

10 month
1773

for that purpose and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

Adjourn
Nov^{mo} 1773
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This Meeting Adjourns to the 25th Instant after meeting for worships which is to begin at 4th Eleventh hour

The Smith Case Referd

This Meeting meet by Adjournment of 25th of some 1773 the Representatives are Jonathan Hufsey and Tho^s Hicks present The Committee appointed on account of Daniel Cornal and Thomas Smith Reports that they are not ready to make Return therefore the matter is Referd under their Care and they to make to next monthly meeting

Epistle
Received
from
2nd meet

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting being called upon, Report that they all attended P^r meeting and Produced an Epistle from the same which was read in this meeting & kindly Excepted

Overseers in
the Society

This Meeting Appoints our friends Tho^s Hicks W^m Mopser William Anthony & Benj^m Howland & James Davis as Overseers in the Society for the year Infeuing

Overseers
of
Door

This Meeting Appoints our friends Joseph Barker Caleb Russell Barnilla Tucker Abraham Howland David Shepherd John Williams & Gideon Howland Overseers of the door for the year Infeuing

meeting
at Bedford
since
Requested

The friends Appointed to have the Oversight of if meeting at Bedford made Report that they generally attend P^r meeting which was kept in a Good Degree Orderly and P^r friends at Bedford still Requests to hold their meeting on first 2 days of week Days as usual untill if monthly meeting in if 8th mo next, which is granted and David Shepherd & James Davis are Appointed to have the Oversight of P^r meeting & make Report at if Expiration thereof

F. Wing
Intention
of marriage

Jonathan Wing and Ann Wood Declard their Intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till next mo Meeting for their Answer, The P^r Wing having Produced a Certificate from Aar^s at M^o Meeting Respecting marriage This meeting fall'd 14-7-2 O^r Annors

1st mo
1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15th of some 1773 the Representatives are Jonathan Hufsey & Barnilla Tucker

Overseers of
yearly meeting
Report

The friends appointed Last monthly meeting to have the Oversight of the Lefts and Other Seats at our yearly meeting, made Report that they all attended P^r meetings, and Respectably Discharg'd themselves in that Respect and that said meeting was conducted in some good Degree Orderly on that account

Case of Tho
Smith referd

The Committee Appointed in the case between Daniel Cornal and Thomas Smith not being Ready to make report, one of them being Sick, its therefore Referd to next monthly meeting

Transcripts
read

The Transcripts Received from the Quarterly meeting in if 7 month last hath now been Read and the Wholsom Advice therein Contain'd is earnestly Recommended to friends Objection & notice

B & L wifs
paper

Barker Little and Elisabeth his wife hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning their falling into the Sin of Fornication therefore we Appoint Dime Allen and Philip Allen and Jonathan Hufsey to have an Opportunity of Conference with P^r Little also to Inquire into his life & Conversation in order to Discover his Sincerity and make report to next monthly meeting

Complaint
against Eden
Manser

This Meeting is Informed from the Disparative meeting that Ebenezer Mopser Neglects attending our meetings for which Disorder he hath been labour'd with and gave no Satisfaction on that account and Desires to be Disowned by friends, And we appoint Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker to have the Care of that matter and Labour as they may find freedom & make Report to next mo meeting

Complaint
against
R. Perkins

This Meeting is Informed that Richard Peckham hath Married his first Coupen & Married out of the Unity of friends and his wife hath had a Child soon after Marriag and he hath been Labour'd with and Declines making Satisfaction and we Appoint Joseph Gifford David Shepherd and John Williams to have the Care of if matter and Report to next monthly meeting

W. Briggs
Certificate
Returned

Wesley Briggs and family hath Returned their Certificate to this meeting Dated of 29th 1770 which this meeting accepts

A. Wing
Received
his Answer

Jonathan Wing and Anna Wood appear for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in some convenient time before next m^d Meeting

Advising with the Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose, and John Potter and William Mosher are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in good order and make Report to next Monthly Meeting

This meeting Collected the sum of £ 8 - 4 - 0 p^{er} tennor

meetings
begin at 12
the hour

This Meeting Concludes that all our meetings for Worship only except at Bedford begin at the twelfth hour

12 mo
1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 29th of 1773 the Representatives are Prince Allen and Samuel Smith present

Case of Barker
Little report

The Committee appointed Last monthly meeting to confer with Barker Little in order to Discover his Sincerity Report that they think proper to wait a while. Longer before we accept his paper therefore the matter is Refer^d under the same friends care as heretofore and they to make report to next m^d meeting

Overseers of
yearly meet
ing report

Joseph Barker and Benjamin Chase makes report that they attended the yearly Meeting according to Appointment and saw nothing but what was in tolerable good order and they have both Rendered an Excuse for their not Reporting to Last monthly meeting which is Accepted

The Smith
Case report

The Committee appointed on Account of Daniel Cornal and Tho^s Smith Inform that they are not Ready to make Report therefore the matter is Refer^d on a month longer under their care and then they to make Report

E. Mosher
Denied

The friends Appointed to treat with Ebenezer Mosher report that they have Discharg^d themselves on that account and he gave them no Satisfaction and this meeting Approaching they have fully Discharg^d themselves therefore his Request is granted and we do hereby Disown him tho^{ugh} Ebenezer Mosher from being a member of our Society and Abraham Tucker is appointed to Inform him of his Denial

friends
to draw a
paper of
Denial
against
R. Deakham

The friends Appointed to have the care of that matter Reporting Richard Deakham Report that they have had an Opportunity with him and he Declines condemning his Disorders to friends Satisfaction, and the same friends are Appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against him and to shew him the same and labour with him as they may find freedom and make Report to next monthly meeting

J. W. W
marriage
Conferred

The friends Appointed to see Jonathan Wings and Anne Woods marriage solemnized Report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but what it was solemnized in good Order

W. Russell
question
paper

William Russell hath given in a paper to this meeting concerning his marriage out of the Unity of friends and we Appoint Samuel Smith and Abraham Hobbs to have an Opportunity of conference with him in order to Discover his Sincerity on that account and make Report to next monthly meeting

Complaint
Francis Allen
and son Tho^s

This meeting is Inform^d that Francis Allen and his son Thomas hath taken the Oath in form before a Magistrate they having been labour^d with on that account and P. Francis hath appeared in this meeting & condemned the^{ir} Offense and Offer^d his too much Neglect in attending meeting, which seems to be some Degree of Satisfaction, but it being the mind of this meeting that P. Offense ought to be condemned Publickly therefore this meeting do Appoint our friends Barzillai Tucker and John Williams to assist the^m P. Francis and to labour with his son as they may find freedom & make Report to next meeting this meeting Collected 9 - 5 - 0 p^{er} tennor

12 month
1773

meeting
Adjourned

This meeting Adjourns to the last fourth day in this month after the meeting for worship which begins at 5th hours

next
19 mo 1773

This meeting being meet by Adjournment of 29th of June 1773 the Representatives are Prince Allen & Samuell Smith present

Representative
to the meeting

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers thereto prepared and an Epistle read and singed for the quarterly meeting and orderd forward by our Representatives who are Prince Allen William Anthony & William Wood Nicholas Howland and Thomas Hicks and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

The young Couple that appear at this meeting for their to Lay their Intentions of marriage being confidrd and friends not being Unanimous in letting them pass by reason of their being so nigh in kind therefore D. matter is Referd to next monthly meeting

R. Smith
under
Dealing

This meeting being Informd from the preparative meeting that Ruben Smith hath been and contracted marriage with a young woman not of our Society that belong to a Distant Land and brought her home with him wherein his conduct appears Very Disagreeable to friends principals and he being Labourer with by one of the Overseers and not giving Satisfaction for D. misconduct therefore we do appoint Prince Allen & Jonathan Hussey to have the care of that matter and Labour with him as they may find freedom & make Report when they have Discharged themselves

order on
Treasurer

The treasurer is Orderd to pay Timothy Russell 5 Dollars for half a years keeping the Meeting house and make Report to next meeting

1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 7th of June 1774 the Representatives are Wm Barker & Jonathan Hussey present

Bark Little
case referd

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter Respecting Barker Little Report that they are not fully Satisfied in that matter therefore D. matter is Referd Under their care one month longer and then they to make Report

all but one of the Committee Appointed in that Case between Daniel Cornal & Tho^s Smith Report that said Smith Ought Publickly to Condemn his Reporting that Daniel Cornal was a false man, which Report being Accepted & is as followeth

Report of
Committee
Respecting
D. C. & T. S.

Agreeable to the Appointment of the monthly meeting we have heard the matter Depending Between Daniel Cornal & Thomas Smith Respecting D. Smiths Accusing D. Cornal of Being a false man and that he could prove it

We having heard Each parties pleas & Allegations Respecting said affair and it is our Judgment that the aforesd^d Accusation of Thomas Smiths against Daniel Cornal is with out sufficient grounds - And that therefore D. Smith Ought publickly to Condemn his Accusing D. Cornal of being a false man

Given forth and Dated
this 27 Day of June 1773

Joseph Barker Giles Bloum
Seth Russell Wm Wood
Joseph Howland Abraham Howland
James Davis Basillia Tuke

The Smith
offender

Therefore said Thomas Smith is now looked upon as an offender therefore we do Appoint our friends Abraham Tuke Wm Sandford Joseph Tuke & John Williams to Labour with him in order that he may Condemn his Disorder and they to make Report to next meeting

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* Resolving against Richard Peckham in paper 365

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting Richard Peckham Report that they Discharge themselves on that Account and they have Draughted a paper of Discharge against Peckham which was signed by the Clerk & the Clerk is orderd to read it at the close of a first Days meeting for worship before next monthly meeting & then make Report *

Eben Mosher case

Abraham Tucker informs that he Desires to be continued one month longer in Discharging himself with Ebenzer Mosher as appointed

Wm Russell give in a paper

The friends appointed to take an Opportunity with Wm Russell Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction yet the receiving his paper is Referrd to next Monthly Meeting

Franc Allen & son The give in a paper

Francis Allen & his son Thomas hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning their taking the oath in form, which is accepted provided they cause it to be read publicly at the close of a first Days meeting before next monthly meeting & Return it, paper and Report of its being Read

Respectable Report

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended Except Tho: Hicks, and he sent his Discuse which was accepted - And they have Produced an Epistle from D: Quarterly meeting which hath been Read and the Moving and Salutory advice therein Earnestly Recommended to friends Notice & Objection

Tim Russel paid

The treasurer reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell 5 Dollars as order

G. H. & C. V. Published

Gideon Howland and Lathern Sloum appear in this meeting in order to Lay their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and the matter of their being nigh in kind hath been weightily Considerd and the Circumstances relating thereto, And as they have so far Contracted in that Relation before our yearly meeting minutes of 1772 was made in Regard to marriage of nigh in kind, And they were Ignorant as they say that it was contrary to the orders of friends when they so Contracted and that they cannot now willingly

1 month 1774

Gideon Howland & Lathern Sloum proposal of marriage

Defist therefore this meeting doth permitt them to pass tho it is not fully Satisfactory to this meeting neither is it wont to be present but is at this time suffer for the Reasons aforesd therefore Gideon Howland and Lathern Sloum Declard their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were Defist to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer and Benjamin Sloum and William Barker are appointed to Enquire into the young mans Cleomep respecting marriage and Conversation & Report to next monthly meeting

E. Russel Complain of

Deliverance Smith hath Exhibited a Complaint against Elisha Russel for Refusing to Submit a Controversy to men, therefore we do Appoint William Barker and Prince Allen to labour with him as they may find freedom & Report to next monthly meeting

The Committed appointed to visit those friends that possess Slaves made Report to this meeting which is accepted and is as followeth - We the subscribers, pursuant to Appointment of the monthly meeting have again Visited those friends that possess Slaves and Labour with them to do Justice to their fellow Creatures by Discharging them from a State of bondage and Slavery, And William Sandford hath according to freed his Negro, Joseph Russel yet Refuses to Comply with our advice Delcy Sloum keeps his Negroes yet in bondage, but saith that he shall free them at the age of 26 years, they providing otherwise and Laying up a Certain sum yearly to secure his Estate, John Russel thath one that is under age that is now in a State of Slavery, but he gave Encouragement he should free her at a Sutable age & Isaac Howland hath given Good Encouragement to free his Negro

Report of of Committed about Negro masters

Given forth by your Committee this 17th of the mo 1774
Benj: Howland
Basillica Tucker
Samuel Smith

advice to Negro master

James Davis Report that And these friends mentioned in the above said Report that Continue Slaves in bondage we Defist to Comply with the tenth Query in that case and if not they may Expect to be Disownd

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Divorce, and we appoint our friends Joseph Gifford William Sandford William Anthony jr and Joseph Tucker jr to let them know the mind of this meeting & make report to next meeting
This meeting Collected \$ 16.00 Old Tenno

2nd month
1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 21st of 2nd month 1774
The Representatives are William Mosher & Samuel Smith both present
the friends that had the care of that matter Respecting Barker Little Report that they are not fully satisfied to receive his paper yet therefore they are still continued in that service and to make Report to next monthly meeting

Barker Little case referred

R. Nichol paper read

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the paper of Denial against Richard Pitthorn as ordered

W. Russell case referred

The Reception of Wm Russell paper is Referred one month longer in order to Discover his Sincerity & Samuel Smith and William Anthony jr are Appointed to have the care of that matter and make Report to next monthly meeting

Tho Smith discovered

The Committee appointed to Labour with Thomas Smith Report that he gave them no Encouragement of Condemning his Disorder agreeable to the Judgment of this meeting therefore we do hereby Disown the said Tho Smith from being a member of this meeting, and we do Appoint our friends Thomas Hicks & Prince Allen to Draught a paper of Denial against P. Tho Smith and bring it next meeting and likewise Inform P. Smith of his Denial & his Right of appeal and Report to next monthly meeting

Eben Mosher in 1774 of Denial

Abraham Tucker Reports that he fully answered his Appointment by Informing Ebenezer Mosher of his Denial

Francis Allen & Thomas Allen referred

Francis Allen & Thomas Allen made no Report of their paper being Read as ordered therefore the matter is Referred one month longer and James Davice is appointed to Inform them of their Neglect on that Account and to Inform them of that the meeting expects them to make Report as ordered at the next meeting

2nd month
1774

P. B. & C. D. not to have their answer sent to the next meeting for advice

This Meeting not being Unanimous in Ceting Gideon Howland and Catharin Howum have their Answer by reason of their being negligent in kind therefore we conclude to send the matter to the Quarterly meeting for advice

E. R. Submit

The Committee appointed to labour with Elyah Russell Reports E. R. Submit that he concludes to leave P. Controversy to men and P. Committee are Continued to see that it is Completed, and make Report to next monthly meeting

Cont on Slaves Continued

The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that oppose Slaves Desire to be Continued one month longer and those friends are looked upon as offenders that hath not Complid with 9th Query

This meeting Collected \$ 11.00 Old Tenno

3rd month

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 21st of 3rd month 1774

The Representatives are Wm Sandford & Benja Howland present

The matter Respecting Barker Little & William Russell is Referred one month longer under the same friends Care as heretofore in order to Discover their Sincerity

The Committee Appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against Thomas Smith and Inform him of his Denial & Right of appeal

F. Smith Denial & Informing Richard in page 299

Report that they Discharge themselves according to their appointment and this meeting hath signed a paper of Denial against Tho Smith and the Reading P. paper Publickly is Referred by reason

Tho Smith Appeal

P. Smith Requests an appeal to the Quarterly meeting, which this meeting grants, and Tho Hicks is appointed to Inform him that we grant him an appeal to P. Quarterly meeting and Report to next meeting

James Davis Reports that he Inform Francis Allen as ordered and they have not made Report at this meeting therefore the matter is Referred one month longer under the Care of James Davis and then he to make Report

The matter Respecting Elizabeth Russell being not fully settled therefore it is Refer'd as heretofore and the Committee to make Report when ready

the matter Respecting those friends that Pope places is Refer'd one month longer under the care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

Discontinued This Meeting Concludes to Discontinue the meeting that was held on the fourth day Preceding Sandwich year meeting when it happeneth in the same week with the monthly meeting

meeting begun at 11 o'clock This meeting Concludes that all our meetings for Worship begin at the Eleventh hour

this meeting Collected - 5/11 & 11/0

adjourn This meeting adjourns to the first six Day in next mo after the meeting for Worship

next This Meeting meet by Adjournment of 5 Day of 1^{mo} 1774 the Representatives being called both Present

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of that meeting at Bedford made Report that they generally Attended D. meeting And that it was kept up in some good degree orderly, And the friends at Bedford still Request to hold a meeting for worship there which this meeting grants as follows

meeting at Bedford still continued Said meeting to be held on Every first Day of the week and on Every sixth day of the week. Except in those weeks that our Monthly meeting Preparative & youths meeting are and to continue till the third month next, and David Shepherd and James Davie are Appointed to have the Care and Oversight of D. meeting & make Report at the Expiration thereof

