

8 month 1781 The Friends appointed to Collect this meetings Book report they are continued therein and desired to make report to this meeting when they have fulfilled the same

David Hart disowned The Friends appointed to confer with David Hart Report they have their appointment and that he did not give them any satisfaction in this meeting disown him from being a member of this meeting and Given forth a Testimony of denial against him and the Clerk is to Read the same publickly or procure it Read in the usual manner make return next monthly meeting. And Seth Russell is desired inform said David Hart thereof and that he hath a right of an appeal and he to report next monthly meeting

John Williams hath Rendered a satisfactory reason for his not attending the adjournment of our Last monthly meeting when being a Representative of the Preparative meeting

The friends appointed in the case of Caleb Shearman make report they have not accomplished their appointment who they made some progress they are therefore Continued in that Service as before and to make next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to advise and assist Benjamin Allen and his Siblings Report that they have had a conference with the said parties yet the Committee request said matter continued. It is therefore Continued next monthly meeting under the care of said Committee who are then to Report

This meeting is Informed that Humphrey Howlands Paper hath been made agreeable to the direction of the Monthly meeting; and is as followeth

To the Monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth Whereas I have inconsiderately resorted to places of horse racing, and to my mares running running several times: I also, with others went partook of the Entertainment of Quaghaugs at the Shoar, after which I to a house and took undue Liberty, even to music and dancing and misconduct of mine, I am sorry for, and do hereby condemn the same together with the wearing such apparel as is not approved among us and I desire friends so far to pass it by my unwarrantable behavior in these and all other respects as to suffer me still to remain under their Care

Dated in Dartmouth the 14 of 2 month 1781 From your friend Humphrey Howland

The Women Friends Inform they have Denied Phebe Beard Daughter of John Beard which this meeting concurs with

It hath been proposed to make a addition, Choice of Trustees to the Title of the meeting house land at New Town; therefore Joseph Tucker Junor Jonathan Hart, Barnabus Mofher Ju and William are appointed for that Service unto whom a Deed or Deeds are to be made; and to hold said Land for the use of Friends till other be appointed in their stead for that Service

Gideon Howland hath given a bill for mending and tending Alice Smith during her Sickness the last 12 months he keep her, over above the usual allowance allowed by the Overseers of the poor 8 dollars

Phillip Macomber also gave in an account as allowed by said Overseers, for a pair of Shoes 5-9-0 which account the Treasurer is ordered to pay when supplied with money by this meeting

The friends to sell our used report they have sold 2 1/2 cords for Five dollars which money Delivered to the Treasurer

8 month 1781 This Meeting Collected L 5 s 4 This meeting adjourn to the 5th day of next month after meeting of worship on said day Mett by adjournment the 5th day of the 9th month 1781 The Representatives being called both present

Allen Russell and Abigail Allen Declared their Intentions of taking Each other in Marriage (after having Consent of parents) and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answers And William Mofher and Wood William Wood are appointed to make the necessary inspection into the said allens Russells cleanness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to next monthly meeting

The Testimony concerning Paul Russell that this meeting gave forth some time past, was returned to this meeting, with some amendment by the direction of the Quarterly meeting, which was Read approved and Signed by the Clerk

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17 day of the 9th month 1781 The Representatives are Stephen Buffinton and William Gifford both present

The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee from the Quarterly meeting on account of this meeting being Signed to Sandwich Quarter Report that they have fulfilled their appointments, and think it not best for us to be annexed Thereto at present which report this meeting accept

A Report from this meeting was Signed by the Clerk directed to the Quarterly meeting Committee on the subject of this meetings, being annexed to Sandwich Quarter. Signifying, that we think it not best under present Circumstances to be so annexed

The Friends continued in the case of Jonas Locum desires it continued another month, it is accordingly continued under their; and if on their having another opportunity of solid conference with him, they do not find satisfaction, that they draw a Testimony of his denial, inform him thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of Joseph Wing report that he still gave them a degree of satisfaction, and that they think it may now be safe for the meeting to receive him under our Care, Wherefore this meeting received the said Joseph Wing into membership with us and under our Care

The Clerk informs he hath Read the Testimony of David Harts denial as directed last monthly meeting. Which is as followeth

Whereas David Hart having had his Education among us the People Called Quakers, but hath lately removed out of the Verge of this meeting in disorderly manner; and frequents meetings held out of the Unity of our Society; and Friends having laboured with him in much love but it not having the desired Effect Therefore for the clearing of truth we are concerned to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the said David Hart, hereby disowning him from being any longer a member of our Societ. Nevertheless it is our desire that he not come to a state of his soul going and return to the way of truth - Given forth and Signed in our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 26 day of the 8th month 1781 By William Anthony Es. Clerk

Seth Russell informs he did not inform said Hart of his Denial and Right of appeal which he is yet desired to, and make report thereof to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of Caleb Shearman report that they had an opportunity of solid conference with him and that he did not give them any satisfaction; therefore they produced a Testimony of his denial which was Read in this meeting and Signed by the Clerk who is directed to Read the same

9 month 1781 At the close of a first day meeting of Worship between this and next monthly meeting. And Joseph Tucker Junr is desired to inform said Shearman of his denial and Right of appeal and report to next monthly meeting

A Russell's Clearness The Friends appointed to inspect into Allen Russells Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation, report that they do not find any thing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage

A Russell's Answer Allen Russell and Abigail Allen appearing in this meeting for their Answer: Which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the Friends this meeting shall appoint to see said marriage orderly solemnized; And William Mosher and William Wood are appointed to see said marriage orderly solemnized and make report next monthly meeting

John Williams requested (By the way of the preparative meeting) a Certificate to the monthly meeting of Rhode Island setting forth his clearness respecting marriage, and Conversation, Wherefore our friends Benjamin Taber and William Anthony Junr are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter; and if they find things clear, to draw one and bring with them to next monthly meeting

Philip Maccomber Informing by the way of the Preparative meeting that he hath thoughts of moving to the Ninepartners with his family, Live desiring Friends advice therein, and removal Certificate for himself and family if Friends think proper Wherefore Elijah Gifford Thomas Hicks and Samuel Smith are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter and if they things clear to bring a Removal Certificate with them to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of Benjamin Allen Jedediah Allen and others of their family. Reports that they have had a further opportunity with them, and that as the matter is difficult they request it continued another month which accordingly continued and Joseph Barker is added to them in that case and they are to act therein as they in the Wisdom of Truth may be directed, and make report to next monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to discontinue all our Week day meetings in the week of the next Quarterly meeting be held here this year And that our next Preparative meeting be held the 26th of this instant

This meeting having received from the meeting for Sufferings Forty of Stephen Chriss Epistles and Forty of Mary Brooks on Silent waiting at nine pence Lawfull money per Set: To be paid for by those members who chuse to have them; therefore our Friends William Mosher Dannel Ricketson, Henry Smith, Caleb Green and Timothy Ricketson are appointed to dispose of Books as they see proper and bring the money if ready to the adjournment of this meeting

The Committee appointed to sell wood, reports that they have sold five Cords and one Eight, at two dollars per Cord is ten dollars and a Quarter Which is paid or sent to the Treasurer

Collected 23 - 1 - 6
2 - 11 - 3

This Meeting adjourns to the 26th Instant after the meeting for Worship
Met by adjournment the 26th of the 9th month 1781
The Representatives being called both Present

The Queries have been read and answers thereto ~~read~~ and read and approved, also an Epistle signed by the Clerk all which is ordered forward to the Quarter by meeting by our Representatives who are Elijah Gifford John Devoe Samuel Smith and Stephen Buffinton and they to make report next monthly meeting

9 month 1781 Samuel Butler attended this meeting with a Copy of a minute from the monthly meeting of the Ninepartners setting forth his being a member in unity, which was Inscribed in this meeting

In concurrence with the Women Friends Robt Smiths Certificate from East Hoosuck monthly meeting was Inscribed in this meeting

The friends that had the disposal of Stephen Chriss Epistles and Mary Brooks on Silent waiting report that they have disposed of them and sent the money to the meeting for Sufferings

10 month 1781 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 10th month 1781 The Representatives are Henry Smith and Joshua Piter present

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended and produced an Epistle to this meeting; as also a Copy of an Epistle from the yearly meeting held in Philadelphia for Pennsylvania and New Jersey &c: which Epistles were Read to Satisfaction

The friends continued in the Case of Jonas Rocum report that they have had a Sole Conference with him but he gave them no Satisfaction they thereupon produced a Testimony of his denial which was signed by the Clerk who is desired to Read it the same at the Close of a first day meeting for Worship between this and next monthly meeting said friends also report that they have informed said Rocum that Friends would proceed to disown him

Seth Russell reports that he hath informed David Hart of his Denial according to appointment and his right to an appeal

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial against Caleb Shearman according to appointment; and Joseph Tucker reports that he hath informed said Shearman of the same: Which is as follows

Whereas Caleb Shearman Son of Philip Shearman; And Hannah his Wife daughter of Jacob Russell deceased; Having had a Right of Membership with us the people called Quakers, but through unweariedfulness and by disregarding the Testimony of Truth in their own hearts, have so far deviated therefrom as to fall into the Sin of Fornication, which is Evident by their having a Child soon after marriage; And Friends having Treated with them in Love in Order to shew the Evil of their Transgression, and restore them to the way of Truth; But their Labour of Love not having the desired Effect to Friends Satisfaction: Friends are concerned to give this public Testimony against them the said Caleb Shearman and Hannah as a Testimony against them from being members of our Society and his Wife, hereby disowning them from being members of our Society and from under the Care of this meeting; yet our desire is that they may become truly sensible of their Transgression and be restored to the way of Truth

Signed in and on behalf of men and women
By William Anthony Junr Clerk
monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 9th mo 1781 Susanna Smith

The Friends appointed to see the marriage of Allen Russell and Abigail Allen orderly solemnized, report that they attended said marriage and that they did not discover but that it was solemnized in a good degree orderly

The Friends to take the necessary care in inquiring into John Williams Clearness and Certificate to Rhode Island monthly meeting setting forth the same, Report, that they have not accomplished it by reason of some obstacle and that therefore they advise and plied it by request to the Committee it is accordingly deferred and month with an addition to the Committee it is accordingly deferred and William Mosher John Devoe and Joseph Gifford are added to them and they to make report to next monthly meeting

10 month 1781 A Removal Certificate was produced to this meeting for Philip Maccomber his Wife Susanna and their Children whose names are Edith Gardner, Barnabus, Abraham, and Hannah, directed to the monthly meeting of Ninepartners setting forth that said Maccomber affairs were settled to satisfaction as far as appears, and that he and his Wife are Members in Unity as also the Childrens right of membership which Certificate was signed by the Clerk

The friends that had the care of that matter between Jedediah and Benjamin Allen report that matter is mutually settled between the parties concerned

William Sanford Inform'd (by the way of the preparative meeting) that his Thoughts going to Ninepartners to see his Relations alsp to make some stay there and desiring a few lines from this meeting which concurs with. He being a member in Unity, and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this Minute

Seth Russell Informing this meeting that he intends a Visit to Oslong and Ninepartners to see his Relations, and to attend the Quarterly meeting at Oslong - Requesting a few lines thereon - He being a member in Unity and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this meeting a minute And this meeting approves of the same

This Meeting taking into Consideration the advice of the Quarterly meetings Committee for Visiting the monthly meetings: The Expediency of setting another Preparative meeting in this monthly meeting - wherefore we appoint Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, William Hooper, Benjamin Taber, William Anthony Junr, Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks, Stephen Buffinton, Joseph Barker, Joseph Gifford, Seth Huddleston, Henry Smith and Abiel Gifford a Committee and to Joine the Women friends and to Take the same into solid Consideration and if they find it proper that there should be one, that they describe its Boundaries and make report thereon to next monthly meeting and any other Concerned friends may Joine the said Committee therein, if they see proper

Collected - 1-13-0

11 month 1781 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of 11th month 1781 The Representatives are John Devol and Henry Smith Present

The Clerk informs he hath Read the Testimony of denial of Jonas Nocum as directed last monthly meeting; Which is as Follows

Whereas Jonas Nocum having had his Education among Friends but through unwearfulness hath so far departed from his Education and his Religious Profession as to fall into the Sin of Fornication as appears by the accusation of Elizabeth Akin (that he was the father of her Child) and friends having frequently treated with him on account of his Crime in order to discover to him the evil thereof But our Labour therein not obtaining the desired end or effect to friends Satisfaction; Therefore, for the clearing our Name, and Truth from the reproch thereof, this meeting doth give this forth as a publick Testimony against him and do hereby disown him the said Jonas Nocum from being in membership with us untill by sincere Repentance he shall be restored to the way of Truth

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 19th of the 11th month 1781

By William Anthony Junr Clerk

The Committee appointed to take into Consideration and inspection the Expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting report that by reason of so many and so great weaknesses prevailing among us, particularly the want of a true discipline being kept up in friends families

The want of Unity in some places, and other defects, that it is their opinion that the matter be continued under their care for further Trial" it is accordingly continued under the care of said Committee who are desired to inspect and Labour to remove those defects and make report at next monthly meeting

Joseph Wing request a few lines from this to Account monthly meeting setting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage and conversation; therefore we appoint Elijah Gifford and Chelion Wood to take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear to draught, and bring one to next monthly meeting

John Allen (son of Jonathan) Request a removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of Ninepartners, as he expects to Remove there with his Parents to reside therefore William Gifford and Jonathan Hart are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear to draught and bring one to next monthly meeting

Gideon Howland desires a copy of a Minute setting forth his right of membership here; directed to the monthly meeting of East Hoosick he being about to take a Journey there on business, which this meeting approves he being a member of this meeting, and the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy hereof

Received Removal Certificate for David Shepherd and David Shepherd Junr from the monthly meeting of Smithfield their wives and Children which Childrens names are Caleb, Deborah, Gideon, Allen, Elizabeth and Lydia David Shepherd Junor his Childrens names are Thomas Reliance and John

James Barker attended this meeting and produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting at East Hoosick, setting forth his right of membership and their Unity of his Visiting his relations on which Certificate was Endorsed his attending this meeting to a degree of Satisfaction

The Women friends Inform they have admitted Patient Austin (Wife of Joseph Austin) into membership; which this meeting concurs with

The Committee appointed to the care take the necessary care in the case of John Williams request for a Certificate to Rhoadsland monthly meeting, setting forth his clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation, Report that they find things so far clear in that case; provided said John would acknowledge his misconduct (in this meeting) toward a young Woman he formerly kept Company with; And he appearing in this meeting and acknowledging and condemning the same, desiring Friends to pass it by - And this Meeting accepts the same for Satisfaction Whereupon a Certificate was prepared and signed by the Clerk directed to the Monthly meeting of Rhoadsland in his behalf setting forth his clearness respecting marriage and conversation

Collected - 2-1-6

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 12th month 1781 The Representatives Stephen Buffinton and Barnabus Russell both present

A Certificate in behalf Joseph Wing directed to the monthly meeting at account, setting forth his clearness respecting marriage and conversation was signed in this meeting by the Clerk

A Certificate in behalf of John Allen (son of Jonathan) directed to the monthly meeting of Ninepartners setting forth his being a member of this meeting, clearness respecting marriage and settlement of his outward affairs was produced in this meeting and signed by the Clerk

10 month 1781
Certificate of the members of the Society

The Cafe Ben Allen settled

W. Anford received a Certificate

Russell request a Certificate

Conforming a new preparative meeting

Com to collect friend's report
11 month 1781

Testimony denial of S. Locum

Com appon concern on ad vices from New York
see on class to advise

Report on dividing preparative meeting

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers thereto, and approved, and an Epistle to the next Quarterly meeting prepared and signed by the Clerk; all which is forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives; Who are Stephen Buffinton, Benjamin Smith, Samuel Smith, William Anthony Jr, and Barnabus Russell And they to report next monthly meeting

Micajah Wilcox Informing this meeting he intends a Visit to Oblong, to see his Relations, and make some stay there, desiring a few lines thereon: this meeting approving of the same he having a Right of membership among us, and the Clerk is directed to give a Copy of this minute
Collected --- 1-17-80

This meeting adjourns to the 26th Instant, after the meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment the 26th of the 1st month 1781 The Representatives being called both present

The Committee appointed to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and to Remove some defects among us Report that they have made some progress therein and desire said matter continued; it is therefore desired to next monthly meeting under their care and then they to make report

The Overseers inform'd in writing that James Johnson had conducted very unbecoming in his Conversation as set forth in said writing, therefore we appoint William Barker, David Shepherd, Henry Smith to enquire into the case and Labour with said Johnson for the above matters as Truth may open the way, and report next monthly meeting

This Meeting adjourns to the 6th day of next month after the meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment the 6th day of the 1st month 1782 The Representatives being called neither of them Present

The Committee appointed some time ago to Collect Friends Sufferings made a Report that they have made such progress therein as to Collect most of Suffering them to this time, and the account of them being read in this meeting and approved, was directed to be sign'd by the Clerk and sent up to the meeting for Sufferings, and a Copy thereof left on file

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of 1st month 1782 The Representatives are Lathan Wood and William Gifford present

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, Report, that they all attended that meeting, and now produce, an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting - a Transcript of last Yearly meeting, Epistles Copies of two minutes of the meeting for Sufferings, and an Epistle from New York - all which were read to in this meeting, well accepted: and by the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting and New York, and one of the minutes from the meeting for Sufferings; we have a description of the sorrowful Dangers, which some members of Society, have expos'd them selves and the Reproach the Truth may brought under by them, in the pursuit of such Voyages and buisness, as is therein pointed out - This meeting feeling a concern to make enquiry and agaurd prefer our fellow members from the consequences of these things; do appoint William Anthony Jr, William Wood, John Devoal, William Gifford, and James Davis a Committee to make the necessary enquiry in the compass of this monthly meeting Respecting these things, and to Labour therein as they in True Wisdom may be directed and to make report next monthly meeting

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and to Labour to remove some defects among us report that they have made some further progress therein & desire said matter continued to next monthly meeting under their care they then to make report

11 month 1782
Certificate of Johnson

Adjournment

After report next monthly meeting

And Sufferings collected

11 month 1782

William Jackson attended meeting

Two reports and testimonies made

Report on dividing preparative meeting

Johnson's reference

The Friends appointed to enquire into and Labour with James Johnson on his unbecoming Conversation, Report, that they have taken the necessary care in that matter; And that he acknowledges his misconduct, and is willing to make Friends satisfaction, and that they think it best to be continued under the care of a Committee to see it fully accomplished; therefore this meeting doth continue the same under the care of the same Friends, who are to make report of their progress therein to next monthly meeting
Collected --- 1-18-81

This meeting Adjourns to the 30th Instant after the meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment the 30th of the 1st month 1782 The Representatives being called both present

There being several matters advised and recommended from the Yearly and Quarterly meetings, they are desired to the Consideration of next monthly meeting, on account of the small numbers of members at this adjournment

The Committee appointed to Collect Friends Sufferings, Report that they have Collected an additional account since last monthly meeting which after being read was approved, and ordered to be sent up to the meeting for Sufferings; and a Copy left on file

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18 day of 2nd month 1782 The Representatives are William Barker and Abner Devoal both present

Our Esteemed Friend William Jackson attended this meeting with a Certificate from New Garden Monthly meeting in Chester County in Pennsylvania, dated the 10th of 1st month 1781, also a few lines from the same monthly meeting dated the 2nd month 3rd of 2nd month 1782 Which were Read in this meeting to Satisfaction and his Visit and Labour of Love acceptable to us

The Committee appointed Last monthly meeting to make inquiry and inspection if there be any such Conduct in any of our members as described in the Epistle from New York to the Quarterly meeting and in a minute of the meeting for Sufferings Report, - as here annexed - to the Monthly meeting to be held the 18th of 2nd month 1782

