a minister, not ready to report they were Continued

The Com to visit huntington meeting, not ready to report they were Continued

One of the Com to Visit Caleb Brown on act of his out goes, inform it not attended to, they were Continued

The Com to Visit John Leavens on act of his out goes inform the appointment not answered they were Continued

The Com to visit Smith Bowerman on act of a Complaint against him Inform they have made him a visit to good satisfaction after deliberation thereon is left under the Care of the Com to report

The Com to visit truman White on act of a Complaint against him inform the appointment not answered on act of his absence from home they were Continued

The Com to prepare a Certificate for Thomas and George Rorke to yong Street monthly meeting Produced one Which was satisfactory; the Clerk was directed to Signit and forward

This meeting unites with the woman in forwarding a Certificate for Martha Woorke??[possibly Rorke?] and five of her children to yong street monthly meeting also one for Sara Eliza Boon

The Com on act of a Complaint against him defered from 1st mo last not yet ready to report they were Continued

One of the Com in the Case of moses White Junr Inform further attention they ward Continued with W^m Garratt added

Adjourned to meet at Ameleasburgh as here to fore

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Ameleasburgh 20th day of 5th mo 1852 -

Representatives being called ware present ex 1

There being but 2 of the Com in Thomas Clarks Case present they were directed to report more fully next mo

TheCom appointed to visit Huntingdon meeting report that most of them have attended it with good Satisfaction and believe it right to have it Continued under the Care of a Com which report was united with, the following friends were appointed to visit that meeting and report in 11th mo next = Gilbert Haight John Cronkhite Marmaduke Ellis W^m Valentine Townsend Garratt John White & Cornelius Bowerman

We unite with the woman in disowning Mary Jane Switzer formerly Vanvolkinburgh

George and mariah Holway having removed within the limits of Miami Monthly meeting Ohio and requests our Certificate, the following friends were ware [sic] appointed to make the

necessary enquiry respecting his debts, and produce one to next meeting = Vincent Bowerman
Thomas Waring

The Com to visit Caleb Brown on act of his out goes inform it has not been attended to they were Continued

The Com to visit John Leavens on act of a Complaint against him inform it has not been attended to they were Continued

No act from the Com in Smith Bowermans case they were Continued to report

The Com in Truman Whites case Report it remains the same as last mo they were Continued to report in 8th mo next,

The Com in the Case of Philip Cronkhite Inform further attention not ready to report they were Continued

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The Com in the Case of Moses White Jun Inform the appointment not answered they were continued to report in 9th mo next

Our Esteemed friend Hannah Terril having informed this meeting that she had a prospect of accompanying Jane young in her intended Religious visit, this meeting unites therewith and leaves her at liberty to pursue the same The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

Came to this meeting from Ameliasburgh preparative a complaint against Richard Garratt for going out of plainness of dress and address keeping Company with and marrying a person not in membership with us Daniel D Haight and Vincent Bowerman were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Came to this from Cold Creek preparative meeting a complaint against Isaac Brundage for so far deviating from the good order established amongst us as to keep company with and marry a person not of our society, Marmaduke Huchison and Moses White, were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Adjourned to meet the 2 fifth day in 6th mo as here to fore

West Lamke Monthly Meeting of friends held at West lake 10th day of 6th mo 1852

Rep being Called from the different Preparative meetings were present except 2 -

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to five of them as forwarded from the several preparative meetings, which is as follows

The following friends were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report = Moses White, Job Aylsworth John Cronkhite Esli Terill and Nicholas D Lazier

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The Com in the case of Thomas Clark, inform they were united in requesting to be released, and after consideration the case is left under the Care of the Com another month

The Com to make the necessary enquiry respecting, George and Mariah N Holways outward affairs and forward a Certificate, Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to signit and forward

The Com to visit Caleb Brown on act of his out goes in form it not completed they were continued

The Com to visit John Leavens on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit and request a longer time

The Com in Smith Bowermans case inform no further attention they were continued

The Com in the case of Philip Cronkhite inform further attention and he appears desirous of retaining his membership, it is deferred for next meetings consideration

The Com to labor with Richard Garratt on act of a complaint against him Inform attention to the appointment they were Continued.

The Com to labor with Isaac Brundage on act of a Complaint against him Inform it has not been attended to they were Continued

The time for which the overseers were appointed having expired, the following friends were appointed to bring forward, names to serve as overseers for one year and report to next meeting, D.D. Haight W^m Garratt Marmaduke Richmond W^m Valentine David V Brown Thomas Clark Joseph Waring and James Matigaret,

Quarterly Collection $\frac{3}{5}$ for which the Clerk was directed to Produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting

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1st Ans All our meetings for Religious worship and discipline are attended altho Sorrowfully neglected by some friends, the hour not so nearly observed by all as is desired not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Love and unity is maintained as becomes brethren as far as appears, one instance Excepted when differences hath a rising Care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided.

3rd Most friends are Careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, altho in these respects deficiencies appear amongst us and we believe they do by example and precept endeavor to train them up in a religious life and Conversation consistent with our profession the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families, and Care extended in these respects towards others under ~~our~~ their tuition

4th friends do avoid the use of Distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes as far as appears one instance excepted and care taken we have none of those frequent taverns, on instance of attending a place of diversion

5th Ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline but not as Seasonably in all cases as would have been best

Then Adjourned As usual

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held At West lake the 15th day of 7th mo 1852, -

Rep being called were present except 1 -

Our beloved friend James Jones attended this meeting with a minute of unity and concurrence from China monthly meeting of friends held at So China 5th mo 18th 1852 Whose

company and Gospel labors was truly acceptable, Endorsed by Vassalborough quarterly meeting of friends held at east vassalborough maine 5th mo 28th 1852

Also as companion Thomas Estes with a minute of unity from Dearham monthly meeting of friends, state of maine held 5th mon 25th 1852 whose company was acceptable

The Clerk was directed to furnish those friends with copies of the above minutes

The rep appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report 3 of them attended and not producing the extracts from the yearly meeting they were continued to forward them to next meeting.

The Com in the case of Thomas Clark Inform further attention they were continued

The Com to visit Caleb W Brown on act of his out goes inform further attention and think it best to proceed against him, after consideration this meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Joseph Waring and Arnoldi Dorland to prepare a testification against him and Produce to next meet

The Com in Smith Bowermans case inform no further attention they were continued

The case of Philip Cronkhite again claiming the attention of this meeting and after deliberating are united in his retaining his membership and appoints Esli Terrel and Townsend Garratt to inform him of his Privilege of meetings and report -

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The Com to labor with Richard Garratt on act of a complaint against him not ready to report they were continued

The Com to visit Isaac Brundage on act of a complaint against him inform they have made him a visit to good satisfaction the meeting appears united in retaining him into membership and appoints Esli Terrel and Townsend Garratt to inform him of his Privilege of meetings and report

The Com to bring forward names to serve as overseers inform they have not had an opportunity of conferring to gather they were continued

The Clerk boduced [sic] the treasurers receipt as directed for 3/6.

Then Adjourned to meet at ameliastown

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Ameliastown 19th of 8th mo 1852

Rep being Called were Present except 1

The representatives Produce the Extracts from the yearly meeting, as directed by last meeting, directing the subordinate meetings to raise their proportion of 1000, dollars, and pay to the treasurer

~~Also to the observance of the london epistles, and also the extracts directs the monthly meetings to appoint a Com of men and woman to visit our every member with a subscription ??? each to fix for him self the amount he is willing to pay yearly, in view thereof That in view of the magnitude and ??? of education to the ??? and prosperity~~

This meeting directs the Preparative meetings to raise their Proportion of said sum and pay to the Clerk of this meeting also to the observance of the london epistles and minutes and extracts of the yearly meeting, The following friends were appointed to open subscriptions for the purpose of raising a sum to defray the expence of education

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agreeable to the extracts. To Wit. Jonathan I Bowerman Thomas Clark, Thomas Waring, George Valentine and W^m Mullett who ware to report in 2nd mo next.

A part of the Com to hear and Consider objections to Thomas Clark being recommended to the acknowledged as a minister, report - We believe we have with much difference paid the necessary attention to the subject and do find nothing in our Judgment to prevent his being acknowledged in that station, and after deliberation thereon this meeting appears united therewith and he is acknowledged accordingly having the unity of the woman therein (The Clerk was directed to furnish the preparative meetings of ministers and elders with a copy of the above minute

The Com to visit Caleb W Brown on act of his out goes inf form they have made him a visit to good satisfaction, after consideration is defered for next meetings consideration

The Com to prepare a testification against John leavens, Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to sign it and appoints James Matigaret and W^m Mullett to show him a copy there of inform him of his right to appeal and report.

one of the Com in Smith Bowerman case inform further attention and produced an acknowledgement which was accepted and appoints Cornelius Bowerman and Joseph Waring to inform him of his Privilege of meetings and report

The Com to in form Philip Cronk of his Privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Com to labor with Richard S Garratt on act of his out goes inform further attention they ware continued

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One of the Com to inform Isaac Brundage of his privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Com to Bring forward names for overseers submit the following George Kelly, James Staples, Simon Terrel George Card W^m Robinson, W^m Mullet Samuel Baker Junr, Moses White Vincent Bowerman, Arnoldi Dorland Gilbert Haight, which being separately read and Considered was united with and appointed to that service for one year

The Case of Truman White a gain refered to, is left under the care of the Com to report when accomplished

Our esteemed friend Cornelius Bowerman opened in this meeting a Prospect he had of attending yongstreet quarter and of appointing some meetings within its limits, with which this meeting unites and leaves him at liberty to pursue his prospect as truth opens the way

The Clerk was directed to furnish im with a Copy of the above minute

Then Adjourned to meet at West Lake as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at West Lake 16th day of 9th mo 1852

Rep being called four ware not Present,

The queries ware all read in this meeting, and the answers to the usual five is is in Substance as follows

The Case of Caleb W Brown Defered from last meeting claiming the attention of this is still deferred to next meeting

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One of the Com to show John Leavens a copy of a testification against him and inform him of this right to appeal report the appointment answered,

The Com to inform Smith Bowerman of his privilege of meetings report the appointment not answered they were continued

The Com to visit Richard S Garratt on act of his out goes inform they have attended to the appointment and Produced an acknowledgement which was read and appoints Joseph Wearing George Lear and Moses White, to enquire into the sincerity there of and report,

The Case of moses White Junr again claiming the attention of this meeting was reported to be the Com, not being able to attend to it in consequence of his absence is left under their Care for 6 months -

The following friends were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report, Viz-Benj Dunham Jonathan I Bowerman Solomon Vermilier and Esli Terril

Came to this meeting from Camden preparative a Complaining against Gilbert Vanvolkinburgh for running out of plainness of dress and address and for not attending our meetings, James Matigaret and Benj Dunham & John Cronkhite were appointed to labor with him on the act and report.

we unite with the woman in disowning aseneth Vanvolkinburgh

Quarterly Collection 5/9 for which the Clerk was directed to Produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting -

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1st Ans All our meetings for Religous worship and Dicipline are attended altho there is quite a Slackness with some friends especially in the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Ans Love and unity are in a good degree maintained as becomes brethren as far as appears when differences have a risen Care hath been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction appears to be mostly avoided

3rd Ans Friends appear Carful to keep themselves thier own and other friends children under thier 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 profession, altho their are Deviations ~~apparent~~ with some friends The Scripturs of truth we believe is read in friends families and do extend a care in these respects twards others under our tuition.

4th Ans friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes as far as appears, or of frequenting taverns Several instances of friends attending Places of diversion,

9th Ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline, but not as Seasonably in ass cases as would have been best.

Then Adjourned as usual

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends, Held at West Lake this 21st day of 10th mo 1852,

Rep being called were present,

Our esteemed friend Harvy Derbyshire a minister In the course of his of a religious visit attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity from a monthly meeting of friends held at Salem Henry County Iowa 2nd mo 18th Endorsed by Salem quarterly meeting held in the same Place 2nd mo 21st 1852 - his - Company and gospel labors have been satisfactory to us -

Our beloved friend Susannah Derbyshire attended this meeting as companion to her Husband Harvy Derbyshire in course of a religious Visit with a minute from Salem monthly meeting of friends held in Henry County Iowa 2nd mo 18th 1852

The Clerk was directed to furnish them with Copies of the above minutes -

The Case of Caleb W Brown was again brought before this meeting an acknowledgement was produced by the Com which was read and accepted and appoints Thomas Forland and Edward Cronk to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

No act from the Com to inform Smith Bowerman of his privilege of meeting - they were continued

The Com to visit Richard S Garratt and inquire into the sincerity of his acknowledgement inform attention thereto they were continued to report in 12th mo next

One of the representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended

One of the Com to visit Gilbert Vanvolkinburgh on act of a complaint against him inform the appointment not answered they were continued.

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We unite with the woman in disowning Isabella Sweetman formerly Nash

Came to this meeting from Ameliasburgh preparative meeting a request from James And Mintche Haight, for their 2 children to become members of this meeting which is united with

Archelus Southard Daniel D Haight Marmaduke Richmond and William Garratt were appointed to examine some books sent by the quarterly meeting to see whether they are suitable for friends library or School and report

The Clerk produced the treasurers receipt for 5/9 it being quarterly Collection

Then adjourned to meet at Ameliasburgh as here to fore.

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Ameliasburgh 18th day of 11th mo 1852 -

Rep being Called were present except 1 -

No act from the Com to inform Caleb W Brown of his privilege of meetings they were Continued

The Com appointed to visit Gilbert Vanvolkinburgh on act of a Complaint against him inform it not Completed they were Continued -

No act from the Com to inform Smith Bowerman of his privilege of meetings they were Continued

The Com to examine a package of books Sent to the monthly meeting by the quarter to see whether they are suitable for friends library or School they unite in believing it best to refer them to the Com of the Boarding School with which this meeting unites

The Com to visit an indulged

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Meeting at Huntingdon inform attention to the appointment not ready to report they were Continued

Adjourned to meet at West Lake as here to fore -

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake 9th day 12th mo 1852 -

Rep being called ~~were present~~ from three of the preparative meetings (were present ~~Except~~ no act from Haldimond or Camden -

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

John Cronkhite Job Elsworth Esli Terrel and W^m Garratt were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

no act yet from the Com to inform Caleb W Brown of his privilege of meetings they were Continued

The Com to visit Gilbert Vanvolkinburgh on act of a Complaint against him inform it not yet completed they were continued

The Com to inform Smith Bowerman of his privilege of meetings inform it not yet Completed they were Continued

The Com to have charge of Huntingdon meeting inform they have visited it to good Satisfaction believe it to be owned by the great head of the Church believing it best to be continued under the Care of the same Com with which this meeting unites and leaves it under the Care of the same Com 6 months

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Quarterly Collection 5/ for which the Clerk was directed to produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting

The Com in the Case of Richard S Garratt deferred from 10th mo last not yet ready to report they were continued

The Case of Truman white deferred from 8th mo last Claiming the attention of this meeting and being informed that he lived in the verge of laray monthly meeting the Clerk was directed to request that meeting to take the necessary Care in his Case and inform this meeting of the result

1st Ans All our meetings for Religious worship and dicipline are attended alto there is a deficency with some friends in this respect the hour nearly observed not quite all Clear of Sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some Care taken

2nd Ans Love and unity are generally maintained a mongst us as becoms brethren when differences arise Care is taken to end them, tale bearing and tetracton [sic] is discouraged and mostly avoided

3rd Friends are mostly Careful to keep themselves thier own and other friends Children under thier care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel, altho deviations exist in this important duty in which some Care has been taken and do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a Religious life and convesation consistant with our Christion profession the scripturs of truth are frequent read in friends famaties [sic] and due Care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

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4 Ans distilled spiritous liquors appear to be avoided for other than medicinal purposes none to charge with frequenting taverns one instance of attending a place of diversion ~~and~~ which is under Care.

9th we believe Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and a greeably to our dicipline though not so seasonably at all times as could be desired
Then adjourned as usual

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake 20th day of 1st mo 1853 -

Rep being called were present except 1, and a reason assigned for his absence -

The rep appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report that they attended

The Com to inform Caleb W Brown of his privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Com in the Case of Gilbert Vanvolkinburgh inform some attention they are Continued

The Com to inform Smith Bowerman of his privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Com in the Case of Richard S Garratt inform further attention not ready to report they ware Continued

The Clerk produced the treasurers receipt for 5/ it being quarterly Collection

Our Esteemed friend Jane young Laid before this meeting a prospect that had accompanied her mind for a length of time of visiting in gospel love, the most part or all of the meetings belonging to north Carolina yearly meeting, the subject of which is left

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for next meetings Consideration

This meeting was informed by Yongstreet Monthly meeting held at Tecumseth the 14th of 10th mo 1852, That, W^m Rorke Is recevd into membership by an acknowledgement which was satisfactory to that meeting,

Then Adjourned to meet at ameliastown as here to fore

West lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at ameliastown 17th day of 2nd mo 1853 -

Representatives being Called ware Present except 2 and a reason assinged for the absence of 1 -

Haldimond and Camden minuted for las quarter now received,

The queries were all read in this meeting with the advices and answers a Summary of which is as follows

John White Thomas Clark John Cronkhite and Joseph B. Dorland, were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The Com appointed to visit Gilbert Vanvolkinburgh on act of a Complaint against him, inform they have made him a visit, he acknowledged the Com, Just, but did not appear in a Situation to make friends Satisfaction, the meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Joseph Waring and Vincent Bowerman to produce a testification against him to next meeting

The Com to visit Richard Garratt on act of his acknowledgement in form further attention, and do not consider him Sincere therein on Consideration the meeting appears united And appoints marmaduke Richmond and Gilbert Haight to return him his acknowledgement and Report

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We unite with the woman in receveing Eliza Spencer into membership

The money called for by the yearly meeting is raised and forwarded

Quarterly Collection 3/1 ½ for which the Clerk was directed to produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting.

The Com appointed in 8th mo last to open voluntary Subscriptions for the purpose of education agreeable to the extracts from the yearly meeting inform they have raised the sum of £1.7-6 which is paid to the Clerk of the quarterly meeting -

by the reports there are none holding posts of profit or honor under governments nor any distrains for military fines the past year.

1st Ans all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended, altho there are some who are quite deficient in this respect especially in the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed not quite Clear of Sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken -

2nd Ans Love and unity are in a good degree maintained amongst us as becoms brethren as far as appears, when differences arise Care is taken to end them, tale bearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided

3rd Ans We believe most friends are Carful to keep themselves thier own and other friends Children under thier Care in Plainness of speech behaviour and apparel altho deviations in these respects are apparent, and do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our religeous profession, the scripturs of truth we trust are read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

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4th Ans friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes as far as appears, we no of none that frequent taverns or that have attended places of diversion.

5th Ans the circumstances of the Poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been inspected and some relief afforded them they have been advised and assisted in such employment as they are Capable of their Children are in some way to get School learning to fit them for business

6th ans two instances of keeping company with and marrying persons not of our Society no parents to charge with conniving at thier children keeping company with such one instances of attending the marriage of those who have gone out from us and one instance of attending a marriage accomplished by a priest -

7th friends are Clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu there of

8th Ans friends appear carful to perform thier promises and pay thier just except one instance which is under care none who have extended thier business beyond thier abilities to manage as becoms our religious profession

9th Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and a greeably to dicipline tho not so Seasonably in all cases as might of been best

10th Ans They are
Then adjourned as hereto fore

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A minute of 2nd mo, The subject of Jane Youngs, Certificate as set forth in last mon, a gain claiming the attention of this meeting, is fully united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way, The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 7th day of 3rd mo 1853

Rep being called ware present except One

The Representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended

The Com to forward a testification against G. Vanvolkinburgh produced one which being read was approved The Clerk directed to sign it and appoints Archelus Southard and Thomas Waring to show him a copy there of inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com appointed to return Richard S Garrats acknowledgement to him, inform the appointment answered, and after Consideration the meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints, Archelus Southard and Thomas Waring to produce a testification against him to next meeting

The Clerk not Produceing the treasurers recipt for 3/1 ½ was requested to forward it to next meeting

We unite with the woman in Continuing Charity Marsh formerly Terrel into membership

We acknowledge the recipt of Charles G Bowermans Certificate from frankford Monthly meeting Philadelphia County State of Pennsylvania held 12th mo 28th 1852

The case of moses White junr again claiming the attention of this meeting the Com inform it not attended to in Consequence of his absence

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and is a gain left under thier Care for 6 months
Adjourned to meet as heretofore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at West lake 21st day of 4th mo 1853 -

Rep being called ware present except 1

The Com to show Gilbert Vanvolkinburgh a copy of a testification against him, and inform him of his right to appeal Report the appointment not answered they ware continued

The Com to forward a testification a gainst Richard S Garratt inform it not Completed they ware Continued

The Clerk produced the treasurers Receipt as directed.

Came to this from Cold Creek Preparative meeting a complaint against James Ally for occasioning public scandal to the approach of Sosiety, this meeting appoints Gilbert Haight, John Cronkhite and Daniel D Haight to labor with him on the act and report

Our friend Edward Cronk laid before this meeting a prospect he had of accompanying ~~in~~ her intended Jane Young in her intended visit as set forth in her Certificate with which this meeting unites, The Clerk was directed to furnish him a minute

This meeting unites in hannah Terrels prospect as Companion to Jane Young -
Adjourned to meet at ameliastown as here to fore

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Ameliastown 19th day of 5th mo 1853

Rep being Called ware present Except 2;

No act from the Com to show gilbert Vanvolkinburgh a Copy of a testification against him ~~Richard~~ and inform him of his right to appeal they ware Continued -

A testification against Richard S Garratt was produced and read and approved of the Clerk directed to signit, and appoints Arnoldi Dorland and Jonathan I Bowerman to Show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report.

The Com to visit James Alley on act of a complaint a gainst him Inform they have made him a visit, but the Meeting thinking further Investigation necessary the Com ware continued with Arnoldi Dorland Vincent Bowerman Jonathan I Bowerman and W^m Valentine added.

Then Adjourned to meet at West Lake as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Westlake this 9th day of 6th mo 1853 -

Rep being Called ware present Except 2, no act from ameliastown Preparative

The queries ware all read in this meeting and the usual five answered as follows with the acception of ameliastown who are requested to forward theirs to next meeting -

Our esteemed friend W^m B. Thompson in the Course of his religious visit attended this meeting with a Certificate of Concurrence from friends of Seabrook monthly meeting held at epping N. H. 6th of 1st mo 1853 - Endorsed by Salem quarterly meeting of friends held in Salem Mass, the 20th of 1st mo 1853. Whose Company and gospel labor has truly been acceptable, also as Companion to her Husband Louisa Thompson attended this meeting

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with a minute from Seabrook monthly meeting of friends held at effing 6th of 1st mo 1853 whose company was acceptable. *

Vincent Bowerman Archelus Southard Job Ailsworth and Gilbert Haight, were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The Com to show Gilbert Vanvolkinburgh a Copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal, inform the appointment not attended to they were Continued

The Com to Show Richard S- Garratt a Copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

The Com to Visit James Alley on act of a Complaint against him Inform further attention thereto, and request a longer time they were Continued and report in 11th mo

The Com to have Charge of Huntingdon meeting, not ready to report they were Continued

Quarterly Collection 4/3 for which the Clerk was directed to produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting

Joseph Waring and Archelus Southard were appointed to Settle with the former treasurer and pay the money found in his hands to Charles G Bowerman, who was appointed treasurer in place of Hevalind Hubbs released by his request

We unite with the woman in continuing Phebe Jane Leavens formerly Garratt into membership

We unite with the woman in the reception of Jane Leavens in membership

* The Clerk was directed to furnish them with Copies of the above minutes -
Then Adjourned

Right

1st Ans, All our meetings are attended except one preparative Meeting, the hour not so strictly observed as is desirable not quite clear of sleeping - one instance of unbecomeing behaviour to remark

2nd Answer Love and unity is generally maintained as becoms brethren, except two instances some care taken when differences arise care has been taken to end them when differences arise care has been taken to end them, [sic] tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged

3rd Ans. We believe most friends are Careful to keep them selves their own and other friends Children under their Care in a good degree of plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel, yet deviations in these respects are apparent, and are endeavoring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Chrision profession, we believe the scripturs of truth are frequently read in friends families and Care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Ans friends do avoid the use of spiritous liquors, except for purposes strictly medicinal and are Clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears

9th ans Care has been taken in most Cases Seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake this 21st day of 7th mo 1853 -

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Rep being Called were present

The minutes of Ameliasburgh now received

The time for which the Clerks were appointed being expired, Wm Garratts name being Proposed was united with and appointed to that Service for one year and Charles G Bowerman assistant

The Representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report 3 of them attended

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and Produced a number of the London epistles, some Books and memoirs, which were directed to the observance of the Subordinate meetings

The Com to show Gilbert VanValkinburgh a copy of a testification against him and Inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

The Com to have Charge of Huntingdon meeting inform further attention, not ready to report they were Continued

Came to this meeting from Ameliasburgh preparative a Complaint against Freeman Hutchinson for going out of plainness in dress and address and making unnecessary use of Spiritous liquors, Benj. Dunam and Moses White were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

The Clerk produced the treasurers receipt as directed

The Com to settle with the treasurer as set forth in thier appointment, inform it has not been attended to they were Continued.

Adjourned to meet at Ameliasburgh as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 18th day of 8th mo 1853 -

Rep being Called were present Except 1 and a reason given for his none attendance

The Com to have Charge of Huntingdon Indulged meeting, Inform that a number of them have attended thereto and believe it is respectably held and believe it would be right

Right

to Continue it under the care of a Com with which this meeting unites, and appoints James Haight Hevalind Hubbs, Esli Terrel, Joseph Haight, Job Elsworth and Thomas Clark and report in 2nd mo next -

The Com to labor with Freeman Hutchinson on act of a Complaint against him inform they have made him a visit, and he does not appear to be in a situation to make Satisfaction after consideration this meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Philip Stephenson and William Garratt to prepare a testification against him and produce to next meeting

The Com to enquire into Levi V Bowerman Clearness of marriage engagements inform there appears nothing to obstruct, they having Consent of parents are left at liberty to Consumate Said marriage between this and our next monthly meeting according to the order of fiends Joseph Waring and Hevalind Hubbs, were appointed to attend Said marriage See it orderly Conducted and hand the marriage Certificate to the recorder and report

We acknowledge the reception of Levi Varney and wives Certificate from Providence monthly meeting of friends held 7th mo 27th 1853

The Com to settle with the treasurer inform attention not completed they were continued

We acknowledge the reception of Mary proctors Certificate from Tipperary monthly meeting Ireland held in Clonnel 31st of 3rd mo 1853 -

Our esteemed friend James N Haight laid before this meeting a prospect he had of attending the meetings of pelham quarterly meeting and some of the meetings of yongstreet quarter and also of appointing a mongst those not of our Society he being a minister in unity with this friends, and having the unity of this meeting is left at liberty to pursue his -

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his prospect as truth may open the way

The Clerk was directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at West lake 15th day of 9th mo 1853 -

Rep being Called were present Except 2.

The queries were all read in This meeting with the advices and answers as forwarded from the Preparative meetings, Cold Creek excepted, a summary of which is as follows

The Com to prepare a testification a gainst freeman Huchinson, Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to signit, and appoints Jonathan I Bowerman & Vincent Bowerman to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report

One of the Com to attend the marriage of Levi V Bowerman and Mary Haight, Inform they attended and did not know but that it was orderly Conducted and the marriage Certificate forwarded to the recorder

The Com to settle with the treasurer inform it Completed and Produced the Present treasurers receipt for £1-9-6

Came to this meeting from west lake preparative a complaint against Charles Leavens, Fore keeping Company with and marrying a person not of our Society and for being out of Plainness of address Gilbert Haight and John white were appointed to labor with withe [sic] him on the act and report

Quarterly Collection 12/6 for which the Clerk was directed to Produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting

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James Matigaret, Solomon Vermilier Vincent Bowerman and Joseph Brown were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The following friends were appointed to bring forward names to served as overseers to next meeting, Joseph Brown Samuel Hudson, Job Ailsworth Rowland Haight Gilbert Haight and Solomon Vermilier

Came to this meeting from the Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders proposing to this meeting the Consideration of appointing Hannah Terril to the station of an elder, James

Matigaret and Benj Dunam were appointed in Conjunction with a Com of women friends, to hear and Consider objections if any to her being appointed to that station and report,

Our Esteemed friend Hester Garratt laid before this meeting a prospect that had accompanied her mind for some length of time of attending yongstreet quarterly meeting held at Pickering also of attending some meetings belonging to Pickering monthly meeting, this meeting unites with her in the Respect and leaves her at liberty to pursue the same as truth dictates, She being a minister in unity with her friends

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a Copy of the above minute
1st ansall our meetings for fore [sic] religious worship and dicipline are attended but not as diligently bay all as is desirable the hour nearly observed not all Clear of Sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd ans Love and unity is mostly maintained as becomes Brethran except one instance when differences arise some care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is mostly avoided and discouraged

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3rd Ans Some friends appear to be Carful to keep themselves thier own and other friends Children under thier Care in Plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and we believe they do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and Conversation consistant with our Profession, altho there are deficiencies amongst us, the scripturs of truth are read in friends families, and some care extended towards others under our tuition

4th ans Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes as far as appears, we no of none that frequent taverns or that have attended Places of diversion

9th Ans Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to dicipline - but not so Seasonably in ass Cases as is desired

Then Adjourned, as usual

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West lake 20th day of 10th mo. 1853 -

Rep being called ware present

Cold Creek minutes of last mo now received

The Com to show Freeman Huchinson a Copy of a testification a gainst him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

The Com to labor with Charles Leavens on act of a Complaint a gainst him inform attention, not ready to report, they ware Continued,

The Clerk produced the treasurers recept for 12/6 is directed it being quarterly Collection

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One of the Com appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended and produced a minute directing the Subordinate meetings to rais their proportion of 125.0 dollars for the yearly meeting stock, the preparative meetings ware requested to rais thier proportion of said sum and pay to this meetings Clerk, also to furnish an act of the number of children of suitable age to attend school within thier limits, those who do attend and the kind of schools

where they are taught and to have the alterations inserted in thier books of dicipline agreeable
To the extracts from the yearly meetings

The Com to bring forward names to serve as overseers submit the following, - which
being Separately read and Considered was united with and appointed to that service for one
year

Vincent Bowerman, George Lear, Valentine Brown, W^m Robinson, Solomon Vermilier
Samuel Baker Junr, Simon Terrel, Esli Terrel, James Staples, George Kelly, Marmaduke Ellis,
Gilbert Haight

Came to this meeting from Cold Creek Preparative a Comp against Anthony Terril, for so
far deviating from the good order of our Sosiety as to keep Company with and marry a person
not of our sosiety, and having his marriage accomplished Contrary to the order of friends,
William Valentine and Rowland Haight were appointed to labor with him on the act and report -

Then adjourned as usual -

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Hillier the 17th day of 11th mo 1853.

Rep being Called were present Except 2 -

The Com to labor with Charles Leavens, on act of a complaint against him in form they
have made him a visit, not ready to report they ware continued with Joseph waring added

One of the Com to labor with Anthony Terril on act of a complaint against him, Inform no
attention has been paid to it as yet they ware continued

The Com to visit James Ally on act of a Com against him defered from 6th mo last now
Claiming the attention of this meeting inform they have made him another Visit, and believe it
right to accept his acknowledgement with which this meeting unites and appoints Townsend
Garratt and Harvy Brundage to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

The Com to hear and consider objections relative to appointing Hannah Terrel to the
station of an elder, report no such objection has been made, this meeting appears united therein
and she is appointed accordingly; The Clerk is directed to furnish the preparative meeting of
ministers and Elders with a Copy of the above minute

This meeting was informed that our friend Samuel I Dorland has a Prospect of
accompanying James N Haight in a religious visit as set forth in his Certificate the meeting
unites with him therein and leaves

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him at liberty to procede as truth may direct he being a member in unity with us

The Clerk was directed to furnish him with a Copy of the above minute

We unite with the woman in Continuing Clarryann Nnoxon [sic] In membership

Then adjourned to meet on 2nd fifth day in 12th mo

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake 8th day of 12th mo 1853 -.

Rep being Called were present from the several preparative meetings

The queries ware all read in this meeting and the answers to five of them, as forward
from the several preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows

Gilbert Haight Jonathan I Bowerman, Charles G Bowerman and W^m Garratt were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report.

The Com to visit Charles Leavens not yet ready to report they were Continued

One of the Com to visit Anthony Terrell on act of a Complaint a gainst him; Inform they have made him a visit to good satisfaction after consideration the meeting appears uniteded [sic] in retaining him into membership and appoints Archelus Southard And Judah H. Bowerman to inform him there of and report

Came to this meeting from Cold Creek preparative a Complaint against Henry Field-house for being in the Practice of administering oaths, Archelus Southard

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And William Garratt were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Came to this meeting from Camden preparative a request to be joined in membership with friends Signed Nathaniel Dossking?, Gilbert Haight and Jonathan I Bowerman were appointed to make him a visit on the act and report

A Concern a rose in this meeting So far as to suggest the propriety of appointing a Com to visit Haldimond meeting which resulted in appointing the following friends in conjunction with a Com of woman friends to Visit that meeting and Some of its members, and Extend Such advice and assistance as might be necessary and report in 2nd mo next (to wit) Joseph Brown Vincent Bowerman Edward Cronk John Cronkhite George Lear and Rowland Haight,

quarterly collection 7/7 ½ for which the Clerk was directed to produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting.

Then Adjourned as usual

1st Ans All our meeting for Religious worship and dicipline are attended altho a slackness in some friends, the hour nearly observed not quite Clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Ans Love and unity is maintained as becoms brethren with the acception of one instance which is under care when differences a rise care is taken to end them tale bearing is discouraged and mostly a voided

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3rd Ans Most friends appear Carful to keep themselves thier own and other friend children under our care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparrel, and do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our profession altho deviations appear amongst us, some care taken we believe the scripturs of truth are frequently read in friends families and care extended to wards others under our tuition.

4th Ans friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion as far as appears -

9th Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeable to dicipline tho not so seasonably in all cases as would have been best

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at West lake 19th day of 1st mo 1854

Rep being Called were present Except 1

The representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report three of them attended -

The Com to inform anthony Terrel of his Privilege of meetings report it not Completed - they were Continued

The Com to visit Charles Leavens - on act of his out goes Inform not yet ready to report they were continued

The Com to visit Henry Fieldhouse on act of ~~his out goes~~ a Com - a gainst him Inform it has not been attended to they war continued.

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The Com to Visit Nathaniel Dosking, a greeable to his request, Inform it has not been attended to they were Continued,

The Clerk Produced the treasurers receipt for 7/7 ½ it being quarterly collection

Came to this meeting from west lake Preparative a complaint against Stanford White for having his marriage accomplished Contrary to the order of friends, Jonathan I Bowerman and Stephen Hubbs were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Vincent Bowerman and W^m Garratt were appointed to produce a Certificate to next meeting for Henry Lapp and wife, to Pickering monthly meeting if not[h]ing appears to Prevent, Then Adjourned

West lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Hillier 16th day of 2nd mo 1854

Rep being Called were present Except one,

The queries were all read in This meeting, and the answers as forwarded from the different Preparativs a summary of which is as follows

Job Ailsworth, John White - Edward Cronk and Thomas Clark, were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report,

The Com to inform Anthony Terrill of his Privilege of meetings Inform attention there to they were continued -

The Com to visit Charles Leavens on act of his out goes Inform they have made him a visit but did not find him in a Situation to make satisfaction, It is defered for next meetings Consideration.

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The Com to Visit Henry fieldhouse on act of a Complaint against him, Inform they have made him a visit and found the Complaint Just and he did not appear to be in a situation to make Satisfaction, The meeting comes to the Conclusion to disown him and appoints, W^m Garratt and Charles G Bowerman to produce a testification a gainst him to next meeting

The Com to Visit Nathaniel Dosking, on act of his request Inform attention not ready to report they were continued,

The Com to visit Sanford White on act of a Complaint a gainst him Inform it has not been attended to they were continued

The Com to forward a Certificate to this meeting, for Henry Lapp and wife to Pickering Monthly Meeting, Inform it not completed they were continued

The Com to visit Haldimond meeting not ready to report they were continued

Came to this meeting from Camden preparative a Proposition for holding a monthly meeting alternately in Camden and Kingston, which after discussion Is left for the consideration of next meeting In 6th mo,

quarterly collection 3/12 for which the Clerk was directed to produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting,

The money Called for by the yearly meeting Is raised and forwarded which Is \$13&60 cts.

The alterations are made In the Books of dicipline as directed

There Is nothing In the report to say there is any holding Posts of Proffit or honor under goverment -

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By the reports from the Preparative Meetings, there appears to be of friends Children that attend District Schools 147, and 19 that do not attend any School at Present, 3 that attend family School, and 15 that attend friends Boarding School

Then Adjourned as usual,

1st Ans, all our meetings for religious worship and Dicipline are attended yet Some friends are quite deficient here in the hour is mostly observed not quite Clear of Sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some Care taken

2nd Ans Love and unity is generally maintained as becoms brethren, when differences arise Care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction Is mostly avoided and discouraged

3rd Ans, Friends are generally Carful to keep themselves thier own and other friends Children under thier 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 Profession, altho deviations In these respects are apparent, The Scripturs of truth we believe are frequently read in friends families, and Care is extended towards others under our tuition

4th Ans Friends do a void the use of spiritous liquors, except for medicinal purposes as far as appears, we no of none that frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

5th Ans The Circumstances of the Poor and of those who require assistance have been Inspected and one meeting says some relief afforded they have been advised and assisted in such employments as they are Capable of and

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theier Children and most others under our Care are instructed In School learning to fit them for business -

6th Ans we no of none amongst us that keep company on act of marriage not of our socity, one instance excepted, no parent to charge with conniveing at thier Children keeping Company with such none to charge with attending marriages of those that go out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest -

7th Ans Clear in the several parts of this query

8th Ans Friends are generally Careful to perform thier promises and pay thier just debts with two exceptions in which care has been taken we no of none who extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becoms our religious profession and Care has been extended to those who give occasion for fear on those acts for their Preservation and recovery -

9th Ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline, yet not so seasonably in ass Cases as would have been best,

10th They are

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake the 16th day of 3rd mo 1854

Rep being Called ware present except 1 -

The representatives ~~report~~ appointed to attend the quarterly Meeting report 3 of them attended

The Com to inform Anthony Terrell, of his privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Case of Charles Leavens defered from last meeting, Now claiming the attention of this, after consideration comes to the Conclusion to Disown him and appoints

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Thomas Waring and Levi Varney to produce a testification a gainst him to next Meeting,

The Com to forward a testification a gainst Henry Fieldhouse Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to Sign it and appoints Jon I Bowerman and William Valentine to show him a copy Inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com to Visit Nathaniel Dosking on act of his request, Informed attention to the appointment and request a longer time they ware continued to report In Sixth month

The Com to Visit Sanford White on act of a Complaint a gainst him Inform one of them made him a Visit and he acknowledged the Complaint Just, they ware Continued to report in fifth mo next,

The Com to prepare a Certificate for Henry Lapp And wife to Pickering Monthly meeting, Produced one the Clerk directed to sign and forward

We unite with the woman in disowning Mary Vaness formerly Brown

The Com to Visit Haldimonds meeting not yet ready to report they ware continued

The Clerk Produced the treasurers receipt for 3/12 as directed

Came ot this meeting from west Lake preparative a request Signed Henry Hubbs, Job Ailsworth and James Haight ware appointd to make him a visit on the act and report

The Case of Moses White Jnr again claiming the attention of this Meeting the Com in his case inform, they have made him a visit, and he did not appear to be in a situation to make full satisfaction, the meeting Comes to the Conclusion to disown

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him and appoints Joseph Waring and Levi Varney to prepare a testification against him to next meeting

Then Adjourned as usual

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at west Lake 20th day of 4th mo 1854 ~

Rep being Called were present except 1

The Com to prepare a testification against Charles Leavens Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to signit and appoints, Solomon Vermilier and Job Elsworth to offer him a copy there of Inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com to offer Henry Fieldhouse a Copy of a testification a gainst him and Inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered.

The Com to Visit Haldimond Meeting, and its members, Inform attention thereto and request a longer time, they ware Continued to report in tenth mo

The Com to visit Henry Hubbs on act of his request inform attention they ware Continued

The Com to prepare a testification a gainst Moses White Junr. Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk Directed to Sign it and appoints Marmaduke Ellis, and Thomas Waring, to offer him a Copy of it inform him of his right to appeal and report

Came to this meeting from ameleasburgh Preparative an acknowledgement signed Anthony Haight Vincent Bowerman and Moses White were appointed to make him a visit inquire into the sincerity there of and report,

Adjourned as usual to meet at Hillier,

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West Lake monthly Meeting of Friends Held at West Hillier this 18th day of 5th mo 1854

Rep being Called were present Except one

The Com to offer Charles Leavens a Copy of a testification against him Inform him of his right to appeal report the ap, - answered

The Com to visit Henry Hubbs on act of his request, Inform they have made him a visit to good satisfaction and believe his life and Conversation is orderly, after Consideration this meeting recives him into membership and appoints W^m Valentine and Charles G Bowerman to inform him of his privilege of meetings and Report

The Com to offer Moses White Junr a Copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

The Com to Visit Anthony Haight on act of his acknowledgement inform they have made him a Visit and believe him Sincere there in, after Consideration thereon, he is accepted and appoints W^m Garratt and John Cronk to inform him of his privilege of meetings and Report.

The Com to visit Sanford White on act of a Complaint against him defered from 3rd mon Inform they have again Visited him and he did not appear to ~~make~~ be in a situation to make that Satisfaction this meeting required, - It is defered for next meetings consideration

Came to this meeting from ameleasburgh Preparative a Complaint a gainst Judah Cronkhite, for marrying a person not a member of our sosiety and having his marriage accomplished Contrary to the order of friends also for

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going out of plainness of dress Joseph B Dorland and Samuel I Dorland, were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Came to this from ameliaburgh Preparative an acknowledgement Signed Joel Haight, Vincent Bowerman and Archelus Southard were appointed to enquire into the sincerity thereof and report

from the same meeting a Complaint against amos Garratt for marrying a person not a member of our society and having his marriage accomplished Contrary to the order of friends, also for going out of Plainness of dress, Jonathan I Bowerman and Joseph Haight were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Our Esteemed friend Jane Young laid before this a ~~Prospect~~ Meeting a Prospect that had arrested her mind for a length of time of makeing a visit in the love of the gospel, the Yearly Meeting of Ohio and Most part of the meetings belonging there to, and to appoint Some meetings as truth may Dictate, also of Visiting a part of the meetings belonging to Farmington quarter, This Meeting appears united with her therein and leaves her at liberty to pursue the same as truth may open the way She being a minister in unity with us,

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a Copy of the above minute

Then Adjourned to meet as usual at west lake the 2nd 5th day in 5th mon.

West Lake Monthly Meeting Of friends held at west lake 8th of 6th mo, 54

Rep being called 4 were Present Except one

The queries were all read in this meeting and a Summary of the usual five as forwarded from the several preparative meetings are in substance as follows

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Jonathan I Bowerman, Joseph Haight Richard Southard and Vincent Bowerman were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

No act from the Com to inform Henry Hubbs of his Privilege of meetings they wae continued

The Com to in form Anthony Haight of his privilege of meetings report the appointment

The case of Daniel S White again claiming the attention of this meeting and receiving an acknowledgement from him, this meeting appoints Marmaduke Ellis and Gilbert Haight to make him a visit inquire into the Sincerity thereof and report

One of the Com to visit Judah Cronkhite on act of a complaint a gainst him inform attention not ready to report they ware continued

The Com to visit Joel Haight on act of his acknowledgement not ready to report they ware continued

Quarterly Collection 2/6 for which the Clerk was directed to produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting

1st ans All our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended altho some friends are not so diligent in the attendance of them as is desired the hour is nearly observed not quite Clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark

2nd Ans We believe love and unity is maintained amongst us as becoms brethren, Except one instance which is under Care when differences has a risen Care has been taken to end

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them, we believe tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided as far as appears

3rd Most friends appear Carful to keep themselves their own and other friends Children under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparrel, yet deveations are apparent, and are endeavoring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our profession yet Some are deficient here in the scripturs of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families, and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Ans We no of none that make use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal Purposes, nor any that attend taverns or places of diversion

9th Ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and measurably a greeably to Dicipline but not as Seasonably in all cases as would have been best

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake this 20th day of 7th 54

Rep being Called were present except one,

Our Esteemed friend Richard Allen in the Course of a religious visit to friends in america, attended this meeting with a Certificate of love and Concurrence from the monthly meeting of waterford Ireland, held at waterford 23rd of 3rd mo by adjournment the 6th of 4th mo 1854, Endorsed by the quarterly meeting of friends held at Clonmell the 10th day of 4th mo 1854 Also by the yearly meeting of ministers and elders held in Dublin Ireland on the 29th of 4th mo and by adjournment on the 6th of 5th mo 54, whose Company and gospel labours has been acceptable, Also as Companion our Dear friend Samuel Bentley with a minute

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of love and approbation of friends form the monthly meeting of Dublin Ireland held 16th day of 5th mo "54, whose company has been acceptable

The Clerk was directed to furnish those friends with a Copy of the above minute

3 of the representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended and not prудuceing the business from that meeting they ware Continued to forward it to next meeting,

The Com to inform Henry Hubbs of his Privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

We unite with the woman in disowning Mary Howard formerly Sweetman

The Com to visit Daniel Sanford White on act of his acknowledgement inform they have made him a visit and believe him sincere therein, after deliberation, comes to the Conclusion to receve it and appoints Archelous Southard and Wm Garratt ~~were appointed~~ to inform him of his Privilege of meetings and report

The Com to visit Judah Cronkhite on act of a complaint against him Inform they have made him a visit and he acknowledged the Com Just, and after consideration Is deferred for next meetings consideration

The Com to visit Joel Haight on act of his acknowledgement Inform they have made him a visit and believe him Sincere and did not discover but his life and Conversation was orderly the meeting Coms to the conclusion to receive him into membership and appoints Samuel I Dorland and James Haight to inform him there of and report

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The Com to visit Amos Garratt on act of a complaint against him, Inform they have made him a visit, and he did not appear in a situation to make satisfaction, the meeting Coms to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Levi Varney and Thomas Waring to produce a testification against him to next meeting

The Clerk produced the treasurers receipt as directed.

Our esteemed friend Mary ann Valentine laid before this meeting a prospect she had of accompanying Jane Young in her intended visit as set forth in her Certificate This meeting unites with her therein She being a member in unity with us,

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

Then Adjourned to meet at Hillier as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Hillier this 17th day of 8th mo 54.

Rep being called were present except 1

The rep appointed to attend the quarterly meeting, produced a minute directing the Subordinate meetings to the observance of the London epistles, and the extracts of the yearly Meeting of New York, which contains a minute directing the sum of \$1500 to be raised for the yearly meeting use this meeting directs the preparative meetings to raise their proportion of said sum and pay to the Clerk of this meeting, also to furnish a full report of the number of Children of an age, Suitable to attend school and the character of the schools in which they are educated -

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The Com to inform D. S White of his privilege of meeting report the appointment answered.

The case of Judah Cronkhite is deferred to the care of the Com appointed on his case who are to report,

The Com to inform Joel Haight of his privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Com to prepare a testification against Amos Garratt Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to Sign it, and appoints Esli Terrell and Marmaduke Richmond to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report

Came to this meeting from West Lake preparative a Com against Thomas Baker for So far ~~deviating~~ disregarding the order of our society as to be in the practice of administering oaths, Archelus Southard and Job Ailsworth were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Our esteemed friend Cornelius Bowerman laid before this meeting a prospect he had of attending Yongstreet quarterly meeting, and the meeting in Mariposa, and to appoint Some meetings, the meeting unites with him ~~there~~ in his prospect and leaves him at liberty to pursue the same as truth dictates he being a minister in unity

The Cle[r]k was directed to furnish him with a Copy of the above minute

Then adjourned as usual

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 21st day of 9th mo 1854 -

Rep being Called were present Except 2 and a reason assigned for the absence of one -

The queries with the advices were all read in this meeting, and the answers as forward from the different preparative meeting a Summary of which is as follows

The Com in the case of Judah Cronkhite produced an acknowledgement which was read and after deliberation thereon, appoints Job Ailsworth and Joseph Waring to make him a visit and report thier Judgment to next meeting

The Com To show Amos Garratt a Copy of a testification a gainst him and inform him of his right to appeal inform the appointment not answered they ware continued

The Com To visit Thomas Baker on act of a Com - a gainst him inform it has not been attended to they ware continued

Came to this meeting from West L preparative a Complaint against Jonathan Brown, for Deviating So far from the order of our sositety as to keep Company with and Marry a person not a member and to have his marriage accomplished contrary to the order of our sositety, John Cronkhite & Gilbert Haight, ware appointed to labor with him on the act and report

A proposition from Camden for holding a monthly meeting alternately at Camden and Kingston, Deferred from 2nd mo and now claiming the attention of this meeting and after Consideration appears united in laying it before the quarterly meeting for its approbation

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Archelus Southard, Gilbert Haight Esli Terrell and John White ware ap- to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

Then Adjourned as usual

1st Ans All our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended altho sorrowfully neglected by some the hour nearly observed not quite Clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Ans Love and unity are mostly Maintained a mongst us as becoms brethren when differences has a risin care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction we trust are mostly avoided and Discouraged.

3rd Ans Friends appear Carful to keep themselves thier own and other friends Children under thier care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, yet deviations are apparent and are endeavoring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our profession, yet some are quite deficient here in, the scripturs of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and some care extended towards others under our tuition

4th ans we believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal one instance excepted and under care clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears

9th Care hath been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline yet not so seasonably in all cases as would have been best

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West lake Monthly meeting of friends held at west lake 19th day of 10th mo 1854 -

The rep being called ware present except 2

The Rep appointed to attend the quarterly meeting Report they attended

The Com in the case of Judah Cronkhite inform it has not been attended to they ware continued

One of the Com to show Amos garratt a copy of a testification a gainst and inform him of his right to appeal inform it has not been attended to they ware Continued

The Com to visit Thomas Baker on act of a complaint against him, Inform they have made him a visit to pretty good satisfaction, and Produced an acknowledgement which being read was accepted and appoints Solomon Vermilier and gilbert Haight to inform him of his Privilege of meetings and report

The Com to visit Jonathan Brown on act of a complaint a gainst him inform it has not been attended to they ware continued

Our esteemed friend Nathan Elliott in the course of a religious Visit to Friends in Canada, attended this meeting, with a minute of concurrence from sugar Plane monthly meeting of friends held at Sugar Plane Boone County Indiana 9th mo 2nd 1854 whose company and gospel labors has been edifying,

Our esteemed Friend James Woody attended this meeting, as companion to Nathan Elliott with a minute of concurrence from sugar plane monthly meeting of friends held at sugar plane Boone, Co Indiana 9th mo 2nd 54 whose Company was acceptable

Then Adjourned to meet at Hillier as here to fore

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West Lake mo Meeting of friends held at Hillier this 16th day of 11th mo 1854

Reps being Calleded [sic] ware Present Except 2

The Com to visit Judah Cronk on his acknowledgement and enquire into the Sincerity thereof, not ready to report they ware Continued

The Com to show Amos Garratt a Copy of a testification a gainst him and inform him of his right to appeal, not ready to report they ware Continued

One of the Com to inform Thomas Baker of his privilege of meetings not ready to report they ware Continued

The Com to visit Jonathan Brown on act of a Complaint against him Inform attention not ready to report they ware Continued

This meeting uniting laying before the quarterly meeting the proposition from Camden for holding a monthly meeting alternately in Camden and Kingston to be Called Camden Monthly meeting

We unite with the woman in receiveing Susannah Hartman in membership

Adjourned to meet at west lake 2nd fifth day in 12th mo.

As usual

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 14th day of 12th mo 1854

Rep being Called were ware [sic] present except 1 - no act from Camden

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the different Preparative meetings (Camden excepted) a Summary of which is as follows -

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being expired Wm Garratts ~~name~~ the former Clerk being proposed was united with and appointed to that service for one year and Charles G Bowerman assistant

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Levi Varney, Gilbert Haight, Anthony Haight, and Judah H Bowerman, ware appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The Com appointed to visit Judah Cronkhite on act of his acknowledgement inform they have had an opportunity with him and believe him sincere therein with which this meeting unites and appoints Levi Varney and Thomas Waring to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

The Com to show Amos Garratt a Copy of a testification a gainst him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment answered

One of the Com to inform Thomas Baker of his privilege of meetings not ready to report they ware continued

The Com to visit Jonathan Brown on act of a complaint against him Inform they have made him a visit to pretty good satisfaction after consideration the meeting appears united in retaining him into membership and appoints Joseph Haight and Moses White to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

Jane yong in a weighty manner laid before this Meeting a prospect that had accompanied her mind for a length of time of attending in the love of the gospel, the meetings belonging to yongstreet quarter, also of attending the meetings belonging to Pelham quarterly meetings and of visiting the people of Color in Canada west, and of appointing Some meetings as best wisdom may direct This meeting unites with her prospect and leaves her at liberty to pursue the same she being a minister in good esteem

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

Marmaduke Richmond Job Ailsworth Jonathan I Bowerman Thomas Clark Edward Cronk

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And George Lear, ware appointed to bring forward names to Serve as Overseers for one year -.

Then Adjourned -

1st Ans All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended, altho Sorrowfully neglected by some the hour nearly observed not quite Clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming be haveour to remark and some Care taken

2 Ans love and unity are mostly maintained as becoms brethren when differences arise Care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction we trust are mostly avoided and discouraged

3rd Ans we believe most friends are Careful to keep them selves thier own and other friends children under thier 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 profession, altho Deviations are apparent, the scripturs of truth we believe are frequently read in friends families, and Care is extended in these respects towards other under our tuition

4th ans we no of none amongst us who use distilled Spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes or that frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

9th ans Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and measurably a greeably to dicipline but not so seasonably in all cases as would of been best,

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at West lake 18th day of 1st mo 1855 -

Rep being Called ware present Except 1

The Rep appointed to attend the quarterly Meeting Report they attended

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The Com to inform Judah Cronkhite of his privilege of Meetings inform the appointment answered

The Com to inform Thomas Baker of his privilege of meetings report the ap- answered

The Com to inform Jonathan Brown of his privilege of meetings report the ap answered -

The Com to bring forward names to Serve as overseers for one year submit the following Vincent Bowerman, Moses White, Gilbert Haight Marmaduke Ellis, Samuel Hudson, James Purdy - Townsend Garratt, Simon Terrill Solomon Vermilier Samuel Baker Junr Paul Vanvolkinburgh and George Card, which being separately read was united with appointed [sic] to that Service for one year

One of the Com to Visit Nathaniel Dosking on act of his request inform he made him a visit in company with another friend and did not find him in a state to become a member this meeting unites with the report and appoints W^m Valentine and Edward Cronk to return him his request.