J. Chase Requests Certificate

Jacob Chase Requests a Removal Certificate for him self and Children to the Monthly Meeting of Acakset, and we do Appoint Borsillia Tucker & Barnabus Mosher to make the necessary Enquiry in that matter and Draw one for him if they think proper and bring it next monthly meeting

Charles Russell paper

Charles Russell hath given a paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the sin of fornication therefore we appoint Samuel Smith & Prince Allen to have the care of that matter in order to Discover his sincerity and Report to next meeting

Ephraim Tripp paper

Ephraim Tripp hath given in paper to this meeting Condemning some misreport of his therefore we Appoint Borsillia Tucker and Prince Allen to have the Care of that matter in Regard to the young mens Sincerity in that matter & Report to next monthly meeting

Gideon Gifford paper

Gideon Gifford hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his moving out of the Unity of friends and we Appoint our friends Abroham Tucker & Joseph Tucker to take an Opportunity of Solid Conference with him in order to Discover his Sincerity and Report to next monthly meeting

J. Allen Requests Advice

Jedediah Allen Informs that he hath thoughts of being and Removing from home and Desires the Advice of this meeting and we do Appoint our friends Prince Allen & Nicholas Howland to Advise with him as they may think proper

Represents to the Quarterly meeting

The Queries were Read & Answers thereto prepar'd and an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was Read & sign'd by the Clerk and sent with D. Answers to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Jonathan Hussey Borsillia Tucker Wm Anthony jr Tho: Hicks Wm Sandford & Prince Allen and they to make to next mo. meeting

To review & Minutists

Samuel Smith Tho: Hicks Prince Allen & Wm Anthony jr are appointed to Review & correct the monthly meeting minutes in order that they may go to Record and make Report to next mo meeting

4 mo
1774

A Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of 4th mo 1774
the Representatives are Thomas Hicks & Samuel Smith both Deput

Bar Little and Wm Russell case refer
The matter Respecting Barker Little & Wm Russell is Referred one month longer under the same friends as heretofore in order to Discover their sincerity & also to see if they duly attend meetings and then they to make Report

Thomas Hicks Reports that he Informed Tho Smith as ordered last monthly meeting

Francis Allen made Report of his paper & his son Tho.^s being Read and is Return'd

Respecting the matter Respecting those friends that Joseph Slaves is Refer'd one month longer under the same friends care as heretofore

Jacob Chase This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Jacob Chase and Children to the monthly meeting of Acushnet

Charles Russell case refer
The matter Respecting Charles Russell is Referred to next mo meeting under the care of the same friends ^{for a further proof of his} for a further proof of his and they to make Report to next mo meeting

Eph. Trip case refer
The matter of Receiving Ephim Tripps paper is also Referred to next mo meeting under the care of the same friends for a further proof of his integrity and they to make Report to next mo meeting

Gideon Gifford case refer
The friends appointed to Confer with Gideon Gifford Report that he gave them some Degree of Satisfaction but the Receiving his paper is Referred to next monthly meeting under the same friends care heretofore & then they to make Report

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Representatives Report from last meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, Report that all attended Except Jonathan Hussey who sent his Excuse for his not attending which was Accepted. And they have produced an Epistle from a meeting which was Read & well accepted and the salutary advice therein Carefully observed and Recommended to Each Individual

minutes created

The friends appointed to Revise and Correct this meeting minutes in order to go on Record Report they have fulfilled their Appointment and left them with Wm Anthony to go on Record

Clerk appointed

This Meeting appoints our friend William Anthony Jr Clerk of this meeting in the Room of our Deceased friend Job Russell Deceased, and we do hereby Ratify and Confirm what W Anthony hath done as Clerk since the Death of Job Russell

D. Russell complain'd of

The Overseers have Informed that Paul Russell hath been guilty of abusive behaviour in the night season at Roger Mofers also a being with an Unbecoming Company at Trine Dillers and the Overseers have Laboured with him for his misconduct and he hath given in a paper condemning the same and we do appoint our friends Abraham Tucker Joseph Tucker Joseph Barker & Jonathan Hussey to have the care of that matter and make Report to next monthly meeting

friends removed

Whereas there hath Divers friends removed and about to Remove within the compass of the nine partners monthly meeting, viz Jonathan Smith and Made his wife Banja Russell panels Stephen Smith & Children David Anthony & family and it appearing Necessary that they have Certificates therefor we do appoint our friend Jonathan Hussey Trine Allen Samuel Smith William Anthony Jr Tho Hicks to join the women & make the Necessary Inquiries on that account and Draw Certificates if they find things clear and bring them to next mo meeting

D. Cornel want's advice

Daniel Cornal Informs that he Desires some Advice in regard to his selling & removing from hence, and we do appoint our friends Thomas Hicks William Sandford and Joseph Gifford for that purpose

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To settle with Treasurer

We appoint Prince Allen & William Anthony ^{sr} to settle accounts with the Treasurer & also with Tho^s Smith in behalf of this meeting & Report to next monthly meeting, they are also to Receive & Examine all accounts that stands against this meeting and bring the sum total to next monthly meeting

This meeting hath collected ten pounds four Shillings & 7 old ten

5 mo 1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 5th of 5^{mo} 1774 the Representatives are Tho^s Hicks & Samuel Smith both present

Case of Bar Little and Wm Russell referred

The matters Respecting Barker Little & William Russell is Referred to next monthly meeting under the same friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report

Persons nominated

Maac Howland ^{sr} hath signed a bill of Manicission for his Negro man Doro and Delivered to this meeting which this meeting accepts

Concerning Pol. Blount and John Russell and Slaves and J Russell

The matters Respecting Deleg Sloun & John Russell in Regard their freeing their Slaves is Referred by reason of some Encouragment of Compiz^{ion} one month Longer under the same friends care as heretofore and also the matter Respecting Joseph Russell in regard to his holding his Negro in Bondage is Referred by the Request of his son & Abraham Tucker & John Dotter and they to make Report to next meeting when said Russell Returns home from his Journey

Case of Cha Russell referred

The matter Respecting Charles Russell is Referred under the care of the same friends as heretofore and they to make report next meeting when Ready as C. Russell is gone for home

Case of Eph Tripp and Paul Russell referred

The matters Respecting Receiving Ephim Tripp & Pileon Gifford paper is Referred one month longer under the same friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report

The matter Respecting Paul Russell paper is Referred one month longer under the same friends care as heretofore

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Certificates signed by Smith Anthony & Children

This meeting hath signed Certificates for Jonathan Smith & Wife and David Anthony & Wife & Children to the Monthly meeting of the Nine Partners

Prince & William Anthony ^{sr} made Report to this meeting as followeth which is Accepted

According to Appointment we have settled Accounts with the Treasurer and Remain in the Stock - - £ 8 11 0 10 old ten

Due to Benj^a Allen - - - - - 11 14 4 10

Due to Benj^a Smith ^{sr} for keeping Alice Smith from the 25th of 10^{mo} 1773 to the 4th of 4^{mo} 1774 - - - - - 5 7 4 10

Settlement of Accounts

Due to Thomas Hicks for Repairing meeting house 3 - 3 - 11 - - - - - 0 4 0

Due to Timothy Russell - - - - - 20 9 7 10

and also we have settled with Tho^s Smith and paid him in full of all his Demands

Dartmouth the 6th of 5^{mo} 1774

William Anthony ^{sr}
Prince Allen

a few lines Jonathan Haysey

This meeting signed a few lines for Jonathan Haysey by way of Certificate to the Oblong & Nine partners as he is absent to travel to them parts

To draw Certi^{cate} for Ben Russell Stephen Smith

We Continue the same friends as heretofore to Draw Certificates for Benj^a Russell & Stephen Smith and their Children and make Report when Ready - - - - - £ 2 11 2 0 10

This meeting collected - - - - - £ 2 11 2 0 10

Order on Treasurer

The Treasurer is Ordered to pay Benj^a Allen - - - - - £ 20 old ten and Report to next meeting

6 mo 1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of 6^{mo} 1774 the Representatives are Jonathan Haysey & Prince Allen both present

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The matter Respecting Barker Little and William Russell is refer'd to next monthly meeting for further Consideration under the care of the same friends as heretofore

The matter in Regard to Ephraim Tripp is Refer'd to next monthly meeting for further proof of his Sincerity under the care of Prine Allen & Barzillia Tucker and then they to make Report

Likewise the Case of Gideon Gifford is Refer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of Joseph Tucker & Abraham Tucker and then they to make report

The matters Respecting John Russell & Peleg Slocum in regard to their freeing their Negroes is Refer'd one month longer under the care of Joseph Gifford William Sandford and Samuel Smith by reason of Encouragment of Compliance and then they to make Report

The treasurer Reports he hath paid Benja Allen the money as order'd last mo meeting

Our friend Robert Walker hath Visited this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Brighouse in the County of York, Dated the 19th of 5mo 1773 also one from a Quarterly meeting held at York the 24th & 25th of 5mo 1773 with a Concurring one from the yearly meeting of ministers & Elders held in London from the 29th of 5mo to the 7th of 6mo 1773 all which were read to satisfaction and his Dift Kind accepted

The matter in Regard to Paul Russell is refer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore for a further proof of his Sincerity and then they to make Report

Thompson Smith informs that he is about to Remove with his family to East Sloofuck and Desires our Certificate therefore Joseph Barker Prine Allen & Samuel Smith are appointed to make the Necessary Inquiry and draw one for him if think proper and bring it to next monthly meeting

Micajah Wood hath given in a paper condemning his marrying out of the Unity of friends & we do appoint our friends Barzillia Tucker & Wm. Noyes to confer with him on that Account in order

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order to Discover his Sincerity and make Report to next monthly meeting

Our friend Elizabeth Robinson hath Visited this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Richmond in Yorkshire bearing date of 4th of 5mo 1773 with one of Concurrence from the Quarterly meeting held at York of 24 & 25 of the same 1773 with another of Concurrence from the Yearly meeting of ministers and Elders held at London from of 29th of 5mo to the 7th of 6mo 1773 all which were Read to Satisfaction and her Dift and Testimony well Accepted

Likewise our friend Sapanak Lightfoot hath visit us with her Certificate from the monthly meeting held at Washlon Chester County in Pennsylvania Dated the 9th of the 6mo 1774 whose Dift was kindly Accepted

The Queries and Answers thereto were read and an Epistle Sing'd for the Quarterly meeting and Order'd forward to sd meeting by our Representatives, who are Tho. Hulse, James Dowie Barzillia Tucker Wm Anthony & Joh Williams and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

The friends at Bedford Request to hold two meetings for a Day at Worshipp on first days which is granted untill the monthly meeting in the tenth month next, Said meetings to begin in the fore noon at the 10 hour and in the afternoon at the 3rd hour

Giles Slocum hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the Reproachfull Sin of fornication and we appoint our friends Samuel Smith Joseph Gifford Joseph Barker Wm Barker Seth Russell to take an Opportunity of Conference with said Slocum in order to Discover his Sincerity and make Report to next monthly meeting

This meeting collected - \$2 0 9 old tenner

7th mo
1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 8th of 7th mo 1774
the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Prince Allen both present

Case of W^m Russell refer'd
The matters Respecting William Russell is Refer'd one month longer under the Care of the same friends as heretofore & then they to make Report

Case of Bar Little refer'd
The matter Respecting Barker Little is Refer'd to next meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

Case of Eph Tripp refer'd
The matter Respecting Ephrim Tripp is Refer'd to next monthly meeting under the Care of Prince Allen & Barseleai Tucker, John Potter & Cabot Russell and they to Report next monthly meeting

Case of Gid Gifford refer'd
The matter Respecting Gideon Gifford is Refer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

Case of John Russell and Riley Stocum receiving Negroes refer'd
The matters Respecting John Russell & Deleg Stocum seeing their Negroes not being fully Completed therefore its Refer'd to next monthly meeting under the Care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

Case of Paul Russell refer'd
The matter in Regard to Paul Russell is Refer'd to next monthly meeting under the same friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report

Case of Sam Smith refer'd
The friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for Humphry Smith Report that they hant Completed & Business there they are still continued for that purpose and to make Report to next monthly meeting

Case of Micajah Wood refer'd
The matter Respecting Micajah Wood is Refer'd to next meeting under the care of the same friends as before and then they to make Report

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1774

Return from Quarterly meeting
The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that all attended and have produced an Epistle from the same which was Read & well Accepted

London Epistle
The London Printed Epistle of Last year was read in this meeting and as it contains much Good Advice & Instruction Pertinant to the Present times it is order'd to be Publickly Read at the close of our meeting for worship

Transcrip yearly meeting Epistle
A Transcrip of our Last yearly meeting Epistle was Read and kindly Accepted. P. Transcrip informs the yearly meeting confirm the Judgment of the Quarterly meeting against David and Tho. Smith and as to the matter of Gideon Howland & Katherine Stoun marriage, it is Recommended that we strictly adhere to the Rules of the Society in that Respect

Transcrip of London Written Epistle
A Transcript of the London Written Epistle for the Last year was likewise read in this meeting and the Salutory advice therein well Received Also a Transcript of the Epistle from the yearly meeting of Philadelphia was read to good Satisfaction

Giles Stocum Case refer'd
The matter in Regard to Giles Stocum is Refer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore and Jonathan & Daniel Cornal & Joh Williams are aded to them and they to make Report to next meeting

Sewels History paid for
The Treasurer Reports he hath paid two Dollars it being the Remainder for one of Sewels History

Denial to be drawn against David Smith
We appoint our friend Samuel Smith & Prince Allen to inspect the minutes made against David Smith and Draught a paper of Denial against him if they think proper when minutes is inspected and bring it to next monthly meeting

7 month
1774

Clement Biddle
proposal
marriage

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Clement Biddle of Philadelphia and Rebecca Conal
Declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage
and were Desir'd to wait untill the next monthly meeting
for their Answer

D. Conal
Requests
Certificate

Daniel Conal Desires a Removal Certificate for him
Self and Children ^{to a meeting of the Nine partners} under age therefore we appoint Thos
Hicks and William Anthony to make the necessary and
to Draw one for him if they think proper and bring it
to next monthly meeting

Subscriptions
to raise
money

This meeting hath concluded to come to a Subscription
being in Debt nearly to the amount of twenty five pound
Lawfull money And our friends Caleb Russell Prince
Allen William Wood & Abraham Howland & Benj. Sloum
are Appointed to Receive & to pay the same into the
treasury of this meeting and make Report of their Doings
with the sum total as soon as they convenient can

This meeting hath Collected £ 3 11 s 4 3 old tenno

Three books
Received

This meeting hath Received three Books of Robert
Barkley & William Penns works from our yearly meeting
which is for the Use of friends in General

8 mo
1774

Wm Russell
case refer'd

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ^{the} 15th of 8^{mo} 1774
the Representatives are Prince Allen & Thos Hicks present

The matter Respecting William Russell is Refer'd to next
monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as here
before, and they are Desir'd to Inform him that friends are
not willing to Receiv his paper by reason of his slowness
of attending meetings

B. Little
case refer'd

The matter Respecting Barker Little is Refer'd to next
mo meeting under the care of Jonathan Huggay & Seth Lupton
and then they to make Report

8 month
1774

Ephraim Tripp
case refer'd

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The matter Respecting Ephraim Tripp is Refer'd to
next monthly meeting under the same friends care as here
before and then they to make Report

Gideon Gifford
case refer'd

The friends that had the care of that matter in regard to
Gideon Gifford Desire the matter Refer'd one month longer
therefore the matter is Refer'd under the same friends and then they to
make Report

John Russell &
Pelay Sloum
case refer'd

The matter in Regard to John Russell & Pelay Sloum being
their Negroes not being yet fully completed therefore the
matter is Refer'd one month longer under the same friends
care as here before and then they to make report

H. Smith
Certificated

This meeting hath signed Removal Certificates for
Humphry Smith & his Wife and Children to the monthly
meeting at the Nine partners

Paul Russell
case refer'd

The matter Respecting Paul Russell is Refer'd to next
monthly meeting under the same friends care as here be-
fore and then they to make Report

Micajah Wood
case refer'd

The matter in regard to Micajah Wood is Refer'd under
the care of Barzillia Tucker Benjamin Rider and John
Williams to next monthly meeting & then they to make
Report

Giles Sloum
case refer'd

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting
Giles Sloum Desire the matter to be Refer'd which is Refer'd
to next monthly meeting & then they to make Report

Testimony
against
D. Smith
Recorded in
page 299

This meeting hath signed a paper of Denial against
David Smith and the Clerk is order'd to read a paper
Publicly at the close of a first days meeting for
worship and make Report to next monthly meeting

Clement Biddle
Certificate

Clement Biddle hath Produced a Certificate from
the monthly meeting of Philadelphia certifying that he
is a member of their meeting & clear of marriage being
meats Engagements as far as they know

8 month
1774

C. B. &
R. C.
Received
their answer

Therefore Clement Biddle and Rebecca Cornal appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting Advising with the Overseers this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and Caleb Russell and Jonathan Higby is appointed for that see their marriage solemnized in good order and make report to next monthly meeting

D. Cornal
Certificate
Sing?

This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Nine partners for our friend Daniel Cornal and his Children under age