According to appointments we have met and taken into Consideration the Contents of the Epistle from New York made inquiry among our members and whose Suspicion arose have cautioned and advised endeavoring to set forth the bad tendency of such proceedings according to our ability; and as nothing appears openly, conclude to let the matter rest for the present under friends weighty Consideration and inspection
from your friend, James Davis, William Wood, John Devoal, William Gifford

This meeting Concludes to continue said Committee in the further care of that matter and make report of their progress therein to next monthly meeting

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and to Labour to remove some defects among us Report, that they have made some further progress therein and that as it is a matter that cannot be speedily accomplished desire it continued it is therefore continued under their further care and progress who are to make report thereof to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Labour with James Johnson on his unbecoming Conversation and his acknowledging his misconduct their Report, that they wait to receive an answer from William Jackson at Nantucket, whom James said had wronged him and that account desires the matter deferred, this meeting therefore desires the same Friends, who are desired to Labour to discover the sincerity of James condemning his misconduct and they to make report of their progress thereof next monthly meeting

10 month 1781
Certificate for 9 Mar. wife of John
The Cook Ben Allen settled
W Sanford received a certificate
to
Russell received a certificate
adjoined
Conferring a another preparative meeting
11 month 1781
Testimony of denial of S. Howland
Hannah Smith
Bill
Certificate for Henry Howland
Seremiah Smith
3 month 1782
Report on a meeting

Bennet Wing Informs this meeting that he intends Marriage with Rhoda Ricketson Daughter of William Ricketson the said Bennet producing a Certificate from Sandwich monthly meeting setting forth his Clearness before respecting marriage he also hath consent of Parents in Writing
George Folger informs this meeting he intends marriage with Rebecca Howe, And produced a few lines from two Friends of Nantucket monthly meeting setting forth that they find nothing to hinder his having a Certificate on that account, at their next monthly meeting and that they were appointed by the meeting for that purpose. Said George also produced consent of Parents in writing
Bennet Wing and Rhoda Ricketson appear in this meeting and declare their intentions of taking Each other in marriage, as also George Folger and Rebecca Howe who were desired to write till next monthly meeting for their answer. Collected - 2 - 3 - 10
This Meeting Received a Copy of a minute of the meeting for suffering containing an extract from an Epistle from Philadelphia respecting the Bibles, Which Friends subscribed for. Expressing that there is no way yet opened for procuring them, and this minute and extract were Read in this meeting
This Meeting is adjourned till to morrow at the 11th hour
Met by adjournment the 19 day of the 2nd month 1782
The Representatives being called both Present
The matter referred from last Quarterly meeting to us in regard to our Endeavouring to remove the Obstacles that render the usefulness of our being Annexed to Sandwich Quarter was taken into weighty consideration in this meeting; and we are very desirous to be in Labour to remove the above Difficulties as Truth opens the way; and as there is a large Committee under appointment by this meeting, in order to remove these defects complained of This matter is referred to next monthly meeting under their care
The Women Friends Inform that there is a Difficult matter subsisting among them and desire the assistance of this meeting, therefore we appoint our Friends William Wood, James Davis, Benjamin Locum, Stephen Howland, Seth Russell, Peley Gifford, Giles Locum, Benjamin Chase, and John Gifford to advise and assist the Women Friends as Truth opens the way
The Committee appointed some time past to collect this meeting, sends report, that they want some addition as there is one absent therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker Juner Elijah Gifford and Benjamin Howland to goe with the former Committee and accomplish that matter and to settle with Caleb Russell in behalf of this meeting as said Caleb had some books to dispose of for this meeting
The Overseers of the poor handed in an account to this meeting from Hannah Smith for keeping Alice Smith 35 weeks to the amount of 18 - 10 - 0 Lawful money, which being accepted. The Treasurer is ordered to pay the same when he is supplied with money from this meeting
This meeting sign'd a Removal Certificate for Henry Howland and Abigail his Wife and Prince and Beniah Howland their young Children directed to the monthly meeting of Acushet which they being removed there to Live
Seremiah Smith attended this meeting with a Copy of a minute of the Monthly meeting held at Saratoga the 11 of 1 month 1782 which was in fact a faction, The said minute being Endorsed in this meeting to the same purpose and signed
At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18 of 3rd month 1782 The Representatives are William Wood and Thomas Russell both present
The Committee to make Enquiry if there be any such Conduct in any of our members as described in the Epistle from New York to the Quarterly meeting, and minute from the meeting for suffering Report

Report, that they have made some further inspection and find nothing different from their report last monthly meeting that matter is therefore continued under the care of the same Friends who are to report of their progress therein to next monthly meeting
The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our preparative meeting and to Labour in removing such defect as they find among us Report, that they have been in a further progress in those things and that it is their Judgment that they be continued under a Committee for a yet further Progress in those weighty matters
The same Committee having that matter in charge respecting this meeting being annexed to Sandwich Quarter, as recommended from last Quarterly meeting, Report, as Follows Which is accepted
We of the Committee unto whom the matter was Referred respecting being annexed to Sandwich Quarter, having taken said matter under Consideration, and find those obstacles still remaining which we have been in a Labour to remove. But as that is a work of time, we as a Committee have been under deep Engagement of mind that this good work may be affected in its proper Season in which exercise we had most of us to witness the owning hand and arm of Divine goodness to be with us to our encouragement; but as yet we do not find the way open to be joined to Sandwich Quarter as those Obstacles are remaining which is cause of pain and sorrow of heart
Signed by Order and in behalf of said Committee By Samuel Smith Deborah Hicks
Dated this 14th of 3 month 1782
The above said Committee are Continued in said Service and to report next monthly meeting
The Friends appointed to Labour with James Johnson on his misconduct, and to discover his Sincerity in condemning the same report That they have made further progress therein, yet they desire the matter referred to next monthly meeting, which is accordingly under their care they then to make report
Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Nantucket in behalf of George Folger setting forth that he is a member of Society and Clear of marriage Entanglements there
Stephen Barker requests a Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Sandwich, setting forth his Right of membership and Clearness respecting marriage; therefore Benjamin Gifford Jun^r and John Howland are appointed to take the necessary care of that matter and if they find things clear to bring a Certificate to next monthly meeting
At the Request of Timothy Russell for advice from this meeting respecting his disposing his outward Estate, we appoint our Friends Giles Locum and Joseph Barker, to advise said Timothy therein, and Report to next monthly meeting
George Folger and Rebecca Howe appearing in this meeting for their answer, as also Bennet Wing, and Rhoda Ricketson which were Each Cuple might proceed to take Each other in Marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting; advising with the Friends therein which this meeting shall appoint to see said marriages, Orderly Solemnized and our Friends Thomas Russell and Jonathan Willbor are appointed to see the first cuple and Joseph Gifford next monthly meeting
Solemnized, and to make report next monthly meeting
Collected 5 - 6 - 3
This meeting is adjourned to the 27 Instant after meeting for Worship
Met by adjournment the 27 of the 3rd month 1782
The Representatives being called both present The Friends appointed

10 month 1781
Certificate for the Com^{rs} for the wife of John

The wife of Ben Allen

When first received a certificate

Can to about Women for report the matter settled

4 month 1782

Return from meeting

Copies of Epistles Received

over their refer

11 month 1781

Report on Clarendon Trade

Report on Clarendon meeting and endeavor to remove the obstacles which hinder such a division

On being annexed to Sandwich Quarter

Case of James Johnson

Certificate for Stephen Barker

The Friends appointed (at the first sitting of this meeting) to take the necessary care on the request of Stephen Barker for a Certificate to Request an addition to their number in that matter, therefore Seth Huddleston and William Mosher are added to them

The Queries were answered in this meeting, and an Epistle signed to the Quarterly meeting all which are forwarded to the said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives James Davis, Coles Greene, William Mosher, Chilon Wood and Benjamin Chise and they to report to the next monthly meeting

This meeting directs that the Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Draw the sum of 23-12-0 out of our Treasury and pay the same to the yearly meeting Treasurer in order to supply the yearly meeting Stock and report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed last monthly meeting to assist the Women Friends in a difficult matter subsist in their meeting Report that they have rendered their assistance according to a delivery of papers therein, and that matter is settled as will appear by the records of the Womens meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 4 month 1782 The Representatives are John Devoal and Seth Huddleston both Present

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, Report, that they all attended and produced an Epistle from the meeting which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction: As also the Extracts from our last yearly meeting minutes

This meeting Received 160 Epistles Copies of the last Epistle from the yearly meeting in London: also 160 Copies of the Representation on behalf of Friends, to the President of Council, and the Assembly of Pennsylvania One of Each of which were read in this meeting to good Satisfaction

The Choice of Overseers being under consideration at this time it is Refer'd to next monthly meeting for further consideration, as also Overseers of Poor who are continued till others are appointed

The Committee to make inquiry, If there be any such conduct in any of our members, as described in an Epistle from New York to the Quarterly meeting, Report that they have had that matter under examination but did not find any thing different from last report, they are therefore Continued in that Service, and are desired to make diligent and Impartial Inquiry in those things, and make report next monthly meeting

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and endeavor to remove the obstacles which hinder such a division think it best to defer another month for further progress: it is accordingly defend under their care who are then to report

The same Committee had the matter in change respecting the Meeting being annexed to Sandwich Quarter, and made report of their time therein Last monthly meeting, which is all that appears needful therein at present

The Friends appointed to Labour with James Johnson on his misconduct and severity of Condemning it, Report, that they have not fully accomplished that matter, it is therefore continued under their care, and if he doth not give them satisfaction, that they draw a Testimony of his denial and bring to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care in the request of Stephen Barker for a Certificate to Sandwich monthly meeting being forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage Report that they have taken the necessary care therein and brought a Certificate with them which was read in this meeting and signed

The friends appointed last

The Friends appointed last monthly meeting to advise Timothy Ruffel according to his request, in selling his outward Estate, Report, that they have advised him therein thro' the matter of his disposing his Estate is dropped for the present

The friends appointed to see George Folgers and Rebecca Shove's and also Bennett Wing and Rhoda Ricketson, solemnly solemnized make Report, that they all attended said marriages and that they were solemnized in some degree Orderly

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting inform, that they Received the money, ordered last monthly meeting, for our monthly meetings Treasurer, to be paid to the yearly meetings Treasurer, and that it was paid to him as directed

The Women friends inform'd last monthly meeting, that they deny'd Judith Hathaway Wife of Sethro Hathaway, which she then omitted being admitted, yet this meeting concurs therewith

Joseph Mosher and Elizabeth Briggs Declared Intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their assent, said Mosher having produced a Certificate from Smithfield monthly meeting also parents consent

Andrew Nicols the 3rd being about to return to live with his father again within South Kingstons monthly meeting, this meeting Endors'd a few Lines on the back of his Certificate which he brought from said monthly meeting

The Committee appointed some time past to collect this meetings Books, Now make report, that they have collected them, as by the list on file, And that they have settled with William Mosher and Rec'd 0-17-5 of him, and 0-12-0 of Caleb Ruffel, for Books which they sold belonging to this meeting said money is paid to the Treasurer

Jonathan Willbor and Thomas Ruffel are appointed to have the care of this meetings Books, as aforesaid and to lend them out to, upon they may see proper, and to see them return'd, and they to remain, that Service till others are appointed when they are to make Report

Friend conclude to to meet tomorrow generally to mend up the Fence round our meeting house

Collected - 5 - 4 - 4

This Meeting Adjourns to the 24th Instant after the meeting of Worship Mett by adjournment the 24th of 4 month 1782

The Representatives being called both Present

The Committee appointed some time past to collect friends suffering have not accomplish'd that part of the business in completing their account of Friends Sufferings, as to present it to this meeting, and desire the meeting to adjourn

Received a Removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Nantucket, in behalf of Joseph Roth, who hath removed in the Company of this meeting to Live

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th of next month after the meeting of Worship Mett by adjournment of 8th of the 5 month 1782. The Representatives are Seth Huddleston present, and John Devoal not present, For which he hath rendered no excuse

The Committee to Collect accounts of Friends Sufferings having Corrected those accounts that wear returned from the meeting of Sufferings, which after being Read were approved and Sent up to the meeting for Sufferings.

an account of Sufferings

10 month 1781

5 month 1782

Overseers refer
To assist Women friends
John Barker request a Certificate
on Eldest Trade
James Johnson's case
Testimony denial of Joseph Mosher answer
W. Sanford minute returned
Wm. Barker Hay

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 20th of 5th mo. 1782
The Representatives are Jonathan Willbor and Prince Potter

The appointing Overseers being again under consideration it is refer'd to next monthly meeting, as also Overseers of the poor

On the Women friends requesting the assistance of this meeting in a difficult case subsisting in their meeting; our friends, Abiel Gifford, James Davis, Elijah Gifford, Seth Huddleston and Caleb Greene are appointed for that purpose, and to report to next monthly meeting

John Barker requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island setting forth his clearness respecting marriage and conversation; Therefore Stephen Buffinton and Peleg Gifford are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear to draw a Certificate and bring to next monthly meeting

The Committee to make enquiry if there be any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New-York to the meeting for Sufferings; Report, that they have laboured and advised where they have suspected such conduct; they are continued in that Service and Benjamin Taber is added to them; and they are desired to make further Inspection and labour in those things; and make report next monthly meeting

The Committee to inspect into the Expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and to endeavour to remove such obstacles as hinder such a Division; Report, that they have continued their labour therein; and that it be another month; which is accordingly under their care, and they then to make report

The Friends appointed to Labour with James Johnson on his misconduct, and to discover his Sincerity in condemning it report that they have laboured further with him; yet they are continued in that Service, who are desired to extend their further care in that matter; and if he on their labour with him doth not give them satisfaction; to draw a Testimony of his denial and bring to next monthly meeting; Informing him thereof; or otherwise to make report accordingly

Joseph Mosher and Elisabeth Briggs appeared in this meeting for their Answer; and their answer was; We do not find any thing to hinder their proceeding in marriage and that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting; advising with the Friends this meeting shall appoint to see said marriage orderly solemnized said friends are Benjamin Smith 2 and William Anthony Junr who are to report next monthly meeting

William Sanford returned the Copy of the minute of this meeting of 10th month last; with an Endorsement from the monthly meeting of Ninepartners, that he attended that meeting to satisfaction

William Barker gave in an account of Hay and cutting for this meeting amounting to 5-7-6, which the Treasurers is directed to pay Collected - 7-3-11

10 month 1782

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 17th of 6th month 1782
Jonathan Willbor is appointed Clerk for this day
Representatives are Peleg Gifford Joseph Barker Seth Huddleston and Benjamin Howland 2 all present

John Barker Certificate

A Certificate for John Barker, to the Monthly meeting at Rhode Island setting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage was signed in this meeting by the Cert

Samuel Smith Certificate

Samuel Smith informs this meeting that he is about to take a Voyage to Sea, and he requesting our Certificate, setting forth his right of membership; therefore we appoint our friends Joseph Tucker Junr, Peleg Gifford Thomas Russell and Jonathan Willbor to inspect the Circumstances of the Vessel and Voige, and if they find things clear, to prepare a Certificate and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting if Samuel doth not want it before, if he doth the Committee may sign in behalf of said meeting

Adjournment

This Meeting Adjourns to the 24th of this Instant Mett by Adjournment this 24th of 6th month 1782

Representatives

The Representatives are Peleg Gifford, Joseph Barker, Seth Huddleston and Benjamin Howland 2 all present

Overseers refer

The Choice of Overseers coming again under the notice of this meeting It is refer'd to next Monthly meeting for a choice of them; as also Overseers of the poor

Women assist

The Friends appointed to assist the Women by their request last monthly meeting; Report, that they have assisted in the ability offered

Enquiry on unwarrantable conduct

The Committee to make further enquiry, if there be any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New-York to the meeting for Sufferings; Report that they have made further enquiry, and where such conduct was suspected, have given such advice as they were enabled to; yet that matter continued under their further care who are to report to next monthly meeting

Dividing preparative meeting

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and labour to remove such Obstacles as hinder such a division, Report that they have continued their labour therein; yet define the matter continued another month; it is accordingly deferred under the care of the same Committee to next monthly meeting they then to report

Case of James Johnson

The Friends appointed in the case of James Johnson's misconduct Report that they have not accomplished that matter, as one of the Committee was sick, and they request it may be deferred, till next monthly meeting under their care, and Stephen Buffinton and William Sanford are added to them who are desired to extend their care in that matter so as to accomplish it before next monthly meeting and then to make report

Joseph Mosher's marriage

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Joseph Mosher and Elisabeth Briggs, Report that they attended said marriage and that they did not find but it was in some good degree orderly solemnized

Women's request

The Women friends requesting to this meeting to assist them in Labouring to remove defects respecting Plainness, and other defects, which this meeting taking into serious consideration do appoint James Davis, Abiel Gifford and Caleb Greene a Committee

10 month
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Certificate
for the
Wife of
Joseph
Mother

The Certificate
Ben Allen
Settled

Warrant
for a
Certificate

to
Lamb
Smith

Certificate
signed

Complaint
against
Giles
& Caleb

Anthony

Request
from
Sandwich

to
the
monthly
meeting

Philip
Howland

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Testimony
of
Philip
Howland

signed

Committee
on
Philip
Howland's
case

sent
Quarterly
meeting

7 month
1782

Overseers
appointed

Agreed
on
providing
meetings

6 month 1782 A Committee, to Joine the Women in that Service in removing those defects so prevalent among the youth and others and make Report to next monthly meeting

A Removal Certificate, in behalf of Elisabeth Mother Wife of Joseph Mother being forth her right of membership directed to the monthly meeting of Smithfield was signed in this meeting by the Clerk

Adjourned Mett This meeting adjourns to the 26th Instant after the meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment the 26th of 6 month 1782

The Representatives being called are Pleg Gifford, Joseph Barker, Seth Huddleston, and Benjamin Howland, all present

Caleb Greene, being assistant is appointed Clerk for this day

A Certificate was signed in this meeting by the Clerk, in behalf of Lamuel Smith, setting forth his right of membership directed to us it may concern, he being about to take a Voyage to Sea

The Overseers Inform (by way of Preparative meeting) that Giles Locum^{us} and Caleb Anthony did some time past fall into a Grief ungodly Strife, so far that some blows were given for which they have been laboured with by said Overseers, but they did not find them disposed to give friends satisfaction: Therefore Daniel Ricketson, Prince Potter and Jonathan Willbor are appointed to take an opportunity of solid conference with the young men, and if they do not find satisfaction to draw a Testimony of their denial and bring to next monthly meeting, and if otherwise to make report accordingly

This meeting receiving the following request from Sandwich monthly meeting From our Monthly meeting of Friends held at Rochester for Sandwich the 5th day of the 6th month 1782 To the monthly meeting of Dartmouth

Philip Howland Having had a right of membership with us and served an apprenticeship in the Verge of your meeting, since which we have been informed, he has deviated from our principles particularly in sailing in a Vessel Armed in a warlike manner - which misconduct we now desire you will labour with him for, as Truth and our discipline may direct - with our salutation of love we conclude your Friends and Brethren

Signed in and on behalf of said meeting by Rich Delano Clerk

Whereupon our Friends Joseph Tucker^{us} and James Davis are appointed to labour with the said Philip Howland on his said misconduct and if he doth not give them satisfaction, to prepare a Testimony of his denial and bring with them to next monthly meeting

The Queries were read and answers thereto read, and after some amendment, were approved, and sent up to the Quarterly meeting with our Epistle which was also read and signed by the Clerk and sent up by our Representatives, who are Samuel Smith, Barnabas, Mother, Micajah Wilcox, and Thomas Russell, and they to make report next monthly meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 7 month 1782

The Representatives are John Devol & Chilion Wood both present The Choice of Overseers being referred from last monthly meeting to this whereupon James Davis, Joseph Barker, Caleb Greene, Seth Huddleston & Caleb Russell are appointed, and a further choice referred to next monthly meeting