Then Adjourned to meet at Hillier as heretofore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends Held at Hillier the 15th day of 2nd mo 1855

Rep being called ware present ex. 2

The queries ware all read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the different preparative meetings a Summary of which is as follows

Joseph B Dorland Edward Cronk Solomon Vermilier and Valentine Brown ware appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The Com to return Nathaniel Dosking his request inform the ap answered

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It appears by the act receivd there is none holding a post of Profit or honor under goverment nor any distraints the past year

The money for the yearly meetings use is raised and forwarded

Was recievd in this meeting a Certificate for on behalf of Margaret Elizabeth Wright and infant Daughter Caroline, from Chesterfield Monthly Meeting England held there the 11th of 12th mo 1854

Also one from Lucy ann Raus [Ross?] from the same meeting which is also accepted ~~quarterly Collection 7/6 for which the Clerk directed to produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting~~ [an attempt at erasing]

1st all our meetings for religeous worship and dicipline are attended by most friends, yet some are deficient therein the hour pretty generally observed not quite Clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd love and unity is in a good degree maintained amongst us as becoms brethren when differences hath arisen Care has been taken to end them, tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided as far as appears

3rd ans Most friends appear carful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under thier 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 profession, altho deviations in these respects are apparent, the scripturs of truth are frequently read in friends families and care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition ~

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4th We no of none amongst us who use distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes nor any that frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

5th The Circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been inspected and some relief afforded they have been advised and assisted in such employment as they are Capable of their Children and all others under our Care are instructed some way to get School learning to fit them for business

6th Ans we no of none who keep company with persons not of our sosiety on act of marriage no parent to connive at their Children keeping Company with such, two instances of attending a marriage of one who went out from us, and 2 instances of attending marriages accomplished by a priest and under Care -

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

8th ans we believe friends are Carful to perform thier promises and pay thier just debts, one instance of extending business beyond ability to manage, and those who have given occation for fear on those acts have been labored with for thier preservation and recovery

9th Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and measurably a greeably to dicipline but not as seasonable in all cases as might have been best

10th They are

Adjourned as here to fore

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at west lake 15th day of 3rd mo 1855

Rep being called were present

The rep appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended

The Clerk produced the treasurers receipt as directed

Came to this from West lake Preparative a Com against Frederick How for So far deviating from the good order of our Society as to marry one not in membership - with us W^m Valentine and Joseph Haight were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

The Com appointed to visit Haldimond meeting not ready to report they were Continued

The Com to have the care of Huntingdon indulged meeting report that most of them have attended to the appointment and believe it would be right to suggest to monthly meeting the Propriety of establishing a preparative and meeting for worship at that place, to be held fifth day preceding monthly meeting agreeable to this request with which this meeting unites having the unity of the womans meeting therein,

This meeting is united in requesting the quarterly meeting to alter the holding of MM in twelvth month, to the 3rd fifth day as usual the woman, meeting uniting there in,

Was received in this meeting a certificate for George Miller and family from western monthly meeting held 4th of 1st mo 1855 -

Anthony Terrell having removed with in the verge of Pickering monthly

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Meeting and request our Certificate on his behalf Townsend Garratt & George Valentine, were appointed to make the necessary enquiry respecting his outward affairs, and draft one and produce one to next meeting, and report,

Then Adjourned as usual

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west lake 19th day of 4th mo 1855.

Rep being Called were present Except 1 -

The Com to visit Fredereck How on act of a Complaint a gainst him inform it has not been attended to they were continued.

The Com to Visit Haldimond meeting not ready to report they were Continued

No act from the Com to forward to this meeting a certificate on behalf of Anthony Terrill living in the Verge of Pickering monthly meeting they were continued

Came to this meeting from west lake preparative a request to be joined in membership with friends, Signed James W. Noxon Archelus Southard and James Haight were appointed to make him a visit on the act and report

Came to this meeting from Cold Creek preparative a Complaint a gainst Palmer Terry, for marrying a person not a member of our Society and also for allowing danceing in his house and going out of plainness of dress and address, Judah H Bowerman and Gilbert Haight were appointed to labor with him on the act and report -

From the Same Meeting one against John Richmond for so far deviating from the good order of our Society as to

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Marry a person not in membership with us, W^m Garratt Nicholas D Lazier and Job Ailsworth were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Came from Cold Creek Preparative a ~~Complaint against~~ request to bejoind in Membership with friends signed Gilbert Jones, Vincent Bowrman and John Cronk were appointed to make him a visit on the act and report

was receved and read in this meeting, the returning minutes, of Jane Young and Mary ann Valentine on their return from a religious Visit to the western part of Canada.

Then Adjourned to meet at Hillier as here to fore

West Lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 17th day of 5th mon 55

Rep being Called ware present

The Com to visit Frederick How on act of a Complaint against him inform it has not been attended to they ware Con

The Com to visit Haldimond Preparative Meeting and the families constituting it Inform that most of them have attended there to and beleave it would be best to lay down that Meeting and attach the members to Cold Creek Preparative with which this meeting unites having the unity of the woman which is directed to the quarterly meeting.

The Com to enquire into Anthony Terrells affairs relative to his having a Certificate to Pickering monthly meeting

Right

and to forward one to this meeting inform it not Com they ware continued

The Com to Visit James W Noxon on act of his request Inform they have made him a visit to good satisfaction believe him measurably convinced of friends principles and believe his daily walk and conversation is orderly after consideration the meeting appears united in receiveing him in to membership and appoints Jonathan I Bowerman and Charles G Bowerman to inform him of his Privilege of meetings and report

The Com appointed to visit Palmer Terry on act of a Complaint against him Inform they have made him a visit, he acknowledged the Com Just but not in a situation to make Satisfaction, the meeting Coms to the conclusion to disown him and appoints W^m Valentine and Thomas Waring to forward a testification against him to next meeting

The Com to labor with John Richmond on act of a Complaint against him Inform it has not been attended to they ware continued

The Com to visit Gilbert Jones on his request Inform it has not been attended to they ware Continued

Was received in this meeting a certificate on behalf of Eliza Brewer from Leeds monthly meeting

Came to this meeting from west lake preparative meeting a Complaint Samuel Harris for neglecting the attendance of our meetings for worship and dicipline Job Ailsworth and Joseph B Dorland ware appointed to labor with him on the act and report

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Also from the same meeting one against Dorland Leavens for attending a place of diversion and making use of profane language Amos Hubbs W^m Valentine and James Haight were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Also one against Daniel Young for neglecting the attendance of our meetings for worship and discipline. W^m Garratt and John Cronk were appointed to labor with him on the act and report

Our Esteemed friend Cornelius Bowerman laid before this meeting a prospect he had of attending Laray quarterly meeting and appointing Some meetings in the Vicinity thereof This meeting unites with him therein and leaves him at liberty to pursue the same he being a minister in unity with us The Clerk was directed to furnish him with a Copy of this minute

~~Then adjourned~~

Charles G Bowerman requests ~~our Certificate~~ a minute to Kingston monthly meeting expressive of his Clearness of marriage engagements, Archelus Southard and W^m Valentine were appointed to make the necessary enquiry to draft one and produce to next meeting

Then Adjourned.

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at West Lake 6th mo 14th 1855 -

Rep being Called were present Except 1

The queries with the advices were all read in this meeting with the answers from the different Preparatives a Summary of which is as follows

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Job Aylsworth Edward Cronk, Thomas Clark - and Vincent Bowerman, were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and Report,

Our Esteemed friend Rebecca Cody - attended this meeting with a satisfactory minute from Yongstreet monthly meeting held at yongstreet the 17th of 4th mo 1855 - whose company and gospel labors was satisfactory

Edith Rogers accompanied her with a minute from the a foresaid meeting whose company was acceptable,

The Clerk was directed to furnish them with copies of the above minute

The Com to visit Frederick How on act of a Com against him inform attention not ready to report they were Continued,

[the following paragraph was overwritten with a comment]

One of the Com to make the necessary enquiry relative to Anthony Terrell having a Certificate to Pickering Monthly Meeting, inform they have made the necessary enquiry, and Produced a Certificate which being read the Clerk was directed to sign it and forward [comment] This not having been forwarded and he having removed back and the certificate being returned he is still a member of this Meeting

One of the Com to inform James W Noxen of his Privilege of meetings inform the appointment answered

The Com to forward a testification against Palmer Terry Produced one Which being read was approved. The Clerk directed to sign it and appoints Esli Terrell and Barnard Outwaters to show him a Copy inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com to labor with John Richmond on act of a Com against him Inform it has not been attended to they were Continued

The Com to visit gilbert Jones on his request inform they have done so

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to good satisfaction and by enquiry believe his life and conversation is orderly, after consideration this meeting receives him into membership and appoints Esli Terell and Rowland Haight to inform him of his Privilege of meetings and report

The Com to labor with Samuel Harris on act of a Com in form they have made him a visit to pretty good satisfaction he acknowledged the Comp - Just It is left for the Consideration of the meeting till 9th mo

The Com to labor with Dorland Leavens on act of a Comp. - against him inform they have made him a visit, and he sent an acknowledgement which is left for the consideration of the meeting in ninth mo

The Com to labor with Daniel Young on a Comp - Inform they have made him a visit, and he did not appear in a disposition to make satisfaction the meeting Comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints W^m Garratt and Archelus Southard to prepare a testification and produce to next meeting.

The Com to make the necessary enquiry respecting Charles G Bowermans clearness of marriage engagements, report the appointment answered and he furnished with a minute

Quarterly Collection 17-6- for which the Clerk was directed to furnish the treasurers receipt to next meeting

Right

1st Ans all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended altho some friends are verry negligent in this important duty the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Ans we believe love and unity is maintained as becoms brethren if differences arise Care is taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided

3rd Ans We believe most friends are Carful to keep themselves their own and other friends Children under their Care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and do endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Profession, yet deveations in these respects are apparent, The Scripturs we believe are frequently read in friends families and care is extended towards others under our tuition

4th we no of none that make use of distilled - spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes nor any that frequent taverns one instance of two young friends attending aplace of diversion and care taken

9th Ans Care hath been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline yet not so seasonably in all Cases as would ob been best

Then Adjourned -

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at W. L. 19th of 7th mo 1855

Rep being Called were present

The Rep appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report one of them attended and Produced a minute directing

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the Subordinate meetings to raise their proportion of \$1500 for the yearly meeting stock. The preparative are requested to raise their proportion of said sum and pay to the Clerk of this Meeting, also to the observance of the London printed Epistles, and furnish an act of the number of children of suitable age to attend School, the Character of the Schools in which they are receiving literary instruction, and the number of children that attend schools

The quarterly meeting is united in a proposition for holding a Preparative meeting and meeting for worship at Huntingdon, to be called Huntingdon Preparative meeting to be held on fifth day preceding the monthly meeting, the meeting for worship to be held on first and fifth day in each week, The following friends were appointed to attend at the opening of said meeting and report to with. Cornelius Bowerman Stephen Cronkhite, Townsend Garratt Job Ailsworth, and Vincent Bowerman

It also unites in discontinuing the preparative meeting at Haldimond and the members there of attached to Cold Creek,

also of altering the holding of the monthly meeting in twelfth mo to the third fifth day as usual

The Com to visit Frederick How on act of a Com against him, Inform they have made him a visit and he expressed a desire to retain his membership, it is deferred for the consideration of 10th mo next

The Com to show Palmer Terry a Copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the ap answered

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The Com to labor with John Richmond, on act of a Com against him inform attention, they were Continued to report in 10th mo

The Com to inform Gilbert Jones of his privilege of meetings report the ap. Answered

The Com to forward a testification against Daniel Young, Produced one which being read was approved the Clerk directed to signit and appoints Gilbert Haight and Charles G Bowerman and Archelus Southard to show him a Copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report,

we unite with the request of Joseph Baker and wife, for their 2 children to be joined in membership with friends, viz - John and Roxey Elizabeth, W^m Garratt W^m. Valentine Solomon Vermilier and Esli Terrill were appointed to revise the quotos of this monthly meeting and report.

Then adjourned to meet at Hillier as hertofore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends Held at Hillier 16th day of 8th mo 1855

Rep being Called were present,

The Com appointed to attend at the opening of Huntingdon Preparative meeting, in form 3 of them attended, it was opened accordingly,

The Com to show Daniel Young a Copy of a testification a gainst him and inform him of his right to appeal, Inform attention not ready to report they were continued

The Com to revise the quotoes of the monthly meeting, Submit the following, West L. Pay 47, Ameliasburgh 32 Cold Creek 13, and Huntingdon 8. Per Cent on all monies to be raised by this meeting, with which this meeting unites

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The reading of the London Epistle at this time, its valuable Contents has been satisfactory

Adjourned to meet at west l as hereto fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends Held at west Lake, 20th day of 9th mo 1855 -

Rep being called ware present except 2, -

The queries with the advices ware all read in this meeting, and answers to the usual five are in substance as follows, {Read next page}

The Com to show Daniel Young a copy of a testification a gainst him and inform him of his right to appeal ~~report~~ inform further attention they were Continued

The consideration of Dorland Leavens Acknowledgement Defered from 6th mo now claiming the attention of this meeting and after consideration, Coms to the conclusion to accept it and appoints Esli Terrell and Cornelius Bowerman to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

Levi Varney Inform this meeting that he had with his wife removed within the Verge of Kingston monthly meeting and requests our certificate, W^m Valentine and Job Ailsworth ware appointed to make the necessary inquiry respecting his debts and if nothing appears to obstruct to draft one and produce to next meeting

Our esteemed friend Jane Cronk laid before this meeting a prospect she had of accompanying Bridget Haight in a religious visit as set forth in her Certificate with which this M. unites The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a Copy of the above minute

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{Anthony Haight, Joseph B Dorland, John Cronkhite sen and Gilbert Haight, ware appointed to attend the ensuing quarterly meeting with the business from this and report,

1st Ans, all our meetings for religious worship and dicipline are attended, although a slackness in some friends especially in the middle of the week. The hour nearly observed, not quite clear of sleeping, no other unbecomeing behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Ans love and unity is maintained amongst as becoms Brethren as far as appears, when differences has a risen Care has been taken to end them, tale bearing and detraction we trust is mostly avoided and discouraged

3rd Ans,`Most friends appear Carful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, yet deviations are apparent, & are endeavoring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistant with our Christion profession, yet some friends are quite deficient herein, the

Scripturs of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and some care extended to wards others under our tuition

4th Ans friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes as far as appears except one friend makeing unnecessary use of spiritous liquors and some care taken none to charge with frequenting taverns, one meeting says Several instances of attending places of Diversion Some care taken

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9th ans Care has been taken in a measure seasonably to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to dicipline

Then Adjourned to meet at west Lake as here to fore,

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 18th day of 10th mo 1855 -

Rep being Called ware present Except 2

The representatives appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report they attended, but not producing the business from that meeting they ware continued to produce it to next meeting

The Com in the case of Daniel yong not ready to report they ware continued

One of the Com to inform Dorland Leavens of his privilege of meetings report the appointment answered

The Com to draft a Certificate for Levi Varney and wife, to Kingston Mo Meeting, produced one which being read was approved, the Clerk directed to sign it and forward

The Case of frederick How refered from 7th mo now claiming the attention of this meeting and after consideration it is again defered till 1st mo next

The Com to labor with John Richmond on act of a Com against him and defered from 7th mo, inform further attention, and on act of his absence, they ware continued to report in 5th mo next

We unite with the

Right

woman in receiving nancy Anderson into membership

Jane Young a minister in Unity with us informed this meeting that she requests a minute to north Carolina with in the verge of the yearly meeting, to spend the winter on act of her health with which this meeting has full unity

Our friend Edward Cronk requested a minute expressive of his right of membership to accompany Jane Young in her Journy to north Carolina, with which this meeting unites, -

The Clerk was directed to furnish them with copies of the above minute

The case of Samuel Harris on act of a Com against him defered from 6th mo and now claiming the attention of this meeting, and after consideration, comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Charles G Bowerman and W^m Garratt to prepare a testification and produce to next meeting,

Then Adjourned to meet at Hillier as here to fore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends Held at Hillier this 15th day of 11th mo 1855 -

Rep being called were present Except 1

The rep to attend the quarterly Meeting Produced the business from that meeting as requested by our last, which is as follows

by a revision of the quotos of the quarterly meeting, that West Lake pay 63 Leeds Monthly meeting Pay 15 Kingston 22 on all monies raised by the quarterly meeting

The Com to show Daniel yong a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the ap answered

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The Case of Frederick How which was defered to first month next, found it expedient to take it up sooner which resulted in a full unity of the meeting to disown him, and appoints James Matigaret and W^m. Latta to forward a testification against him to next meeting,

The Com to draft a testification against Samuel Harris Produced one which being read was approved, the Clerk directed to signit and appoints Archelus Southard and Amos Hubbs to Show him a copy inform him of his right to appeal and report -

This meeting unites in receveing Arnoldi Haight in membership by the request of his parents, Anthony and anjaline Haight.

Came to this meeting from west lake preparative a proposal of marriage Signed, James M Sweetman and Elizabeth Bowerman, W^m Valentine and Archelus Southard were appointed to make the necessary enquiry respecting his clearness of other like engagements and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at west L. 20th day of 12th mo 1855 -

Rep being called were present

The queries with the advices ware all read in this meeting, a summary of the answers is as follows,

Charles G Bowerman, Jonathan I Bowerman W^m Mullette and James Haight, ware appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report,

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A testification a gainst Frederick How was produced which being read was approved the Clerk was directed to signit and appoints Solomon Vermilier and James Mullettee to show him a copy there of inform him of his right to appeal and report

The Com to show Samuel Harris a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the ap answered -

The Com to make enquiry respecting James M Sweetmans Clearness of marriage engagements, inform that nothing appear to obstruct they having Consent of parents, thier proposals were allowed by the meeting, and they left at liberty to consumate said marriage between this and our next monthly meeting according to the order of friends Vincent Bowerman and Hevaland Hubbs ware appointed to attend the marriage see if it be orderly conducted and forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

Came to this meeting from ameliashburgh preparative a request to be joined in membership with friends signed Charles H. Cunningham, Gilbert Haight and John Cronkhite,

were appointed to make him a visit inquire into his life and conversation see whether it be orderly and report,

Quarterly Collection 17/6 for which the Clerk was directed to produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting

Thomas Clark informed this meeting that the repairs of Haldimond meeting house Cost £30 dollars, and a balance of 35 dollars remains due, of which said sum this meeting appears united in directing the subordinate meetings to raise their proportion and also the sum of 5/- to pay the expence of a deed for

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Camden meeting house burying ground, and pay in the hands of this meetings Clerk

1st Ans All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended by most friends yet some are deficient therein, the hour is nearly observed, not quite clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken,

2nd Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethren, when differences has arisen Care has been taken to end them, tale bearing and detraction is mostly discouraged and avoided -

3rd We believe 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 endeavor by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession, although there are deviations in these respects, the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes as far as appears none to charge with frequenting taverns or of attending Places of diversion

9th Ans Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust, in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline though not so seasonably in some cases as could be desired

Then Adjourned as usual

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West lake 17th day of 1st mo 1856 -

Rep being called were present except 2

The Com to show F. How, a copy of a testification against him and inform him of his right to appeal report the appointment not answered they were Continued,

The rep appointed to attend the quarterly meeting report 3 of them attended and a reason assigned for the none attendance of one

The Com ap to attend the marriage of James M Sweetman and Elizabeth S Bowerman inform they attended and did not discover but it was orderly conducted, the marriage certificate not forwarded to the Recorded they were continued to forward and report

The Com to visit Charles H Cunningham, on act of his request, inform attention not ready to report they were continued

Jonathan I Bowerman, James N Haight, Amos Hubbs, Solomon Vermilier W^m Mullette, Vincent Bowerman Rowland Haight, and Townsend Garratt were appointed to Bring forward names to serve as overseers the ensuing year

we unite with the woman in receiving Eliza Haight in membership

The Clerk produced the treasurers receipt for 17/6 it being quarterly collection

Received of west lake preparative 86.04 for the yearly meeting stock.

Adjourned to meet at Hillier as here to fore

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at Hillier 20th day of 2nd mo 1856 -

The rep, from the several preparative meetings, (except huntingdon) being called were Present except one

The queries with the advices have been all read and considered, with the answers as forwarded from the Several Preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows

Jonathan I Bowerman John White, Stephen Hubbs, James Knoxan and Gilbert Jones, were appointed to attend the quarterly meeting with the business from this and report,

No act from the Com to Show Frederick How, a Copy of a testification against him they were continued

The Com to forward the marriage certificate of James Sweetman and Elizabeth Bowerman, to the recorder, inform the ap answered

The Com to visit Charles Cunningham on act of his request, not ready to report they were continued

The Com to bring forward Names to serve as overseers, Submitted the following which being separately read and considered was united with and appointed to that service for one year to wit, Job Elsworth, George Lear, James Mullett, Edward Sweetman Marmaduke Ellis, Gilbert Haight, Townsend Garratt, Simon Terrill, and James Purdys name added by the meet

This Meeting accepts a Certificate for Johnson Brewer from Leeds Monthly meeting

Came to this meeting from C Creek preparative a Com against Oliver Miller, for neglecting the attendance of our meetings and marrying a person -

Right

not in membership with us, James Purdy and Esli Terrill were appointed to make him a visit on the act and report

Came to this meeting from West Lake preparative a Request to be joined in membership with friends Signed Joseph Baker, Marmaduke Ellis, William Garratt and Jonathan I Bowerman, were appointed to make him a visit, see whether he is Convinced of Friends principles and his life and conversation is orderly and report

Quarterly collection 12/6 for which the Clerk was directed to produce the treasurers receipt to next meeting

The money called for by the yearly meeting is raised and forwarded which is \$12.22 -

Ameliasburgh preparative has raised and forwarded their proportion of money Called for by this meeting for repairing Haldimond meeting house, The other preparative meeting are requested to raise and forward theirs,

by the act received there are 88 children of suitable age to attend school, 12 of which attend Boarding school and 3 attend no school at present

By the acts none holding post of profit or honor under government nor any distrains for military fine the past year;

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

2nd Love and unity is maintained amongst us as becomes brethren one instance excepted when difference have arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction is discouraged and mostly avoided as far as appears -

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3rd Ans Most friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, yet there is a painful departure in these respects and are endeavoring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession yet some are deficient here in the scriptures of truth are frequently read in friends families and some care extended to wards others under our tuition

4th Ans we none of none that make use of distilled spiritous liquors except for medicinal purposes nor any that attend taverns or places of diversion

5th Ans The circumstances of the poor and of those who require assistance has been inspected and some relief afforded, friends children and all others under our care are in some way to get school learning to fit them for business

6th Ans Two instances of keeping company and marrying persons not of our society no parents to charge with conniving at their children keeping company with such, one instance of attending a marriage accomplished by a priest and some care taken

7th ans Clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof

8th we believe friends are generally careful to perform their promises and pay their just debts, we none of none that have extended their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession when any have given grounds for fear on those acts they have been labored with for their preservation and recovery

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

10th They are
Adjourned as usual

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West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at West Lake 3^d mo 20th 1856

The representatives being called are present

The minutes from Huntingdon of last mo are now received and read

The time for which the clerk and assistant clerk were appointed having expired William Valentine was appointed clerk and Charles G Bowerman assistant clerk for one year

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended and produced a number of tracts and pamphlets forwarded by the Meeting for Sufferings which the representatives were directed to alportion to the preparative meetings

The committee appointed to show Frederick Howe a copy of the testimony of denial against him report the appointment fulfilled.

This meeting unites with the women in receiving Fanny Cunningham into membership -

The committee appointed to visit Charles Cunningham on account of his request report they have made him a visit and request longer time they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Oliver Miller on account of a complaint against him report the appointment has not been attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Joseph Baker on account of his request report that two of them had made him a [sic] visit in good Satisfaction and believe him sincere in his request and in a good degree

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convinced of friends principles and did not discover but that his life and conversation wear orderly After consideration this meeting is united in receiving him into membership and appoints Job Elsworth & John Cronkhite to inform him of his reception

The Clerk produced the Treasurers receipt as directed

Huntingdon & Cold Creak preparative meetings report they have raised & forwarded their quotas of the money called for by the mo meeting West lake is directed to raise and forward theirs

Came to this meeting from Ameliasburgh preparative a complaint against William Henry Garratt for being out of plainness of dress and attending a horse race also for fighting Vincent Bowerman and Moses White are appointed a committee to labor with him on that account and report

This meeting has received and accepted a certificate from Leeds monthly meeting on behalf of Daniel Derbyshire the Recorder is directed to record it

This meeting concludes

West Lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Westlake 4 Mo 17th 1856

The representatives being called are present except two

The committee appointed to visit Charles Cunningham on account of his request report that they have made him a visit to good satisfaction believe him to be sincere in his request that he is measurably convinced of friends principles and that his

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life is orderly after consideration this meeting is united in receiving him into membership and appoints John White and James W. Noxon to inform him thereof and report

The committee appointed to visit Oliver Miller on account of a complaint against him report that they have not yet been able to attend to the appointment they are continued

The committee appointed to inform Joseph Baker of his reception into membership report the appointment fulfilled

West lake preparative not having raised their quota of money called for by the monthly meeting they are directed to raise and forward it

The committee appointed to visit William Henry Garratt on account of a complaint against him report attention they are continued

Came to this meeting from West lake preparative an acknowledgement signed Zacharias Haight we appoint Benjamin Dunham and John Cronkhite to visit him on account of the Same and report

Came to this meeting from Ameliasburgh preparative an acknowledgement Signed Henry H Haight, Job Elsworth and William Valentine are appointed to visit him on account of the Same and report

This meeting concludes

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West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 5th mo 15th 1856

The representatives being called are present except one

The committee appointed to inform Charles Cunningham of his reception into membership report the appointment fulfilled

One of The committee appointed to visit Oliver Miller on account of a complaint against him reports that he made him a visit and that he did not find him in a disposition to make proper satisfaction after consideration this meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints William Garratt & William Valentine to bring in a testimony of denial against him to next meeting

West lake preparative meeting reports that their quota of money called for by the monthly meeting is raised and forwarded The clerk is directed to pay thirty five dollars to Thomas Clark and five shillings to Jonathan I Bowerman and produce their receipts to next meeting

The committee appointed to visit William Henry Garratt on account of a complaint against him not being ready to report are continued

The committee appointed to visit Zachariah Haight on account of his acknowledgement report that they have made him a visit to good satisfaction believe him Sincere in the Same and that his life and conversation are consistent after consideration this meeting comes to the conclusion to restore him

Right

into membership and appoints Vincent Bowerman and Samuel I Dorland to inform him thereof and report

The committee appointed to visit Henry H Haight on account of his acknowledgement report attention to their appointment not being ready to report they are continued

This meeting has received a certificate of removal from Kingston monthly meeting on behalf of Mary Jane Bowerman which is directed to be recorded

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at West lake 6/12 1856

The representatives being called are present except two

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual five as forwarded from the Several preparatives which are in Substance as follow

1st Query - All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although a slackness prevails the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd We believe love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren except two instances which are under care When differences have arisen care has been taken to end them talebearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided as far as appears

3rd Query - Friends appear careful to

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Keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel yet there is a painful departure in these respects and are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession yet deviations are apparent The Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and some care extended towards other sunder our tuition.

4th Query Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears. We know of none to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion except in one meeting which says that several friends have attended a horse race in which some care has been taken

9th Query - Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline though not always So seasonably as could be desired

John White John Cronkhite William Garratt and Thomas Clark are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

The committee appointed to bring forward a testimony of denial against Oliver Miller having produced one which is approved of, the clerk is directed to sign

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it & Joseph Locklin and James N Haight are appointed to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right of appeal & report

The clerk produced the receipts of Thomas Clark and Jonathan I Bowerman as directed by last meeting

The committee appointed to visit William Henry Garratt on account of a complaint against him report that they have visited him and produced an acknowledgement from him in writing which being read proved Satisfactory to this meeting we have therefore concluded to continue him ~~again~~ a member and appoint James McTaggart and William Mullett to inform him thereof and report

The committee to inform Zachariah Haight of his restoration into membership report the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to visit Henry H Haight on account of his acknowledgement report that they have made him a visit to good Satisfaction believe him to be Sincere therein and

that his life and conversation are in a good degree orderly after consideration this meeting concluded to restore him again into membership and appoints Benjamin Dunham and Amos Hubbs to inform him thereof and report

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Came to this meeting from Cold Creek preparative meeting a request to be joined in membership with friends Signed Avid Lockwood We appoint James McTaggart and William Mullett to make him a visit on account of the Same and report

Came to this meeting from West lake preparative meeting a complaint against David Southard for marrying a person not in membership with us William Valentine Joseph Dorland and William Garratt - are appointed to visit him on account of the same & report

We unite with the women in receiving Rachel Bedal into membership

Quarterly collection six shillings and three pence for which the Clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

This meeting concludes

West Lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 7/17 1856

The representatives being called are present except two

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that three of them attended and produced a

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minute requiring this meeting to raise their proportion of fifteen hundred dollars for the Yearly meetings use also notifying us that the Quota of West lake Quarterly meeting was two per cent the preparative meeting are requested to raise their quotas of said sum and pay to this meetings clerk

They also produced a number of printed Epistles from London Yearly meeting also the Extracts from our own Yearly meeting which were Severally read to the Satisfaction of this meeting

The committee appointed to show Oliver Miller a testimony of denial against him report that is has not been attended to they are continued

This meeting unites with the women in disowning Mary Patterson formerly Garratt

The committee appointed to inform William Henry Garratt of his continuance in membership report the appointment fulfilled

One of the committee appointed to inform Henry H. Haight of his restoration into membership reports the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to visit David Lockwood on account of his request report that they have made him a visit to good Satisfaction that they believe

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him to be Sincere in the Same and that he is in a good degree convinced of friends principles after a time of consideration this meeting unites in receiving him into membership and appoints Esli Terrill and Rowland Haight to inform him thereof and report

The committee appointed to visit David Southard on account of a complaint against him report it has not been attended to they are continued

The Clerk produced the Treasurer's receipt as directed by last meeting

Came to this meeting from West lake preparative meeting a request to be joined in membership with friend Signed Robert Hubbs Saylor We appoint John Cronkhite and Cornelius Bowerman to make him a visit on account of the Same and report

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 8th mo 21 1856

The representatives being called are present except two

No accounts received at this time from Huntingdon

The committee appointed to show Oliver Miller a copy of the testimony of disownment against him report the appointment fulfilled

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No account from the committee appointed to inform David Lockwood of his reception into membership they are continued

The committee appointed to visit David Southard on account of a complaint against him report it has not been attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Robert Hubbs Saylor on account of his request report that they have made him a visit to good Satisfaction that they believe him to be Sincere in the Same and that he is generally convinced of friends principles and that his life and conversation were orderly after a time of consideration this meeting concludes to receive him into membership and appoints William Valentine and Judah H Bowerman to inform him of his reception into membership and report

The meeting is united in receiving into membership the two minor children of Mary Jane Noxon at her request viz. Richard Jones and Gilbert Henry Noxon

Came to this meeting from West lake preparative meeting proposals of marriage signed Arthur L Elsworth and Abigail Terrill - Jonathan I Bowerman and James W Noxon are appointed to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and report

This meeting concludes

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West lake monthly meeting of friends held at West lake 9/18 1856

The representatives being called are present except one

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual five as forwarded by the preparative meetings a Summary of which is as follows

1st Query - All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended yet some friends are quite deficient especially in the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken.

2nd Query - We believe love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren except three instances which are under care when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction are discouraged and avoided as far as appears

3^d Query - Most friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel yet some are deficient in these respects 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 we trust are frequently read in friends families and some care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition.

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4th Query - Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears Three instances of attending a place of diversion which are under care

9th Query - Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and measurably agreeably to our discipline but not so Seasonably in all cases as would have been best -

Solomon Vermilyea Samuel Baker Jun^r Job Elsworth Joseph Dorland and Isaac Barton are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

One of the committee appointed to inform David Lockwood of his reception into membership reports the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to visit David Southard on account of a complaint against him report that two of them have made him a visit to pretty good satisfaction and that he manifested a desire to be retained a member of our Society - after consideration this meeting is united in continuing him a member and appoints Stephen Hubbs and Richard Southard to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

The committee appointed to inform

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Robert Hubbs Saylor of his reception into membership report the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to enquire into Arthur L Elsworths clearness of marriage engagements report that they have made the necessary enquiries and find nothing to obstruct they having consent of parents and guardians their proposals were allowed by the meeting They are therefore left at liberty to accomplish said marriage between this and next monthly meeting and William Garratt and Charles G Bowerman are appointed to attend said marriage See if it be orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

Edward Cronk informed this meeting that he had a prospect of attending the ensuing Yearly meeting of Indiana and requesting our certificate on his behalf This may inform friends of that meeting that he is a member in good unity with us the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute.

Our beloved friend Cornelius Bowerman laid before this meeting a prospect which had attended his mind of attending the ensuing Quarterly meeting of Yonge Street to be held at

Pickering also Mariposa particular meeting and appointing a few meetings in the vicinity of that meeting

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after consideration this meeting is united with him in his prospect and leave him at liberty to pursue the same as Truth may direct he being a minister in good unity with us The clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

Gundry Stevens having removed within the compass of Bristol monthly meeting England and requesting our certificate William Valentine and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to make the necessary enquiries according to discipline and draft one and produce it to next meeting

Quarterly collection seven shillings and six pence for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at Westlake 10/16 1856

The representatives being called are present except three

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that four of them attended and produced the minutes of the Yearly meeting which the representatives are directed to apportion to the preparative meetings

The committee appointed to

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inform David Southard of his continuance in membership report the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of Arthur L Elsworth and Abigail Terrill report that they attended Said marriage and considered it orderly conducted and that the marriage certificate was forwarded to the recorder as directed

The committee appointed to draft a certificate on behalf of Gundry Stevens produced one which being read was approved of the Clerk was directed to Sign and forward it

The clerk not having produced the Treasurers receipt as directed is requested to produce it to next meeting

Rowland Haight inform us that he had a prospect of spending the winter in the western States and requested our minute on his behalf this may inform friends in those parts that he is a member in unity with us the clerk is directed to furnish im with a copy of this minute

A certificate was received and read at this time from Holen monthly meeting of friend in England held at Beckfoot 7/24 1856 on behalf of Frederick Henry Rous and Rebecca Gibb his wife and their minor children Frederick, Mary

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William, Margaret and Elisabeth which was directed to be forwarded to the recorder

Cornelius Bowerman returned at this time the minute on his behalf issued by last meeting together with a returning minute of satisfaction from Yonge Street Quarterly meeting held at Pickering 10/1 1856 which was read to the satisfaction of this meeting

We unite with the women in the reception of Martha Jane Lockwood into membership

We also unite with the women in the reception into membership of Catharine Isabella Saylor

Norwich monthly meeting informs us that they have disowned Sarah Maria Everson formerly Young on our behalf with which this meeting unites

This meeting concludes

West Lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 11/20 1856

The representatives being called

Those from three of the preparative meetings are present - No account from Huntingdon

The clerk informs that owing to the Quarterly collection not having been all paid he is unable to produce the treasurers receipt as directed he is continued to produce it next mo

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Came to this meeting from Ameliasburgh preparative meeting a complaint against Clark Bowerman for marrying a person not of our society and for having his marriage accomplished by a priest also for being out of plainness of dress Moses White and Job Elsworth are appointed to labour with him on account of the same and report

Our beloved friend Eliza Brewer opened in this meeting a prospect which had for some time accompanied her mind and latterly with increasing weight of visiting in Gospel love the families of friends within the compass of this monthly meeting also the families of those who are in the habit of meeting with us also of appointing meetings in the different neighbourhoods where they reside after deliberation much unity was expressed with her in her prospect and she was left at liberty to pursue the same as Truth may direct

Our beloved friend Lydia B Wilson attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence from Raisin monthly meeting of friends held at Palmyra Michigan 9/10 1856 whose company and Gospel labours were truly acceptable and we trust to our edification

Also the company of Mary P Jones as companion to the above with a similar minute whose company and exemplary deportment was truly acceptable to us

Also the company of William Kelsey as assistant companion to the above

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with a minute of concurrence from Ypsilante monthly meeting of friends held 9/5 1856 whose deportment and company were truly acceptable The clerk was directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at West lake 12/18 1856

The representatives being called are present

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual five as forwarded by the preparative meetings of which the following is a summary

1st Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline although there is a painful neglect in Some friends the hour is nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Love and unity are mostly maintained amongst us as becomes brethren except one instance which is under care when differences arise care is taken to end them talebearing and detraction we trust are mostly avoided and discouraged

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keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel yet there is a great departure on these respects and are endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession yet deviations are apparent The Scriptures of truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and some care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th We know of none that make use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal nor any that attend taverns or attend places of diversion

9th Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline though not so seasonably in all cases as would have been best

Edward Cronk William Valentine Jonathan I Bowerman and William Garratt are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

The committee appointed to labour with Clark Bowerman on account of a complaint against him report it has not been attended to they are continued

The clerk produced the Treasurer's receipt as directed for the Quarterly collection in 9th mo

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Came to this meeting from West lake preparative meeting proposals of marriage signed Philip W Brewer and Phebe Jane Elsworth He is required to produce a minute to our next meeting from the monthly meeting to which he belongs expressive of his clearness of other like engagements

We unite with the women in receiving into membership Sarah Leavins

The case of John Richmond deferred from 10th mo 1855, again claiming our attention it is concluded to leave it under the care of the committee in his case with Esli Terrill added who are directed to report next month

Quarterly collection eleven shillings and three pence for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 1/15 1857

The representatives being called are present

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended

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The committee appointed to labour with Clark Bowerman report that they have made him a visit & that he expressed a desire to be continued a member and that he is in the practice of attending meetings and shewed an attachment to our religious principles after consideration this meeting concludes to continue him a member & appoints John Cronkhite & Joseph Baker to inform him thereof and report

Philip W Brewer produced a minute to this meeting from Kingston monthly meeting expressive of other like engagements they having consent of parents and nothing appearing to obstruct they are left at liberty to accomplish said marriage between this and next monthly meeting William Valentine and Johnson Brewer are appointed to attend said marriage see it it be orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

The committee in John Richmonds case report they have not been able to attend to it they are continued

The clerk produced the Treasurers receipt as directed

We unite with the women in receiving Martha B Cronkhite into membership

West lake preparative meeting forwarded to this meeting proposals of marriage Signed Archelaus S Hubbs & Lydia S Bowerman

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this meeting appoints Moses White and William Garratt to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements report

Samuel I Dorland Jonathan I Bowerman Vincent Bowerman James McTaggart and Esli Terrill are appointed to bring forward names to our next meeting to Serve as overseers for the ensuing year

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 2/19 1857

The representatives being called are present

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded by the preparatives of which the following is a Summary

1st Query All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended by most friends yet some friends are quite deficient herein the hour is mostly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken.

2nd Love and unity are generally maintained as becomes brethren three instances excepted two of which are under care when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them tale bearing and detraction are mostly avoided and discour

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3^d Most friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel yet there is a wide departure in these respects 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 we trust

frequently read in friends families and some care extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th We know of no friends that makes use of distilled Spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal one instance excepted which is under care nor any that frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

5th We know of none amongst us who require assistance Friends children and others under our care are in a way to get school learning to fit them for business

6th We know of none who keep company with persons not of our Society on account of marriage one instance excepted no parents to be charged with conniving at their childrens keeping company with Such nor any that have attended the marriages of those who go out from us or marriages accomplished by a priest

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7th Friends are clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof

8th We know of none who are deficient in performing their promises or paying their just debts nor any that extend their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession nor any who give occasion for fear on those accounts

9th Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline but not so Seasonably perhaps in all cases as would have been best

10th They are

Joel Haight Charles G Bowerman Joseph Dorland and William Valentine are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The committee appointed to inform Clark Bowerman of his continuance in membership report the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of Philip W Brewer and Phebe Jane Elsworth report that they attended Said marriage and considered

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it to have been orderly conducted and that the marriage certificate was forwarded to the recorder as directed

The committee in John Richmonds case report that it has not yet been attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to enquire into Archelaus Hubb's clearness of marriage engagements report that they have attended to their appointment and found nothing to obstruct his proceeding in marriage they having consent of parents are left at liberty to accomplish said marriage between this and next monthly meeting William Valentine and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to attend Said marriage - See if it be orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

Jane Cronk at this time returned the minute issued by this meeting in 9th mo 1855 also a number of returning minutes from the meetings she visited in Indiana Yearly meeting and Michigan which were read to the satisfaction of this meeting

The committee appointed to bring forward names to serve for overseers brought forward a list which being read and separately considered were with two alterations, approved and the following

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friends were appointed to that service for one year viz Anthony Haight Allen Dorland Townsend Garratt Joseph Baker George Lear Charles G Bowerman Solomon Vermilyea Samuel Baker Junr and James Staples

West lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with friends Signed Reuben Burlingham this meeting appoints William Garratt Job Elsworth and James Haight to make him a visit on account thereof and report

Also from the same meeting a request signed Robert H Saylor and Catharine I Saylor for the reception of their two minor children into membership = viz Samuel and David Southard Saylor with which this meeting unites and they are received accordingly

Our proportion of money called for by the yearly meeting is raised and forwarded being \$18.90

We know of no friend holding a post of profit and honor under Government nor of any distrains for the past year

Quarterly collection ten shillings for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurer's receipt to next meeting

This meeting concludes

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West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 3/19 1857

The representatives being called and present Except two

The time for which the clerks were appointed being expired they are appointed to Serve for the day and Jonathan I Bowerman and William Garratt are appointed to bring forward the names of two suitable friends to our next meeting to Serve for the ensuing year

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended ??? **[faded text including much of the rest of this page]** [

The committee ??? John Richmonds case report it has ??? they are continued

??? the marriage of Archelaus Hubbs and Lydia S Bowerman report that the ??? orderly conducted ??? that the marriage certificate is forwarded to the recorder

The clerk produced the Treasurers receipt as directed

The committee appointed ??? Reube Burlingham on account of his request report that they have made him a visit and believe him to be in a good measure convinced of friends principles

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and that his life and conversation are orderly after consideration this meeting is united in receiving him into membership and appoints Judah H Bowerman and Joseph Baker to inform him thereof and report

This meeting has received at this time a certificate from Kingston monthly meeting on behalf of Levi and Eliza Varney which is directed to be forwarded to the recorder
This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held in Westlake 4/16 1857

The representatives being called are present except two

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of two friends to Serve as clerk and assistant clerk report the names of William Valentine for clerk and Levi Varney as assistant which being united with they are appointed to that Service for one year

The committee in John Richmond's case report it has not been attended to they are continued

The committee in Reuben Burlinghams Case report the appointment fulfilled

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Was received at this time from Ameliasburgh preparative meeting a complaint against William Henry Garratt for marrying a person not in membership with us also for being out of plainness of dress and address Judah H Bowerman George Leer and Job Elsworth are appointed to visit him on account of the Same and report

Was received, at this time from Kingston monthly meeting a certificate of removal on behalf of Sarah Ann Baker which is directed to be forwarded to the recorder

This meeting considers it best on account of the state of health of our friend Charles G Bowerman to release him from being overseer and appoints Job Elsworth and Vincent Bowerman to bring forward the name of a friend to serve in his stead and to inform him of his release

This meeting appoints John Cronk Archelaus Southard William Valentine and Vincent Bowerman to investigate the title and determine the boundaries of the grounds belonging to West lake meeting house and report

This meeting concludes

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West Lake monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 5/21 1857

The committee in John Richmond's case report it has not yet been attended to on account of his absence they are continued to report in 9th mo

The committee in William Henry Garratts case report it has not been attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to bring forward the name of a friend to Serve as overseer in place of Charles G Bowerman released report the name of Moses White which is united with and he is appointed to that Service.

The committee appointed to investigate the title and determine the boundaries of West Lake meetinghouse and grounds report some attention they are continued to report in 9th mo.

Was received at this time from Cold Creek preparative meeting a complaint against Thomas Outwaters for marrying contrary to the order of friends Anthony Haight William Garratt and John Cronkhite are appointed to visit him on account of the Same and report

We unite with the women in restoring Elisabeth Smith into membership

This meeting concludes

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West Lake monthly meeting of friends held at Westlake 6th/11 1857

The representatives being called are present except one

The Queries were allread in this meeting with the answers from the preparative meetings to the usual five of which the following is a Summary

1st Query - All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended but not So diligently by all our members as is desired the hour appears to be nearly observed not all clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd One meeting says love and unity are not so fully maintained in all cases as becomes brethren. When differences arise care has been taken to end them. We trust friends do avoid talebearing and detraction

3^d We believe 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 although there are deviations amongst us in these respects We trust the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

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4th Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears, four instances of attending places of diversion and two of them of attending taverns three of these cases under care

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

Rowland Haight Jonathan I Bowerman William Garratt and John Cronk are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The committee on William Henry Garratt's case report it has not yet been attended to they are continued

Two of the committee in Thomas Outwaters case report they have made him a visit to satisfaction but are not ready to make a full report they are continued

West lake preparative meeting of ministers and elders forwarded to this meeting a proposition to appoint Gilbert D Haight and Job Elsworth to hear and consider objections if any and report to next meeting

The same meeting also forwarded a proposition to acknowledge Elisabeth L Wright as a minister - Solomon Vermilyea

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William Mullett and William Valentine are appointed to hear and consider objections if any and report to next meeting

Quarterly collection eight shillings and nine pence for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

This meeting concludes.

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Westlake 7/16 1857

The representatives being called are present

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended and produced a minute from that meeting directing its subordinates to raise their quotas of \$1750 for the Yearly meetings use also a number of Extracts of the minutes of the Yearly meeting and London Epistles one of which was read to our Satisfaction the preparative meetings are directed to the observance of the Extracts regarding Schools and to raise their proportion of said sum and pay to this meetings clerk before second month next

The committee in William Henry Garratts case report attention but not being ready to make a full report they are continued

The committee in Thomas Outwaters

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case produced an acknowledgement which was read and the consideration of it deferred to next month -

Our dear friend Anna Thornburgh in the course of a religious visit attended this meeting with a certificate of concurrence and unity from Walnut Ridge monthly meeting of friends Rush Co Indiana held 2/21 1857 endorsed by Spiceland Quarterly meeting held 3/14 1857 whose company and Gospel labours were truly Satisfactory

Also our dear friend Delina Bond as companion to Anna Thornburgh with a minute of unity from Spiceland monthly meeting held 3/25 1857 whose company and exemplary deportment were acceptable

Also our dear friend Solomon Macy as companion to the above named friends with a minute of unity from Spiceland monthly meeting held 3/25 1857 whose company and exemplary deportment were acceptable The clerk was directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes

The committee appointed to hear and consider objections if any to Gilbert Haight being appointed to the station of Eldere report they have attended to their appointment and that no objections have been made after deliberation this meeting this meeting [sic] appears united therewith and he is appointed to that station accordingly The clerk is directed to furnish the preparative meeting of Ministers

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and Elders with notice of this meetings unity

The committee appointed to hear and consider objections if any to Elisabeth L Wrights being recommended as a minister report that they have attended to their appointment and have the Subject under consideration and request longer time they are continued

The clerk produced the Treasurers receipt as directed

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 8/20 1857

The representatives being called are present

Thomas Outwaters case again claiming the attention of this meeting after deliberation Vincent Bowerman, Jonathan I Bowerman and William Valentine are appointed to take the case into consideration and endeavour to carry out the discipline with respect to securing the rights of his wife's children & report

Part of the committee appointed to hear and consider objections if any to Elisabeth L Wrights being acknowledged a minister report "that no objection has appeared that need prevent the monthly meeting from proceeding in her case" after deliberation the meeting not being, sufficiently united in

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adopting the report at this time the further consideration of it is deferred for three months ~

Came to this meeting from Cold Cred and Huntingdon preparative meetings a request from the friends composing those meetings to hold a monthly meeting eight times in the year at Cold Creek and four times in the year at Huntingdon to be called Cold Creek monthly meeting which is forwarded to the Quarterly meeting

This meeting unites with the women in liberating Elisabeth L Wright as companion to Persis Gardner in a religious visit to Friends of Michigan and Western Canada. The clerk is directed to sign a minute to that effect

Our dear friend Jonathan I Bowerman informed this meeting that he had a prospect of accompanying Joseph Browne in his proposed religious visit to Indiana Yearly meeting and the meetings composing the same with which this meeting unites he being a member in unity with us The clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

This meeting concludes

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West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 9/17 1857

The representatives being called are present except two

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers to the usual five as forwarded by the preparative meetings a Summary of which is as follows

1st Most friends appear careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline yet there is a Sorrowful neglect in some friends in this important duty the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd We believe love and unity are pretty generally maintained amongst us as becomes brethren no differences amongst us as far as appears and we trust friends do avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction

3^d Friends do in a measure appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and are we trust in a measure endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession We trust the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and due

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4th - Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears We know of none who frequent taverns but there are several instances of attending a place of diversion

9th Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

Judah H Bowerman Solomon Vermilyea William Garratt William Valentine and Henry Haight are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

The committee in Thomas Outwaters case report attention but not being ready to make a full report they are continued

The committee in William Garratts case report not further attention they are continued to report in 12th mo next

The committee in John Richmonds case deferred from 5th mo last report they have not been able to attend to it on account of his absence they are continued to report in 12th mo next

The committee appointed to determine the boundaries and investigate the title

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to West lake meetinghouse and grounds report attention they are continued to report in 12th mo next

Was received at this time from Cold creek preparative meeting a proposal of marriage signed Rowland R Haight and Elisabeth Hudson this meeting appoints Esli Terrill and Joseph Baker Jun^r to make the necessary enquiries according to discipline respecting his clearness of other like engagements and report

Quarterly collection \$2.25 for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

Joseph and Hannah Waring having removed within the compass of Norwich monthly meeting with their two sons Joshua Ambrose and Edward this meeting appoints William Valentine and Levi Varney to make the necessary enquiries according to discipline and draft a certificate on their behalf and produce it to next meeting

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at West lake 10/15 1857

The representatives being called are present except three

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The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended

The committee appointed to enquire into Rowland R Haight's clearness of marriage engagements report that they have attended thereto and that they know of no obstruction to the marriage the parties are therefore left at liberty to accomplish said marriage between this and next monthly meeting according to discipline. Anthony Haight and John Cronkhite are appointed to attend said marriage see that it is orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder & report

The committee in Thomas Outwaters case report that they have attended to the appointment and that they consider the rights of his wife's children are secured as far as was possible under the circumstances after deliberation the meeting appears united in accepting his acknowledgement and restoring him into membership and appoints John Cronkhite & Anthony Haight to inform him thereof and report

The clerk produced the Treasurers receipt for Quarterly collection as directed

The committee appointed to draft a certificate on behalf of Joseph Wring and family produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting with the correspondent forward it and report

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Was received at this time from West lake preparative meeting a request to be received into membership Signed John Kingston on behalf of himself and his two minor children William and Joseph John we appoint Moses White and Vincent Bowerman to visit him on account of the same and report

We unite with the women in receiving Rhoda R Garratt into membership

Our beloved friend Persis Gardiner attended this meeting with a certificate of concurrence from LeRay Monthly meeting of friends held at Indian River 7/9 1857 whose company and Gospel labours were truly satisfactory.

Also her husband David Gardiner with a minute of concurrence from the same meeting whose company was acceptable The clerk was directed to furnish them with a copy of the above minutes

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 11/19 1857

The representatives being called are present except one

One of the committee appointed to attend the marriage of Rowland R Haight and Elisabeth T Hudson reports he attended said marriage it was orderly conducted and the marriage certificate was forwarded to the recorder

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One of the committee appointed to inform Thomas Outwaters of his restoration to membership reports the appointment fulfilled ~

The committee appointed to visit John Kingston on account of his request inform it has not been attended to they are continued

West lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with friends Signed Platt Hyatt we appoint Gilbert Haight and Jonathan I. Bowerman are appointed to visit him on account of the same and report

Cold Creek preparative meeting also forwarded a complaint against John D Haight for marrying a person not in membership with us Solomon Vermilyea and James McTaggart are appointed to visit him on account of the same and report

Also from the same meeting a complaint against Walter I Hazard for marrying a person not in membership with us Solomon Vermilyea and James McTaggart are appointed to visit him on account of the same and report

The same meeting also requested this meeting to raise the sum of \$96 to assist

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in paying for a new meeting house lately built at that place which this meeting approves and concludes to ask the Quarterly meeting to raise said sum

We unite with the women in receiving Eve Branscomb into membership with us

The case of recommending Elisabeth L Wright as a minister deferred from 8th mo last again claiming our attention, after deliberation we are united in referring the subject back to the preparative meeting of ministers and elders it not having been laid before this meeting according to discipline The clerk is directed to inform that meeting of our conclusion

We received & read at this time a certificate of removal on behalf of Mary Ann Oddie? from Hardshaw West Monthly meeting of Friends held at Liverpool England 1/29 1857 which was directed to be recorded

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 12/17 1857

The representatives being called are present except one

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual five as forwarded from the preparative meetings of which the following is a Summary

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1st Query- All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended yet too much slackness prevails in some cases especially in the middle of the week not quite clear of sleeping the hour not quite observed as we could wish no other unbecoming behaviour to remark & some care taken

2nd Query We trust love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren We know of no differences amongst us and we trust friends do avoid and discourage tale bearing and detraction

3^d Query Friends appear to endeavour to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and Som care take to train them up in consistency with our christian profession We fear the Scriptures of Truth are

not so frequently read in some friends families as is desirable care seems extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Query We know of no friends who make use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal nor any who frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

9th Query Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our discipline but not so seasonably in all cases as would have been best

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Thomas Clark Anthony Haight Jonathan I Bowerman Edward Cronk and Joel Haight are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

The committee appointed to visit John Kingston on account of his request inform it has not been attended to they are continued with John Cronkhite added to the committee

The committee appointed to visit Platt Hyatt on account of his request report attention they are continued

The committee appointed to visit John Locklin on account of his request report that they have visited him to good Satisfaction believe he is measurably convinced of friends principles and that his life and conversation are in a good degree in accordance therewith after deliberation this meeting is united in receiving him into membership and appoints Thomas Clark and Esli Terrill to inform him thereof and report

No report from the committee appointed to visit John D Haight and Walter J Haight on account of the complaints against them they are continued

Quarterly collection \$1.87 ½ for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

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Jonathan I Bowerman requested our certificate on his behalf directed to Kingston monthly meeting expressive of his clearness of marriage engagements - William Garratt and William Valentine are appointed to make enquiry respecting his clearness of other like engagements and report

The committee appointed to visit W^m Henry Garratt deferred from 9th mo last report that they have visited him to good Satisfaction and produced an acknowledgement from him which being read was satisfactory we have therefore concluded to restore him into membership and appoint James N Haight and Jonathan I Bowerman to inform him thereof and report

The committee in John Richmonds case referred from 9th mo last report it has not been attended to on account of his absence they are continued to report when practicable

X The committee appointed to investigate the title and determine the boundaries of West lake meetinghouse and grounds deferred from 9th mo last report they have attended thereto and believe it would be best to relinquish our claim to the land lying back of the meeting house and shed at present in possession of John Bull also relinquish our claim to all the land lying east of a line twenty feet west of Amos Bowerman's house and parallel to it running from the east until it strikes the line mentioned in

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Report West Lake Meeting house & grounds

the joint deed from Jonathan Bowerman and John Bull on condition that Lavinia Clark relinquishes her claim to the remainder of the lot in question with which report this meeting unites and continues the committee to make the necessary arrangements with the parties claiming the Same and report in third mo next and the Trustees are authorized and required to sign the necessary quit claim deeds on behalf of this meeting

We unite with the women in disowning Jane Blount.