Certificate
to be given
all moved
in the
of Nine partners
next monthly
meeting

We appoint our friends Thomas Hicks Prine Allen William Anthony Sr and Samuel Smith to Draw Removal Certificates for all the friends that have Removed to Sarhatoga that they on Enquiry shall think proper and make report to next monthly meeting And also to Draw one for Pedediah Allen his wife and Children all to be Directed to the monthly meeting of Nine partners

order on
Treasurer

The Treasurer is orderd to pay Timothy Russell five dollars for half year keeping the meeting house

This meeting hath Collected £ 11 10 11 11 Old tenor

1774
2th mo

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 2nd mo 1774 the Representatives and William Sanford & Tho. Hicks present

W. Russell
case refer

The matter Respecting Wm. Russell is Referd to next monthly meeting under the Care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

Barker Little
case refer

The matter Respecting Barker Little is Referd to next monthly meeting under the Care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

9 month
1774

E. Tripp
Denied

Whereas Ephraim Tripp hath long been under Dealing and the matter having been under the care of a Committee for a long time and now said Committee Report that they have found no Satisfaction therefore we hereby Disown the said Ephraim Tripp from being a member of our Society and Prine Allen & Tho. Hicks is appointed to Draw a publick Testimony against him and bring it to next monthly meeting and also to shew him a Copy of the minute made against him

Case refer

The matter Respecting Gideon Gifford is Referd to next monthly meeting under the Care of Joseph Tucker & William Noffor and then they to make report

Manumissions
from John
Russell

John Russell hath signed and Delivered to this meeting, two Bills of Manumission one for a Negro Woman Named Lue and one for a Negro gale Named Pilot which this meeting accepts. And Delag Slocum Not fully Complying with friends Request in Regard to freeing his Negroes therefore the matter is Referd under the same friends care as heretofore, to next monthly meeting & then they to make Report

Paul Russell
case refer

P. Russell
Denied

Whereas Paul Russell having been under Dealing and the matter hath been Long under the Care of a Committee & now the greater part of D Committee (the other being absent) Report that they found no Satisfaction therefore we hereby Disown of said Paul Russell from being a member of our Society and Prine Allen & Thomas Hicks are appointed to Draw a publick Testimony against P. Russell & bring it to next monthly meeting & also shew him a Copy of this minute

Certificates
Sing for
several friends

This meeting hath signd Removal Certificates, to the monthly meeting at the Nine partners for the following friends viz
Shabrac Dennise his Wife and Children, Zephaniah Anthony with his Wife and Children

Anthony
Wife & children
&c

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1774

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R. Biddle This meeting hath also signed a Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of Philadelphia, for Rebecca Biddle wife of Clement Biddle

Micajah Wood case refer

The matter Respecting Micajah Wood is Refer'd to next mo meeting under the care of Borsillia Tucker, Benj^r Rider, Joseph Barker & Prince Allen and then they to make Report

Giles Slocum case refer

The Committee appointed on account of Giles Slocum Desire the matter to be Refer'd, which matter is Refer'd to next mo meeting and then they to make report

F. D. Smith Testimony read

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the Testimonies against David and Tho^s Smith as order'd

This meeting Collected £ 10 0 00 old tenor

This meeting Adjourns to the Last first in this month after the meeting of worships

9^{mo} 1774

This meeting meet According to Adjournment of 28th mo 1774 the Representatives being called both Present

Clement Biddle marriage

The friends Appointed to see Clement Biddle & Rebecca Cornell marriage consumated, Report that said marriage was consumated orderly Except the young woman Appearing with her bonet on in time of marriage, which appears that she did it Inadvertantly therefore friends Advise for the future on such Occasions women take off their bonets

manumissions from A.R.

Joseph Russell hath freed his Negro men from the State of Slavery, Namely Quack and Pero, and their Manumissions hath been Read in this meeting & Accepted

Tim Rufell is paid

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid Timothy Rufell five Dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year as order'd

Fr. Rider recommended as a Minister

The Queries were read in this meeting and Answer thereto and approv'd & sent with the Epistle, which was sign'd in this meeting to the Quarterly meeting, and our friend Treborn Rider was Recommended as a member of Quarterly meeting of ministers & Elders

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1774

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money sent for the 9th mo The Treasurer is order'd to hand three Dollars to the Representatives to the Quarterly for the yearly Stock and Report next meeting

Representatives to Q. Meeting

Our friends Thomas Hicks Borsillia Tucker Wm Barker Wm Anⁿ are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries and make report next meeting

10th mo
1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 7th mo 1774 the Representatives or Joseph Barker & Prince Allen both present

Wm Russell case refer

The matter Respecting Wm Russell is Refer'd to next mo meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

Barker Little case refer

One of the Committee appointed on account of Barker Little Report that they had had an opportunity with him and Desire the matter Refer'd therofore D. matter is Refer'd untill next mo meeting under their care and then they to make Report

Testimony signed against

Prince Allen & Tho^s Hicks hath answer'd their appointment and brought Testimonies against Ephraim Friggs & Paul Russell which were sign'd by the Clerk and D. Clerk is order'd to read D. Testimonies at the close of a first Days meeting at some convenient time after the time of appeal is out & then make Report

Gideon Gifford paper accepted

The Committee appointed on account of Gideon Gifford Report that they have so much Satisfaction as they are willing to Receive his paper Therefore this meeting Conclude to accept D. paper which is as followeth

G. Gifford paper

To the Preparative & Monthly meeting of friends Whom I have Married out of the Unity of friends & there in break the good order Established among them, which break of Disorder I am sorrow for and do condemn the same and Desire friends So far to pass by mine offence as to let me Remain under their care from your friend
Dartmouth 7th mo 1774
Gideon Gifford

The Committee appointed in the affair of P. Sloum, made a Report therefore the matter Respecting Poley Sloum's freeing his Negroes is Refr. untill next monthly meeting and the care of the same friends as heretofore & Joseph Tucker & Abraham Tucker is aded to them and they to Report to next monthly meeting

M. C. & E. F. Denid The women Inform that they have signed papers of Dechiel against mary Connal & Elisabeth Tucker which this meeting I approve of & the Clerk hath signed P. papers also

M. W. Denid Whereas Micajah Wood hath been under Dealing for moving out of the Unity of friends, and the matter been under the Consideration of a Committee for a long time, and they Report that said Woods Conduct hath been Disagreeable in Reporting a scandalous story about Edlieth Smith wife of Humphrey Smith of R. and not Inclining to Condemn the same to friends Satisfaction therefore we hereby Disown him the said Wood from being a member of our Society and Benj. Pider & Prince Allen are appointed to Draw a Testimony against him & bring it to next me meeting also to shew him a Copy of this minute and Inform of his Right of appeal and make Report to next monthly meeting

P. Sloum Case refers The Committee appointed on account of Elias Sloum desire the matter Refrid which is Refr. under the same friends. one as heretofore unto next monthly meeting & then they so make Report the Treasury Reports that he hath paid the money to the Representatives as order, last monthly meeting

Return from of 2. meeting The Representative Report that they all attended the Quarterly meeting, also we Received an Epistle from R. meeting with an Printed one from Philidelphia which were Read & kindly accept

D. Shepherd 3rd deces of a Certif. David Shepherd jr. Requests a few lines to the me meeting of Smithfield Copying his Coarness Respecting marriage and conversation & Caleb Russell & John Williams are appointed for that purpose & they to Report to next me meeting. Likewise Elias Sloum Requests one of the like to of me meeting of Coakst & Prince Allen & Thos. Hicks are appointed to take the necessary care on that account & Report next monthly meeting This meeting Collected £. 9. 5. Old Tenor

Testimony against David Smith should have been Record in page 293

Whereas David Smith of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England having long made Profession with us & been a member of our monthly meeting of Dartmouth, But for want of watchfulness, and Giving way to a Contentious mind, has so far Deviated from our Profession as to Publicly Report that some of the Overseers of our meeting were fals men, to the Defaming of them, and friends having Laboured with him in much Love in order to Retraut & Condemn the same and Restore him to unity with his Brethren again, But he Refusing to Comply therewith therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from the Reproach of such a Contentious Person this meeting is concerned to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony Against him, and hereby Disown him the said David Smith from being a member of our Society untill by Repentance he shall be Restored to the way of truth Given forth at our P. me meeting held on the 15th day of 9th month - 1774 Signed in and on behalf of P. meeting by W. Anthony jr. Clerk

Testimony against T. Smith should have been Record in page 295

Whereas Thomas Smith son of David Smith had his Education among friends & disregarding the testimony of truth so far as to Publicly Declare that Daniel Connel was a fals man & he could prove it, and he hath failed of his Assertion, and friends having Repeatedly Laboured with him in love in order to restore him to the way of truth, but our Labour of love not having the Desir. Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from the Reproach of such practices this meeting is concerned to Give this forth against him & do hereby Publicly Disown him the P. Thos Smith from being one Society and from under the care of friends Nevertheless Desiring if it be Agreeable with Divine pleasure that he may yet be Restored from the Lovd of his way & by unspigned Repentance Return to the way of truth Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 17th Day of 3me 1774 And signed in & on behalf of P. meeting by W. Anthony jr. Clerk

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 25th of 1st mo 1774 the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Nathl Mosher both Deput

Wm Russell case referd

The matter respecting William Russell is referd to next mo meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

Barker Little case referd

Some of the Committee that had the care of that matter Reporting Barker Little Report that they have fully Discharg'd their place on that account therefore the matter is still referd to next mo meeting under their care & then they to make Report

Manumission from D. N. Received

Deleg Hlocum hath signed & Deliver'd to this meeting two Bills of Manumission one for a Negro man named Ebor & one for a Negro man named London which this meeting accepts

Testimony against M. Wood

This meeting hath signed a Testimony against Micajah Wood and the Clerk is orderd to read W. paper at the close of a first Days meeting for Worship at some convenient time before next monthly meeting & then make Report. Testimony is as followeth

Whereas Micajah Wood hath had his Education amongst friends and Disregarding the testimony of truth so far as to marry out from amongst friends and also Reporting a scandalous story about Edleth Smith wife of Humphry Smith all which friends having Laboured with him in love in order to Restore him to the way of truth, but our Labour of love not having its Desired Effect to friends Satisfaction there fore for theearing of truth and friends from the reproach of such Practices this meeting is Concern'd to give this forth against him the said Micajah Wood and do hereby Publickly Disown him from being one of our Society and from under the care of friends. Nevertheless Desiring if it be agreeable with Divine Pleasure that he yet may be Restored from the evil of his ways and by unfeigned Repentance Return to the way of Truth

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 25th Day of 1st month 1774 and signed in and on behalf of D. meeting by Wm Anthony Jr Clerk

11 month 1774

Manumitted Negroes Informal

We appoint our friends Prince Allan Joseph Gifford and Caleb Russell to Inform a^d the Negroes Manumitted by friends belonging to this meeting that they are set at Liberty and advise with them as they think proper

Sturms case referd

The Committee appointed on that affair of Giles Sturms Deput that matter referd one month longer as they are not fully ready to make Report therefore D. matter is referd to next mo meeting under their care & then they to make Report

D. Shepherds Certificate

This meeting hath signed a Certificate for David Shepherds Jr to y^e monthly meeting of Smithfield Certifying his Carnes Report marriage also one of the like kind for Eliza Hlocum to the monthly meeting of Acasket

F. A Certificate

This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Sededia Allen his wife and Children to the Monthly meeting of y^e Divine Portners Likewise one for Isaac Sandford & Children to y^e meeting and Likewise one for Benja Russell his wife & Children to D. mo meeting Likewise one for Stephen Smith & Children to D. mo meeting

The year being Expired of the Service of the Overseers Likewise the Overseers of y^e Door yet the same are still continued in that Service till next monthly meeting and the Choice of D. Overseers is referd to next mo meeting

meetings begin at 12 hour

This meeting concludes that all our meetings for worship only begin at the twelveth hour Except at Bedford And to continue so until the monthly meeting in the fourth month next And then all our meetings to begin at the Eleventh hour until our yearly meeting in the fall

C. G. & D. under Deput

The Overseers Inform that Caleb Green, and Joshua Sherman hath nomid out of the Unity of friends and that D. same Green hath nomid his first wife and the Overseers having Laboured with them for the same altho they were not previously caution'd to Desert and they Decline to Condemn their Transgression therefore will referd to next monthly meeting

1775 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth of 16th of June 1775
the Representatives are Jonathan Hapley and John Williams present

Prince Allen
John Wms
proposed
over/over
Prince Allen and John Williams, not being fully willing to be appointed
Overseer at present therefore they are still Defer'd to Confess of the matter
one month longer and then they to make Report

W. R. paper
accepted
This meeting accepts of Williams Russell's paper, the Committee
on that account on that account on that account making somewhat
a Satisfactory Report concerning him

B Little's
paper
not read
Barker Little and wifes paper not being Read by Reason of
Disappointment therefore the matter is Refer'd and he is Defer'd to
Cause D. paper to be read as order'd before and Return it to next mo
meeting

Tim. Russ
is paid
Timothy Russell Informs that the Treasury has paid him the money
as order'd Last mo meeting

Giles Scam
case refer'd
The matter Respecting Giles Scam is Refer'd to next mo meeting
under the Care of the same Committee as heretofore by their Request
and then they to make Report

Caleb Green
& Shearman
case refer'd
The Committee appointed on account of Caleb Green and Joseph
Shearman Desire the matter Refer'd which is Refer'd to next mo
meeting and Caleb Russell is Dismiss'd from that Service by
Reason of being nigh in kind & Benj. Taber is aded in his
Room and they to make Report next mo meeting

D. Russell
Caliphata
Sign
Removal Certificates for friends David Russell & his wife to
Academy monthly meeting were signed at this meeting

J. H. &
M. A.
Breed
their
order
Jonathan Howland and Mary Allen Declard their Intentions of
marriage and were Defer'd to wait till next monthly for their answer
and Joseph Barker & William Anthony jr are appointed to Inquire into
the young mans Complaints Respecting marriage & Conversation and
make Report to next monthly meeting

our friends Prince Allen Wm Anthony jr Samuel Smith
Barzillia Tucker are appointed to Inspect into the Title of our

month
1775

Committee
to inspect
the title
of meeting
Law
meeting house land and where they find any defect to mend
and strengthen the same as they may think best and make
Report when they have Accomplish'd the same

Report from
last meeting
The Representative Report that they all attended the Quarterly
meeting According to appointment & have Produced an Epistle
from the same which hath been Read & kindly Accepted

John Wood &
Wm Haden
case refer'd
The matters Respecting John Wood and Wm Haden are Refer'd
to next monthly meeting on the account the Committee have not
had opportunity to fulfill their Appointment therefore they are
Continued in that Service & to make Report to next mo meeting
This meeting Collected it is no old tenor which is but to the
treasury by Benjamin Smith jr

The following paper of Richard Deekham should have been Read
in page 278

testimony
against
R. Deekham
Whereas Richard Deekham a member of this meeting, hath for
want of Adhearing to the measure of Light and Grace in his
own Heart, so far Deviated from the good order Established
Amongst us as to fall into the Sin of fornication as appears by
his wifes having a child soon after marriage and likewise
hath married his first Cousin the which he Declares to be
to friends satisfaction, and after our Labour of love we think
we are clear do disown the said Richard Deekham from being a
member of our Society untill it may please God to shew him his
Error and by an unfeigned repentance he may Return, is our
heartly Desire, Given forth at our monthly meeting held in
Dartmouth — 17th Day of the first month — 1774 —
Signed in and on behalf of sd meeting by
William Anthony jr Clerk

2 mo
1775
John Wms
Overseer
B Little
paper read
At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth of 20th of 2nd mo 1775
the Representatives are Jonathan Hapley & Barzillia Tucker present
John Williams is appointed Overseer in order to join in the Right
in that Service — This meeting is Inform'd that Barker Little
and wifes paper hath been read as order'd & Return'd to this
meeting and is as followeth

to The monthly Meeting of friends to be holden at Dartmouth the
15th the 1st month 1775

B. Little
and wife
paper

Friends whereas we through the Information of the Adversary
have fallen into the gross sin of fornication and brought a great
scandal upon our Profession for which we are sorry for and do
condemne hoping God will forgive us and friends to forgo by
this offense with all other our offenses as to lett us still remain
under their Care

Mark Little
Elizabeth Little

Case of
Caleb Green
& Sherma
in S. Smith

The Committee appointed on account of Caleb Green & Sophia
Sherman jr & Isaac Smith Report that they informed Smith as
order and that Caleb Green gave them some satisfaction and
P. Green & wife gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning
their misconduct they likewise Report in regard to Sophia
Sherman that they had an opportunity of Confession with him
and he gave them no satisfaction and this meeting Couled
to Refer the matters Respecting Green & P. Sherman under the
Care of Benjamin, John Williams & Benjⁿ Pider and they to make
Report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Enquire into the Clearness of
Jonathan Howland Report that they have made Inquiry and
find nothing so material as to hinder his Proceeding