The Choice of Overseers of the Poor being also referred to this meeting Seth Russell, Jonathan Willbor, John Devol, Thomas Russell, Barnabas Russell and Chilion Wood for that Service the year ensuing

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and to labour to remove such obstacles which hinder such a division Report that they have continued their labour therein, yet desire the matter referred another month; it is accordingly deferred under the care of the same Committee to next monthly meeting they then to make report

The Committee to make further enquiry and discovery, if there is any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New York to the meeting for suffering with a copy of a minute of that meeting thereon Report that they Endeavoured to discharge themselves in that Trust by inspecting, and where any have been suspected, to labour with them as way opened - yet they are continued in that Service and to make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of James Johnson's misconduct report, that they have not accomplished that matter, and that it might be deferred till next monthly meeting, it is accordingly deferred under their care, who are desired to accomplish the same as soon as may be and make report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to treat with Giles Locum^{us} and Caleb Anthony on their falling into a bodily Strife in which blows were given who gave them a good degree of satisfaction, with a paper condemning their said misconduct; Which accepted for satisfaction, provided they cause said paper to be read in a publick manner at the close of a post day meeting of Worship before next monthly meeting they being present and make report thereof to that meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 24th Instant Mett by adjournment the 24th of 7 month 1782 Reported both present

The Friends appointed to labour with Philip Howland on his misconduct and if he did not give them satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his denial, Report, that they had an opportunity with him and that he did not give them satisfaction they therefore produced a Testimony of his denial, which was read and after a little alteration signed by the Clerk, who is directed to read the same publicly in our usual manner, and make report to next monthly meeting said Committee also report that they informed said Howland of the conclusion of this meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended said meeting to satisfaction, and produced an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting, also Transcripts of the following Epistles viz One from our Yearly meeting in London last year One from the Yearly meeting in London last year One from Pennsylvania last year One from Westbury on Long Island last this year also Copy of the Extract from our last yearly meetings minutes all which were read in the meet to good satisfaction

10 month 1781

Erasmus G. for 3 months

The Clerk Ben Allen

W. Sanford reads a certificate

Russell requires a certificate

Conferring a notice in preparative meeting

Contraband Trading

James Johnson

Giles Locum

Caleb Anthony

Philip Howland

Report on settling preparative meeting

7 month 1782

Report of Committee on Slaves

Chilson Wood request for Children

8 month 1782

Choosing overseers

Preparative meeting

Contraband Trading

James Johnson

Giles Locum

Caleb Anthony

Philip Howland

The Committee to Joine the Women in labouring to remove some defects respecting Slainness, and other defects among us Report, that they have made some progress therein, as way hath opened, and that they yet feel the weight of that Service. They are therefore continued therein, and to make report thereof when ready

Chilson Wood requesting his children may be admitted under our Care: Thomas Hicks and John Devol, are appointed to take the Joine the Women, and to take the necessary care therein and make report to next monthly meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth yth of 8th month 1782 The Representatives are Lathan Wood and Thomas Mott both present An additional choice of Overseers being refer'd from Last monthly meeting to this; and some friends being named thereto yet it is refer'd to next monthly meeting

The Committee Inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and to labour to remove such Obstacles as hinder such a division Report, that they have continued their labours and desires the matter defer'd another month under the care of the same Committee; it is accordingly defer'd under their care to next monthly meeting they then to make report

The Committee to make further enquiry and discovery, if there is any such unwarrantable conduct, in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New York to the meeting for sufferings, with a Copy of the meeting for sufferings thereon Report, nothing different from last monthly meeting; they are therefore continued in that Service except James Daves, who desires to be dismissed therefrom, on account of other Services; he is accordingly dismissed, and Jonathan Willbor is appointed therein, who with the others of the Committee, are desired to attend close to the Service and make report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed in the case of James Johnson Report that they have not accomplished that matter, he being absent from home it is therefore continued under their care, who are, who are desired to accomplish the same before next monthly meeting if it may be and report to said meeting

The Clerk informs that Giles Locum, Jr. and Caleb Anthony have not caused their paper to be read as directed last monthly meeting by reason of disappointment they are therefore directed to take the necessary care in that matter and report to next monthly meeting

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of Philip Howland has been read as directed last monthly meeting which is as followeth

Whereas Philip Howland of Dartmouth having had his Education among Friends, and under our care, but hath so far departed from the pleacable profession we make, as to go several Voyges to sea on board of Vessels Armed in a warlike manner, for which he hath been laboured with, but he continuing to justify the same Friends are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society and from our care - Nevertheless it is our desire that he may com to a right and sense of his outgoing, and return to the way of Truth

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment yth 24 of 7th month 1782 Signed in and on behalf of said meeting by Wm Anthony Jr. Clerk

10 month 1782

Thomas Russell

Abiel Gifford

Our Friends Micajah Wilcox, Barnabus Mosher, Jr., Barnabus Russell, Gideon Anthony, Caleb Barker, and Elijah Gifford, are appointed to receive such sums as friends may subscribe in their freedom, toward supplying the Yearly meeting stock of £50 and report of the sum total so subscribed to next Monthly Meeting

Collected 5-6-11

11 month 1782

Benjamin Smith

Benjamin Smith

Contraband Trading

James Johnson

Giles Locum

Caleb Anthony

Philip Howland

Report on settling preparative meeting

James Johnson

Giles Locum

Caleb Anthony

Philip Howland

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women and take the necessary care in Chilson Woods request, make a satisfactory report, yet they then to make Report

Thomas Russell hath brought in an account to this meeting for some repairs of the meeting house, amounting to £2:2:9 which being examined is approved

This meeting received a copy of a Minute from Accoaxet Monthly meeting of 13th of 7th month last; Signifying that John Gifford son of Abiel Gifford has returned to this meeting

Our Friends Micajah Wilcox, Barnabus Mosher, Jr., Barnabus Russell, Gideon Anthony, Caleb Barker, and Elijah Gifford, are appointed to receive such sums as friends may subscribe in their freedom, toward supplying the Yearly meeting stock of £50 and report of the sum total so subscribed to next Monthly Meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth yth of 9th month 1782 The Representatives are Benjamin Faber & Thomas Russell, Benjamin Faber present; Thomas Russell not present, for which no excuse or Reason being offered

The additional choice of Overseers being refer'd to this meeting Benjamin Smith is appointed to that place, in addition to those appointed in the 7th month last, and a further choice is refer'd to next monthly meeting

The Committee to Inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and to labour to remove such obstacles which hinder such a division Report, that they have been in a labour therein, but that they have not got through it to satisfaction, therefore desires the matter continued they are accordingly continued in that Service and to report when ready

The Committee to make further enquiry, if there be any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New York to the Quarterly meetings, with a copy of the meeting for sufferings thereon; Report nothing different from last monthly meeting they are therefore continued in that Service and to report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of James Johnson, Report, that they have not accomplished that matter, by reason James being gone from home, a great distance; they therefore desire the matter continued another month, it is accordingly refer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends who are desired to accomplish the same by that time and make report thereto

Report hath been made that Giles Locum, Jr. and Caleb Anthony's paper was read as directed last monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Joine the women friends and take the necessary care in Chilson Woods request for his Children make a satisfactory report; therefor this meeting concludes to admit his Children whose names are Charles and Ruth, into membership with us under our care

The women inform that they have received a removal Certificate from Accoaxet monthly meeting in behalf of Mary Wing wife of Joseph Wing

This meeting hath signed a certificate of Information to the monthly meeting of the Oblong, respecting Lydia Boyd, daughter of William Bowditch, who hath gon there some years past to live

Collected

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This meeting Collected. £ 13. 3. 3
This meeting adjourns to the 25th of this Month after meeting of 9th month 1782
Met by adjournment of 25th of 9th month 1782
The Representatives being called both present
Thomas Russell rendered a sufficient reason for his not attending at the first sitting of this meeting which is accepted
The Overseers inform by the way of the Preparative meeting that Benjamin Smith son of Eleazer hath taken an oath in common form before a Magistrate: it is also reported of him that he pertrikes of Spiritous Liquors to excess, that he uses Vulgar and profane Language at times: he also much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings, for which misconduct labour hath been bestowed for his recover, yet we appoint our friends William Anthony and Thomas Russell to labour further with him the said Benjamin and if he doth not give them satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his apical and bring to next monthly meeting
This meeting gave forth a Testimony signed by the Clerk concerning our Friend Freeborn Rider deceased in order to be sent up to the Quarterly meeting a Copy thereof ordered to be kept on file
The Committee appointed to raise money by way of Subscription to supply the Yearly meeting Stock report that they raised the sum of Eight pounds, which is ordered forward to the Yearly meeting Treasurer by our Representatives
The Queries were answered, and said answers ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Benjamin Taber, Jonathan Hart, Caleb Green, and Benjamin Smith 2^d and they to make report to next monthly meeting
This meeting adjourns to 6th day of next month after meeting of 10th month 1782
Met by adjournment of 6th of 10th month 1782
The Representatives being called Thomas Russell present Benjamin Taber not present, and sufficient reason being rendered for his absence
This meeting taking under consideration the disadvantage of holding our week day meeting on that week the Quarterly meeting is held here; Therefore do discontinue all our week day meetings in that week which the Quarterly meeting is held the present year; within within the compass of this monthly meeting
There was an account signed in this meeting, to the Quarterly meeting and ordered forward by our Representatives above named
At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 20th of 10th month 1782
The Representatives are Abraham Howland & Prince Paller both present
The additional Choice of Overseers being refer'd to this meeting Benjamin Inser and Joseph Tucker but were appointed to that place in addition to those who were lately appointed for the year ensuing or till others are appointed their stead: and they together are desired to deal for Wisdom to Labour and deal Impartially with all offenders in order that our Testimony may be kept up in the several branches thereof
The Committee to make inquiry if there are such unwarrantably and in any of our members, as discrided in an Epistle from New York The Quarterly meeting with a copy of the meeting for sufferings thereon Report that they have been in a further therein: yet they are continued in that Service; and are desired to attend closely to that which will enable them to Labour effectually with those in such practises; and Report to next monthly meeting

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The Friends appointed to labour further with Benjamin Smith son of Eleazer, on his taking an oath in common form before a Magistrate and some misconduct, Report that they have had an opportunity with him, yet desire the matter deferred for further opportunity; it is accordingly deferred under their care to next monthly meeting they then to make report
The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting that they all attended that meeting, and produced a copy of an Epistle from that meeting which was read in this meeting to good satisfaction: they also returned the Testimony concerning Freeborn Rider, and account concerning Samuel Chase for some amendment
The Committee appointed to draw Testimony concerning deceased friends are desired to make necessary amendment and addition into Testimony concerning Freeborn Rider that was returned from the Quarterly meeting for that purpose; and make report to this meeting
The Quarterly meeting (in their last Epistles) among other advice advise, that friends be careful to make their Wills without delay as Time waits for none; and some late affecting instances of Sundry Removals death; and others incapacitated to make them, are fresh motives for renewed care and attentions in this part of our Discipline. And that each Monthly meeting appoint a Committee, to call upon friend and excite them to a speedy and active compliance therein: Upon which our Friends Joseph Gifford, Samuel Smith, William Anthony, William Mosher, Giles Hocum, and Thomas Hicks, are appointed for that Service, and also to attend to that whose friends have little or no Estate, but have children under age, either provide suitable Guardians that the Children may be brought up and Educated among Friends - said Committee to make report at our monthly meeting next preceeding next Quarterly meeting
The friends appointed in the case of James Johnson Report that they have taken the necessary care in that matter and have draughted and produced a Testimony against him, as follows
Whereas James Johnson hath had a right of Membership amongst us the People called Quakers, but by his departing from the Testimony of Truth, has been assisting in filling of Vessels concerned in War: Likewise in using of threatening Language against the People of Nantucket, and asserting that William Husey had wronged him and when called upon he could not make it out: he hath also been too neglectful in attending of our Religious meetings; all which misconduct said James hath been Laboured with for, but our Labour of love not having the desired effect Therefore, for the clearing of Truth and Friends from such scandalous conduct, we give this forth as a publick Testimony against said James Johnson, denying of him from being one in unity and from being in membership with us the afore said people: But with desire he may be so far favoured as to have a Sight and sense of his misconduct, and return to the way of well doing, and find forgiveness with the Almighty
Signed in and on behalf of our said Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 25th day of the 10th month AD 1782
By William Anthony Clerk
Which was signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is directed to cause the same to be read publicly at the close of a first day Meeting

10 month 1781

Certificate for the m

Wm Barker

Ben Allen

Wm Barker

John Shepherd

Conforming

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John Austin

On contraband

James Johnson

John Howland

John Howland

Report on

meeting

Meeting for Worship before next Monthly meeting and Report to said meeting, and William Barker is appointed to Inform said James of his denial and make report to this meeting

This meeting concludes to discontinue all our week day meetings within the compass of our monthly meeting, in that week the Quarterly meeting may be held here in June, and that whenever our Preparative meeting happens to fall in that week that the same be held on the 4th day of the next week before

William Barker Sr and Deborah Shearman Informed this meeting of their Intentions to take each other in marriage they are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer where upon Peleg Gifford, and William Sanford are desired to take the necessary care and Enquiry into the said Williams cleanness respect to marriage, as also his Conversation, and make report next Monthly meeting

John Shepherd Sr being about to go to Oblong to make some Lawy there, desires this meetings concurrence therein, this meeting taking it into consideration approves thereof, he having a right of membership among us; and the Clerk is directed to give him a copy of this minute

This meeting directs the Treasurer to pay Thomas Russell Twenty four Shillings which he disbursed for Hay, and Report to this meeting

This meeting Adjourns to the 30th of this Instant after meeting for worship Meet by adjournment y 30th of 12th month 1782 The Representatives being called; Prince Potter present, Abraham Howland not present for which some Excuse being rendered

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth, 18th of 11th month 1782 The Representatives are John Devoal and Benjamin Rider both present This meeting Received a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of South Kingstown, in behalf of Joseph Austin, son of Jeremiah Austin, signifying his right of Membership, and recommending to the care of this meeting; which is accepted

The Committee to make enquiry if there is any of our members acting or concerned in any contraband Trade &c. Report nothing different from last month meeting they are therefore continued in that Service (except Benjamin Faber who is dismissed from on account of other Services) and they are desired to make diligent enquiry, and labour as they see needful and make report to next monthly meeting

The Clerk reports the Testimony of Denial of James Johnson hath been read as directed

The Friends appointed to draw Testimonies of denial against John Howland son of John deceased, and Benjamin Allen son of Philip deceased and inform them thereof, Reported and brought draughts against each of them, and that they have been informed of their denials - said Testimonies are as followeth

Whereas John Howland son of John Howland deceased having been a right of Membership among us the people called Quakers But through unwatchfulness and disregarding the testimony of Truth on his own Heart have so far deviated therefrom

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Abraham Anthony

Peleg Gifford

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as to fall into the sin of Fornication, which is evident by his Wifes having a child soon after marriage, also married out of the Unity of Friends; and friends having treated with him in love in order to shew him the Evil thereof, but not receiving any real satisfaction; these friends are concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against him, the said John Howland hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly sensible of his Transgression and be Restored to the way of Truth

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18th of 11th month 1782 by W^m Anthony Sr Clerk

Whereas Benjamin Allen son of Philip Allen deceased having had a right of membership with us the People called Quakers but through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth in his own heart have so far departed therefrom, as to fall into the sin of Fornication, which is evident by his Wifes having a child soon after marriage, also married out of the Unity of friends and Friends having treated with him in love in order to shew him the Evil thereof, but not receiving any real satisfaction; Therefore friends are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Benjamin Allen hereby disowning him from being one in membership of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly sensible of his Transgression and be restored to the way of Truth

Given forth and signed in, and on behalf of our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth this 18th of 11th month 1782 by W^m Anthony Sr Clerk

Which are signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is directed to have said Testimonies read publickly at the close of a first day meeting for Worship, before next monthly meeting, and make report thereof

Abraham Anthony son of Philip deceased, and Lattitia Smith Daughter of Benjamin Smith, Informed this meeting, of their Intentions to take each other in Marriage, said Abraham having produced a Certificate from Rhode Island monthly meeting, setting forth that he is a member of that meeting, and clear of marriage intanglement he also produced consent of parent in writing; upon which they were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer

A Certificate was signed in this meeting by the Clerk, in behalf of Anne Gifford, setting forth that she is a member in Unity with us, and that her publick Testimony is acceptable among us; Which was directed to Sandwich monthly meeting, she being about to make a Visit within the Limits of that meeting

John Williams Informs that he hath thoughts of removing to Rhode Island, desiring Friends advice therein; whereupon we appointed, Caleb Russell, Benjamin Faber, and Caleb Greene to advise with him therein, and Report to next monthly meeting

This meeting adjourns to 4th of next month, at which time meeting for worship Meet by adjournment y 4th of 12th month 1782

The Representatives being called both present

The Committee

10 month 1781

Ben Smith's denial signed
The Clerk Ben Allen settled
Wm Sanford report a certificate
Russell report a certificate
Conferring another preparative meeting

11 month 1782 The Committee appointed in the case of Benjamin Smith's Reports they have had a conference with him but he giving them no satisfaction; therefore they have produced a draft of a Testimony of denial against him which was signed by the Clerk who is desired to read it publicly at the End of a first day meeting for Worship and make report next monthly meeting; and Thomas Russell is appointed to Inform him thereof and make report next monthly meeting. Said Testimony is as followeth

Whereas Benjamin Smith son of Eleazer having had a right of Membership among us the people called Quakers, but through unwearfulness, and disregarding the Testimony of Truth in his own heart have so far debilitated ~~them~~ from our Religious principles as to take an Oath in common Form, before a Magistrate, and much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings, and friends leaving Treated with him in love, in order to shew him the Evil thereof; but not receiving any real satisfaction, are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Benjamin Smith hereby disowning from being a member of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly sensible of his misconduct and be restored to the way of Truth; and by a sincere acknowledgment return to the Unity of his Friends again

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth by adjournment y^e 4th of 12th month 1782 By William Anthony, Clerk

William Sanford and Peleg Gifford report they have made the Necessary enquiry in regard to William Barker Junor and find nothing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage; Therefore

William Barker and Deborah Shearman appeared for their Answer; Which was, they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting, advising with the friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee same, who are our friends William Sanford and Peleg Gifford, and they to make report next monthly meeting

George Smith² and Mary Smith (daughter of Humphy) declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage, and wear of marriage desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer And our Friends Chilion Wood and William Anthony Jun^r are appointed to Enquire into the young mans clearness in respect to marriage, and conversation, and make report next monthly meeting

Rachel Weaver The Women Friends Inform they have received into membership, Received Rachel Weaver, which we concur with

Ben Shearman Benjamin Shearman hath given in an account for casting Hay for this meeting amounting to the sum 58 Shillings which is accepted, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same, and make Report next monthly meeting

12 Month At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth y^e 16th of 12th month 1782 1782 The Representatives are Stephen Buffinton & Seth Huddleton both present On contrary The Committee to make enquiry, if there are any of our Trade Members acting or concerned in any contraband Trade &c Report

Report on a preparative meeting

Month 1782

Testimonies of denial read
Ben Allen on John Williams request
Ben Smith³ informed
Ben Allen's certificate
Ben Barker married
Ben Smith² absent
James Davis absent from overseer
Abraham Athon Jun^r
Abel Gifford absent from committee
Ben Shearman's report
Adjourned till
Committee on account of Ben's report

Report. That they have made further enquiry and that further care therein is necessary, they are therefore continued, and desired to have renewed attention to that matter and make report to next Monthly meeting

The Clerk Informs that the Testimonies of denials against John Howland son of John deceased, Benjamin Allen son of Philip deceased and Benjamin Smith³, have all been read as directed last monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to advise with John Williams on his intended removal to Rhode Island, Report that they had a good opportunity with him, and after giving him such advice as appeared necessary gave it as their sense, That as he had made considerable step towards a Removal, by disposing part of his possession before he asked friends advice he must now proceed as he could conveniently, with his ingagement and the Truth

Thomas Russell Informs he hath not informed Benjamin Smith³ of his denial, as directed, by reason said Benjamin was gone to sea he is therefore desired to do the same as soon as he has an opportunity and make report thereof

This meeting received, and accepted a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Nine Partners, in behalf William Allen son of Philip deceased Signifying his right of membership, and that he is clear of marriage Engagements

The Friends appointed to oversee the marriage of William Barker and Deborah Shearman's reports, that they attended said marriage, and did not discover but that it was in a degree orderly solemnized

The friends appointed to inspect into the clearness of George Smith respecting marriage Report that things are not clear for such a prosequor according to the order established among us

James Davis informs that he finds his mind dismissed from the Service of an Overseer, and request a dismission from that place this meeting considering other Services doth dismiss him from that Service

Abraham Anthony and Leticia Smith appearing 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 shall appoint to oversee the same who are Jonathan Willbor and William Anthony Jun^r and they to make report next monthly meeting

Abel Gifford requesting to be dismissed from the Committee for dividing the preparative meeting on account of other services at this meeting taking the same into consideration doth dismiss him from that Committee

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid Benjamin Shearman 58 Shillings for cast Hay, as ordered last monthly meeting, and Collected - 5 - 8 - 6

This meeting adjourns to y^e 25th Instant at y^e conclusion of meeting with the next meeting by adjournment y^e 25th of 12th 1782

The Representatives being called both present The Committee appointed to call on Friends and exhort them to a steady active compliance in making their Wills

10 month 1781

Certificate for the wife of John W. ...