West lake preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders again laid a proposition before this meeting proposing to acknowledge Elisabeth L Wright as a Minister Archelaus Sothard Anthony Haight William Garratt and Job Elsworth are appointed to hear and consider objections if any to her being acknowledged as such in conjunction with a committee of Women friends and report

This meeting concludes

West lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 1/21 1858

The representatives from three of the preparative meeting are present

No account from Huntingdon

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Four of the friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended and produced a minute from that meeting directing us to raise our proportion of \$96 to assist in defraying the expense of a new meeting house at Cold Creek the preparative meetings are directed to raise their quotas of said Sum and pay to this meetings clerk They also produced a number of pamphlets and London Epistles which the representatives are directed to apportion to the preparative meetings

One of the committee appointed to visit John Kingston on account of his request reports that he made him a visit in company with another friend to good Satisfaction believes him to be Sincere in his request and that his life and conversation are consistent therewith after deliberation this meeting is united in receiving him into membership together with his two sons William and Joseph John both minors and appoints John White & Nicholas Lazier to inform him thereof and report

The committee appointed to visit Platt Hyatt on account of his request report no further attention they are continued

The committee appointed to inform John Locklin of his reception into membership report the appointment fulfilled

We unite with the women in receiving Ella Kingston into membership

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The committee appointed to visit John D Haight and Walter S Haight on account of a complaint against them report that they have visited them to good Satisfaction and that they were desirous of being continued in membership after deliberation it was concluded to postpone the further consideration of it until next month

The clerk produced the Treasurers receipt as directed

The committee appointed to enquire into Jonathan I Bowerman's clearness of marriage engagements report they have attended thereto and believe him to be clear of such engagements The clerk is directed to Furnish him with a copy of this minute directed to Kingston monthly meeting

The committee appointed to inform William Henry Garratt of his restoration to membership report the appointment fulfilled

William Garratt William Valentine James McTaggart Simon Terrill Gilbert Haight Vincent Bowerman and Esli Terrill are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of friends to serve as overseers for the ensuing year

This meeting concludes

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West lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 2/18 1858

The representatives being called are present

Huntingdon minutes of last month are received and read at this time

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows

1st All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended although not so diligently by all our members as is desirable particularly in the middle of the week the hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd Love and unity are generally maintained amongst us as becomes brethren as far as appears No differences known amongst us We trust talebearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided

3^d Most friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and are measurably endeavouring to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession The Scriptures of Truth we trust are frequently read in our families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

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4th We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and that they are clear of frequenting taverns. There have been two instances of attending places of diversion in which care has been taken

5th We know of no poor amongst us who require assistance All our children are in a way to get school learning to fit them for business

6th There have been two instances of keeping company with and marrying persons not of our Society No parents known to connive at their childrens keeping company with such and there have been three instances of attending the marriage of one who went out from us and some care taken in one case

7th Friends are clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof

8th Most friends appear careful 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 When occasions for fear on these accounts have appeared they have been laboured with for their preservation and recovery

9th Care has been taken to deal with offenders seasonably in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

10th They are

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Job Elsworth Simon Terrill John White and John Cronkhite are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this & report

It does not appear that any friends hold posts of profit and honour under Government nor have there been any distrains for the past year

The money for the Yearly meetings use is reported as raised

It appears there are 116 children of suitable age to attend school 10 of whom attend friends boarding school and the remainder attend district schools

The committee appointed to inform John Kingston of his reception into membership report attention they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Platt Hyatt on account of his request report attention they are continued with James W Noxon added to the committee

The case of John D Haight and Walter S Haight again claiming the attention of this meeting after deliberation it was concluded to restore them into membership and Esli Terrill & Simon Terrill are appointed to inform them thereof and report

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of friends to Serve as overseers report the following which being separately read and considered were united with and they were appointed

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to that service for one year viz. Townsend Garratt Joseph Baker Jun^r Anthony Haight Allen M Dorland Solomon Vermilyea Edward Swetman Job Elsworth and George Leer

We unite with the women in receiving Matilda H Branscomb into membership

Came to this meeting from Cold Creek preparative meeting a request signed Gilbert and Tabitha Jones to receive into membership their children Ruliff P Jones John W Jones Jane A Jones Deborah Ann Jones & Gilbert Jones - after deliberation Anthony Haight Cornelius Bowerman and John Cronkhite were appointed to visit them on account of the same and report

Quarterly collection one dollar for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

There was received and read at this time a certificate of removal from Leeds monthly meeting on behalf of Alexander and Sarah Ann Derbyshire with their children Erwin Mary Eliza and George Morton which is directed to be recorded

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 3/18 1858

The representatives being called are present except two
The friends appointed to attend the

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Quarterly meeting report they attended

The committee appointed to inform John Kingston of his reception into membership report the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to visit Platt Hyatt on account of his request report further attention they are continued

No account from the friends appointed to inform John D Haight and Walter S Haight of their restoration to membership they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Gilbert and Tabitha Jones and children on account of their request report that they have attended to their appointment and found the eldest Ruliff P Jones desirous of being received into membership that they considered him sincere in the Same and that his life and conversation were orderly after deliberation this meeting is united in receiving him and Gilbert Jones Jun^r also Jane Ann and Deborah Ann Jones minors into membership having the unity of the womens meeting therein and appoints Townsend Garratt and David Richmond to inform them thereof and report

The clerk produced the Treasurers receipt as directed

The committee appointed relative to West lake meeting house and grounds deferred from 11th Mo last report they have not accomplished their appointment they are continued to report in 6th mo next

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There was forwarded to this meeting from Ameliasburgh preparative meeting a complaint against John Thomas Hutchinson for neglecting almost altogether the attendance of meetings for worship and discipline also for joining the Orange Society and taking the oath required of him by that Society Archelaus Southard and Gilbert Haight are appointed to visit him on account thereof and report

Huntingdon preparative meeting reports its proportion of money called for to assist in paying for Cold Creek meetinghouse is raised and forwarded

The time for which the Clerks were appointed having expired William Garratt and Archelaus Southard are appointed to bring forward the names of friends to next meeting to Serve in that capacity of the ensuing year

This meeting concludes

West lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at Westlake 4/15 1858

The representatives being called are present except two

The friends appointed to propose names of friends to serve as clerk and assistant clerk report the names of William Valentine for clerk and Levi Varney for assistant clerk which being united with they are appointed accordingly for one year

The committee appointed to visit

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Platt Hyatt on account of his request reports further attention they are continued

The committee appointed to inform John D Haight and Walter S Haight of their restoration to membership reports having given the information to John D Haight but not being ready to report respecting Walter S Haight they are continued

The committee appointed to inform Gilbert and Tabitha Jones and family of the reception of part of their family with membership reports the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to visit John Thomas Hutchinson on account of a complaint against him reports attention they are continued

There came to us at this time from West lake preparative meeting a complaint against Daniel Derbyshire for keeping company with and marrying a person not in membership with us also for conducting himself in such a way as to bring reproach on Society William Garratt Gilbert Haight Solomon Vermilyea and William Valentine are appointed to visit him on account of the same and report

There was also received at this time from Ameliasburgh preparative meeting a complaint against James N Haight for allowing his conduct to be such as to cause a reproach to our society this meeting appoints

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Vincent Bowerman John Cronkhite Edward Cronk Townsend Garratt and Jonathan I Bowerman to make him a visit on account thereof and report

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 5/20 1858

The representatives being called are present except two -

The committee appointed to visit Platt Hyatt on account of his request reports having made him a visit and did not consider him fit to be received into membership this meeting is united in returning him his request and appoints Judah H Bowerman and Joseph Baker to that service and report

The friends appointed to inform Walter S Haight of his restoration to membership report the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to visit John Thomas Hutchinson on account of a complaint against him reports not being able to see him they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Daniel Derbyshire on account of a complaint against him reports having made him a satisfactory visit and found him willing to make satisfaction for the offence after deliberation the further consideration of the subject is deferred until next month

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The committee appointed to visit James N Haight on account of a complaint against him reports that they attended to the appointment and he acknowledged the complaint just and appeared to fully sensible of his transgression this meeting comes to the conclusion to disown

him and appoints William Valentine and Levi Varney to produce a testimony of disownment against him to next meeting

There came to us at this time from Ameliasburgh preparative meeting proposals of marriage signed Anthony T Haight and Susannah Cronkhite - We appoint William Garratt and Gilbert Haight to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and report

There was also forwarded by the same meeting a complaint against John Cronkhite Jun^r for neglecting the attendance of our meetings for worship and discipline also for marrying a person not in membership with us this meeting directs the clerk to forward it to Pickering monthly meeting and request that meeting to take the necessary care in his case and inform us of the result he having removed within the compass of that meeting

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded at this time a complaint against Samuel Hudson for violently contending with and striking Rowland R Haight and refusing a reconciliation also for making too frequent use of spirituous liquors. Esli Terrill Gilbert Jones and John Cronkhite are appointed to visit him on account of the same and report

The same meeting forwarded a complaint against Roland R Haight for so far departing from the

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good order of our society as to lay violent hands on Samuel Hudson and using unbecoming language for separating from his wife and spreading reports of a scandalous nature. William Garratt John Cronkhite and W. Davis Dorland are appointed to visit him on account of the same and report

West lake preparative meeting reports the money called for on account of Cold Creek meeting house in not all raised they are directed to raise and forward it the other preparatives report it raised and forwarded

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 6/10 1858

The representatives being called are present except one

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual five as forwarded from the preparative meetings of which the following is a Summary Viz.

1st Query All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended though one meeting reports an exception in the middle of the week on account of a violent storm the hour nearly observed yet a slackness prevails in attendance especially in the middle of the week mostly clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark & some care taken

2nd Query Love and unity are maintained amongst us as becomes brethren as far as appears two instances excepted which are under care when differences have arisen care has been taken to

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end them Talebearing and detraction are discouraged and we trust mostly avoided

3^d We believe 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 although deviations are apparent in these respects The Scriptures of Truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th Query - We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears

9th Query - Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

William Valentine John Cronkhite Esli Terrill and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

The friends appointed to return Platt Hyatt his request report the appointment fulfilled

One of the committee appointed to visit John Thomas Hutchinson on account of a complaint against him reports it has not been attended to on account of his absence they are continued

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The case of David Derbyshire again claiming our attention and an acknowledgement in writing having been produced and read after a time of deliberation the meeting concurs in accepting his acknowledgement and continuing him a member and appoints Johnson Brewer and Charles G Bowerman to inform him thereof and report

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The committee appointed to bring forward a testimony of denial against James N Haight produced one which being read was approved of and the clerk was directed to Sign it and Levi Varney and William Garratt were appointed to shew him a copy thereof and read it at the close of a meeting for worship at Hillier and West lake between this and next monthly meeting and report the following is the testimony of disownment viz.

Whereas James N Haight a member and for many years an acknowledged minister of our Society One who professed to teach the way of love and dattraction to others and was consequently looked up to by friends and the religious public generally as one who practised the doctrines of religion and morality he inculcated on others having given way so far to the temptations of the Evil One as to bring to shame and disgrace a young woman whom he took when young to bring up in his family thereby causing great grief to his family and friends and great scandal and reproach to the profession of the Truth even causing the infidel to laugh and the Heathen to triumph we are therefore constrained and in feelings of deep humiliation to disown him and to testify against his being any longer a member of our Society humbly praying to the Father of all our sure mercies that he may bring him to see his grievous sins that he may repent

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thereof and seek forgiveness through the merits of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

The friends appointed to enquire into Anthony T Hights clearness of marriage engagements report that they have attended thereto and found nothing to obstruct his

proceeding therein they having consent of parents they are left at liberty to accomplish said marriage between this and next monthly meeting according to discipline Levi Varney and Allen M Dorland are appointed to attend said marriage see that it is orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

The Clerk reported that the complaint against John Cronkhite Jun^r was forwarded as directed

Two of the committee appointed to visit Samuel Hudson on account of a complaint against him report that they have made him a satisfactory visit the meeting thinks it best to continue it under their care another month

The committee appointed to visit Rowland R Haight on account of a complaint against him reports it has not been attended to they are continued

West lake preparative meeting reports the money called for on account of Cold Creek meeting house is raised and forwarded

Quarterly collection sixty two and a half cents which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

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The committee continued from 3^d mo last relative to West lake meeting house and grounds report attention they are continued to report in 9th mo next

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West Lake 7/15 1858

The representatives being called are present

Three of the representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended

The committee in John Thomas Hutchinson's case report further attention they are continued

The friends appointed to inform Daniel Derbyshire of the decision of the meeting in his case report the appointment fulfilled

The committee in the case of James N Haight reports the appointment fulfilled

One of the committee appointed to attend the marriage of Anthony T Haight and Susannah Cronkhite reports they attended thereto and considered it orderly conducted and the marriage certificate was forwarded to the recorder as directed

The case of Samuel Hudson again claiming our attention and the meeting feeling satisfied from the report of the committee in his case that that part of the complaint relative to his making too free use of spirituous liquors could not be estab

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lished and he being willing to make a suitable acknowledgement for the remaining part of the complaint after a time of deliberation we are united in accepting his acknowledgement and retaining him in membership and appoint Thomas Clarke and Joseph Baker Jun^r to inform thereof and report

Two of the committee in the case of Rowland R Haight report having made him a visit and that the complaint to be mainly established against him and that he manifested an unwillingness to make Such Satisfaction as the case required this meeting therefore comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Levi Varney and Archelaus Southard to produce a testimony of disownment against him to next meeting

The clerk not having produced the Treasurer's receipt as directed he is requested to produce it to next meeting

Ameliasburgh preparative meeting forwarded to this meeting a complaint against William Henry Garratt for not attending our meetings for worship and discipline and also for being out of plainness James McTaggart and Joseph Haight are appointed to labour with him on account of the same and report

The joint committee appointed in 12th mo last to hear and consider objections if any to Elisabeth L Wrights being recommended a minister have made the following report which being united in by women friends this meeting also united with the same and directs the clerk to inform

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the preparative meeting of ministers and elders of the conclusion of the meeting in that case this following is the report

To West lake monthly meeting to be held 6/10 1858

The committee appointed to hear and consider objections if any to Elisabeth L Wrights being acknowledged a minister have attended to the appointment and after due deliberation thereon are united in the belief that under existing circumstances it will not have the effect of preserving unmarred that unity soi desirable amongst us by her being acknowledged a minister at the present time

Signed by Job P Elsworth Archelaus Southard William Garratt Anthony Haight Maria Elsworth Clara White & Hannah Garratt

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West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 8/19 1858

The representatives being called are present except one

The committee in John Thomas Hutchinson's case report they have visited him and he acknowledged the complaint just but was not in a situation to make friend's satisfaction after deliberation this meeting concludes to disown him and appoints Judah H. Bowerman and William Valentine to produce a testimony of disownment against him to next meeting

One of the friends appointed to inform Samuel Hudson of the conclusion of the meeting in his case reports the appointment fulfilled

The friends appointed to bring forward a testimony of disownment against Rowland R. Haight produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it and Esli Terrill and Barnet Outwaters were appointed to shew him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report, the testimony of disownment is as follows viz

Whereas Rowland R Haight a member of this meeting having so far deviated from the good order established among friends as to give way to detraction so as to defame and injure the character of his wife and another friend and also to resort to acts of violence towards another friend and our Labours of love having been extended towards him and not having the

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desired effect of bringing him to a Suitable Sense of his errors We therefore do testify against his being any longer a member of our Society until he by amendment of life and separation of the wrongs he has committed as far as he is able through repentance do make Friends satisfaction which that he may be favoured to do is our Sincere desire

Signed by direction and on behalf of West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 8/19 1858

William Valentine Clk

The clerk produced the Treasurers receipt as directed

The committee in William Henry Garratts case report it has not been attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of friends to serve as overseers of the poor report attention but not being ready to make a full report they are continued

Having been informed that James Latta and John Robert and William McTaggart had removed within the compass of Norwich monthly meeting we appoint William Garratt and Samuel Baker Jun^r to enquire if they have settled their outward affairs to satisfaction and if so to draft a certificate on their behalf and produce it to next meeting

This meeting concludes

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West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 9/16 1858

The representatives being called are present except two and reason assigned for the absence of one

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the different preparative meetings of which the following is a Summary viz

1st Query - Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline although there is a slackness with several in this important duty, the hour pretty generally observed not all clear of sleeping No other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken in regard to attending meetings

2nd Love and unity appear to be maintained as becomes brethren We know of no differences existing amongst us and we trust friends do avoid talebearing & detraction

3^d Friends are careful with a few exceptions to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and seem to be endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession We trust the Scriptures of Truth are frequently read in friends families and a due care extended towards other under their tuition Some care taken in the above deficiencies

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4th We know of none that make use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal nor any that frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

9th Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

John Cronkhite Levi Bowerman Townsend Garratt and Job Elsworth are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

The committee appointed to draft a testimony of disownment against John Thomas Hutchinson report attention but not having produced one they are continued

No account from the committee appointed to shew Rowland R Haight a copy of the testimony of disownment against him they are continued

One of the committee in William Henry Garratts case reports it has not been attended to they are continued with Moses White added to the committee

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of friends to serve as overseers of the poor have produced the following which being read and James McTaggart's name substituted for one of the names were approved of and they were appointed to that service accordingly viz. For West lake Job Elsworth & Judah H Bowerman For Hillier Gilbert

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Haight & Allan M Dorland For Cold Creek Simon Terrill & Gilbert Jones For Huntingdon William Mullett & James McTaggart

One of the friends appointed to enquire into the situation of the outward affairs of James Latta and John Robert and William McTaggart reports attention they are continued

The committee continued from 6th mo last relative to West lake meeting house and grounds report attention they are continued to report in 12th mo next and this meeting appoints George Lear to succeed Jonathan Clark deceased as trustee to West lake meeting house and grounds

Ameliasburgh preparative meeting forwarded to this meeting a complaint against Stephen Bowerman for keeping company with and marrying a person not in membership with us and for neglecting the attendance of our meetings also for being out of plainness We appoint John Cronkhite and Townsend Garratt to labour with him on account of the same & report

The preparative meetings report no Quarterly collection

We unite with the Women in disowning Ianor Beatts formerly Garratt

This meeting concludes

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West Lake monthly meeting of friend held at Westlake 10/21 1858

The representatives being called are present except two

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended & produced the minutes and extracts of the Yearly meeting one of the latter was read and was directed to the preparative meetings they were continued to produce the business, from the

Quarterly meeting the representatives to this meeting were directed to apportion the minutes of the Yearly meeting to the several preparatives

The committee appointed to draft a testimony of disownment against John Thomas Hutchinson produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it and Isaac Barton and Gilbert D Haight were appointed to shew him a copy thereof inform him of his right of appeal and report

The following is copy thereof viz.

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Whereas John Thomas Hutchinson a member of this meeting having so far abandoned our well known principles against war and oaths as to join the Society of Orangemen and taken the oath required of him by that Society and having almost altogether neglected the attendance of our meetings for worship and discipline, our labours of love having been extended to him to bring him to a proper Sense of his errors without effect we are therefore constrained to testify against his being any longer a member of our society until by Divine Grace he may be enabled to retrace his steps and make friends satisfaction which that he may be enabled to do is our Sincere desire

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The committee appointed to shew Rowland R Haight a copy of the testimony of disownment against him report the appointment fulfilled

The committee in William Henry Garratts report they have attended thereto and he acknowledged the complaint just but was not in a disposition of mind to make friends satisfaction after a time of deliberation, this meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him and appoints Charles G Bowerman and Allen M Dorland to draft a testimony of disownment against him and produce it to next meeting.

One of The committee appointed to enquire into the outward affairs of James Latta and John,Robert and William McTaggart reports attention not being ready to report in full they are continued

The committee in Stephen Bowerman's case report they have visited him to good satisfaction he is continued under their care

Huntingdon preparative meeting forwarded to this meeting a proposal to report to this meeting but once in three months viz at the monthly meeting preceeding the Quarterly meeting with which this meeting unites and directs it to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting for its approbation having the unity of the womens meeting therein

One of the overseers for Ameliasburgh having removed to West lake the name of Samuel I Dorland was proposed and approved of and he was

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appointed to serve as overseer in that meeting

Huntingdon preparative meeting forwarded to this proposals of marriage Signed John T Comstock and Elisabeth L Wright and a certificate on his behalf expressive of his clearness of other like engagements from Rollin monthly meeting of Friends Michigan having been produced and read. James McTaggart and William Garratt and Elijah Yourex were appointed in

conjunction with a committee of women friends to see that the rights of her child are secured according to discipline and report to next meeting

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 11/18 1858

The representatives being called are present except four

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting produced a minute directing the Subordinates to raise their quotas of \$1600 for the Yearly meetings use the preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportion of said sum and pay to the clerk of this meeting by Second month next

The committee appointed to shew John Thomas Hutchinson a copy of the testimony of disownment against him report the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to draft a testimony of disownment against William Henry Garratt produced one which being read was approved of the

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clerk was directed to sign it and Stephen Cronkhite and Gilbert Haigh were appointed to shew him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal & report

The following is a copy viz

Whereas William Henry Garratt a member of our Society having so far deviated from the good order established amongst us as to neglect the attendance of our meetings of worship and discipline and also for being out of plainness our labours of love having been bestowed and not having the desired effect we therefore testify against his being any longer a member of our Society until he by amendment of life may make friends satisfaction which that he may be favoured to do is our Sincere desire

The committee appointed to enquire into the outward affairs of James Latta and John. Robert and William McTaggart report they have attended thereto and found their affairs to satisfaction they also produced a certificate of removal on their behalf which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign and forward it to the correspondent of Norwich mo meeting

The case of Stephen Bowerman again claiming our attention it was concluded to defer the consideration of it for two months

The committee appointed to see that the rights of Elisabeth L Wrights child were Secured according to discipline report they have attended thereto and find the child's rights were secured by its grand father and women friends reporting that on enquiry she appears clear of other like engagements the parties are left a liberty to accomplish their marriage between this and next mo meeting according to discipline and Esli Terrill and Samuel Baker Junr

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are appointed to attend said marriage see that it be orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

Our friends John T. Comstock and Elisabeth L Wright having requested the liberty of holding a meeting at this place tomorrow morning at 9 oClock for the purpose of accomplishing

said marriage after consideration it was united with and Said meeting was directed to be held at that hour having the unite of the womens meeting therein

Huntingdon preparative meeting forwarded to this proposals of marriage Signed Alfred Phelps and Eliza Maria Mullett we appoint Esli Terrill and Samuel Baker Jun^r to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and report to next meeting

Stephen Cronkhite having requested our certificate expressive of his clearness of marriage engagements directed to Pickering monthly meeting John Cronkhite and William Garratt are directed to make the necessary enquiries and report to our next meeting

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 12/16 1858

The representatives being called are present except one

The Queries have all been read in this Meeting with the answers as forwarded from the preparative meetings of which

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the following is a Summary

1st Query - Friends are generally careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline although there are some exceptions to this important duty The hour nearly observed not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark

2nd Love and unity are pretty generally maintained amongst us as becomes brethren when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them talebearing and detraction are discouraged and avoided as far as appears

3^d Friends are careful with a few exceptions to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and appear to be endeavouring to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our Christian profession The Scriptures of Truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and due care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th We know of none who make use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal nor any who frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

9th Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline but not so Seasonably in all cases as would be desirable

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Samuel I Dorland John Cronkhite Townsend Garratt Archelaus Southard & Samuel Baker Jun^r are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

The friends appointed to shew William Henry Garratt a copy of the testimony of disownment against him &c report the appointment fulfilled

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of John T. Comstock and Elisabeth L Wright report they attended said marriage and consider it was orderly conducted & the marriage certificate was forwarded to the recorder as directed

The friends appointed to enquire into the clearness of marriage engagements of Alfred Phelps report that they know of nothing to obstruct his proceeding in marriage with Eliza Maria

Mullett they having consent of parents and left at liberty to accomplish said marriage between this and next monthly meeting and Samuel Baker Jun^r and Townsend Garratt are appointed to attend Said marriage see that it be orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

The friends appointed to enquire into Stephen Cronkhite's clearness of marriage engagements report they have attended thereto and find nothing to obstruct the clerk is directed to furnish him with

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~~a copy~~ of a minute directed to Pickering monthly meeting to that effect

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Stephen White for marrying one not a member of our Society Amos Hubbs and William Garratt are appointed to visit him on account thereof and report

Quarterly collection 87/ ½ Cts for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurer's receipt to next meeting

The committee continued from 9th mo last relative to West lake meeting house and grounds report attention they are continued to report next month

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Westlake 1/20 1859

The representatives being called are present except one

The representatives to attend the quarterly meeting report that three of them attended and produced a minute informing this meeting that the proposition of Huntingdon preparative meeting relative to reporting to this meeting but once in three months was united with the clerk is directed to give the necessary information to that meeting they also produced a number of the London Yearly meetings epistles one of which was read to our

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great satisfaction and encouragement the representatives are directed to apportion them to the preparative meetings

One of the friends appointed to attend the marriage of Alfred Phelps and Eliza Maria Mullett reports they attended and considered it was orderly conducted and the marriage certificate was forwarded to the recorder

The committee appointed to visit Stephen White on account of a complaint against him reports they have made him a visit to good satisfaction and that he expressed a great desire to be retained a member and that his life and conversation were orderly after deliberation this meeting unites in continuing him a member and appoints Joseph Baker and John Cronkhite to inform him thereof and report

The clerk produced the treasurer's receipt as directed

The committee appointed relative to West lake meeting house and grounds report attention not having completed their appointment they are continued

Huntingdon preparative meeting forwarded to this meeting a request to be joined in membership with us Signed John C Vermilyea We appoint William Mullett and Townsend Garratt to make him a visit on account thereof and report

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Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this complaints against William Henry Garratt and Philo T Garratt for marrying persons not in membership with us Esli Terrill Archelaus Southard John Cronkhite and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to make them a visit on account thereof and report

Ameliasburgh preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Stephen Henri Dorland for marrying a person not in Membership with us Gilbert Haight and Job Elsworth are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof and report

The case of Stephen Bowerman deferred from 11th mo last again claiming our attention after deliberation this meeting is united in continuing him a member and appoints William Garratt and Jacob Cronkhite to inform him thereof and report

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 2/17 1859

The representatives being called are present

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the preparatives which are in Substance as follow with an alteration in the answer to one query from a preparative meeting

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1st Query Most friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, although there is a slackness with some friends in this important duty. The hour is nearly observed. Mostly clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken

2nd. Love and unity are generally maintained amongst us as becomes brethren when differences arise care has been taken to end them, tale bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged as far as appears

3^d Friends appear careful with a few exceptions to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel and appear to be endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession The Scriptures of Truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and due care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th We know of none who make use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal nor any who frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

5th The circumstances of the poor and of those who require assistance have been inspected and when it has been needed relief has been afforded - And their children and all others under our care are in some way to get school learning to fit them for business

6th There appear to be four instances of keeping company with and marrying persons not of our Society which is under care. No parents to charge with conniving at their children's keeping

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company with such. And two instances of attending the marriage of one who went out from us

7th Friends are clear of bearing arms of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax in lieu thereof

8th Friends are generally careful to perform their promises and pay their just debts although Some are not so punctual to do it in season - There are three instances of Friends extending their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our religious profession when occasion for fear on those accounts have appeared with some they have been laboured with for their preservation and recovery

9th Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline but not so seasonably in all cases as could be desired

10th With one exception when the monthly meeting found it necessary to alter the answer to one query from a preparative meeting the answers to the queries are the substance of and founded on the answers from the preparative Mgs

Amos Hubbs Judah H Bowerman Solomon Vermilyea George Leer and Job Elsworth are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

It appears by the accounts there are 116 children of suitable age to attend school 112 of whom are attending District Schools and 4 attending Friends boarding school

We know of none who hold posts of profit and honour under Government nor any distrains for the

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Our proportion of money for the Yearly meetings use is raised and forwarded \$20.16 -

The friends appointed to inform Stephen White of his being continued a member report the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed relative to West lake meetinghouse and grounds report attention thereto they are continued to report in three months

The committee appointed to visit John C Vermilyea on account of his request report they have attended thereto and found him in a Satisfactory state of mind and believe him to be measurably convinced of friends principles and that his life and conversation are in accordance therewith this meeting is united in receiving him into membership and appoints Samuel Baker Jun^r and Edward Swetman to inform him thereof and report

The committee appointed to visit William Henry Garratt and Philo T Garratt on account of complaints against them report attention they are continued

The friends appointed to visit Stephen Henry Dorland on account of a complaint against him report they have attended thereto and that he expressed a wish to be retained a member in which they believe him to be sincere and that he shewed an attachment to our principles after deliberation this meeting unites in continuing him a member and appoints Samuel I Dorland and William Garratt to inform him thereof and report

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The committee appointed to inform Stephen Bowerman of his continuance in membership report the appointment fulfilled

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this last month an acknowledgement signed Rowland R Haight which was deferred for this meetings consideration it is again deferred for another month

Quarterly collection one dollar twenty two and one half cents for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

We unite with the women in receiving Martha Bowerman into membership

The time for which the overseers were appointed having expired Gilbert Haight Cornelius Bowerman Esli Terrill and Samuel Baker Jun^r are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of suitable freinds to serve in that capacity for the ensuing year

Jonathan I Bowerman informed this meeting that he had removed within the compass of Kingston monthly meeting and requests our certificate on his behalf William Garratt and Samuel I Dorland are appointed to make enquiry into the Settlement of his outward affairs and draft a certificate if consistent and produce it to next meeting.

A memorial concerning our late dear deceased friend Jane Young was read in this meeting which was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting and forward it to the Quarterly meeting

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West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 3/17 1859

The representatives being called are present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended

No account from the committee appointed to inform John C Vermilyea of his reception into membership they are continued

The friends appointed to inform Stephen Henry Dorland of his continuance in membership report the appointment fulfilled

The consideration of Rowland R Hights acknowledgement is again deferred for another month

The clerk produced the Treasurer's receipt as directed

The friends appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve as overseers produced a list which being read and separately considered were with one exception united with Archelaus Southard and Vincent Bowerman were appointed to hear and consider the objections made and report their sense thereof to next meeting

West lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Caleb Murphy for having his marriage accomplished contrary to discipline and also for not living with his wife Samuel I Dorland John Cronkhite and William Garratt are appointed to make him

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a visit on account thereof and report

The clerk's time having expired Stephen Hubbs and Allen M Dorland are appointed to bring forward the names of two Suitable friends to serve in that capacity for the ensuing year

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 4/21 1859

The representatives being called are present except one

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of friends to serve as clerks having proposed the names of William Valentine as clerk and Stephen Henry Dorland as assistant they are united with and they are appointed to that Service for one year

One of the friends appointed to inform John C. Vermilyea of his reception into membership reports the appointment fulfilled

The consideration of Rowland R Hights acknowledgement again claiming our attention and not having heard from him it is again deferred for three months or sooner if necessary

One of the friends appointed relative to an objection made to a friend to serve as overseer report that they think it best to omit his name the names of those appointed to serve in that capacity for one year are as follow Job Elsworth George Leer Joseph Dorland Allen M Dorland Samuel I Dorland Simon Terrill Gilbert Jones James McTaggart and James Mullett -

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The committee appointed to visit Caleb Murphy on account of a complaint against him report attention they are continued

The committee appointed in second mo to enquire into the Settlement of Jonathan I Bowerman's affairs relative to his removal to Kingston report attention they are continued

The committee appointed to visit William Henry Garratt and Phio T Garratt on account of complaints against them not being ready to report they are continued

Women friends having requested assistance to enquire into the Settlement of Elisabeth L Comstock affairs previous to granting her a removal certificate to Rollin monthly meeting Michigan we appoint William Garratt Edward Cronk and Allen M Dorland to assist them in making the necessary enquiries according to discipline and report when ready

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at West lake 5/19 1859

The representatives being called are present

The committee appointed to visit Caleb Murphy on account of a complaint against him report further attention but requesting longer time they are continued

Jonathan I Bowerman desiring to withdraw his request for a removal certificate

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this meeting unites therewith and the committee in that case is released

The committee appointed to visit William Henry and Philo T Garratt on account of complaints against them report that they have attended thereto and found them in a Satisfactory state of mind and they expressed a wish to retain their membership and were in the habit of attending meetings after deliberation we are united in continuing them in membership and ppoint Joseph Baker Jun^r and Gilbert Jones to inform them thereof and report

Lemuel Cornell and family having removed within the compass of Leeds monthly meeting Job Elsworth and William Valentine are appointed to make enquiries respecting the settlement of his affairs & draft a certificate if consistent and forward it to next meeting

The committee appointed relative to West lake meetinghouse and grounds deferred from second mo last report that they have been unable to arrange matters with those in possession according to the minute of 12th mo 1857 this meeting is united in adding the names of Heaviland Hubbs Job Elsworth and Amos Hubbs to the committee who are directed to report in 8th mo next

Our dear friend Eliza Brewer laid before this meeting a prospect which had accompanied her mind of visiting in gospel

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love the meetings composing Butternuts Quarterly meeting and a part of the meetings in LeRay Quarterly meeting also of attending the latter Quarterly meeting on her return from Yearly meeting after a time of deliberation this meeting unites therewith and lets her at liberty to accomplish the same as Truth may direct she being a minister in unity with us The clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

This meeting concludes

West lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West lake 6/9 1859

The representatives being called are present except one for whose absence a reason was assigned

The queries and advices have all been read in this meeting with the answers to the usual

five as forwarded from the preparative meetings which are in Substance as follows viz

1st Query - Friends generally are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline yet there is a slackness with some friends in this important duty The hour nearly observed, not quite clear of Sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken with respect to attending meetings

2nd Love and unity are generally maintained amongst us as becomes brethren we know of no differences amongst us except one instance which

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is under care Talebearing and detraction are discouraged and avoided as far as appears

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 appear to be endeavouring by example and precept to train them up in a religious life and conversation consistent with our christian profession The Scriptures of Truth we trust are frequently read in friends families and care is extended in these respects towards others under our tuition

4th We know of no friends who make use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal nor any who frequent taverns one instance however of attend a place of diversion

9th We trust care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline but not in all cases so seasonably as is desirable

Vincent Bowerman Joseph Baker Job Elsworth and Anthony T Haight are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

The committee in Caleb Murphys case report further attention but requesting longer time they are continued

One of the committee appointed to inform William Henry and Philo T Garratt of their continuance in membership report the appointment fulfilled

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The committee appointed to draft a certificate of removal to Leeds monthly meeting on behalf of Lemuel and Catharine Cornell and their four children viz Isaac. Joseph. Jerusha Alberta and Franklin produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting and forward it

Huntingdon preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us Signed Asabel W. Vermilyea We appoint Joseph Haight and John Cronk to visit him on account thereof and report

Quarterly collection seventy five cents for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurer's receipt to next meeting

This meeting having taken into consideration the length of time which has elapsed since a committee was appointed to have the charge of our burying grounds and the funerals of those not in membership with us who? [smear] may be buried therein think it best at this time to make a new appointment We therefore appoint Cornelius Bowerman Andrew Lambie Thomas I Dorland Henrie Cole Joseph Haight William Garratt Allen M Dorland Arthur Mullett William Mullett Edward Swetmen Simon Terrill Esli Terrill Thomas Clark and John R Clark to have the charge of our respective burying grounds and the oversight of all funerals therein and to see that they are conducted according to discipline and our well Known principles

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We unite with the women in receiving into membership Phebe Locklin

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 7/21 1859

The representatives being called are present except one

Our beloved friend James Jones attended this meeting with a certificate of unity and concurrence from China Maine monthly meeting of friends held 5th mo 18th 1858 endorsed by Vassalburgh Quarterly meeting held at East Vassalboro Maine 5th/28 whose company and Gospel labours amongst us have been edifying and acceptable to us The Clk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

Also a companion to the above Adam Spencer with a minute of unity from Norwich C.W. monthly meeting held 6/8 1859 whose company and Gospel labours have been truly acceptable to us

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended and produced a minute from that meeting directing the subordinates to raise their respective quotas of \$1700 for the Yearly meetings use also to furnish accounts concerning Schools agreeably to directions from the Yearly meeting the representatives not having produced the Extracts they are continued to produce them to next meeting

The committee in Caleb Murphys case report that they have again visited him and did not find him in a suitable state of mind to make satisfaction after deliberation this meeting concludes

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to disown him and appoints William Valentine and Job Elsworth to produce a testimony of disownment against him to next meeting

The committee appointed to visit Asabel W Vermilyea on account of his request report attention they are continued

The clerk produced the Treasurers receipt as directed

Pickering monthly meeting forwarded to this a certificate of removal on behalf of Mary Adelia Cronkhite which was directed to be recorded

Ameliasburgh preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Philip Cronkhite for almost altogether neglecting the attendance of meetings and also for taking an oath Job Elsworth and Archelaus Southard are appointed to visit him on account thereof and report

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 8/12 1859

The representatives being called are present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting produced the extracts as directed by last meeting according to which the following friends are appointed a committee to open subscriptions for the purposes of education and report every quarter viz Vincent Bowerman William

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Valentine William Mullett Solomon Vermilyea Allen M Dorland Gilbert Haight Townsend Garratt & Gilbert Jones

The committee appointed to produce a testimony of disownment against Caleb Murphy produced one which being read and some alterations made was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it and George Leer and Judah H Bowerman were appointed to shew him a copy thereof inform him of his right of appeal and report The following is the testimony of disownment

Whereas Caleb Murphy a member of this meeting having so far deviated from our discipline and principles as to have his marriage accomplished contrary to discipline Our Labours of love having been extended to him for his restoration and not having the desired effect We therefore testify against his being any longer a member of our society until by the operation of Divine Grace he may be brought to a sense of his errors and make satisfaction therefor which that he may be enabled speedily to do is our sincere desire

The committee in Asabel W Vermilyeas case report further attention they are continued to report in 12th mo next -

The committee in Philip Cronkhites case report they have attended thereto and produced an acknowledgement which being read was so far satisfactory that this meeting thinks it best to continue him a member

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and appoints Joseph Dorland and John Cronkhite to inform him thereof and report

The committee appointed relative to West lake meeting house and grounds continued from 5th mo last not being ready to report are continued to report in 10th mo next

We unite with the Women in disowning Martha Fieldhouse Gulielana Fieldhouse and Dorcas Garratt

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at West lake 9/15 1859

The representatives being called are present except two

The Queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers to the usual five as forwarded by the preparative meetings of which the following is a summary viz -

- 1st All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended yet a slackness prevails with some friends especially in the middle of the week The hour nearly observed, mostly clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behaviour to remark and some care taken
- 2nd Love and unity appear to be generally maintained amongst us as becomes brethren one instance excepted which is under care when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them Talebearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided as far as appears
- 3^d Most friends appear careful to keep themselves their own and other friends children under their

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4th We know of no friend who makes use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal nor any who frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

9th Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline but not in all cases so seasonably as would have been best

William Garratt Gilbert Haight Allen M Dorland and Archelaus Southard are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

The friends appointed to shew Caleb Murphy a copy of the testimony of disownment against him report they have attended to their appointment

The friends appointed to inform Philip Cronkhite of his continuance in membership report the appointment fulfilled

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Jacob Terry for marrying a person not a member of our Society Esli Terrill and Joseph Baker Jun^r are appointed to labour with him on account thereof & report

West lake preparative meeting forwarded to this

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a proposal of marriage signed John Terrill and Jane H Southard we appoint Thomas Waring and Job Elsworth to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and report to next meeting

Quarterly collection fifty cents for which the Clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

The womens meeting sent into this a minute directed to Rollin monthly meeting Michigan on behalf of Elisabeth L Comstock expressive of her membership but stating that her business was not nor could not be settled at present as we could desire and recommending her to their christian care and oversight the Clerk is directed to Sign it on behalf of this meeting

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at West lake 10/20 1859

The representatives being called are present

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended and produced a number of the minutes of the Yearly meeting also copies of the new book of Discipline the representatives are directed to apportion them to the preparative meetings they also produced a minute directing us to raise our quota of \$20 for the Quarterly meetings use the preparative meetings are directed to raise their quotas of said sum and pay to this meetings clerk

No account from the committee appointed to labour with Jacob Terry on account of a

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complaint against him they are continued

The friends appointed to enquire into John Terrills clearness of marriage engagements report that they have made the necessary enquiries and did not find any thing to obstruct their proceeding in marriage they having consent of parents & friends are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage between this and next monthly meeting and Stephen Hubbs and William Valentine are appointed to attend said marriage see that it be orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the Recorder and report

The clerk produced the Treasurer's receipt as directed

This meeting having ascertained that the minute introduced last month from the womens meeting relative to Elisabeth L Comstock was brought before their meeting in an informed manner and the Clerk having reported that he had not signed it This meeting directs him not to sign it & the case is left under the care of the committee appointed to assist the women last 4th mo as heretofore

We received and read at this time a certificate of removal from Rochester monthly meeting on behalf of Mary Bedell which is directed to be recorded

West lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Adam Hubbs for marrying a person not of our Society Archelaus Southard and Edward Cronk are appointed to labour with on account thereof and report

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The committee appointed relative to West lake meetinghouse and grounds deferred from 8th mo last not being ready to report are continued.

Our beloved friend Cornelius Bowerman opened in this meeting a prospect which had accompanied his mind of visiting in the love of the Gospel most of the meetings composing West lake Quarterly meeting and appointing some meetings in the compass of each preparative meeting after a time of deliberation this meeting unites with him in his prospect & leaves him at liberty to pursue the same as Truth may direct he being a minister in unity with us having the unity of Women friends therein

Our beloved friend Eliza Brewer also laid a prospect before us which had for some time rested on her mind of visiting in the love of the Gospel the meetings composing West lake Quarterly meeting and appointing some meetings within the compass of each meeting after deliberation this meeting unites with her on her prospect she having the unity of Women friends therein and leaves her at liberty to pursue the same as Truth may open the way she being a minister in unity with us The Clk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes

This meeting concludes

West lake Monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 11/17 1859

The representatives being called are present

The committee appointed to labour with Jacob Terry on account of a complaint against him report that one of them has visited him and found him attached

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to our principles was in the practice of attending our meetings and wished to be retained a member after deliberation this meeting concludes to continue him a member and appoints Simon Terrill and Joseph Baker Jun^r to inform him thereof and report

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of John Terrill and Jane H Southard report they attended said marriage considered it was orderly conducted & the marriage certificate was forwarded to the Recorder

One of The committee appointed to labour with Adam Hubbs on account of a complaint against him reports that they visited him & that he expressed a wish to be retained a member and shewed an attachment to our principles after deliberation the meeting appears united in continuing him a member and appoints William Valentine & Job Elsworth to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed relative to West lake meeting house and grounds report no further attention they are continued

This meeting having ascertained that a failure on business has occurred in the form of Elisabeth L Wright of Belleville Edward Cronk Job Elsworth William Garratt & Allen M Dorland are appointed to investigate the Same and report their sense thereof to next meeting

This meeting concludes

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West lake monthly meeting of friends held at West lake 12/15 1859

The representatives being called are present except two

The Queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers to the first second third fourth fifth and ninth as forwarded by the preparative meetings a Summary of which is as follow the advices have also been read

1st Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & discipline although a great slackness prevails in this important duty especially in the middle of the week The hour nearly observed no unbecoming behaviour to remark except some instances of sleeping and some care taken

2nd Friends are pretty generally maintained in love one towards another though one meeting says that in some cases it is not maintained as it should be When differences arise care is extended and friends are generally careful to avoid and discourage talebearing & detraction

3^d Most friends appear to be endeavouring to train up their children & those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us & in the plainness & simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins with a few exceptions They appear to be good examples in these respects themselves We believe they do endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

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4th We believe most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families but fear not as often in a collective capacity as is queried after

5th We know of no friends who make use of distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes nor any who frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

9th Care has been taken to deal with offenders though one meeting says it has not been done so seasonably as we could wish We believe it has been done in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

Johnson Brewer, Archelaus Southard Alexander Derbyshire Cornelius Bowerman & William Mullett Jun^r are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this report

No report from The committee appointed to inform Jacob Terry of his continuance in membership they are continued

The committee appointed to inform Adam Hubbs of his continuance in membership report they have not been able to attend to it in consequence of his removing to a distance they are continued to report when ready

The committee appointed relative to West lake meeting house & grounds report no further attention they are continued

The committee appointed to investigate the failure of E L Wright & Co. inform attention they are continued

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The money for the Quarterly meetings use not being all raised the preparatives are directed to raise & forward it

Quarterly collection \$1.05 for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at West lake 1/19 1860

The representatives being called are present

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that two of them attended & produced a number of Epistles from London Yearly meeting one of which was read to our satisfaction and encouragement also some circulars & blank forms which the representatives are directed to apportion to the preparatives

The committee appointed to inform Jacob Terry of his continuance in membership - report the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed relative to West lake meeting house and grounds report no further attention they are continued to report in fourth month

The committee appointed to investigate the failure of Elizabeth L Wright & Co report that they have investigated the Same & find that the partners have extended their business beyond their ability to manage as becomes our

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religious profession and that they overstocked their shop with goods but could not discover any intention to defraud any of their creditors also that a large amount of indebtedness exists which they are unable at present to liquidate

The preparative meetings not having forwarded their proportion of money called for by the Quarterly and Yearly meetings they are directed to forward it to next monthly meeting

The clerk not having produced the Treasurers receipt as directed he is directed to produce it to next meeting

The Treasurer requesting to be released this meeting unites therewith and Stephen B Hubbs is appointed Treasurer to this meeting William Valentine & William Garratt are appointed to Settle with the former Treasurer pay whatever is in his hands to his successor & report

Our beloved friend David Bennett attended the Yearly meetings committee appointed in 1858 to visit the subordinate meetings acceptably attended this meeting whose company and Gospel labours amongst us have been truly encouraging and edifying to us

The committee appointed in 4th Mo last to assist the women in making enquiries relative to Elizabeth L Comstock's affairs report they have attended to their appointment and rendered them such assistance as the case required

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Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be received into membership with us signed Calvin N Lapp this meeting appoints John Cronkhite and Gilbert Haight to visit him see if his life and conversation are in accordance therewith whether he is convinced of our principles and report

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 2/16th 1860

The representatives being called are present except two & a reason assigned for the absence of one

The Queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the preparative meetings which are in Substance as follow

1st All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended by most friends yet there is a slackness with some friends in this important duty / The hour is nearly observed one instance of unbecoming behaviour beside sleeping and some care extended in the above deficiencies

2nd We believe friends are preserved in love one towards another one instance excepted which is under care When differences have arisen care has been taken to end them Tale bearing & detraction are discouraged but we fear not so fully avoided as could be desired

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3^d We believe friends do endeavour to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins With a few exceptions they appear to be good examples in these respects themselves We believe they do endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th We believe the greater part of friends do read the Scriptures collectively in their families

5th Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors excepting for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears except in two instances which are under care

6th The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance have been inspected and relief afforded them they have been advised and assisted in suitable employments and their children and all others under our care are in a way to get education for the ordinary duties of life

7th Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax instead thereof

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8th We believe friends are just in their dealings and with the exception of two instances punctual in fulfilling their engagements as far as appears We believe most friends are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession and when any have given occasion

for fear on these accounts they have been laboured with for their preservation and recovery
Some care extended in the above deficiencies

9th Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline but one meeting says it has not been done so seasonably as could be desired

Judah H Bowerman Edward Cronk John Vermilyea William Garratt & John Grinepeace? are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this report

Our proportion of money called for by the Yearly meeting is raised & forwarded \$21.42

The preparative meetings not having all raised their quotas of money for the Quarterly meetings use they are directed to forward it to next meeting

The Clerk produced the Treasurer's receipt as directed

The friends appointed to settle with the former treasurer report attention but not being ready to make a full report they are continued

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The committee appointed to visit Calvin N Lapp on account of his request report it has not been attended to they are continued

West lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Dorland Leavens for frequenting taverns and gambling we appoint William Garratt and Allen M Dorland to visit him on account thereof and report

Also from the same meeting a complaint against David C Young for marrying one not a member and for neglecting the attendance of meetings John Cronkhite Thomas Clark and Amos Hubbs are appointed to visit him on account thereof and report

The committee appointed in 8th mo last agreeably to the Extracts of the Yearly meeting to open subscriptions for educational purposes report they have not been able to obtain any most friends considering that our means are required for our own Boarding School

The time for which the overseers were appointed being about to expire William Garratt Joseph Baker Jun^r Edward Swetman & Amos Hubbs are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of suitable friends to Serve in that capacity for the ensuing year

Quarterly collection one dollar forty five cents for which the clerk is directed to produce the Treasurers receipt to next meeting

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This meeting having ascertained that Jonathan I Bowerman has removed within the compass of Kingston monthly meeting Stephen H Dorland and Gilbert Haight are appointed to enquire into the settlement of his outward affairs and produce a certificate of removal in accordance therewith to next meeting

Also that Henry Bowerman and wife have removed within the limits of Pickering monthly meeting Esli Terrill & Joseph Baker Jun^r are appointed to enquire into the settlement of his outward affairs & produce a certificate of removal in accordance therewith to next Meeting

Also that Walter Haight has removed within the limits of Norwich monthly meeting Esli Terrill and Joseph Baker Jun^r are appointed to enquire into the settlement of his outward affairs and produce a certificate of removal in accordance therewith to next meeting

West lake preparative meeting of ministers and elders forwarded to this a proposition to acknowledge Mary Ann Valentine a minister we appoint Amos Hubbs and Allen M Dorland in conjunction with a committee of women friends to take charge of the subject hear and consider objections if any and report according to discipline

It appears according to the reports from the preparative meetings that there are 119 children within our limits of suitable age to attend school of whom 103 attend District schools 11 attend Friends Boarding

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School 4 attend a School kept by a friends and one no school and two first day Schools.