Jonathan Howland and Mary Allen appeared for their Answer
which was that they might proceed to take each other in
marriage in some convenient time before next meeting
advising with the Overseers we shall appoint for that purpose
and Joseph Barker & Wm Anthony jr to see their marriage Confess
in good order & make Report next monthly meeting

J. H. &
M. A.
Received
their
Answer

Thomas Mott and Rhoda Hathaway Declard their
Intention of taking Each other in Marriage & were Desir'd
to wait untill next monthly meeting for their Answer and
William Wood & Barzillia Tucker are appointed to Enquire into
P. Mott's Clearness in regard to marriage & Conversation & make
Report next monthly meeting

J. W. &
B. T.
Publ^d

The friends Appointed to Labour with John Wood and Wm
Haden Report they have not fully Discharged themselves
in that matter and Desire it to be Refer'd which is Refer'd
to next monthly meeting and then they to make Report

J. Davis
Requests
Certificate

James Davis Desires a Certificate Signifying his Clearness
Respecting marriage & Conversation to the Monthly meeting
of Smithfield therefore David Sheehor and Benjamin Taber
are Appointed to take the Necessary Care on that account and
bring one to next monthly meeting if they find him Clear

David Hart
gave in a
paper

David Hart hath given in a Paper to this meeting Concerning
his marrying out of the Unity of friends, and we Appoint Joseph
Tucker William Mosher & William Wood to take an Opportunity
of Conference with him in order to Discover his Sincerity, and
Report to next monthly meeting

Charles Ruffell
Case

The Committee appointed some months past on Account of
Charles Ruffell Report that he gave them no Satisfaction
and that P. Ruffell is about to marry out of the Unity of friends
and Samuel Smith & Prine Allen are Appointed to Draught a
Testimony against P. Ruffell and bring it to next meeting
also to Inform him of his Right of an Appeal

money paid
to the Treasury

Caleb Ruffell Reports that he hath Rais'd by way of Subscription
as order some months past the sum of Eight pounds Eleven
Shillings & four pence Lawfull money and paid into the Treasury
This meeting Collected 18th 17th 1775 old tenor which is sent to the
Treasury by Prine Allen

order on Treasury

The Treasury is order to pay Benjamin Allen his Demand
on the meeting also those that have Demand for Repairing
the meeting house and make Report next meeting

J. Hays
Requests a
Certificate

Jonathan Hays Desires a Removal Certificate for him
self his Wife & Children to the monthly meeting of Newington
and we appoint William Sandford Wm Anthony jr and John
Potter to take the Necessary Care on that account and bring one to
next meeting if they think proper

2 month
1775
adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to the first Day of next month

This meeting meet by Adjournment of 5 Day: June 1775
the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey and Bessilia Tucker
present

The Clerk Reports that he hath read the Testimony against
Paul Ruppells & Ephrim Tripp as ordered some months past
and Return'd said Testimonies to this meeting

William Barker and William Sandford are Appointed to have
the Oversight of the Burjing Ground in the Room of Jonathan
Hussey who is about to Remove from hence, and they to Join
with Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker in that Service

The Treasury is orderd to pay Benjamin Smith Jr his bill
against this meeting which was Inspected and Allow'd some
time past and Report to next monthly meeting

Whereas Paul Ruppell Son of Paul Ruppelle having had his
Education among friends and Disregarding the Testimony of
of Truth so far as to be found in some abusive behaviour
with Roger Mosher in the Night, and Likewise in
Reporting with a Rude Company at Prime Dollers horse
at which plainly Appears by his own confession and
friends having Repeatedly with him in love in order to
Restore him to the way of Truth but our Labour of Love not
having the Desir'd Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for
the Clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of such
practices this meeting is concern'd to give this forth against him
and do hereby publicly Disown him the said Paul Ruppelle from
being one of our Society and from under the Care of friends
yet Nevertheless Desiring if it be agreeable with Divine
pleasure that he may yet be Restor'd from the Evil of his ways
and by Unfeigned Repentance Return to the way of Truth
Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 17thth of
June 1775
and signed in Don behalf of meeting by

Wm Anthony Jr. Clerk

Wm Barker
Wm Sandford
overseers
of Burjing
ground

Order on
Treasury

Testimony
against
P. Ruppelle

2 month
1775

Testimony
against
E. Tripp

Whereas Ephrim Tripp Son of Wm Tripp, Having had
his Education among friends and Disregarding the
Testimony of Truth so far as to be found in some abusive
behaviour with Roger Mosher in the Night Season and
Likewise in Reporting with a Rude Company at Prime
Dollers house all which appear by his own Confession, and
friends having Repeated Laboured with him in love
in order to Restore him to the way of Truth, but our Labour
of Love not having the Desir'd Effect to friends Satisfaction
therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from the
Reproach of such Practices this meeting is concern'd to give
this forth against him & do hereby Publicly Disown him
the said Ephrim Tripp from being one of our Society and
from under the Care of friends yet Nevertheless Desiring
if it be agreeable with Divine Pleasure that he may yet
be Restor'd from the Evil of his ways and by unfeigned
Return to the way of Truth

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth
the 17th Day of June 1775 and signed in Don behalf of
meeting by

William Anthony Jr. Clerk

Bill for keeping
Alice Smith

The Overseers of the Door hath handed in a bill from
Benjamin Smith Jr for keeping Alice Smith to the amount
of 4 11 6 8 Lawfull money which is Accepted

Care of James
Howland's
request

Caleb Ruppelle & Seth Ruppelle are Appointed in the room
of Jonathan Hussey to Join Bessilia Tucker in having
Care of that matter Respecting James Howland Jr who
Requested to Come among friends and make Report
when Ready

Content Tucker
Received

the women Inform that they have minuted Content Tucker
under their Care which this meeting Approoveth

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Jonathan Huxsey Jr & Content Tucker Declard their Intention
of marriage and were Desir'd to wait till next monthly
meeting for their Answer and William Sandford and John
Potter are Appointed to see into the young mans Cleanes
Respecting marriage and Conversation and Report to next mo
Meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th mo 1775
the Representatives are Benja. Howland and Samuel Smith present

The Committee appointed on Account of Calob Green & Sophia
Sherman are Desir'd them matters Refor'd as they have not
fully Discharged themselves on those Accounts therefore
the matter is Refor'd under their care of the same Committee
and Wm. Naylor & Barzillia Tucker are aded to them in that
Service and they to make Report next mo meeting

The matter Respecting Giles Sloum not being fully
settled to friends Satisfaction therefore the matter is Refor'd
under the care of the same Committee as heretofore and
they to make Report to next monthly meeting

One of the friends Appointed to see the Marriage of
Jonathan Howland & Mary Allen Confomated Report
that he attended the marriage and saw nothing but what
it was Confomated in a Degree Orderly the other friend hath
Render'd a Reasonable Excuse for his non Attendance

The friends Appointed to Inspect into the Cleanes of Tho.
Mott Respecting marriage and Conversation Report that
they find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in marriage

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The friends appointed to Inquire into Jonathan Huxsey Jr Cleanes
make the like Report that they find nothing to hinder

Thomas Mott and Rhoda Hathaway, and Jonathan Huxsey Jr
& Content Tucker Appear'd for their Answer, which was that
Each couple might proceed to take each other in marriage
in some convenient time between this & the next monthly
meeting Advising with the Overseers this meeting shall Appoint
for that purpose and Adam Gifford & Barzillia Tucker are Appointed
to see the marriage of Tho. Mott & Rhoda Hathaway, Solemnized
orderly, and Wm Sandford and John Potter are Appointed for the
same Service with the other couple and all to make
Report next mo meeting

The matters Respecting John Wood and William Haden are
Refor'd to next monthly meeting under the care of the same
friends as before, and they to make Report next monthly
meeting

A Certificate was signed at this meeting for James Davis to the
Monthly meeting of Smithfield Signifying his Cleanes in regard
to Marriage and Conversation

This meeting hath signed and sent to the Quarterly meeting
of Ministers and Elders a minitue Recommending Freeman
Rider as a minister and member of the select meeting

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of the meeting at
Bedford Report that they have Generally attended the meeting
and that it was held and conducted in a Good Degree orderly
and that they think it might be Advantageous to Continue
the same and the friends Living there do Generally Request
it to be Continued one year longer which is granted according
and they to hold two meetings the first on the 1st of the month
in the tenth month then one meeting on the first day and one on
the sixth day of the week and the meeting to begin on the 10th hour
and on the 13th hour on the first day & at the 11th hour on the 2nd day

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and our friends David Shepherd James Davis and Caleb
Russell are appointed to have the Oversight of D. meeting &
and to make Report at the Expiration thereof

This meeting Collected L. 11 6 old tennor

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This meeting Adjourns to the 29th Instant after the meeting of
worship

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1775

This meeting being meet by Adjournment the 29th of June 1775
the Representatives are Benjamin Howland & Samuel Smith present

David Hart
case referd

Two of the friends Appointed on account of David Hart Report
that he gave them some Satisfaction, yet they Desire the matter
Refer, which is also Referd under their care and they to make
Report next monthly meeting

Treasurer
report

The Treasury Reports that he hath not paid all the money as
orderd Last monthly meeting therefore he is stilld to
accomplish that business and make Report to next meeting

Testimony
against
C. Russell
Signed

This meeting hath Signed a Testimony against Charles Russell
and the Clerk is orderd to Read D. Testimony at the Close of a first
E. Report Days meeting for worship before next mo meeting and then make
Report

D. Testimony is as followeth

Whereas Charles Russell having had his Education among friends but
this, Unwatchfulness and Disregarding the Testimony of truth in his own
heart hath so far departed therefrom as to be found Guilty of the heinous
sin of fornication and also hath married out of the unity of of friends
and we having timely Labourd with him in Love in order for his recovery
but friends Labour not having the Desir'd Effect to friends Satisfaction
therefore for the clearing of truth this meeting is coverd for the
maintaining of our Christian Testimony and the preservation of the
Professors thereof from the Approach of such Enormous practices
Do hereby Publicly Divorce him the D. Charles Russell from
being a member of our Religious Community and from under our
the Care of this meeting Untill by Unfeigned Repentance he shall
Return to the way of truth & find many with the Lord
Given forth & Signed in & on behalf of the meeting held in Dartmouth
by Adjournment 29th of June 1775 by Wm Anthony jr Clerk

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answers
Epistle and
Representative
to D. meeting

The Queries have been Read and Answerd in this meeting and an
Epistle to the Quarterly meeting Read and Signd. Sent with D.
answer to D. Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are
Caleb Russell Borsillia Tucker James Davis John Williams Wm.
Mogher Wm Barker & Wm Anthony jr who are appointed to attend
the Quarterly meeting and make Return next mo meeting

Adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to the 7th Day of next month

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This meeting being meet by Adjournment of 7th Day of June 1775
the Representatives are Benj. Howland & Samuel Smith present

Bob Howland hath Exhibited a Complaint against Wm Wood
wherein he Requests W Wood to Leave an affair to men Subst
sing between him & W Wood and the Overseers Inform that they
have had them together and Advise W Wood to Submit D. matter
to men but he Declines the same and this meeting being coverd
therefore the Chusing a Committee is Referd to next mo meeting

J. Husey
Certificate
Signed

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate to the me
meeting at the Nise Contractors for our friend Jonathan Husey and
Hapliah his wife and Sylvenia & Rachel their children and
their Granddaughter Elisabeth Husey

Jonathan Husey Jr
request d
Certificate

Jonathan Husey Jr Requests a Removal Certificate to D. meeting
and Wm Sandford & Wm Anthony Jr are Appointed to Draw
one from him if they on Inquiring shall think proper and bring
it to next mo meeting

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No Representa
tives
meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth of 17th of June 1775
There not appearing any Representatives from the preparative
meeting the Reason Alledged being the severity of the
meeting concluded to go forward as usual, yet fear the
coolness and want of true Zeal for the Cause of Truth
was too much the Primary Cause of the afore Neglect

Caleb Green
& Sherman
case referd

The Committee that had the Care of those matters Request
Caleb Green and Joshua Sherman jr Report that
they have Received some Satisfaction yet this meeting

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meeting thinks proper to Refer P. matter under the Care of the same Committee and they to make Report to next meeting

C. Holum
paper
Accepted

This meeting Conclude to Accept of Giles Holums paper
Censuring his falling into the Sin of Fornication with
Ruth Russell provided he cause a paper to be Publickly Read at
the Case of a first Days meeting for worship before next monthly
he being present and Report to next monthly meeting and return
P. paper and Prince Allen is appointed to Serve P. Holum with a
Copy of this minute

Said paper is as followeth

To the Subscribers Monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth
Whereas I have gave way to the Enfection of the adeefory so
far as to be guilty of the sin of fornication with Ruth Russell
Whereby she charged me of being father of her bastard child
which Reproachful sin I am sorry for & do hereby
forgiveness from the Almighty and that friends may be job
poys by mine offence as to let me Remain under their care
from your friend
Dartmouth 16. of 2^o 1774
Giles Holum

The Mott
& Halsey
marriage

The friends appointed to see Tho. Mott and Rhoady Hathaway
and Jonathan Huppey jr and Content Tucker marriages confirmed
all made Report that they attended P. marriages and saw nothing
but that they were Confirmed orderly

John Wood
Wm Haden
case refer

The Committee Appointed on account of John Wood and
William Haden Devine them matters Referd which is Referd
which is Referd under the Care of the same Committee and they to make
to next monthly meeting

Frederick
report

The Treasurer Reports he hath not paid the money as ordered Last
monthly meeting therefore he is yet Continued to pay P. money as
ordered and make Report next monthly meeting

C. Russell
Johnson
had

She Cook Reports that he hath Read the Testimony against
Charles Russell as ordered

4 month
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Return
from the
Quarterly
meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting being called upon
Report that four of them Attended but Ches Russell & James
Davis did not attend the whole of P. meeting but rendered a reason
therefor which was Accepted
and they have produced an Epistle from P. Quarterly meeting which
hath read and well Accepted

Case of Wm Wood

The Appointing a Committee at the Last Adjournment on that
affair of William Woods being Omitted by reason of the smallness
of the meeting therefore we now Appoint our friends Adam Gifford
Benj. Holum Benje Chase Philip Allen to Labour with Wm Wood
to submit P. matter to men Agreeable to our Discipline

J. H. jr
Participate
Signed

This meeting Signed a Removal Certificate for Jonathan Huppey
jr and Content his wife to the monthly meeting of the Vineporters

Report Wm Smith
case

The Committee Appointed some time past to Labour with Wm Smith
Report as followeth - We the Subscribers being Appointed some
time past to Labour with Wm Smith for taking too much spiritous
Liquor soon after which Appointment he Removed up the
Country Nevertheless two of us had an Opportunity to speak
with him on that Account and Labour with him according
to our Ability, but received no ^{real} satisfaction and after a long
time of Trial we are Informed by Credible Information and
undoubted Evidence that he yet Continues in the same practice
of taking spiritous Liquor therefore we think best that he be Dehied
by friends - from your friends
Philip Toafford
Donnell Smith
John Potter
Dated the 5th of 2^o 1775

W. Smith
Denid

Which is Accepted therefore this meeting Doth Disown the P.
Smith from under the Care of friends and Samuel Smith is appoint
ed to Draw a testimony against him and bring it to next mo.
meeting also to serve him with a Copy of this minute

Gemimah
Davis
Certificate

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Gemimah
Davis to the monthly meeting at the Oblong
This meeting Collected - 28-8-5 - at tenno

To Revise correct & record meetings minutes

This Meeting appoints William Anthony & Samuel Smith Thomas Hicks Barzilla Tucker to Revise correct and Record this meetings minutes and also to settle accounts with the Treasurer and make Report next monthly meeting

5 mo 1775

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 5th mo 1775 the Representatives are Caleb Russell & Nicholas Howland present

Care of C Green & Sherman refer'd

The Committee that had the care of the matter Respecting Caleb Green and Joshua Sherman ^{jun} hath made report which is somewhat Satisfactory yet they not being present said matters are Refer'd to next monthly meeting under the same friends and then they to make Report

Final paper adopted

Report that been made that Giles Slocum's paper hath been read and Returned to this meeting as order'd

D. H's paper adopted

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting David Hart, made Report that was so Satisfactory to this meeting that we Conclude to Accept D. Hart's paper as Satisfactory

Wm Wood care refer'd

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Wm Wood Report that said wood still Declines to leave Controversy to men yet by his request the matter is Refer'd to next monthly meeting for further Confederation and then he to make report

D. N and Wm Maden matter refer'd

The Committee that were appointed in the Case Respecting John Wood and Wm Maden Report that they have been in Progress but have not fully Completed the same to their Satisfaction & Desire it continued which is continued Accordingly under the same friends care as before and they to make Report when they shall accomplish the matter

Wm Smith paper

A Testimony against Wm Smith was signed in this meeting by the Clerk and he is order'd to read it Publicly as usual & make Report to next monthly meeting which is followeth