The Certificate of the ...

William Wood ...

Report concerning ...

Testimony of ...

Ben Smith's ...

Return from ...

12 Month Report that they have made some progress in that matter and that they find a great deficiency among us on that account The Committee is therefore continued in that Service; and to make Report to the monthly meeting next proceeding the Quarterly meeting in 4th month next.

Exhibition A Certificate in behalf of Esther Potter daughter of Joshua Potter Certificated created to the monthly meeting of Accoxset. Signifying her right of membership, was signed by the Clerk in concurrence with the Women friends.

Freeborn Our Testimony concerning Freeborn Rider deceased, being returned to this meeting, by the Quarterly meeting, for a small amendment. the same was done and is again sent up to the Quarterly meeting. The Queries were answered in this meeting, and an Epistle signed by the Clerk, and ordered forward to our next Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are Stephen Buffinton, William Mosher, Caleb Greene, Chilon Wood, and Joseph Tucker, they to make report next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed in the case of John Potter some time past to make inspection into his conduct &c. Now make report that they have answered their appointment therein: and that he the said John Potter hath fallen into other misconduct particularly, in proceeding in marriage out of the Unity of Friends, and his wife having a Child soon after marriage, and they having treated with him for his said misconduct and he did not give them satisfaction, therefore said Committee are continued in said Service and to treat further with him, and if he do not give them satisfaction, to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to next monthly meeting.

11 month 1781 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth y^e 20th of 1st month 1783 The Representatives are Seth Huddleston & Stephen Gifford both present

The Committee to make enquiry if there are any of our members acting or concerned in any contraband Trade &c. Report, that they have made but little progress in that matter since last monthly meeting, and therefore they are continued in that Service. Except Jonathan Willcox who sent a request to be dismissed from that Service on account of sickness in his family; he is accordingly dismissed, and William Mosher is added to said Committee, who are desired to attend diligently to the matter in charge and report to next Monthly meeting.

Thomas Russell informs he hath informed Benjamin Smith's of his Denial as desired last monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to oversee the marriage of Abraham Anthony and Latitia Smith reports that he with the other friend attended the marriage - and that it was in some good degree orderly solemnized

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report, that they have all attended, and produced an Epistle from said meeting, together with a copy of a minute which were read in this meeting, together with satisfaction, and the weighty advice in said Epistle friends are desired to attend particularly that to Parents and Children Respecting marriage

10 month 1783

William Wood

Stephen Barker

John Williams

Robert Nesbit

David Anthony

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The Quarterly meeting directs in a copy of said minute to appoint some suitable friends to assist the Quarterly meetings Committee in visiting those who have held Slaves, as well as those that have been so held: We defer appointing them to next monthly meeting that the matter may be further considered

The Friends appointed to treat with John Potter on account of his misconduct particularly in marrying out of the Unity of Friends &c. Report, that they have had a further opportunity with him, and that he gave them some encouragement of satisfaction, and friends weightily considering said matter, do refer it to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before and then they to make Report

John Williams request a Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Rhode Island for himself and Children; Therefore this meeting appoints Benjamin Taber and Seth Russell to take the necessary care in that respect, and to advise the women friends therein, and report their doings in said matter to next monthly meeting

Stephen Barker Request a removal Certificate to the monthly meeting at Sandwich he being about to move there to dwell if friends concur therein; Therefore this meeting appoints William Wood Stephen Buffinton and Barnaby Mosher to draw a Certificate for him if on enquiry they find things clear and make report next monthly meeting

Our Friend Robert Nesbit attended this meeting with his Certificate dated East Hoosuck y^e 12th of y^e 12th 1782, and his Visit and Labours of Love of the Gospel were satisfactory to us and a few Lines Endorsed on his Certificate Signifying the same

Our Friend David Anthony attended this meeting also in company with our afore said friend, with a few lines from the said meeting of East Hoosuck, which was read, and his Visit was to satisfaction, and an Envoiment made Signifying the same

This Meeting Adjourns to the 29th of this Instant at the close of meeting for Worship Mett By Adjournment the 29th of y^e 1st month 1783

The Overseers inform that Abraham Gifford hath kept company and married with one out of the Unity of Friends and that they have treated with him on that account but he did not give them any real satisfaction; therefore, we appoint Thomas Tucker and Chilon Wood to labour with said Abraham and if he doth not give them satisfaction, they are to draw a Testimony of Denial against him and bring to next monthly meeting; Or sever accordingly when ready

Whereas, upon the report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the cleanness of George Smith's Respecting marriage it appeared things were not clear: and since which this meeting is informed he hath proceeded in marriage out of the Order of Friends; therefore this meeting appoints Stephen Gifford and Nicholas Lapham to Inquire into the State of the matter, and Labour with him as they may see fit; and if they do not find satisfaction to draw a Testimony of Denial against him; and they to make report as soon as the nature of the case will admit

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Gideon Anthony
Informs this meeting that he proposes going to East Hoosuck and Saratoga and expect to tarry some time there on a visit among his relations, with a prospect of doing some business there, which this meeting concurs with, he being a member and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minute
This meeting Received Seventeen Copies of an address from the Meeting for Sufferings on the Subject of the Yearly meeting which one of which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction, and the others are delivered to friends who have the care of this meetings, both to be distributed among friends as they may find proper
The Overseers of the Poor have rendered an account of agreement with Isaac Russell for keeping Alice Smith one of the poor of the meeting for one year the amount being fifty Silver dollars, is directed by the meeting to be paid to the said Isaac Russell by the Treasurer when ever there is a Sufficiency in Stock for that purpose
We appoint Samuel Smith Joseph Tucker Junr and William Anthony Junr to settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise this meetings minutes in order for their being placed on Record and make Report to next monthly meeting
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All a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouthth 17 of 2 month 1783
The Representatives are John Devoal & Benjⁿ. Taber both present
Received a Certificate from Rhode Island, in behalf of John Lawton Son of Isaac Signifying his residence in this monthly meeting and his being a member, and clear of marriage
This meeting to Satisfaction
The Committee to make enquiry if there are any of our members acting or concerned in any contraband Trade, &c. Report, that they have attended somewhat to that matter and made further inquiry therein: yet they are continued therein that Service, and are desired to give more attention thereto, and make report to next monthly meeting
The friends appointed to have the care of the matter respecting John Potters misconduct, in marrying out of the Unity of friends, are desired the matter may be continued another month, it is accordingly deferred under their care till next monthly meeting, and Stephen Buffinton is added to them they then to make reports
According to the minute from the Quarterly meeting to appoint some suitable friends to assist their Committee in visiting those who have heretofore held Slaves among us, and those that have been so held we appoint Thomas Hicks and William Mosher for that Service and to make report to this meeting as soon as the Circumstance of the matter will admitt
The friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting a removal Certificate for Stephen Barker Report that they have
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Taken the necessary care herein and have presented a Certificate to this meeting, directed to the monthly meeting of Sandwich Signifying his right of membership and that his outward affairs was settled to his satisfaction as far as appears, which was signed by the Clerk
Ebenzer Baker and Susana Mosher appeared in this meeting and declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage, and they were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Assent said Ebenzer having produced a Certificate from the said monthly meeting Signifying he was a member and clear of marriage engagements, and consent of parents in writing. Collected 2 - 10 - 5
This meeting Adjourns to the 1st hour to morrow
Met by Adjournment the 18th of 2nd month 1783
The Representatives being called are John Devoal Benjⁿ. Taber both present
The Friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting a removal Certificate for John Williams, having not fully accomplished that matter, they are therefore continue to have the care of the same and report to next monthly meeting
The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting Abraham Giffords misconduct in keeping company and marrying out of the Unity of Friends Report, that they have taken proper care therein and that it appears he is guilty of the Sin of Fornication, from his unfer having a child soon after marriage: Therefore the same friends are directed to draw a Testimony of denial against him the said Abraham and inform him thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting
The Committee appointed to labour with George Smith on account of his disorderly marriage being called upon, inform that they had not accomplished the same, and it appearing necessary that there be an addition to the Committee, we therefore appoint William Anthony Junr to assist said Committee, who are to Joine the Women friends therein and make report to next monthly meeting
William Barker reports he hath informed Caleb Gifford of his denial as directed last Monthly meeting
It appearing that there are several accounts due from this meeting to a much larger amount than there is money in Stock to discharge the same Therefore our friends Daniel Ricketson J^rth Russell Thomas Mott, Pehen Gifford and Jonathan Willbor are appointed to apply to friends without delay and take in subscriptions for that purpose and return the sum so Collected to the Treasurer and make report of the sum to next monthly meeting
The Committee appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise the minutes in order for their being recorded Report as followeth
We the subscribers have settled accounts with the Treasurer this 9th day of the 2 month 1783 and remains in Stock 4 - 4 - 9 Lawful money, and the meetings debts (as by accounts allowed) are 4 - 5 - 0
Joseph Tucker Junr
William Anthony Junr
The Committee appointed in the 6 month last to Joine the Women Friends to remove some defects among our truths and others respecting plainness and other defects, make report as followeth
To the Monthly meeting of Men and Women Friends held in Dartmouth the 28th of the first month 1783
We your Committee of Men and women Friends appointed to take in our inductors to remove some defects among our truths and others respecting plainness and other defects do hereby
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Report of visitors
Considered, and confend on that weighty work and service, and in that which is in the bond of peace, way was opened for a general visit of our
sers and therein we have endeavored to proceed and labour, and have
deep wadeings and heavy exercises under a sense of the many weakness
defects among us as a meeting which hinder the growth and spreading of
the pure seed of Life: and we have to remark with sorrow, that it was ev
with some few: to the almost profaneing their assembling themselves together
and that also a departure in some of the youths and others from that
simplicity Truth requires, and which leads to plainness in Conversation
&c. if kept to would be as a call and invitation, not only to those among
but even to those that are without. There were however, some prosper
which were encouraging, and even some also among the youth, with
such we were nearly united, greatly desiring their growth and establish
ment, the Truth: and that none may sit down and be contented in a stolid
ent and indifferency, in a concern of the utmost importance, but all may com
up more and more in a lively Zeal for the cause, and testimony of Truth
We have also to remark, that tho' our service was weighty and labouring
yet our visits seemed generally kindly received

And as divers others who were not members often happened in families we
visited, such we informed of our freedom to sit with us if they were desirous
(as was also the case of divers black people) in which we often felt the
gathering Arme to be near, and a measure of that compulsive love extended
which calls even from the high ways and hedges that his house may be filled
For further encouragement we may say that we had to experience
that Unity still continued among us throughout the visiting, with
that Peace and Satisfaction which is the Sure Reward of Obedience
Tho' we had many provings and Trials, under an experience and
sense of our own weakness, and inability to perform any thing to
the Honour of the great Master, Or Satisfaction to ourselves,
Without his emediate Assistance

- Abiel Gifford
James Davis
Caleb Greene
Martha Gifford
Susanna Smith
Joanna Gifford
Martha Chase

The above Report was read accepted: and read in this Meeting to Satisfaction

The increasing concern of this meeting on account of the disagree
ableness of having Publications set up at our Meeting house which
some times disturbs our meeting; reviving on our minds: We appoint
Thomas Hicks, William Anthony, Sr and Stephen Buffinton, to apply
to those who have and do set up those things so contrary to the tenor
scriptures of us therein, and inform them of the mind of this meeting on that
account, and Report to next monthly meeting

This Meeting is Informed, from the Select meeting, Ministers and Elders
that there is a want of an addition of Gress, and Caleb Greene being
nominated for that Service: and this Meeting nominates a Committee
to Joine the women friends, who have nominated Mercy Slocum, to that
Service, Committees names are Joseph Barker, Benjamin Taber Benjamin
Smith and Caleb Russell, they to Joine the Elders in that matter and
they to report to next monthly meeting

Our friend Isaac Kiley attended this meeting with a Certificate
from a monthly meeting at East Hooch held on 4th of 12 month 1782
Setting forth their Unity with his accompanying Robert Nesbit on a
Religious visit in those parts, whose visit and Labour of love being
Satisfactory to us, we having Endorsed thereon setting forth the same

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 17th of 3 month 1783
The Representatives are Joseph Tucker Sr & Wm Gifford both present

The Committee to make inquiry into if there are any of our members act
ing or concerned in any contraband Trade &c. Report they have attended
to and made further inquiry into that matter - yet it appearing necessary
that friends have diligent attention to it: there, the said Committee are
continued in that Service, and to make report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to have the care of the matter respecting John Sellers
misconduct in marrying out of the Unity of Friends &c. Report that they
have had an opportunity with him which was some what Satisfactory:
yet they are continued in that Service and further care of that matter:
and to make report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of Abraham Gifford, demer
and in form thereof, produce one, as follows

Whereas Abraham Gifford having had his Education and Birthright
among friends, but he through unwatchfulness and disregarding the
Testimony of truth in his own heart has so far departed therefrom as to
and thereby fell into the Sin of Fornication, and so married out of Unity
which Sin plainly appears by her having a Child so soon after marriage
and friends having Laboured with him on their accounts but our Labour
not having the desired Effect to friends Satisfaction: therefore for the
Clearing of Truth and friends from such practices we are contented to give
this forth as a publick Testimony against the said Abraham disowning him
from being a member of our Society

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 17th of 3 mo 1783
and signed by order and in behalf said meeting By Wm Anthony, Sr Clerk
who is directed also to read the same publicly at the close of a first day
meeting or worship between this and next monthly meeting and report thereon

The friends appointed to apply to those that set up publications at
our meeting houses, report that they have applied to most of them, who
appeared somewhat condescending to friends request in desisting
from that practice: yet the same Friends are continued to have the
Standing oversight of that matter

The Committee appointed some time past to consider the expediency
of dividing our Preparative meeting, make the following report
together with the minutes of said Committee, which was read in this
meeting to Satisfaction: and the appointing a Committee to succeed those
to inspect further into these matters is referred to next monthly meeting

Benjamin Gidley informs that he proposes to go to East Hooch and Saratoga
to make some tarry there to do some hand labour, this meeting concurring
therewith he having a right of membership, the Clerk is desired to give him
a Copy of this minute

Ebenezer Baker and Susanna Mather appeared for their answer
Which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage
between this and next monthly meeting, they advising with
the Friends this meeting shall appoint, who are Jonathan Hart
Benjamin Bidder to see said marriage orderly solemnized, said
friends to make report thereof to next monthly meeting

Chilion Wood Informed that he hath an intention of going to
East Hooch and Sam to go to make some stay, desiring our
concurrence: therefore and Certificate, therefore this meeting appoints
William Barker & Stephen Buffinton

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Certificate for the members of the Society

The case of Ben Allen

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Conforming to another preparative meeting

Chilison Wood

Susan Barker

Alice Woods

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Sent to Quarterly meeting

money collected

4 month 1783

On Contraband Trade

Abraham Gifford

Appl on a writing preparative meeting

3 Month 1783 To make due Inspection into the matter, and draw a Certificate if the said things clear and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting

adjoined met This meeting is adjourned to the 26th Instant at the close of meeting for West

Clerk appointed The Clerk being absent by reason of sickness Caleb Greene is appointed Clerk for this time

John Williams Case The matter in respect to John Williams Certificate not being fully accomplished by the Committee it is continued under their care for the same service, and they to make report next monthly meeting

George Smith Case The matter in respect to George Smith 2^d not being fully accomplished the Committee Requesting it further continued, it is likewise continued to next monthly meeting, under the same care as before and then they to make report

Elders deferred The Committee appointed to Joine the Elders in regard to making an addition choice of Elders, make report, that they have had several conferences on the subject and that it was their united opinion that the said choice be deferred some time longer therefore it is continued under their care, who are desired to attend to that Important matter; and to make report to our monthly meeting, next proceeding our Quarterly meeting in the Seventh month next

Chilison Wood Certificate presented a draft, which hath been read, approved and signed by the Clerk

Susan Barker Certificate The women friends inform that they have received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Rhode Island, for Susanna Barker wife of John Barker, which this meeting concurs with

Alice Woods Case The Women friends requesting our assistance in respect to answering a request to them from the women monthly meeting of Rhode Island concerning Alice Woods, therefore this meeting appoints William Barker Joseph Barker and Caleb Russell to Joine the women therein and they to report to our next monthly meeting

Sent to Quarterly meeting The Queries have been read and answers thereto read and after some amendment were approved also an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was approved and signed by the Clerk, and sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are Samuel Smith Caleb Green James Davis and Abiel Gifford, and they to make report to our next monthly meeting

money collected The Committee appointed to Collect money, by subscriptions report that they have collected the sum of Nine pounds four Shillings 9^d and delivered the same to the Treasurers of this meeting

4 month 1783 At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth, 21st of 4th month 1783

On Contraband Trade The Committee to make inquiry, if there are any of our members are acting or concerned in any contraband Trade &c. Report that they have had a conference on that matter; and from present circumstances Request a dismission from that service; and this meeting considering the same doth dismiss the said Committee accordingly

Abraham Gifford denial read The Clerk reports that the Testimony of denial against Abraham Gifford hath been read as directed last monthly meeting

Month 1783

Preparative meeting

John Williams Case

George Smith Case

Alice Woods Case

Quarterly meeting

Report of Visitors

Weston Smith Case

Freelove Gifford Certificate

Latitia Anthony Certificate

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Ebenezer Baker and Susanna Mosher Report that they attended said marriages and that they did not discover but that it was orderly Solemnized

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting John Potters misconduct in marrying out of the Unity of Friends &c. Report, that they have had another opportunity with him in which he gave them some Satisfaction; yet they are continued in that service for a further opportunity with him and to make report to next monthly meeting

The appointing a Committee to succeed the former which reported last monthly meeting to inspect into the Expediency of dividing our Preparative meetings &c. is referred to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to have the care respecting John Williams Certificate, report that they have not accomplished the matter; they are therefore continued to have the care of it; and if they find things clear to accomplish the same and report to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith 2^d. Report that they have taken some care therein but request the matter continued; it is accordingly deferred under the same friends care who are to report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to assist the Women friend, in answering a request from Rhode Island monthly meeting concerning Alice Woods Report they have attended to that matter, but have not accomplished it they are therefore continued in that service to report when Ready

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they attended except Abiel Gifford, who rendered a sufficient Reason for his not attending; also they produced an Epistle from said meeting which was read to Satisfaction