Our beloved friend Eliza Brewer returned at this time a certificate granted her in 10th mo last and gave a satisfactory account of her visit having appointed 28 meetings in places where there were no meetings of Friends beside visiting all the regular meetings belonging to this Quarterly meeting and that her labours were to the peace and satisfaction of her own mind

Women Friends having informed this meeting that Deborah Haight minor child of Rowland Haight requires assistance this meeting agrees to pay for her board and tuition for one quarter at Friends Boarding School until the overseers of the poor can find a suitable place for her

This meeting concludes

West lake monthly meeting of friends held at West lake 3/15th 1860

The representatives being called are present

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended

The preparative meetings having all paid their Quotas of money for the Quarterly meetings use except West lake that meeting is directed to raise and forward its proportion to next meeting

The committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer

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report they have attended thereto and found \$14.80 in his hands which they have paid over to the present Treasurer but not having produced his receipt they are directed to produce it to next meeting

The committee appointed to visit Calvin N Lapp on account of his request report they have made him a visit to Satisfaction and believe him to be in a good degree convinced of our principles and that his life and conversation were orderly after deliberation this meeting is united in receiving him into membership and appoints Thomas Clark & Cornelius Bowerman to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed to visit Dorland Leavens on account of a complaint against him report they have attended thereto and did not find him in a situation to make satisfaction this meeting is united in disowning him & appoints William Valentine & Stephen H Dorland to draft & produce a testimony of disownment against him to next meeting

We unite with the women in receiving Lydia Lapp into membership

The committee appointed to visit David C Young on account of a complaint against him report it has not been attended to they are continued

The friends appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve as overseers report the following which being read and separately considered we united with & they are appointed to that Service for one year viz Job Elsworth George Leer Samuel I Dorland Allen M Dorland Joseph B Dorland Simon Terrill Gilbert Jones James McTaggart & James Mullett

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Women friends having produced a certificate of removal on behalf of Elizabeth L Comstock and her minor daughter Caroline Wright directed to Rollin Monthly meeting Michigan the clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting

The Clk not having produced the Treasurers receipt for Quarterly collection as directed is continued to produce it to next meeting

The committee appointed to produce a removal certificate on behalf of Jonathan I Bowerman report attention they are continued

The committee appointed to produce a removal certificate on behalf of Henry Bowerman report that he has removed again within the limits of this meeting they are therefore released

The committee appointed to produce a removal certificate on behalf of Walter Haight report attention they are continued

West lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us Signed Amos G Bowerman we appoint Stephen Cronkhite & Anthony Haight to visit him on account thereof and report

Also from the same meeting a similar request signed Bennet Bowerman we appoint Moses White & Edward Cronk to visit him on account thereof & report

Also from the same meeting a similar request signed Daniel M Bowerman we appoint Charles G. Bowerman & Job Elsworth to visit him on account thereof & report

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The Joint committee appointed to hear & consider objection if any to Mary Ann Valentine being acknowledged a minister report there has nothing come to their knowledge to prevent her being acknowledged as such after deliberation this meeting unites with the proposition from the meeting of Ministers and Elders & directs the clerk to give information thereof to that meeting

The time for which the Clerks were appointed having expired Amos Hubbs & Archelaus Southard are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of two suitable friends to serve as clerks for the ensuing year

Our beloved friend Cornelius Bowerman at this time returned the certificate granted him on 10th mo last and informed us that he had attended most of the meetings constituting West lake Quarterly meeting & appointed eight meetings & had returned home with the reward of peace

This meeting concludes

West Lake monthly meetings of friends held at West Lake 4/19th 1860

The representatives being called are present except one
West lake preparative meeting not having forwarded their quota of money for the
Quarterly meetings use it is directed to forward it to next meeting
The clerk produced The treasures receipt for the balance of what was in the former
Treasurers hands also for Quarterly collection for 2nd Mo last

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The friends appointed to inform Calvin N Lapp of his reception into membership report
the appointment fulfilled

The friends appointed to produce a testimony of disownment against Dorland Leavens
produced one which being read was approved of The clerk was directed to sign it Stephen
Hubbs & Judah H Bowerman were appointed to shew him a copy thereof inform him of his right
to appeal & report

The friends appointed to visit David C Young on account of a complaint against him
report they have made him a visit & did not find him willing to be a member of our religious
society after deliberation This meeting comes to the conclusion to disown him & appoints
william Garratt & Allen M Dorland to draft & produce a Testification of disownment to next
meeting

The committee appointed to draft a certificate of removal on behalf of Jonathan I
Bowerman report they are not yet ready with one they are continued

We unite with the women in receiving Mary Vermilyea into membership

The committee appointed to produce a removal certificate on behalf of Walter Haight
produced one which not proving satisfactory this meeting directs the overseers of Cold Creek
meeting to take the subject into consideration & deal with him according to discipline it
appearing that he has not settled his business to satisfaction

We unite with the women in receiving Sarah Eliza McFaul into membership

The friends appointed to visit Amos G Bowerman on account of his request report that
they have made him a visit and believe him to be in a good degree convinced of friends and that
his life & conversation are in a good degree consistent

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Therewith after deliberation this meeting is united in receiving him into membership & appoints
Levi Bowerman & John White to inform him Thereof & report

The friends appointed to visit Bennet Bowerman on account of his request report they
have visited him to satisfaction & believe him to be convinced of our principles & that his life &
conversation are orderly after deliberation this meeting concludes to receive him into
membership & appoints Thomas Waring & Alexander Derbyshire to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed to visit Daniel M Bowerman on account of his request report
they have visited him to a good degree of satisfaction & believe him to be convinced of our
principles but requesting longer time they are continued

The committee appointed to bring forward names of Suitable friends to serve as clerks
for the ensuing year report the name of Allen M Dorland as clerk and Stephen H Dorland as
assistant which was united with & they were appointed to that service accordingly

This meeting directs the preparative meetings to raise their proportions of 50 dollars for the support of the poor

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 5th Mo 17th 1860

The representatives being called were present

West Lake preparative meeting not having forwarded their quota of money for the quarterly meetings use they are directed to forward it to next meeting

One of the friends appointed to show Dorland Leavens a copy of the testification against him report That is has not been attended to they are continued

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The friends appointed to draft & produce a testification of disownment against David C Young produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it Judah H Bowerman & Charles G. Bowerman are appointed to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal & report to next meeting

The committee appointed to draft a removal certificate on behalf of Jonathan I Bowerman report they are not yet ready to produce one they are continued

The committee appointed to inform amos G Bowerman of his privileges of meeting report the appointment answered

No account from the committee to inform Bennet Bowerman of his privilege of meetings they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Daniel M Bowerman on account of his request report they have made him another visit to good satisfaction after deliberation thereon this meeting is united in receiving him into membership and appoints Wm Valentine & Anthony Haight to inform him thereof & report

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded their quota of money for the support of the poor as directed by the monthly meeting

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us signed Lewis C Lazier Jame Knoxn & Edward Cronk are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

The committee appointed relative to west lake meeting house & grounds report that they think it would be best to fence it on the line proposed in 12th Mo 1857 with which this meeting unites

The committee in Asahel Vermilyea,s case report that they think it would be best to return his request for the present with which this meeting unites & they are continued to return it & report

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 6th Mo 14th 1860

The representatives being called were present

Samuel I Dorland, Cornelius Bowerman, Vincent Bowerman & Joseph Haight are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting as our representatives with the business from this & report to our next meeting

West Lake Preparative meeting not yet having forwarded their quota of money for the Quarterly use they are continued to forward it to next meeting

The committee appointed to show Dorland Leavens a copy of the testification of disownment against him report some attention but not having fulfilled their appointment they are continued

The committee appointed to show David C Young a copy of the testification against him report that it has not been attended to they are continued

The friends appointed to draft a removal certificate on behalf of Jonathan I Bowerman report there has not been any attention paid to it since last month They are continued

The committee appointed to inform Bennet Bowerman of his privileges of meetings report their appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to inform Daniel M Bowerman of his privileges of membership report their appointment answered

Three of the preparative meetings report their quota of money for the support of the is not yet raised they are continued to raise & forward it to our next meeting

One of the committee appointed to visit Lewis C Lazier on account of his request report some attention

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but not being ready to make a full report they are continued with John Cronkhite added

The committee in Asahel Vermilyeas case report no attention paid since last month they are continued

No Quarterly collection

Then adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at West Lake 7th Mo. 19th 1860

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended

West Lake preparative meeting reports the money for the Quarterly meetings use is all raised but \$2. They are continued to raise & forward it

The committee appointed to show Dorland Leavens a copy of the testification against him report the appointment answered

The committee appointed to draft a removal certificate on behalf of Jonathan I Bowerman report there has been no attention paid to it since last month they are continued to report in 10th M^o next

The committee appointed to show David C Young a copy of the testification against him report the appointment fulfilled

Ameliasburg & Huntingdon says our proportion of \$50 for the support of the poor is raised & forwarded West Lake says it is all raised but \$2.61 cts They are continued to raise & forward it

The committee appointed to visit Lewis C Lazier on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction & believe him to be measureably convinced of Friends principles & did not discover but his life & conversation was orderly after deliberation

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thereon the meeting is united in receiving him into membership & appoints James M^c taggart & William Mullet to inform him thereof & report

The committee in asahel Vermilyea's case report it stands the same as last month they are continued

It appearing necessary that there should be a further sum of \$58.75 cts raised to defray the expense of the poor the preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportion of said sum & pay to the clerk of this meeting

The committee appointed to inform Adam Hubbs of his continuance in membership report their appointment fulfilled

Adjourned to meet at Hillier

West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held 8th M^o. 16th. 1860

The representatives being called were present

West Lake preparative meeting reports their proportion of \$50 for the support of the poor is raised and forwarded, but the money for the Quarterly Meetings use is not all raised yet they are continued to raise & forward it

No account from the committee appointed to inform Lewis C Lazier of his privileges of membership they are continued

The committee in Asahel Vermilyea's case report their appointment answered

Cold Creek says \$4.50 cts of their proportion of money called for by the Monthly Meeting is raised & forwarded. West Lake reports they have proceeded to raise their proportion & Ameliasburg says nothing about it They are continued to raise & forward it

Then Adjourned

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th M^o 20th 1860

The representatives being called were present

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to six of them as forwarded by the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows The advices were also read

1st) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended: yet too much slackness prevails especially in the middle of the week: The hour is nearly observed no unbecoming behavior except that of sleeping.

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another as far as appears / except in one meeting which says there is a want of that love one towards another in a few instances which is required; Talebearing & detraction is discouraged but one meeting says not so fully avoided as is desired

3^d) We believe most friends do endeavour to train up their children & those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us & in the plainness &

simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins: With a few exceptions they appear to be good examples in these respects themselves: We believe they do endeavour to guard their children & all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns & attending places of diversion as far as appears

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders we believe in the spirit of meekness & agreeably to discipline but one meeting says not so seasonably in all cases as could be desired

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West Lake preparative meeting reports the money for the Quarterly meetings use is raised & forwarded

The preparative meetings report their proportion of money to defray the expenses of the poor is raised & forwarded

The committee appointed to inform Lewis C Lazier of his privilege of meetings report their appointment answered

Judah H Bowerman William Carratt Esli Terrill Thomas Waring & Edward Cronk were appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this & report

Our esteemed Friend Cornelius Bowerman informed this meeting that he had a prospect of attending Yonge Street Quarterly Meeting and Mariposa meeting also of appointing a few meetings between the two with which this meeting unites and leaves him at liberty to pursue his prospect as way may open he being a minister in unity with us

Our beloved friend Stephen Cronk informed this meeting that he had a prospect of accompanying Cornelius Bowerman in his proposed religious visit as companion with which this meeting is united he being a member in unity with us: The clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at west Lake 10th M^o. 18th 1860

The representatives being called were present except two

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly report they attended with the exceptions of one & a satisfactory reason given for his nonattendance & produced a number of New York Yearly meetings

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minutes & extracts one of which was read but not having produced all the business they are continued to forward it next month

One of the committee to draft a removal certificate on behalf of Jonathan I Bowerman deferred from 7th M^o last report they are not yet ready to produce one they are continued

Our friends Cornelius Bowerman & companion informed this meeting that they attended the Quarterly meetings as expressed in his certificate and appointed two meetings much to the satisfaction of Their minds

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Hillier 11th M^o 15th 1860

The representatives being called were present

The representatives continued to produce the business from the Quarterly meeting produced a minute directing the Monthly Meetings to raise their proportion of \$2000 for the Yearly Meetings use & pay to the Clerk of the Quarterly meeting also to furnish information respecting schools The preparative meetings are directed to raise Their proportions of said sum & pay to the Clerk also to furnish the necessary information respecting schools

The committee to draft a removal certificate on behalf of Jonathan I Bowerman produced one which being read was approved of The clerk directed to sign & forward it

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us signed Isaac Brock John White Allen M Dorland & Jobe Aylsworth are appointed to labour with him on account of this request also a request signed Isaac & Hannah Brock to have their children

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joined in membership with friends if it is agreeable with the truth The same friends are also to make the necessary inquiry in their case & report

Johnson Brewer & wife requesting a certificate of right of membership to Kingston Monthly meeting Jobe Aylsworth & W^m Valentine were appointed to make the necessary inquiry in the case & if nothing appears to prevent to draft & produce one to next meeting.

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 12th M^o 20th 1860

The representatives being called ~~were~~ from three of the preparative meetings were present except one no account from Huntingdon

The queries & the advices were read in this meeting & the answers to six of them as forwarded by the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows

1st Friends generally with some exceptions are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & discipline The hour nearly observed Two instances of unbecoming behavior besides that of sleeping and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) One meeting says several instances of a want of love & unity between friends which are mostly under care when differences have arisen some care is excited? to end them Talebearing and detraction are discouraged but not so fully avoided as could be desired

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3^d) We believe most friends do endeavour to train up Their children & those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins, with a few exceptions they appear to be good examples in these respects themselves: We believe they do endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

- 4th) Most friends are diligent in reading the scriptures in their families collectively
- 5th) We know of none who make us[e] of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal one instance excepted - Noen to charge with frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion
- 9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders seasonably in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline

Allen M Dorland Cornelius Bowerman Esli Terrill and William Garratt were appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our representatives with the business from This & report

The committee appointed to visit Isaac Brock & family on account of their request report some attention they are continued

The committee appointed to make enquiry and if nothing appears to prevent to draft a removal certificate for Johnson Brewer & wife to Kingston Monthly Meeting report they have made the necessary enquiry & drafted one, but having received information that they expected to

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return soon it was not considered necessary to submit it to the meeting for its approval

Came to this from the Womens meeting a proposal of marriage signed ambrose Chapin and Abigail Leavens she being a widow Jobe Aylsworth and William Valentine are appointed to see that the rights of her children are legally secured and report to next meeting

Edward Cronk and Thomas Waring are appointed to agree with some one to enclose the burying ground at adolphustown and if they think best to give the meetinghouse at that place for that purpose and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 1st M^o 17th 1861

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that three of them attended and produced a number of the London Yearly meetings Epistles one of which was read to our satisfaction

The committee appointed to visit Isaac Brock & family on account of their request report they have made them a visit to very good satisfaction & believe him to be in a pretty good degree convinced of friends principles & did not discover but what his life & conversation was orderly after deliberation thereon this meeting is united in receiving them into membership and appoints Esli Terrill & Gilbert Jones to inform them thereof and report, (Childrens names) Lucy Ann Brock; John Allen Brock Richmond Brok Ella jane Brock Dorothy Lillea Brock & Harriet Alice Brock

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The committee appointed to see that the rights of Abigail Leavens child is secured report they believe they are Ambrose Chapin having produced a Certificate from Leeds Monthly meeting of his clearness of marriage engagements They are left at liberty to accomplish their

marriage between this and our next Monthly according to the order of friends. Wm Valentine and Judah H Bowerman are appointed to attend said marriage see that it is orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

The committee appointed to agree with some one to enclose the burying ground at adolphustown reports it has not been attended to They are continued to report in 5th. month next

Our friend ambrose chapin having requested the liberty of holding a meeting at this place to morrow at 11 oClock for the purpose of accomplishing his marriage after consideration it was united with & said meeting was directed to be held at the hour

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 2nd M^o 21st 1861

The representatives being called were present except two

The queries & the advices were read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the preparatives a summary of which is as follows

1st) All our meetings for religious worship & discipline are attended, but not as diligently by all as is desirable especially in the middle of the week The hour is nearly observed. A few instances of sleeping and two instances of othe[r] unbecoming behavior, some care taken in the above deficiencies

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2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another with the exceptions of five instances where that unity which is so necessary for the preservation and prosperity of truth does not exist. When differences hath arisen care has been taken to end them Talebearing and detraction is discouraged but not altogether avoided

3^d) We believe friends do endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins: They are generally good examples in these respects themselves: and they do endeavour to guard their children and all other under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Most friends are diligent in reading The Holy scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

6th) The circumstances of the poor and those who appear likely to require assistance are inspected and when it is required relief is afforded them: They are advised and assisted in suitable employments: Their children and all others under our care are being properly educated for the ordinary duties of live

7th) Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions or of bearing arms and of paying any fine or tax instead thereof

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8th) We believe friends are just in their dealings and with four exceptions punctual in fulfilling their engagements as far as appears: We believe most friends are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession: And when any have given occasion for fear on these accounts they have been laboured with for their preservation and recovery (some care taken in the above deficiencies

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offender we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline with the exceptions of one meeting which says care has not been taken so seasonably as we could wish

James Noxon George Lear Jobe Aylsworth & Solomon Vermilyea re appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting with the business from this and report

The committee appointed to inform Isaac Brock of the reception of himself and family into membership report their appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of Ambrose Chapin and Abigail Leavens report they attended said marriage did not discover but what is was orderly conducted and the marriage certificate is forwarded to the recorder

The preparative meetings report their quota of money of the Yearly meetings use is raised and forwarded

It appears from the reports of three of the preparative meetings that there are 95 children of suitable to attend school 84 of these attend district schools 11 attend friends Boarding school. One school under the care of the Society & one kept by a friend both of which teach a first day school

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Was received at this time from a special representative meeting held in New York 24th of 1st M^o 1851 a minute recommending its subordinate meetings to open subscriptions to raise funds for the relief of friends and others in kansas who are in a suffering condition & forward the funds raised as soon may be to Marshall Dickinson & Co N^o 83 Beekman street New York Wm Garratt Allen M Dorland Judah H Bowerman Gilbert Jones Thomas Clark Wm Valentine Solomon Vermilyea James Noxon Stephen Cronk Townsend Garratt & Elijah Yerex are appointed to open subscription to raise funds for said purpose & pay the amount raised to Wm Valentine to be forwarded as directed & report

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 3^d M^o 21st 1861

The representatives being called were present except one

The clerk being absent William Valentine was appointed clerk for the day

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report they attended

The committee appointed to open Subscription for the relief of the suffering in Kansas report attention they are continued to report next month

Judah H Bowerman Gilbert Haight Edward Cronk Stephen H Dorland James Alley John Cronk & John Locklin are appointed to bring forward names of suitable friends to serve as overseers for the ensuing year to next meeting

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William Valentine & William Garratt are appointed to bring forward the names of two suitable friends to serve as clerk & assistant clerk for the ensuing year to next meeting

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th Mo 18th 1861

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed to open subscription to assist the suffering in Kansas report they have raised & forward \$117 the receipt of which has been acknowledged

The friends appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve as clerk & assistant clerk submit the following viz Allen M Dorland as clerk & Stephen H Dorland assistant which was united & they were reappointed to that service for one year

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of friends to serve as overseers submit the following with the exceptions of one which was appointed by the meeting viz Joseph B Dorland Gilbert Haight Alexander Derbyshire Jobe Aylsworth Simon Terrill Henry Bowerman James McTaggart & James Mullet which being separately read & considered were united with & appointed to that service for one year

Came to this meeting from Huntindon preparative meeting a request to be joined in membership with us signed John Loyd Vincent Bowerman & Jobe Aylsworth are appointed to make him a visit on account of his request & report

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Also another from the same meeting signed Allan McTaggart we appoint Allen M Dorland & John Cronk to make him a visit on account of the same & report

Came to this from the womens meeting a proposal of marriage signed Arthur L Elsworth & Abigail Penrose Mullett W^m Garratt & Stephen Cronk are appointed to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements and report to next meeting

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends Held at Hillier 5th M^o 16th 1861

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed to visit John Loyd on account of his request report that it has not been attended to they are continued

The committee to visit Allen McTaggart on account of his request report that it has not yet been attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to enquire into Arthur L Elsworth clearness of other marriage engagements report that there does not appear to be anything to hinder their proceedings They having consent of parents are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage between this & our next monthly meeting according to the order of friends Vincent Bowerman and ~~Jobe Elsworth~~ Solomon Vermilyea are appointed to attend said marriage see if it is orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder & report

The committee appointed to agree with some one to enclose the burying ground at adolphustown report some attention they are continued to report in 8th month next

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Came to this meeting from Huntingdon preparative meeting a request to be joined in membership with us signed Reuben B Vermilyea John White & Gilbert Haight are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof and report

We unite with the women in receiving Sarah McTaggart into membership

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 6th M^o 13th 1861

The representatives being called were present

~~Visit John Loyd on acc~~ The committee appointed to visit John Loyd on account of his request report they have made him a visit to some satisfaction and request a longer time with which this meeting unites they are continued

The committee to make Allen McTaggart a visit on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction and believe him to be very well convinced of friends principles & did not discover but what his life & conversation was orderly after deliberation thereon the meeting is united in receiving him into membership & appoints James Mullet & Arthur Mullet to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of Arthur L Ellsworth & Abigail C P Mullet report they attended said marriage & did not discover but what it was orderly conducted but not having forwarded the certificate to the recorder they are continued to forward it & report

The committee appointed to visit Reuben B Vermilyea on account of his request report it has not been attended to on account of sickness they are continued

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Came to this meeting from Huntingdon Preparative meeting a request to be joined in membership with us signed Charles Hudson James McTaggart & Judah H Bowerman are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Joseph Baker Cornelius Bowerman James Noxon Alexander Derbyshire & Daniel Bowerman are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting with the business from this & report

We unite with the women in disowning Mary Jane Spafford formerly Noxon

We also unite with the women in receiving Dorothy Bowerman into membership

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held 7th M^o 18th 1861

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to visit John Loyd on account of his request report there has not been any attention paid to it since last month they are continued

The committee appointed to inform Allen McTaggart of his privilege of meetings requested Gilbert Haight to report on their behalf that the appointment was answered

The committee continued to forward the marriage certificate of Arthur L Elsworth & Abigail P Mullett report their appointment answered

The committee to visit Reuben B Vermilyea on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction believe him to be in a good degree convinced

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of friends principles & did not discover but what his life & conversation was orderly after deliberation thereon it was deferred for next meetings consideration

We unite with the women in receiving Elizabeth Bowerman into membership

The committee appointed to visit Charles Hudson on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction believe him to be convinced of our principles & did not discover but what his life and conversation was consistent therewith the meeting was united in receiving him into membership Solomon Vermilyea & James McTaggart were appointed to inform him of his privilege of meetings & report

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that four of them attended and produced a number of pamphlets addressed to the members of our society the representatives were directed to apportion them to the preparative meetings

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us signed Smith Huff John Cronk & Johnson Brewer were appointed to make him a visit on account thereof and report

The Clerk of Pickering Monthly meeting forwarded to this the report of the committee appointed by them to visit John Cronkhite (Jun) on our behalf which is as follows, we your committee in John Cronkhites case have laboured with him but without effecting any change in him in regard to attending our religious meetings although he expresses a desire to retain his membership with us Signed Joseph Coady John S Serviss Henry Lapp which is deferred for next meetings consideration

Then Adjourned

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West Lake Monthly meeting of friends Held at Hillier 8th M^o 13th 1861

The representatives being called were present

The committee to visit John Loyd on account of his request report no further attention they are continued

Reuben B Vermilyea's request again claiming the attention of this meeting we are united in receiving him into membership. Henry Bowerman & Townsend Garratt are appointed to inform him of his privilege of meeting and report

The committee to inform Charles Hudson of his privilege of meeting's report the appointment answered

The committee appointed to visit Smith Huff on account of his request report they have made him a visit to pretty good satisfaction believe him to be measurably convinced of our principles and on enquiry did not discover but what his Life & conversation was consistent therewith after deliberation thereon this meeting is united in receiving him into membership & appoints Judah H Bowerman & Levi Bowerman to inform him of his privilege of meetings & report

John Cronkhite Jun case again claiming the attention of this meeting after deliberation thereon we are united in again deferring it for consideration in 11th M^o next

One of The committee appointed to agree with some one to enclose the burying ground at Adolphustown report no further attention They are continued with Jobe Aylsworth added to report in 11th M^o next

Judah Cronkhite having removed within the limits of Pickering Monthly meeting and not having a removal certificate Anthony Haight Charles G Bowerman & Gilbert Haight are appointed to make enquiry respecting the settlement of his temporal affairs draft

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one in accordance therewith & report

George & Edward Fieldhouse also having removed within the limits of Pickering Monthly meeting and not having certificates Esli Terrill & Gilbert Jones were appointed to make enquiry respecting the settlement of their temporal affairs draft one agreeable therewith and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at West Lake 9th M^o 19th 1861

The representatives being called were present except three and a satisfactory reason given for the absence of one

The queries were all read in this meeting with the advices & the answers to six of them as forwarded by the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows

- 1st) Most friends appear to be careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & discipline although there appears to be a slackness with some friends especially in the middle of the week the hour nearly observe no unbecoming behaviour to remark except that of sleeping
- 2nd) Friends appear to be preserved in love one towards another except in five instances in which care has been extended when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them talebearing & detraction are discouraged & mostly avoided as far as appears
- 3^d) We believe most friends do endeavour to train up their children & those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us & in plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins most friends friends appear to be good examples in these respects themselves and do endeavour to guard their children and all others under

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their care against corrupt conversations and the reading of pernicious books

4th) We believe most friends are diligent in reading the Holy scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We know of no friends making use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal and clare of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness & agreeably to our discipline but perhaps not in all cases as seasonably as would have been best

Stephen Cronk Judah H Bowerman Robert Saylor & Anthony Haight were appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this & report

The committee appointed to visit John Loyd on account of his request report no further attention yet they are continued.

the committee appointed to inform Reuben B Vermilyea of his privileges of meetings report the appointment answered

The committee appointed to inform Smith Huff of his reception into membership report their appointment answered

The committee in Judah Cronkhites case report some attention & request a longer time with which this meeting unites they are continued

The committee appointed to enquire ing George & Edward Fieldhouses temporal affairs & draft a certificate in accordance therewith produced one which being read with a little alteration made was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it & forward it to Pickering monthly meeting

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Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us signed Aron W Baker Charles G Bowerman Johnson Brewer & John Cronk are appointed to make him a visit on account of the same & report

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 10th M^o 17th 1861

The representatives being called were present

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended and produced a minute directing the monthly meetings to raise their quotas of \$1500 for the Yearly meetings use also of \$2000 to assist Friends in North Carolina to relieve themselves of a pecuniary burden by direction of the Yearly meeting the preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportions of said sums and pay to this meetings clerk they are also directed to the observance of the Extracts respecting schools & the educational funds, was also received a number of New York Yearly Meetings minutes & some pamphlets from London Yearly meeting held in 1861 addressed to friends in North America the representatives are directed to apportion them to the preparative meetings

The committee in John Loyd's case report that on account of sickness there has not been any attention paid since last month they are continued

The committee in Judah Cronkhites case report further attention but not ready to make a full report they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Aaron W Baker on account of his request report that it has not been attended to they are continued

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Cornelius Bowerman requesting to be released from the committee having charge of the burying ground at West Lake we are united in releasing him and adding Edward Cronk and Daniel Derbyshire to the committee

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 11th M^o 21st 1861

The representatives being called were present

The committee in John Loyds case report they have made him another visit and request a longer time we are united in granting their request they are continued to report in 5th M^o next.

The committee appointed to enquire into the settlement of Judah Cronkhites temporal affairs and draft a removal certificate in accordance therewith to Pickering monthly meeting produced one which being read was approved of. The clerk was directed to sign & forward it

two of The committee to visit Aaron W Baker on account of his request report they have made him a visit to pretty good satisfaction and believe him partly convinced of our principles and with a few exceptions did not discover but what his life and conversation was orderly after deliberation thereon it is deferred for next meetings consideration

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Gorden A Terry for so far deviating from the good order held amongst us as to Join himself to the freemasons and neglect the attendance of our meetings Judah H Bowerman & Charles G Bowerman are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof and report

Then Adjourned

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends Held at West Lake 12th M^o 19th 1861

The representatives being called were present except one

The queries were all read in this meeting with the advices and the answers as forwarded from the different preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows

1st) Most Friends appear to be careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline: The hour nearly observed mostly clear of unbecoming behavior some care taken in the above deficiency

2nd) Love and unity are generally maintained amongst us as becomes our religious profession except four instances when differences has arisen care has been extended to end them and care has been taken in the above deficiencies: Talebearing and detraction are discouraged but not so fully avoided as could be desired

3^d) We believe most friends do endeavour to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins most friends appear to be good examples in these respects themselves and do endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) We believe most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Clear in the several parts of this query as far as appears

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9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline perhaps not so seasonably in all case as might have been best

Cornelius Bowerman Daniel Derbyshire William Garratt and Henry S Bowerman are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting as our representatives with the business from this and report.

Aaron W Bakers request again claiming the attention of this meeting after expression of feeling thereon it was thought best to continue it under the care of the meeting untill 3^d Month next

The committee appointed to visit Gorden A Terry on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit to some satisfaction he acknowledged the complaint just and expressed a desire to retain his membership after deliberation thereon it was thought best to continue them with Vincent Bowerman added to report in 6th Month next

Came to this meeting from West Lake preparative meeting a request to be joined in membership with us signed William Brown Gilbert Haight & Stephen Cronk are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof and report

We received at this time a letter from John Cronk (Jun) relative to a complaint against him which was read in this meeting after discussion thereon it was deferred for consideration in 3^d Month next

The committee continued from 8th M^o last to agree with some one to enclose the burying ground at adolphustown report some attention they are continued to report in 5th M^o next

Then Adjourned

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West lake Monthly Meeting of friends Held at West Lake 1st M^o 16th 1862

The representatives being called were present except one

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that three of them attended & produced a number of London Epistles one of which was read to our satisfaction which the representatives are directed to apportion

The committee appointed to visit W^m Brown on account of his request report attention but not being ready to report in full are continued

Came to this meeting from Cold Creek preparative meeting a complaint against Caleb Garratt for marrying one not in membership with us & neglecting the attendance of meetings John White & Johnson Brewer are appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

Came to this meeting from West Lake preparative meeting a request to be again reunited to our society signed William Southard Senr Philip Clark & Gilbert Haight are appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

Also from the same meeting a request to become a member of our society signed Noah T Penny Heaviland Hubbs & John Cronkhite are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Also a similar request from the same meeting signed George W Stevens Edward Cronk Charles G Bowerman & Judah H Bowerman are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Also a similar request from Ameliasburg preparative meeting signed Josiah S Morden on account of himself & his son Alden Adelbert Morden Job Elsworth & W^m Valentine are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

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Also a similar request from the same meeting signed James Pettet Cornelius Bowerman & George Lear are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 2nd Mo 10th 1862

The representatives being called were present

The queries were all read in this meeting with the advices & answers as forwarded from the preparative meeting a summary of which is as follows

1st) Most friends appear to be careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & discipline yet there is a slackness with some friends in this important duty: the hour is nearly observed: no unbecoming behavior to remark except that of sleeping & some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) Friends are generally preserved in love one towards another except five instances when differences arise due care is taken to end them talebearing & detraction are discouraged but not so fully avoided as could be desired and some Care taken

3^d) We believe most friends do endeavour to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins & are good examples in these respects themselves and do endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

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4th) We believe most friends are diligent in reading the holy scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We are not aware of but one instance of any friend making use of spirituous liquor and frequenting taverns or any attending places of diversion

6th) The circumstances of the poor & those who appear likely to require assistance are inspected & when it is required relief is afforded them & they are advised and assisted in such employments as they are capable of & their children and all others under our care are being properly educated for the ordinary duties of life

7th) Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions of of paying any fine or tax instead thereof one instance excepted which is under care

8th) We believe friends are just in their dealings and punctualism fulfilling their with the exceptions of one instance which is under care We believe they are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession we are not aware of any extending their business beyond their ability to manage

9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline but not so seasonably in all cases as might have been best

William Hubbs John Cronkhite Joseph Haight & Jame Mullett were appointed as our representatives to attend the Quarterly meeting with the business from this & report

The trustees of Huntingdon meeting house & grounds forwarded to this meeting a deed for the same duly recorded in the registrar office of the County of Hastings which the recorder is directed to take charge of

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John M^eTaggart [written above M^eTaggart by a different hand was S Cronk] one of the trustees of the above mentioned grounds having removed out of the limits of this meeting Stephen Cronk is appointed as his successor in trust

The committee appointed to visit William Brown report further attention but not being ready to make a full report they are continued with Judah H Bowerman added

One of the committee appointed to visit Caleb Garratt (Jun) on account of a complaint against him report they made him a satisfactory visit he wished to be continued a member & as to the attendance of meetings he ~~hoped~~ said his situation was such that he thought he would attend them oftener than he had done after deliberation thereon he is continued a member under the care of the meeting for 6 months.

One of the committee appointed to visit William Southard (Sen) on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction & believe him to be a friend in principle after deliberation thereon we are united in receiving him into membership Jobe Ellsworth & William Garratt are appointed to inform him thereof & report

One of the committee appointed to visit Noah T Penny on account of his request report they made him a visit to good satisfaction & believe him very well convinced of friends principles & did not discover but what his daily walk & conversation was orderly after expression of sentiment thereon we are united in receiving him into membership Vincent Bowerman & William Valentine are appointed to inform him thereof & report

The committee to visit George W Stevens on account of his request report they have made him a visit to very good satisfaction but were not all ready to make a full report

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The committee appointed to visit Josiah S Morden on account of his request for him & his son Alden adebert to become members of our society report they have made him a visit to very good satisfaction & believe him to be in a good degree convinced of our principles & did not discover but what his life & conversation was consistent therewith after deliberation thereon we are united in receiving them into membership Joseph Haight & Gilbert Haight are appointed to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed to visit James Pettet on account of his request report that it has not been attended to they are continued

Ameliaburg Preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Cory Cronkhite for marrying a person not a member of our society William Valentine & Charles G. Bowerman are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Huntingdon preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Jacob Jones for departing from the good order of our society in going out of plainness in dress & address & also in making to free use of spirituous liquors Samuel Baker & Edward Swetman are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

The preparative meetings report the money for the Yearly meetings use is raised & forwarded it being \$45.35 cts also 50 cts for the Educational fund

By the reports received from three of the preparative meetings there are 79 children of suitable to attend schools 5 attend Friends B School 71 attend district schools 3 receiving instruction at home 2 schools taught by members & a first day school: no account from Huntingdon

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West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends Held 3^d M^o 20th 1862

The representatives being called were present

The committee in William Browns case report further attention but not yet ready to make a full report they are continued

The committee appointed to inform William Southard of his reception into membership report that it has not been attended to they are continued

The committee to inform Noah T Penny of his reception into membership report their appointment answered

The committee continued to visit George W Stevens on account of his request report they have made him a visit to very good satisfaction & believe him to be in a good degree convinced of friends principles & did not discover but what his life & conversation was consistent therewith after deliberation thereon we are united in receiving him into membership Judah H Bowerman & John Cronkhite are appointed to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed to inform Josiah S Morden of the reception of him and his son Alden Adelbert Morden into membership report their appointment fulfilled

The committee continued to visit James Pettet on account of his request report they have made him a visit to very good satisfaction & believe him to be pretty well convinced of friends principles & upon enquiry did not find but what his life & conversation was orderly after deliberation thereon it is deferred for next meetings consideration

The committee appointed to visit Cory Cronkhite report that it has not been attended to they are continued

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The committee appointed to visit Jacob Jones on account of a complaint against him report attention but not ready to make a full report they are continued

Aaron W Bakers request again claiming the attention of this meeting we are united in receiving him into membership Harvey Y Brundage & Henry S Bowerman are appointed to inform him thereof & report

John Cronk (Jun) complaint again claiming the attention of This meeting after expression of sentiment thereon it came to the conclusion that it would be best to direct his letter received in 12th M^o last to Pickering Monthly meeting & request them to continue their labour in his case as there was a hope in friends here there was a change in him for the better since their labours were extended

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us signed Samuel Bonesteel James McTaggart and Samuel Baker are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Vincent Bowerman Gilbert Haight Harvey Brundage Henry Bowerman James McTaggart James W Noxon Edward Swetman Stephen H Dorland & William Yerex are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of friends to serve as overseers for the ensuing year

William Valentine & William Garratt are appointed to bring forward the names of two friends to serve as clerks to next meeting.

Judah H Bowerman Stephen Cronk Henry S Bowerman & Samuel Baker are by directions from the Quarterly meeting appointed to furnish this meeting with the number of families and the whole of members within its limits & also with the number of London Epistles needed by them

Then Adjourned

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West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 4th M^o 17th 1862

The representatives being called were present

The committee in William Browns case report they have made him a visit to very good satisfaction & find him pretty well convinced of friends principles & upon enquiry did not discover but what his life & conversation was orderly after deliberation thereon we are united in receiving him into membership Joseph Baker & Alexander Derbyshire are appointed to inform him thereof & report

The friends appointed to inform William Southard of his reception into membership report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to inform George W Stevens of his reception into membership report their appointment fulfilled

James Pettet's request again claiming the attention of this meeting we are united in receiving him into membership and appoint Gilbert Haight & William Garratt to inform him Thereof & report

The committee continued to visit Cory B Cronkhite on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit to very good satisfaction he expressed a desire to be retained in membership & is in the habit of attending meetings after deliberation thereon we are united in continueing him a member & appoint Anthony T Haight & Stephen H Dorland to inform him of the same & report

The committee continued to visit Jacob Jones on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit that he acknowledged the complaint just but did not find him in a situation to be continued a member

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we are united in disowning him Gilbert Haight & William Valentine are appointed to draft a testification against him and produce it to next meeting

The committee appointed to inform Aaron W Baker of his reception into membership report the appointment answered

No account from the committee to visit Samuel Bonesteel on account of his request they are continued

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of friends to serve as overseers submitted the following which being separately read & considered were united with and appointed to that service for one year viz Jobe Elsworth Alexander Derbyshire James Mullett Solomon Vermilyea Gilbert Haight Allen M Dorland Henry S Bowerman Joseph Baker

The committee appointed to furnish this meeting with the number of families and the whole number of members within its limits also the number of Epistles needed report attention they are continued

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Harvey Y Brundage for so far deviating from the good order held amongst us as to marry one not in membership with us Joseph Baker sen and Gilbert Jones are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Thomas Clark having suggested to this meeting the propriety of appointing a Joint committee of men & women friends to extend advice and assistance to Cold Creek Preparative meeting said committee to form a component part thereof after a time of deliberation thereon we are united in appointing Gilbert Haight Jobe Elsworth William Valentine John Cronk William Garratt & Allen M Dorland

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to that service & to report in 7th M^o next

We unite with the women in receiving Mary Tinney into membership

Pickering Monthly meeting having declined to accept Judah Cronk removal Certificate have returned it to this meeting

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks for the ensuing year proposed Allen M Dorlands name for clerk & Stephen H Dorlands as assistant which were united with and they were reappointed to that service for one year

Our beloved friends Stephen Cartland attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Durham Monthly of friends held as south Durham state of Maine 1st M^o 21st 1862 endorsed by falmouth Quarterly meeting held at Windham 2nd 6th 1862 whose company and gospel Labours have been very satisfactory and acceptable to us the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

Our beloved friend Eliza Brewer opened in this meeting a prospect which has for a considerable time rested on her mind & latterly with increasing weight of visiting in the love of the gospel the meetings composing Pelham & Yongestreet Quarterly meeting & of appointing some meetings within their limits of those not of our society as truth may open the way which claimed our solid deliberation much unity & sympathy was expressed with her in her concern & she is left at liberty to persue her prospect as best wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

Edward Cronk & Judah H Bowerman are appointed to see that Eliza Brewer is provided with means & suitable company to go with her on her journey

Adjourned to meet at Hillier as usual

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West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at west Hillier 5th 15th 1862

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed to inform William Brown of his reception into membership report their appointment answered

The committee to inform James Pettet of his reception into membership report the appointment fulfilled

The friends appointed to inform Cory B Cronk of his continuance in membership report their appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to draft a testification of disownment against Jacob Jones & produce it to this meeting report that it has not been attended to they are continued to produce it to next meeting

No account yet from the committee appointed to visit Samuel Bonesteel on account of his request they are continued

The committee continued to furnish this meeting with the number of families & the whole number of members within its limits also the number of Epistles required report there are 150 families and parts of families 496 members & 180 Epistles required

The committee appointed to visit Harvey Y Brundage report that one of them has made him a visit he expressed a desire to retain his membership & is in the practice of attending meetings after deliberation thereon we are united in continuing him a member & appoint Joseph Baker Jun & Townse[n]d Garratt to inform him thereof & report

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The committee continued from 12th M^o last to agree with some one to enclose the burying ground at Adolphustown report attention they are continued

The women forwarded to this meeting a removal Certificate on behalf of Abigail Chapin to Leeds Monthly meeting which was approved of & the clerk directed to sign it

Gilbert Haight informed this meeting that Charles Hudson intended to visit his friends in England and wished a certificate expressive of his right of membership. The clerk is directed to furnish him with one & sign it on behalf of the meeting

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 6th M^o 12th 1862

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed to visit Samuel Bonesteel on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction & that they saw nothing in the way to prevent his being received into membership after deliberation thereon we are united in receiving him & appoint Anthony Haight Judah H Bowerman to inform him thereof & report

The committee continued to produce a testification of disownment against Jacob Jones produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it Henry S

Bowerman & Judah H Bowerman are appointed to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal & to report to next meeting ~

No account from the committee appointed to inform Harvey Y Brundage of his continuance in membership they are continued

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The committee continued to agree with some one to enclose the burying ground at Adolphustown report their appointment not yet completed they are continued

Whereas Jacob Jones a member of this meeting having so far transgressed our well known principles as to neglect the attendance of our meetings also to make to free use of intoxicating liquor our labours of love having been extended to him to endeavour to reclaim him but not producing the desired effect we therefore feel constrained to disown him from being any longer a member of our society until through divine grace he may be convinced of his errors & seek for reconciliation with his friends & that he may be enabled to do so is our sincere desire

We unite with the women in receiving Elizabeth Hutchinson into membership

We also unite with the women in receiving Emily Brown into membership

Alexander derbyshire Stephen Cronk John White & Anthony Haight are appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this & report

The committee continued from 12th M^o last to visit Gorden A Terry on account of a complaint against him report attention they are continued

Then Adjourned

West Lake monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 7th M^o 17th 1862

The representatives being called were present

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended

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Our esteemed friend David H Bennett attended this meeting with a minute of unity and concurrence from Butternuts Monthly meeting of friends held 12th M^o 4th 1861 to visit in the love of the Gospel most of the meetings composing the northern and westerly Quarterly meetings belonging to the Yearly meeting and of appointing some meetings among those not of ur society as truth may open the way, whose company and gospel labours have been very satisfactory and acceptable

Also his wife Betsey E Bennett with a minute from the same meeting held 12th M^o 4th 1861 expressive of her willingness to accompany her husband in his proposed religious visit whose company has also been acceptable

The committee appointed to inform Samuel Bonesteel of his reception into membership report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to show Jacob Jones a copy of the testification of disownment against him report that it has not been attended to they are continued

The friends appointed to inform Harvey Y Brundage of his continuance in membership report their appointment answered

The committee continued to agree with some one to enclose the burying ground at Adolphustown report it not yet completed they are continued to report in 9th M^o next

The committee appointed to visit Gordon A Terry on account of a complaint against him report that on account of sickness there has not been any attention paid to it since last month they are continued

Thomas Clark Townse[n]d Garratt Cornelius Bowerman & Judah H Bowerman are appointed to visit John Cronk Jun

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on account of a complaint against him & report in 10th month next

We unite with the women in disowning Rachel Oakley

Our esteemed friend Eliza Brewer returned at this time a minute granted her in 4th M^o last she also informed this meeting that through divine wisdom she had been enabled to attend to the religious prospect contained therein to the satisfaction and peace of her mind

One of the committee in John Richmonds case report attention they are continued

The committee appointed to visit John Loyd on account of his request report they have made him another visit and it was their judgement it would be best to return his request to him with which this meeting unites with Solomon Vermilyea and Alfred Phelps are appointed to return it and report

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 8th 21st 1862

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to show Jacob Jones a copy of the testification of disownment against him report the appointment answered

The committee in Gordon A Terry's case report there has not been any attention paid since last month on account of sickness they are continued

The committee in John Richmonds case report on account of sickness it has not been attended to they are continued

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The committee appointed to return John Loyds request report their appointment answered

Caleb Garratts Junior case deferred from 2nd month last again claiming the attention of this meeting, after a time of deliberation thereon we are united in continuing him a member and appoint Barnard Outwater and Henry S Bowerman to inform him thereof & report

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Anthony Terrill for allowing charges reproachful to his own character and to society to remain against him which he has failed to clear up or refute to the satisfaction of friends Jame M^cTaggart Edward Cronk Stephen Cronk and Jobe Elsworth are appointed to labour with him & report

We unite with the women in releasing Rachel Denike from being a member of our society

The committee appointed to extend advice and assistance to Cold Creek preparative meeting report attention they are continued

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a proposal of marriage signed Marmaduke Ellis and Phebe Brundage: Gilbert Haight and Stephen H Dorland are appointed to enquire into his clearness of other like engagement and report to next meeting

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 9th Mo 18th 1862

The representatives being called were present except two and satisfactory reasons assigned for their nonattendance

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The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows the advices were also read

1st) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended yet there is a sorrowful neglect with some friends in this important duty: the hour is nearly observed: no unbecoming behavior to remark except that of sleeping (and some care taken)

2nd) Most friends are preserved in love one towards another except four instances which are under care of the overseers if differences arise care is taken to end them as far as way has opened: talebearing and detraction is discouraged but not so fully avoided as is desired

3^d) Most friends appear to be endeavoring to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins with some few exceptions they are good examples in these respects themselves: We believe they do endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) We believe the Scriptures of truth are read in friends families but fear not as often in a collective capacity as is queried

5th) We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal except one instance of furnishing it for a bee which is under care we know of none to charge with frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion

9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline but perhaps not in all cases as seasonably as would have been best

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John Cronkhite Alexander Derbyshire Johnson Brewer & Gilbert Jones were appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this & report

The committee in Forden A Terry's case report they have made him a visit to some satisfaction and request a longer time with which this meeting unites they are continued to report to next meeting

The committee in John Richmonds case report they have made him a visit & he expressed a desire to retain his membership & as far as they could learn was in the practice of

attending meetings after a time of deliberation thereon we are united in continuing him & appoint Aaron W Baker & Henry S Bowerman to inform him thereof & report

One of the committee appointed to inform Caleb Garratt of his continuance in membership report the appointment answered

The committee appointed to visit Anthony Terrill on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit he acknowledged the complaint just: but did not consider he was in a suitable state of mind to make satisfaction after a time of deliberation the meeting is united in disowning him & appoints William Valentine & Charles G Bowerman to draft a testification of disownment against him & produce to next meeting

The committee appointed to extend advice & assistance to Cold Creek Preparative meeting report they have paid further attention to their appointment but are not yet ready to make a full report they are continued

The committee appointed to enquire into Marmaduke Ellis clearness of other marriage engagements report they have made

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the necessary enquiry & did not find anything to prevent their proceeding she having consent of the only surviving parent they are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage between this and our next monthly meeting according to the order of friends Townsend Garratt and William Garratt are appointed to attend said marriage see that it is orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

The committee continued from 7th M^o last ~~report~~ to agree with some one to enclose the burying ground at Adolphustown report that it is fenced at a cost of forty five dollars with which this meeting is united with the preparative meetings are directed to raise their quota,s of said sum pay to the clerk & report

The subject of repairing or disposing of the old meeting house at Adolphustown claiming the attention of this meeting it resulted in appointing Alexander derbyshire Judah H Bowerman Anthony Haight & Gilbert Haight as a committee to examine said house and to report their judgment to next meeting

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with as signed Enoch Holley John White & Gilbert Haight are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Ameliaburg preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Philip Cronkite for neglecting the attendance of our meetings in the middle of the week & for denying hat part of our doctrine which relates to the ungodly after death Anthony Haight & Jobe Elsworth are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof and report

The preparative meeting of ministers and Elders forwarded to this a proposition to acknowledge Jobe Elsworth to the station of an Elder Edward Cronk John White & William Valentine are appointed to hear

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and consider objections if any and report according to discipline

William Henry Mullett having requested our certificate of right of membership and clearness of marriage engagements to Kingston Monthly meeting Solomon Vermilyea and Vincent Bowerman are appointed to make the necessary enquiry & report to next meeting
Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends Held at West Lake 10th M^o 16th 1862

The representatives being called were present except two and reasons given for their absence

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly report they attended and produced a number of New York Yearly meetings minutes & extracts one of which was read, they also produced a minute from the Quarterly meeting directing the Monthly meetings to raise their quotas of \$1700 for the Yearly meetings use and pay to the clerk of that meeting also to the observance of the extracts respecting Schools and the Educational fund the preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportions of said sum and pay to this meetings clerk also to the observance of the Extracts respecting schools and the educational fund and report

The committee in Gordon A Terrys case report they are not yet ready to make a full report they are continued

No account from the committee to inform John Richmond of his continuance in membership they are continued

The committee appointed to draft a testification of disownment against Anthony Terrill produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it Harvey Y Brundage and Townse[n]d Garratt were appointed to

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show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal & report.

Whereas Anthony Terrill a member of this meeting having brought reproach on society by allowing charges to be made against him reproachful to his own character and to society which he has failed to clear up or refute our labours of love having failed to produce the desired effect we therefore are constrained to disown him from being any longer a member of our society until by amendment of life he seeks reconciliation with his friends which that he may be enabled to do is our sincere desire

The committee appointed to extend advice & assistance to Cold Creek Preparative meeting inform they are not yet ready to make a full report they are continued to report in first month next

The committee to attend the marriage of Marmaduke Ellis report they attended did not discover but what it was orderly conducted & the marriage certificate was forwarded

The committee appointed to examine the meeting house at Adolphustown & report their judgment as to what is best to do with it report that it has not been attended to they are continued

The friends appointed to visit Enoch Holley on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction & believe him to be convinced of friends principles after a time of deliberation the meeting was united in receiving him into membership and appoints Townsend Garratt & John Cronkhite to inform him thereof & report

One of the committee appointed to visit Philip Cronkhite on account of a complaint against him report that it has not been attended to they are continued with William Valentine added

The committee appointed to hear and consider objections if any to Jobe Elsworth being appointed to the station of an elder inform that they are not ready

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to make a report they are continued

One of the committee appointed to enquire into William Henry Mulletts clearness of marriage engagements report they have made the necessary enquiry and did not find anything to prevent the issuing of a certificate on his behalf to Kingston Monthly meeting the clerk was directed to forward one to said meeting

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake Hillier 11th M^o 20th 1862

The representatives being called were present

The committee in Gordon A Terrys case report that there seems to be a change with him for the better and ask for a longer time with which this meeting is united in granting they are continued to report in 2nd Month next

One of the committee appointed to inform John Richmond of his continuance in membership report their appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to show Anthony Terrill a copy of the testification of disownment against him report the appointment answered

The committee appointed relative to the meeting house at Adolphustown report that it has not yet been attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to inform Enoch Holley of his privilege of meetings report the appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to labour with Philip Cronkhite on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit he acknowledged the complaint Just but was in no disposition of mind to make satisfaction

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We are united in disowning him and appoint Allen M Dorland and William Garratt to prepare a testification of disownment against him and produce it to next meeting

The committee appointed to hear and consider objections if any to Jobe Elsworth being appointed to the station of an Elder inform they are not ready to report they are continued

The committee appointed continued in 7th M^o last to visit John Cronkhite Jun on account of a complaint against him report attention they are continued to report in 2nd M^o next

West Lake preparative meeting have paid their proportion of money to defray the expense of fencing the Burying ground at Adolphustown

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at west Lake 12th M^o 18th 1862

The representatives being called were present except three

The queries were all read in this meeting and the answers are the substance of and founded on the answers from the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows: the advices were also read

Stephen H Dorland Townsend Garratt Gilbert Haight and William S Hubbs are appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this & report

The committee appointed relative to the meeting house at Adolphustown report they have not been able to attend to it yet They are continued

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The committee appointed to draft a testification of disownment against Philip Cronkhite produced one which being read and some alteration made was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it: Cornelius Bowerman and Judah H Bowerman are appointed to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal and report: (the following is a copy of the testification

Philip Cronkhite a member of our society having so far deviated from the good order and principles held by us as to neglect the attendance of our meetings in the middle of the week and to deny that part of our doctrine which relates to the future state of the unregenerated in this life Our labours of love having ben extended and not appearing to reclaim him we therefore testify against his being any longer a member amongst us until by divine grace he may be brought to see the error of his ways and such reconciliation with his friends which he may be favoured to do is our desire

The committee to hear and consider objections if any to Jobe Elsworth being appointed to the station of an elder inform not yet ready to make a report they are continued

The preparative meetings report the money for the Monthly meetings use is raised and forwarded

West Lake preparative meeting of ministers and Elders forwarded to this a proposition to appoint Anthony Haight to the station of an Elder Charles G Bowerman William Garett Alexander Derbyshire and Stephen H. Dorland are appointed to hear and consider objections if any and report to next meeting

Anthony Terrill forwarded the following notification to this meeting of his intention of appealing from its decision in his case to the Quarterly meeting Alexander, Derbyshire Jobe Elsworth & William Valentine are appointed to attend said meeting on our behalf

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with copies of the minutes relative to the case and give such explanations as may be necessary

The following is a copy of the notification

To West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held 12th M^o 18th 1862

Dear Friends

I would inform you that in justice to myself & friends I shall appeal to the next Quarterly Meeting for a hearing in the case of my disownment: and as I am required to

furnish a statement of the facts on which I rely my support of appeal *I hereby make the following statements*

1st) I am not guilty of the charge reported against me.

2nd) I was not treated with by the Overseers or even spoken to by them concerning the matter of their complaint against me

3^d) The overseers forwarded the complaint against me to the meeting without informing me of the same

4th) since I was complained of the overseers told me that if I had said nothing about a certain person (a member amongst Friends {that took a false affirmation against me at two different places}) that it was not likely I ever would have been complained of.

5th) One of the Overseers make statements to the committee against me which he cannot substantiate

Anthony Terrill

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1st) Most Friends are careful to attend all of our meetings for religious worship & discipline, one meeting says there is a slackness with some friends in attending meetings for discipline: The hour nearly observed: one instance of unbecoming behavior in time of publick speaking and also a few instances of sleeping; One meeting expresses some care taken

2nd) Friends are generally preserved in love one towards another except four instances which are under care when differences has arisen care has been taken to end them perhaps not so seasonably in all cases as might have been best talebearing and detraction is discouraged but not so fully avoided as is desired

3^d) We believe most friends do endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us & in the plainness of simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins; most friends appear to be good examples in these respects themselves we believe friends do endeavor to guard their children & all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Most friends are careful in the reading of the scriptures in their families collectively Though we fear too many are neglectful of this important duty

5th) We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting and of attending places of diversion as far as appears

9) Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to discipline perhaps not so seasonably in all cases as might have been best

Then Adjourned

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 1st M^o 15th 1863

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that three of them attended and produced a number of London Yearly meetings Epistles for 1862 one of which was read to the satisfaction of this meeting also a number of addresses from the representative

meeting of friends held in New York 10th M^o 24th 1862 The representatives are directed to apportion them to the preparative meetings

The committee appointed relative to the meeting house at Adolphustown report it not yet attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to hear and consider objections if any to Jobe Ellsworth being appointed to the station of an Elder report they have attended to their appointment and consider there are no objections to hinder his being being [sic] appointed to that station: the meeting unites with the report of the committee & he is appointed having the unity of the womens meeting therein accordingly the clerk is directed to furnish the Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders with notice of this meetings unity

The committee appointed to hear and consider objections if any to Anthony Hights being appointed to the station of an Elder report they have attended to their appointment and did not find anything to prevent his being appointed as such after deliberation thereon the meeting is united in appointing him to that station having the unity of the womens meeting therein the clerk is likewise directed to inform the Preparative meeting of ministers and Elders of this meetings unity

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The committee appointed to extend advice and assistance to Cold Creek Preparative meeting inform they are not yet ready to report they are continued with Alexander Derbyshire James McTaggart Stephen Cronk and Solomon Vermilyea added to report in 7th m^o next

The committee appointed to settle with the friends for fencing the burying ground at Adolphustown report there is an excess of 14 dollars in their hands they are directed to pay it into the Treasurer take his receipt and produce it to next meeting

The committee appointed to show Philip Cronkhite a copy of the testification of disownment against him report that it has not been attended to they are continued

Cornelius Bowerman returned at this time a minute granted him in 9th M^o last and informed us that he attended to the prospect contained therein to the peace and satisfaction of his mind

~~Adjourned to meet at Hillier as heretofore~~

The Clerk of the Quarterly meeting informed this meeting that its proceedings in Anthony Terrills case was reversed on the grounds that the Overseers had not proceeded according to discipline

Adjourned to meet at Hillier as heretofore

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 2nd M^o 19th 1863

The representatives being called were present except one

The queries have all been read in this meeting and the answers as forwarded from the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows the advices were also read

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1st) Friends are generally careful to attend all our meetings on the first day of the week but our mid week meetings are by many sorrowfully neglected (one preparative meeting not held

Quarterly meeting time) The hour is nearly observed with a few exceptions friends are clear of unbecoming behavior (some care taken

2nd) Friends are generally preserved in love one towards another there are however 6 instances in which a want of this love is manifest some care has been taken in these differences but not so seasonably in all cases as might have been best talebearing and detraction is not so fully avoided and discouraged in all cases as is desired some care taken

3^d) Friends generally seem to be endeavoring to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins: with few exceptions they are good examples in these respects themselves we believe they do endeavor to guard their children & all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) We believe most friends are diligent in the reading of the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal clear of frequenting taverns and attending places of diversion as far as appears

6th) The circumstances of the poor and those who have appeared likely to require assistance have been inspected and when required relief has been afforded them and advised and assisted in suitable employments and their children & all others under our care are being properly educated for the ordinary duties of life

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of time rested on her mind and she believed the time had come for her to lay it before her friends that of visiting in the Love of the gospel New England yearly meeting and the meetings constituting it the Quarterly meetings of Leray Butternuts and Saratoga or the meetings constituting them & of appointing some meeting amongst those not of our society as best wisdom may direct after a time of deliberation thereon much unity and sympathy were expressed ~~with~~ and she was left at liberty to proceed as way may open she being a minister in good esteem with us the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

Then Adjourned

West Lake monthly meeting of friends held at west Lake 3^d M^o 19th 1863

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended and produced a minute directing the monthly meetings to raise their quotas of \$50 for the Quarterly meetings use the preparatives are directed to raise their proportions of said sum and pay to this meeting's clerk

The committee appointed to visit Samuel W McTaggart on account of his request report they made him a visit to very good satisfaction that he appeared pretty well convinced of friends principles and did not di[s]cover but what his conversation was orderly after a time of

deliberation thereon we are united in receiving him into membership and appoint John Vermilyea and William Yeres to inform him of his privilege of meetings and report

The committee in John Cronk Jun case inform not yet ready to make a report they are continued

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The committee appointed to cooperate with the representative meeting on behalf of the colored refugees report attention they are continued

Anthony Terrill having requested to be released from our society James McTaggart & James W Noxon are appointed to visit him endeavor to remove the cause if practicable & report

John Cronk Edward Cronk Marmaduke Ellis George leer James Mctaggart Edward Swetman and George Valentine are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as overseers for the ensuing year

William Valentine & Moses White are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks for the ensuing year

X James McTaggart Reuben Vermilyea Samuel Bonesteel Edward Cronk Jobe Elsworth William Valentine and Vincent Bowerman are appointed as successors in trust to those formerly appointed to hold all property belonging to the monthly meeting in any three of whom is vested power to hold the same

Received at this time \$2 which the clerk is directed to pay to the treasurer take his receipt produce it to next meeting

This meeting is united in liberating Rachel Cronk to accompany Eliza Brewer on her prospect religious visit

Then Adjourned

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West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 4th 16th 1863

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of a couple of friends too serve as clerks proposed Allen M Dorlands' name as clerk & Stephen H Dorland as assistant which were united with and they were appointed to that service for one year

No account from the committee to inform Samuel W M^ctaggart of his privilege of meetings they are continued

The committee in John Cronk (Jun) case inform not yet ready to make a report they are continued to report when ready

The committee appointed to cooperate with the representative meeting on behalf of the colored refugees report attention they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Anthony Terrill on account of his resignation report they have made him a visit and it is their judgment that his request should be returned & proceed with him according to discipline but the meeting thinks it would be best under present

circumstances to accept it and appoints Gilbert Jones and James Alby to inform him thereof & report

We unite with the women in disowning Myranda Murphy

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of suitable friends to serve as overseers submitted the following which being separately read and considered were united

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with and they were appointed to that service for one year (viz) Joseph Baker Henry S Bowerman Alexander Derbyshire Anthony Haight James W Noxon Gilbert Haight & Marmaduke Ellis but not having forwarded any for Huntingdon they are continued

The clerk produced the treasurers receipt as directed

Adjourned to meet at Hillier as heretofore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 5th M^o 21st 1863

The representatives being called were present except three

No account yet from the committee to inform Samuel W. McTaggart of his privilege of meetings they are continued

The committee appointed to cooperate with the representative meeting on behalf of the colored refugees report there has been a box of clothing and 3⁰⁰ dollars in money raised and forwarded

No account from the committee appointed to inform Anthony Terrill of the acceptance of his resignation they are continued

We unite with the women in receiving Jane Bedal into membership

The committee continued from 2nd M^o last relative to the meeting house at Adolphustown inform attention they are continued to report when ready

The committee continued from 2nd M^o last in Gordon A Terrys case inform not yet ready to report they are continued

The committee continued to forward the names of a couple of friends to serve as

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overseers for Huntingdon report it not yet attended to they are continued.