Wm Smith denial

Whereas William Smith son of Jonathan Smith & Prudence his wife Late of Dartmouth, but now a Resident in Eastbrook in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England having been Educated and made profession with friends but hath so far Departed therefrom as frequently to fall into the Reproachful Evil of taking too much Spiritous Liquor to his own the Prejudice of his family, and a Reproach to that holy profession and name that he hath pretended to make Profession of and friends having from time to time in Love Labour with him for his Reformation in hopes he would Refrain from a practice so Obviously Destructive to man kind, but friends Labour of Love not Obtaining the Desired End, but he continuing therein therefore for the clearing of truth and the testimony we bear from such Reproachful Evils this meeting is Convinced to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him and do hereby Disown him the said William Smith from being a member of our Society untill by Repentance and Reformation he shall Return from the Error of his way and be Restored to the way of Truth

Given forth & signed in and by order of our monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 15th of 5th mo 1775 by Wm Anthony Jr Clerk

Committee to correct & minutes

The friends to Revise correct & Record this meetings minutes Report that they have Revised & Corrected the minutes and left them with William Anthony Jr to Record, but they Report they have not settled with the Treasurer by Reason some Subscriptions that are gone out & not made up & Completed and Wm Anthony Jr and Prudence Allen are appointed to settle with said Treasurer and make Report next monthly meeting

To settle with Treasurer

Ruben Smith care

One of the friends appointed some time past to Labour with Ruben Smith being Removed from hence, this meeting appoints Abraham Howland to join Prudence Allen in that matter and to make Report next monthly meeting

5 months
1775

The Committee appointed some time past on account of James Howland's Request to come under friends made Report to this meeting that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction therefore we accept of said Howland to be under the care of this meeting

Obediah Allen Requests a Removal Certificate for him self his wife and Children to the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners and we appoint Thos. Stuke & Philip Allen to join the women and take the necessary Care if they think proper

This meeting Collected - £9 11 0 old tenon

Removal Certificates for Rhoda Allen & Meribah Arnold Directed to the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners were signed in this meeting

6 mo
1775 A Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 6 mo 1775
The Representatives are William Hooper & Samuel Smith both pres

James Howland and Meribah Shephard Declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were Desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer, and Seth Russell & John Williams are appointed to Inquire into the young mens Claims respecting marriage and consanguinity & make Report to next monthly meeting

The Committee that had the care of that matter Reporting Joshua Sherman's made Report to this meeting which was so satisfactory as we conclude to accept of said Sherman's papers for Satisfaction but Caleb Green not being present by reason of his being unwell therefore that matter Reporting Caleb Green is Referred to next monthly meeting under the same friends care as heretofore & then they to make Report

William Wood made no Report to this meeting, whether he would submit that matter to men Suspecting between himself and Job Howland, or not therefore the matter is Referred under the Care of Adam Pifford Philip Allen Bay's & Jesse Bay's to Cease & make Report to next meeting

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against Wm Smith as ordered

Wm Smith denied

month
1775

The women Inform that they Received a Removal Certificate in behalf of Sarah Storum from the monthly meeting of Coakett

A Removal Certificate on behalf of Obediah Allen his Wife and Children Directed to the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners was signed in this meeting

The Committee that had the care of that matter Reporting Rubin Smith made Report that he gave them no Satisfaction for his misconduct therefore we do Disown him the said Rubin Smith from being under our care and Abraham Howland is appointed to Reprimand him of his Denial and make Report to next monthly meeting

The Treasurer Reports that the Committee Appointed some time past to Rais money by way of Subscription have raised and paid to the Treasury the Sum of £17 10 2 Lawfull money

The Committee Appointed to Settle with the Treasurer made the following Report which is Accepted

We the Subscribers having Settled accounts with the Treasurer according to Appointment as followeth
The money Collected and into the Treasury by order of the monthly meeting Since the 16th of June 1774
amounts to in Lawfull money 33 16 0
Treasurer paid out 24 15 11
Remains in the Stock 9 0 1

Dartmouth of 17th of June 1775 for Prince Allen
Wm Anthony 93

We are Informed that Joseph Trafford is Included into the war or militia and been Labour'd with by one of the Overseers and not Re-traiding therefrom and for the clearing of truth we do Disown him from being under our care and we appoint Abraham Howland and Bay's Howland and to Issue said Trafford with a copy of this minute when they have and Opportunity, & the Clerk is ordered to Read this minute Publicly as usual & Report to next meeting

Joseph Trafford Disown'd

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1775

The women Inform that they have Disowned Rebeckah
Russell wife of Fethrow Russell, and Mary King wife of
Giles King which this meeting concurs with

The Queries were read in this meeting and Answers thereto
which were approved and sent by our Representatives to the
Quarterly meeting with our Epistle to D meeting which was
signed by the Clerk and sent by our Representatives who are
Thomas Hake Samuel Smith Benj. Howland & Caleb Russell
William Anthony & Basillia Tucker

This meeting Collected ----- £ 10 - 2 - 3 old En

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell 5 Dollars
for half years keeping the meeting house

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 9th Jan 1775
the Representatives are Am Mosher & Benja Smith

The friends appointed to Inquire into James Howland's Conn^y
Respecting marriage & Conversation Report that they dont find
nothing to hinder their proceeding

James Howland & Meribah Shepherd appeared at
this meeting for their Answer which was that they might
proceed to take Each other in marriage in some convenient
time before next monthly meeting Advoising with the
Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose
and Caleb Russell and Beth Russell are appointed for
that purpose to see their marriage confirmed orderly
and make Report next mo meeting

J. H. & M. S.
had their
answer

7 month
1775

C. G. Quins
paper

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting
Caleb Green made Report which was so Satisfactory to
this meeting that we conclude to accept of it Green Quins
paper provided they Cause said paper to be publicly read
at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship they being
propred before next monthly meeting and then Return
said paper & Report of its being read

J. H. & W. W.
matter Respect

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting
William Wood Report that said wood hath concluded
to Submit the Controversy Subsisting between him self
and Job Howland to med and the same Committee are
Continued to see that it be Completed

Abraham Howland Reports that he Inform Rubin
Smith of his Denial as order

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting made
Report that they all attended and have brought an Epistle
from said meeting with Divers Transcripts (viz) one from
the Last yearly meeting of Rhode Island, one from the yearly
meeting in London one from the yearly meeting in Philadelphia
one from the yearly meeting at flapping & all Vmber of
Printed Epistles from London all which were read in this
meeting and the Salutory Advice therein, is Recommended
to Each Individuals Observation and notice

Return
from of 2
meeting

It is Recommended in D Quarterly meeting Epistle
that the Queries be Answered by & in the Open proportion
meeting for the future, its also Recommended for this
meeting to raise the sum of five pounds ten Shillings Law
full money to supply our yearly meeting Treasury, and
Convey it to the Treasurer of D meeting as soon as may be
which this meeting complies with

advise if
Queries be
answer in
of meeting

Treasurer report

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell
five Dollars as order. P. Treasurer also Report that
he hath paid Benja Smith 10 ten pounds Eight Shilling
Lawfull money for the keeping Alice Smith which this
meeting approve

7 month
1775

Thomas Hicks is appointed to take in Subscriptions for
Barkley Apology agreeable to the Directions of the Directors
meeting

This meeting Collected — L^{ns} 6 80 3

8 mo
1775 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 27th mo 1775

the Representatives are William Mosher & Benj Howland
both present

Shubel Bunker Brought a Certificate from the mo meeting
of Nantucket Certifying his having a Birth right of membership
there & Cleaness Respecting marriage.

Shubel Bunker and Lydia Gardner Declared their Intentions
& of taking each other in marriage and were Desir'd to wait
till the next monthly meeting for their Answer

The friends appointed to see James Howland & his marriage
informed Report that they attended said marriage and
saw nothing but that it was Conformated orderly

Report hath been made of Caleb Green & Wives paper being
read and returned to this meeting as order'd said is Recorded
in page 394

We appoint our friends William Bunker Gideon Howland
Giles Hlocum Isaac Howland & John Allen to raise money
by way of Subscription to supply our yearly meeting stock
and the money into the treasury and make Report of their
Doings with the sum total to next mo meeting

This meeting Collected — L^{ns} 4 7 0 1/2

This meeting sign'd a Certificate in favour of John Howland
& friends in London also one in favour of John
Williams to friends in the westward provinces as they
were about to goe there on account of business

It had
a Certificate
to London
Certificate
for John
Williams

9 mo
1775

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the
18th the 9th mo 1775

The Representatives are Wm Bunker & Tho Hicks both present
Shubel Bunker & Lydia Gardner appear'd for their answer
which was that they might proceed to take each other in
marriage before next monthly meeting Advising with the
Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose
and Seth Russell & Wm Bunker are appointed to see their
marriage Conformated orderly and make to next meeting

The Committee appointed Last monthly meeting to raise
money by way of Subscription Report that they have raised
and paid into the treasury the sum of Eight pounds three
Shillings & four pence Lawfull money and the Treasurer is
in order to pay into the treasury of our yearly meeting
the sum of five pounds ten Shillings Lawfull money &
Report to next mo meeting

The Overseers Inform that Sedediah Allen hath
married out of the Unity of friends, They likewise
Inform that they Discautioned him therefore this meeting
Doth Disown him the said Sedediah Allen for under
our care, and Trine Allen is appointed to Inform him of
his Dehual and Report next monthly meeting

Jonathan Russell Gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning
his Reporting & Exeriving with a Company of men in
the military order which is Refer'd to next meeting

Friends Conclude it best to fence our Land sound our
and we appoint our friends Wm Bunker Verden and John
Hicks Wm Anthony Jr Timothy Russell Benj Rider and
Caleb Russell Elephap Smith & Samuel Smith to fence
together and Cause a Land to be fenced when and
after what manner they shall think proper

Committee
to fence of
Land sound
of meet. house

O: Beard Obediah Beard hath Produced a Certificate from the
Recommendation monthly meeting at Nantucket, Informing us that he had
from Nantucket a Birthright among them when he Remov'd from them
which is accepted

Removal Certificates for Deborah Davis wife of James
Davis, And Sarah Shephard wife of David Shephard from
the monthly meeting at Smithfield was Read in this meeting
and Accepted

Our friend Inceborn Rider Inform us of her Intention
going to visit Sandwich Quarterly meeting which this meeting
taking into Consideration Consurs with and have liberty
with her therein and the Clerk is order'd to give her a
Copy hereof

The women Inform they have Denied Comfort Castle
C. Copp wife of Daniel Castle which this meeting Consurs with
Disown'd this meeting Collected - £4 11 8 - Old Tenor

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the
20th of June 1775

the Representatives are William Borker and Joseph Borker
both present

Abraham Allen and Phebe Kirby Declard their Intention
of taking Each other in marriage and were Desir'd
to wait till next monthly meeting for their answers
and Prine Allen and Tho Hicks have appointed to Inquire
into the young mans Clearely Respectin marriage's Consurs
and make report next monthly meeting

The Treasurer Reports that he hath not paid the money
into the yearly meeting treasury as order'd therefore he is
Continued to pay it as soon as he can conveniently and
Report next meeting

A A &
D. Hicks
publ.

Treasurer
Report

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Joseph
Wood Report that they have Labour'd with him and Desir'd the
matter Refer'd therefore said matter is Refer'd to next meeting
under the Care of the same friends as heretofore and then they
to make Report

The women Inform that they have Disown'd Sarah Wilcox
wife of William Wilcox which this meeting Consurs with
Disown'd

Job Anthony hath Return'd a Removal Certificate for him-
self and Family which was Given out from this meeting
the 17th of the 8th mo 1761 which was Directed to the next
meeting of Rhodyffland. And not Deliver'd but now Return'd
he as order'd And now he Living in the Company of of Cookst
meeting which was then apart of this meeting therefore the
Clerk is order'd to transmit a Copy hereof to the Cookst meeting

Benjamin Smith jr hath brought a bill to this meeting
for keeping Alline Smith as per Agreement with the Overseers
of the poor to the amount of £4 11 7 1/2 Lawfull money
which this meeting approveth and the Treasurer is order'd to
pay said bill as soon as he can with and make Report to
this meeting

The Overseers Inform that James Cornell hath married
out of the Unity of friends and was timely precautioned
by the Overseers therefore friends Apprehending they are Clear
and do hereby Disown the said James Cornell from being
under our care and Barnabus Mosher is appointed to Inform
him thereof and make Report to next meeting

This meeting Collected £4 11 12 1/2 Old Tenor
friends Conclude to Repair the meeting house Stable
and Tho Hicks and William Anthony jr to see it Completed
and make Report next meeting

To repair
meeting house
Stable

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 18th of 1775
the Representatives are Caleb Russell and Samuel Smith

The friends appointed to Inquire into Abraham Allen's clearing and Conversation Respecting marriage Report that they have taken the necessary care and find nothing to hinder their promoting

A. A. & P. H. had their answer

Abraham Allen and Phebe Kirby appear for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next meeting advising with the Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and James Allen and Thomas Hicks are appointed to see a marriage consummated orderly and make next meeting

Treasurer Report

The Treasurer Reports that he hath not paid the money into the yearly meeting treasury therefore he is desired to pay said money as soon as he conveniently can and Report to next meeting

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid £ 11 14 0 to Benjamin Smith as ordered last monthly meeting

Stable Repair

The friends appointed appointed to Repair the meeting house Stable Report that it is completed

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Joseph Wood Report that notwithstanding their repeated Labour with him he still continues in the same practice of mending & Repairing guns for the use of war which is

J. W. matter Refer

Inconsistent with the profession we make therefore this meeting doth conclude to Disown him if he doth not immediately desist therefrom and the same Committee are still continued to Inform him hereof and Draw a paper of Denial against him if he do not comply with the judgment of this meeting and they to make Report next meeting

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Barnabus Mosher Reports that he hath informed James Conal of his Denial as ordered

A. D. and David Sande testified as

Our well Esteemed friends Aaron Vail and David Sande were at this meeting with their certificates from the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners Dated the 17th of the 11th mo 1775 whose Gift Testimon and Labour of Love was kindly Accepted among us

Representatives to next meeting

The Queries were Answered and an Epistle signed in this meeting and ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Thomas Hicks Wm Mosher David Silia Tucker Samuel Smith Abraham Howland & Wm Barker and they to make Report next meeting

Order on Treasurer

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell five Dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year and make Report next meeting

This meeting collected £ 2 11 0 old tenor

1st mo 1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15th of 1776 the Representatives are Benj. Howland and Joseph Tucker both Present

A. Allen married

one of the friends appointed to see Abraham Allen and Phebe Kirby marriage consummated made Report that he attended said marriage and had nothing but what it was consummated orderly & the other friend tendered a reasonable Excuse for his not attending a marriage

Report of Treasurer

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid the money as ordered into the yearly meeting Treasury

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Joseph Wood Report that he gave them encouragement of

J. W. matter Refer

desisting from mending guns for the use of Sages therefore the matter is Refer'd under the care of the same

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Same Committee as heretofore and they to Inform P. Wood that tis the mind of this meeting that he ought to Condema his past misconduct in that matter and Prince Allen is add to d. committee and they to Report to next monthly meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attend agreeable to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read to Satisfaction and therein Inform that Smithfield monthly meeting hath been at the Expence of £294¹¹ 6¹¹ Lawfull money in building a meeting house which is Recommended for Contribution as they in their freedom shall see fitt

The Treasore Reports he hath paid Timothy Respell five Dollars as order

We are Inform'd from the Preparative meeting that Benjamin Howland of D^r hath been Aiding or Assisting with a company of men in taking away guns from friends and others and hath been Labour'd with by the Overseers and not condemning it to friends Satisfaction therefore we appoint our friend Joseph Barker & Samuel Smith to Labour further with him and Report to next meeting

Benjamin Howland Reports he hath Served Joseph Tappan with a Copy of his Denial Agreeable to Appointment

there was a Certificate sign'd in this meeting for our Travelling friends Aaron Vail & David Sande to the meeting

this meeting collected £ 16. 7 old tenon

report from
from
from

B-H
Deal

Benjamin
of
denial

certificates
for
of

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 19th June 1776 the Representatives are John Potter & Gideon Howland both preside John Ricketson and Sarah Morrell Declard their Intention of taking each other in marriage and were Defid to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer and Thomas Hicks and Philips Allen are appointed to Inquire into said Ricketsons cleams^s Respecting marriage and conversation and make Report next monthly meeting

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Joseph Wood Report that they have Discharg'd their trust in that matter & P. Wood gave in a paper to this meeting as follows

John Williams appear'd in this meeting and Confess'd that he some time past Inconsiderately fix'd and sold some troops for the use of Solder in carrying their wear like stores but growing uneasy therein Defist'd from supplying them in any such matters altho P. Williams verbally Condemned his misconduct therein which this meeting accept'd for satisfaction

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Benja Howland D^r Reports that they have made some progress in that matter and P. Howland gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning P. misconduct but friend not Resolving full satisfaction

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J. R
Sarah M.
publish

Joseph Wood
gave in a paper

J. Williams
Confession

Ben Howland
Case refer

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Satisfaction on account of D. Howland: not going to the
prisons from which the guns was taken, therefore the matter
is Refrd to next monthly meeting under the care of the same
Committee as heretofore and then they to make Report.