The friends appointed to Joine the Quarterly meeting Committee for visiting those who have held Slaves; and those who have been so held, made report in writing, as follows; We the Committee appointed in the case of Slaves, have to report, that we Joined the Quarterly meetings Committee, and have visited those who have held Slaves and those who have been held in said States; and have Endeavoured in Love and tenderness to Impress their minds with a sense of Religious duty, and laboured for a proper, suitable Adjustment of this matter The 21st of 4th month 1783 Thomas Hicks William Mosher

Said Report is accepted & said friends are dismissed from that service

The Overseer inform, that Weston Smith, (after being precautioned) hath sailed in an Armed Vessel or Letter of Marque, which took a Vessel by force of Arms; and has since been laboured with on that account; but did not seem in any disposition to give Friends Satisfaction and has now gone to sea; therefore this meeting Benjamin Taber and Caleb Greene to draw a Testimony of his deed and report at next monthly meeting

The Women friends inform that they have received a Certificate from Freelove Gifford in behalf of Freelove Gifford wife of William Gifford which this meeting concurs with

In concurrence with the Women friends a removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk in behalf of Latitia Anthony wife of Abraham Anthony directed to Rhode Island monthly meeting

10 month 1781

Certificate for Mrs. Little

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The Overseers inform that Barker Little hath removed in the compass of a set monthly meetings, without Certificate or advice of Friends; and also that Henry Howland son of Henry hath removed in the compass of the same monthly meetings, without Certificates - and that both of them use profane and corrupt Language at times, and much neglect the attendance of our Religious meetings: Which said Overseers laboured without them for but they did not give them Satisfaction: We therefore appoint Jonathan Hart, John Devaul and Thomas Mott to take a full opportunity and labour further with said Barker and Henry on their accounts, and if they or either of them do not give them Satisfaction to bring a Testimony or Testimonies of their denial, and inform them thereof & Report to next monthly meeting

The Overseers inform that David Case have countenanced and loved the conjugating a marriage in his house, contrary to the order of Friends and that they treated with him and he justifies the same therefore we appoint William Anthony Junr, William Wood and William Mather, to labour with him further on that account, and report to next monthly meeting

Seth Russell informs he intends a Journey to New Jersey on business of friends acquaint therewith; and this meeting concurring he being a member in Unity, the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minute

Collected 2s - 2 - 6

This meeting adjourns to the 30th of this instant at the close of meeting, worship met by adjournment the 30th of 4th month 1783

The Representatives being called are Thomas Mott & Caleb Barker present The meeting for sufferings having recommended a renewed engagement to Friends to be in the way of their duty, in subscribing for the establishing the yearly meetings, Schools and in order therefore that the monthly meetings should appoint Committees to take in subscriptions the meeting for sufferings having furnished us with printed blanks for subscriptions for them accordingly - Therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker, Thomas Mott and Caleb Greene for that purpose, who are to make Return to the Treasurer of the yearly meetings School when they have accomplished receiving subscriptions, and also make report to this meeting of the sum total so subscribed

Ben Gifford Benjamin Gifford Junr. hath given in a paper to this meeting confessing and condemning his keeping company with a young woman, ^{some time} disorderly Reporting some times at places unbecoming those under our profession. And several of the overseers who inform, that they have treated with Benjamin Frexon, who gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, and this meeting taking the same into consideration both accept of the same for Satisfaction

Lydia Devaul The Women friends inform that they have received a Letter from the monthly meeting of Obolony, signifying they had taken the necessary ^{had taken the} care respecting Lydia Devaul, formerly Lydia Bowditch and had denied her, which this meeting concurs with

John Lawton A few Lines was Endowed on John Lawton (son of Isaac) Certificate from Rhode Island; and signed by the Clerk signifying his attending our meeting with his Certificate, and of his conduct being orderly in some degree Orderly while among us he having returned to Rhode Island

Month 1783

Patience Case

Preparative meeting

Williams Case

Woods Case

Smith Case

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 19th of 5th month 1783

The Representatives are Jonathan Willor and Prina Potter both present The Friends appointed to have the care of the matter respecting John Potters misconduct in marrying out of the Unity of Friends &c report that they have attended to it, and that John gave them a degree of Satisfaction: But that there is some obstruction to the accomplishing the matter, and in order that it may be removed desires it may be deferred, it is accordingly deferred under their care till next monthly meeting they then to make report

The appointing a Committee to succeed the former in the inspection of the expediency of dividing our preparative meetings &c coming again consideration is thought best to be omitted for the present

The friends appointed to have the care respecting John Williams Removal Certificate, Report that they have not accomplished it by reason of some Obstruction, which they are desired to endeavour to have removed, that the matter be accomplished and report made to next monthly meeting

The Women friends Inform that they have admitted Beshaba Wood Wife of Chilion Wood into membership which this meeting concurs with The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith 2 report that they have not accomplished that matter and therefore desires it continued it is accordingly deferred under their care, who are to report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of Weston Smiths denial; produced one, as Follows

Whereas Weston Smith son of Levi Smith deceased hath had his education among us the people called Quakers but hath so far departed therefrom and Renable Principle which we profess, as to sail a Voyage in an Armed Vessel, or Letter of Marque which took a Vessel by force of Arms; previous to going said Voyage he was precautioned by Friends and hath since been laboured with on that account, but did not seem disposed to give friends Satisfaction: Therefore for the clearing Truth and Friends from such unwarrantable conduct, we are concerned to give forth this as a publick Testimony against the same, here by disolving the said Weston Smith from having a right of membership among us the people afore said, until it shall please God to favor him with a Sight and Sense of his Error, that he may return with Repentance unfeigned, which that he may is our desire

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of the Monthly meeting of the people afore said held in Dartmouth 19th of 5th month 1783

By Wm. Anthony Junr Clerk

Which was signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is desired to cause the same to be read publickly at the close of a first meeting for worship between this and next monthly meeting, and make report to the same and Caleb Greene is desired to inform Weston thereof when he returns and make report to this meeting

The Committee to Treat further with Barker Little and Henry Howland (son of Henry) on account of their removal without had Certificate, and other misconduct report that they have not had an opportunity with Barker, but they had with Henry, who did not give them Satisfaction and they have draughted a Testimony of his denial and informed him thereof the Testimony is as Follows

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5 Month 1783
 Whereas Henry Howland Jun^r Having had his education among Friends, but by unwatchfulness and disregarding the Principles of Truth in his own heart hath removed out of the Compass of our meeting without requesting our Certificate; also uses corrupt language and much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings, all which misconduct Friends have laboured with him for, in order to convince him of his Error, but our Labour of love not having the desired effect to our satisfaction: Therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the said Henry Howland, disowning him from being a member of our Society. Nevertheless it is our desire that he may have a sight and sense of his outgoings and return to the ways of Truth

Given forth and signed by order and in behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th day of 5th month 1783 By W^m Anthony, Clerk

Which was signed by the Clerk who is directed to cause the same to be read at the close of a first day meeting between this and next monthly meeting and make report to the same and the Committee are continued to have the necessary care of that of Barker Little and report to monthly meeting

Benjamin Gifford and Rhoda Potter declared their Intentions of leading each other in marriage and were deferred to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer - and William Wood and William Mosher are appointed to make Enquiry into the mans Clearness respecting marriage and conversation and report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to Labour further with David Chase on account of his allowing the accomplishing a marriage in his house out of the order of Friends, report that they have had an opportunity with him, but he did not give them satisfaction, yet the matter is deferred till next monthly meeting for further consideration under the same of the same friends they then to make report

This meeting is inform'd that Gideon Sanford has gone to the Nine partners to make some stay with a Friend there, and requests a few lines from this meeting signifying his right of membership; this meeting concurring he having the having a right of membership, and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this minute

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th of 6th month 1783
 The Representatives are Peleg Gifford Jonathan Willbor and Abiel Gifford, Present - And Caleb Russell not present as he attends the yearly meeting

The Clerk not attending this meeting at this time, being gone to the yearly meeting, Caleb Greene is therefore appointed Clerk for this time

Chilon Wood requesting (in writting) a removal Certificate for himself and Children, to Saratoga monthly meeting, as he is now gone, and about to remove his family and settle there, We therefore appoint our friends Abraham Howland and Jonathan Willbor to Join the Women friends and take the necessary and timely care of that matter, and if they find things clear to draw a Certificate and bring to the adjournment of this meeting

The minutes of last monthly meeting not present this meeting adjourns to the 23rd instant, at the age of a meeting for Weishep on said day

The 23rd of 6th month Mett by adjournment, The Representatives Being called, Peleg Gifford, Jonathan Willbor, Abiel Gifford and Caleb Russell, all present

10 month 1781
 Certificate for the members of the Society
 The Case of Ben Allen settled
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 11 month 1781
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The Clerk informs that the Testimonies of the denials of Weston Smith and Henry Howland (son of Henry) have been read as directed last monthly meeting

One of the Committee appointed to have the care respecting John Williams's Certificate report that it is not yet accomplished and desire there may be another friend appointed to assist him therein as the other is absent therefore Joseph Gifford is appointed to assist there in, and they to accomplish that matter and report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to inspect into the Clearness of Benjamin Gifford's clearness respecting marriage and conversation report that they find nothing to hinder his proceeding

Benjamin Gifford Jun^r and Rhoda Potter appeared, in this meeting for their Answer which is they may proceed to take each other in marriage, at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting, advising with the friends this meeting appoints to see the marriage orderly solemnized who are William Mosher and William Wood and they to make report to next monthly meeting

A Committee from the Yearly meeting attended this meeting at this time, and among other advises advised that this meeting appoint a Solid Committee to confer with the yearly meetings Committee on the Subject of annexing this meeting to Sadsburgh Quarter which is Referred to next monthly meeting Collected L^s - 16 - 2

This meeting adjourns to the 25th instant at the close of the meeting of Weishep 25th of 6th month Mett by adjournment - The Representatives are Peleg Gifford, Jonathan Willbor, Caleb Russell and Abiel Gifford all present

The friends who had the care of the matter respecting John Potters misconduct in marrying out of the unity of Friends report that it is not accomplished and desire the matter be deferred another month; it is accordingly deferred under the same friends care who are desired to accomplish the same before next monthly meeting and make report to the same

One of the Committee (the other not being present nor reasons sent for his absence) appointed to have the care of the respecting George Smith the second Report it is not accomplished therefore it is deferred till next monthly meeting under the same Friends care they then to make report

The friends appointed to have the care, and treat with Barker Little on account of removing with a Certificate and other misconduct, report that they had an opportunity with him, tho' not fully to satisfaction, as desired they are therefore continued to have the care of that matter, and made report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to labour further with David Chase on account of his allowing the accomplishing a marriage in his house out of the order of Friends, report that they have had another opportunity with him, but that he did not give them satisfaction so fully as desired yet the matter is deferred till next monthly meeting, they then to make report

The Women friends inform they have denied Phebe Bowdish daughter of William Bowdish which this meeting concurs with

The Women friends inform they have admitted into membership Mary Wood with Abraham Wood which this meeting concurs with
 The overseers inform that Isaac Smith son of Peckem hath sometimes resorted to places where undue liberty is taken, such as gaming, Musick and Dancing, and joining therewith, and using profane and unbecoming language, also keeps company with a young woman not of our Society, and much Neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings

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For which misconduct, and disorders the said Overseers have laboured with him for, but he did not Condemn the same to Satisfaction; therefore We appoint Elijah Gifford and John Devaul to take a solid opportunity and treat with him further thereon, and make report to next monthly meeting
Abraham Wood hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning his misconduct in preparing instruments for War; and request to come under Friends care; and he has now removed within compass of Saratoga monthly meetings; therefore we appoint Benjamin Taber Caleb Green and William Anthony Junr to take the necessary care of that matter; and prepare a draught of the State of the same to send to that monthly meeting, and bring it to next monthly meeting
The Overseers of the poor desires an addition to their number, therefore We appoint Jonathan Hart and William Gifford to that Service as an addition to the former under appointment some time past; and they together are desired to attend to the Service as Truth may require
The Committee to Joine the Elders; in an additional choice of Elders make report, that they have had further attention, and for the solid conference on the Subject, and that it is their united opinion, that the said choice be deferred some time longer ~ It is therefore continued under their care and solid attention and to make report to our monthly meeting next preceding the Quarterly meeting in the 10th month next
The Queries were read and answers thereto prepared, and an account to the Quarterly meeting also prepared and signed by the Clerk which was sent up to said meeting by our friends William Mosher, Caleb Green and Thomas Mott and Abiel Gifford who are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting
David Smith formerly a member of this meeting, requesting a copy of the Testimony of his denial, this meeting taking the same into consideration doth commit the to the care of our Representatives to request the advice of the Quarterly meeting therein said Representatives to make report to next monthly meeting
One of the friends appointed to have the care of Chilion Woods Certificate report that it is not accomplished, they are therefore continued in care of that matter and to accomplish the same and report to next monthly meeting
The Committee appointed some time past to request of those who are in authority in the Town in respect of Posting up Publications at our meeting houses; having informed some of them thereof, and the Town having sent a paper to this meeting, by the said Committee; which was read in this meeting, wherein they desired this meeting would give some reasons for the objections; for their so posting up publications - this meeting taking the same under consideration, do appoint our friends Stephen Buffinton, Thomas Hicks, William Anthony Junr, Samuel Smith, Joseph Gifford, Giles Locam, Elijah Gifford, Jonathan Willbur, William Mosher, and Caleb Greene to prepare a draught an answer to said Towns request, and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting
This meeting adjourns to the 4th of next month at the 4th hour in the morning
Met by adjournment the 4th of 7th month 1783. The Representatives called are Caleb Russell, Peleg Gifford, Abiel Gifford, and Jonathan Willbur all present
The Committee appointed to prepare a draught to the Select men, or an answer to their Request, prepared one and presented to this meeting which was signed by the Clerk and we appoint Samuel Smith, Joseph Barke and William Mosher to present the same to the Town, and they to keep a copy on file and report to next monthly meeting

Month 1783
From Quarterly meeting
Received
John Williams Case
Ben Gifford married
In account of meeting to Sandwich Quarter
James Smith Case
Barke Little Case
John Potter
David Chose

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 22^d of 7th month 1783
The Representatives are Joseph Austin, William Wood and Timothy Howland all present
The Representatives appointed last monthly meeting to attend the Quarterly meeting Report, that they all attended, and produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting, together with extracts from the last yearly meeting minutes; as also Transcript of our last yearly meeting Epistle, and one from the yearly meeting of London last year, one from the yearly meeting of Philadelphia this year, and one from the yearly meeting held at Westbury for New York - all which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction
And our Representatives to next Quarterly meeting are to give information to said meeting, of the Circumstances of recording the yearly meetings Extracts which are to be Recorded in our book of Discipline
John Williams Case
The Friends appointed to have the care of the matter Respecting John Williams Certificate, Report that it is not accomplish, as the objections thereto are not removed, and desire it continued, which is accordingly deferred under their care, and they are desired to accomplish the same and report to the adjournment of this meeting
Ben Gifford married
The Friends appointed to see the marriage of Benjamin Gifford Junr and Rhoda Potter orderly solemniz'd report that they attended said marriage, and that it was as far as they discover'd orderly solemniz'd
In account of meeting to Sandwich Quarter
The appointing a Committee to confer with the yearly meeting, on the subject of annexing this meeting to Sandwich Quarter, coming again, under before this meeting; We appoint William Mosher, Stephen Buffinton, Thomas Hicks, William Anthony Junr, Benjamin Taber, Caleb Russell, Joseph Tucker Junr and Samuel Smith to that Service, who are to report when ready
James Smith Case
Two of the Committee (the other being absent) to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith's report that they have made some progress therein, but the Womens Committee request it continued it is accordingly deferred under the same Friends care who are to report to next monthly meeting
Barke Little Case
The friends appointed to Treat further with Barke Little respecting his removing without a Certificate and other misconduct report that they have had an opportunity with him and that he gave them so much in conversation that they desire the matter continued another month, it is accordingly deferred under their care till next monthly meeting they then to make report
John Potter
The friends appointed to take necessary care of the matter respecting John Potters misconduct in marrying out of the unity of Friends and other misconduct Report that they have laboured with him in order to convince him of error, but have not Received Satisfaction; therefore we disown the said John Potter from having a right of membership among us; and the same friends are desired to draw a Testimon of his denial and inform him thereof, and Report to next monthly meeting
David Chose
The Friends appointed to labour further with David Chose on account of his allowing the accomplishing a marriage in his house out of the order of Friends Report that they have laboured further with him in order to convince him of his Error; but that he did not give them satisfaction yet the matter is deferred under the same friends care who are desired to labour with him, not only on that account, but on that of his neglecting the attendance of our Religious meetings and report to next monthly meeting

7 month 1783 The Women friends inform they have Received a Certificate from Nantucket in behalf Eunice Mayhew, who lives in the company of this meeting which Certificate was read in this meeting to satisfaction

The women Friends Inform that they with the concurrence of this meeting Received to admit Sarah Weaver into membership; which we concur with

This meeting concludes to give David Smith a copy of the Testimony of his denial and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy thereof and report to the adjournment of this meeting

This meeting adjourns to the first 4th day in next month at the close of the meeting for Worship

Met by adjournment 6th of the 3rd month 1783

The Representatives being called are Joseph Austin William Wood and Timothy Howland all present

The Friends appointed to have the care of a Removal Certificate for Child Wood, and his wife Bazyheba, and their Children, who are Charles and Ruth to the monthly meeting at Saratoga, have produced one, setting forth their being members, and in a degree of orderly lives and Conversations, which after some amendment was signed by the Clerk

The friends appointed to treat further with Isaac Smith, son of Gershem report that they have discharged themselves in that matter, according to appointment but Isaac gave them no satisfaction, therefore we with the concurrence of the Womens meeting do disown the said Isaac Smith from having any right of membership among us; and the same friends are desired to draw a Testimony of his denial, and inform him thereof, and report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to prepare a draught of a request to the monthly meeting of Saratoga respecting Abraham Woods request produced one, which after some amendment, was signed by the Clerk who is desired to forward the same

A Removal Certificate in behalf of John Williams, and his Children Obediah, Jonathan, and Nicholas Signifying their being members, and that Johns outward affairs was settled to general satisfaction directed to Rhode Island monthly meeting was signed by the Clerk

The Clerk informs he hath given David Smith a copy of the Testimony of his denial as directed

It appearing necessary to this meeting that all the former Epistles and Transcripts of Epistles be collected, and they, as well as those which may come in future be preserved on file. We therefore appoint Thomas Hicks, Jonathan Willbor Elijah Gifford and Samuel Smith to take the necessary care of them; and also of all the papers respecting schools, and where to be recorded, and make report when ready

The Friends appointed to present an answer to the Town, respecting our request of com. for erecting publications being set up at our meeting houses, Report they all attended and presented the same in consequence of which the Town Voted that all publications should be hereafter set up elsewhere

The care of some negligent members who have and do much neglect the attendance of our Religious meetings, as well as other defects in them and others being renewedly noticed by the meeting, with desire for their Reformation and better attention to these important matters and to clear our selves toward them as a meeting; therefore we do appoint our friends Abiel Gifford, Thomas Hicks, & Samu Davis, to Joine the Women and Visit all such, and others, as they may find to be negligent, and as Truth may open the way, and to labour in Love and tenderness to reclaim such from such unwarrantable practices, and report when ready

Endorsment on the Certificate of Obediah Allen, and his wife Phoebe were signed by the Clerk; setting forth their conduct, while their last abode here, and directed to the monthly meeting of Saratoga

10 month 1781 Certificate for former his wife & children
The Clerk Ben Allen settled
W Sanford
Certificate
Request and Certificate
Conferring a rather meeting
Respect
John Williams Certificate
11 month 1781
David Smith
To preserve meeting; Epistles & papers
Report of com. for erecting publications
Visitors appointed
Report on a building & proposition meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18th of 4th month 1783
The Representatives being called are John Devaul, Caleb Greene & Caleb Barker all present