West Lake and Cold Creek preparative meetings report the money directed to be raised by the monthly meeting is raised and forwarded Ameliasburg and Huntingdon is not yet raised they are continued to raise and forward to next meeting

Our friend Johnson Brewer laid before this meeting a prospect he had of visiting in love of the Gospel Leeds monthly meeting and appointing some meetings in that vicinity if way opens for it after a time of consideration thereon we are united in liberating him to that service he being a minister in unity with us the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

Adjourned to meet the 2nd 5th day in next month

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 6th mo 11th 1863

The representatives being called were present

Cornelius Bowerman Daniel Bowerman John Vermilyea William Mullett & Judah H Bowerman are appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business from this and report

No account from the committee appointed to inform Samuel W M^ctaggart of his privilege of meetings they are continued with Solomon Vermilyea added

No account from the committee to inform Anthony Terrill of the acceptance of his resignation they are continued with John Locklin added

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The committee in Gorden A Terrys case inform not yet ready to report they are continued

We unite with the women in receiving Mary Jane Garratt into membership

The committee continued to bring forward the names of a couple of friends to serve as overseers for Huntingdon proposed the following Solomon Vermilyea & Arthur Mullett which were united with and they were appoint accordingly

The preparative meetings report the money called for by the monthly meeting is raised and forwarded

Came to this meeting from West Lake preparative a complaint against Zaccariah Haight for so far deviating from the order of friends as to marry a person not in membership with us. George Lear & Stephen Cronk are appointed to labour with him on account thereof and report

Also one from the same meeting against Archelaus Southard for neglecting nearly altogether the attendance of our meetings for worship and discipline also for harboring feelings of discord with two or more friends. John Cronk James M^cTaggart Allen M Dorland and Solomon Vermilyea are appointed to labour with him on account thereof and report

Adjourned to meet as heretofore

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 7th 16th 1863

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that three of them attended and produced a minute directing the monthly meetings to raise their proportions of

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\$3000 for the Yearly Meetings use and forward to the Quarterly meetings clerk: also to the observance of the extracts respecting schools and to forward the whole number of members within their limits likewise to continue their attention to the destitute condition of the colored refugees: the preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportions of said sum and pay to this meetings clerk also to the observance of the extracts respecting schools and the condition of the refugees

The committee appointed to inform Samuel M^cTaggart of his privileges of meetings report their appointment fulfilled

The committee continued to inform Anthony Terrill of the acceptance of his resignation report the appointment answered

The committee in Gorden A Terrys case report they have made him a visit at different times and it is their judgment that it would be best to disown him after a time of deliberation we are united in disowning him and appoints Jobe Elsworth and Townsend Garratt to prepare a testification against him and produce it to next meeting

The committee appointed to visit Zaccharia Haight on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit to very good satisfaction & that he appeared desirous of retaining his membership after a time of deliberation thereon we are united in continuing him a member Vincent Bowerman & Richard Southard are appointed to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting & report

The committee appointed to visit Archelaus Southard on account of a complaint against him report attention they are continued

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against John Stanley White for so far deviating from the order of our society as to marry a person

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not in membership with us Jobe Elsworth & Charles G. Bowerman are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

John Gunyo forwarded to this meeting a request to be released from membership unless his reasons therefor can be removed ~~therefor~~ to satisfaction William Garratt & Judah H Bowerman are appointed to endeavor to remove the cause if practicable & report

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 8th M^o 20th 1863

The representatives being called were present

One of the committee appointed to inform Zaccariah Haight of his continuance in membership report the appointment answered

The committee appointed to prepare a testification of disownment against Gorden A Terry produced one which being read was approved of the clerk directed to sign it Harvey Y Brundage & Simon Terrill are appointed to show him a copy inform him of his right to appeal & report

The committee appointed to visit Archelaus Southard on account of a complaint against him report attention they are continued with power to investigate the matter further if required

The committee appointed to visit John Stanley White on account of a complaint against him report they made him a visit to good satisfaction that he wished to retain his membership after a time of deliberation thereon the meeting is united in continuing him a member and appoints Judah H Bowerman & Alexander Derbyshire to inform him thereof & report

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The committee in John Gu[n]yo's case report attention they are continued with William Valentine Anthony Haight & William D Dorland added

Judah H Bowerman having requested to be released from the committee in John Gunyos case the meeting is united in granting his request & he is released accordingly

The committee appointed in 4th M^o 1862 to extend advice and assistance to Cold creek preparative meeting report that they have visited that meeting at different times & given such advice as they thought would be for the best interest of that meeting but still believe it would be best to continue it under the care of a committee which report was satisfactory to the meeting they are continued to extend further advice and assistance if if [sic] required & report in 2nd M^o next

West Lake Preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Robert Saylor for conduct that is a reproach to the society of friends. Joseph B Dorland Stephen H Dorland & Allen M Dorland, are appointed to labour with him on account thereof & report.

Received at this time a number of New York Yearly meetings minutes & extracts also a report of the committee of the representative meeting upon the condition & wants of the colored refugees which the representatives are directed to apportion to the preparative meetings

Adjourned agreeable to the request of the yearly meetings committee to meet on second day the 5th of 10th M^o

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[appears no meeting held in the 9th Month but 2 held in the 10th month]

West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at West Lake 10th 5th 1863

The representatives being called were present except two

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers from the different preparative meeting to the usual six a summary of which is as follows the advices were also read

1st) Friends are careful with several exceptions especially in the middle of the week to attend all our meetings for worship & discipline the hour is nearly observed no unbecoming behavior to remark except a few instances of sleeping and some care taken

2nd) We believe friends are preserved in love one to another except in four individual cases which are under care we trust care has been taken speedily to end differences and we trust Friends do mostly avoid talebearing and detraction

3^d) Most friends endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us & in the plainness & simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins; most friends are good examples in these respects themselves; we trust they endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation & the reading of pernicious books

4th) We believe that most friends are diligent in the reading of the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes and are clear of frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion several instances excepted

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9th) We believe care has been taken seasonably to deal with offenders one instance excepted we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

Our beloved friend Israiel D Titus attended this meeting with a minute of unity and concurrence from Norwich monthly meeting of friends held at Norwich 9th M^o 9th 1863 whose company and Gospel labours have been satisfactory and edifying to us

Also as companion to the above Albert C Stover with a minute of unity from the same meeting held 9th 9th 1963 whose company has been very acceptable

The committee appointed by the Yearly meeting to visit the Quarterly meetings in Canada and such of their subordinate meetings as may to them appear necessary attended this meeting & produced a minute which is as follows) At the Yearly meeting of Friends held in in [sic] New York in 1863

X The reports from the Quarterly meetings of Pelham YongeStreet and West Lake contain propositions for the establishment of a Yearly Meeting composed of these three meetings in Canada which on consideration were referred to a committee of men and women friends with instructions to give careful attention thereto & report the result of their deliberations to a future sitting

at the sitting of 5th day morning 4th of sixth month this committee reported - That after careful and deliberate consideration they were united in proposing that a committee be appointed to visit the Quarterly meetings in Canada and such of their subordinate meetings as may to them appear necessary in order to mingle with Friends there and report their conclusion to our next Yearly Meeting which was united with and the following friends were appointed to the service viz William Henry Chase Jesse P Haines William H

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Potter James Congdon William Cromwell Samuel G Slocum Joseph Flagler Joseph Haviland of nine Partners David H Bennett Phebe Jane Howland Maria Willets Lydia H Haviland Hannah S. Murray Ruth C Moore & Mary Lane: seven men of the above were present

The following friends were appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the business form this & report viz Moses White Johnson Brewer Gilbert Haight William Garratt and Gilbert Jones

No account from the committee appointed to show Gorden A Terry a copy of the testification against him they are continued

The committee appointed to labour with Archelaus Southard on account of a complaint against him report they have paid further attention to the subject & that he acknowledged a part of the complaint just but did not appear to be in a situation to make that satisfaction the case requires after a time of deliberation thereon it is deferred for next meetings consideration

The committee appointed to inform John S White of his continuance in membership report the appointment not answered they are continued

The committee in John Gunyo case report that they have made him another visit & that he wishes to withdraw his resignation with which this meeting unites in returning to him

The committee appointed to labour with Robert Saylor on account of a complaint against him inform attention they are continued

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Bennet Bowerman for so far deviating from the order of friends as to marry a person not in membership with us Gilbert Haight & Moses White are appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

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Huntingdon preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership friends signed Reuben B Cronk John Cronkhite & Judah H Bowerman are appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

Women friends forwarded to this meeting a proposition for its consideration (they having proceeded according to discipline) to appoint Elizabeth White to the station of an Elder Richard Southard John White & William Garratt are appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to hear and consider objections if any and report according to discipline

We unite with the women in the reception of Ruth W Noxons certificate from YongeStreet Monthly Meeting which is forwarded to the recorder

Adjourned to meet as heretofore

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 10th 15th 1863

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly report they attended & produced a number of London Yearly meetings Epistles the representatives are directed to apportion them to the preparative meetings

The committee appointed to show Gorden A Terry a copy of the testification against him report the appointment answered

Archelaus Southard's case again claiming the attention of this meeting, after a time of deliberation thereon we are united in disowning him & appoint William Garratt and John White to prepare a testification against him & produce it to next meeting

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The committee appointed to inform John S White of his continuance in membership report their appointment fulfilled

The committee in Robert Saylor's case report there has been no attention paid since last meeting they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Bennet Bowerman on account of a complaint against him inform attention thereto they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Reuben B Cronk on account of his request inform attention they are continued

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to hear and consider objections if any to Elizabeth Whites being appointed to the station of an Elder not being to report they are continued

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 11th M^o 19th 1863

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to prepare a testification of disownment against Archelaus Southard produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it ,, Jobe Elsworth & Joseph Baker are appointed to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal & report

The committee in Robert Saylor's case inform not yet ready to make a final report they are continued.

The committee appointed to visit Bennet Bowerman on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit & he appeared desirous of retaining his membership

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after a time of deliberation thereon it is deferred for consideration in first month next

one of the committee appointed to visit Reuben B Cronk on account of his request inform further attention but are not yet ready to make a full report they are continued

John Gunyo still being desirous of being released from membership with us after a time of deliberation thereon we are united in accepting his resignation it being the Jud[g]ment of the former committee in his case Gilbert Haight and Anthony Haight are appointed to inform him of this meetings conclusion & report

Then Adjourned [written to the right of this is] 1904

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 12th M^o. 17th 1863

The representatives being called were present except four

The queries were all read in this meeting with the advices and the answers as forwarded from the different preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows

1st) Friends are generally careful to attend all our meetings for worship and discipline, although some friends are deficient in this important duty especially in the middle of the week. The hou is nearly observed: no unbecoming behavior worthy of remark excepting a few instances of sleeping and some care taken

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another except one instance as far as appears when differences arise care is taken to end them talebearing and detraction are discouraged and avoided as far as appears and care taken in the above deficiency

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3^d) Most friends do endeavour to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us; and in the simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins friends are generally good examples in these respects themselves: we believe friends do endeavour to guard their children and others under their care against corrupt conversation & the reading of pernicious books

4th) Most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We believe friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for the purposes strictly medicinal & are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion as far as appears except one instance which is under care

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness & agreeably to our discipline but not so seasonably in all cases would have been best

John Cronkhite Anthony Haight Gilbert Jones & Judah H Bowerman are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this & report

We received at this time an address from the committee appointed by the representative meeting on behalf of the coloured refugees requesting the monthly meetings to take some

measures to endeavour to raise something for the help of those destitute people: Edward B Cronk William Hubbs Anthony Haight Levi Varney George Lear William Garratt Gilbert Jones Thomas Clark James M^cTaggart William Mullett Samuel Baker Joseph Baker of Trenton Townsend Garratt Caleb Garratt James W Noxon & William Valentine are appointed to call on friends generally & remit the amount received to Henry Dickinson Treasurer 83 Beekman Street, New York & report

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West Lake preparative meeting of ministers & Elders forwarded to this meeting for its consideration a proposition to appoint Susan Dorland to the station of an elder Edward Cronk Judah H Bowerman & William Garratt are appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to hear and consider objections if any & report according to discipline

The committee appointed to show Archelaus Southard a copy of the testification of disownment against report their appointment answered

tR The committee appointed in Robert Saylor's case report they have made him another visit & he denies the complaint being just but after investigating the different charges which the complaint embraces we consider some of the charges are substantiated but did not find him any disposition of mind to make satisfaction to the meeting after a time of deliberation thereon it is deferred for next meetings consideration

The committee in Reuben B Cronk's case inform not yet ready to report & request a longer time with which this meeting is united in granting them they are continued to report in 2nd mo next

The committee appointed to inform John Gunyo of the conclusion of this meeting in his case report their appointment answered

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 1st M^o 21st 1864

The representatives being called were present

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that three of them attended

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The committee appointed on behalf of the coloured refugees report 38 dollars 78 cts raised they are continued

Robert H Saylor's case deferred from last meeting again claiming the attention of this meeting after a time of deliberation thereon it is again deferred for next meetings consideration

Ameliasburg Preparative meeting forwarded to this a proposal of marriage signed David S Hubbs and Sarah E Dorland Gilbert Haight & Charles G Bowerman are appointed to inquire into his clearness of other like engagements & report to next meeting

Also a proposal of marriage from Cold Creek signed Enoch Holley & Esther Garratt Simon Terrill & Henry S Bowerman are appointed to inquire into his clearness of other like engagements she being a widow they are also appointed to see that the rights of her children are legally secured & report to next meeting

We unite with the women in accepting Margaret Gunyo's resignation

The committee appointed relative to the meeting House at Adolphustown report they have attended thereto & believe it would be best to repair it this meeting concludes to adopt the report of the committee & appoints Edward B Cronk Joseph Haight Anthony Haight James W Noxon & William Garratt to take charge of the building & report in 10th month next

We unite with the women in disowning Ellen macorin formerly Terrill

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to hear and consider objections if any to Elizabeth White's being appointed to the station of an Elder report they are not united & think best to have it referred to another committee with which this meeting unites & appoints

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Alexander Derbyshire Solomon Vermilyea & James W Noxon to act in conjunction with a committee of women friends to hear & consider objections if any and report according to discipline

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to hear & consider objections if any to Susan C Dorland's being appointed to the station of an Elder report that they did not find any objections to her being appointed to that station she is therefore appointed to the station of an Elder: The clerk is directed to inform the Preparative meeting of Ministers & Elders of this meeting's unity

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 2nd Mo. 18th 1864

The representatives being called were present except three and satisfactory reasons given for the absence of two

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the preparatives a summary of which is as follows the advices have also been read

1st) Most friends appear careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & discipline although there is a great deficiency with some friends especially in the middle of the week: the hour nearly observed: Clear of all unbecoming behaviour except a few instances of sleeping (Some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) Friends appear to be preserved in love one towards another except three individual cases care is taken to end differences but not so seasonable in all cases as might have been best Talebearing and detraction is discouraged

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but not so fully avoided as is desired

3^d) Most friends appear careful to train u their children & those of other friends under their care in the principles of christian religion as professed by us, & in the plainness & simplicity of

dress language & deportment which it enjoins: We trust they endeavour to be good examples in these respects themselves And endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) We believe most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We know of no friends to charge with the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal one instance excepted: and are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion except one instance and care taken in the above deficiencies;

6th) The circumstances of the poor and those who have appeared likely to require assistance have been inspected & some relief afforded them friends children & all others under their care are nearly all in a way to get school learning to fit them for business

7th) Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax instead thereof

8th) friends are just in their dealings & punctual in fulfilling their engagements though deviations are apparent friends appear careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession two instances of friends giving occasion for fear on this account and some care taken

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness & agreeably to our discipline but not as seasonably in all cases as might have been best

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Gilbert Haight William Valentine William S Hubbs Solomon Vermilyea & Samuel Bonesteel are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting as our representatives & report

The committee appointed on behalf of the coloured refugees produced a receipt from Henry Dickinson for 64 25/100 dollars they are continued

Robert H Saylor's case again claiming the attention of this meeting & he having produced an acknowledgement which was read for this meeting's consideration after a time of deliberation thereon it was again deferred for next meetings consideration

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to hear & consider objections if any to Elizabeth White's being appointed to the station of an Elder report they did not find anything to prevent her being appointed to that station This meeting unites with the report of the committee & she is appointed accordingly the clerk is directed to inform the preparative meeting of ministers & Elders of this meeting's conclusion

The committee appointed to inquire into David S Hubbs' clearness of other marriage engagements report they did not find anything to prevent his proceeding therein they having consent of parents are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage between this & next monthly meeting according to discipline Stephen Hubbs & Allen M Dorland are appointed to attend said marriage see that it is orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder & report

The committee appointed to inquire into Enoch Holley's clearness of other marriage engagements report they found nothing to prevent his proceeding therein also that the rights of Esther Garratts

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children are secure they are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage betwe[e]n this & next monthly meeting according to discipline Thomas Clark & Townsend Garratt are appointed to attend said marriage see that it is orderly conducted forward the marriage certificate to the recorder & report

One of the committee in Reuben B Cronks case report attention they are continued

One of the committee in John Cronk Jun) case continued from 7th) month last report's that he has made him a visit & produced an acknowledgement for the consideration of this meeting after a time of deliberation thereon it is united in accepting it & appoint Thomas Clark & William Garratt to inform him of his continuance in membership & report

Bennet Bowermans case deferred from 10th M last again claiming the attention of this meeting after an expression of sentiment thereon it is deferred for consideration in 5th mo next

The preparative meetings report the money for the yearly meetings use is raised & forwarded also that there are 459 members within the limits of this meeting 136 children of suitable age to attend schools all attending district schools excepting two who are attending Friends B School

Then adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 3^d M^e 17th 1864

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended

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The committee appointed on behalf of the coloured refugees report attention they are continued

Robert H Saylor's case again claiming the attention of this meeting after a time of deliberation thereon it was concluded best to proceed against him William Garratt & Levi Bowerman were appointed to prepare a testification of disownment against him & produce it to next meeting

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of David S Hubbs & Sarah E Dorland report they attended said marriage & considered that it was orderly conducted: The marriage certificate is also forwarded to the recorder

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of Enoch Holley's & Hester Garratt report they attended their marriage & considered it properly conducted & the marriage certificate was sent to the recorder

The committee appointed to visit Reuben B Cronk on account of his request report they have made him a visit to very good satisfaction & upon inquiry did not find but what his daily walk was quite orderly after a time of deliberation thereon it was concluded to receive him into membership: Henry S Bowerman & Joseph Baker were appointed to inform him of this meetings conclusion & report

The committee appointed to inform John Cronk (Jun) of his continuance in membership report their appointment not answered they are continued

Cornelius Bowerman Stephen Cronk Jobe Elsworth Henry S Bowerman & Allen M Dorland were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as overseers for the ensuing year

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William Valentine Edward Cronk & William Garriatt were appointed to bring forward the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks for the ensuing year

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 4th Mo 21st 1864

The representatives being called were present

The committee continued on behalf of the colored refugees report that \$16.25 cts more has been forwarded: making altogether \$80.5 cts in American currency

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks proposed Allen M Dorland's name as clerk and Stephen H Dorland as assistant which were united with and they were reappointed to that service for one year

The committee appointed to prepare a testification of disownment against Robert H Saylor produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it Joseph Baker & Stephen Cronk are appointed to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal & report

One of the committee appointed to inform Reuben B Cronk of his reception into membership requested Simon Terrill to inform this meeting that the appointment was answered

One of the committee appointed to inform John Cronk (Jun) of his continuance in membership report their appointment not answered they are continued

The committee appointed to bring forward the names of friends to serve as overseers submitted the following which being separately read and considered were united with

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and they were appointed to that service for one year (viz) George Lear James W. Noxon Levi Bowerman Gilbert Haight Marmaduke Ellis Simon Terrill Townsend Garratt Henry S Bowerman Edward Swetman & Arthur Mullett

Robert H Saylor a member of the society of friends having been guilty of conduct that brought reproach on society Our labours of love having been extended and not appearing to reclaim him = We therefore testify against his being any longer a member untill he by amendment of life may make satisfaction which he may be favoured to do is our desire

Judah H Bowerman having requested our certificate on behalf of himself and family to Spring Creek meeting Iowa Amos Hubbs Thomas Waring & Levi Varney are appointed in conjunction with a committee of friends to make enquiry respecting the settlement of his affairs and if nothing appears to prevent to draft one & produce it to next meeting

John Barnhart having removed within the limits of Yonge Street Monthly Meeting and requesting our certifi[]cate We appoint Jobe Elsworth & John Cronk to make enquiry respecting the settlement of his business & if consisent to draft one & produce it to next meeting

David B Southard informed this meeting that for particular reasons he wished to withdraw from our society We appoint Edward Cronk & Stephen Cronk to visit him for the purpose of removing those reasons if practicable & report

It appears that it is necessary ~~that~~ there should be some money raised for the assistance of the poor: the preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportions of \$50 for that purpose & pay to this meetings clerk

Then Adjourned

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 5th 19th 1864

The representatives being called were present except one

One of the committee appointed to inform John Cronk (Jun) of his continuance in membership report the appointment not answered they are continued

The committee appointed to show Robert Saylor a copy of the testification against him report their appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to draft a certificate of removal to Spring Creek meeting Iowa on behalf of Judah H and Abigail Bowerman and their Three children viz Philip Job, Lydia Jane & Elwood produced one which being read was approved of The clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this and forward it

One of the committee appointed in behalf of John Barnhart report their appointment not answered they are continued

The committee appointed to visit David B Southard on account of his resignation report they made him a visit and were unable to remove the reasons ~~for~~ which he said caused him to request to be released from membership with us, we were united in accepting his resignation and appoint William Hubbs & Cornelius Bowerman to inform them thereof & report

Cole Creek reports \$5 of the money ordered by the monthly meeting is raised & forwarded they are continued to raise the remainder as directed

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to extend advice and assistance to Cold Creek Preparative meeting report that most of our

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number have visited that meeting at different times & have endeavored to render such assistance as appeared to them necessary but still believe it would be better to continue it under the care of a committee which was satisfactory & it was left under the care of the meeting until next month

William Brown & wife having removed within the limits of Leeds Monthly meeting: we appoint Edward Cronk & Charles G Bowerman in conjunction with a committee of women friends to enquire into the settlement of his outward affairs & if consistent to draft a certifi[i]cate on their behalf & produce it to next meeting

Edward B Cronk is appointed overseer of the poor in West Lake preparative meeting in the place of Judah H Bowerman removed

We unite with the women in liberating Eliza H Varney to accompany Eliza Brewer in that part of her religious visit not yet accomplished within the limits of New England Yearly Meeting & the clerk is directed to sign a minute to that effect

Adjourned to meet the 2nd fifth day in sixth month

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at west Lake 6th M^o 9th 1864

The representatives being called were present except two

James W Noxon Anthony T Haight Solomon Vermilyea and Townsend Garratt are appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this & report

No account from the committee continued to inform John Cronk (Jun) of his continuance in membership

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they are continued

One of the committee appointed on behalf of John Barnhart report attention they are continued

The committee appointed to inform David Southard of the acceptance of his resignation report the appointment answered

Three of the preparative meetings report the money for the use of the poor is not yet all raised they are continued to raise and forward as directed

The report of the committee to extend advice & assistance to Cold Creek preparative meeting again claiming the attention of this meeting after a time of deliberation thereon it was united in carrying out the suggestions of the committee & appoint the following friends in conjunction with a committee of women friends to become a component part of that meeting and to extend such advice & assistance as they may find necessary & report in 9th month next (viz) Gilbert Haight John Cronk Stephen H Dorland Anthony Haight & James W Noxon

The committee appointed to inquire into the settlement of ~~John Barnhart~~ William Browns outward affairs & if consistent to draft a certificate on behalf of himself & wife to Leeds Monthly meeting report it not attended to they are continued

Cornelius Bowerman informed this meeting that he had a prospect of attending the Quarterly meeting to be held at Leeds and that his mind felt drawn to appoint a few meetings going & returning if friends could unite therewith after a time of deliberation thereon much unity was expressed and he was left at liberty to attend to his concern as best wisdom may direct he being a minister in unity with us the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

Then adjourned

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 7th M^o 21st 1864

The representatives being called were present

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that three of them attended & produced a minute directing the monthly meeting to raise its quota of \$3200 for the

Yearly meetings use & pay to the clerk of that meeting as early as possible: the preparative meeting's were directed to raise their proportions of said sum & pay to this meetings clerk

One of the committee appointed to inform John Cronk (Jun of his continuance in membership report ti not yet attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to inquire into the settlement of John Barnhart's outward affairs and if consistent to draft a removal certificate on his behalf to Yonge street meeting produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign and forward it

The committee appointed to make inquiry respecting the settlement of William Brown's temporal affairs & if nothing appeared to prevent to draft a certificate on behalf of himself & wife to Leeds Monthly meeting produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign & forward it

Cold Creek reports the balance of the money from that meeting for the use of the poor is raises & forwarded the other meeting's are continued to raise as directed

Adjourned to meet at Hillier as heretofore

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West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 8th M^o 18th 1864

The representatives being called were present

We received at this time a number of New York Yearly meetings minutes & extracts also a number of printed reports from the representative meeting on the condition and wants of the colored refugees. The representatives were directed to apportion them to the preparative meetings: they were also directed to the observance of the Extracts

Our quota of money for the yearly meetings use is raised & forwarded

The committee appointed to inform John Cronk (jun) of his continuance in membership report it not yet attended to they are continued

West Lake & Ameliasburg are continued to raise their proportion of money for the use of the poor as directed

Bennet Bowermans case deferred from 10th month last again claiming the attention of this meeting after deliberation thereon it is again deferred for next meetings consideration

Johnson Brewer returned at this time a minute granted him in 5th month 1863 and informed this meeting that as far as way opened for it he had attended to the concern expressed therein to the peace of his mind

Then adjourned

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West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at west Lake 9th M^o 15th 1864.

The representatives being called were present

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers to the usual six as forwarded from the preparative meeting's a summary of which is as follows the advices were also read

Answers

1st) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended though not so generally by some in the middle of the week as is desirable: The hour nearly observed: Not quite clear of sleeping no other unbecoming behavior to remark & some care taken

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another as far as appears when differences arise care is taken to end them talebearing and detraction discouraged but not so fully avoided by all as would be best.

3^d) We believe most friends ~~friends~~ do endeavor to train up their children & those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us & in the plainness & simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins most friends appear to be good example in these respects themselves & we believe do endeavor to guard their children & all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

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and are clear of frequenting taverns & of attending places of diversion except one instance & care taken

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

John Cronk Simon Terrill Anthony Haight & Amos Hubbs were appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this & report

The committee appointed to inform John Cronk (Jun) of his continuance in membership report attention they are continued

West Lake preparative meeting not having raised their quota of money for the use of the poor they are continued to raise it as directed

Bennet Bowermans case again claiming this meetings attention after a considerable expression thereon we are united in continuing him a member & appoint John Cronkhite & Anthony Haight to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to extend such advice and assistance to Cold Creek meeting as they find necessary report attention they are continued to report in 12th month next

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us signed Joseph C Brown Stephen Cronk & Levi Varney are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof and report

Eliza Brewer returned at this time a minute granted her in 2nd month 1863 and informed this meeting that through divine assistance she had been enabled to accomplish the religious concern expressed therein to the satisfaction & peace of her mind: and produced a number

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of returning minutes which were satisfactory to the meeting

Rachel Cronk and Eliza H Varney as companions to Eliza Brewer also produced a number of returning minutes expressive of the satisfaction of their company

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 10th 20th) 1864

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that three of them attended

The committee appointed to inform John Cronk (Jun) of his continuance in membership report their appointment answered

West Lake reports the money for the use of the poor is not yet all raised, they are continued to raise & forward

The committee appointed to inform Bennet Bowerman of his continuance in membership report their appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to visit Joseph C Brown on account of his request report they have been informed that he is a member of Kingston monthly meeting, they are continued to return his request and inform him the reason for so doing

Cold creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a resignation signed Caleb Garratt (Jun) William Valentine & Anthony Haight are appointed to make him a visit and endeavour to remove the cause if practicable and report

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Also a request from the same meeting to be joined in membership with us signed Richard S Garratt William Valentine and Anthony Haight are also appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 11th M^o 17th 1864

The representatives being called were present except two

West Lake preparative meeting reports the money for the use of the poor is not yet raised they are continued to raise it as directed

The committee appointed to return Joseph C Brown his request report it not attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Caleb Garratt (Jun) on account of his resignation report that is has not been attended to they are continued

They also inform that they have not yet visited Richard S Garratt on account of his request they are continued

We received at this time a note from Spring Creek Monthly meeting Iowa of the reception of our certificate of membership on behalf of Judah H Bowerman and family

Then Adjourned

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West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 12th M^o 15th 1864

The representatives being called were present except 4

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the advices and the answers to the usual six are as follows

Answers to queries

1st) most friends appear careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline one meeting excepted, although there is quite a deficiency with some especially in the middle of the week The hour nearly observed: Clear of all unbecoming behaviour except a few instances of sleeping and some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another as far as appears when differences arise care is taken to end them talebearing and detraction are discouraged but not so fully avoided as would be best

3^d) Most friends endeavour to train up their children & those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us & in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which enjoins: Although some deviations are apparent Most friends are good examples in these respects themselves and most of them do endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) We believe most friends are diligent in the reading of the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

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5th) Friends do avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal: They are clear of frequenting taverns: but no so clear of attending places of diversion as is desired

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders in most cases seasonably in the spirit of meekness & agreeably to discipline

Johnson Brewer John Cronk Alexander Derbyshire & Townsend Garratt are appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this & report

West Lake Preparative meeting reports their proportion of money for the use of the poor is raised & forwarded it being \$23.50

The committee appointed to return Joseph C Brown's request report attention they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Caleb Garratt (Jun) on account of his resignation and Richard S. Garratt on account of his request report they have not been unmindful of it: but circumstances have been such as to prevent their attending to it yet they are continued with Simon Terrill added

The committee continued from 9th M^o last to visit Cold Creek meeting report attention they are continued

Owing to the inconvenience that has arisen by the Treasurer of this meeting living so remote from the meeting house it is desirable that there should be a change made in that office. Levi Varneys name being proposed was united with and he was appointed in his stead: William Valentine & Geor[g]e Lear wer[e] appointed to settle with the former treasurer hand over what money and papers they find in his hands to his successor & report

Then Adjourned

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 1st M^o 19th 1865

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended

One of the committee appointed to return Joseph C Browns request report their appointment not answered they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Caleb Garratt Jun on account of his resignation report they have made him a visit & he requested a long time which this meeting is united in granting they are continued to report in 4th month next

The committee appointed to visit Richard S Garratt on account of his request report that 2 of them have made him a visit to good satisfaction & believe him in a good measure convinced of our principles, by his life & conversation agreeing thereto after a time of deliberation thereon we are united in receiving him into membership and appoint Enoch Hawley & Townsend Garratt to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed to visit Cold Creek Meeting submitted the following report which was satisfactory to this meeting & they were released

Report

We your committee to visit Cold Creek Meeting report that most of our number have visited that meeting at different times & have given such advice as was considered necessary: We believe it would be best to discontinue the committee as their appears to be more unity with the members of that meeting than has heretofore existed:

Signed on behalf{ Anthony Haight
of the committee{ Susan Dorland

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The committee appointed to settle with the former treasurer & pay over what money they find in his hands to his successor report they have attended to their appointment and produced the present treasurer's receipt for \$16 for the use of the Monthly meeting and \$11 for the use of the poor

The Clerk is directed to produce the treasurer's receipt for the balance of the money for the use of the poor

Ameliasburg Preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us signed Henry A Pettet Esli Terrill Stephen H Dorland & Joseph Baker are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Our beloved friend Eliza Brewer informed this meeting that she had a prospect of visiting friends in Snowdon and Coboconk and would like to have meetings with them in each place and to attend to such service as truth opens the way for going and returning with which much unity and sympathy was expressed & seh is left at liberty to accomplish her prospect as best wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us. The clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

Then adjourned

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 2nd 16th 1865

The representatives being called were present

The queries were all read in this meeting with the advices and the answers as forwarded from the different Preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows

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1st) Most friends appear careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline although there is a great slackness with some especially in the middle of the week: The hour nearly observed. Clear of all unbecoming behaviour except a few instances of sleeping and care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) Friends appear to be preserved in love one towards another except one preparative meeting which says love & unity are not so fully maintained as is desirable Talebearing and detraction are discouraged & we believe mostly avoided

3^d) We trust most friends do endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language and deportment which it enjoins: Though some deviations are apparent: most friends are good examples in these respects themselves: We believe friends endeavour to guard their children and those under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) We believe most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal They are clear of frequenting taverns: two instances of attending places of diversion

6th) The circumstances of the poor have been inspected and relief afforded them: friends children & all others under our care are in a way to get school learning to fit them for the ordinary duties of life except, one instance and care taken

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7th) Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions or of paying any fine or tax instead thereof

8th) Friends appear to be just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements except two instances: They are careful as far as we know to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession except one instance of conducting business beyond ability to manage and some care taken

9th) Care is is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness but not in all cases as seasonably as might have been best

James McTaggart Jobe Elsworth Thomas Robinson and Simon Terrill are appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting with the minutes from this and report

The committee appointed to inform Richard S Garratt of his reception into membership report their appointment answered

The clerk not having produced the Treasurers receipt as directed he is continued to produce it to next meeting

The committee appointed to visit Henry A Pettet on account of his request report attention they are continued

The committee appointed to return Joseph C Browns request report attention they are continued with Johnson? Brewer? [faded] added

By the accounts received from the Preparative meetings there are 94 children of suitable age to attend school all attending District schools except two children that are quite small and the distance great ??? [faded] receiving instruction at home & one not attending any school: 4 first day schools

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The Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders forwarded to this meeting for its consideration a proposition to appoint James M^cTaggart to the station of an Elder Townsend Garratt Levi Varney Edward Swetman & Allen M Dorland are appointed to hear & consider objections if any and report to next meeting

Then Adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 3^d M^o 16th 1865

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting attended and produced a number of London Yearly meeting's Epistles & Freidmens papers which were forwarded to the preparative meetings by the representatives

The clerk produced the treasurers receipt as directed

The committee appointed to visit Henry A Pettet on account of his request report further attention they are continued with John Cronk added

The committee appointed to return Joseph C Browns request report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to hear & consider objections if any to James M^cTaggart being appointed to the station of an Elder report they know of nothing to prevent his being appointed to that station this meeting is united in appointing him as such having the unity of the womens meeting therein the clerk is directed to inform the preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders of this meetings conclusion

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Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us signed Isaac W Richman Alexander Derbyshire and Charles G Bowerman are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof and report

As the time for which the overseers were appointed will expire next month Gilbert Haight William Garratt Levi Varney Vincent Bowerman John Vermilyea Townsend Garratt and Simon Terrill were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of a suitable number of friends to Serve as Overseers for the ensuing year.

The time for which the clerks were appointed will also expire next month Cornelius Bowerman and William Valentine are appointed to bring forward the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 4th M^o 20th 1865

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee to bring forward the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks proposed Allen M Dorlands name as clerk & Stephen H Dorland as assistant which were united with and they were appointed to that service for one year

The committee appointed to visit Henry A Pettet on account of his request report they have visited him to a good degree of satisfaction that he was in a measure convinced of our principles & did not discover but what his life & conversation was quite consistent therewith after a time of deliberation thereon we are united in receiving him into membership Gilbert Haight and

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Stephen Cronk were appointed to inform him thereof & report

We unite with the women in receiving Mary Ann Richman into membership

The committee appointed to visit Isaac W Richman on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction and believe him to be in a good degree convinced of friends principles and upon enquiry did not find but what his life and conversation was consistent therewith we are united in receiving him into membership and appoint Esli Terrill & Enoch Hawley to inform him thereof and report

The committee appointed to bring the forward the names of a suitable number of friends to serve as overseers for the ensuing year submitted the following which being separately read and considered were united with except one which was appointed by the meeting & they were appointed to that service for one year Viz. George G Lear James W Noxon Levi P Bowerman Anthony Haight Stephen H Dorland Townsend Garratt Simon Terrill Arthur Mullett Edward Swetman James M^cTaggart William Yerex

The committee continued from 1st month last to visit Caleb Garratt Jun of account of his resignation report no attention paid since last report they are continued

Eliza Brewer returned at this time a minute granted her in first month last and informed us she had accomplished the service for which she was liberated to the peace & satisfaction of her mind which information was satisfactory the the meeting

Then concluded

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West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 5th M^o 18th 1865

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to inform Henry A Pettet of his reception into membership report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to inform Isaac W Richman of his privilege of meetings report their appointment answered

The committee in Caleb Garratt Jun case report they have paid further attention to their appointment and were unable to remove the cause of his resignation & were also of the opinion that it would be best to release him from membership the meeting is united in adopting the report of the committee & appoints Enoch Hawley & Simon Terrill to inform him thereof & report

We received at this time from Kingston Monthly meeting a certificate of membership on behalf of William and Mary Cronk & their minor children (Viz) Louis Emma Sabra Samson & Liloma: which was directed to the recorder

Our beloved friend Mary Ann Valentine in a weighty manner laid before this meeting a prospect which has for a length of time been impressed on her mind and latterly with increasing weight of visiting in gospel love some of the meetings constituting Ferrisburg Quarter & of appointing a few meetings on the way as truth may direct, after a time of silent waiting much unity and sympathy were expressed with her on her concern & she was encouraged to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us. The clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

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The subject of the Adolphustown meeting house again claiming the attention of this meeting. The committee inform they are not ready to make a report they are continued to report in 7th month next

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 6th M^o 8th 1865

The representatives being called were present except two

Stephen Cronk Charles G Bowerman James W Noxon & Allen M Dorland were appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting as our representatives with the minutes from this and report

One of the committee appointed to inform Caleb Garratt (Jun of his release from membership report their appointment answered

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west Lake 7th M^o 20th 1865

The representatives being called were present except one

Our beloved friend William Green attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Lisburn Monthly meeting held at Lisburn the 16th day of 2nd M^o. 1865 endorsed by Ulster Quarterly Meeting held at Lisburn 3^d M^o 5th 1865 & also endorsed by the yearly meeting of ministers & elders for Ireland held in Dublin on the 2nd of 5th M^o by adjournments to the 8th of the same 1865 whose company & gospel labours have been satisfactory and edifying to us: the clerk is directed to furnish him with

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a copy of the above minute

Our esteemed friend George M Sisson attended this meeting as companion to William Green with a minute of unity from Scipio Monthly meeting held 5th M^o 21st 1865 whose company has been very acceptable

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that three of them attended

The subject of the Adolphustown meeting house deferred from 5th M^o last again claiming the attention of this meeting the committee inform they are not yet ready to report they are continued

Amelisaburg preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Jonathan C Bowerman for marrying a person not a member of our society Stephen Cronk & William Garratt are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 8th M^o 17th 1865

The representatives being called were present

The committee continued relative to the meeting house at Adolphustown report attention & request a longer time which this meeting is united in granting they are continued to report in tenth month next

One of the committee appointed to visit Jonathan C Bowerman on account of a complaint against him reports that he has made him a visit to good satisfaction & that he manifests an attachment to our society by his attendance of meetings this meeting is united in retaining him in membership & appoints Gilbert Haight & Anthony

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Haight to inform him thereof & report

Ameliasburg preparative meeting informed this meeting that John Garratt has married a person not a member of our society we therefore appoint Alexander Derbyshire and Jobe Elsworth to make him a visit on account thereof & report

We received at this time from Kingston monthly meeting a certificate of membership on behalf of Justis & Lavinia Merrills and their three minor daughters viz Mary Amelia, Catharine and Phebe which is directed to be forwarded to the recorder

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at west Lake 9th M^o 21st 1865

The clerk being absent Levi Varney was appointed for the day.

The representatives being called were present except one

The queries were all read with the answers to the usual six from the several preparative meetings and the following summary is prepared for the Quarterly Meeting The advices were also read

Answers

1st) Friends are generally careful to attend all our meetings for worship and discipline except a few instances of neglect on the middle of the week, and one meeting in the middle of the week

not held. The hour is observed. No unbecoming behavior to remark, except a few instances of sleeping, and care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) Friends appear to be preserved in love one towards another except in one meeting which says no so fully maintained as is desirable when differences have arisen care has been taken to end them

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3^d) We believe friends do endeavour to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us: and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins: Although deviations are apparent: Most friends appear to be a good example in these respects themselves: We believe they do endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) We believe friends generally are diligent in the reading of the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal except one instance which is under care: They are clear of frequenting taverns a few instances of attending a place of diversion

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline but not so seasonably in some cases as would have been best

Levi Varney Job W Elsworth Enoch Hawley & George G Lear are appointed as our representatives to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting with the business from this & report

The committee appointed to inform Jonathan C Bowerman of the decision of this meeting in his case report the appointment answered

The committee appointed to visit John Garratt on account of a complaint against him report they they have made him a visit to geed satisfaction and that he manifested an attachment to our society and wished to retain his membership this meeting is united in continuing him a member and appoints

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Stephen H Dorland and Gilbert Haight to inform him thereof & report

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this meeting the following complaint against Noah T Penny, this meeting concludes to disown him and appoints William Valentine and Stephen H Dorland to prepare a testimony of disownment and produce it to next meeting: he having departed from amongst us thus depriving us of an opportunity to labour with him [a large space was left after the above]

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at West Lake 10th Mo 19th 1865

The representatives being called were present except one

Our beloved friend Stephen Cartland attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Litchfield Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Gardiner (maine) 8th M^o 25th

1865 and endorsed by Fairfield Quarterly Meeting held at Manchester (Maine) 9th M^o 6th 1865 whose company and gospel labours have been very acceptable to us

Also as companion to Stephen Cartland Reuben F Jones with a minute of unity & concurrence from Litchfield Monthly Meeting held at Winthrop (Me) 9th M^o 9th 1865 whose company has been very satisfactory

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The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended & produced a minute directing this meeting to raise its quota of \$3200 for the Yearly meeting's use and pay to the clerk of the Quarterly meeting also a number of New York Yearly meeting minutes & Extracts and some reports from the representative meetings on the condition and wants of the colored refugees: The preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportion of the above sum and pay to this meetings clerk: also to the observance of the Extracts

One of the committee appointed to inform John Garratt of this meetings conclusion in this case report it not attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to prepare a testification of disownment against Noah T Penny produced the following which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it and forward to him

Testification

Whereas Noah T Penny a member of this meeting having been entrusted with property to a considerable amount by the public in his business as a Tanner has absconded without accounting for the same thereby bringing public scandal on friends and depriving them of an opportunity of labouring with him: We are therefore constrained to testify against his being any longer a member of our society until through the operations of Divine Grace he acknowledges his errors and makes restitution therefor which that he may be favoured to do is our sincere desire

Came to this meeting from Cold Creek preparative a request from Richard S and Mary Jane Garratt for their 4 minor children to be joined in membership with us viz. Wallace Edgar Robert Arnoldi Beatrice and Elwood A which was united with and having the unity of the womens meeting are received accordingly

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The women forwarded to this meeting for its concurrence a removal certificate on behalf of Phebe Brewer to Kingston Monthly Meeting this meeting unites therewith and directs the clerk to sign it

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at Hillier 11th M^o 16th 1865

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed to inform John Garratt of this meeting's conclusion in his case report it not yet attended to they are continued

The committee continued from 8th month last relative to the meeting house at Adolphustown report they have had subscription lists circulated and have \$178 subscribed

After deliberation thereon this meeting is united in believing that it would not be warranted in building at this time

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 12th M^o 21st 1865

The representatives being called were present except three and a satisfactory reason given for the absence of one

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual six as forwarded from the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows The advices were also read

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1st Friends appear to be careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline though there is a great slackness with some and some care taken: The hour nearly observed no unbecoming behavior to remark except a few instances of sleeping

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4th) We believe most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal except one instance of attending a tavern and using intoxicating liquor and some care taken clear of attending places of diversion

9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness but not always as ??? [faded] might have been best.

William Valentine Philip Clark Job Elsworth and Stephen Cronk were appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our representatives with the minutes from this and report

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The committee appointed to inform John Garratt of his continuance in membership report their appointment answered

This meetings quota of money for the Yearly Meetings use is raised and forwarded as directed

The women forwarded to this meeting for its concurrence a removal certificate on behalf of Elizabeth Smith to Pickering Monthly Meeting which was united with and the Clerk directed to sign it

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 1st M^o 18th 1866

The clerk being absent Levi Varney was appointed clerk for the day

The representatives being called were present

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting inform that one of them attended and produced a minute directing the subordinate meetings to raise their proportions of \$3500 for the purpose of building a meeting house at Pickering. This meeting directs the Preparative meetings to raise their respective proportions of said sum and pay to the treasurer of this meeting who is to pay the money to the order of the Quarterly meetings committee

West Lake Preparative meeting forwarded to this meeting a request to be joined in membership with us signed Robert H Saylor Gilbert Haight William Garratt & Cornelius Bowerman are appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

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It was proposed to appoint a joint committee to have the oversight of the Meeting at the Vermilyea Meeting house. The subject was deferred to the notice of next meeting

Marmaduke Richmond informed this meeting that he purposed leaving Canada for a time & requested a certificate of membership: The Clerk was directed to furnish him with one and sign it on behalf of this meeting

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 2nd Mo 15th 1866

The representatives being called were present except two

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the different preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows The advices were also read

1st) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended yet too much slackness prevails especially in the middle of the week: The hour nearly observed no unbecoming behavior to remark except some instances of sleeping and some care taken

2^d) Love & unity is maintained as far as appears with one exception which is under care when differences arise care is taken to end them talebearing & detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided

3^d) Most friends do endeavor to train up their children and all others under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us and in the plainness & simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins Most friends appear to

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4th) We believe most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal they are clear of frequenting taverns or attending places of diversion as far as appears

6th) The circumstances of the poor has been inspected & relief afforded them we believe all our children are so situated as to get an education to fit them for the ordinary duties of life

7th) Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions and of paying any fine or tax instead thereof

8th) We believe friends are just in their dealings and endeavour to be punctual in fulfilling their engagements as far as appears, we believe friends are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession and when any give occasion for fear on these accounts they are laboured with for their preservation & recovery

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

Levi Bowerman William Garratt Simon Terrill and Samuel Bonesteel were appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this and report

The committee appointed to visit Robert H. Saylor on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction believe him convinced of friends principles & did not discover

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but what his life and conversation was consistent therewith after a time of deliberation thereon we are united in receiving him into membership and appoint Charles G Bowerman & Edward Cronk to inform him of this meetings conclusion & report

The subject deferred from last month relative to the meeting held at the Vermilyea meeting house again claiming the attention of this meeting resulted in appointing the following committee in conjunction with a committee of women friends to visit that meeting & report in 5th Month next Viz Anthony Haight Gilbert Haight Cornelius Bowerman William Garratt Vincent Bowerman & Allen M Dorland

Huntindon preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against James C Mullett for wholly neglecting our meetings for worship and discipline Anthony Haight Gilbert Haight and Stephen Cronk are appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

West Lake preparative meeting was united in proposing to this meeting that the quotas of the preparative meetings be revised - the following friends were appointed to take the subject in consideration and revise them as they believe would be right and report (viz) William Valentine Simon Terrill Anthony Haight Stephen H Dorland Levi Bowerman Townsend Garratt James McTaggart & Edward Swetman

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 3^d M^o 15th 1866

The representatives being called were present except one

One of the representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that they attended and produced a number of London Yearly meetings Epistles for 1865 also a number of

copies of an address to friends in North America The representatives are directed to apportion them to the Preparative meetings

The committee appointed to inform Robert H Saylor of his privilege of meetings report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to visit James C Mullett on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit and he acknowledged the complaint just, but did not find him in any disposition of mind to made satisfaction to this meeting: after consideration thereon we are united in disowning him and appoint Levi Varney and William Garratt to prepare a testification of disownment against him and produce it to next meeting

The committee appointed to revise the quotas submitted the following report: That is that West Lake pay 38 percent Ameliasburg 32 Cold Creek 18 and Huntingdon 12 on all monies raised by this meeting with which we unite. The preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportions of money not yet raised according to the last revision

Alfred White having offered his resignation of membership to this meeting: Jobe Elsworth and Judah B Hutchinson are appointed to make him a visit & endeavour to remove the cause if practicable and report

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Levi Varney and Anthony Haight are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as Clerk and assistant clerk for the ensuing year

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake 4th Mo 19th 1866

The representatives being called were present except two

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks proposed Allen M Dorlands name as Clerk & Stephen H Dorland as assistant with which this meeting unites and they are appointed to that service for one year

Our beloved friend William Wetherald attended this meeting in the course of a religious visit with a minute of unity & concurrence from Pelham Quarterly meeting held 3^d of [no date] M^o 1866 whose company & Gospel labours have been very satisfactory & edifying to us

The committee appointed to prepare a testification of disownment against James C Mullett produced one which being read with a little alteration was approved of the clerk is directed to sign it Edward Swetman & Townsend Garratt are appointed to show him a copy & if required to furnish him with one inform him of his right to appeal and report

The committee appointed to visit Alfred White on account of his resignation report it has not been attended to they are continued

The time for which the overseers were appointed having expired Gilbert Haight William Valentine Richard S Garratt

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William Garratt Alexander Derbyshire Esli Terrill & Arthur Mullett are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as overseers for another year

Our beloved friend Caroline E Talbot in the course of a religious visit attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Short Creek Monthly Meeting Ohio held 10th M^o 25.1865 & endorsed by Short Creek Quarterly meeting held at Mount Pleasant Ohio Jefferson County 18th of 11th 1865 whose company & Gospel labours amongst us has been very satisfactory & acceptable to us

Also as companion to Caroline E Talbot our esteemed friend Susan Hussey with a minute of unity & concurrence from Short Creek Monthly Meeting held 11th M^o 22^d 1865 whose company and deportment has been acceptable to us: The Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes.