We are Informed by the Overseers that Elijah Sandford
hath married his first Coupa & out of the Unity of friends
and been Labourd with by D. Overseers & not Inclining to
to Condemn his misconduct in that matter therefore
this meeting Concludes that for the Clearing of truth we
& I can do no less than Divorce him therefore we hereby Divorce
Divord the D. Elijah Sandford from under our care and the Clerk
is orderd to read this minute at the Close of a first days
meeting before next monthly meeting and then make report
and William Barber is appointed to Inform D. Sandford of his
Denial and report to next monthly meeting

The Overseers Inform that Daniel Smith son of Humphrey
hath been in the Practice of taking Spiritous Liquors
to usee also neglects attending meetings for which they
D. Smith have Labourd with him and he not Condemning it to
under Dealing Satisfaction therefore we appoint John Potter and
Abraham Howland to Labour further with him on that
account and Report to next me meeting

This meeting Collected L 6 11 8 11 at old st.
Adjourn This meeting Adjourns to the 28th Instant
next Meeting meet by Adjournment of 28th of 2nd mo 1776

The Representatives are John Potter & Gideon Howland
Present
D. Sherman We are Informed by the Overseers from the preparad
under Dealing meeting that Benjamin Sherman hath been to a place
of frollicking and measureably joind with those that

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that were therein very unbecoming a friend also neglects
attending meeting & the Overseers having Labourd with him
and he not Condemning it to Satisfaction Likewise the
Overseers Inform that Divers of our young friends hath
been in the practice of going to places Publiks resort where
very unbecoming Liberty is taken. Evn of musick and
dancing and other Lavivious and unbecoming conduct to
the Reproach of truth and a Grief to Solid friends, some
of which hath been Labourd with by D. Overseers, and this
meeting taking it into Consideration thinks proper that
they be further Labourd with, therefore do appoint Joseph
Tucker and William Sandford Barzillia Tucker Samuel
Smith Wm Barber Benjamin Rider for that purpose
with the Assistance of the Overseers and make Report to
next me meeting

3rd mo
1776 At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
the 28th of 2nd month 1776

The Representatives are William Maffer and Saml Smith present
Notwithstanding Jephth Wood gave in a paper last
monthly meeting Condemning his misconduct in mending
guns, yet this meeting is Informed by part of the
former Committee that had the care of that matter
that he still continues in the practice of mending
guns in this time of publick Commotion which we Approve
J. N. yet under Dealing brings a Reproach upon friends therefore this meeting
Concludes that D. Wood Desist from mending ^{or making} any more
guns at present and the former Committee is appointed
to Inform D. Wood of the Conclusion of this meeting and
D. Committee to Draw a paper of Denial against him
if he Dont Immediately Desist, and bring it to next me
meeting

Ann Gifford Inform this meeting that she has thoughts
of attending Sandwich Quarterly meeting and Desires
our Concourse therein and this meeting having Unity with
her Intended yet she bring in unity with us and her

Ann Gifford
with a Sandwich
Clerk to give
a Copy of this
minute

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her Publick Testimony approv'd of among us and the
Clark is order'd to give her a Copy of this minute

The Clark Reports that he hath read the minute against
Eliyah Sanford as order'd also W^m Barker Reports that
he inform'd S. Sanford of his Denial as order'd

L. S. Leamuel Smith gave in a paper to this meeting Condempning
his marrying out of the Unity of friends which this meeting
accepts

This meeting collected L 4 " 5 " 8 old tennon

adjoin'd this meeting adjourns to the Last fourth Day in this month
after the meeting for worship which is to begin at 11 hours

next This meeting meet by Adjournment of 27th of 3rd mo 1776
the Representatives are W^m Barker & Samuel Smith present

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting
Daniel Smith Reports that they have Discharg'd their trust
in that matter and find no Satisfaction therefore this meeting
Apprehending we have Discharg'd our Duty towards him

Do Disown the said Daniel Smith from under our care
and Abraham Howland & Gideon are appointed to inform
him of the Conclusion of this meeting and Draw a testimony
against him & bring it to next meeting

Case of The Committee that was appointed to join the Overseers in
Benj. Howland & some of our young friends
Labouring with Benjamin Sherman & some of our young friends
for going to places of frolicking Report that they have
Completed D. business therefore they are still continued
in that Service & to make Report next meeting

Case of The Committee that had the care of that matter Reporting
Benja. Howland's Report that that matter is not fully settled
therefore D. matter is Refer'd to next meeting under their care
and then they to make Report

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The friends that were appointed to Inquire into John
Ricketson's Cleanness Respecting marriage Reports that
they find nothing so material as to hinder their Proceeding
in marriage

9. It had
his Answer

John Ricketson and Sarah Morell appear'd for their
answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each
other in marriage in some convenient time before next
monthly meeting advising with the friends that this meeting
appoints for that purpose and Thomas Hicks & W^m Barker
are appointed to see their marriage Conform'd orderly
and make report next meeting

M. King
and
Dealing

A former minute of this meeting made in 8th mo 1753
Respecting Mary King was read in this meeting whereby
It appears she had been Under Dealing and had not
" Received her as a friend in full Unity but suspended
the matter for some further Proof of her Sincerity"
And this meeting taking the matter into Consideration
do appoint William Anthony & Gideon Howland Sam^l Smith
to Inquire into her Life and Conversation where she hath
Lived, for a further Proof of her Sincerity and make
Report next meeting

H. Smith
Confession

Henry Smith gave in a Paper to this meeting Condempning
some Expressions he made in his Pation to Odes, & Boston
which this meeting accepts

J. Stocum
Complain
of

Thomas Hicks hath Exhibited a Complaint against
Jonathan Ploum for Refusing or Neglecting to pay
his Rate for the year 1768 therefore this meeting
doth Appoint Benja. Smith & Benja. Ploum & George
Smith to Enquire into the Reason of R. Ploum's Refusing
to pay D. rate & Report next meeting

G.H. &
wrote
Confession

Gideon Howland the 2nd with his wife Catherin Gave in a paper to the Preparative meeting Condemning their falling into the sin of fornication and marrying Nigh of kind. but by Reason of D paper being misplaced & not brought to the meeting the matter is Refer'd to next mo meeting and the Clerk is directed to Droue said paper to D meeting

The Queries were answer'd in this meeting and an Epistle sign'd for the Quarterly meeting and order'd forward to D quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Barzillai Tucker

Repres.
sent today
to 7th meeting

William Anthony & James Davis & they to make Report next mo meeting

4th mo
1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 4th month 1776

the Representatives are Caleb Russell & Joseph Barker present

Sosiah
Wood
disown'd

The Committee Appointed to Labour with Sosiah Wood Reports they have fulfilled their appointment therein and that he Refuses to Comply with the advice & Judgment of this meeting therefore the Clerk hath sign'd a paper of Denial against him

Daniel
Smith
disown'd

Also the Committee appointed on account of Daniel Smith Report they have fulfilled their appointment and have drafted a paper of Denial against him which was also sign'd by the Clerk and the Clerk is order'd to Read both the afore^d papers Publickly, at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship and make Report next mo meeting

B. Hearns
and wife
case refer'd

The friends appointed to join the Deacons in Labouring with Benjer Shearman & some young People for going to places of forlicking, Report that they have not fulfilled their appointment in that matter therefore they are still continued in that service and to Report next mo meeting

Ben. Howland
case refer'd

The Committee appointed on account of Benj^r Howland Report that they have made some progress in that matter but finding things things not fully settled to friends Satisfaction therefore said matter is still continued under their Care and they to Report to next monthly meeting

J. Ricketts
mov'd

One of the friends Appointed to see the marriage of John Ricketts and Sarah Moral Confomated Report that he attended said marriage and did not see but that it was Confomated in good order, the other friend Reports that he was Detain'd by sickness and did not attend D. marriage

Case Mary
Wing refer'd

The Committee appointed on account of Mary Wing Reports that they ~~have~~ have made some progress and this meeting thinks proper that they Inform D. Mary Wing of their appointments therefore D. matter is Refer'd under their Care one month longer and then they to make Report

Case of Sonath
Stoum
Settled

The Committee appointed on Account of Sonath Stoum Reports that said Stoum hath paid his Rate to Thos. Hicks and the the matter is Settled

Return
from of
D meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended and have produced an Epistle from D. meeting which was read and well accepted they Desire in said Epistle some Assistance towards Defraying the Charge of building the meeting house at Smithfield

Committed
to raise
money

therefore this meeting Appoints Caleb Russell Thos. Hicks Russell Thos. Mott Giles Stoum & Wm. Baker to Draw Subscriptions & sign them in behalf of this meeting and Receive the money of Each member as they in their freedom shall see fit and Caleb Russell is order'd to pay the same to the said Smithfield meeting and they to make Report of the same to next mo meeting

Gideon Howland and his wife gave in a paper to this meeting. Condemning their falling into the sin of fornication and marrying nigh in kind. Therefore we appoint Benjamin Joseph John Williams and Joseph Barker to join the women and take an opportunity of conference with them in order to Discover their sincerity in that matter and make Report next meeting

We appoint Wm Anthony for Samuel Smith Gideon Howland and Thomas Hicks to Revise and correct the monthly meeting minutes in order to go on Record, also to settle Accounts with the Overseers and make Report next monthly meeting

The Choosing Overseers is Refer'd to next monthly meeting and the former ones is continued untill there be a new choice. Concluded that all our meetings except at Bedford begin at the Eleventh hour untill the monthly meeting in the tenth month next

The Overseers Inform that Paley Gifford has been to a Baptist meeting and undertook to imitate them in singing which we think very unbecoming one of our profession and tis the mind of this meeting that Paley Gifford ought to be publickly condemn'd for his misconduct therefore we appoint Abraham Howland Benjamin Smith & Philip Allen to Labour with him on that account and make Report next monthly meeting

The Treasurer is order'd to pay Timothy Russell of £. m. to pay for hay which was expens'd at our Quarterly meeting last year

The Committee appointed some time past to have the care of that matter respecting Abraham Ricketson Report that they have had no satisfaction from consideration, and now Inform that they have no satisfaction from Ricketson therefore we hereby Disown the said Abraham Ricketson from under our care and Thomas Hicks is appointed to Inform him thereof

This meeting collected £. 3. 0. of old tenor. The Treasurer reports that he paid Timothy Russell the above of 20 shillings

Gideon Howland and wife paper

Committee to revise & correct minutes

Choosing Overseers refer'd to next meeting

P. Gifford under dealing

order to pay for hay

A Ricketson matter

Treasurer reports

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George Handy Publish'd

Choosing Overseers refer'd

Denial

Denial

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th day of 1776 The Representatives are Joseph Barker & Thomas Hicks present George Handy and Mary Potter Declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were Desir'd to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer, and Samuel Smith and Abraham Howland are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and Report to next monthly meeting

The Choosing of Overseers is Refer'd to next monthly meeting The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against Jemiah Wood and Daniel Smith as order'd. Said testimonies are as followeth

Whereas Jemiah Wood having made Profession with us, and under the care of this meeting, yet hath so far Departed from the Principle of Truth and the Testimony thereof, as to be found in the practice of minding or Repairing Guns, or fire arms (so called) for the use of war and friends having Labour'd with him Repeatedly in much Love in order to Discover to him the Evil thereof, and to Reclaim him there from, but friends Advice and Admonition not having the Desir'd end he continuing in the said Practice to the Dishonour of Truth and Grief of faithful friends, therefore for the maintaining of our Testimony herein this meeting is concern'd to Give this forth as a Publick Denial Against him, and do hereby disown him the said Jemiah Wood from being a member of our Society, and from the care of this meeting, Desiring nevertheless that he may Return from the Error of his way, and by an unfeign'd Repentance and Acknowledgement of the Evil thereof, Return to the way of truth Given forth & sign'd in & on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th day of 1776 by Wm Anthony Jr Clerk

Whereas Daniel Smith Son of Humphrey Smith of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, having been Educated and made Profession with friends, hath so far Departed there from, as to frequently take too much spiritous Liquors to the Dishonour of his name that he hath pretended to make profession of altho' he hath not regularly attend'd meetings, and friends having Labour'd with him in much Love for his Reconvy but our Labour not having the Desir'd Effect therefore for the clearing of truth and the testimony we bear against him & do hereby is concern'd to give this forth as a Publick testimony against him & do hereby disown him the said Daniel Smith from being a member of our Society, & do hereby by a Reformation he shall Return from the Error of his ways & be restored to the way of truth Given forth & sign'd in and by order of our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 15th day of 1776 by Wm Anthony Jr Clerk

Benj Howland case refer

The Committee appointed on account of Benjamin Howland Report that the matter is not fully settled therefore said matter is referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the same Committee as heretofore and then they to make Report

M. King Disown

The Committee appointed on account of Mary King, Report that they have fulfilled their appointment therein and by Enquiry they do not find her life and Conversation hath Manifested a linear Repugnance in Respect to her Crimes for which she was under Dealings therefore this meeting concludes to disown her from being a member of our Society and the same Comtee are appointed to Draw up a paper against her and bring it to the next monthly meeting

A Crew Received

The women Inform that Rachel Case wife of John Case is Received as a member among them they also Inform they Received a Renewal Certificate for Sheba Beard Daughter of John Beard which is Accepted

Ben Sherz mans case

The Committee appointed to Labour with Benja Sherman Reports they have fulfilled their Appointment and he Acknowledges his Debt in not attending our meetings, but they do not find upon full Enquiry that he Joins with those in a frolic but hapened there on the account of Business which Report is accepted

young peo- del case refer

The Committee appointed to Joine the overseers in Labouring with the young people Reports they have not gone through with P. Service that are therefore Still Continued in that Service and to make Report next monthly meeting

Report on Collected money

The Committee appointed to Draw Subscriptions & Collect money for the use of Smithfield meeting Report they have made some Progress therein but not finished it they are Continued for that Service and to Report next monthly meeting

D. Gifford gave in a paper

Deley Gifford gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning his misconduct which is Referred to next mo meeting by reason the Committee appointed on that account are not fully satisfied and they are Continued in that Service and to Report next monthly meeting

C. Green Paper accepted

Thos Huke Reports he hath Inform'd Abraham Kicket for of his Denial as ordered
Caleb Green hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Procuring the Printing of a small Pamphlet on the subject of paying Taxes that was not Drawn by the yearly meeting
Committee for Viewing manuscripts, which paper is accepted for Satisfaction

Daniel Wood Request a Certificate

Daniel Wood Requests a Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of the Oblong, and this meeting appoints James Davis and Cabel Russell to Enquire into his Circumstances and draw one for him if they think proper and bring it to next meeting
The Committee appointed to Confer with Gideon Howland in Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction but the Receiving his paper is Referred to next mo meeting under the care of the same Committee & then they to make report

Settlement with of trying

The Committee appointed to Revise & Correct this meeting's minutes, Report they have fulfilled their Appointment also Settled Accounts with the treasurer and there Remains in the Stock £6 " 5 " 9 Lawfull money

C. Russell Request

Charles Russell Gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the sin of fornication (for which transaction he was Denied) and Requests to be Received again under friends care therefore this meeting appoints Prine Ashton & Benja Smith to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with him in order to Discover his Sincerity and to make Report next mo meeting

Report of meeting at Bedford

The friends Appointed to have the Oversight of the meeting at Bedford Report that a meeting hath been held & kept as orderly as usual and they still Request a meeting may be Continued as heretofore untill the monthly meeting in the fourth month next year which is granted and Caleb Russell and Seth Russell & James Davis are Appointed to have the oversight thereof and to make Report at the Expiration thereof

B. Smith bill

Benja Smith gave in a bill for doing for the poor to the amount of £6 " 14 " 8 Lawfull money which is accepted and the treasurer is ordered to payd. money & Report next mo meeting

This meeting collected — £6 " 2 " 11 Old tenno

6 mo

1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 14th the 6^{mo} 1776. Thos Huke is appointed Clk for this day the Representatives are Wm Sandford & Nicholas Howland present
This meeting Adjourns to the 24th Instant after 4^o of morning of wor^{sh}ip

6 month
1776

This meeting meet by adjournment of 24: 6^{mo} 1776
the Representatives being called both Present
The friends appointed to Inquire into George Handy (Cont)
Respecting marriage and Conversation Report that they
have taken the necessary care on that account and find
nothing to hinder their Proceeding

P Handy George Handy and Mary Potter appear for their answer
Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in
marriage in some convenient time before next monthly
meeting Advising with the Overseers that this meeting
shall appoint for that purpose, and Abraham Howland
and Samuel Smith are appointed to see their marriage
performed orderly and Report next mo meeting

Oversers Our friends Joseph Barker Thomas Hicks Wm Barker
appointed James Davis & Wm Anthony jr are appointed Overseers
for the year ensuing

appointing the appointing Overseers of the poor is refer'd to next
overseer monthly meeting
of poor
refer'd

Benj The Committee appointed on account of Benja Howland's
Howland's case refer'd ad somewhat a Satisfactory Report on that account
yet the Receiving of *Howland's* paper is refer'd to next
monthly meeting under the care of the former Committee
and Prince Allen & Wm Barker are aded to them and they
to Report next mo meeting