The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith report that they have had some further care there in but have not accomplished the same, and request it depend it is deferred accordingly till next monthly meeting they then to make report

The Friends appointed to treat further with Barker Little respecting his removing without a Certificate and other misconduct report that they have attended somewhat to that matter, but have received no satisfaction from Barker, yet the matter is deferred for their accomplishing as by former minute and to make report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to draw a Testimony of denial of John Potter and Inform him thereof, Produced a draught as follows

Whereas John Potter son of John Potter late of Dartmouth deceased and Margaret his wife, Having had a right of membership among Friends, but by departing from the simplicity of truth, and the dictates thereof in his own mind, have fallen into several disorders, particularly, whilst he was under Guardianship he absented himself from his Guardians, and fell into loose company, and kept company with a young woman not of our Society, and fell into the sin of fornication, and contracted marriage with the said young woman, who had a child soon after said marriage And friends having laboured with him therefor, but not receiving satisfaction; Therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from the Imputation of such reproachful conduct this meeting is concurred to give this forth as a publick Testimony against the same here by disowning him the said John Potter from being a member of our Religious Society until by unfeigned repentance he shall be restored to the way of Truth given forth, and signed in and behalf our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th day of 4th month 1783

William Anthony Jun^r Clerk
Mercy Socum Clerk for this day

which was read and with the concurrence of the womens meeting was signed by the Clerk who is directed to cause the same to be read publicly at the close of a first day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting and report to the same The same friends report that they informed John of his denial

The Friends appointed to draw a Testimony of the denial of Isaac Smith (son of Gershem) and inform him thereof report that they have accomplished the same, said Testimony is as follows

From our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18th of 3rd month 1783
Whereas Isaac Smith (son of Gershem) Having had his Education among Friends, but through unwatchfulness, hath so far departed from the Truth, and good order of Friends, as to Report to a place where was singing and Dancing, and joined himself therein, and using profane and unbecoming Language, and neglects the attendance of our meetings; and also keeps company with a young woman not of our Society; all which his conduct he hath been laboured with for, and it not having the desired effect; therefore Friends for the clearing of Truth, do give this forth as a publick Testimony against such conduct, and disown him from being a member any longer of our Society, Nevertheless it is our desire that he may be favoured to come to a right and sense of his outgoings and return to the way of Truth signed in and on behalf said meeting By
William Anthony Jun^r Clerk
Mercy Socum Clerk this day

month 1783
Smith
Barker Little
John Potter
Isaac Smith
Testimony of denial

8 month 1783 Which with the concurrence of the womens meeting was signed in Each meet by the Clerks, and the Clerk is desired to carye the same to be read publickly the cloge of a meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting, and report be made to the same

The Friends appoint to labour further with David Chape on account of his allowing the accomplishment of a marriage in his house out of the order of judgement and on account of neglecting the attendance of our Religious meetings Report that they have pleased further with him therefore but he gave them no satisfaction, the clearing of Truth, and Friends from such disorderly conduct We with the Concurrence of the womens meeting, do disown the said David Chape from having any Right of membership among us; and John Devaul is desired to informe him thereof and report to next monthly meeting

The Overseers inform that Gilbert Russell is in the practice of keeping company with young woman not a member of our Society also appears in apparel far from that simple plainness that becomes our profession for which they have labored with him but have not received any satisfaction, therefore we appoint William Anthony's Joseph Tucker Sumner, and Joseph Austin, to labour further with him on account of his misconduct, and report to next monthly meeting

The School Committee laid the following report before this meeting We of the Committee appointed to advise and assist in the Erecting free Schools, and in the maintenance of the Rules established by friends for the virtuous Education of the youth in such Schools, have now to report that we have attended in some measure to that Service; But as these things are but new among us our progress herein hath been but small; Friends not all being fully acquainted, in every respect of the method proposed for the Erecting such Schools, and some that are acquainted therewith do not submit themselves thereto divers Schools having been set up without our advice or consent, and several School Teachers have been Employed by Friends, who are not members of our Society; Yet notwithstanding these pains of instructions we hope and believe our friends dwell under a sense of the weight of this Excellent work it will gradually go on from step to step as Truth shall lead the way, and by degrees open our eyes to see more clearly the many advantages arising from a Reformation in this Important branch of our Discipline We would therefore return this our Report to the monthly meeting, desiring to be dismissed from our appointment, that a new appointment may be made; all which is submitted to your Consideration Caleb Russell Dated this 28th of 5th month 1783

Which is refered to next month meeting For further consideration

William Russell (son of Abraham dec'd) and Heptabah Mosher, declare their Intentions of taking each other in marriage, he having consent in writing of his Parent; and they are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer, and Benjamin Chape and William Gifford are appointed to make the necessary enquiry into the young mans cleareness in respect to marriage and his conversation; and report to next monthly meeting

The Committee to receive Subscriptions for the yearly meetings School report that they have procured the Subscription of 13-13⁰ yet they procure continued in that Service and to report when Ready Collected 5-16-2

This meeting thinks it proper to preserve the feed round our meeting house within the yards, against our next Quarterly meeting, therefore we appoint our friends Joseph Barker Peleg Gifford and Jonathan Wilbur to use their endeavours to preserve said feed for that purpose; also to Procure Hay if needed for said Quarterly meeting

10 month 1783
Certificate for 2^d Nat. Cong. for 2^d Nat. Cong. for 2^d Nat. Cong.
The Cafe Ben. Allen
W. Russell
Complain't against
School Committee
Conforming a notice
Testimony of
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of marriage
Barker Little
money pro
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of school
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Report on
providing Ex
preparative
meeting the

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15th of the 9th month 1783
The Representatives are Elijah Gifford John Devaul & Ben^y Taber all present

Received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Swansey in behalf of Ebenezer Chape signifying he was a member of that meeting, and that he had settled his outward affairs to satisfaction; and Abiel Gifford, Benjamin Chape, and William Gifford are appointed to visit said Ebenezer, and inspect into his circumstances, and report when ready

Gideon Anthony returned a copy of a minute of this meeting in the first month last, with an Endorsement thereon from East Hoosuck signifying he appeared in a good degree of an orderly life and conversation and a diligent attender of meetings while there

Answers to the Queries were prepared and read in this meeting and some satisfactory remarks made thereon
The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter respecting George Smith and wife report that they have had several opportunities of solid conferences with them, and received some degree of satisfaction yet the matter is deferred under the same friend care for further proof of their sincerity and they report to next monthly meeting

The Clerk informs that the Testimonis of Denials of John Potter and Isaac Smith son of Geshem have been read as directed last month meeting
John Devaul informs that he hath informed David Chape of his denial as directed last monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to treat further with Gilbert Russell on account of his keeping company with a young woman not a member of our Society and other misconduct Report that they have taken an opportunity of solid conference with him; and he did not object against any thing alleig'd against him by our minutes; nor shew any disposition to retract therefrom Therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from such disorderly conduct, we with the concurrence of the womens meeting do disown the said Gilbert Russell from having any right of Membership among us and Joseph Gifford is appointed to inform him thereof, and report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to make the necessary enquiry into the Cleareness of William Russell (son of Abraham) respecting marriage and conversation Report that they had taken the necessary care and that they find nothing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage

William Russell and Heptabah Mosher appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting, advising with the Friend this meeting shall appoint to see said marriage solemnized Who are Benjamin Chape and William Gifford, and they to report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to treat further with Barker Little respecting his misconduct, report that they have discharged themselves in that matter, and have provided draught of a Testimony of his denial as follows

Whereas Barker Little having had his Education among the Friends, but through unwatchfulness and disregard of the Principles of Truth in his own heart have much neglected the attendance of our Religious meetings, also uses profane language at times, and hath removed out of the Vege of this meeting without a Certificate or advice of Friends and Friends having laboured with him

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9 month 1763 The said Barker in order to convince him of his outgoings. But our Labours of Love not having the desired effect to Satisfaction. Therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Barker Little, disowning him from being members of meeting. Nevertheless, it is our sincere desire that he may have a Repentance and Sence of his outgoings, and with unfeigned Repentance turn to the way of Truth given forth and signed and Order of said meeting 15 of 9 mo 1783 Wm Anthony Sur

which with the concurrence of the Women was signed in each meeting by the Clerks and the Clerk of this meeting is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual, the same friends informed Barker of his denial

A Removal Certificate for Ruth Soule, and her daughter Susanna Mary daughter Thankful, directed to the monthly meeting of Accoahsell Signifying their right Certificate of membership was signed by the Clerk

Ephraim Moshier and Joanna Moshier declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer; he having produced a Certificate from Ninepartners Signifying his cleanness respecting marriage

Adam Mott desires the advice of Friends respecting selling his Interest and removing his family; therefore we appoint William Gifford, Benjamin Chase and France Potter to take the necessary care in that matter and they to report to next monthly meeting

Joanna Moshier widow being about to marry we appoint William Anthony Sur and Thomas Russell to inspect into the circumstances of her children that their rights by former marriages be not neglected, and report to next monthly meeting

This meeting is adjourned to the 24th Instant after the meeting of worship by adjournment of 24 of 9 month 1783 Representatives all present

The appointing a School Committee coming again under consideration and is referred to next monthly meeting, by reason this meeting is so small

The Women Friends inform that they have taken Jane Moshier and her daughter under dealing, for their misconduct, by written report of the men and women Overseers, and complaint of others; this meeting doth therefore appoint Jonathan Wilder, John Devaul, and Joseph Austin to Joine the women friend in inspecting that matter, and Labour with the offenders; and if they do not find Satisfaction from them or either of them, to draw a Testimony of their denial accordingly, and inform thereof, and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to inspect into the matter of choosing an addition of Elders, have reported their approbation of Caleb Greene and Mercy Scum for that service; Therefore this meeting doth approve of them, and do appoint Caleb Green and Mercy Scum to the place of Elders accordingly, having the Unity and concurrence of the women

We appoint our friends Caleb Russel, Jonathan Wilder, Abiel Gifford, Caleb Green, and Benjamin Smith to attend our next Quarterly meeting, as Representatives, and present the answers to the Queries, and also the Epistle, which was signed in this meeting and report next monthly meeting

The Overseers Inform that Benjamin Gifford Sur and Rhoda his Wife are guilty of the sin of Fornication, as by their own Confession

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month 1783 Said Overseers hath Laboured with them therefor, but received no Satisfaction; and said Benjamin and wife hath absented themselves and cannot reasonably be spoke with, the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown them the said Benjamin and Rhoda from membership among us, and Samuel Smith is appointed to draw a Testimony of their denial and bring to next monthly meeting, and inform them thereof in writing when way is open

William Anthony Sur Clerk of this meeting informs that he intends a Journey to Hozsuck and Antogaes Visit his relations in the part as also to attend the Quarterly meetings at Oblong and Ninepartners and this meeting concurring with the same, he being a member of this meeting & Thom as Hicks to give him a copy of this minute and sign the same in behalf of this meeting

It having been recommended by the yearly meeting that 250 be raised for the yearly meeting Rock; Therefore we appoint our friend Pideon Howland, John Devaul, Joseph Austin, and Elijah Gifford to receive in subscriptions made in freedom for that purpose, and they to make report as soon as they have discharged themselves there in

The Women friends inform that Joanna Moshier request a removal Certificate to Ninepartners; and desires the assistance of men friends therein, therefore we appoint William Anthony Sur to Joine the Women, and take the necessary care there in and report to next monthly meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 20 of 9 month 1783 The Representatives being called, are Joseph Barker Benjamin Rider and Barnabus Russell, all present

Pideon Sanford returned the copy of a minute of this meeting in 5th month last; with an Endorsement from Clerk meeting Signifying he attended their monthly meeting to Satisfaction

The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter respecting George Smith and wife, report that they have made some progress therein but desires it may be deferred another month, it is accordingly deferred under the same friends care till next monthly meeting they then to make report

The friends appointed to inspect into the Circumstances of the Rights of Joanna Moshier's children, by former marriage, report that they have taken the necessary care therein and find thing settled to mutual Satisfaction

Joseph Gifford informs, that he hath informed Gilbert Russell of his denial as directed last monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to see William Russell, and Hepzibah Moshier's Marriage orderly Solemnized, Report that they attended thereto and did not find but that it was orderly Solemnized

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of the denial of Barker Little hath been read as directed

The friend appointed to have the care of the matter respecting Adam Mott's request last monthly meeting, report, that they have taken the necessary care therein, and gave such advice as they thought best, yet they are continued in that Service of advice and care as they shall find necessary and report when Ready

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13 Month 1783 The Friends appointed to Join the Women friends, in inspecting ma
and treating with Jane Mosher and her daughter Delilah Reports that
Case of Jane they have not accomplished the same and desire it deferred till
next monthly meeting, they then to make Report
The School Committee made Report in writing in the 8th month last
and is Recorded in page 496 which is accepted and they dismissed for
that service: And we now appoint Samuel Smith, Jonathan Will
William Gifford, Caleb Green, Joseph Austin, Benjamin Howland &
and Thomas Mott, a School Committee for the year ensuing who are to
proceed in that appointment agreeable to the direction of the yearly me
any four of which Committee to act as a Committee and not less
A Removal Certificate of Elizabeth Little wife of Darker Little and
their Children Lydia Nathan, Charles, Rebeckah, Zerriah & Sylvester
and Susannah Barker wife of Ebenezer Barker, directed to the
Monthly meeting at Accoahet setting forth their being members
In corrence with the womens meeting were signed by the Clerk
Rhoda Wing A Removal Certificate directed to the monthly meeting of Landwich in
Certificate behalf of Rhoda wife of Benet Wing, setting forth her being a member in
consequence with the women friends was signed by the Clerk
Ephraim Mosher and Joanna Mosher appeared in this meeting for their
Answer: Which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage
at some convenient time, between this and next monthly meeting, advising
with the friends this meeting shall appoint to see the marriage orderly
Solemnized - who are John Devard a Abiel Gifford, and they are to
make report to next monthly meeting
A few lines was endorsed on the copy of a minute of Sediah Gifford pro
from the Creek monthly meeting signifying he attended this meeting to satisfaction
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This meeting is adjourned to the 23rd instant at the usual time of day
23rd of 10th month 1783 Mett by adjournment The Representatives called
are Joseph Barker, Benjamin Rider, and Barnabus Russell all present
The Clerk not being present having gone his intended Journey therefore
Caleb Greene is appointed Clerk for this time
The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, report that they
attended that meeting, and produced an Epistle from the same, which
was read in this meeting to satisfaction, and they request to make some alter
ation in the Womens apartment, in order to accomodate it for holding
the Quarterly meeting is refered to next monthly meeting
A Testimony of Denial of Benjamin Gifford and wife Rhoda was
prepared as follows
Whereas Benjamin Gifford Junr and Rhoda his wife, Having stood as
member of our Society, under the care of this meeting, but thro'g in attention
to the dictates Truth, they have fallen into the sin of Fornication as
appears by their own Confession and friends having Laboured with
them on that account in order for their reformation and recovery.
But it not having the desired effect, and infteed thore of the said
Benjamin and Rhoda suddenly moved themselves away to a
distant land where they could not conveniently be further Treated
with on that account; Therefore this meeting being concerned for
the clearing of Truths Testimony herein, do disown them the
said Benjamin Gifford and Rhoda his wife from being members
of our Society

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until by a Sencere Repentance and amendment of Life they may be
restored to the way of Truth
Given forth, and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting
of men and women friends held in Dartmouth the 29th day of the 10th month 1783 By
Caleb Greene Clerk
which was read and after some alteration was signed by the Clerks
of Each Meeting, and Benjamin Chase is desired to cause the same
to be read in the usual manner at Newtown and report to next monthly
meeting
The choice and appointment of Overseers for the year ensuing
is proposed, as the time agreed on since last appointment is expired
yet a new choice is desired till next monthly meeting for further
consideration
The Women Friends inform that the matter respecting Joanna
Mosher's Certificate is desired till next monthly under the friends
care who was appointed therefor
Abiel Russell request the advice friends respecting disposing or
selling his outward Estate, therefore we appoint Elijah Gifford,
and Nicholas Lapham, and Timothy Gifford to advise him therein
as way may open, and report when ready
At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 17th of 11th month 1783
The Representatives are Joseph Tucker Junr, Joseph Austin, and
Seth Huddleston, being called are all present
The Clerk yet being absent Caleb Greene is appointed Clerk for
this time
The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respect
ing George Smith and wife Report, that they have had some
chearragement of Satisfaction, yet desire the matter deferred till
is accordingly desired till next monthly meeting under the same
friends care they then to report
The Committee in the case of Jane Mosher and her daughter
Delilah not having accomplished the same, and request it
continued, it is therefore continued till next monthly meeting
under the care who are to report next monthly meeting
The Friends to oversee the marriage of Ephraim Mosher and
Joanna Mosher report that they attended the same, and saw
nothing but that it was orderly Solemnized
The matter respecting alteration of our meeting house for the
better accomodating it for the Quarterly meeting as by their
request; coming under consideration. We appoint Pelley Gifford
James Tucker, John Shephard, Gideon Howland, Caleb Russell, James Tucker, John
Giles Stocum, Thomas Hicks, and Benjamin Smith &
Tucker, Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks, and Benjamin Smith &
Committee to consider of said alteration, and a accomodation, and
necessary to be done therein; and report to next monthly meeting
John Shephard Junr having returned to this meeting with the
Copy of a minute of this meeting in the 10th month last year Indorsed
by the monthly meeting of the 13th of last month signifying
his orderly behaviour while among them which is accepted to satisfaction
Benjamin Chase Reports that the Testimony of denial of Benjamin
Gifford Junr and his wife Rhoda had been read according to appoint
ment

10 month 1781
Ephraim Gifford
Benjamin Mott
Stephen Gifford
Joseph Tucker
Joseph Austin
Benjamin Smith
Joseph Barker
Cole Russell
William Gifford
Hannah Smith
Gideon Anthony
William Anthony
Philip Trassford
Giles Slocum
Abigail Briggs
Seth Russell
Ruth Mott
Giles Slocum
Treasurer

11 Month 1783
The matter of Chusing Overseers, coming again under consideration is referred to next monthly meeting
Joseph Wood gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his misconduct for which he was denied, therefore this meeting appointed Elijah Gifford and Thomas Hicks to have an opportunity of Solid conference with him on that subject in order to discover his Sincerity and to report next monthly meeting
A Removal Certificate for Joanna Mosher directed to the monthly meeting at the Ninepartners, setting forth her being a member of our Society, and that she had settled her outward affairs to Satisfaction; was signed in this meeting in concurrence with the Womens meeting
Received the following advice from the meetings for Sufferings viz It appearing necessary that some General advice be given respecting what copies from our Records such who have heretofore been members of our Society may reasonably expect to be furnished with This meeting gives it as their sense and Judgment, that it may be a adviseable for any monthly meeting to direct their Clerks, on application of any Person heretofore a member of our Society, or their Surviving friends relations, or others, to give copies of their denials, marriage Certificates, of their Births and Deaths, of their Children and Friends, and of any other minute necessary for asserting their Rights on the same reasonable Terms, as the like copies are or would be granted to members of our Society
Coppy of a minute of the meeting for Sufferings held at Dartmouth the 6th of the 10th month 1783 Extracted by Thomas Mott Clerk
Which was read and accepted and is to the satisfaction of this meeting
Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Sandwich in behalf of Daniel Wing a minor, living at Peleg Slocum's, which is accepted: Also in behalf of Alice Wing a Girl, which as she is placed out from among Friends; We return the care of her to them; which was signified by an Endowment returned on said Certificate, which was signed by the Clerk
The Women inform that Abigail Briggs hath request ed to be admitted under Friends care; We therefore appoint Jonathan Wilbur and Samuel Smith, to Joine the women friends to take the necessary care therein, and make report to next monthly meeting
Seth Russell having request ed at the Preparative and this meeting to be admitted under friends care, we therefore appoint William Wood and Seth Ruddlestone to take a Solid opportunity with him and family in order he may be rightly Initiated, and make Report to next monthly meeting
The Women Inform they have taken Ruth Mott under dealing for her misconduct, and have appointed a Committee to treat with her, which this meeting concurs with, and appoints William Gifford, and Stephen Buffinton to Joine the women friends therein, and report to next monthly meeting
Treasurer is ordered to pay to Giles Slocum one pound Ten Shillings for half a Load of Hay he supplied this meeting with last, and report to this meeting
The Treasurer Reports he hath paid Giles Slocum as ordered