~~Then concluded~~ James C Mullett having so far deviated from the good order of our society as to wholly neglect the attendance of our meetings and our labors of love for his restoration having proved unavailing we hereby testify against his being any longer a member amongst us until by divine assistance he may see his error and make satisfaction to his friends, which it is our desire he may be favored to do

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 5th M^o 17th 1866

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed to show James C Mullett a copy of the

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testification against him report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to visit Alfred White on account of his resignation report attention they are continued

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of friends to serve as overseers submitted the following which being separately read and considered were united with and they were appointed to that station for one year (viz) Anthony Haight Stephen H Dorland Townsend Garratt Simon Terrill Edward Swetman James M^cTaggart George G Lear Edward B Cronk and Jobe Elsworth

Ameliasburg Preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us signed Gilbert Dorland Stephen Cronk and Allen M Dorland are appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

Frederick Swetman having requested our certificate to Pickering Monthly Meeting of his membership and clearness of marriage engagements here Levi Varney & Allen M. Dorland are appointed to make enquiry in relation thereto and if nothing appears to prevent: to issue one on his behalf to that meeting and report

Reuben B Cronk having requested to be released from membership with us and his being joined to the Methodists after consideration thereon we are united in granting his request and appoint Townsend Garratt and Henry S Bowerman to inform him thereof & report

Then concluded

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Bloomfield 6th M^o 14th 1866

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to visit Alfred White on account of his resignation inform no further attention they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Gilbert Dorland on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction & believe him to be in a good degree convinced of friends principles: & did not discover but what his life & conversation was consistent therewith - after a time of deliberation thereon we were united in receiving him into membership & appoint Gilbert Haight & John Garratt to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed to make enquiry respecting Frederick Swetmans clearness of marriage engagements here report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to inform Reuben B Cronk of the acceptance of his resignation report their appointment answered

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to visit the meeting held at the Vermilyea Meetinghouse & report to this meeting inform that some of their number have attended to their appointment & were united in requesting a longer time they were continued to report in 10th M^o next

The Preparative meeting of ministers & Elders forwarded to this meeting for its consideration the propriety of acknowledging Eliza Varney a minister

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after due deliberation thereon we appoint Alexander Derbyshire & Allen M Dorland in conjunction with a committee of women friends to hear & consider objections if any & report

Edward Swetman Joseph Baker Townsend Garratt & Cornelius Bowerman are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting as our representatives with the minutes from this & report

Stephen Bowerman having removed within the limits of Yonge Street Monthly Meeting and requesting our certificate on his behalf to that meeting: we appoint Levi Varney & Stephen White to make enquire respecting his outward affairs and if nothing appears to prevent to draft one and produce it to this meeting for its approval

By information received from some of the overseers of the poor it appears that it is necessary that there should be some money raised for their support, the Preparative meetings are directed to raise their quotas of \$50 for that purpose & pay to the treasurer and report to this meeting

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Bloomfield 7th M^o 19th 1866

The representatives being called were present except one & a satisfactory reason given for his absence

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report that 3 of them attended

The committee appointed to visit Alfred White on account of his resignation report they have made him a visit and he informed Them he had attached himself to another society & is still desirous of being released this meeting is united in accepting his resignation & appoints James

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W Noxon & Allen M Dorland to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed to inform Gilbert Dorland of his privilege of meetings report their appointment answered

The committee appointed in Stephen Bowermans case report some attention but not being ready to draft a certificate they are continued

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to hear & consider objections if any to Eliza H Varney being acknowledged a minister report there has nothing come to their knowledge to prevent her being acknowledged as such after deliberation this meeting unites with the proposition from the meeting of Ministers & Elders & directs the clerk to give information thereof to that meeting

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E. H. V. acknowledged

this meeting is united in appointing Levi Varney Anthony Haight & James W Noxon to inspect the proceedings of the overseers of the poor & report to this meeting

Pickering Monthly Meeting informed us of their acceptance of our certificate on behalf of Elizabeth Smith Dated 15th of 11 month 1865

The Clerk of the Quarterly meeting forwarded to this a minute directing the Monthly meetings to report in 10th M^o next how much money has been raised towards building the Yearly Meeting house at Pickering

Cold Creek reports \$8.50 raised & forwarded for the support of the poor they are continued to raise the balance as directed

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Hillier 8th M^o 16th 1866

The representatives being called were present

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The committee appointed to inform Alfred White of the acceptance of his resignation report their appointment not answered they are continued

The committee appointed to enquire into the settlement of Stephen Bowerman's outward affairs & if nothing appears to prevent to draft a certificate on his behalf & produce it to this meeting report further attention they are continued

The committee appointed to inspect the proceedings of the Overseers of the poor report their appointment not yet attended to they are continued

Cold Creek meeting reports their quota of money for the use of the poor is raised & forwarded

Owing to the length of time that has elapsed since the overseers of the poor were appointed this meeting is united in appointing Stephen Cronk Townsend Garratt William Garratt Vincent Bowerman & James McTaggart to bring forward in 10th Month next the names of a suitable number of friends to serve as overseers of the poor

Our beloved friend Hester Hawley expressed in this meeting a concern that had rested on her mind of attending in the love of the Gospel Yongestreet Quarterly Meeting to be held at Pickering & if way should open for it to have a meeting in the sixth concession of Pickering after a time of deliberation thereon this meeting unites with her in her concern (the women having united also) she is left at liberty to proceed as best wisdom may direct she being a minister amongst us

The Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Bloomfield 9th M^o 20th 1866

The representatives being called were present except three

The queries have all been read in this meeting and the answers to the usual six as forwarded from the preparatives a summary of which is as follows the advices were also read

1st) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended, yet too much slackness prevails especially in the middle of the week. The hour is nearly observed: Two instances of unbecoming behavior which is under care beside some instances of sleeping

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another, When differences arise care is taken to end them, Talebearing & detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided

3^d) Friends do endeavor as far as appears to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins. They are generally good examples in these respects themselves, and do endeavour to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

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5th) We know of no friends who use distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal: Clear of attending taverns: Three instances of attending a place of diversion

9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders we believe in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline: but perhaps not as seasonably in all cases as would have been best

Amos Hubbs Richard S Garratt Alexander Derbyshire & Allen M Dorland are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our representatives with the minutes from this & report

The committee appointed to inform Alfred White of the acceptance of his resignation report their appointment answered

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Resignation of membership accepted

The committee in Stephen Bowermans case not being ready to make a final report they are continued

The committee appointed to inspect the proceedings of the overseers of the poor report they have attended to their appointment: and found that the money had been properly expended which report is satisfactory to this meeting

Edward Cronk produced Henry Dickinsons receipt for \$16.33 cts American currency for the colored refugees

West Lake preparative meeting reports \$12 raised and paid for the use of the poor & Huntingdon \$3.50 they are continued to raise the balance as directed

Then concluded

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West Lake Monthly Meeting held at Bloomfield 10th M^o 18th 1866

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they atten[d]ed & produced a number of New York Yearly Meetings minutes & extracts & some copies of the 5th annual report to the representative meeting on the condition & wants of the colored Refugees, the representatives are directed to apportion them to the preparative meetings

The committee in Stephen Bowermans case report some further attention they are again continued

Ameliasburg preparative meeting reports the money for the use of the poor is forwarded: West Lake & Huntingdon are continued to raise the balance of theirs as directed.

The committee appointed in 8th M^o last to bring forward to this meeting the names of a suitable number of friends to serve as overseers of the poor submitted the following viz Simon Terrill Townsend Garratt Amos Hubbs William Hubbs John Vermilyea Arthur Mullet Anthony T Haight & Allen M Dorland which being separately read & considered were united with and are appointed to that service

The committee appointed to visit the meeting held at the Vermilyea meeting house: continued from 6th Month last inform not yet ready to make a report they are continued

Weare Monthly meeting forwarded to this a certificate of removal on behalf of Moses O Nichols which is directed to be forwarded to the recorder

also one from the same meeting on behalf of Sarah Alice Nichols which is likewise

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directed to the recorder

Our beloved friend Eliza H Varney expressed in this meeting a concern that has rested on her mind for a length of time to visit in the love of the Gospel most of the meetings of friends in this Quarterly meeting & some of the meetings of Leray Quarter & to appoint some meetings amongst those not in membership with us as truth may open the way, after a time of deliberation thereon much unity & simpathy were expressed with her in her concern & she was left at liberty to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us: the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

Our beloved friend Jobe Elsworth informed this meeting that he had a prospect in company with his wife of accompanying Eliza H Varney in her proposed religious visit with w[h]ich this meeting unites he being an elder in unity with us: the clerk is also directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 11th M^o 15th 1866

The representatives being called were present except three and satisfactory reasons given for the absence of two

The committee in Stephen Bowermans inform not yet ready to report they are continued

West Lake preparative meeting reports their proportion of money for the use of the poor is [sic] raised & forwarded

The committee appointed to visit the meeting held at the Vermilyea meeting house inform some further attention but are not yet ready to submit a report they are continued

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Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership with us signed Hiram Derbyshire: Townsend Garratt and Enoch Holley are appointed to make him a visit on account thereof & report

Moses O Nichols having married a person not in membership with us & requesting to retain his membership after deliberation thereon this meeting concludes to accept his request & appoints, Levi Varney & Edward B Cronk to inform him & report

The Clerk of the Quarterly meeting forwarded to this meeting a minute directing the subordinate meetings to answer the whole of the Queries in 6th mo next instead of 2nd month

We unite with the women in releasing Harriet Ketcheson from membership

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Bloomfield 12th M^o 21st 1866

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers to the usual six as forwarded from the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows: the advices were also read

answers

- 1st) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended though there appears by all the answers to be a negligence with some friends especially in the middle of the week, the hour is nearly observed, no unbecoming behavior to remark except some instances of sleeping
- 2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another when differences arise care is taken to end them, talebearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided.

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3^d) Friends do endeavor (as far as appears) to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins, and are generally good examples in these respects themselves except in the instances noticed in the answer to the first query: and do endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Friends are with a few exceptions diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion as far as appears -

9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders though perhaps not so seasonably in all cases as would have been best: We believe labour is bestowed in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline

Stephen Cronk Levi Varney Enoch Holley & Allen M Dorland were appointed as our representatives to attend the Quarterly meeting with the minutes from this & report

The committee in Stephen Bowermans cas[e] report they have paid attention to their appointment and have not been able to get that satisfaction from him that his case required after consideration thereon this meeting is united in releasing the committee

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to visit the meeting held at the Vermilyea meeting house report that most of their number have visited that meeting & some of them at different times: and think the meeting has been reputably held, and if they continue faithfully to look unto him who is

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head over his church they may be instrumental in bringing souls unto christ: We also believe it would be best to continue it under the care of a committee for a while longer: which report is satisfactory to the meeting & the same committee were continued to have the care of that meeting as heretofore & report in 5th M^o next -

The committee appointed to visit Hiram Derbyshire on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction & believe him in a good degree convinces of friends principles and that his life & conversation war orderly after deliberation thereon we are united in receiving him into membership and appoint Benjamin Brundage and Richard S Garratt to inform him thereof & report

The committee appointed to inform Moses O Nichols of the reception of his request report their appointment answered

The money for the Yearly Meeting house is not yet all raised
Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Bloomfield 1st M^o 17th 1867

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly report they attended and produced a number of copies of London Yearly Meetings Epistles of 1866 one of which was read to the satisfaction of this meeting also some copies of a report of the Freedmens committee, the representatives are directed to apportion them to the preparative meeting

No account from the committee appointed to inform Hiram Derbyshire of his privilege of meetings they are continued

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Our beloved friend Johnson Brewer informed this meeting that he felt his mind drawn to visit in the love of the gospel friends in Snowdon and of holding some meetings amongst them

and some in going & returning as truth may open the way: after a time of deliberation thereon this meeting united in liberating him to attend thereto as best wisdom may direct he being a minister in unity with us: The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

We unite with the women in receiving Ann C Nichols into membership

We also unite with the women in receiving Rebecca Maria Haight into membership

Huntingdon preparative meeting have paid the balance of money called for for the use of the poor

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 2nd Mo 21st 1867

The clerk being absent Levi Varney was appointed for the day

The representatives being called were present except one

The queries were all read with the answers to the usual six as received from the several preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows, the advices were also read

Queries

1st) All our meetings for worship and discipline are attended by most friends, though there is a negligence with some: The hour is not so fully observed as would be best, no unbecoming behavior except a few instances of sleeping and some care taken

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another when differences arise care is taken to end them. Talebearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided

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3^d) Friends do endeavor as far as appears to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins they are generally good examples in these respects themselves: the do endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Friends are with a few exceptions diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal. Clear of frequenting taverns several instances of attending a place of diversion

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

John White William Garratt Thomas Clark and Gilbert Haight are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting with the business from this & report

The committee to inform Hiram derbyshire of his privilege of meetings report their appointment answered

A proposition from Cold Creek and Huntindon preparative meetings for the establishment of a Monthly Meeting to be held eight times in the year at Cold Creek and four times at Huntingdon claiming our consideration it was concluded to forward it to the Quarterly meeting

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Our friend Job P Elsworth returned at this time the minute granted him in 10th mo last to accompany Eliza H Varney in her visit and informed that he had accomplished the service to the satisfaction of his mind

Our friend Eliza H Varney returned the Certificate granted her in 10th mo last and gave a satisfactory account of her visit

Our friend Maria Elsworth also returned the certificate granted her to accompany Eliza H Varney

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 3^d M^o 21st 1867

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

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that three of them attended and produced a minute directing the subordinate meetings to raise their respective quotas of \$433.33/100 towards completing the Yearly Meeting house at Pickering and pay to the clerk of that meeting The Monthly Meetings were also directed to report in 6th M^o the amount of money raised & paid for the above purpose

John Waring having expressed a desire to be released from membership amongst us & given his reason for the same after a time of deliberation thereon this meeting was united in granting his request and appoints Job P Elsworth & Amos Hubbs to inform him thereof & report [written in the left hand margin beside the above paragraph was the following]

John Waring released

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We unite with the women in receiving Lucy Ann Stevens into membership

`We received at this time from Pickering Monthly Meeting held 1st M^o 10th 1867 a removal certificate on behalf Rachel Swetman formerly Wilson which was directed to the recorder

Anthony Haight and Levi Varney were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks

Daniel Bowerman and wife having removed within the limits of kingston monthly meeting and requesting our certificate William Valentine & Levi Varney are appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to make the necessary enquiry in the case and if nothing appears to prevent to issue one and produce it to this meeting for its approval

We unite with the women in receiving Catharine Ross into membership

We also unite with the women in releasing Anna W Hoover from membership with us

Ameliaburg meeting reports their quota of \$3500 towards the building of the Yearly Meeting house is raised & paid as directed

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held 4th M^o 18th 1867

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks proposed Allen M. Dorland's

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name as clerk and Stephen H Dorland as assistant with which this meeting is united and they are reappointed to that service for one year

The committee appointed to inform John Waring of the acceptance of his resignation report their appointment answered

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to make the necessary enquiry with regard to the issuing of a certificate on behalf of Daniel M Bowerman & wife produced one which being read was approved of & the clerk was directed to sign it & forward it to kingston Monthly meeting

Amos Hubbs having requested to be released from serving as overseer of the poor after consideration thereon this meeting concluded to release him & appoints Robert H Saylor to serve in his stead

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 5th M^o 16th 1867

The representatives being called were present

Our beloved friend Eliza H Varney expressed in this meeting a concern that has rested on her mind for a length of time to visit in the love of the Gospel all the meetings of friends in the Quarterly meetings of Pelham & Yongestreet & to appoint some meetings amongst those not in membership with us as truth may open the way: after a time of deliberation thereon much unity and sympathy were expressed with her in her concern & se was left at liberty to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us: The clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

Then concluded

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at west Lake 6th M^o 13th 1867

The representatives being called were present except two

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers from the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows the advices were also read:

William Garratt Thomas Waring Amos Hubbs & Townsend Garratt were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as our representatives with the minutes from this & report

1st) All our meetings for religious worship & discipline are attended although a slackness prevails with some friends more especially in the middle of the week the hour is nearly observed, no unbecoming behavior to remark, except a few instances of sleeping and some care taken

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another except one instance which is under care when differences has arisen care has been taken to end them, talebearing & detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided

3^d) Friends do endeavor to train up their children & those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, & in the plainness & simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins. And are generally good examples in these respects themselves: and do endeavor to guard their children & all others under their care against corrupt conversation and reading of pernicious books as far as appears

4th) Friends are generally diligent in reading The Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

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5th) None known to use distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal nor any that have attended taverns or places of diversion

6th) The circumstances of the poor & of those who appear likely to require assistance has been inspected & relief afforded they are advised & assisted in suitable employments and their children and all others under our care are in a way to get education to fit them for the ordinary duties of life

7th) Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions or paying any fine or tax instead thereof, one instance excepted which is under care

8th) Friends appear to be just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements except two instances in not being punctual in payment which is under care: we believe most friends are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession & when any give occasion for fear they are seasonably laboured with for their preservation & recovery.

9th) Care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness & agreeably to our discipline

Our beloved friend Harvey Derbyshire in the courses of a religious visit attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Salem Monthly Meeting held at Salem Henry C) Iowa 4th mo 10th 1867 whose company & gospel labours has been satisfactory & edifying to us

Our beloved friend Jesse T Hartley in the course of a religious visit attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Gilead Monthly Meeting held in Morrow CO Ohio 4th mo 16th 1867 & endorsed by Alum Creek Quarterly Meeting held at

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Goshen Logan CO Ohio 4th of 5th M^o 1867 whose company & Gospel labours have been acceptable & edifying to us the clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes

The committee continued from 12th Mo last to have the care of the meeting held at the Vermilyea meeting house inform some attention but are not yet ready to submit a report they are continued to report in 8th Mo next

Gilbert Haight William Garratt Enoch Hawley Alexander Derbyshire Henry Swetman James W Noxon & Esli Terrill are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers for the ensuing year

Women friends inform us that Catharine Saylor expressed in that meeting she felt a willingness to accompany Eliza H Varney in her proposed religious visit with which they united: this meeting is also united in liberating her to accompany the above friends

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at West Lake 7th M^o 18th 1867

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they attended

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers the ensuing year submitted the following which being separately read and considered were united with & were appointed to that service for one year viz Job Elsworth George Lear Levi Varney Townsend Garratt Simon Terrill James McTaggart Arthur

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Mullett Gilbert Haight & William Garratt

We unite with the women in accepting Hannah Mullet's resignation

Our beloved friend Deborah C Thomas in the course of a religious visit attended this meeting; with a minute of unity & concurrence from Baltimore Monthly Meeting for the Eastern & Western districts held 3^d M^o 7th 1867 & endorsed by Baltimore Quarterly meeting held 3^d M^o 18th 1867 whose company and gospel labour has been truly acceptable to us

Our beloved friends Mary H Rogers attended this meeting with a minute of unity and concurrence from Spiceland Monthly Meeting Henry CO Indiana held 3^d M^o 2nd 1867 & Endorsed by Spiceland Quarterly Meeting held 3^d M^o 9th 1867 whose company & gospel labours has been very acceptable to us: The clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes

Our beloved friend Margaret Ballinger attended this meeting as companion to Mary H Rogers with a minute of unity & concurrence from Spiceland Monthly Meeting of friends held 6th M^o 1st 1867: whose company has been very acceptable to us

Our beloved friend Elizabeth L Comstock acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Rollin Monthly Meeting of friends held 3^d M^o 15th 1867

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held 8th M^o 15th 1867

The representatives being called were present except one and a satisfactory reason assigned for his absence

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Our beloved friend Thomas Grover attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Smithfield Monthly Meeting (R I) of friends held the 25th of 4th M^o 1867 & endorsed by Smithfield Quarterly Meeting held at Northbridge 5th M^o 9th 1867 whose company and Gospel labours with us has been truly acceptable

Our beloved friend Stephen Cartland attended this Meeting with a minute of unity and concurrence from Durham Monthly Meeting of friends held at South Durham (Maine) 5th M^o 21st 1867 & endorsed by Falmouth Quarterly Meeting held at West Brook Maine 6th M^o 6th 1867 Whose company and Gospel labours has been very acceptable to us: - The Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes

The committee continued relative to the Meeting held at the Vermilyea Meeting house inform some further attention, but are not yet ready to submit a report they are continued

The meeting directs the preparative Meetings to raise their respective proportions of \$50 for the support of the poor

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 9th M^o 19th 1867

The representatives being called were except one

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers from the several preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows The advices were also read

Answers

1st) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended yet a slackness prevails especially in the middle of the week: The hour is

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nearly observed: Several instances of unbecoming behavior: And some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another except one instance which is under care talebearing and detraction discouraged and avoided as far as appears

3^d) We believe most Friends do endeavor to train their children & those of other Friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us; and in the plainness & simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins. Friends are generally good examples in these respects themselves: We believe they are careful to guard their own & other Friends children under their care against corrupt conversation & the reading of pernicious books

4th) Most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We know of none who make use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal nor any who frequent taverns or places of diversion

9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders we trust agreeably to discipline but not in all cases as seasonably as would be best

Levi Bowerman Gilbert Haight Levi Varney Robert Saylor & Samuel Baker are appointed representatives to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting with the minutes from this & report

The committee continued relative to the meeting held at the Vermilyea Meeting house submitted the following report: We your committee having the care of the meeting held at the Vermilyea meeting house having most of us visited it and some

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of us several times - report that we believe it to have been reputably held and also owned by the great Head of the Church, and as there is a faithfulness on the part of its members we doubt not that a growth will be experienced and a blessing result therefrom

But considering its present infant state we are united in believing that it will be best to continue it still under the care of a committee Signed on behalf of the committee

Cornelius Bowerman

Mary Anne Valentine

which was satisfactory to this meeting & the following friends were appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to meet with them as heretofore & report in 3^d M^o next John White Cornelius Bowerman William Garratt Richard S Garratt Joseph Baker James W Noxon Stephen Cronk & Stephen H Dorland

Our beloved Friend Eliza H Varney returned at this time a minute granted in 5th M^o last liberating her for religious service with an account thereof which was satisfactory to this meeting:

Catharine Saylor also returned her minute as companion to Eliza H Varney

Our beloved friend Eliza H Varney in a very feeling manner laid before this meeting for its consideration a prospect she had of visiting in Gospel love the Quarterly Meetings of Le-Ray and Farmington & the meetings composing them also the meetings of Saratoga and a part of Butternuts Quarterly Meeting and to appoint some meetings amongst Friends & others as truth may open the way after a time of weighty deliberation thereon much unity & sympathy was expressed with her in her prospect, and she is left at liberty & encouraged to attend thereto as best wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the

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above minute

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 10th M^o. 17th 1867

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the four months meeting report they attended & produced a minute directing the Monthly Meetings to raise the balance of the money for building the Yearly Meeting house: Also their Quota of one hundred dollars for the Yearly Meetings use as soon as possible & pay to the Clerk of that meeting

They were also directed to the observance of the minutes of the Yearly Meeting relative to schools, the number of families, members &c and report in 6th M^o next

The preparative meetings are directed to raise their Quotas of said monies & pay to this meeting's Clerk. Also to the observance of the Yearly Meetings minutes with respect to schools &c

Came to this Meeting from the women a minute expressing Catharine Saylor's willingness under an apprehension of duty to accompany our friend Eliza H Varney in her proposed religious visit with which this meeting unites

Our beloved friend James W. Noxon informed this meeting that he felt it right for him to accompany Eliza H Varney & Catharine Saylor in a part or all of their religious journey with which this meeting unites & he is left at liberty to attend thereto he being a member in unity with us: The Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies ~~with~~ of the above minutes

We unite with the women in receiving Sarah Elizabeth Bowerman into membership

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Our beloved friend Johnson Brewer returned at this time a minute granted him in first Month last for religious service stating that he had accomplished the visit much to the satisfaction of his mind

Cold Creek preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Thomas R Garratt for marrying contrary to the order of Friends. Stephen Cronk & Allen M Dorland are appointed to labour with him on account thereof & report

Ameliasburg Preparative Meeting reports their Quota of money for the support of the poor is raised & forwarded. Cold Creek says \$4.50 is raised & paid over they are continued to raise the balance

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Hillier 11th M^o 21st 1867

The representatives being called were present

One of the committee to visit Thomas R Garratt on account of a complaint against him report that he has visited him in company with another friend: he acknowledged the complaint just & they found him in a condition to make the satisfaction his case required: this meeting is united in retaining him in membership with us & appoints Joseph Baker & Gilbert Jones to inform him of its conclusion & report

Was forwarded to this meeting from the Womens a proposal of marriage signed John White & Rebecca Lazier William Garratt & Joseph Haight are appointed to inquire into his clearness of other like engagements & report to next meeting

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Cold Creek reports the balance of money for the support of the poor is raised and forwarded

Huntingdon has also paid their proportion for the support of the poor -

We unite with the women in disowning Elizabeth Hutchinson

Our beloved friend Mary Ann Valentine in a feeling manner laid before this meeting a prospect which has for a length of time rested with weight on her mind & increasingly so of late to visit in Gospel love a part of the Dominion of Canada extending from Belleville to Montreal & back as far as Ottawa to visit scattered members: & to appoint meetings amongst Friends & others as Truth may open the way: After a time of deliberation thereon much unity & sympathy was expressed & she is left at liberty to attend thereto as best Wisdom may direct she being a Minister in unity with us: The Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 12th M^o 19th 1867

The representatives being called were present

One of the committee appointed to inform Thomas R Garratt of this meetings conclusion in his case report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to inquire into John White's clearness of other Marriage engagements report they dont find anything to hinder his proceeding in marriage with Rebecca Lazier: They are left at liberto to accomplish their marriage between this and next Monthly

Meeting according to the order of Friend. Levi Varney and James W Noxon are appointed to attend said marriage see that it be orderly conducted and

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forward the marriage certificate to the recorder and report

The preparative meetings report part of the money for the Yearly Meetings use is raised they are continued to raise & forward the balance as directed

West Lake preparative reports \$7.20 of their quota towards the support of the poor is raised & forwarded, they are continued to raise the balance

Stephen Cronk & Levi Bowerman are appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer & report to next meeting

Women friends informed us that Phebe Dorland expressed in that meeting a willingness to accompany Mary Ann Valentine in her proposed religious visit with which this meeting feels to unite she being a member in unity with us: The clerk is directed to sign a minute to that effect

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 1st M^o 16th 1868.

The representatives being called were present except one

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual six as forwarded from the several preparative meeting's a summary of which is as follows. The advices were also read

Answers

1st) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline are attended yet a slackness prevails especially in the middle of the week. The our is nearly observed: no unbecoming behaviour to remark except some sleeping and care taken

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2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another when differences arise care is taken to end them Talebearing and detraction discouraged and mostly avoided as far as appears

3^d) Friends do endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness & simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins. Hey are generally good examples in these respects themselves and they do endeavor to guard their children and those under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Friends are nearly all diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

5th) We know of none to charge with the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes, nor any who frequent taverns or attend places of diversion

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline; Tho not as seasonably in all cases, as would have been best.

Robert H Saylor Richard S Garratt Stephen Cronkhite Moses O Nichols and Arthur Mullett are appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing four months meeting with the minutes from this & report

The committee appointed to attend the Marriage of John White report they attend and did not discover but what it was orderly conducted & the marriage certificate was forwarded to the recorder as directed

Cold Creek & Huntingdon report the monies called for by this meeting is raised

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West Lake & Ameliasburg are continued to raise the balance of theirs as directed

The committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer report attention they are continued

We received at this time from Litchfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Winthrop Maine 12th M^o 27th 1867 a minute of Membership on behalf of Harriet N Jones which was satisfactory to this meeting

Huntingdon preparative meeting forwarded to this meeting a resignation signed Joseph C Mullett he having joined another society ~~this~~ we are united in accepting it & appoint Arthur Mullett and Reuben Vermilyea to inform him thereof & report

[written in the left margin next to the above paragraph is the following]

Joseph C. Mullet released

Ameliasburg preparative meeting forwarded a request to become a member of our society signed John T Dorland: Cornelius Bowerman William Garratt & Levi Varney are appointed to visit him on account ther[e]of & report to next meeting

West Lake preparative forwarded a complaint against John V Terrill for neglecting the attendance of our meetings and joining a secret Society which requires the taking of an oath: Stephen Cronk & Gilbert Haight are appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

James W Noxon returned at this time a minute granted him in 10th M^o last to accompany Eliza H Varney & Catharine Saylor on a religious visit: With returning minutes from two Monthly meetings

Then concluded

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Hillier 2nd M^o 20th 1868

The representatives being called were present except two & a satisfactory reason given for the absence of one

The representatives appointed to attend the four months meeting report they attended

Ameliasburg reports the money for the Yearly Meetings use is raised and forwarded: West Lake says it is not yet all raised they are continued to raise as directed

We unite with the women in receiving Mary ann Dorland into membership

The committee continued last month to audit the Treasurers account submitted the following report which was satisfactory

The following is a summary statement

	\$	cts
Cash received from former Treasurer	27.00	
“ “ Clerk of Monthly Meeting	24.00	
“ Ordered towards establishing Yearly Meeting	1121.85	

“ “ For Yearly Meetings use.	70.00
“ “ “ Use of the poor	<u>100.00</u>
Total	<u>1342.85</u>
Contra	
	\$ cts
“ Balance of the above unpaid	72.45
“ Amount paid on account of Yearly Meeting house	1091.69
“ Overseers of the poor	107.34
“ Treasurer of Y Meeting for Y Meetings use	<u>27.35</u>
	<u>1298.84</u>
Leaving a balance of	\$44.07 cts
In the hands of the Treasurer 1 st M ^o 1 st 1868 the date to which the accounts were examined	
Bloomfield 2 nd M ^o . 9 th 1868	} Stephen Cronk
	} Levi V Bowerman

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The women forwarded to this meeting a removal certificate directed to Pickering Monthly Meeting on behalf of Catharine Sherrad which was satisfactory the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting

No account from the committee appointed to inform Joseph C. Mullett of the acceptance of his request they are continued

The committee appointed to visit John T Dorland on account of his request report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction they believe him to be convinced of Friends principles & did not discover but what his life & conversation was consistent therewith. This meeting is united in receiving him into membership and appoints Anthony Haight and John Garratt to inform him thereof & report.

The committee appointed to visit John V Terrill on account of a complaint against him report they have paid attention to their appointment after deliberation thereon it was considered best to continue them to report in 5th M^o next

The preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders forwarded to this a proposal to appoint Patty G. Dorland and Elder This meeting is united in appointing Levi Varney & Levi Bowerman in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to hear & consider objections if any and report to next meeting.

Also from the same meeting a similar proposal to appoint Allen M Dorland and Elder this meeting is united in appointing William Garratt and Stephen Cronk to hear and consider objections if any & report to next meeting.

Came to this meeting a request from Friends of Adolphustown asking for liberty to build a Meeting house on Friends old site in that place. This meeting is united in leaving them at liberty to appoint a building committee among themselves

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and go one with said building. Also to collect what subscriptions they can & after it is fairly commenced to draw on Mary James Lecky in Ireland for £40 sterling which she has promised: Said Meeting House to belong to this Meeting Alexander Derbyshire, Robert Saylor & William Hubbs are appointed ~~in conjunction~~ to advise and assist them in conjunction with their building committee in attending to the same

Then Concluded

Wes Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 3^d M^o 19th 1868

The representatives being called were present

West Lake reports their proportion of money for the use of the poor is raised & forwarded: but that called for by the Yearly Meeting is not yet raised

The committee appointed to inform Joseph C Mullett of the acceptance of his resignation report their appointment answered

The committee appointed relative to the Meeting held at the Vermilyea Meeting House not being ready to submit a report they are continued to report next month

The Treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay to the Clerk of Cold Creek Monthly Meeting thirty per cent of what money is in his hands belonging to this meeting & take his receipt for the same

The joint committee appointed appointed [sic] to hear & consider objections if any to Patty G. Dorland being appointed an Elder: Report they found nothing to prevent her being appointed to that station: After deliberation thereon this meeting unites with the proposition from the Meeting of Ministers & Elders & directs the Clerk to give information thereof to that meeting

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The committee appointed to hear & consider objections if any to the appointment of Allen M Dorland to the station of an Elder report there have been no objections made after deliberation this meeting is united in appointing him to that station, having the unity of the women therein The Clerk is also directed to inform the preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders

Anthony Haight and William Valentine are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as Clerks

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 4th M^o 16th 1868

The representatives being called were present except one & a satisfactory reason given for his absence

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of a couple of Friends to serve as Clerks proposed Allen M Dorlands name as clerk & owing to the continued ill health of the former assistant Anthony Hights name was proposed as assistant: which were united with & they were appointed to that service for one year

West Lake says their proportion of money called for is raised & forwarded.

The joint committee appointed relative to the meeting held at the Vermilyea Meeting house submitted the following report which is approved of by this meeting: It is submitted to Cold Creek for further consideration

We your committee to visit the Vermilyea Meeting report as follows: Some of our number have visited that Meeting at different times to good satisfaction, yet we would advise that it still be continued under the care of a committee, believing that occasional visits will be of use to them. Signed on behalf

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of the committee 14th of 4th Month 1868. Stephen Cronk Rachel Cronk

The Clerk is directed to give the the [sic] committee appointed by this Meeting to assist the building committee at Adolphustown in building a Meeting House at that place an order to draw on the Treasurer of this meeting for \$16 to be applied for that purpose, if Cold Creek concur therewith

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Hillier 5th M^o 21st 1868

The representatives being called were present

Andrew Lambie & family having removed within the limits of Yonge Street Monthly Meeting & having requested our certificate on their behalf to that Meeting. Levi Varney & William Valentine were appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to make the necessary enquiry respecting the settlement of their temporal affairs & if they find nothing to prevent to prepare one and produce it to this meeting

The committee continued from 2nd M^o last in John V. Terrill case inform some further attention & asked for longer time, this meeting is united in granting their request. They are continued to report in 10th month next

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to become a member of our society signed Reuben Bedal. Charles G Bowerman Joseph Baker & Stephen Cronk were appointed to visit him on account thereof and report

The committee appointed to assist friends in Adolphustown in building a Meeting house at that place, report they met with friends and other interested persons, and appointed a building committee

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composed of the following names (viz) Trumpour Dorland Percival Platt Benn Platt & John Cole to act in accordance with the committee appointed by this meeting. They think that a building 24 X 36 X 12 feet high will be sufficient for that place. And to complete a building of that size would cost about \$500, and as the subscription list & the money given by Mary James Lecky in Ireland only amounts to about \$400. They wish to know in what way the balance of money required will be raised: After a free expression of opinion on the subject this meeting agre[e]s to pay \$100 for that purpose which we refer to the Quarterly Meeting for their assistance

On account of ill health of the present correspondent it was proposed to appoint Allen M Dorland in his stead: Address Allen M Dorland

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Adjourned to meet the 3^d 5th day in next month

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 6th Mo 18th 1868

The representatives being called were present

The Queries were all read in this meeting with the answers a summary of which are as follows: the advices were also read

Answers

Ans 1st) All our Meetings are attended yet, they are too much be some Friends especially in the middle of the week The hour is nearly observed. No unbecoming behaviour to remark except a few instances of sleeping

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one toward another as far as we know; if difference arise care is taken to end them; talebearing and attraction discouraged and mostly avoided

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3^d) Friends do endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christain religion as professed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins. Friends endeavor to be good examples in these respects themselves; and do guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Most friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their famalies collectively

5th) Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituious liquors as far as we know except in purposes medicinal; we know of none that frequent taverns several instances of attending a place of diversion

6th) The circumstances of the poor have been inspected and relief afforded when necessary. They are advised and assisted in suitable employments and their children and all others under our care are receiving education to fit them for the ordinary duties of life

7th) Clear in the sevaral parts of this query

8th) Friends are just in their dealings punctual in fulfilling their engagements as far as we know and careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession when any give occasion for fear on these accounts they are labored with for their preservation and recovery

9th) Care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline

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Stephen Cronk Levi V Bowerman William Garratt & Levi Varney were appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing four months meeting with the minutes from this & report

Our beloved friend Lewis Bedell in the course of a religious visit attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Oswego Monthly meeting held at Lagrange Dutchess CO. State of N. Y. the 15th 4 of Month 1868 & Endorsed by Nine Partners Quarterly Meeting

held at Pokeepsie the 5th day of 5th M^o 1868 whose company & Gospel labours have been very acceptable to us.

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to prepare a removal Certificate on behalf of Andrew Lambie & his wife Rebecca Ann & their four children viz William A Florence Jane Margaret Ellen & Andrew L produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it & forwarded to Yongestreet Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to visit Reuben Bedal on account of his request inform attention but are not ready to make a report they are continued

West Lake preparative Meeting forwarded to this meeting a request to become a member of our society signed James R Sanderson Cornelius Bowerman Anthony T Haight and William Garratt were appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

Came to this meeting from the Womens meeting a proposition to appoint Rachel Cronkhite to the Station of Elder Stephen H Dorland & Levi Varney were appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to hear and consider objections if any & report

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The preparative meetings report 99 families and parts of families 260 members 53 suitable age to attend schools all attending district schools.

Cornelius Bowerman Stephen H Dorland & Robert Saylor were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseer for the ensuing year.

This meeting is united in requesting the four months Meeting to change the time of holding this Meeting in 6th M^o to the 3^d 5th day as usual

The ~~was~~ Clerk was directed to sign a removal Certificate on behalf of Mary Gilroy to Yongestreet monthly meeting

This meeting having received £40 sterling from Mary J Lecky in Ireland for the purpose of building a meeting house in Adolphustown we authorize William Valentine to hold it subject to the order of the building committee at Adolphustown endorsed by this meetings committee appointed to assist in building

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 7th M^o 16th 1868

The representatives being called were present

Our beloved friend James Jones a Minister acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from China Monthly Meeting (Maine) held the 19th of 5th M^o 1868 endorsed by Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting held at east Vallasboro the 27th of 5th M^o. 1868

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Our beloved friend David H Bennet a Minister acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Butternuts Monthly Meeting held at Morris 1st of 4th M^o 1868 & Endorsed by Butternuts Quarterly Meeting held at Morris Otsego County. (NY) 5th M^o. 19th 1868

Our beloved friend Alson R. Walla minister acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Oak Ridge Monthly Meeting held 6th M^o 16th 1868.
Endorsed by Northern Quarterly Meeting held 6th M^o 20th 1868

Our beloved friend Abigail B Kelly a minister acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Greenwich Monthly Meeting held 10th of 4th M^o 1868.
Endorsed by Alum Creek Quarterly Meeting held at Ohio 5th M^o 2nd 1868.

Our beloved friend Isaac Warren Hawkes attended this Meeting as companion to James Jones with a minute of unity & concurrence from Litchfield Monthly held at West Gardiner 8th M^o 22nd 1868.

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

The representatives appointed to attend the four months meeting report they attended

The committee continued from last month to visit Reuben Bedal on account of his request report they have visited him several times to very good satisfaction, & believe him to be very well convinced of our principles: After at time of deliberation thereon this meeting was united in receiving him into Membership with us Gilbert Haight & Cornelius Bowerman were appointed to inform him thereof & report

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The committee appointed to visit James R Sanderson on account of his request report they have visited him to very good satisfaction & believe him to be in a measure convinced of Friends principles, after a time of weighty deliberation thereon we are united in receiving him into membership John White & Amos Hubbs were appointed to inform him of this meeting conclusion & report

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of suitable friends to serve as Overseers submitted the following which being separately read & considered were united with & they were appointed to that service for one year (Viz) George Lear Alexander Derbyshire Levi Varney Anthony T Haight & Anthony Haight.

The four months meeting with this meetings request to change the time of holding our meeting in 6th Month to the 3^d fifth day as in other months

On account of the establishment of Cold Creek Monthly Meeting it is necessary that a revision of the Quotas between West Lake & Ameliasburg meeting be made Anthony Haight Levi Varney William Valentine & Allen M Dorland were appointed to take the subject into consideration & report to next meeting

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Hillier 8th M^o 20th 1868.

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to inform Reuben Bedal of his reception into membership report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to inform James R Sanderson of his privilege of meetings report their appointment answered

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The committee appointed to revise the Quota's between West Lake and Ameliasburg meeting report they have considered the subject & propose that West Lake pay 54 per cent and Ameliasburg 46 on all monies raised by this meeting with which we unite

Ameliasburg informed this meeting that Aroldi Haight had married a person that was not a member of our society at the time of his marriage. William Garratt and John T Dorland were appointed to visit him on account of the same and report

The committee appointed to hear & consider objections if any to the appointment of Rachel Cronkhite to the station of Elder reports there does not appear to be an[y]thing in the way, this meeting is united in appointing her to that station having the unity of the womens meeting the Clerk is directed to inform the Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders of the same

Mariposa Monthly Meeting informed this meeting that William Clendenan formerly a member of this meeting & disowned by the same has requested to become a member of our society again That the necessary care has been taken in his case and that they are united in receiving him if we concur therewith After a time of deliberation thereon we were fully united with their receiving him

The Clerk was directed to inform them of the same

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly of Friends held at Bloomfield 9th M^o 17th 1868

The representatives being called were present

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers to the usual six

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as forwarded by the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows the advices we also read

answers

1st) Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship & Discipline, except a few who do not attend our midweek meetings, & one instance of a friend absenting himself entirely from meetings, & care taken the hour is nearly observed no unbecoming behavior to remark except some cases of drowsiness

2nd) Friends are generally preserved in love one towards another. We know of no differences amongst us Talebearing & detraction are discouraged & mostly avoided as far as appears

3^d) Friends do endeavor in most instances to train up their children & those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian Religion as professed by us, & in the plainness & simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins: and with a few exceptions are good examples in these respects themselves, and do endeavor to guard their children & all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Friends are diligent with a few exceptions in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends are careful to avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes and are clear of frequenting taverns or of attending places of diversion as far as appears.

9th) Care is taken in most cases seasonably to deal with offenders: We trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline

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Allen M Dorland Anthony Haight Robert Saylor & Stephen White were appointed by this meeting as representatives to attend the ensuing four months meeting with the minutes from this & report

The committee appointed to visit Arnoldi Haight on account of his marrying a person not in membership with us; report they have made him a visit: that he expressed a desire to be continued a member & is in the practice of attending meetings which report is satisfactory: & he is retained accordingly: The clerk is requested to inform him thereof.

Ameliasburg meeting inform this that Paul C Haight had married a person not in membership with us: he having sent a request to be continued a member & evinces his attachment by attending meetings; we are united in accepting his request & directs the clerk to inform him thereof

Also from the same meeting that John D Haight has married a person not in membership with us: Cornelius Bowerman & Alexander Derbyshire were appointed to visit him on account thereof & report

Our beloved friend Eliza H Varney returned at this time a minute granted her in 9th M^o 1867 liberating her for religious service: also a number of returning minutes expressing satisfaction with her labours

Our beloved friend Catharine Saylor also returned a minute granted her in 10th M^o 1867 liberating her as companion to Eliza H Varney With returning minutes expressing satisfaction with her compa[n]y

Then concluded

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 10th M^o 15th 1868

The clerk being absent Levi Varney was appointed for the day

The representatives being called were present

The representatives to the Four months Meeting reported that three of them attended & produced the Yearly meetings minutes, also a minute from the Four month meeting directing the subordinate meetings to raise their quota's of \$400 for the Yearly Meeting's use this year & to observance of the Yearly Meetings minutes in relation to the Book & Tract Association & to statistics of families members & schools

The preparative meetings were directed to raise their respective quotas of the above sum & pay to the clerk of this meeting

The following friends were appointed to aid in promoting the objects of the Book & Tract Association as expressed by the Yearly Meeting's minutes. (Viz) David S Hubbs Charles G Bowerman William Valentine Stephen Cronkhite Anthony Haight Anthony T Haight and to report in 6th month next

The preparative meetings were directed to report in 6th M^o next the number of families members & children of suitable age to attend schools: the character of schools attended as ordered by the Yearly Meeting last year

The committee continued from 5th M^o last in John V Terrill's case claiming the attention of the meeting, it was thought best to give them a longer time. Stephen Cronkhite was released at his own request & Stephen H Dorland was added & they were requested to report next month

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The clerk sent information that he had informed Arnoldi Haight & Paul E Haight of this meeting's conclusion in their cases as directed

The committee to visit John D Haight on account of a complaint against him not being ready to make a full report were continued

Received from Yonge Street monthly meeting notice of the reception by that meeting of a removal certificate for Andrew Lambie & his wife & four children

The minutes of advice from the Yearly Meeting was read to our satisfaction

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Hillier 11th M^o 19th 1868

The representatives being called were present

The committee in John V Terrill's case report there has not been any attention paid since last month they are continued

The preparative meetings were directed to raise their quotas of \$84 to complete the sum of \$100 which this meeting is to pay towards building a Meeting house at Adolphustown

Then concluded

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 12th M^o 17th 1868

The representatives being called were present

One of the committee appointed to visit John V Terrill on account of a complaint against him reports further attention: on account of the ill health of the other friend William Garratt & Charles G Bowerman were added & requested to report next month

Our beloved friend Mary ann Valentine returned at this time a minute granted her in 11th Mo 1867 for religious service in part of the Dominion of Canada and she also expressed that the labour required of her has been fully accomplished & had returned with the reward of peace: Which account was satisfactory to this meeting.

The committee appointed to visit John D Haight on account of his marrying a person not in membership with us report no attention since last month they are continued

Our beloved friend Eliza H Varney in a very feeling manner expressed in this meeting a concern that had rested on her mind for a length of time to visit in Gospel love most if not all the meeting composing Yonge Street Quarterly Meeting, also to appoint some Meetings & to attend to such other service as truth requires of her, after a time of weighty deliberation thereon much unity & sympathy was expressed with her in her prospect & she was left at liberty to pursue the

same as best Wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us. The clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

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The committee appointed by this meeting to assist friends at Adolphustown in building a meeting house at that place report that the house is finished and accepted by the committee they are continued to receive & pay over the money to be raised by this meeting for that purpose & report

The women informed this meeting that Rachel Cronkhite expressed her willingness to accompany Eliza H Varney in her proposed religious visit with which they were united: After a time of deliberation we also unite in liberating her for that purpose she being an elder in unity with us: The clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

They also produced a removal Certificate on behalf of Hannah Maria Vail to Yonge Street Monthly Meeting which was satisfactory the clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting

This meeting unites with the women in accepting Lydia Sargeant's resignation

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 1st M^o 21st 1869

The representatives being called were present

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual six as forwarded by the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows: The advices were also read

1st Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship and Discipline, except a few instances who do not attend our mid week meetings, and one friend that does not attend any meetings

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the hour is nearly observed. A few instances of unbecoming behavior: And some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another: No differences known to exist amongst us, and they do avoid & discourage talebearing detraction as far as appears

3^d) Friends do generally endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care, in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness & simplicity of dress Language & deportment which it enjoins. They are generally good examples in these respects themselves, and do endeavor as far as appears to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books.

4th) Friends are generally diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears, and are clear of frequenting taverns A few instances of attending places of diversion

9th) Care has not been taken in all cases to deal with offenders as seasonably as would have been best. Where labor has been bestowed we believe it has been in the spirit of meekness and according to discipline

Cornelius Bowerman Robert H Saylor William Garratt & Alexander Derbyshire: were appointed to attend the ensuing four months meeting as our representatives with the minutes from this & report

The committee appointed to visit John V Terrill on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit but did not

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find him in a situation to make satisfaction, after a time of deliberation thereon this meeting is united in proceeding against him; and appoints Levi Varney and Robert H Saylor to prepare a testification against him and produce it to next meeting

The committee appointed to visit John D Haight on account of his marrying a person not in membership with us report they have made him a visit to good satisfaction, and that he wished to retain his membership amongst us this meeting is united in continuing him and appoints William Garratt & Judah B Hutchinson to inform him thereof and report

The preparative meetings report the money for the Adolphustown Meetinghouse is raised & forwarded

The committee continued to receive and pay the money to be raised by this meeting to assist in building a Meeting house at Adolphusto[w]n report they have paid the money to John H Cole by directions of their committee & produced his receipt for the same

Received from Ichabod S Bowerman a request desiring to be released from membership with us, after a time of deliberation thereon this meeting was united in accepting his request and appointed Thomas Waring and George Lear to inform him of the same & report

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I. Smith Bowerman released

Friends in Adolphustown having requested the privilege of holding a friends Meeting for worship in the new Meeting house at that place every Firstday at eleven O'clock; after mature deliberation this meeting was united in granting their request and appointed the following friends in conjunction with a committee of women friends to have the care of

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that meeting for one year & report (Viz) Cornelius Bowerman Alexander Derbyshire William Garratt Levi Varney John T Dorland Charles G Bowerman Johnson Brewer and Robert H Saylor

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Hillier 2nd M^o 18th 1869

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the four months meeting report that three of them attended and a satisfactory reason assigned for the non attendance of the other

By a minute received from the four months meeting: the committee appointed to arrange the Quotas between West Lake & Cold Creek Monthly meetings proposed that West Lake pay 42 per cent on all monies directed to be raised by the Quarterly meeting which was approved by that meeting

The committee appointed to prepare a testification of disownment against John V Terrill produced one which being read was satisfactory the clerk was directed to sign it. George Lear & Levi V. Bowerman were appointed to show him a copy thereof inform him of his right to appeal & report

Testification

John V Terrill a member of our society having so far deviated from the practice established by us as to neglect the attendance of our meeting's and join a secret society which requires the taking of an Oath: Our labours of love having been bestowed & not producing the desired effect. We hereby testify against his being a member of our society untill he may be favoured to see the error of his ways and wish to return, which he may be favored to do is our sincere desire

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The committee appointed to inform John D Haight of his continuance in membership report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to inform Ichabod S. Bowerman of the acceptance of his resignation report their appointment answered

Alexander Derbyshire & William Valentine were appointed to make enquiry with respect to the settlement of the temporal affairs of Philip David & Peter Elsworth & draft Certificates of removal in accordance therewith to Spring Creek Monthly Meeting Iowa, & produce them to this meeting

The women meeting forwarded to this a removal certificate on behalf of Sarah L Richardson to Pickering Monthly meeting which was approved of & the clerk was directed to sign it

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly meeting of friends held at Bloomfield 3^d M^o 18th 1869

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to show John V Terrill a copy of the Testification against him inform him of his right to appeal report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to make enquirey with respect to the affairs of Philip David & Peter Elsworth report their appointment not answered they are continued

We unite with the women in receiving Sarah Jane Bowerman into membership

Amos G Bowerman and Dorothy Bowerman having requested that their two minor children viz. John Thomas & David Wallace Bowerman may become members of our society: this meeting is united

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in granting their request

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against James W Noxon for marrying a person not in membership with us. He having also forwarded at this time a paper desiring to be continued a member & as he evinces his attachment to our society by attending meetings we are united in continuing him and appoint William Valentine & Levi Varney to inform him of the same and report

Our beloved friend Eliza H Varney has returned the minute given her in 12th Mo last having been favoured with the Fathers presence in the performance thereof so that she lacked nothing and ascribes the praise to him to whom alone it is due

Rachel Cronkhite has also returned her minute granted to accompany Eliza H in her religious visit.

Phebe Dorland returned at this time a minute granted her in 12th M^o. 1867 to accompany Mary ann Valentine in her religious visit in part of the Dominion of Canada

William Garratt & Robert H Saylor were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 4th M^o. 15th 1869

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks proposed Allen M Dorlands name as clerk & Robert H Saylor assistant which were united & they were

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appointed to that service for one year

The committee appointed to inform James W Noxon of his continuance in membership report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to make enquiry with respect to the temporal affairs of Philip J David & Peter Elsworth & if nothing appears to prevent to draft a certificate on their behalf to Spring Creek Monthly Meeting Iowa produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting & forward as directed

Gilbert Haight and family having removed within the limits of Cold Creek Monthly Meeting Allen M Dorland & John T Dorland were appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to make enquirey with respect to their temporal affairs & if nothing appears to prevent draft a certificate on their behalf & produce it to next meeting

Joseph Baker & wife also having removed within the limits of the Same meeting Stephen White & William Valentine were appointed in conjunction with [a] committee of women friends to make the necessary enquirey in their case & if nothing appears to prevent to draft one on their behalf & produce it to next meeting

James R Sanderson having removed within the limits of Cold Creek Monthly meeting William S Hubbs & Levi Varney were appointed to make the enquiry in his case and draft a certificate in accordance therewith & produce it to next meeting

Then concluded

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West Lake monthly meeting of Friends held 5th M^o. 20th 1869

The representatives being called were present

We unite with the women in receiving Merrium N White into membership

In consequence of the clerk not having the monthly meeting books this meeting was adjourned

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Bloomfield 6th M^o. 17th 1869

The representatives being called were present

Our beloved Friend Jesse T. Hartley in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Gilead Monthly Meeting Morrow Ohio held 1st M^o. 19th 1869 & endorsed by Allum Creek Quarterly Meeting held 2nd M^o 6th 1869: The Clerk was directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

Our beloved Friend Ira Clark in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting held at Yonge Street 5th M^o 13th 1869

Our esteemed friend Thomas Moore acceptably attended this meeting as companion to Ira Clark with a minute of unity & concurrence from Yonge Street Monthly Meeting held at Yonge Street 5th M^o 13th 1869

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers from the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows. The advices were also read

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Answers

1st) All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended, yet there is a slackness with many Friends especially in the middle of the week. The hour is nearly observed by most. No unbecoming behavior to remark except a few cases of sleeping Some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one toward another when differences do arise care is taken to end them. Talebearing & detraction are discouraged & avoided as far as appears

3^d) We believe most Friends endeavor to train up their children & those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness & simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins. They are generally good examples in these respects themselves yet deviations from plainness are apparent. We believe Friends endeavor to guard their children & all others under their care against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books

4th) Most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We know of no friends using distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal. Clear of frequenting taverns as far as appears. A few instances of attending a place of diversion

6th) The circumstances of the poor have been inspected & relief afforded where it seemed necessary. Their children and all others under our care are in a way to be educated for the ordinary duties of life

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

8th With a few exceptions Friends are just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements They appear to be careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession When any have given occasion for fear on these accounts they have not been laboured with as seasonably as might have been best

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline, though not so seasonably in all cases as would have been best

George Lear Robert H Saylor Stephen Cronk & Edward Cronk were appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing four months meeting with the minutes from this and report.