Mary Wing The Committee appointed on account of Mary Wing have
case refer'd prepared a paper agreeable to Appointment, yet that matter
is still continued to next monthly meeting under the care of
the Committee

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6 month

D. F and Our Beloved friends David Fair and John Perry have
Perry attended this meeting with their Certificates from the monthly
meeting of Walworth in the County of New Castle on Delaware
Dated the 25th of the 5th month 1776 - which were Read to Satisfaction
and their Votet well accepted

P. H. and Also our Beloved friends Phebe Yarnall and Rebecca Knight
P. Yarnall were at this meeting with their Certificates, the former from
the monthly meeting held at Concord in Chester County Pennsylvania
the 14th of the 2nd mo 1776 The Latter from the monthly
meeting held at Chesterfield the 2nd day of the 5th mo 1776, which
were Read to Satisfaction & their Votet kindly accepted

on account of The Committee appointed to assist the Overseers in Labouring
young people with some of the young People, Report they have made some
further Progress therein and that they Believe it to be of
Service therefore they are Continued to proceed further in that
matter as they may find themselves Engaged therein and to make
Report thereof to the next monthly meeting

Lucius The Queries have been Read and Answers thereto Read &
Answer'd approved - This meeting is Informed that Thomas Allen
(son of Francis) hath moved out of the Unity of Friends
Notwithstanding his being previously Cautioned to desist
therefore this meeting doth Disown him the said Thomas Allen
from being a member of our Religious Society & Benja Taber
T. Allen is appointed to Inform said Allen of his Denial & Report next
Disown'd monthly meeting

This meeting Collected ----- £ 10 5 3^{od} leave

ad.ourn This meeting adjourns to the 26th Instant after the meeting for
3rd or 4th

mett This meeting meet by adjournment the 26th of 6^{mo} 1776
John Gifford's the Representatives both Present
case refer'd The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting
Deleg Gifford in Report that they are Satisfied on that account
but the Receiving of Gifford's paper is refer'd to next mo meeting
& Reason he is not present

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1776

A Removal Certificate of Daniel Wood Directed to the monthly meeting at the Oblong was signed in this meeting

The matter Respecting Gideon Howland ^{and} is Referred to next monthly meeting under the Care of the former Committee who are then to make Report

A Removal Certificate Directed to the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners for Mary King wife of Giles King was signed in this meeting

The Committee Appointed to Confer with Charles Russell Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction but his not being present said matter is Referred to next meeting under the care of the Committee who are then to make Report

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid the money to Benjamin Smith ^{as} order. Last monthly meeting

The Treasurer is order. to pay Timothy Russell five dollars for half year keeping the meeting house and Report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Collect money for the Use of Smithfield monthly meeting and pay to Caleb Russell for that purpose Report (Giles Hlocum) Excepted that they have collected and paid said Russell the sum of £7 " 3 " 7 Lawfull money

Whereas Amos Wilcox having a bithright among friends but we finding his Conduct & Conversation being very inconsistent with our Profession (viz) going to frollicks, bad Language and not attending meetings, and he having been Labourd with by the Overseers, but he continuing therein, and we appoint Benjamin Howland Prince Allen to Labor with him as they find freedom and Report next meeting

Care of Gid Howland referred

M King Certificate wife of Giles

Chas Russell case refer

Treasurer report

money Raisd for Smithfield

A Wilcox and on Dealing

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1776

There was an Epistle signed in this meeting to the Quarterly meeting we appoint our friends Caleb Russell Thoma Hicks Wm Anthony to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistles and Injures to the Queries and Report next meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15th of 7^{mo} 1776 The Representatives are Wm Boker & Prince Allen present

The friends appointed to see George Handy and Mary Potters marriage Conformed Report that they attended the marriage & saw nothing but that it was solemnized orderly

We appoint our friends Abraham Howland Prince Allen Philip Allen Joseph Tucker ^{and} Caleb Russell & Benj^r Rider Overseers of the Door for the year ensuing

One of the Overseers Inform that Edward Taber is manied out of the Unity of friends after being procautiond Therefore we do Disown him the said Edward Taber from being one of our Society and John Williams is appointed to Inform him of his Denial and Report to next monthly meeting

The matter Respecting Benjamin Howland ^{is} is Referred to next meeting under the same friends care as heretofore & then they to make Report

The Committee that was to Join the Overseers in Labouring with some young People, Report they have not Complacated & byingd therefore they are still continued & Prince Allen is aded to them and they to Report next meeting

The matter Respecting Mary King is Referred to next meeting under the care of the same Committee as heretofore for further Conference

The matter Respecting Deley Gifford ^{is} is Referred to next meeting under the care of the same Committee as heretofore they being not fully Satisfied and then they to make Report

Quarterly meeting

June 1776

George Handy marriage

Overseers of the Door

E. Taber Disownd

Care of Benja Howland referred

Care of young people referd

Mary King case referd

Deley Gifford case referd

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Charles Russell made a satisfactory Report on that account they for his acceptance of a paper to be read at the close of a first days meeting he being present before next meeting & then return it paper & report its being read

The Treasurer reports he paid Timothy Russell five Dollars in order last meeting

The Committee appointed to Labour with Amos Wilcox Report that they have not fulfilled their Appointment, by reason when they went to his place of abode he was not at home, therefore they are still continuing in that service & to make report next meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all attended & meeting and produced an Epistle from the same meeting was read and well accepted, together with a transcript of our last yearly meeting Epistle together with a number of Epistles from the yearly meeting & meeting of sufferings in London which said Epistles have been Reprinted and Distributed among most of friends families of this meeting for their perusal

This meeting appoints Tho: Hicks an Elder, and Refer the appointment more to next meeting

The matter Respecting Gideon Howland 2^d is Refer'd to next meeting by reason the women have non accepted his wives paper
This meeting Collected £8

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 5th of 1776 the Representation on John Williams present Benj: Vornith not present by Reason of his attending a funeral

John Williams Reports that he hath not Inform'd Edward Taber of his will as a sin, therefore he is continued to complete D appointment And more Report next monthly meeting
Benjamin Taber Reports that The wife Inform'd Thomas Allen of his Denial as ordered

Benjamin Howland 3^d Reports that have made some progress but deny the matter is Refer'd under their care and they to Report to next monthly meeting

Report from Quarterly meeting

T Hicks appointed Elder

Ed Howland 2^d case refer'd

Edw Taber not inform'd of denial

The other inform'd

Ben Howland 3^d case refer'd

Some of the Committee that was to join the Overseers in Labouring with some of the young People Report that they have made some progress and Desire D matter to be continued that for its continuance to next meeting & then they to make Report

M. Wing Disown'd

This meeting sign'd a paper of Daniel against Mary Wing and the Clerk is order'd to Read D paper at the close of a first days meeting before next meeting & then they to make report and Wm Barber is appointed to Inform her of her Denial & Report next meeting said paper is as follows

her paper of Daniel

Whereas Mary Wing some year past was under dealing by this meeting (as appears by our Records) and altho she gave in a paper condemning her Misconduct, yet the meeting did not receive her into full unity, but suspended the matter for further Proof of her Sincerity, Now this meeting of late having made Enquiry into her Conduct and Conversation and likewise have had conference with her on that matter and do find a sufficient Proof of a sincere Repentance but rather the contrary therefore this meeting doth deny her the said Mary Wing from being a member of our Religious Society, untill by a sincere Repentance and Return from the Evil of her ways to a sure taken thereof to the way of truth & well doing sign'd in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 1776 by Wm Anthony Gifford & Rufina Smith Clerk

Report on Poley Gifford's case

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Poley Gifford Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction therefore this meeting accepts of D paper for Satisfaction provide he cause D paper to be publicly Read at the close of a first days meeting he being present before next meeting & then return D paper & make Report D paper is as follows

D. Gifford's Paper

To the monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth on the 20th of 5^{mo} 1776 -- Dear friends being in a sense of my misconduct when being at a meeting of another Society, in singing Hymns with them, which I am sorry for, considering it was not according to the Constitutional principles of our Profession so to do Deferring friends and all others therein concerned to pass it by that I may remain under the care of this meeting, is the Desire of your friend
Poley Gifford
Dartmouth 14th of 5^{mo} 1776

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Charles Report hath been made that Charles Russells paper hath not
Russell
paper not been read therefore he is Defor'd to accomplish the reading id paper and
and make report next me meeting

The matter Respecting Amos Wilcox is Refor'd to next me meeting
Case of
Amos
Wilcox
referred
by the Request of the Committee and then they to make Report

The women Inform that they have Denid Mary Spooner wife to
next denid
Simpson Spooner

This meeting Collected 9 & 30

This meeting Adjourns to next Second Day at 8th hour

8^{mo} Meet by Adjournment of 26 of 8th me - 1776
1776 the Representatives being called both present

The matter Respecting Gideon Howland 1st is Refor'd to next me
meeting by reason the women are not Ready to Receive his wifes paper
the Causing of Elders is Refor'd to next me meeting
Case of
Gid. How
land 2^d
referred

Ann Gifford signified to this meeting that she hath a mind
Calificate wif Sandwich monthly meeting and Defor'd our Concurrence
therein, And we approving of her Intended visit she being a
member of this meeting and her Publick Testimony well accepted
among us And the Clerk is order'd to give her a Copy of this
minute

This meeting is Inform'd that Richard Hathaway son of Caleb
Hathaway hath enlisted & gone into the war very contrary to our
R. Hath
profession therefore for the clearing of truth friends thinks proper to
Disown
Disown him hereby Denying the said Richard Hathaway from our
our case and John Williams is appointed to Inform him of his
Denial when he an opportunity and Report to this meeting

It appears that David Chase hath been under Sealing for
Time for marring out of the unity of friends. And now part of the
D. Chase
Committee that had the care of that matter Report Making a
acknow:
ledg.
Satisfactory Report on that account and friend conclude to accept
of his acknowledgement for Satisfaction

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We are Inform'd that Abraham Smith hath been buying
or fitting warlike Implements also paid money towards buying
a fort and hath been Labour'd with by friends and Rotten
Lifes & Conduel Schwaip Ebenezer Gifford hath bin
with a Military company in their Exercise by way of training &
hath been Labour'd with also, and not condemning id Conduel
therefore we appoint our friends Caleb Russell to him & to
William Mopper & Joseph Tucker to Labour further with
Smith and Gifford and make Report next me meeting

Case of
Abraham
Smith
under
Sealing

Case
Certificate

There was a Removal Certificate sign'd in this meeting to the
monthly meeting of the Oblong for Job Cave & his Children

This meeting hath Collected a list of the names of all the
List of those
Lately Remov'd
Persons who have Lately Remov'd within the bounds of the
within the bounds
of Nine partners
monthly
meeting
Nine partners
monthly meeting of
the names of persons in
the names of persons in
monthly meeting
Directed to D. mid meeting of

(D. W.) Jonathan Smith & Phoebe his wife, Jonathan Huxey
and Hephreah his wife & Salsenus & Rachel their Children &
their Grandchild Elizabeth Huxey, Jonathan Huxey Junr Content his
wife, Benj^r Russell and Anna his wife and Rebecca & John their
Children, Stephen Smith and his Children namely Jonathan Elisha
and Hannah, Elizabeth Smith wife of Wm Smith & their
Children namely Gideon Zadock, Adoeth Rebecca Catharine Caleb
Noah Ann & Elizabeth, David Anthony & Judith his wife &
their Children namely Humphrey Susan & Hannah; Humphrey
and Edith his wife and their Children namely Ann Naomi
Abigail Mary Mager Humphrey & Deley, all the above at Hopk
& their abouts, Zephaniah Anthony & Wait his wife and their
Children namely Ase and Mary, Hannah Douglas wife of
Tho^s Davnie, Lili's Bird wife of David Bird, Obadiah Allen
& Phoebe his wife & their Children Ebenezer Jonathan & James Daniel
his wife & their Children Tho^s Nozail Benj^r & John, Richard Davnie & Abigail
his wife & their Children Hephreah Paul Noah & Jonathan, Rhoda Helen wife
of John Allen & Mary May wife to Giles wing, Thave to Sonatoga, Peter Cook
& Thoreabouts & David Cook, Jedediah Almond Emine his wife & their Children
water Nath^l Matilda Sarah Polina Wilson, Pamela & Rachel, Isaac Anderson
Children Ogman Methvine, Naomi Edson wife to John Edson at Hopk
and Gideon Bowditch who hath Resolv'd to Sonatoga without Requesting one
or Informing friends thereo

9^{mo} 1776 A Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 26th 9^{mo} 1776 The Representatives are Mr. Mofes and Thomas Hicks both present
Edw. Faber informant of denial
John Williams Reports that he hath informed Edward Taber of his Denial as ordered

The matter Respecting Benjamin Howland & is Referred to next mo^o meeting under the care of the same Committee as heretofore and then they to make Report

The Committee appointed to Soine the Overseers in Labouring with some young People Desires that matter Referred therefore its Report to next mo^o meeting & then they to make Report

The Clerk Reports that he hath not Read Mary Wings Defiance and Wm. Parker Reports that he hath informed Mary King of her Denial and she in answer informs that P. Mary King Desires an appeal to the Quarterly meeting in the Winter Quarter

P. G. & P. G. & Charles Russell having Read Each of their C. R. papers to be Read as ordered or Required by last mo^o meeting and have Returned their papers to this meeting as followeth

To the Preparative and Monthly meetings of friends in Dartmouth Whereas I have gave way to the Imputation of the Adultery far at to be guilty of the sin of fornication with Josephs Lumber whereby She Charged me on oath of being father of her bastard Child which Reproachful sin I am Vexed for & do hereby Condemn Desiring forgiveness from the Almighty and that friends may do for pass by mine offence as to let me Remain under their care from your friend - Charles Russell
Dartmouth 7th 3^{mo} 1774

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Wm. Hicks paper

Howland & wife paper accepted

Committee to raise money

Adjournment

E. Russell Complaint of

choosing Elders

Abraham Smith & John Gifford case referd

Amos Wilson hath Given in a paper to this meeting condemning his misconduct for which he hath been under dealing but friends not being fully satisfied of his sincerity the matter is referred under the care of the same Committee as heretofore for their inspection and a proof of his sincerity & Mr. Sandford is added to the Committee

This meeting Concludes to accept of Gideon Howland & wife paper condemning their falling into the sin of fornication & warning high in kind for satisfaction provided they cause a paper to be published Read at the Close of a first Day meeting he being present the being unwell & Return it to next monthly meeting & Report of it being Read

There was a subscriptions sign'd in this meeting to raise money for the yearly meeting stock and we appoint our friends Caleb Russell John Smith & Daniel Gifford George Wandy Joseph Tucker George Sandford to Receive the money of each member and pay the same into the Treasury and Report to next monthly meeting of the same total so Collect'd & paid in

This meeting Closes 8 - 1 - 80th

This meeting Adjourns to the 28 Day of this Instant at 9th hour Met by Adjournment the 23rd of 9^{mo} 1776 - The Representatives being Read both present

The Overseers have Communicated a Complaint to this meeting under the hand of Sarah Davis Against Elijah Russell for Refusing to submit a matter of Disfranchise to men as the Overseers Inform for which they Labour with him and he Refuses as ordered We appoint Prine Allen Wm. Mofes & Mr. Sandford to Inquire into the above D. matter & Labour with E. Russell as they may find freedom and make Report next mo^o meeting

The Choosing of Elders is Referred to next mo^o meeting

The greater part of the Committee appointed to Labour with Abraham Smith and John Gifford Report that they have Discharg'd the appeal in that matter and E. Smith and P. for Justifies their conduct therein therefore are

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Samuel Smith is appointed to Draw a Testimony against them & bring to next meeting and Caleb Russell is appointed to Inform them thereof & Report next meeting

Complaint against Abrah Wood

We are Informed that Abraham Wood is in practice of fitting guns for the use of war, And friends having Labourd with him to Desist but he still continues therein -

Complaint against Isaac Howland 2^d & Joseph Russell 2^d & Benjamin Smith

Also we are Informed that there is a Negro man held in a state of Slavery by Isaac Howland 2^d & Joseph Russell 2^d and friend having Labourd with them on that account therefor we appoint Benjamin Smith & Benjamin Howland and Joseph Tucker, Samuel Smith & William Sandford to Labour for them with them on that account likewise with Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell 2^d on that account & make Report next meeting

Representatives to 2 meeting

The Queries were Answerd in this meeting and an Epistle Signe the Quarterly and orderd forward by our Representatives who are Joseph Tucker Sam^l Smith W^m Barker and they to Report next meeting

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 21st of 1776 The Representatives are W^m Barker & Joseph Barker present this meeting accepts of Benjamin Howland 3^d paper for distilling gunpowder being his going in company with men that took away guns for the use of war, Provided he cause it paper to be Publicly read at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship he being present before next meeting & then Return the paper and Report of its being read

Ben Howland's Report

hath been made of Gideon Howland 2^d & wives paper being read as orderd & is Returnd to this meeting said paper is as follows

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To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of persons to be held the 13th & 18th Days of the 3rd mo 1776