Joanna Mosher Certificate
advise from meeting for Sufferings
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The Treasurer Reports he hath paid Giles Slocum as ordered

11 Month 1783
The Representative from the Preparative meeting are Benjamin Faber, Thomas Mott and Stephen Gifford all present
The Queries were read and Answers thereto read and after some amendment were approved by the meeting
The matter of Chusing Overseers coming again under consideration, We therefore appoint Benjamin Faber, Joseph Tucker, Joseph Austin, Benjamin Smith 2, Joseph Barker and Cole Russell to the place of Overseers for the year Ensuing and from that time, others shall be appointed in their Rooms, who are desired to attend to their own Gifts therein to see that the cause of Truth be kept to in the Several members of our meeting
Received a Certificate on account of William Gifford (son of Ephraim deceased) setting forth his cleanness in regard to marriage, and that he is a member of Society, directed to this meeting, from Accasset; also he hath produced consent of his mother
William Gifford and Hannah Smith declared their Intentions taking Each other in marriage and were desired to wait till till next monthly meeting for their Answer
Gideon Anthony Informed this meeting that he intends to go to East Hoosuck or Saratoga in order to make some stay with which meeting doth concur he being a member hereof and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minute
William Anthony having returned from his Journey at East Hoosuck and Saratoga, produced a few lines from the monthly meeting there setting forth his attendance with them to satisfaction
The Committee appointed to alter or Repair our Meeting House make Report as follows
We the Committee appointed to alter or Repair our meeting house, and after meeting several times, have agreed to make the Partition as far Eastward as the Great door; and to have a passage out of the Little Room up Stairs; And that the same be Effected as soon as may be; and also that the Womens Chamber be repaired to make it warm, and that the Roof be mended - Signed by direction of the Committee by Samuel Smith
Dated this 10th of 12 month 1783
Which is accepted, and in consequence thereof our Friends are Peleg Gifford, Philip Trassford, and William Anthony are appointed to see said meeting house altered and repaired accordingly and report next monthly meeting
The Friends appointed to collect money by way of Subscription have made Report, that they have collected the sum of 8-13-3 to Supply the yearly meeting Stock
This meeting adjourns to the 24th of this Instant, after meeting of Wm Mott by adjournment the 24th of 12 month 1783
The Representatives being called, are Benjamin Faber Thomas Mott and Stephen Gifford all present
The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter Respecting George Smith 2 and wife Report that they have taken

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 12 month 1783
The Representative from the Preparative meeting are Benjamin Faber, Thomas Mott and Stephen Gifford all present
The Queries were read and Answers thereto read and after some amendment were approved by the meeting
The matter of Chusing Overseers coming again under consideration, We therefore appoint Benjamin Faber, Joseph Tucker, Joseph Austin, Benjamin Smith 2, Joseph Barker and Cole Russell to the place of Overseers for the year Ensuing and from that time, others shall be appointed in their Rooms, who are desired to attend to their own Gifts therein to see that the cause of Truth be kept to in the Several members of our meeting
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The Committee appointed to alter or Repair our Meeting House make Report as follows
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Hannah Smith
Gideon Anthony
William Anthony
Philip Trassford
Giles Slocum
Abigail Briggs
Seth Russell
Ruth Mott
Giles Slocum
Treasurer

12 month 1783 Further care therein and that they had some satisfaction; yet the matter for further satisfaction of this meeting is deferred till next monthly meeting under the same friends care, who are then to Report

Setho Russell The Friends appointed to have the care of Setho Russells request Report that they have visited him to some satisfaction; yet Judge it best to defer the matter some time longer for further satisfaction. It is accordingly deferred under the same friends care till next monthly meeting, then to report

Jane Mosher & daughter The Committee in the care of Jane Mosher and daughter Desires the matter continued; it is accordingly deferred till next monthly meeting, they then to Report

Josiah Wood One of the Committee in the care of Josiah Woods Paper condemning his misconduct, for which he was denied, request that matter continued - it is accordingly deferred till next monthly meeting The Committee then to Report

Ruth Mott The Friends appointed to Join the Women friends, in treating with Ruth Mott - Report, that the matter is not accomplished, it is therefore continued under the same friends care till next monthly meeting they then to make report

Complaint against Francis Allen The Overseers inform that Francis Allen Junor much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings; and hath attended a marriage out of the Unity of friends, and appears far from that plainness which we profess; for which defects, the said Overseers hath laboured with him, but he did not give them satisfaction; therefore we appoint our Friends William Barker and William Anthony Jun to labour further with him thereon, and make report to next monthly meeting

Jonathan Tallman Jonathan Tallman requests by way of Preparative meeting to be admitted under our Care, We therefore appoint our Friends Seth Studsdale and Stephen Buffinton to take a solid opportunity with said Jonathan, in order to discover his motive therein and make report to next monthly meeting

Overseers of poor The Choice of Overseers of poor (the year being expired since last choice) is referred to next monthly meeting

Wm Russell Received a request and Information by some Friends appointed by Saratoga monthly meeting, of the 18th & 19th of last month Signifying that William Russell removed from thence to Dartmouth without Certificate leaving his outward affairs unsettled to the Satisfaction of Friends. We therefore appoint Benjamin Howland & Nicholas Lopham to treat with said William Russell and Report to next monthly meeting

An Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was prepared, and signed by the Clerk, and directed to be forwarded by our Representatives, who are William Anthony Jun, James Davis, Cole Barker, and Joseph Austin, and they to make report to next monthly meeting

The Committee to provide Hay for the last Quarterly meeting past, have brought Noah Russells account, for one Tun the amount being Twelve Dollars which the Treasurer is directed to pay, when he hath money from the meeting and make report to this meeting

To review Samuel Smith, Jonathan Wilbur Benjamin Howland & George Smith are appointed to review and inspect this meetings minutes of the year past in order that they may be Recorded, and settle accounts with the Treasurer, and make Report to next monthly meeting

10 month 1781
Confession of another preparative meeting
11 month 1781
Testimony of denial of Sins
12 month 1783
About on settling Ex preparative meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 19th of 1st month 1784
The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are John Howland Joseph Barker and Prince Pottenall present.

The friends appointed to Treat with Josiah Wood Report that they have had an opportunity with him to a degree of satisfaction; and he having given in a paper condemning his misconduct; which this meeting concludes to accept of for Satisfaction, Provided he cause said paper to be publicly read at the close of a first day meeting of worship, he being present, and return it to next monthly meeting

This meeting in concurrence with the Women friends, hath signed an information to Rhode Island monthly meeting respecting Alice Wood and send notice to hinder her being received into membership

The Friends appointed to repair the Meeting house: Report that they have made some progress therein, but accomplished fully, they are therefore continued in said service, and report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the care of George Smith and wife Report that they have had another opportunity of solid conference with them, and that they gave them so much satisfaction as that Friends may receive their acknowledgments; and this meeting do weighing the matter and having the concurrence of Women friends, do conclude to accept of their said acknowledgment for satisfaction. Provided they cause said paper of acknowledgment to be publicly Read at the close of a first day worship, and they both present and return the same to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to Treat with Francis Allen Jun Report that they treated with said offender, and that he gave them no satisfaction; therefore this meeting doth Discontinue him the said Francis Allen Jun from being any longer a member of our Society

William Gifford and Hannah Smith 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 friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee the same who are William Anthony Jun and Jonathan Wilbur and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to have a conference with Jonathan Tallman on his request Report, that they have had a solid satisfactory opportunity with him, and think he is in some degree sincere in his request

Benjamin Ridley having returned home hath produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Saratoga setting forth his orderly conduct while there, which is to our satisfaction

Joshua Macomber attended this meeting with a copy of a minutes from the monthly meeting at Saratoga, which was read to satisfaction and an Indorsement wrote thereon signifying the same
Collected - - - - -

This meeting adjourns to 28th instant after the meeting for worship

Met by adjournment 28th of 1st month 1784
The Representatives being called are all present

Month 1784
Josh Barker
Prince Pottenall
Josiah Wood
Alice Wood
George Smith
Francis Allen
William Gifford
Hannah Smith
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1 Month 1784 Jonathan Tolman is appointed to Inform Francis Allen of his denial make report next monthly meeting

The matter in regard to Jonathan Tolman's request coming again under consideration, and solidly considering thereof, do conclude to grant his request, and do receive him into membership with us, we having the concurrence of women friends herein

The Friends appointed to confer with Jethro Russell on his request to be taken under friends care make Report, that they have had a solid opportunity of Conference with him, which was in degree satisfactory, and this meeting taking it under consideration do accept of him into Membership with us having the women's concurrence herein

The matter of choosing Doors for the poor is refer'd to the next Monthly meeting, and the former ones are continued to that time

The friends appointed in regard to Sara the request of Saratoga meeting concerning William Russell, Report, they have Treat with him for his mis conduct, and that he gave them some encouragement to endeavour to satisfy friends at that meeting; but it is not yet done, therefore said Committee are still continued to see that he doth perform according to encouragement given and to make Report when it shall be done, or other wise, when they shall think friends have waited a sufficient time therefor

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all attended agreeable to appointment, who have produced an Epistle from said meeting, which hath been read to satisfaction, and the advices contained therein Refer'd to next monthly meeting for further consideration

The Committee appointed in conjunction with the women's meeting in the case of Jane Mosher and her daughter Delila make Report, that they have had several solid opportunities with them, and that the said Jane gave them so much satisfaction they think it may be safe to let the matter drop in regard to her the said Jane Mosher but as to her daughter Delila she did not give them satisfaction, therefore they have drafted a Testimonial against said Delila which hath been read, and the said report and denial hath been accepted, and said Testimony signed by the Clerk who is directed to read the same publicly at the close of a meeting of Worship on a first, and make report to next monthly meeting

Our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting have produced Receipt from the Quarterly meetings Treasurer that he Rec'd £ 8 - 13 - 3 to supply the yearly meeting Stock

This meeting being inform'd that the Black people that attend our meeting for Worship have at some times been provided with Seats, Therefore this meeting appoints Thomas Hicks, John Devaul, Philip Trappard, William Anthony, Caleb Russell, Joseph Austin and Abel Gifford to inspect into that matter and provide such Seats as they may think best and inform them thereof and make report when accomplished

The Committee appointed to Revise this meetings minutes report they have revised said minutes, and directed them to be recorded and that they have settled accounts with the Treasurer

1 Month 1784 And that ther remained in Stock before the date hereof after all Orders are paid that are allowed the sum of £ 9 - 4 - 2 which sum was then in Stock which was of 17th first mo 1784 which was before our last Collection

The women inform that Thebe Lapham keeps company with a man not of our Society, and request our assistance therein therefore we appoint Georg Smith and William Anthony for that purpose and they to report next monthly meeting

Abraham Allen informs this meeting he has thoughts of disposing of his Estate, and desires friends advice therein therefore we appoint Giles Stocum and Elijah Gifford to inspect into his Circumstances and to advise him as they send best, and report to next monthly meeting

The women request the assistance of this meeting in regard to Deborah Howland who hath removed within Accabset monthly meeting without a Certificate therefore we appoint John Devaul and Seth Haddock for that purpose and to report their doing there in next monthly meeting

A Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 16 of 2 month 1784 The Representatives from Preparative meeting being called are Barnabas Russell, Thomas Mott and Daniel Ricketson all present

The Clerk informs that Josiah Woods paper hath been read as directed last monthly meeting and the paper returned to this meeting, and said Josiah received accordingly

The Friends appointed to repair the meeting house report that they have not accomplished it yet by reason of the severity of the weather, they are therefore continued to accomplish the same and Report to next monthly meeting

The Clerk informs that George Smith and wife have eavied their paper of acknowledgments to be read as directed last monthly meeting, and the said George Smith and wife are readmitted into membership accordingly

The friends appointed to attend the marring of William Gifford and Hannah Smith, report that they attended said marriage and did not see but that it was orderly solemnized

John Howland informs that he hath informed Francis Allen of his denial, as directed last monthly meeting

The advices of the Quarterly meeting coming again under the consideration of this meeting, viz. the Treating weightily and tenderly which such as may be in the practice of sleeping in meetings, as also the tenderly advising those who may unguardedly sing, as also the practice of dealing in spiritous Lectures, and that dealing in them may be discouraged among Friends, Therefore this meeting appoints Abel Gifford, Caleb Greber, Thomas Hicks, William Gifford, Joseph Austin, Jonathan Willson, John Devaul and Seth Haddock to Treat with the former and advise the latter agreeable to the Quarterly meetings advice, and the mind of Truth therein, and make report from time to time as may be necessary

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A Removal Certificate was signed in this meeting by the Clerk in concurren of women friends, for Mary Wood wife of Abraham Wood directed to the monthly meeting at Saratoga Signifying her right of membership

The further advice of the Quarterly meeting respecting the choosing Clerks for our meeting annually, is refered to next monthly meeting

The choice of overseers of the poor being refered to this meeting, Gideon Howland, John Dewar, Caleb Barker Jonathan Welton, John Howland George Smith and William Gifford are appointed for that service they year Enjoining

The Women request the assistance of men friends in treating with Mary Bowdish - therefore we appoint Joseph Barker and Seth Haddock to assist the Women, and make report to next monthly meeting

Collected - L 1 - 5 - 8 - 85

This meeting adjourns to the 25th instant after the meeting for worship next Mett by adjournment the 25th of the 2 month 1784

The Representatives being called were all present

The Clerk reports that the Testimony denial of against Delia Mosher hath been read as directed last monthly meeting

The friends appointed to advise and assist Abraham Allen report that they have not fully accomplished said matter therefore they are continued in that service, and to report next monthly meeting

The Women inform they have Received a removal Certificate for Anna Marshall from the monthly meeting of Nantucket which this meeting concurs with

It is proposed whether it may not be best to divide our Preparative meeting into two distinct Preparative meetings, therefore we appoint our friends James Davis, Thomas Licks, Abel Gifford, Stephen Buffinton, Elijah Gifford and William Anthony Jun^r, to Joine the Women friends and take that matter under Consideration and if they think best to divid said meeting they to prepare Boundries between said meetings and report to next monthly meeting

Barnabus Russell informs this meeting that he hath thoughts of going to Philadelphia on business, and request 8 minute from this meeting; We concurring with his request; He being a member of this meeting the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minute

The friends at Bedford hand, in a Petition for to had a meeting house here and friends taking the matter under consideration do appoint Joseph Soper Jun^r William Gifford Peleg Gifford, Benj Smith & Nicholas Lapham to take that matter under consideration, & report their sense & Judgment thereon next monthly meeting

The Comm^{tee} appointed to assist the women in that matter respecting the be- shan desire it Bedford and it is refered to next monthly meeting they then to report

Part of the Com^{tee} appointed in the matter respecting Ruth Malt report that made some progress therein and Rec^d no satisfaction, and she hath proceeded in mar- suit of the order of friends & the women inform they have disowned her the P. Ruth mo which this meeting doth concur with

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 15th of 3 month 1784
The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are William Barker Seth Russell and William Gifford all present

The friend appointed to repair the meeting house report that they have proceeded somewhat further therein, but not having accomplished the same they are continued in that service and report next monthly meeting

Two of the Overseers inform that Samuel Gidley hath proceed to keep company, and contract marriage with a woman not of our Society, after being precautioned and treated with on that account Therefore this meeting (with the concur^{re} of the womens meeting) do disown him the said Samuel Gidley from being a member of our Society and Josiah Wood is desired to inform him thereof, and to make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Joine the women in treating with Mary Bowdish, not having accomplished it they are still continued in said service and to report next monthly meeting

The friend appointed to advise with Abraham Allen in regard to his disposing of his Estate report that they have performed said service and it was their advice for him so to dispose of his Estate if a suitable opportunity should present which report is accepted by this meeting

The friends appointed in the matter respecting the petition of Bedford friends building a Meeting house their make the following Report: which is accepted by this meeting and this meeting doth conclude to refer it to our next Quarterly meeting for their approbation and assistance if they may think proper

To the monthly meeting of Dartmouth to be held 15th of 11 month 1784 according to appointment some of us attended with a Committee from the Quarterly meeting Respecting friends request at Bedford to build a meeting house there, and after concluding the request of said house, to be 48 by 36 feet (computing the cost of 400. We think proper for Friends to come to subscriptions in order to accomplish said matter

Joseph Howland Benjamin Smith Jun^r
Giles Howland Wm Gifford

Collected - L 1 - 5 - 85

Some friends in Allens neck and other Friends requesting the privilege of one meeting or more in that neck; this meeting taking the same under Consideration conclude with the womens concurrence the same under Consideration conclude with the womens concurrence to grant said request, and direct that one meeting for worship be held at Saranna Allens in said Allens neck and that on the sixth day of this week to begin at the eleventh hour, and our friends Elijah Gifford, Giles Howland, and Thomas Licks are appointed to attend and have the care thereof and report to next monthly meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 24th instant after the meeting for worship next Mett by adjournment the 24th of 3 month 1784

The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are William Barker Seth Russell and William Gifford all present

The advice of the Quarterly meeting respecting the choice of Clerk to be chosen annually being refered from last monthly meeting and considered

William

3 Month 1784 William Anthony Junor is therefore appointed to continue in that Service the year ensuing.

The friends appointed to assist the Women in respect to Phoebe Lapham Report that it is not accomplished they are therefore con-

cluded in that Service and to report next monthly meeting

The Women in form they have received a removal Certificate from Nantucket monthly meeting in behalf of Rebecca Roteh which meeting concurs with

The Committee appointed to Join the Women friends, to consider matter of dividing the Preparative meeting into two distinct Preparative meetings, and propose Boundaries between them Report as follows - We the Committee of men and women Friends appointed by the Monthly meeting for considering the dividing the Preparative meeting, have Solidly considered and consented on with several other friends on that matter, and it is our sense and Judgment that it should be divided, and that Line of division be thus viz

Beginning at the Southeast corner of Jonathan Tuckers land on the West side of Clarks or Shearmans Cove, from thence till it goes to the Southward of John Howlands house, including said house to the Northward of said line, from thence to the Southeast corner of James Tuckers homestead farm, from thence in a direct line to the brook called the half mile brook where said brook crosses the Road Northward of Stephen Buffintons, from thence to the Southeast corner of the land formerly belonging to James Shearman on the West side of the High way, and from thence to the Southeast corner of Zephaniah Edlys land in Acowahset East line Bedford 3 mo 5 1784

- Judith Russell
- Mary Smith
- Sarah Howland
- Sarah Anthony
- William Anthony Jun
- Abiel Gifford
- James Davis
- Stephen Buffinton

Which Report is accepted and with the concurrence of the Women said Preparative meeting is divided accordingly, and the demarcations of them approved of, and that the South preparative meeting be held as usual at our South old meeting house in Panagarset and the North Preparative meeting be held on fifth day at Newtown, and at Bedford on sixth day next proceeding our Monthly meeting, and the time for holding it at each place be concluded by a Committee for that purpose who are William Anthony Jun, Joseph Tucker Junor and Stephen Buffinton and they to Join the Women and to make report next monthly meeting and that the first North Preparative meeting be held at Newtown next month

And notwithstanding the boundaries are above said, yet by the request of Hannah Tucker and her two daughters Rebecca and Joanna they are to be admitted as members of the South Preparative meeting