By request from one of the committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate on behalf of Philip David and Peter Elsworth the clerk did not forward it as directed in consequence of their having ascertained that the business of one of them was not settled to satisfaction the case was referred back to the committee for further investigation & report next month

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate on behalf of Gilbert D Haight & family produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it & forward to Cold Creek monthly meeting

Joseph Baker having requested this meeting not to forward his certificate yet, the committee were released

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate on behalf of James R Sanderson to Cold Creek monthly meeting

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produced one which being read was approved of the Clerk was directed to sign & forward it

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Smith Huff for entirely neglecting the attendance of our meetings William Garrat and Cornelius Bowerman were appointed to visit him on account of the same & report

Amos Hubbs Cornelius Bowerman Vincent Bowerman Stephen Cronk & William Garratt were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of friends to serve as overseers for the ensuing year

The preparative meetings report 45 families, 47 children of suitable age to attend schools all of which are attending District Schools: The money for the Yearly meetings use is raised & forwarded as directed

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 7th 15th 1869 -

The representatives being called were present

Our beloved Friends Joseph D Hoag a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Spring Creek

Monthly Meeting of friends held at Oscaloosa Iowa 5th Mo 1st 1869 & endorsed by Oscaloosa Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Sharon 22nd of 5th Mo. 1869

Our beloved Friend William Jenkins a minister acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Alliance Monthly Meeting of Friends Ohio held

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26th of 1st M^o 1869 & endorsed by Damascus Quarterly Meeting of friends held 13th of 2nd Mo 1869

Our beloved Friend Joel Kirk acceptably attended this meeting as companion to William Jenkins with a minute of unity & concurrence from Damascus Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Damascus Columbia Co Ohio 3^d M^o 27th 1869

Our beloved Friend Hannah S Fry a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity & concurrence from Marlborough Monthly Meeting of friends held 24th of 3^d M^o 1869 & endorsed by Cornwall Quarterly Meeting of Friends held 15th of 4th M^o 1869

Our beloved Friend Martha A Ensign acceptably attended this meeting as companion to Hannah S. Fry with a minute of unity & concurrence from Oswego Monthly Meeting of friends held at Lagrange 5th M^o 16th 1869

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

The representatives appointed to attend the Four Months Meeting report they attended

The committee continued to prepare a removal Certificate on behalf of Philip David and Peter Elsworth inform they are not ready to produce one they are continued

The committee appointed to visit Smith Huff on account of a complaint against him report that it has not been attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of friends to serve as Overseers the ensuing year submitted the following which being separately read and considered were united with & they were appointed to that service for one year viz George Lear Levi Varney Anthony Haight & Allen M Dorland

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Moses O Nichols informed this meeting that he had a prospect of going out West & requested a certificate of membership after consideration the Clerk was directed to furnish him with one & sign it on behalf of this meeting

Our beloved friend Eliza Brewer in a weighty manner laid before this meeting a prospect which she had of visiting in the love of the Gospel the meetings constituting Canada Yearly Meeting and to appoint some meetings amongst friends and others as truth may open the way. After a time of deliberation much unity & sympathy was expressed and she was left at liberty & encouraged to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way, she being a minister in unity with us

Our beloved friend Rachel Cronkhite informed this meeting that she felt a willingness to accompany Eliza Brewer in her proposed religious visit with which we unite she being an Elder in unity with us

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at Hillier 8th M^o 19th 1869

The representatives being called were present

Our beloved Friend John Paige a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity from Weare Monthly meeting of Friends held at Weare New Hampshire 13th of 5th M^o 1869. Endorsed by Salem Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Amesbury Mass. 5th M^o 27th 1869: The Clerk was directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute

We received at this time a number of copies of the London Yearly Meetings Epistles one of which was read to our satisfaction & encouragement in the Truth

The committee continued to prepare a removal certificate on behalf of Philip David & Peter Elsworth produced one which being read was approved of, the Clerk was directed

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to sign it on behalf of this meeting & forward it to Spring Creek monthly meeting (Iowa)

The committee appointed to visit Smith Huff on account of a complaint against him report, they made him a visit & did not find him disposed to make the satisfaction his case requires; after a time of deliberation thereon this meeting is united in proceeding against him & appoints Levi Bowerman & Levi Varney to prepare a testification against him & produce it to next meeting

Cold Creek monthly meeting informed this meeting of their acceptance of our Certificate on behalf of Gilbert D Haight & family: Also of James R Sanderson

We received from the Book & Tract association of the Yearly meeting quite a large Package of Books & Tracts for this meeting

Anthony Haight & wife and Arnoldi Haight and family having removed within the limits of Cold Creek Monthly Meeting: John T Dorland & William Garratt were appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to made enquiry respecting the settlement of their temporal affairs & if nothing appears to prevent to draft removal Certificates on their behalf to said meeting & produce them to this for its approval

The preparative meetings were directed to raise their proportions of \$20.00 to defray the travelling expenses of ministers when it is necessary The Treasurer is directed to pay from time to time such sums as may be required for that purpose

Our beloved Friend Eliza H Varney opened in this meeting a prospect which had for some time rested on her mind of attending in love of the Gospel Leray Quarterly meeting & some of the meetings composing it; of visiting some families within its limits & of appointing some meetings among Friends & others if way opens for it: Also of appointing a few meetings within the

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limits of West Lake Four Months meeting: She also in a very weighty manner laid before this meeting a prospect which had for a length of time accompanied her mind of attending in the love of the Gospel all of the meetings constituting New England Yearly meeting, of appointing some meetings among friends & others & of attending to such other service as may be required

of her within the limits of that meeting also of visiting some of the meetings composing Ferrisburg Quarterly meeting & appointing some meetings within its limits as way opens for it after a time of deliberation thereon much unity and sympathy were expressed with her & she was liberated & encouraged to attend to her prospects as best Wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us

Our esteemed friend Catharine I Saylor expressed in this meeting her belief that it would be right for her to accompany Eliza H Varney in her proposed religious service: After deliberation full unity was expressed & she was left at liberty to perform the service she being a member in unity with us

Then concluded

West Lake preparative Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 9th M^o 15th 1869.

The representatives being called were present

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual six as forwarded by the preparative meetings a summary of which are as follows. The advices were also read

Answers to queries

1st All our meetings are attended. Tho they are much neglected by some Friends The hour is nearly observed by most Friends. No unbecoming behavior to remark except a few cases of sleeping and some care taken

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2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another as far as we know. No difference appears. Talebearing & detraction are discouraged, and mostly avoided

3^d) We believe Friends endeavor to train up their children & those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, but in plainness of dress, language and deportment exceptions are apparent The greater part of Friends appear to be good examples in these respects themselves, & they endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation, and reading pernicious books

4) Friends are generally diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal and are clear of attending Taverns. A few instances of attending a place of diversion

9th) We believe care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline

Edward B Cronk Robert Saylor Thomas Waring & Allen M Dorland wer[e] appointed as representatives to attend the ensuing Four months meeting with the minutes from this and report

The committee appointed to prepare a testification of disownment against Smith Huff produced one which being read with a little alteration was approved of. The Clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting. John White & Charles G Bowerman were appointed to show him a copy, inform him of his right to appeal and report

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women Friends to prepare

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a removal Certificate on behalf of Anthony & Angeline Haight and Arnoldi Haight & wife Rebecca Maria & their two minor children viz Alice Eliza and Lelia Emma to Cole Creek monthly meeting produced one which being read was approved of the Clerk was directed to sign it and forward as directed

Copy of a Testification against Smith Huff

Smith Huff having so far deviated from the good order of Friends as to neglect the attendance of our meetings, and our labors of love for his restoration, having been unavailing we hereby testify against his being any longer a member of our Society until by being convinced of our principles he shall desire to be united with us again, which he may be favored to do is our desire

Then concluded

West Lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 10th M^o 21st 1869

The representatives being called were present except two & satisfactory reasons assigned for their absence

The representatives appointed to attend the Four months meeting report that only one of them attended & produced a minute directing the monthly meetings to read and answers The queries before each four months meeting & to erase the clause in the Discipline directing the omission of it once a year & report in 6th m^o. next They were also directed to furnish the statistics as ordered by the Yearly Meeting in 1867 Also to raise our proportion of \$300 for the Yearly meetings use as soon as practicable & pay to the Treasurer of that meeting: The preparative meetings were directed to raise their proportions of said sum & pay to the Treasurer of this meeting. Also to

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furnish the statistics as directed

Our beloved Friend Sarah Wood a minister acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity from Leray monthly meeting held 9th M^o 9th 1869. The clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute

The committee appointed to show Smith Huff a copy of the testification against him report that is has not been attended to they are continued

West Lake preparative meeting forwarded to this a request to become a member of our society. Signed Daniel Leavens: Cornelius Bowerman & Levi Varney were appointed to make him a visit on account of the same & report

Ameliasburg reports the money for the monthly meetings use is raised as directed: West Lake says we have proceeded to raise our proportion of money for the monthly meetings use, they are continued to raise as directed

Our beloved friend Cornelius Bowerman informed this meeting that he had a prospect of attending Kingston Monthly Meeting and if way should open for it he felt a desire to appoint some meetings & visit some families within its limits after a time of deliberation is meeting was united in liberating him to pursue his prospect as best Wisdom may direct, he being a minister in unity with us.

Our beloved friend Mary ann Valentine informed this meeting that she had a concern to attend Kingston Monthly Meeting & the meetings composing it & to attend to such other service

as may be required of her, after a time of deliberation thereon much unity was expressed & she was liberated to perform the service as best Wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us.

Then Concluded

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier 11th M^o. 18th 1869

The representatives being called were present except one

No account from the committee appointed to show Smith Huff a copy of the testification against him they are continued

One of the committee appointed to visit Daniel Leavens on account of his request, report they have made him a visit & believe him to be convinced of our principles & saw nothing to prevent his being received in membership with us, after a time of consideration we were united in receiving him into membership & appointed Edward Cronk & Levi Bowerman to inform him of the same & report

Cold Creek monthly meeting informed us that they had received our certificate on behalf of Anthony & Angeline Haight. Also of Arnoldi Haight & wife & children which was accepted

Our beloved friend Eliza Brewer returned at this time a minute granted her in 7th m^o last to travel in the ministry within the limits of Canada Yearly Meeting

Our beloved friend Rachel Cronkhite also returned her minute liberating her to go as companion to Eliza Brewer in her religious visit

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 12th M^o. 16th 1869

The representatives from West Lake being called were present

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No account from Ameliasburg:

One of the committee appointed to show Smith Huff a copy of the testification against him report some attention they are continued.

The committee appointed to inform Daniel Leavens of his reception into membership report their appointment answered

West Lake preparative meeting reports their proportion of money called for in 9th M^o. is all raised

We unite with the women in receiving Rachel E Parks into membership

Our beloved friend Mary ann Valentine returned at this time a minute granted her in 10th M^o last to visit Kingston Monthly Meeting & the meetings composing it

Also our beloved friend Cornelius Bowerman returned a minute granted him in 10th M^o. to visit Kingston Monthly meeting with an expression of thankfulness that he had been permitted to perform the service required of him to the peace of his mind

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 1st M^o 20th 1870

The representatives being called were present except one
The minutes of Ameliasburg preparative meeting for last month were produced as directed

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded from the preparative meetings: a summary of which are as follows

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The advices were also read

1st Query) All our meetings for religious Worship & Discipline are attended yet there is a slackness with some Friends, especially in the middle of the week, the hour nearly observed by most. No unbecoming behavior to remark, except few instances of sleeping, some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another with the exceptions of one instance: When differences arise care is taken to end them Talebearing & detraction are discouraged & mostly avoided as far as appears: Some care taken in the above deficiency

3^d) Friends generally endeavor to train up their children & those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, but in plainness & simplicity of dress language and deportment, there is a great deviation apparent: Most Friends, appear to be good examples in these respects themselves, and we think they endeavor to guard their families, against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books

4th) Friends generally are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We know of no Friends making use of distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes nor any that frequent Taverns or attend places of diversion

9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders, we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Dicipline yet not so seasonably in all cases as would have been best,

William Valentine Stephen Cronk Thomas Robinson & Amos Bowerman were appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing Four months meeting with the minutes from this & report

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The committee appointed to show Smith Huff a copy of the testification against him report their appointment answered

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to have the care of the meeting at Adolphustown report some attention but not being ready to submit a joint report they are continued to produce one to next meeting,

X This meeting is united in changing the name of West Lake preparative meeting to Bloomfield and Ameliasburg to Wellington considering those names more appropriate than the former ones

A Friend from Cold Creek monthly meeting having requested our certificate expressive of Thomas Robinson Jun clearness of other marriage engagements. Charles G Bowerman & Levi Varney were appointed to make the necessary enquiry in his case & if nothing appears to prevent to draft forward one to that effect & sign it on behalf of this meeting & report

Our beloved Friend Eliza H Varney returned at this time a minute granted her in 10th Mo last for religious service mostly within the limits of Leray Quarterly Meeting. And also gave a satisfactory account of the performance of the same. She also opened in this meeting a prospect which has been on her mind for a length of time of attending in the love of the Gospel the ensuing Yearly Meeting of New York, after mature deliberation this meeting is united in liberating her to attend said meeting she being a Minister in unity with us. The Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute minute [sic] & sign it on behalf of this meeting

Our esteemed friend Catharine I Saylor also returned her minute liberating her to accompany Eliza H Varney in her religious visit to Leray Quarterly meeting

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 2nd month 17th 1870

The representatives being called were present except one and a satisfactory reason assigned for his absence

The representatives appointed to attend the Four months meeting report they attended and produced a minute directing the subordinate meetings to raise their respective quotas of \$89 for the use of the Four months meeting and pay to its treasurer: The preparative meetings are directed to raise their proportions of said sum and pay to the clerk of this meeting

The joint committee appointed to have the care of the meeting at Adolphustown submitted the following report; We the committee appointed to have the care of the meeting at Adolphustown report that most of our number have visited that meeting at different times and consider that it has been reputable held. We also propose that it be continued under the care of a committee another year which is satisfactory and the and the former committee were continued in conjunction with a committee of women to have the care of that meeting another year and report

The committee appointed to inquire into Thomas Robinson (Jun) clearness of marriage engagements in this meeting report they have attended to their appointment and found nothing to prevent their forwarding a certificate to hold monthly meeting as directed which was done accordingly

Wellington preparative meeting says the money for the Yearly meetings use is raised & forwarded. Bloomfield says it is not raised

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They are continued to raise the balance as directed

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 3rd Mo 17th 1870

The Clerk being absent Levi Varney was appointed doe the day.

Owing to a severe storm which made the roads almost impassable but few friends were in attendance and as neither monthly meeting books, nor the minutes of the Preparative were present, the meeting was adjourned to 5th day the 24th inst

Levi Varney Clerk for the day

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held by adjournment at Bloomfield 3rd Mo 24th 1870

The representatives being called were present

Preparative meeting reports the money for the Yearly Meetings use is not yet all raised they are continued to raise the balance as heretofore directed

Gilbert Dorland having removed the limits of Cold Creek Monthly Meeting & requesting our Certificate Anthony T Haight and Allen M. Dorland were appointed to make the necessary enquire, respecting the settlement of his temporal affairs & prepare a certificate in accordance therewith & produce it to next meeting

We unite with the women in receiving Maturah Hazard in membership

As the time for which the Clerks were appointed will expire next month Cornelius Bowerman & Stephen Cronk were appointed to bring

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Forward to next meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as Clerks for another year

Nicholas Lazier having removed within the verge of Cold Creek Monthly Meeting, William Valentine & George Lear were appointed to make enquiry respecting the settlement of his temporal affairs and draft a certificate in accordance therewith & produce it to next meeting

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 4th Mo 21st 1870

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as clerks proposed Allen M. Dorlands name as clerk and Robert H. Saylor assistant assistant which being united with they were appointed to that service for one year

Bloomfield preparative meeting says the money called for by the Monthly meeting is not yet raised they are continued to raise and forward as directed

The committee appointed to make enquiry with respect to the settlement of the temporal affairs of Gilbert Dorland preparatory to granting his certificate report that it has not been attended to they are continued

The committee appointed to make enquirey & if nothing appears to prevent, to prepare a removal certificate on behalf of Nicholas D. Lazier, to Cole Creek Monthly Meeting, report some attention, but are not yet ready to produce one they are continued

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Wellington preparative meeting reports the money called for by the four months meeting is raised & forwarded as directed

Came to this meeting from Bloomfield preparative a request to become a member of our society signed Edward Maynard. Stephen Cronk & Cornelius Bowerman were appointed to make him a visit on account of the same & report

Our beloved friend Catharine I Saylor informed this meeting that she felt it right for her to accompany Eliza H Varney in her religious visit to New York Yearly Meeting; with which we unite, the women having also united

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 5th Mo 19th 1870

The representatives being called were present except one

Bloomfield preparative meeting reports the money called for is not yet raised they are continued as heretofore

The committee appointed to make enquiry with respect to the settlement of the temporal affairs of Gilbert Dorland report some attention & request a longer time they were continued to report in 7th Mo next

No account from the committee in Nicholas Lazier's they are continued

The committee appointed in Edward Maynard case report they have paid attention to their appointment, but not being ready to report in full they were continued

We unite with the women in receiving Lucy O Cronk in membership

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Cole Creek monthly meeting forwarded to this a removal Certificate on behalf of Daniel Derbyshire which was satisfactory

Came to this meeting from Bloomfield Preparative a complaint against Stephen Harris for almost entirely neglecting the attendance of our meetings Amos Hubbs and William Garrett were appointed to visit him on account thereof and report

Also from the same meeting one against John Cronkhite for departure from plainness and almost entirely neglecting the attendance of our meetings Alexander Derbyshire and Edward Cronk were appointed to visit him on account of the same and report

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 6th Mo 16th 1870

The representatives being called were present

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded for the preparative meetings a summary of which are as follows. The advices were also read

Answers

1st query) All our meetings were attended by most Friends, yet there is a slackness with some especially in the middle of the week: The hour is nearly observed by most Friends: Clear of unbecoming behaviour except some instances of sleeping, some care taken in the above deficiencies

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another with the exceptions of one instance, When differences

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wise care is taken to end them; Friends do mostly avoid and discourage talebearing and detraction some care taken in the above deficiency

3rd) Most Friends appear to be endeavoring to train up their children and those of other Friends under their care in the principles of the Christian as professed by us; there are some deficiencies with respect to plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment All are not as good examples in these respects themselves as is desirable: We believe they do endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) We think most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We know of no Friends using distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes; none known to frequent taverns One friend that has attended a few places of diversion

6th) If any are so poor as to require assistance relief is seasonably afforded. Their children, and all others under our care, are receiving education to fit them for ordinary duties of life

7th- One instance of a friend joining a military expedition, Clear of paying any fine or tax instead thereof

8th We believe Friends are generally just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements and are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession; When any give occasion for fear on these accounts they are labored with

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to effect their preservation and recovery

9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders in most cases seasonably; and we endeavor to do it in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline

William Garrett Stephen Cronk John T. Dorland & Cornelius Bowerman were appointed as our representatives to attend the ensuing four months meeting with the minutes from this and report

Our beloved Friend Samuel Lloyd in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity from Spring Dale Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th Mo 28nd 1870. Endorsed by Spring Dale quarterly Meeting held 5th Mo 7th 1870

Our beloved Friend Dilworth Schooly acceptably attended this meeting as companion to Samuel Lloyd, with a minute of membership from a committee appointed by Spring Dale Quarterly held 5th Mo 7th 1870

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

The money called for by the Four Months Meeting is all raised

The committee in Nicholas Laziers case not being ready to produce a certificate they were continued

The committee appointed to visit Edward Maynard on account of his request inform, they are not ready to make a full report they are continued to report in 8th month next

The committee appointed to visit Stephen Harris on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit to very good satisfaction & requested that his case

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May be deferred for three months, with which this meeting unites

The committee appointed to visit John Cronkhite on account of a complaint against him report they have made him a visit to very good satisfaction & he expressed a desire that he might be continued a member, after a time of deliberation it was deferred for consideration in 12th Mo next

Edward Cronk John Dorland William Valentine and William Garratt were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of friends to serve as overseers for the ensuing year

The Preparative meetings report 40 families 31 parts of families 210 members 27 children of suitable age to attend school all attending common schools

This minutes should have been copied last month

Our beloved friend Eliza Brewer in a weighty manner laid before this meeting a prospect which has for some time rested on her mind of visiting in Gospel Love of Visiting Ohio Yearly Meeting & most of the meetings constituting it & most of the meetings belonging to Iowa Yearly Meeting and also of the meetings belonging to Pelham Quarterly Meeting & appointing some meeting among Friends & others as truth may open the way After a time of deliberation thereon much unity and sympathy were expressed with her and she was liberated & encouraged to pursue her prospect as best Wisdom may direct. She being a Minister in unity with us.

Women friends informed us that Rachel Cronkite in a feeling manner expressed her willingness from a sense of duty to accompany Eliza Brewer in her proposed religious visit with which this meeting has good unity she being Elder in unity with us

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 7th Mo 21st 1870

The representatives being called were present

The representatives appointed to attend the four months meeting report they attended & produced a minute directing the subordinate meetings to raise their quotas of \$91.00: The preparative meetings were directed to their proportions of said sum and pay to this meetings Clerk

The committee appointed to make enquiry with respect to the settlement of the temporal affairs of Nicholas Lazier & if nothing appears to prevent to draft a removal certificate on his behalf to Cold Creek Monthly Meeting, produced one which being read was satisfactory; The clerk was directed to sign it and forward it to that meeting

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of friends to serve as overseers the ensuing year submitted the following viz: George Lear & Levi Varney for Bloomfield, Marmaduke Ellis & Anthony T. Haight for Wellington which were approved & they were appointed to that service for one year

The committee appointed to prepare a removal Certificate on behalf of Gilbert Dorland to Cold Creek Monthly Meeting inform they are not yet ready to submit one they were continued to report in 10th month next

One of the committee appointed to visit Edward Maynard on account of his request being deceased William Garratt was appointed in his stead.

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George Stevens and William Garratt were appointed to examine the Treasurers account & report

Francis Waring & family having removed within the limits of Pickering Monthly Meeting: William S Hubbs & William Valentine were appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to make the necessary enquiry in their case & if nothing appears to prevent to prepare a removal certificate on their behalf & produce it to next meeting

Our beloved friend Eliza H Varney returned at this time a minute granted her to attend New York Yearly Meeting and informed this meeting that she had been enabled to attend all the sittings of that meeting although some of them in much weakness yet to the satisfaction & peace of her mind:

She also laid on the table a number of return minutes of that part of her labors which have been performed in New England Yearly Meeting which being read were very satisfactory

Our beloved Friend Catharine I Saylor returned her minute liberating her to accompany Eliza H Varney in her religious visit to New York & New England Yearly Meeting with a number of return minutes which being read were also satisfactory

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 8th Mo 18th 1870

The representatives being called were present

Our beloved Friend Lydia A. Cartland a minister acceptably attended this meeting

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with a certificate of unity from Limington Monthly meeting of Friends held at Limington 28th of 5th 1870 endorsed by Falmouth Quarterly held at West Brook 6th Mo 20th 1870

Our beloved Friend Silas Cartland acceptably attended this meeting in company with his wife Lydia A. Cartland with a minute of membership from Limington Monthly Meeting held at Limington State of Maine 28th of 5th Mo 1870. The clerk was directed to furnish them copies of the above minutes . Our beloved Friend Daniel Bowerman a minister acceptably attended this meeting with a certificate of unity from Kingston Monthly Meeting of friends held at Kingston 7th Mo 16th 1870

The committee appointed to visit Edward Maynard on account of his request report that he has removed entirely out of the limits of this meeting after a time of deliberation it was concluded best to return his request with the reasons for so doing. The same committee were directed to inform him of this meetings conclusion & report

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to make the necessary enquiry preparatory to forwarding a removal Certificate for Francis Waring & family report it not yet attended to they were continued

Moses O Nichols having requested a removal Certificate for himself & family to Seabrook Monthly meeting, Levi Varney & David S. Hubbs were appointed in conjunction with a

committee of women to make the necessary enquiry and if nothing appears to prevent to prepare one and produce it to next meeting for its approval

Then concluded

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 9th Mo 15th 1870

The representatives being called were present except one

The queries were all read in this meeting, with answers to the usual six as forwarded by the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows. The advices were also read

Answers

1st) Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship & discipline: Altho there is a slackness with many Friends especially in the middle of the week in which some care has been taken The hour is nearly observed no unbecoming behavior to remark except a few instances of sleeping

2nd) Friends appear to be preserved in a good degree of love one toward another. No differences known amongst us. Talebearing & detraction are discouraged and we think mostly avoided

3rd) Most friends endeavor to train up their children & those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, & in the plainness & simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins: though deviations are apparent (and some care taken, Most friends are good examples in these respects themselves and endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books.

4th) As far as we know Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, except for purposes strictly medicinal as far as we know. None to charge with frequenting Taverns, several instances of attending

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places of diversion and some care taken

gd)? Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline: though not so seasonably in all cases as desirable

William Garratt James W. Noxon John White & Stephen white were appointed our representatives to attend the ensuing four months meeting with the minutes from this & report

The committee appointed to inform Edward Maynard of this meeting's conclusion in his case inform some attention: they were continued

The committee appointed to examine the Treasurers account, report it not yet finished. They were continued

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women Friends to prepare a removal Certificate to Pickering Monthly Meeting on behalf of Francis Waring & children viz; Sarah Ann Abigail Jane Mary Elizabeth Amos, William Adam Henry, Joseph Lydia, Eliza,

Hannah, produced one which being read was satisfactory, the Clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting & forward it

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women to prepare a removal Certificate for Moses O Nichols, Ann C. Nichols and their infant daughter Mary Louisa to Seabrook Monthly Meeting produced one which being read was approved the clerk was directed to sign it and forward to that meeting

Stephen Harris case again claiming the attention of this meeting, after a time of deliberate consideration it was united in continuing him a member & appointed Alexander Derbyshire

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And George Stevens to inform him of the same and report.

This meeting was united in forwarding the following proposition to the four months meeting women friends uniting also,; we are united in believing that the time has come that our four months meetings be changed back to Quarterly Meetings again, and we would propose to the 4 months meeting that a committee be appointed to take into consideration the propriety of it and propose the change, and also the time and place of holding each Quarterly Meeting, and produce it to the next 4 months meeting for its approval that the change may come before the Yearly Meeting in sixth month next

Our business being accomplished this meeting is concluded

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 10th Mo 20th 1870

The representatives being called were present

One of the representatives appointed to attend the Four Months Meeting report that three of them attended & produced a minute directing the subordinate meeting to raise their respective Quotas of \$100 for the Yearly Meetings use and of \$50 for use of a Friend travelling in the Ministry and pay the same to the Treasurer of the 4 months meeting were also directed to the observance of the minutes of the last Yearly meeting relative to statistics and the appointment of the Book and tract committee

The preparative meetings were directed to raise their proportions of said sums and pay to this meetings Clerk

The following Friends were appointed to aid the Book & Tract association as expressed by the Yearly meetings minutes viz

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Stephen White Philip Stevinson William S. HUBbs & Stephen Cronk and report in 6th Mo next

The committee in Edward Maynards case report it not concluded they were continued

The committee appointed to inform Stephen Harris of his continuance in membership report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to examine the Treasurers accounts report they have concluded their appointment and find \$27.89 in his hands to the credit of this meeting

Ameliasburg Preparative meeting informed this meeting that Albert Pettet had united himself in marriage with a person not in membership with us: John T Dorland and Stephen Cronk were appointed to visit him on account of the same and report

Joseph Baker and wife having removed within the limits of Cold Creek Monthly Meeting Anthony T. Haight and Levi Bowerman were appointed to make the necessary enquiry respecting the settlement of his temporal affairs & if nothing appears to prevent the issuing of a certificate on his behalf to that meeting to prepare one and produce it to this meeting for its approval

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney returned at this time a minute granted her in 8th 1869 liberating her to travel in the ministry. She also informs that she has accomplished her prospect as far as way opened for it

The following Friends were appointed at this time to have charge of our burying grounds & the oversight of all funerals therein & to see that they are conducted according to Discipline & our well principles viz Stephen Cronkhite John T Dorland Edward Cronk and Levi Varney

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The preparative meetings report the money called for by the Four Months Meeting in 6th Month last is all raised and forwarded

Our business at this time being accomplished this meeting is concluded

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 11th Mo 17th 1870

The representatives being called were present

The committee in Edward Maynards case report their appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to visit Albert Pettet on account of his marrying a person not in membership with us, report they have made him a visit, that he was desirous of being continued a member, after consideration thereon this meeting was united in retaining him and appointed Philip Stevenson and William Garratt to inform him of the same.

The committee appointed to make enquiry relative to preparing a removal Certificate for Joseph Baker report some attention but not being ready to produce one they were continued to report in 2nd month next

We unite with the women in disowning Sarah Eliza McFaul

The committee continued from 7th month last relative to preparing a removal Certificate for Gilbert Dorland not being ready to produce one they were continued to report in 2nd month next

Our business at this time being accomplished this meeting is concluded

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 12th Mo 15th 1870

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to inform Albert Pettet of his continuance in membership report their appointment answered

Cold Creek Monthly Meeting informs this meeting that they had received and accepted our Certificate on behalf of Nicholas D' Lazier

Wellington Preparative meeting reports its proportion of money for the Yearly & Four Months Meetings is raised & paid as directed being for the Yearly meeting \$7.71 cts & for the four months meeting \$9.66 Bloomfield Meeting says the money for the use of the Four Months meeting is raised and paid as directed being \$11.34

John Cronkhites case again claiming the attention of the meeting, after a time of deliberation thereon it was again deferred for consideration in 5th month next

William Brown & wife having removed within the limits of Leeds Monthly Meeting William Valentine & Alexander Derbyshire were appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to make enquiry with respect to the settlement of their temporal affairs and if nothing appears to prevent the issuing of a certificate on their behalf to prepare one and produce it to next meeting

Our business at this time being accomplished this meeting is concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 1st Mo 19th 1871

The Clerk being absent Levi Varney was appointed for the day

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The representatives being called were present except one

The queries were all read with the answers to the usual 6 & the following summary was prepared for the Four Months meeting. The advices were also read

1st) Most Friends appear careful to attend our meetings on First days, but mid week meetings are too much neglected. The hour is not so well observed by some friends as is desirable. No unbecoming behavior to remark except a few instances of sleeping. Some care taken in these deficiencies

2nd) We think friends are preserved in love one toward another No differences known amongst us Talebearing and detraction are discouraged & we believe mostly avoided

3rd) Friends appear to endeavor to train up their children & those of other Friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, yet from the plainness & simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins, there are many deviations. Most friends are good examples in these respects themselves yet deviations are apparent. We believe Friends do endeavor to guard their children & all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Some friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively though we fear there is too much neglect in this important duty amongst us

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for the purposes strictly medicinal as far as appears. None to charge with frequenting taverns two instances of attending a place of diversion in which some care has been taken

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9th) There care has been taken to deal with offenders it has been done in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline. Though there has not been as much care extended nor has it been in all cases as seasonably as might have been best

The following friends were appointed to attend the Four Months Meeting as our Representatives & to report viz Robert Saylor Daniel Derbyshire Stephen Cronkhite & Bennet Bowerman

The committee to prepare a certificate for William Brown & wife not being ready to report were continued

Our proportion of the money for the yearly meetings use is not all raised

Our beloved friend Eliza Brewer returned the Certificate granted her in 6th Month last, with the information that she had been enabled to perform the visit to the entire peace of her mind

Our friend Rachel Cronkhite returned the certificate granted her in 6th month last to travel as companion to Eliza Brewer

They also presented returning minutes from many meetings which they attended which were read to our satisfaction

Then concluded

West lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 2nd Month 16th 1871

The representatives appointed to attend the Four Months Meeting report that three of them attended

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The committee appointed to prepare removal certificate on behalf of William Brown and Emily his wife to Leeds Monthly Meeting produced one which being read was approved of the Clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting and forward it

The committee appointed to make enquiry relative to preparing a removal certificate on behalf of Joseph Baker inform they are not yet ready to produce one they are continued

The committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate on behalf of Gilbert Dorland not yet being ready to produce one they were continued

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 3^d M^o 16/ 1871.

The representatives being called were present

The committee continued to make enquiry relative to preparing a removal certificate on behalf of Joseph Baker, report further attention, but not being ready to produce one they were continued.

The committee appointed to make enquiry with respect to preparing a certificate on behalf of Gilbert Dorland inform they are not yet ready to produce one they were continued to report in 6th M^o next

The joint committee appointed to have the care of the meeting held at Adolphustown not being ready to report they were continued

Edward Cronk & William Garratt were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as Clerks the ensuing year

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West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 4th M^o 20th 1871

The representatives being called were present

The time for which the Clerks were appointed having expired Allen M Dorland's name was proposed as Clerk and Robert H Saylor: for assistant which were united with and they were appointed to that service for one year

The committee appointed to prepare a removal Certificate on behalf of Joseph Baker & his wife Hannah Baker produced one which being read was approved of the Clerk was directed to sign it & forward to Cold Creek monthly meeting

The joint committee appointed to have the care of the meeting held at Adolphustown not being ready to present a report were continued

We unite with the women in receiving Sarah S Cunningham in membership

Bloomfield preparative meeting forwarded to this a complaint against Stephen I Bowerman for removing from this meeting without settling his affairs to satisfaction & for still refusing to do so, the Clerk is directed to forward it to the monthly meeting where he resides with a request that they proceed according to Discipline & report to this meeting
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Complaint against Stephen I Bowerman

Bloomfield Preparative meeting reports the balance of the money called for by this meeting is raised & forwarded being \$9.17 cts

Our business at this time being accomplished This meeting is concluded,

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 5th M^o 18th 1871

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed to have the care of the meeting at Adolphustown presented the following report which was adopted & the following friends were appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to have the care of that meeting for one year & report Viz Johnson Brewer Stephen Cronk Anthony T Haight William Valentine Charles G Bowerman & Stephen White

report We your committee having charge of the meeting held at Adolphustown report that attention has been paid to the concern some of our numbers having frequently met with them, and we believe it right that the meeting should be continued and a committee appointed as heretofore to have charge of it Although there was a time when through discouragements that prevailed the meeting was not held regularly yet they are now more than willing themselves to keep up the meeting as first proposed. And we hope the monthly may continue to feel for & with them. On behalf of the committee

Charles G Bowerman

Mary ann Valentine

John Cronkhites case again claiming the attention of this meeting, after a time of deliberation it was deferred for next meeting's consideration

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West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 5th M^o 15th 1871

The representatives being called were present

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers as forwarded by the preparative meetings a summary of which are as follows the advices were also read

1st Ans) All our meetings for religious worship and Discipline are attended, yet there is quite a slackness with some friends in the middle of the week. The hour is nearly observed, no unbecoming behavior to remark except a few instances of sleeping (Some care take)

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another, as far as we know, no differences appear Talebearing and detraction are discouraged and we think generally avoided

3^d) Friends appear to endeavor to train up their children and those of other Friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, but a departure from plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment is manifest Friends are generally good examples in these respects themselves We believe Friends endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books

4th) we think most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We know of no friends that use distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes one instance excepted, none to charge with frequenting taverns, a few instances of attending places of diversion some care taken in the above deficiencies

6th) Proper attention is paid to the several requisitions of this query

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7th) One instance of a friend having complied with military requisitions the past year Clear of paying any fine or tax instead thereof,

8th) We believe Friends are generally just in their dealings, and punctual in fulfilling their engagements and are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession, when any give occasion for fear on these accounts, they are laboured with to effect their preservation & recovery

9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline tho not as seasonably in all cases as might have been best

William S Hubbs John White Amos Bowerman and William Garratt were appointed as representatives to attend the ensuing four months meeting with the minutes from this and report,

John Cronkhite's case again claiming the attention of this meeting after a time of deliberation thereon we were united in continuing him a member. William Valentine and Stephen Harris were appointed to inform him of the same and report

The committee appointed to prepare a removal Certificate on behalf of Gilbert Dorland to Cold Creek Monthly Meeting produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign it and forward to that meeting

Pickering Monthly Meeting informed this meeting they had received & accepted our Certificate on behalf of Francis Waring and family

William Garratt Stephen Cronk Charles G Bowerman and Alexander Derbyshire were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of friends to serve as overseers the ensuing year,

A Memorial concerning our deceased Friend Cornelius Bowerman was read in this meeting and approved of it was directed to be forwarded

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Statistics

No of members of all ages 235, of families 30 parts of families 50, No of Children of School age 31 all attending common schools, received in membership 1 deceased 3

Then concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 7th M^o 20th 1871

The representatives being called were present

Our beloved Friend Daniel Beede a minister acceptably attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity from Seabrook Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Amesbury 5th M^o 4th 1871 endorsed by salem Quarterly Meeting held at Amesbury (Mass) 5th M^o 25th 1871. The Clerk was directed to give him a copy of the above minute

The representatives appointed to attend the Four Months Meeting report they attended

The committee appointed to inform John Cronkhite of his continuance in membership report their appointment fulfilled

The committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of Friends to serve as overseers the ensuing year submitted the following which being separately read and considered were united with and they were appointed to that service for one year, (Viz) For Bloomfi[el]d Stephen White & Levi V Bowerman, for Wellington Anthony T Haight & John T Dorland,

Came to this meeting from Bloomfield Preparative a complaint against Daniel Sanford White for neglecting the attendance of our meetings, for using profane language for frequenting taverns, and attending places of diversion

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and for using distilled spirituous liquors for purposes not strictly medicinal: William Garratt Stephen Cronk and Edward Cronk were appointed to labour with him on account of the same and report

Cold Creek meeting informed this meeting they had received our Certificate's on behalf of Joseph Baker and Wife, and Gilbert Dorland,

Our beloved Friend Eliza H Varney laid before this meeting a concern that was on her mind to visit in the love of the Gospel some of the meetings composing Yongestreet Quarterly Meeting, and to appoint some meetings within its limits, also to appoint a few meetings in our own Quarterly Meeting as way may open for it in the Truth after a time of deliberation thereon

we were united in liberating her and encouraged her to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct she being a minister in unity with us, The Clerk was directed to sign a copy of the above minute on behalf of this meeting

By a minute received from the Yearly Meeting Monthly Meetings were requested to open subscriptions for the purpose of aiding Friends in Kansas and Missouri in building a Meeting house in Lawrence Kansas, for the accommodation of a Yearly Meeting. And to give information to James Wetherald of Pickering of the Amount likely to be raised as early as 10th Month Next. ~~Viz~~ the following friends were appointed for carrying out the above request Viz Robert H Saylor Levi Varney, William Garratt and Anthony T Haight

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 8th M^o 17th 1871

The representatives being called were present,

The committee appointed to visit Daniel S White on account of a complaint against

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him report some attention. They were continued

We received at this time a number of copies of the London Yearly Meetings Epistles for 1871 one of which was read to our edification and encouragement. Likewise the Yearly Meetings Minutes for 1871,

Came to this Meeting from Wellington preparative a proposal of marriage signed Samuel C Saylor and Rachel Jane Cronkhite: William Valentine and William Garratt were appointed to enquire into his clearness of other like engagements & report to next meeting

The following friends were appointed according to directions of the yearly meeting to open subscriptions for the purpose of raising funds for the erection of suitable buildings for a boarding school, and forward early as may be information to the committee the amount likely to be obtained viz Levi Varney Levi Bowerman Stephen Cronkhite Stephen White Anthony T Haight

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 9th M^o 21st 1871

The representatives being called were present except one and a satisfactory reason assigned for his absence

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual six as forwarded by the preparative meetings a summary of which is as follows: the advices were also read

Answers

1st) Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship & Discipline, tho midweek meetings are much neglected by some, The hour is nearly observed with a few exceptions: Clear of unbecoming behavior except some sleeping

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2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another as far as we know. No differences appear, Talebearing and Detraction are discouraged and we think mostly avoided

3^d) Most friends endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins: though deviations are apparent: (some care taken) Most Friends are good examples themselves and endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books,

4th) We believe most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) One instance of using Distilled Spirituous liquors for purposes not strictly medicinal which is under care: None to charge with frequenting Taverns several instances of attending places of diversion

9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to Discipline tho not as seasonable in all cases as is desirable

Charles G Bowerman George Lear, Alexander Derbyshire and Daniel Derbyshire were appointed representatives to attend the four monthly meeting with the minutes from this and report,

The committee appointed to visit Daniel S White on account of a complaint against him report it not yet attended to they were continued

The committee appointed to enquire into Samuel C Saylor's clearness of other marriage engagements report they know of nothing to prevent his proceeding in marriage, they having consent of Parents, their intentions were

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allowed of by the meeting & they were left at liberty to accomplish their marriage between this and next monthly meeting according to the order of Friends: William S Hubbs and William Garratt were appointed to attend said marriage see that it be orderly conducted, forward the Marriage Certificate to the Recorder & report

The preparative meeting of ministers and Elders forwarded to this a proposition to appoint George G Lear to the station of Elder, after a time of deliberation thereon it was deferred for next meetings consideration

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Proposition to appoint G. Lear

Came to this meeting from the womens meeting a proposition to appoint Deborah Bowerman to the station of Elder. Edward Cronk and William Garratt were appointed in conjunction with a committee of women to hear and consider objections if any and report [written in the left margin adjacent to the above paragraph is the following]

Proposition to appoint D. Bowerman to the position of Elder

Levi Bowerman having requested to be released from serving as Overseer; this meeting is united in releasing him and appoints William S Hubbs Charles G Bowerman and William Valentine to propose to next meeting a name or names in his stead

Our business at this time being accomplished this meeting is concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 10th Mo. 19th 1871

The representatives being called were present

The representatives appointed to attend the Four Month Meeting report that two of them attended,

A minute was received from the four month meeting directing the subordinate meetings to raise their quota's of \$180.00 for the Yearly meetings use & pay to the Treasurer,; The preparative meetings were directed to raise their quota's of \$25.20 it being this meeting proportion of said sum and pay to this meetings Clerk

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The committee to visit D S White on account of a complaint against him report that two of them have visited him but not being ready to make a full report they were continued

One of the Friends appointed to attend the marriage of Samuel C Saylor and Rachel Jane Cronkhite reports that he attended, that it was orderly conducted and the marriage Certificate is forwarded to the recorder

The consideration of appointing George G Lear to the station of Elder again claiming the attention of this meeting after a time of deliberation thereon: the following friends were appointed to hear and consider objections if any and report. Viz Levi Varney Edward Cronk & Charles G Bowerman

The Friends appointed to propose a name or names for Overseer in the place of Levi V Bowerman released not being ready to submit any - they were continued.

Our business at this time being accomplished this meeting is concluded

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Hillier Wellington 11th 16th 1871

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee to visit Daniel S White not being ready to report they were continued

The committee appointed to hear & consider objections if any to George G Lear being appointed to the station of Elder report they have attended to their appointment, & did not find anything to prevent his being appointed to that station. After consideration thereon this meeting united in appointing him as such the women also uniting

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Came to this meeting from the womens meeting a proposal of marriage signed William G Bell of Rochester monthly meeting and Sarah S Cunningham Consent of parents has also been given

The committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friend to hear and consider objections if any to Deborah Bowermans being appointed to the station of Elder report they found nothing to prevent her being being [sic] appointed as such after consideration thereon this meeting is united in placing her to that station

The committee appointed to propose a name or names to serve as overseer in the place of Levi V Bowerman released submitted Edward B Cronks name which was united with and he was appointed to that service

Our business at this time being accomplished the meeting is concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 12th M^o 21st 1871

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to visit Daniel S White on account of a complaint against him, report they have paid attention to their appointment and visited him to tolerably good satisfaction; after a time of deliberation thereon this meeting concluded to continue him a member and appointed Charles G Bowerman and Allen M Dorland to inform him of the same & report

William G Bell of Rochester produced a Certificate of membership & Clearness of other marriage engagement as required by Discipline they having consent of parents and nothing appearing to obstruct their said intentions were allowed by the meeting & they left at

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liberty to accomplish their marriage between this and our next monthly meeting according to the order of Friends. William Valentine and Edward Cronk were appointed to attend said marriage see that it be orderly conducted forward the marriage Certificate to the recorder & report

Then Concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 1st M^o 18th 1872

The representatives being called were present

The queries have all been read in this meeting with the answers to the usual six which are as follows, the advices were also read

Queries

1st Ans) Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship & Discipline, tho mid week meeting are much neglected by some. The hour is nearly observed. Clear of unbecoming behavior except some sleeping

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another as far as we know: No differences amongst us, Talebearing & detraction are discouraged and we think mostly avoided

3^d) Most Friends endeavor to train up their children & those of other Friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness & simplicity of dress language & deportment which it enjoins: though deviations are apparent. (Some care taken) Most friends are good examples in these respects themselves, & endeavor to guard their children & all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books,

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9th) Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline tho not as seasonably in all cases as is desirable

William S Hubbs, Levi V Bowerman, Alexander Derbyshire & John T Dorland were appointed representatives to attend the ensuing Four months meeting with the minutes from this and report

The committee appointed to inform Daniel G White of his continuance in membership report their appointment answered

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of William G Bell and Sarah S Cunningham: report they attended said marriage considered it orderly conducted and the marriage Certificate is forwarded to the recorder.

George W Stevens and wife having removed within the limits of Salem monthly meeting (Iowa) and requesting a removal Certificate, we appoint Alexander Derbyshire and William Valentine in conjunction with a committee of women to make the necessary enquiry and if nothing appears to prevent to prepare a certificate and produce it to next meeting

John D Haight having removed within the limits of Yongestreet monthly meeting and requesting our Certificate: Allen M Dorland & Anthony T Haight were appointed to make enquiry respecting the settlement of his temporal affairs & prepare a Certificate in accordance therewith to next meeting

West Lake preparative meeting of ministers & Elders, forwarded to this a

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proposition to appoint William Garratt to the station of Elder, after a time of deliberation thereon Edward Cronk and William Hubbs were appointed to her and consider objections if any & report

We unite with the women in disowning Sarah Jane Jones formerly Dorland

Our beloved Friend Eliza H Varney returned at this time a minute granted her in 7th M^o 1871 for religious service mostly in the limits of Yonge Street Quarterly (Meeting) she also said she had performed the same to the peace & satisfaction of her mind

Our beloved Friend Eliza H Varney, a minister in unity with us, in a feeling manner laid before this meeting a prospect she had of attending in Gospel love New England Yearly meeting and some of the meetings constituting it, and to appoints ome meetings within its limits as truth may open the way, after a time of weighty deliberation, unity & sympathy were expressed with her, and she was liberated and encouraged to attend to the same as best wisdom may direct: The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute and sign it on behalf of this meeting

Our business at this time being accomplished this meeting is concluded

West Lake monthly meeting of Friends held at Wellington 2nd M^o. 15th 1872

The representatives being called were present except one

The representatives appointed to attend the Four months meeting report three of them attended

The committee appointed to prepare a removal Certificate on behalf of George W

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Stevens & Lucy ann his wife to Salem monthly meeting Iowa, produced one which being read was approved of the clerk was directed to sign & forward it to that meeting

The committee appointed to prepare a removal Certificate on behalf of John D Haight to Yongestreet monthly meeting produced one which being read with a little alteration was approved the Clerk was directed to sign it & forward to that meeting

The committee appointed to hear and consider objections if any to William Garratt's being appointed to the statin of Elder report they have not heard of any objections to his being ~~being~~ appointed to that station he is therefore appointed as such the Clerk is directed to inform the preparative meeting of ministers & Elders

Wellington preparative meeting reports the money for the Yearly meetings use is raised

This meeting unites with the women in forwarding Sarah S Bell's Certificate ~~being~~ to Rochester monthly meeting

Our business being accomplished this meeting is concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 3^d 21/ 1872

The representatives being called were present

Came to this meeting from Bloomfield preparative a request to become a member of our society signed William Edward Hazard. Charles G Bowerman and William Garratt were appointed to visit him on account of the same & report.

Bloomfield preparative meeting - reports the money for the Yearly meetings use is raised & forwarded

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Rochester monthly meeting informed us they had received and accepted our Certificate on behalf of Sarah S Bell

Our business being accomplished this meeting is concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 4th M^o. 18th 1872

The representatives being called were present

The committee appointed to visit William Edward Hazard on account of his request report some attention they were continued

The time for which the Clerks were appointed having expired, William Valentine and Levi Varney were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of a couple of Friends to serve as Clerks

Allen M. Dorland: & wife Patty G Dorland having expressed their willingness to accompany Eliza H Varney in her proposed religious visit to New England Yearly meeting; and this meeting after deliberate consideration thereon is united therewith. They being Elders in unity with us{ The Clerk is directed to sign a copy of the above minute

Our business being accomplished this meeting is concluded

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 5 Mo. 16th 1872:

The Representatives being called were present.

The Committee appointed to bring forward the names of Friends to act as Clerks, proposed Allen M. Dorland for Clerk, and Robert H.

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Saylor for Assistant, which was united with and they were appointed to the Service for one year.

The Clerk being absent, Levi Varney was appointed Clerk for the day..

The Committee appointed to visit W. Edward Hazard on account of his request, reported that they had made him a visit to good Satisfaction; they believed him to be measurably convinced of Friends' principles, and his life and conversation appeared to be orderly. After deliberation thereon, the meeting concluded to receive him, and Levi V. Bowerman, and W^m. S. Hubbs were appointed to inform him thereof, and to report.

The Committee appointed in 5 Mo. last to have the care of the meeting at Adolphustown, make the following Report; viz.: To West Lake Monthly Meeting;

The Committee appointed to have charge of the Indulged Meeting at Adolphustown, report that we think it best to discontinue Said meeting; which we submit to the judgement of the Monthly Meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

Charles G. Bowerman."

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Report of Adolphustown Committee

Which was accepted, and the Committee were directed to give the information to Friends residing there.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 6 Mo. 20th 1872

The Clerk being absent, Levi Varney was appointed Clerk for the day.

The Representatives being called were present except one.

By The Queries were all read with answers from the Preparative meetings, and the following Summary was prepared for the Four Month's Meeting. The advices were also read.

Ans. 1st. Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, though there is some neglect in this important duty. Some care taken. The hour is nearly observed. No unbecoming behavior, to remark, except some (sleeping)

Ans. 2nd Friends are preserved in love one towards another, as far as appears, one instance excepted, and some care taken:

Ans. 3d. Most Friends endeavor to train up their children, and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment which it enjoins. Most Friends are good examples in these respects themselves, and they do endeavor to guard their children, and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation, and reading pernicious books.

Ans. 4th Most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

Ans. 5th We know of no Friends who use distilled spirituous liquors except for strictly medicinal purposes, two instances excepted

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Three instances of attending places of diversion. Some care taken in the above deficiencies

Ans. 6th. The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance, are duly inspected. We believe their children, and all others under our care, are properly educated for the ordinary duties of life.

Ans. 7th. Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions, and of paying any fine or tax instead thereof.

Ans. 8th. We believe Friends are generally just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements, are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession. When any give occasion for error on these accounts they are ~~timely~~ labored with to effect their preservation and recovery.

Ans. 9th. Care is taken to deal with offenders, we trust, in the spirit of meekness, and agreeably to Discipline: though not as seasonably in all cases as might have been best.

Stephen Cronkhite, Alexander Derbyshire, Bennet Bowerman, and William Garratt, were appointed to attend the Four Months Meeting with the business from this, and report.

The Friends appointed to inform W^m. Edward Hazzard of his reception into membership, report the appointment answered.

By reports from the Preparative meetings, there are within our limits, 39 Families; 44 parts of families; 227 members; 38 children of School age, attending common Schools; 4 deceased; 1 disowned; 1 received and 2 removed, within the past year.

Our proportion of money for the

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Yearly Meeting's use is raised and paid.

Charles G. Bowerman, William Garratt, Alexander Derbyshire, and Stephen Cronkhite, were appointed to bring to next meeting the names of Suitable Friends to Serve as Overseers the ensuing year.

A Memorial concerning our late Friend Cornelius Bowerman was read, and directed to the Four Months Meeting.

The business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting held at Bloomfield 7th Mo 18th 1872

The representatives being called were present except two.

The representatives appointed to attend the Four months meeting report that three of them attended

The friends appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of friends to serve as Overseers submitted the following which being separately read and considered were united with & they were appointed to that service for one year. Viz Stephen W White, William S Hubbs, John T Dorland & Anthony T Haight

Our beloved friend Eliza H Varney returned at this time a minute granted her 1st M^o. 18th 1872, for religious, service to attend New England Yearly Meeting & some of the meetings constituting it, she informed us that she has been enabled to perform the service required of her to the peace & satisfaction of her mind, she also produced several satisfactory return minutes

Allen M & Patty G Dorland returned, their minute giving them liberty to accompany

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Eliza H Varney in her proposed religious visit to New England yearly meeting, they also produced satisfactory return minutes

Our business at this time being accomplished this meeting is concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 8th M^o. 15th 1872

The representatives being called were present except one

Our beloved Friend Eliza H Varney a Minister in unity with us, laid before this meeting a prospect she had of visiting in the love of the Gospel a part of Ohio & Iowa Yearly Meetings, also of attending Indiana and Western Yearly Meetings and if way should open for it to be in attendance at the opening of Kansas Yearly meeting, and if way opens for it to appoint some meetings going and returning, after a time of deliberation thereon unity & sympathy was expressed with her in the concern and she was liberated and encouraged to attend to her prospect as best wisdom may direct: The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute and sign it on behalf of this meeting

Our business being accomplished this meeting is concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 9th M^o 19th 1872.

The representatives being called were present

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers as

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forwarded by the preparative meetings to the usual six a summary of which are as follows. The advices were also read

Answers

1st) All our meetings for Religious Worship and Discipline are attended, quite a slackness with some Friends in attending our week day meetings The hour is nearly observed. No unbecoming behavior to remark except a few instances of sleeping (Some care taken)

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards another one instance excepted no differences known. Talebearing and detraction discouraged and mostly avoided

3^d) Most friends endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian Religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins. Most friends are good examples in these respects themselves: They also endeavor to guard their children, and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books

4th) Most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) We know of no Friends that use distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal, two instances excepted. None to charge with frequenting Taverns two instances of attending places of diversion, Some care taken in the above deficiencies,

9th) Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to Discipline although not so seasonable as is desirable

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Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney returned at this time a minute granted her in 8th month last for religious service together several returning minutes She also stated she was favored to perform the greater portion of the visit much to the peace of her mind and since her return it has been comforting to feel so much of the journey has been accomplished which is satisfactory to us

our business being accomplished this meeting concludes

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 12th Mo 19th 1872

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed with respect to Maria Elsworth certificate not yet being ready to report they were continued

The committee appointed to hear & consider objections if any to Charles G Bowerman being appointed to the station of Elder report they have attended thereto, and found nothing in their judgment sufficient to prevent his being appointed to that station, after a time of deliberation thereon this meeting concludes to appoint him as such if the women concur therewith

Kingston Monthly Meeting forwarded to this a removal Certificate on behalf of William Robinson and his wife Mary she being an acknowledged minister also their adopted daughter Eva Derbyshire which this meeting accepts

Women friends informed this meeting that they concur with us in appointing Charles G

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Bowerman to the station of an Elder, he is therefore appointed accordingly. The clerk is directed to inform the Preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders of the same

our business being accomplished this meeting is concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Bloomfield 1st Mo. 16th 1873

The representatives from Bloomfield being called were present. There was no meeting held at Wellington in consequence of a severe storm.

The queries were all read in this meeting with the answers to the usual six as forwarded by Bloomfield meeting. Which are as follows, the advices were also read,

Answers

1st) Friends are Careful to attend all our meetings for religious Worship & Discipline, altho there is some neglect in this important duty especially in the middle of the week. The hours nearly observed, no unbecoming behavior to remark, except some cases of sleeping.

2nd) Friends are preserved in love one towards an other. No differences known amongst us. Talebearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided

3^d) Most Friends endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress language and deportment which it enjoins, and are good examples in these respects themselves, they endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation ^ reading of pernicious books

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4th) Most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively

5th) Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquor, except for purpose strictly medicinal, and are clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion

9th) We believe care is taken seasonably to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeable to our Discipline

George G Lear, Anthony T Haight Levi Bowerman Stephen Cronk were appointed as our representatives to attend the four months meeting, with the minutes from this & report,

The committee appointed with respect to Maria Elsworth certificate inform not yet ready to report they are continued

Thomas Robinson (Jun) having removed within the limits of Cold Creek monthly meeting & according to Discipline requiring our Certificate, Charles G Bowerman, & Levi Varney, are appointed to make the necessary enquiry thereto and if nothing appears to prevent prepare one on his behalf & produce it to this meeting.