Dear friends Whereas we through unworthyness have fallen into the sin of fornication as appears by our having a child so soon after marriage for which we are sorry Desiring the Lord may forgive us and friends pray it by together with our marrying nearer in kin than is allowable among friends hoping for the future through Divine assistance we may be enabled to walk more Circumspect that friends would still continue us under their care

Dated this 13th of 3rd mo 1776

Gideon Howland 2^d
Caleb Russell 2^d

Care of Labouring with youth Com^{tee} formed

The Committee appointed to Join the Overseer in Labouring with some of our youth Desire that matter Report therefor P. matter is Report to next meeting & then they to make Report

Raising money for yearly meeting to feed

The Committee appointed to raise money for the yearly meeting Stock Desire P. matter to be continued therefor its Report to next meeting and then they to make Report

Eliza Russell case referred

The Committee appointed to Labour with Eliza Russell Report that they have Inquird into P. matter as orderd and Labourd much with P. Russell to settle with Sarah Davis or leave the matter to men all which P. Russell Intirely Refuses to Comply with yet by the Request of Benjamin Smith it is Report one month longer under the Care of the same Committee and then they to make Report

Appointment of Elders

The Appointing of Elders is Reford to next meeting Caleb Russell Reports that he Informed Abraham Smith and Elihu Gifford of their Denial as orderd And there was a testimony Signd against P. Smith & Gifford & the Clerk is orderd to read said Testimonies Publicly as usual & Report next meeting

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To the Monthly Meeting of friends in Dartmouth to be
the 20th day of 2nd month 1775

When as we have gone contrary to
good order with friends in marrying near of kin, and
Green among friends. And as we have offended in both these
things which we are sorry for and do condemn - and
as we are truly Desirous to remain under your care
hope you can find it clear with your selves on deliber-
thought and tenderness towards us to pass by this fault
Praying the Allwise Director may so order our steps
for the future in the paths of truth that henceforth we
may justly be called your affectionate friends
Caleb Green

Elisabeth Gray

The friends appointed to Labour with Isaac Howland 2nd and
Joseph Russell Sr & Abraham Wood, not having not having
Completed the matter It is therefore Refer'd to next meeting
and said friends Continued for that service & then to make Report

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report they all
attended 2nd meeting and have Produced an Epistle from the
said meeting which was read and well Accepted

This meeting sign'd a Certificate for Abraham Allen to the
monthly meeting of the nine partners, as he is a going to visit
his friends within the compass of 2nd meeting &

Ben Smith gave in a bill for keeping Else Smith
to the amount of £36 11^s 8^d old tenon which the Treasurer is
order'd to pay & Report next meeting

This meeting Collected £5 11^s 4^d Lauffell money

and wives
paper
Caleb Green
meeting

Isaac Howland
Joseph Russell
Abraham Wood
cases refer

Return
from it
2nd meeting

Certificate
for Allen

Ben Smith
Bill

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th mo 1776

The Representations are Wm Barker & Wm Mosher Present
Received a Certificate from Coakset monthly meeting being
Samuel Howland (Cearney's Respecting marriage - -
Samuel Howland & Mary Smith Declar'd their Intentions of
marriage and were Desir'd to wait till next meeting for
their Answer

Report hath been made of Benjamin Howland 3rd paper
being Read and in Return to this meeting 2nd paper is as
followeth
Dartmouth the 14th of the 2nd month 1776
To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth
Beloved friends

I hereby Condemn my going in Company with
those that took Guns in order to be used in the military service
with all my miscondut in that matter hoping thro' Divine
Assistance to be preserv'd from the like behaviour in future
and I Desire friends to far to pass by this mine offence as to
Let me Remain under their Care freely Acknowledging friends
Kindness Extended towards me in this matter and much Desir-
ing that for time to come I may so walk as to be justly called your
belov'd friend
Benjamin Howland 3rd

Most of the Committee Appointed to Join the Overseers in
Labouring with Some of our youth Report that altho they
have not Proceeded So fully as Intended yet they think it
best that the matter be Left with the Overseers and they
Dismiss'd which is Agreed to by this meeting and the Overseers
are Desir'd to watch Over the youth in a more particula
manner and where Any transgress to bring their names
with their Respective Crimes to this meeting

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Sam Howland
Certificate

Sam Howland
proposal of
marriage

Ben Howland 3rd
paper read

Ben Howland
paper

Labouring with
youth, left to
overseers

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Case of Elijah Russell Reports that C. Russell and Sarah Davis hath been called matter of Controversy

Testimony There was a Testimony Against Abraham Wooddign in this matter by the Clerk and he is ordered to read it Publickly at the Close of a f... next meeting for worship and make Report next meeting

The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter Respecting Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell for freeing his Negro Report that said friends have not completed it matter there for the same Committee are still continued in that service & to make Report next meeting

The Committee that had the care of the matter Respecting Jeddediah Allen Requesting to come under friends Report that they have had an opportunity of conference with him and Received a Degree of Satisfaction therefore said Allen is Received under friends care

The Committee appointed to raise money by way of subscription for the yearly meeting Report that they have Raised and paid into the Treasurer £12-3-6 Lawfull Money

the Clerk Reports he hath read the testimony against Abraham Smith & Elisha Gifford as ordered Last meeting & paper is as followeth Whereas Abraham Smith & Elisha Gifford having made profession with us & under the care of this meeting But have so far departed from the way of truth and the testimony thereof as to be found in joining with & measurably supporting a war or preparation for their arms particularly that P. Smith hath paid money towards the building a fort & also in firing some war like Impiments and they having been fondly Labourd with by friends to desist from & mendmen their conduct but our Labour therein not obtaining the desired effect But they still persisting the same this meeting therefore being called for the maintaining our testimony against all outward works fighting and preparations for the same do give this for a testimony against them hereby disowning them the P. A. Smith & E. Gifford from being members of our church and from under the care of this meeting Untill by unfeigned Repentance they from the error of their way they shall be Restored to favour of our church and signed on behalf of our meeting held in Dartmouth 12th of June 1776 by

William Anthony Jr Clerk

Caleb Russell hath (and) his paper to be read as ordered and returned it as followeth To the Representative and Monthly meetings of friends are to be held in Dartmouth

Dear friends Being under a sense of my error in having a concern or hand in those Goods (also Price Goods) so far as to assist in carting or conveying some of them a small distance & being with them that sold such goods & drinking with them some wine & water, and having found my self mind troubled therewith am really and heartily sorry for it not thinking it according to the principles of our profession to have any hand in such Goods Desiring friends will pardon this by and that I may be more watchful for the future from your friend
Dartmouth 12th of June 1776
Caleb Russell

Caleb Russell and David Shephard gave in papers to this meeting condemning their Misconduct, the first in carting of Price Goods the latter for going as Pilot in a Price Vessel which this meeting accepts for Satisfaction

Also Giles Howum Elisha Howum Timothy Howland & David Fisher have appeared in this meeting and Verbally Confessed & Condemned their having been concerned in buying carting or conveying of price Goods which this meeting also accepts for Satisfaction

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell five Dollars for half years keeping the meeting house and Report next meeting

This meeting collected 17⁵ Lawfull money
This meeting adjourns to the 30th Day of this Instant at 9th hour Meet by Adjournment the 30th of June 1776
The Representatives being called both present

The Charge of Eldon is referred to next meeting
The Overseers Inform that David Shephard Briggs Jonathan Howland & Nicholas Lapham hath purchased price goods and Joseph Russ David Allen Elixer Allen, Matthew Allen & Tho^s Allen hath been carting price goods

and

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1776 and Joseph Russell has taken charge of such goods when bid of at Vandue & Hood & Thipp them again all which P. Profess Report they have Labour with them but they have not found P. misconduct to friends Satisfaction therefore we appoint Wm Mosher Samuel Smith Philip Allen Benj^r Howland & John Williams to Labour further with the above friends and Report next monthly meeting

Queries
Answers
Representatives
The Queries were Answered in this meeting and an Epistle signed for the Quarterly meeting and orderd forward to it Quarterly meeting Representatives who are Tho^s Hicks Benj^r Howland & Wm^r Anthony & Wm Mosher and they to Report next meeting

Paper of denial
The friends appointed some time past to Labour with John W^r and Wm Maden for their misconduct Report that they have signed their Appointment therein but they have them no Real Satisfaction therefore P. friends are appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against them & bring it to next meeting

A Pass for
Representatives
This meeting signed a certificate for our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Directed to the Commanding Officer of the Military Service Desiring their Leave for P. Representatives to pass on their way to P. Quarterly meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the
20th the 1st mo 1777
the Representatives are Prince Allen & Joseph Barker Present

Case of those concerned in prize goods
The Committee appointed last meeting to Labour with those friends that Purchasd prize goods Report that they Labour with P. friends and Nicholas Lapham David Briggs Jonathan Howland gave in papers to this meeting Condemning P. misconduct which is Accepted provided they sign a testimony against such procedome according to the Conclusion of this meeting And this meeting concludes notwithstanding the minutes of last meeting That all those friends that hath Commd P. misconduct sign a testimony against such

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Complaint a
against Ralph
Allen
We Understand that Nathl Allen Son of Benjamin Allen hath enlisted & gone on board of a Vessel of war which being contrary to our profession therefore we hereby Disown the P. Ralph Allen from being under our Care & the above Committee is Desir'd to Draw a testimony against him & bring to next meeting

W^m Russell son
of Tim disown
Likewise we Understand that Wm Russell Son of Timothy Russell hath enlisted into the war & cannot well be spoke with therefore we Disown the P. Wm Russell from being under our Care and the aforesaid Committee is orderd to Draw a Testimony against P. Russell and bring it to next meeting

Certificate for
Th^s Allen
This meeting signed a Certificate for Thos Allen to the next meeting of the Nine partners as he is a going there to visit his friends

This meeting Collected
\$ 50
\$ 61
\$ money

Adjournment
This meeting Adjourns to the 29th Inst after the meeting for Worship which is to begin at 8th hour

Meeting
Meal by Adjournment of 29th June 1777 -
the Representatives being Called both Present
The

1 month 1777
 Samuel Howland marriage
 The friends appointed to see the Marriage of Samuel Howland and Mary Smith Report that they attended the Marriage and saw nothing but that it was orderly Accomplished
 The Clerk Reports that he hath read the Testimony against Abraham Wood as orderd Last mo meeting & paper is as followt

Testimony against Abra Wood
 Whereas Abraham Wood the Son of Jesiah & Hannah Wood Having had his Education amongst friends, But by Departing from the Testimony of truth hath so far gone astray as to be found in the Practice of mending & repairing of guns and Instruments of war and friends having Labourd with him in love in order to Reclaim him from a Practice so inconsistent with the Profession he hath made but he Continuing in said Practice This meeting therefore doth give this forth as a Testimony against him hereby Dismissing him the said Abraham Wood from being a Member of our Society untill by an Unfeigned Repentance & Acknowledgement of the Error of his way he shall be Restor'd to the way of Truth Given forth & sign'd in & on behalf of our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 6th of June 1776 By

William Anthony Jr Clerk

Case of Joseph Howland
 Joseph Howland gave in a bill to this meeting Manumitting a Negro man Named Primus but yet some friends Doubting wheather D Negro is fully free therefore D matter is Refer'd under the care of the same Committee as heretofore & they to Report next mo meeting

Treasurer report
 The Treasurer Reports that he paid 5 Dollars to Timothy Russell as orderd Last mo meeting

The Chusing of Elders is Refer'd to next mo meeting

Relation from 2 meetings
 In Representation to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended Except Benj^r Howland & who sent a Reasonable Excuse They also brought an Epistle from D meeting which was Read and well Accepted

Treasurer report
 The Treasurer Reports that he hath sent the money that was rais'd to supply the yearly meeting stork according to the direction of the yearly meeting which this meeting approves

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 papers of denial from Ht against Wood & Hayden
 The friends Appointed to draw a paper of Denial against John Wood and William Hayden have brought D paper which was sign'd by the Clerk who is orderd to read the same as usual & make Report next mo meeting Besides also Inform that they have Inform'd Wood & Hayden of their Denial

John Howland Clerk
 John Howland being Return'd from England hath Produc'd a Certificate from the two weeks meeting held in London the 25th of June 1776 Certifying his Good Conversation while there and his Cleareness from marriage Engagements which hath been Read & well Accepted

Joseph Gifford Lathan Wood & Barker Little
 The Overseers Inform that Jos Gifford Lathan Wood & Barker Little have Purchas'd Prize Goods, and they have Treated with them for their misconduct, and the matter is put under the Care of the same Com^{ty} that were appointed to Deal with the others under the same Transgressions & to Report of them with the others

Case of Wm Rufell
 This meeting having Reconsider'd the minute made at the first seting of this meeting Respecting Wm Rufell son of Timothy Rufell and do order the deaying of him untill a further Confirmation of his being enlisted into the war money to be rais'd by Joseph Gifford Philip Allen John Williams and Obadiah Beard and Appointed to raise money by Subscriptions to pay the Cost of fencing in our Land Round the meeting house and make Report next mo meeting

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 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 2nd mo 1777
 The Representatives are Philip Allen & Joseph Barker Jr present

Testimony against David Allen
 The Testimonies against Joseph Rufell's Jr David Allen & Jonathan Allen and Abner Allen were Read in this meeting by the Clerk who is orderd to read the same Publicly as usual & report next mo meeting & Ben Williams is appointed to Inform them of their Denial & Report next mo meeting

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John Ashin
manumitted
Indian boy
name Parian

A Manumission was Read in this meeting, signed by John Ashin thereby manumitting an Indian boy, Named Howard which is accepted for satisfaction

To persons
accepted
of Divers
friends
concerned
in prize
goods

The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that were transgressors in being concerned with Prize goods brought Testimonies to this meeting, signed by Barker, David, David Trigg, Eihu Roum, Jonathan Howland & Timothy Howland David Shepherd & and Thos Ashin which Testimonies are Accepted for satisfaction provide they Cause themselves Publicly read as usual & Return & Report made to next mo meeting thereof -- and said Committee are still continue to Labour with those transgressors on their accounts who have not yet complied with friends Advice also to draw Testimonies against them that decline making satisfaction and Report next mo meeting

Case of Isaac
Howland

The Committee that had the care of that matter Reporting Isaac Howland Jr freeing his Negro. Divers matters continued therefore its Refer to next mo. meeting and then they to Report

Wm. Hester
an Elder

This meeting Appoints William Hester an Elder

John Wood
denial

The Clerk Reports he hath the Testimonies, against John Wood and Wm Haydon as ordered. D. Testimonies is as followeth

Whereas John Wood & Wm Haydon has had their Education amongst friends yet by giving way to the Insinuations of the adeversary they have been found guilty of stealing watermillions from John Shepherd Likewise of Deserting has appeared with a tumultuous company by way of Riot very unbecoming the truth which we profess. Likewise D. Wood & thaden has proceeded in Marriage out of the Unity of friends, all which they have been Labour, with for in order to convince them of the evil of their ways but our Labour of love not having the desired effect to friends satisfaction therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from such evil Practices do hereby Disown the D. John Wood & Wm Haydon as members of our Religious Society and from under the care of this meeting & believing if it be consistent with Divine goodness they may come to repentance & show of their outgoings and by unsigned Repentance be Rejoined to the congregation at our mo meeting held at Dartmouth the 27th Day of June 1777 and signed in and on behalf of meeting by Wm Alden, Clerk

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W. Russell
denial confirm

This meeting being now confirmed of Wm Russell having been in the way therefore do confirm the Denial of D. Russell and the Committee Continued to Draw a Testimony against him as ordered Last mo meeting and Inform him thereof & Report next meeting

Friends to raise
money not ready
to report

The Committee appointed to raise money, not being fully ready to make Return therefore they are continued in that service to Report next mo meeting

Complaint a
gainst
Walter Wood
he is denied

We are Informd that Walter Wood hath moved out of the Unity of friends after being Proceutiond by one of the Cooper therefore we deny him the said Walter Wood from being under the care of friends, and Joseph Tucker is appointed to Inform him thereof & Report next mo meeting

Complaint a
gainst Benj
Russell son
of Benj refer

This meeting being Informd that Benj Russell Son of Benj Russell hath purchased or partook of prize goods and been Labour, with, but not appearing to make satisfaction therefore D. matter is Refer, under the care of the Committee appointed to Labour with transgressors of that kind

Complaint a
gainst Stephen
Matt refer

This meeting is Informd that Stephen matt hath deserted into the war and we appointed Caleb Russell and John Williams to treat with him, and Draw a power of Denial against him if he Declines to make satisfaction and make Report next mo meeting

See Matt deny

This meeting is Informd that Joseph Matt hath removed away a far distance from hence and married out of the Unity of friends and as he cannot well be Labour, with by Reason of his being gone away as aforesaid, therefore this meeting doth deny him from being a member of our Society

Amos Wilcox
denial

The Committee that had the care of that matter concerning Amos Wilcox made Report that he hath given them no satisfaction but still continues in this transgression, therefore this meeting doth deny him from being in membership with us & D. Committee are ordered to draw a power of Denial against him & bring to next mo meeting self to Inform him of his Denial