Our business being accomplished this meeting concludes

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 2nd M^o 20th) 1873

The representatives being called were present except one)

The representatives appointed to attend the four months meeting report they attended & produced a minute directing this meeting to pay 44 per cent of all monies raised by the four months meeting instead of 42 as heretofore

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The committee appointed with respect to Maria Elsworth Certificate inform not yet ready to report they were continued

The committee appointed relative to Thomas Robinsons Certificate report it has not been attended to they were continued

Came to this meeting from Wellington Preparative a complaint against Arnoldi C Dorland for so far deviating for the good order of our Society as to engage himself in the business of keeping Tavern. Levi Varney & Charles G Bowerman were appointed to labour with him on account of the same & report

Our business being accomplished this meeting is concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 3^d M^o. 20th 1873

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee with respect to Maria Elsworth's certificate report some attention, they were continued with Robert H Saylor added,

The committee appointed to prepare a removal Certificate on behalf of Thomas Robinson (Jun) to Cold Creek monthly meeting produced one which being read was approved the Clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting and forward it

The committee appointed to visit Arnoldi C Dorland on account of a complaint against him report some attention they were continued

The preparative meetings inform the money for the Tract association is raised

Our business being accomplished this meeting is concluded

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West Lake Monthly Meeting of friends held at Bloomfield 4th M^o. 17th 1873.

The representatives being called were present except one

The committee appointed to with respect to Maria Elsworth's Certificate report her business settled to satisfaction & this meeting unites with her Certificate being forwarded the Clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of this meeting

The committee appointed to visit Arnoldi C Dorland on account of a complaint against him report that he has given up the business that he was complained for engaging in, but as he has not entirely settled up, they were continued

As the time for which the Clerks were appointed will expire next month. William Valentine & Levi Varney were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the names of a couple of friends to serve as Clerks

Our business being accomplished this meeting is concluded

West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 5th Mo. 15th 1873.

The representatives from Wellington being called were present no account from bloomfield.

One of the committee appointed to bring forward to this meeting the names of a couple friends to serve as clerks not being ready they were continued

The committee appointed to visit Arnoldi C Dorland on account of a complaint against him not being ready to make a final report they are continued to report in 10th M next

Our business being accomplished this meeting is concluded

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 6 Mo. 19th 1873:

The Representatives being called were present

The Committee appointed to bring to this meeting the names of a couple of Friends to Serve as Clerk and Assistant proposed Levi Varney for Clerk, and Stephen W. White for Assistant, which were united with, and they were appointed to that Service for one year.

The Queries were all read with answers from the Preparative Meetings a Summary of which was forwarded to the Four Months' Meeting. The Advices were also read.

William Garratt, Alexander Derbyshire, Marmaduke Ellis, and William Valentine, were appointed to attend the Four Months' Meeting as our Representatives, and to report.

Ans. 1st. All our meetings ~~are attended~~ for; religious worship and discipline are attended, altho there is a great slackness with Some Friends, especially in the middle of the week. The hour is nearly observed. No unbecoming behavior to remark, except some cases of sleeping. Some care taken

Ans. 2nd. Friends are preserved in love one towards another as far as appears, one ~~towards another~~ instance excepted, and care taken. Tale-bearing and detraction are discouraged and avoided as far as we know.

Ans. 3d. Most Friends do endeavor to train up their children, and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins, and are good examples in these respects themselves. They do

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endeavor to guard their children, and all others under their care, against corrupt conversations and reading pernicious.

Ans. 4th. Most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

Ans. 5th. We know of no Friends that use distilled spirituous liquors except for purposes strictly medicinal. None to charge with frequenting taverns. One instance of attending a place of diversion. Some care taken

Ans. 6th. The circumstances of the poor and of those who appear likely to require assistance; are duly inspected, and their children and all others under our care, are properly educated for the ordinary duties of life.

Ans. 7th. Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions, and of paying any fine or tax instead thereof.

Ans. 8th. We believe Friends generally are just in their dealings, and punctual in fulfilling their engagements, and careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession. When any give occasion for fear on these accounts; they are labored with to effect their preservation and recovery.

Ans. 9th. Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to discipline.

The money ordered for the Yearly Meeting's use, is all raised.

The money called for to assist in erecting buildings for a Boarding School, is not all raised.

By reports from the Preparative meet

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ings, there are in the Monthly Meeting, 28 families, 56 parts of families; 32 children of School age, attending common Schools; 217 Members; 3 members deceased within the last year. No removals, none received nor disowned within the past year.

Maria Elsworth returned the removal certificate granted her in 4th Mo. last, she having returned to this place to reside.

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M. Elsworth's Certificate returned.

The time for which the the [sic] Overseers were appointed having expired; Stephen Cronkhite, John T. Dorland, Alexander Derbyshire, and Charles G Bowerman were appointed to bring to next meeting the names of Suitable Friends to Serve for the ensuing year.

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney laid before this meeting a prospect that had rested with weight on her mind, of visiting in the Gospel love, some of the families in this monthly meetings, as health permits and Truth opens the way therefor. Her prospect received the unity and and [sic] Sympathy of Friends, and she was encouraged to pursue it.

Our business being accomplished the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 7 Mo. 17th 1873;

The Representatives being called were present.

The Committee to bring forward the names of Friends to serve as Overseers, proposed that those who Served last year,

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viz: William S. Hubbs, Stephen W. White, Marmaduke Ellis, and Anthony T. Haight, be continued, which being united with they were re-appointed for one year.

Cold Creek Monthly Meeting informed us of the reception by that meeting, of our Certificate on behalf of Thomas Robinson Jr.

Our beloved Friend Eliza Brewer, laid before this meeting a prospect of visiting in the love of the Gospel, as Truth may open the way, Cold Creek, Kingston, and Leeds Monthly Meetings, and the meetings constituting them, and of appointing some meetings within their limits, as Best Wisdom may direct, she being a Minister in unity. Her prospect was fully united with, and the Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of this Minute, and to Sign it on behalf of the meeting.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Wellington 8 Mo. 21st 1873:

The Representatives being called were present except one.

Our beloved Friend Mary Ann Valentine a Minister in unity with us laid before this meeting a prospect which had for a considerable length of time rested with

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weight upon her mind of visiting in the love of the Gospel, Pelham and Yonge Street Quarterly Meetings, and most or all of the meetings composing them, and of appointing some meetings within their limits, as Truth may open the way.

After a time of deliberation thereon, her prospect was united with, and she was liberated and encouraged to attend there.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the foregoing Minute, and to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

The Women's Meeting informed that they had issued a removal Certificate for Alice S. Nichols, to Weare Monthly Meeting, State of New Hampshire, with which this Meeting united and the Clerk and Correspondent were directed to Sign it.

We united with ~~the~~ Women Friend in receiving Mary Jane Spafford into membership.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 9 Mo. 18th 1873:

The Representatives being called, were present.

The Queries were all read, and answers to Six of them from the Preparative meetings, from which the following Summary was prepared for the Four Month's meeting, The Advices were also read.

Chas. G. Bowerman, Alexander Derbyshire, William Garratt, and Bennet Bowerman, were appointed to attend the Four Month' Meeting, with the business from this, and report.

Ans. 1st. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline, have been attended, but not so fully by all as is desired, especially in the middle of the week. The hour nearly observed. Unbecoming behavior guarded against.

Ans. 2nd. With one exception Friends are preserved in love one towards another. No differences known. Tale-bearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided. Some care taken in the above case.

Ans. 3d. Most Friends endeavor to train up their children and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. Most Friends are good examples in these respects themselves; and endeavor to guard their children, and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation, and the reading of pernicious books.

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Ans. 4th. Most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

Ans. 5th. Friends do avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes, as far as we know, and are clear of frequenting taverns. Two instances of attending a place of diversion.

Ans. 9th. Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline, but not as seasonably in all cases as is desirable.

We received from Spring Creek Monthly Meeting an acknowledgement of the reception of one Certificate in favor of Philip David, and Peter Elsworth.

X It was proposed, Women Friends concurring to change the time of holding all our midweek meetings to 10 o'clock in the forenoon, if the Four Months Meeting concurs therein.

Our beloved Friend Eliza Brewer returned the minute granted her in 7 Mo. last, with information that she had accomplished the Service to the satisfaction and peace of her mind.

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney opened in this meeting a prospect which had for a considerable time rested with weight upon her mind, of attending in the love of the Gospel, Baltimore Yearly Meeting, and of appointing and attending Some meetings on her way going and returning; she being a minister in unity with us.

After a time of deliberation thereon, her prospect was fully united with, and she was liberated and encouraged to pursue it as Best Wisdom may direct, and the Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Our business being accomplished the meeting concluded Levi Varney Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 10 Mo. 16th 1873;

The Representatives being called were present except one.

The Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting reported that two of them attended.

X By extracts from the Minutes of the Four Months' Meeting, it appears that that meeting united with the proposition to change the time of holding all our mid-week meetings to 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and they will in future be held accordingly

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The Subordinate meetings were directed in accordance with the direction of the Yearly Meeting, to insert the alterations made in our Discipline, in all the books of Discipline belonging to said meetings.

The subordinate meetings were also directed to raise their proportions of \$200 for the use of the Yearly Meeting. Our Preparative meetings were requested to raise their respective Quotas of said Sum; and pay to the Treasurer of the ~~meeting~~ Four Months' Meeting.

The Committee in Arnoldi C. Dorland's case, continued from 5th Mo. last, reported that they believe he is now clear of the business for which the complaint against him was made.

Our beloved Friend Adam Spencer acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of unity and concurrence from Norwich Monthly Meeting, held 10 Mo. 9th 1873.

Our business being accomplished at this time, the meeting concluded

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 11 Mo. 20th 1873:

The Representatives being called were present.

Our beloved Friend Mary Ann Valentine returned the Minute granter her in 8 Mo. last, and informed the meeting that she had been favored to perform the Service required of her, and to return with the reward of peace.

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney returned the Minute granted her in 9 Mo. last, and returning Minutes from Baltimore Yearly Meeting and from Deer Creek Monthly Meeting. She also informed the meeting that she had been enabled to perform the Service which she believed require of her, and to return in peace.

Our Friends Levi V. Bowerman and wife also returned to this meeting the Minute granted them by a Committee of the Four Months' Meeting, to accompany Eliza H. Varney in her visit to Baltimore Yearly Meeting.

They also presented returning Minutes from that Yearly Meeting and from Deer Creek Monthly Meeting.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 12 Mo. 18th 1873;

The Representatives being called, were present.

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney laid before the meeting a prospect of attending in the love of the Gospel, Yonge Street Quarterly Meeting, and of attending to some other services within its limits, and, if way opened for it, of attending to Some service on the way going and returning.

After deliberation thereon her prospect was united with, and she was liberated to pursue it as Best Wisdom may direct, She being a Minister in unity with us.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute, and to Sign it on behalf of this meeting.

William Valentine and Stephen Cronkhite were appointed, in conjunction with a Committee of Women Friends, to see that our Friend Eliza H. Varney is provided with Suitable company.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney

Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 1 Mo. 15th 1874.

The Representatives from Bloomfield Preparative Meeting being called were present. No account from Wellington Preparative meeting.

The Queries were all read, and answers to the usual Six, from Bloomfield Preparative meeting, which were directed to the Four Months'

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Meeting. ~~Stephen~~ The Advices were also read.

Stephen W. White, Stephen Cronkhite, John Garratt, and Irwin Derbyshire were appointed Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting with the business from this, and to report.

Ans. 1st. Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and Discipline, altho. there is a slackness with some Friends, especially in the middle of the week. The hour not so nearly observed as is desirable. Clear of unbecoming behavior, except some sleeping.

Ans. 2nd. Love and unity are not so fully maintained amongst us as is desired. When differences have arisen care has been taken to end them. Talebearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided.

Ans. 3d. Most Friends do endeavor to train up their children, and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment which it enjoins, and they are generally good examples in these respects themselves, and do endeavor to guard their children, and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation, and reading pernicious books, altho' some deviations are apparent amongst us.

Ans. 4th. We believe most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

Ans. 5th. We know of no Friends who use intoxicating drinks except for purposes strictly medicinal. Clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of diversion, as far as we know.

Ans. 9th. Care has been taken season

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ably to deal with offenders we believe in the spirit of meekness, and agreeably to Discipline.

The Committee appointed to see that Eliza H. Varney was provided with suitable company in her visit to Yonge Street Quarterly Meeting, informed that they had attended to their appointment.

Bloomfield Preparative Meeting informed that they had proceeded to raise their proportions of money for the Yearly Meeting's use.

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney returned the Certificate granted her last month, and informed the meeting that she had been favored to accomplish the Service to the peace of her mind.

Robert H. Saylor and wife also returned the minute granted them by the Committee to accompany our Friend Eliza H. Varney, with informations that they had attended to the service with much satisfaction

No further business appearing at this time, the meeting concluded

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 2 Mo. 19th 1874,

the Representatives being called were present.

The Representatives to the Four Months Meeting reported they all attended.

Came to this meeting from Wellington Preparative meeting, a Complaint against Arnoldi

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C. Dorland for neglecting the attendance of our meetings, and for conducting himself in a manner that has brought reproach upon our Society. W^m. Valentine and Levi V. Bowerman were appointed to visit him thereon, and to report in 5 Mo. next.

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To Report in 5 Mo. next.

Allen M. Dorland and Levi Varney were appointed to bring to our next meeting the names of two suitable Friends to act as overseers until 7 Mo. next, - one of those last appointed having removed, and another deceased.

Marmaduke Ellis and family having removed to reside within the limits of Grey Monthly Meeting, Anthony T. Haight and Charles G. Bowerman were appointed to make inquiry relative to the State of his temporal affairs, and if nothing appears to prevent, to produce a certificate on their behalf.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded

Levi Varney

Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Bloomfield 3 Mo. 19th 1874.

The Representatives being called were present except one.

The Committee to bring forward the names of two Friends to Serve as Overseers until 7 Mo. next, proposed Judah B. Hutchinson and Alexander Derbyshire, which proposition being united with, they were appointed to that Service.

One of the Committee appointed to make inquiry relative to the state of Marmaduke Ellis' temporal affairs, informed that they

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had attended to the appointment, but not being ready to produce a Certificate, they were continued.

Allen M. Dorland and Alexander Derbyshire were appointed to bring to our next meeting, the names of two suitable Friends in each Preparative Meeting to serve as Overseers of the Poor for three years.

Our business being accomplished the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney

Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting held at Bloomfield 4 Mo. 16th 1874;

the Representatives being called were present.

The joint Committee to inquire into the state of Marmaduke Ellis' affairs, and to produce a Certificate of removal for himself and family, if nothing appeared to prevent, produced one, which was approved, and the Clerk was directed to Sign it and forward it to Grey Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to bring to this meeting the names of Friends to serve as Overseers of the Poor, presented the following; viz: John T. Dorland, Anthony T. Haight, Robert H. Saylor, and Stephen W. White; those Friends were appointed to that Service for three years. [written in the margin adjacent to the above paragraph is] Overseers of the Poor.

One of the Committee to visit Arnoldi C. Dorland on account of a complaint against him, reported that, in company of another Friend, he had made him a visit, that he acknowledged the complaint just, but manifested no desire to remain in membership with us. After deliberation thereon, the meeting concluded to disown him. Edward B. Cronk and Levi Varney were appointed

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to prepare a testimony of denial, and produce it to our next meeting.

Came to this meeting from Wellington Preparative meeting, a complaint against Isaac Ellis for neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and for marrying a person not in membership with us. The Clerk was directed to forward it to Grey Monthly meeting, and to request that meeting to act in our behalf, - he having removed to reside within the limits of that meeting.

Also, came to this meeting from Wellington Preparative, a complaint against William Davis Dorland Jr., for neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and for marrying a person not in membership with us: Stephen Cronkhite and Allen M. Dorland were appointed to visit him thereon, and to report.

We united with Women Friends in forwarding to Grey Monthly Meeting a removal Certificate on behalf of Lydia Vail. The Clerk was directed to sign and forward it.

No further business appearing the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 5 Mo. 21st 1874;

the Representatives being called were present except two.

The Clerk informed that he had forwarded the business directed to Grey Monthly Meeting.

The Committee to prepare a testimony of disownment against Arnoldi C. Dorland, produce ~~the~~ one as follows; viz:

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Arnoldi C. Dorland having so far deviated from the good order of our Society as to conduct in such a manner as to occasion reproach, and our labor of love for his restoration having proved unavailing, we hereby testify against his being any longer a member amongst us, until, by repentance and amendment of life, he may be restored to ~~the~~ unity ~~of~~ with Friends; which it is our earnest desire he may be favored to do.

Which was approved, and the Clerk was directed to sign it on behalf of the meeting.

Stephen Cronkhite and Juday B. Hutchison were appointed to inform him of his disownment, show him a copy of the above testimony, give him one if required to, inform him of his right to appeal, and report.

The Committee in William Davis Dorland Jr's case not being ready to report, were continued.

Edward B. Cronk and Alexander Derbyshire were appointed to bring to our next meeting the names of Suitable Friends to serve as Clerk and Assistant clerk to this meeting.

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney in a weighty manner laid before this meeting a prospect which had for a length of time rested upon her mind, of visiting in Gospel love the ensuing New England Yearly Meeting and some of the meetings composing it, and of appointing some meetings within its limits; also of appointing some meetings on the way going and returning, as Truth may open the way. After a time of deliberation thereon, full unity and Sympathy were expressed, and she was left at liberty to pursue

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her prospect under the guidance of Best Wisdom. She being a Minister in unity with us.

Our next Quarterly Meeting not occurring before it will be necessary for her to leave home, is the reason her Certificate is not endorsed by it.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the foregoing Minute, and Sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Stephen W. White and William Valentine were appointed to see that our Friend Eliza H. Varney is furnished with suitable company and means for her journey.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 6 Mo. 18th 1874,

the Clerk being absent, Allen M. Dorland was appointed Clerk for the day.

The Representatives being called were present except one.

The Queries were all read with answers from the Preparative meetings a Summary of which is as follows. The Advices were also read.

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{For Summary Answers see next leaf}

Charles G. Bowerman, William Garratt, George G. Lear, and Johnson Brewer were appointed to attend the Four Months' Meeting with the business from this, and report.

Our beloved Friend Mary Ann Jones, a Minister, acceptably attended this meeting, with a Certificate of unity and concurrence from China Monthly Meeting of Friends,

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State of Maine, held 5 Mo. 14th 1873.

Our beloved Friend William A. Jones, an Elder, acceptably attended this meeting, as Companion to his wife Mary Ann Jones, with a minute of unity from China Monthly Meeting, State of Maine, held 5 Mo. 20th 1874.

The Clerk was directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes.

The Committee appointed to Show Arnoldi C. Dorland a copy of the testimony of denial against him, and inform him of his right to appeal, reported the appointment answered.

The Committee in William Davis Dorland Jr's Case, informed some attention, but not being ready to make a full report, they were continued.

The Committee appointed to bring forward the names of a couple of Friends to Serve as Clerk and Assistant, proposed Levi Varney's name as Clerk, and Stephen W. White as Assistant. The latter was united, but the former being absent, action was deferred till our next meeting.

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Clerks appointed.

The Committee appointed to see that Eliza H. Varney was furnished with Suitable company, reported the ~~appointed~~ the appointment answered.

Stephen Cronkhite, John T. Dorland, Charles G. Bowerman, and Vincent Bowerman, were appointed to bring to next meeting the names of suitable Friends to serve as Overseers the ensuing year.

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Com. on Overseers.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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Summary Answers.

1st. Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, altho' there is a slackness with some Friends especially in the middle of the week. The hour nearly observed. Clear of unbecoming behavior, except several instances of sleeping.

2nd. Friends are preserved in love one towards another, as far as appears, one instance excepted. When differences have arisen, care has been taken to end them. Tale-bearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided.

3d. Most Friends endeavor to train up their children and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. Most of them are good examples in these respects themselves, and endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books.

4th. We believe most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

5th. We know of no Friends who make use of intoxicating drinks except for medicinal purposes. Clear of frequenting taverns. Six instances of attending a place of diversion, and care taken.

6th. The circumstances of the poor and of those who require assistance, have been inspected and some relief afforded, and their children and all others under our care, are in a way to be educated for the ordinary duties of life.

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7th. Friends are clear in the several parts of this Query.

8th. Friends are just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their ~~promises~~ engagements, with a few exceptions, and are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession. When any have given occasion for fear on these accounts, they have been labored with for their preservation and recovery.

9th. Care is taken to deal with offenders in the Spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline, but not so seasonably in all cases as would have been best.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 7 Mo. 16th 1874:

The Representatives being called were present

Levi Varney was appointed Clerk for one year agreeably to the Report of the Committee last month.

Our beloved friend David H. Bennet, a Minister, acceptably attended this meeting, with a Certificate of unity with him in his present religious engagement, from Butternuts Monthly Meeting, held at Morris N. Y. 4 Mo. 29th 1874, endorsed by Butternuts Quarterly Meeting 5 Mo. 14th 1874.

Our beloved Friends Eli Courgill and Abarilla his wife, Ministers, acceptably attended this meeting, with a Certificate of unity with them in their present religious engagement, from Westland Monthly Meeting, held at

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Westland, Logan Co., Ohio, 4 Mo. 16th 1874, endorsed by Alum Creek Quarterly Meeting held 5 Mo. 2nd 1874.

The Clerk was directed to furnish the above name Friends with copies of the foregoing minutes respectively.

The Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting reported that three of them attended; one was prevented by illness.

The Committee in William Davis Dorland Jr's case, reported that they had made him a Satisfactory visit, and that he wished to retain his membership among Friends, which was accepted, and William Garratt and Anthony T. Haight were appointed to inform him of the decision of the meeting in his case.

The Committee to bring to this meeting the names of Suitable Friends to Serve as Overseers, proposed George G. Lear, Stephen W. White, Anthony T. Haight, and Judah B. Hutchinson whose names being separately considered were united with and the Friends were appointed to that Service for one year.

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Overseers Appointed.

Grey Monthly Meeting informed us that the removal Certificate for Marmaduke Ellis and family, also that for Lydia B. Vail, had been received.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at ~~Bloomfield~~ Wellington 8 Mo 20th 1874;

The Representatives being called were present.

The committee to inform William Davis Dorland Jr. of the decision of this meeting in his case, reported the appointment answered.

No further business appearing the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Wellington 9 Mo. 17th 1873;

the Representatives being called were present except two.

The Queries were all read with answers to the usual Six from the Preparative meetings and the following Summary was adopted for the Four Month's Meeting. The Advices were also read.

Ans. 1st. Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious ~~meetings for~~ worship and discipline; altho' a slackness prevails with some Friends, especially in the middle of the week. The hour not so nearly observed as is desirable. Clear of unbecoming behavior except some sleeping.

Ans. 2nd. Friends are preserved in love as far as appears. When differences have arisen, care has been taken to end them. Tale-bearing and detraction are discouraged, and mostly avoided.

Ans 3d. Most Friends endeavor to train up their children, and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and sim-

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plicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. Most of them are good examples in these respects themselves, and endeavor to guard their children and others under their care, against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books.

Ans. 4th. We believe most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

Ans. 5th. Friends avoid the use of all intoxicating drinks, as far as we know, except for medicinal purposes. None to charge with frequenting taverns, or of attending places of diversion.

Ans. 9th. Care has been taken to deal with offenders, in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our Discipline, but not so seasonably in all cases as would have been best.

Charles G. Bowerman, Johnson Brewer, Levi Varney, and Anthony T. Haight, were appointed to attend the Four Months' Meeting with the business from this, and to report.

Our Friend Mary Robinson informed this meeting that she felt willing to offer herself to visit most of the families belonging to Kingston and Leeds Monthly Meetings, and some families not in membership with us; also to attend those meetings. After consideration she was liberated to the service, as Truth may open the way; She being a Minister amongst us.

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M. R. released.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute, and to Sign it on our behalf

William Valentine and Charles G. Bowerman were appointed to see that Mary Robinson was is provided with Suitably Company in her visit.

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Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded, and in consequence of consequence of repairs making on the meeting house at Bloomfield we propose to meet at Wellington at the usual time next month.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting held at Wellington 10 Mo. 15th 1874;

The Representatives being called, were present except one.

The Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting informed that three of them attended, and they produced the business from that meeting to this.

The Committee appointed to see that our Friend Mary Robinson was provided with Suitable company in her visit reported the appointment answered.

By direction of the Four Months' Meeting, the Subordinate Meetings were ordered to raise their respective proportions of \$800 for the Boarding School, of which this meeting's quota is \$352. Our Preparative meetings were directed to raise their respective quotas of said sum, and pay to the Treasurer of the Four Months' meeting.

The Subordinate meetings were also directed to raise their several proportions of \$120 for the use of the Yearly Meeting, of which this meeting's quota is \$52.80. Our Preparative meetings were directed to raise their respective quotas of that sum, and pay as above ordered.

They were also directed to observe the Minute of the Yearly Meeting relative to statistics. Grey Monthly meeting informed us that

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the necessary care had been taken in Isaac Ellis' case, and that it was their judgement that he be retained a member, which this meeting accepted, and John . Dorland and Judah B. Hutchinson were appointed to prepare a removal certificate for him to Grey Monthly Meeting, if nothing appears to prevent, and produce it to our next meeting.

The Same Committee were also directed to make the necessary inquiry respecting George I. Ellis, and if nothing appears to prevent, to prepare a removal certificate for him to the Same Monthly Meeting.

No further business appearing, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 11 Mo. 19th 1874;

The Representatives being called were present.

The Committee to prepare a removal certificate for Isaac Ellis, and George I. Ellis, to Grey Monthly Meeting produced the following, which was approved, and the Clerk was directed to Sign and forward it; viz;

To Grey Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends, George I Ellis, and Isaac Ellis, members of this meeting, having removed to reside within the limits of yours, ~~Meeting~~ and nothing appearing to prevent the issuing of a Certificate on their behalf, we recommend them to your christian care and oversight.

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Our business being accomplished the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Wellington 12 Mo. 17th 1874.

The Representatives being called, were present except one.

The Clerk informed that he had forwarded the Certificate for Isaac Ellis and George I. Ellis, as directed last month.

Came to this meeting from Wellington preparative meeting, notice that Thomas D. Haight had married a person not in membership with us. Stephen Cronkhite and Cha^s. G. Bowerman were appointed to visit him and to report.

We united with Women Friends in receiving Lydia E. Hazard into membership.
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Lydia E. Hazard received.

No further business appearing, the meeting Concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 1 Mo. 21st 1875;

The Clerk, being absent, Allen M. Dorland was appointed Clerk, and Levi V. Bowerman Assistant.

The Representatives being called were present except two.

The Queries were all read and answers to the usual Six from the Preparative meetings, a Summary of which is as follows. The Advices were also read.

Ans. 1st. Friends are generally careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship

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and discipline, altho' there is a slackness with Some. The hour nearly observed by most Friends. No unbecoming behavior to remark, except some sleeping.

Ans. 2nd. We believe Friends are preserved in love one towards another, one instance excepted. When differences have arisen, care has been taken to end them. Tale-bearing and detraction not so fully avoided as is desired, and care taken.

Ans. 3d. Most Friends endeavor to train up their children and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. Some of them are good examples in these respects themselves, and endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books.

Ans. 4th. We believe most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

Ans. 5th. We know of no Friends who make use of intoxicating drinks, except for purposes strictly medicinal, nor any who frequent taverns, or attend places of diversion

Ans. 9th. Care has been taken, in most cases Seasonably to deal with offenders; we trust in the spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline.

David S. Hubbs, William Robinson, Anthony T. Haight, and Cory B. Cronk, were appointed to attend the Four

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Months' meeting as our Representatives, with the business from this, and to report.

The committee appointed to visit Thomas D. Haight relative to his marrying a person not in membership with us, reported attention; they were continued.

Pickering Monthly Meeting forwarded to this, a removal certificate on behalf of Sarah L. Richardson and her infant Son, Walter George Richardson, which was accepted by this meeting.

Our beloved Friend Mary Ann Valentine, a Minister in unity with us, laid before this meeting a prospect of visiting, in the love of the Gospel, Cold Creek Monthly Meeting and the meetings belonging thereto, and if way Should open for it in the Truth to appoint some meetings. After a time of weighty deliberation thereon, the meeting was united in liberating her to perform the service as Best Wisdom may direct. The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above Minute, and to Sign it on behalf of the meeting.

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney informed ~~informed~~ this meeting that, in consequence of ill health she had not yet been able to accomplish all the Service that seemed required of her, as is set forth in her last Certificate to New England. She also presented a number of returning Minutes, which were read to our satisfaction. The Clerk was directed to endorse on her minute the unity of this meeting with her performing the remainder of the service required of her.

Came to this meeting from the preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders, a proposition to appoint Sarah Leavens to the

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Station of Elder. William Valentine and Stephen Cronkhite were appointed in conjunction with a Committee of Women Friends, to hear and consider objections, if any and to report.

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Com on Sarah Leavens appointment to the Station of Elder.

This meeting united with the women in forwarding a Certificate of removal for Ruth Noxon, to Bloomingdale Monthly Meeting, State of [no State mentioned]

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Recorded by Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 2 Mo. 18th 1875:

The Representatives to the Four Months meeting reported they all attended.

The Committee in Thomas D. Haight's case reported that he manifested a desire to be continued a member among Friends. The report was accepted, and William Garratt and Allen M. Dorland were appointed to inform him of the decision of the meeting in his case.

The Committee to hear and consider objections, if any, to the appointment of Sarah Leavens to the Station of Elder, not being ready to report, were continued.

Our beloved Friend Lydia M. Haight, a Minister, acceptably attended this meeting with a certificate of unity with her in her present engagement, from Cold Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends, held

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2 Mo. 11th 1875.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 3 Mo. 18th 1875;

the Representatives being called were present.

The Committee appointed to inform Thomas D. Haight of the decision of the Monthly Meeting in his case, informed that it has not been attended to; they were continued.

The Committee appointed to hear and consider objections, if any, to the appointment of Sarah Leavens to the station of Elder reported that they found none. The meeting united in ~~her~~ appointing her to that station, having the concurrence of the Women's meeting therein, and the clerk was directed to give this information to the Select Preparative Meeting.

We united with the women in forwarding a removal Certificate for Maria Elsworth; to Oskaloosa Monthly Meeting.

X James McTaggart, Reuben Vermilyea, and Samuel Bonesteel, having been appointed in 3 Mo. 1863, a part of the Trustees of the property of this Monthly Meeting, and being now members of another Monthly Meeting, were released from the Trust. Our Trustees were directed to Insure the meeting- houses belonging to us, and Allen M. Dorland and John T. Dorland were appointed a Committee to advise with the Trustees in relation thereto.

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Trustees to Insure Meeting-Houses.

No further business appearing, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting held at Bloomfield 4 Mo. 15th 1875;

The Representatives being called were present.

The Committee to inform Thomas D. Haight of the decision of the Meeting in his case, reported the appointment answered.

The Trustees informed that they had not yet effected Insurance on the meeting-houses. They were continued to report next month.

The Preparative Meetings were directed to raise their respective quotas of twenty dollars to defray the expense of Insurance, and pay to the Treasurer of this meeting.

Stephen W. White and William Valentine were appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer and report. -

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Com. to Ex. Treasurer's accts;

We united with Women Friends in forwarding a removal certificate for Anna Maria Hutchinson to Grey Monthly Meeting.

Our business being accomplished the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Wellington 5 Mo. 20th 1875;

The Representatives being called were present.

One of the Trustees reported that the Meeting houses were insured, and he presented Policies of Insurance therefor, but owing to a difference of opinion as to the legality of the course pursued, the whole subject was recommitted to the Trustees and Committee for further consideration, and if

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Trustees Report on Insuring Meeting-houses.

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they succeed in effecting Insurance Satisfactorily, they were directed to draw upon the Treasurer for the Sum of Sixteen dollars and fifty cents, to defray the expense.

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's accounts, reported the appointment answered, and that they found the sum of \$18.34 in his hands belonging to the Monthly Meeting.

No further business appearing, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 6 Mo. 17th 1875;

The Representatives being called were present.

The Queries were all read with answers from the Preparative Meetings, and the following Summary was directed to the Four Months' Meeting. The advices were also read.

Edward B. Cronk, Allen M. Dorland, Samuel C. Saylor, and Amos G. Bowerman, were appointed Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting with the business from this, and to report.

Ans. 1st. Most Friends are Careful to attend all our Meetings for religious Worship and discipline. The hour is nearly observed. Clear of unbecoming behavior except in a few instances.

Ans. 2nd. Friends are mostly preserved in love one towards another. Where differences arise, care is taken to end them. Tale-bearing and detraction are discouraged and mostly avoided.

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Ans 3d. Most Friends do endeavor to train up their children, and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. They are generally good examples in these respects themselves, and do endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation and the reading of pernicious books.

Ans. 4th. Most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

Ans. 5th. We know of no Friends who use intoxicating drinks, except for purposes Strictly medicinal, nor of any to charge with frequenting taverns, or of attending places of diversion.

Ans. 6th. The circumstances of the poor, and of those who appear to require assistance, have been inspected, and relief afforded when necessary. Their children, and all others under our care, are in a Suitable way to be educated for, the ordinary duties of life.

Ans. 7th. We know of no Friends who comply with military ~~duty~~ requisitions, or pay any fine or tax instead thereof.

Ans. 8th. Friends are just in their dealings, and punctual in fulfilling their engagements, as far as we know, and are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession. When any give occasion for fear on these accounts they are Seasonably labored with for their preservation and recovery.

Ans. 9th. We believe care has been taken seasonably, to deal with offenders in the

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Spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline.

The Subject of Insuring our meeting-houses, being again considered, it was concluded to accept the Policies produced last month.

By reports from the Preparative meetings, there are in this Monthly Meeting, 190 members; 31 Families; 50 parts of families; 28 children of School age, attending common Schools; 5 deaths have occurred within the year; no births; 2 removals. None received into membership; none disowned; none resigned.

The money for the Yearly Meeting's use is all raised and paid as directed.

The Sum of one hundred dollars and twenty-one cents, (\$100 21/100), of our Quota for the Boarding School, is raised and forwarded to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

The Preparatives were continued to raise the balance.

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Boarding School Money Paid \$100.21

Bloomfield Preparative Meeting forwarded to this, a request to be joined in membership with Friends, signed William Branscomb. Alexander Derbyshire, Levi Varney, and Bennet Bowerman, were appointed to visit him on account of the same and to report.

This meeting, having the concurrence of the Women's meeting, concluded to change the time of holding Wellington Preparative meeting, to the 4th day of the week, preceding Monthly meeting week, if the Four Months' Meeting approved the same.

Allen M. Dorland, and Stephen Cronkhite, were appointed to bring to our next meeting the names of Friends to serve

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Com. to bring forward names for Clerks.

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as Clerk and Assistant Clerk of this meeting the ensuing year.

Stephen Cronkhite, Allen M. Dorland, E. B. Crond, and Alexander Derbyshire, were appointed to bring to next meeting the names of suitable Friends to serve as Overseers the ensuing year.

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Com. on Overseers.

Our beloved Friend Eliza Brewer, a Minister in unity with us, opened in this meeting a prospect which had attended her mind for Some years, and latterly with increased weight, of visiting in the love of the Gospel, London and Dublin Yearly Meetings, and most of the meetings constituting them; and of attending to such other service within their limits, as Truth may require; and believing the time had now come to submit it to her Friends, She desired their prayerful consideration thereof. After a time of deliberation her prospect was united with, much Sympathy was expressed, and she was left at liberty to attend thereto as Best Wisdom may direct.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the foregoing Minute, and to Sign it on our behalf.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 7 Mo. 15th 1875;

the Representatives being called were present.

The Committee to bring to this meeting the names of two Friends to serve as Clerk and Assistant, proposed Levi Varney for Clerk and Stephen W. White for Assistant, which was united with, and they were appointed to the Service for one year.

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Clerks Appointed

Our Esteemed Friend Josiah Dillon, a Minister, acceptably attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity from Bangor Monthly Meeting of Friends, Iowa, held 2 Mo. 21st 1874, endorsed by Bangor, Quarterly Meeting held 2. Mo. 28th 1874.

Our esteemed Friend Phebe Cook, a Minister, acceptably attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity from Sugar Plain Monthly Meeting, Indiana, held 5 Mo. 1st 1875, endorsed by Thorntown Quarterly Meeting held 5 Mo. 29th 1875.

Our esteemed Friends Moses and Betty Maxwell, members, acceptably attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity from Sugar Plain Monthly Meeting of Friends, held Ohio. 5th 1875.

The Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting reported they attended.

The Committee appointed to visit William Branscomb on account of his request, not being ready to report, were continued.

The Four Month's Meeting informed this that it united with the proposition to change the time of holding Wellington Preparative meeting.

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The Committee appointed to bring forward the names of Suitable Friends to serve as Overseers, presented the following. viz: George G. Lear, Stephen W. White, Judah B. Hutchinson, and John T. Dorland, whose names being separately considered, were united with, and they were appointed to that station one year.

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Overseers Appointed

Notice was received of the acceptance of our Certificate in favor of Ruth Noxon, by Cornwall Monthly Meeting, New York.

Our beloved Friend Rachel Cronkhite laid before this meeting a prospect of service which she believed required of her, and to which she felt willing to resign herself, to accompany our Friend Eliza Brewer in her visit to Friends of London and Dublin Yearly Meetings. Full unity and sympathy were expressed with her, and She was liberated to attend to the prospect; She being an Elder in unity and good esteem with us.

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Our beloved Friend Elizabeth White expressed in this meeting that she had been made willing to accompany our Friend Eliza . Varney in the remainder of her visit to New England. Full unity was expressed with her, therein, and she was liberated to the Service; She being an Elder in unity and good esteem with us.

The Clerk was directed to furnish the above named Friends with copies of the foregoing Minutes made in their case respectively, and to Sign them on behalf of this meeting

Our business being accomplished the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 8 Mo. 19th 1875;

the Representatives being called were present.

The Committee appointed to visit William Branscomb on account of his request, reported that two of them had made him a visit to good satisfaction; they believed him convinced of

Friends' principles, and did not know but that his life was orderly. The report was acceptable, and Friends were united in receiving him into membership. George G. Lear and James W. Noxon were appointed to inform him thereof, and report.

Bloomfield Preparative Meeting forwarded to this a request to be joined in membership Signed David A. Branscomb. Stephen Cronkhite and James W. Noxon were to make him a visit and report.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 9 Mo. 16th 1875;

the Representatives being called; were present except one.

The Queries were all read with answers to the usual Six from the Preparative meetings, from which the following Summary was prepared for the Four Months' Meeting. The Advices were also read.

William Robinson, Cha^s. G. Bowerman, William Valentine, and Stephen W.

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White were appointed Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting, with the business from this, and to report.

The Committee to inform William Branscomb of his reception into membership, reported the appointment answered.

The Committee to visit David A. Branscomb on account of his request, reported that they had made him a visit, and believed him to be attached to our Society, and measurably convinced of Friends' principles. They believed his life and conversation, were orderly, and they recommended that he be received into membership. Their Report was accepted, and William Valentine and Stephen W. White were appointed to inform him of the decision of the meeting, and report.

Wellington Preparative Meeting reported the money for Insuring the Meeting-houses, raised and paid to our Treasurer.

Bloomfield Preparative Meeting reported only a part of the money raised. That Preparative Meeting was requested to raise and pay the balance as directed.

Answers.

Ans. 1st. Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline, with some exceptions. The hour is nearly observed. Clear of unbecoming behavior, except in a few instances.

Ans. 2nd. Friends are mostly preserved in love one towards another. When differences arise care is taken to end them. Tale-bearing and detraction are discouraged, but not so fully avoided as is desirable.

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Ans. 3d. Most Friends endeavor to train up their children and those of other Friends under their care in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and

simplicity of dress, language and deportment, which it enjoins. They are generally good examples in these respects themselves, and endeavor to guard their children, and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation, and the reading of pernicious books.

Ans. 4th. Most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

Ans. 5th. Friends do avoid the use of all intoxicating drinks, except for medicinal purposes, as far as we know. Clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of diversion.

Ans. 9th. We believe care is taken to Seasonably, to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of meekness, and and [sic] agreeably to our Discipline.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 10 Mo. 21st 1875;

the Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting reported that three of them attended, and they produced the following business for this meeting, viz;

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The Monthly meetings were directed to raise and forward the balance of the money required by the Yearly Meeting for the Boarding School. Also their Quotas of \$700 for the use of the Yearly meeting, and pay to the clerk of the Four Months' meeting.

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W. Lake Quota of \$700, is \$101.64

They were also directed to ~~next~~ report to next Four Months' Meeting the insertion of the alterations in the Book of Discipline.

They were also informed that the Quota of the Four Months' Meeting is now 33 per. cent. Our Preparative Meetings were directed to observe the foregoing Minutes.

The Committee to inform David A. Branscomb of his reception into membership with Friends, reported the appointment answered.

Bloomfield Preparative meeting not having raised all of its proportion of money for Insurance, was requested to raise the balance and pay to the Treasurer of this meeting.

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney returned the Minute granted her in 5th Month 1874, for religious service in New England. She also produced Several returning Minutes expressive of unity with her company and Service, which were Satisfactory.

Our esteemed Friend Elizabeth White returned the Minute granted her in 7 Mo. last, to accompany our Friend Eliza H. Varney in her visit to New England. She also produced Several returning minutes, which were satisfactory.

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Our business being accomplished the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Wellington 11 Mo. 18th 1875,

the Representatives being called were present except one.

Bloomfield Preparative meeting reported the money required for Insurance all raised and paid as directed.

A communication Signed D. S. White was received, resigning his membership with Friends. The Monthly meeting concluded to accept his resignation, and the Clerk was directed to inform him thereof, and report.

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D. S. White's Resignation Accepted.

Judah B. Hutchinson and Stephen W. White were appointed to forward to the Recorder the Births and Deaths that occur in this meeting, and to report in 5th Mo. next.

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Committee on Births & Deaths.

No further business appearing, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield, 12 Mo. 16th 1875,

the Representatives being Called were present.

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had not notified D. S. White of the acceptance of his resignation. He was requested to do so.

Leeds Monthly Meeting forwarded to this a removal Certificate in favor of Abigail Chapin, which was accepted and the Clerk was directed to inform that meeting of its reception.

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Certificate for Abigail Chapin.

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney a Minister in unity with us, laid before this meeting a prospect which had for some time rested with weight upon her mind, of attending in the love of the Gospel, Yonge Street Quarterly Meeting and Some of the meetings composing it, and of appointing some meetings within its limits, as way opens for it.

After deliberation thereon her prospect was fully united with and she was left at liberty to attend thereto, as the Great Heard of the Church may direct.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minute, and sign it on our behalf.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 1 Mo. 20th 1876,

the Representatives being called were present except one.

The Queries were all read, with answers to the usual Six from the preparative Meetings, and the following Summary was adopted for the Four Months' Meeting. The Advices were also read.

Robert H. Saylor, Stephen W. White, Cory B. Cronkhite, and Amos G. Bowerman, were appointed Representatives to the Four Months' meeting, with the business from this, and to report.

The Clerk informed that he had notified D. S. White of the acceptance of his resignation of membership.

A Certificate of removal in favor of William M. Sweatman, was received from Cold Creek Monthly Meeting, which not being complete in form; the Clerk was directed to return it to that Meeting, with the necessary information.

Received from Kingston Monthly Meeting a Certificate of removal in favor of Thomas Byron Robinson, which was accepted

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Certificate for Byron Robinson

No further progress in raising the money for the Boarding School.

The money for the Yearly Meeting's use is not yet raised.

We believe the alterations are inserted in all our books of Discipline.

Our, beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney returned the Minute granted her in 12 Mo. last, with information

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that she had been favored to perform the Service which she felt to be required of her, and to return with the reward of peace.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

Summary Answers.

1st. Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for worship and discipline. The hour not so nearly observed as is desirable. Clear of unbecoming behavior, except some sleeping.

2nd. Love is not so fully maintained amongst us as is desired. When differences have arisen, care has been taken to end them. Tale-bearing and detraction are discouraged, and mostly avoided.

3d. Most Friends endeavor to train up their children, and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. Most Friends are good examples in these respects themselves, and endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care, against the reading of corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books.

4th. We believe most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

5th. We know of no Friends who make use of intoxicating drinks, except for purposes strictly medicinal. None to

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charge with frequenting taverns, nor of with attending places of diversion.

9th. Care has been taken Seasonably to deal with offenders, we believe, in the spirit of meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Wellington, 2 Mo. 17th 1876;

the Representatives being called were present.

The Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting reported they all attended.

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had returned to Cold Creek Monthly meeting the Certificate from that meeting in favor of William M. Sweatman, with the reasons therefor, as directed in 1st month.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney,
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 3 Mo. 16th 1876;

The Representatives being called were present except two.

No business appearing, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 4 Mo. 20th 1876;

the Representatives being called were present.

Received from Cold Creek Monthly Meeting, a certificate of removal in favor of William M. Sweatman, which was accepted, and the Clerk was directed to give the information to that meeting.

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W^m M. Sweatman Certificate received.

This meeting unites with Women Friends in receiving Rebecca Baker into membership.

The business of the meeting being accomplished, it concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Wellington 5 Mo. 18th 1876;

the Representatives being called, were present.

The Queries were all read and answers thereto from the Preparative Meetings, and the following Summary was adopted for the Four Months' Meeting; The Advices were also read.

Ans. 1st. Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline. The hour is nearly observed. Four instances of unbecoming behaviors, which are under care.

Ans. 2nd. Most Friends are preserved in love one towards another. When differences have arisen, care has been taken to end them. Tale-bearing and detraction are discouraged; but not fully avoided.

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Ans. 3d. We believe most Friends endeavor to train up theirs, and all others under their care, in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. They are generally good examples in these respects themselves; and do endeavor to guard their children and all others under their care against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books.

Ans. 4th. We believe most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

Ans. 5th. We know of no Friends who make use of intoxicating drinks, except for purposes strictly medicinal. None to charge with frequenting taverns, nor with attending places of diversion.

Ans. 6th. The circumstances of the poor, and of those who appear likely to require assistance, are inspected, and relief afforded, and their children, and all others under our care, are in a way to be properly educated for the ordinary duties of life.

Ans. 7th. Friends are clear of comply with military requisitions, and of paying any fine or tax instead thereof.

Ans. 8th. Friends appear to be just in their dealing, and punctual in fulfilling their engagements, and careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession. When any give occasion for fear on these accounts, they are labored with for their preservation and recovery.

Ans. 9th. Care has been taken to deal with offenders, we trust, in the spirit of meekness

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and agreeably to our Discipline.

James W. Noxon, Levi V. Bowerman, John T. Dorland, and Allen M. Dorland were appointed Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting with the business from this, and to report.

Our quota of money for the Yearly Meeting's use is not all raised.

The Sum of \$22.47 of this meeting's quota for the Boarding School, is raised.

By reports from the Preparative meetings there are belonging to this meeting, 24 families; 42 parts of families; 196 members; 16 children of school age, attending common schools. Three deaths have occurred within the past year, 3 were received into membership and 1 resigned and 1 disowned.

The Committee on Births and Deaths informed that all had been reported to the Recorder.

This meeting united with Women Friends in releasing Phebe Beuth or Beath? from membership.

Our beloved Friend Johnson Brewer, a Minister in unity with us, informed the meeting that he had a prospect of attending in the love of the Gospel, the meetings belonging to New England Yearly Meeting, and of appointing some meetings if Truth opens the way therefore.

After a time of serious deliberation thereon, his prospect was united with, and he was liberated to attend thereto, under the guidance of the Head of the Church.

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The Clerk was directed to furnish him with a copy of the foregoing minute, and to sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 6 Mo. 15th 1876,

the Representatives being called were present except one.

The Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting reported they attended.

Alexander Derbyshire and Stephen Cronkhite were appointed to bring to next meeting, the names of Friends to Serve as Clerk and Assistant Clerk of this meeting, the ensuing year
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Com. to bring forward names for Clerks

Anthony T. Haight, Stephen Cronkhite, Levi V. Bowerman, and Levi Varney, were appointed to bring to next meeting the names of Suitable Friends to act as Overseers the ensuing year.

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Committee on Overseers.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held 7 Mo. 20th 1876,

the Representatives being called were present.

The Committee to bring forward the names of Friends to serve as Clerk and Assistant Clerk, proposed Levi Varney for Clerk, and Stephen W. White for Assistant, who, being separately considered and united with, were appointed to the Service for one year.

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Clerks Appointed.

The Committee to bring to this meeting the names of Suitable Friends to serve as Overseers proposed John T. Dorland, Judah B. Hutchinson, Stephen W. White, and Levi V. Bowerman, who were united with and appointed to that Station for one year.

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Overseers Appointed.

Our esteemed Friend William Allen a minister, acceptably attended this meeting with a certificate of unity from Oak Ridge Monthly Meeting Grant Co. Indiana, 9 Mo. 15th 1875, endorsed by Northern Quarterly Meeting 9 Mo. 18th 1875.

Our Esteemed Friend Lida G. Romick a Minister, acceptably attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity from Alum Creek Monthly Meeting, Ohio, held 4 Mo. 20th 1876, endorsed by Alum Creek Quarterly Meeting 6 Mo. 5th. 1876.

The Clerk was directed to furnish them with a copy of the above minutes respectively.

The business of the meeting being concluded, the meeting closed.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Wellington 8 Mo. 17th 1876;

the Clerk being absent, Allen M. Dorland was appointed for the day.

The Representatives being called, were present.

Our esteemed Friend Seburn P. Dorland, a Minister, and his wife and child members, acceptably attended this meeting with a Certificate of unity from Minneapolis Monthly Meeting of Friends, held 6 Mo. 8th 1876, proposing to sojourn for a time within the limits of Canada Yearly Meeting which was acceptable to us.

Our beloved Friends Eliza Brewer and Rachel Cronkhite returned at this time the Minutes granted them in 6 Mo. 1875, for religious Service in London and Dublin Yearly Meetings, and produced returning Minutes from London and Dublin Yearly Meetings of Ministers and Elders, expressing unity with their labors while amongst them. They also give an account of their journey, which was Satisfactory to us.

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E. Brew Eliza Brewer returned her Minute

The business of the meeting being accomplished, it concluded.

Copied by Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 9 Mo 21st 1876;

the Representatives being called were present.

The Queries were all read with answers from to the usual Six from the Preparative Meetings, and the following Summary was adopted for the Four Months' Meeting. The Advices were also read.

Ans. 1st. Most Friends are careful to attend all our meetings for religious worship and discipline. The hour is nearly observed by most Friends. One instance of unbecoming behavior

Ans. 2nd. Friends are preserved in love one towards another, except in two instances, which are under care. When differences have arisen, care has been taken to end them. Talebearing and detraction are discouraged, and mostly avoided.

Ans. 3d Most Friends do endeavor to train up their children and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the christian religion as professed by us, and in the

plainness and simplicity of dress, language, and deportment, which it enjoins. They are generally good examples in these respects themselves, and they endeavor to guard their children, and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation, and reading pernicious books.

Ans. 4th. We believe most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

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Ans. 5th. We know of no Friends who make use of intoxicating drinks, except for purpose strictly medicinal. Clear of frequenting taverns, and of attending places of diversion, as far as we know.

Ans. 9th. Care has been taken, to seasonably, to deal with offenders, in the Spirit of Meekness, and agreeably to our Discipline

Levi Varney, James W. Noxon, Allen M. Dorland, and Stephen W. White, were appointed Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting, to take the business from this meeting, and to report.

Our beloved Friend Eliza H. Varney, a Minister in unity with us, laid before this meeting a prospect which had rested upon her mind for a considerable time, of visiting in the love of the Gospel, all the meeting in West Lake Four Months' Meeting, and most or all of the meetings in Yonge Street and Pelham Quarterly Meetings, and some of the meetings in Butternuts Quarterly Meeting; also of appointing some meetings, and of attending to such other Service in the course of her visit as may be required of her.

After a time of serious deliberation thereon, her prospect was united with, and she was liberated to attend to the Service under the guidance of the Great Head of the Church.

The Clerk was directed to furnish her with a copy of the foregoing minute.

Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 10 Mo. 19th 1876,

The Representatives being called were present.

The Representatives to the Four Months' Meeting reported that three of them attended, and a satisfactory reason was given for the absence of the other.

By direction fo the Four Months' Meeting the Subordinate Meetings were directed to raise their respective quotas of \$1500 for the use of the Boarding School Committee, and the balance of ~~\$2000~~ their quotas of \$2000 for the same purpose, ordered in 1872. Also to raise their quotas of \$300 for the use of the Yearly Meeting, and pay to the Treasurer of the Four Months' Meeting.

X They were also directed to pay their quotas of \$52 for the use of a Friend travelling the Ministry and pay to the Committee appointed in the case.

The Quotas for this Monthly Meeting are,
of \$1500, \$217.80

of \$ 300, 43.56
of \$ 52, 22.88.

The Clerk was directed to procure a book in which to record the Minutes of this Meeting.
Our business being accomplished, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Wellington 11 Mo. 16th 1876,

the Representatives being called were present.

The Clerk reported that he has procured a Book for which to record the Minutes of this meeting, costing Two dollars and ten cents, which he was directed to draw upon the Treasurer for.

Bloomfield Preparative Meeting reported the money for the use of the Yearly Meeting last year, all raised.

Received from Cold Creek Monthly Meeting, a removal Certificate for Anthony Haight and Angeline his wife.

Also from the Same Meeting a removal certificate for Arnoldi Haight and Maria his wife, and their four minor children. Their names are Allie Eliza, Seba Emma, Walter Lambie, and Donald Jerome

The Clerk was directed to inform that meeting of the reception of these Certificates.

We also received and read two returning Minutes for Johnson Brewer, which were acceptable to us.

Our business being accomplished the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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At West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Bloomfield 12 Mo 21st 1876,

the Representatives being called were present.

The Clerk reported that he had informed Cold Creek Monthly Meeting of the reception of Removal Certificates for Anthony Haight and wife, and for Arnold Haight and family.

Received and read a returning Minute from Butternuts Quarterly Meeting, held 11 Mo. 16th 1876, for our Friend Eliza H. Varney, which was Satisfactory to us.

No further business appearing, the meeting concluded.

Levi Varney
Clerk.

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Rec^d of William Valentine -.

being part of the Mo Meetings quota for building ~~eight pounds~~ Cold Creek
meeting house eight pounds Nine shillings Nine pence ½

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Rec^d of William Valentine seven dollars eighteen cts on a/c of Cold Creek Meeting house

William D. Garratt

Hallowell 6/10 1858

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