The Queries were answered and an account prepared to the Quarterly meeting which was signed by the Clerk which account and answers were forwarded by our Representatives who are Samuel Smith, John Howland, Caleb Greene, and they to report to next monthly meeting

10 month 1781
 Confessing a another preparative meeting
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At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 29th of 4th mo 1784 The Representatives being called were from the South Preparative meeting Elipah Gifford and Nicholas Lapham, from the North Preparative meeting Caleb Russell and Seth Laddleston all present

Received a removal Certificate on behalf of Caleb Congdon from the monthly meeting of Providence settling for his right of membership and that he is come to learn a Trade within the Compass of this meeting which this meeting accepts

The Committee appointed to repair the meeting house report that it is not yet fully accomplished therefore they are continued to accomplish it and make report next monthly meeting

Josiah Wood not having made any report of his informing Samuel Giddley of his denial therefore he is desired to report next monthly meeting

Report was made of the Representatives all attended the Quarterly meeting except Caleb Greene, who sent a reasonable excuse which was accepted, and they produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which was read and the contents thereof recommended to individuals to observe; and as the Quarterly meeting hath concluded upon the sum of 5-15-9 more from Dartmouth, to supply the yearly meeting Stock, therefore that friends that had the last subscriptions for the supply of the yearly meeting take said subscriptions and endeavour to raise said money by Friends subscribing thereto again and they to report next monthly meeting Joseph Austin, being dismissed by reason of his absence John Howland is aded in his room

The friends appointed to have the care and oversight of the meeting that was appointed in allens neck, report, that they all attended said meeting which was conducted orderly and pretty good satisfaction which report the meeting accepts of

The Committee appointed to consider of the holding of the North Preparative meeting report that said meeting be held one half the time at Newtown; and the other half the time at Bedford which report this meeting accepts of

The Women friends inform they have received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Greenwich on behalf of Amie Proud, which meeting concurs with

The Women friends inform they have disowned Phoebe Lapham, Now Phoebe Russell which this meeting concurs with

As the Quarterly meeting hath appointed a Committee to attend this meeting, and Confer with us and friends at Bedford in regard to building a meeting house at Bedford therefore we appoint our friends Joseph Howland Benjamin Smith, William Anthony Jun, Giles Socum and William Gifford, as a Committee to Join the Quarterly meetings

Committee

11 month 1781
 Report of meeting
 Preparative meeting
 Amie Proud Certificate
 Phoebe Lapham disowned
 Bedford meet house

6 month 1784

The Committee appointed to Confer with the yearly meeting Committee and lay a Copy of a minute of this meeting before the Report that they accomplished the same

John Howland produced a Receipt from the Yearly meeting Treasurer for five pounds sixteen Shillings and nine pence account of this meeting for the yearly meetings Stock

The Queries with answers to them from the Preparative meetings were read in this meeting, and our friends Abiel Gifford Samuel Smith Jonathan Willson and William Gifford are appointed to compile said answers, into general ones from this meeting to the Quarterly meeting, and prepare an account to the Quarterly meeting, and bring to the adjournment of this meeting

Collected £ - 5 - 5
This meeting is adjourned to the 2 day of next month at the day of the meeting for Worship

Met by adjournment y^e 2 day of 7 month 1784
The Representatives being called are all present

The friends appointed to compile the answers to the Queries have accomplished said business, and this meeting approving of the general answers, also have signed an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting all which are forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are James Davis Caleb Greene and Joseph Austin and they to report next monthly meeting

The women inform they have admitted Abigail Briggs wife of David Briggs into membership which this meeting concurs with

John Tucker handed in a bill to the amount of 2 - 8 - 0 for one Tun of hay for the use of the Quarterly meeting 1782 which this meeting approves of and the Treasurer is directed to pay the same when supplied with money

7 month 1784

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth y^e 19th of 7th month 1784
The Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are William Barker and Stephen Russell: from the North Preparative meeting Joseph Austin and John Devaul, all present

Our Friend Hugh Judge attended this meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of Wilmington in the County of New Castle upon Delaware dated y^e 17th of 6th month 1784

Also our Friend Joseph Tatnall attended this meeting meeting as a Companion to the above mentioned friend having the concurrence of said monthly meeting at Wilmington as expressed in said Certificate whose company an Certificate were to Satisfaction

The friends appointed to treat with Giles Hocum to report that they have had further opportunity with him and he requests the matter may be continued another month, it is accordingly continued under the same friends care who are to report to next monthly meeting

The friend appointed to Treat and discover the Sincerity of Philip Allen and Joseph Hart in their condemning their misconduct

8 month 1784

Report they have taken a further opportunity with the young men which was some what satisfactory, yet the matter is deferred under those and William Gifford and Elijah Gifford who is desired to make a more Conclusive report to next monthly meeting

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of denial of Nathaniel Gifford and wife has not yet been read as directed he is therefore desired to cause the same to be read as heretofore directed and make report to next monthly meeting

Gideon Anthony returned a Copy of a minute of this meeting in 15 of 12th month last with a few lines endorsed there on from Saratoga monthly meeting signifying he made some stay and stidily attended meetings there

The Friends appointed to Report they all attended the Quarterly meeting, and produced an Epistle therefrom and Transcripts of the following - One from London last year; One from Philadelphia last year; One from Westbury on Long Island this year; and that from the yearly meeting this year, together with the Extracts from the minutes from said yearly meeting all which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction

The Friends appointed to Join the Wome friend in Visiting those who neglect the attendance of our Religious meetings and those otherwise defective make report which is accepted and is as satisfactory and is as followeth

We your Committee appointed to unite in labour in order to stir up those who are negligent in the attendance of our Religious meetings to a solid consideration of the dangerous situation they are in, that so an amendment herein may be discovered to our Satisfaction and Comfort. - We have visited divers families, and in the ability we received have endeavoured to discharge our selves in which we find peace and satisfaction And hope it may prove useful to those visited. from your friends Thomas Hicks to the Monthly meeting to be held in Dartmouth by adjournment 2 of 6 mo 1784
Martha Gifford Abiel Gifford
Sarah Gifford James Davis
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A certificate was signed by the Clerk directed to the Monthly meeting of Rhode Island in behalf of Theodore Johnson daughter of James Johnson and Elizabeth his wife, signifying she is placed to live with a friend there; That she was a member of our Society

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting being againe read and weighty advices therein noticed, yet a further consideration thereof is referred to next monthly meeting

The Overseers inform by way of the Preparative meeting that Benjamin Ricketson have attended a morning or at an entertainment for a morning, that was held out of the unity of Friends for which the said Overseers Laboured with him but received no Satisfaction, were upon we appoint Deleg Gifford and Stephen Buffinton to labour further with said Benja and report to next monthly meeting

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10 month 1781
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This meeting adjourns to the first day of next month after meeting of work
10 month 1781
Representatives being called we all present
The Queries with the answer from each Preparative meeting
were read in this meeting from which general answers were made
out and forwarded together with an Epistle to which is assigned
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and they to report next Monthly meeting
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Martha Gifford - And Friends taking the same into solid
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The Overseers gave in a complaint against John Howland (son of Benj)
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of Fornication as appeared by his own confession to them and they
having discharged themselves towards him therefore we appoint
William Barker and John Devaul to Joine the women friends
and Treat further with him and if he doth not give them satis-
faction to draw a Testimony of his denial and make report of
the same to next monthly meeting
Received a removal Certificate from the Monthly meeting of
Saratoga dated 17 of 6th month last in behalf of William
Russell Signifying he is member of our Society and settled his
outward affairs to Satisfaction, which was read to Satisfaction
and is accepted in lieu of our Committees report in that case
At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18 of 10th month 1784
The Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are Peleg Gifford
and George Smith from the North preparative meeting are
Caleb Russell and William Gifford all Present
The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all at-
tended except Benjamin Smith who being not well sent his
reason for his non attendance which was accepted and said Re-
presentatives have produced an Epistle for said Quarterly meeting
which hath been read to Satisfaction
This meeting hath been informed that the papers of Philip
Allen and Joseph Hart hath been read according to direction of
last monthly meeting and said papers returned to the meeting
which are as follows Dartmouth 4 15th of 5th month 1784
To the Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
Whereas I have practiced at times playing at Cards, which
being contrary to the good Order of Friends, and being in some
measure convinced of the evil thereof, do hereby heartily con-
demn my misconduct therein, and desire Friends to pass
by and let me remain under their care, desiring in future
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The friends appointed to enquire into the clearness of William Howland report they have made inquiry and do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in marriage
The friends appointed in the case of William Sanford Jr report that they have made some progress therein, and have had him and Benjamin Allen together who have put themselves in some way of settlement but they not knowing that it is fully settled said friends are continued in that service and they to make report to next monthly meeting
The friends concerned in the case of Piles Hocum Jr report that some of them have paid him a visit, but not being able to make a conclusive report therein, it is continued to next monthly meeting then they to make report
The Committee in the case of John Howland (son of Benjamin Howland) report they have not accomplished that matter by reason he was gone from home they are therefore continued in that service and to make report when accomplished
The Committee in the case of William Russell of Bedford report that they have not had an opportunity to fulfil their appointment they are therefore continued in that service and they to make report next monthly meeting
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Joseph Willbore and Abigail his wife gave in a paper to this meeting desiring to come under friends care, therefore Stephen Buffinton and Abiel Gifford are appointed to take an opportunity of said Conference with the Petitioners in order to discover the motive of their request they to join the women herein, and to report to next monthly meeting
The Women inform that Elezann now wife of Jonathan Sheldon hath married out of the unity of Friends, and that they have disowned her, which this meeting concurs with
Joseph Austin informs that he intends to take a Journey to the Nine-partners on business, and requested our concurrence which this meeting taking under consideration do concur therewith he being a member of our Society and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this minute
Our Quarterly meeting having proportioned to this meeting to raise the sum of sixteen pounds Lawful money to supply the Quarterly and yearly meetings Stock; therefore Caleb Russell Samuel Smith, William Gifford, John Howland, Gideon Howlands and Jonathan Willbore are appointed to proportion said sum to each Preparative meeting and draw subscriptions for that purpose, and make report next monthly meeting
Collected £ 1 - 10 - 4
At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 15th of 11th month 1784
The Representatives from the S Preparative meeting are Elijah Gifford and Philip Graford; and those from the North Preparative meeting are Benjamin Faber and Thomas Mott all present
The friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Hocum report that they have been in a progress in that service but not having accomplished it to satisfaction they are therefore continued in that service and make report next monthly meeting
Thomas Hicks having retred his paper and report of its being read agreeable to the direction of last monthly meeting and is as follows
To the monthly meeting of 18th 10th m 1784
Whereas I did not express my mind so fully and intention so fully to Humphry Smith in respect to leaving a matter to Reference, in so clear a manner as I might have done, which I believe would have been best, which occasion for our Religious Society to be reproachfully spoken of which conduct of mine I am sorry for and as here by
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At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Danmorth 20th of 12^{mo} 1781
1781 The Representatives from the South Preparative are Gidas Slocum
and Peleg Gifford from the North Preparative meeting are Joshua
Potter and Joseph Austin, all Present

One of the Committee appointed to Joine the Quarterly meeting
Committee in Visiting those that have held and those that have been
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Two cases that remain in an unsettled way which need further con
sideration
and Labour, which report being accepted, the friend of the
Committee is directed to lay the said cases before the Overseers
who are directed to inspect therein, and the Committee is dismissed
from that service

The Friend appointed in the case of Jonathan Slocum request
that matter continued, having been in a further labour therein, yet
have not accomplished it, it is continued under the same friend
case who are desired to accomplish their appointment and report
to next monthly meeting

Two of the friends appointed in the case of Giles Slocum
Report that they have had another opportunity with to discover
the state of his mind but reced no further Satisfaction, and
Friends having discharged themselves towards him, do here
by disown him from membership with us, and Elijah Gifford
is directed to to inform him thereof and report to next monthly
meeting

The Friends appointed in the case of William Russell of Bedford
Report that they that they have taken a further opportunity with
him and not receiving Satisfaction drafted a Testimony of
his denial - ~~with~~ which the women concurring, and Caleb
Greene is direct to cause the same to be read publicly in the usual
manner at Bedford, and inform said William thereof and
Report to next monthly meeting

The women inform they have concluded to deny Annis Gidley
ly deny which this meeting concurs therewith

The Women produced a Testimony of the denial of Elisabeth
Wing which being read, was concurred with and signed by the Clerk
who is directed to cause the same to be read publicly in the
usual manner before next monthly meeting and report to the same

The Clerk reports that Abraham Wood's paper of acknowledg
ment hath been read as directed

Abraham Wood

A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk in behalf of Abraham
Wood, directed to the monthly meeting of Saratoga signifying
his acknowledgment was accepted and outward affair settled
to Satisfaction he having moved and settled there

The Committee to see the titles of our meeting houses and
Lands made secure, &c Report, they gone into that matter and
request it Deser'd, they are therefore continued in that service
and to make report next monthly meeting

The School Committee with the addition of those last month
are continued in that service till others are appoint in their stead

The friends appointed to Treat with Benjamin Howland
respecting his keeping a Tavern &c Report that they have treat
ed with him accordingly, but he not giving them the desired
Satisfaction; yet think it best it be continued and be fur
ther treated with; it is accordingly continued under the
same friends care who are to report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Visit Friends in Allen's neck
and consider of their request for holding meetings there, Report
that they have Visited Friends there according to appointment
and think it best for them to have some meetings there granted
to be held there this meeting taking the matter under Considerati
do with the concurrence of the women grant said request so far
as for them to hold meeting as follows; Two first days in each
month, that is one on the first day next before, and one on the
first day after our Monthly meeting - and midweek meeting on
Third days, in each week our mid week meeting are usual of held
for Wexhip; Only to be continued till the monthly meeting in
the 4th month next; under the care of Elijah Gifford and Timothy
Gifford and Jonathan Willcox who are to report to this meeting
at the Expiration of said Time

The Friends appointed to Treat with John Howland (son of
Benjamin) produced a paper from him condemning his misconduct
which is accepted Satisfaction provided he cause the same to be
read in the usual public manner, and return it with Report
to the same to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed in the case of Building meeting
House at Bedford report that they had attended to the
matter and concluded on the size of to be 48 feet by 36
feet and computed the cost to about 400 and think proper that
Friends come to a subscription for that purpose. Therefore
we appoint Seth Russell, John Howland, Barnabas Howland
Russell Edmond Maxfield and Caleb Russell Collected by
way of subscriptions such sums as Friends may give for the
Building said house, which said Comitee are also to see built
accommodated and accomplished as soon a convenience & Circum
stances will admit and report from time to time of their progress
therein

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12 Month 1784
This meeting is adjourned to the 20th of this instant after meeting of worship
Met by adjournment
The Representatives being called are all present
Jonathan Tucker
The friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Tucker Report that they have had another opportunity with him which was not much to satisfaction; yet desire the matter continued; it is accordingly referred to next monthly meeting they then to make report
William Sanford
The Friends appointed in the case of William Sanford Report that it not settled to satisfaction they are therefore continued to use further endeavor that it be accomplished and Barnabas Russell are added to them in that service, and they to make report next monthly meeting
Collections
The South Preparative meeting in their account inform they have collected and sent to the Treasurer of this meeting £ 0-12-5
And the North Preparative meeting 0-15-8
Total 0-27-3
Ebenzer Mesher
The Overseers inform that Samuel Mesher (son of Ebenzer) walks so far from the good Order established among Friends as to attend a marriage accomplished out of the Order of Friends and appears far from that simple plainness we profess, much neglecting the attendance of our Religious meetings for all which he hath been Labour'd with but did not give satisfaction therein therefore we appoint Benjamin Howland 2 and Caleb Green to treat further with him thereon and Report to next monthly meeting
Sent to Quarters
The Queries in each Preparative meeting, from which general answers were prepared and read in this meeting - Also an Epistle prepared for the Quarterly meeting, all which are forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Abiel Gifford, James Davis, Stephen Buffinton and Caleb Green and they to report next Monthly meeting
Abiel Gifford
Abiel Gifford gave in an account for Hay, and Carting, bill for expended at our last Quarterly meeting to the amount of £ 6-6-0
Hay an account whereof was handed to the Quarterly meeting and the Treasurer is ordered to pay Abiel Gifford when supplied with money
Subscribers
The Friends appointed to raise money by Subscriptions Report that they have collected in the 5th preparative meeting £ 5-11-0
North Preparative meeting 6-15-3
Total 12-5-2
Which they have paid to the Treasurer; and the Preparative meetings are desired to continue their subscription till the sum of 20 pounds be raised
Hannah Gifford
In concurrence of women Friends a Certificate was signed by the Clerk on behalf of Hannah Gifford wife of Wm Gifford to go to next meeting of worship
Revise
Samuel Smith, Hezekiah Smith, Wm Anthony & Caleb Russell are appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise the minutes of the meeting in order they may be recorded & report next monthly meeting
The Treasurer is directed to pay the above sum of 12-5-2 and add 12/10 out of the Treasury there, to the Representative to the Quarterly meeting & report to next monthly meeting. The said Representatives are to send it to the Quarterly meeting Treasurer and Report of the same to this meeting

Month 1785
At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, 17th of 1st month 1785
The meeting being convened, The Representatives named from the Preparative meetings are from the South Joseph Tucker and Timothy Howland; North Joseph Austin and Thomas Mott, who being called are all present
Jonathan Howland
The Friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Howland report that they have not accomplished the same, and desired it continued, it is accordingly continued under the same friends care who are desired to accomplish the same and report next monthly meeting
Elijah Gifford informs that he hath not acquainted Giles Gifford of his denial as directed, he is therefore continued in that service and Report to next monthly meeting
Elizabeth Wings
The Clerk informs that the denial of Elizabeth Wing hath been read as directed which is as follows
Whereas Elizabeth Wing widow to Samuel Wing deceased of Late of Dartmouth deceased; Having had her Education and lived in Profession with friends untill now of Late she hath so far departed from our Profession as to attend such meetings as are held out of the Unity of Friends and we having treated with her in love in order for her restoration and return, but she not adhering to our advice and Counsel given, but still continues and persist therein and to justify her said Practices; Therefore we do publicly disown her the said Elizabeth Wing from being a member of our Religious Society, until by a sincere return and Reformation she shall be restored to the way of Truth
Given and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of men and women friends held in Dartmouth, 17th of 1st month 1784
By Wm Anthony Jr. Clerk
Mercy Howland
In Filled of meeting house and Lands
The Committee to inspect and see the Titles of our meeting House and Lands made Secure &c. Report, that they have made some Progress therein, but as it will take some time to complete it desires it continued; the same friends are therefore continued in that service and to report when ready
Benjamin Howland 3
Part of the Committee in the case of Benjamin Howland 3 Report that they have had further opportunity with him, But not receive much satisfaction; yet the matter is continued under the same friends care who are to report next monthly meeting
John Howland
The Clerk informs that John Howland (son of Benjamin Howland) hath caused his paper condemning his misconduct to be read as directed
Jonathan Tucker
The Friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Tucker report that they have not accomplished that matter tho they have had some Inspection therein, and desired it referred, it is accordingly continued under the same Friends care who are directed to take a solid opportunity with said Jonathan and Report to next monthly meeting
William Sanford
The Friends appointed in the case of William Sanford Report

10 month 1781

Certificates for 3rd part were given

The Case Ben Allen Jellid

Wm Joffe's request for a certificate to go

Chaswell request a certificate at 8 and

Conferring a matter preparatory meeting

Taber and Taber's request

11 month 1781

To sell wood

Testimony of Denial of Isaac

Adjournd meet

Abraham Russell's Certificate

Report concerning Wood sold

2 Month 1785 And Consideration, Therefore Benjamin Taber and John Howland are appointed to take the necessary care therein, and if they find no Obstacle, they to Report a ^{certificate} to the adjournment of that meeting

Eben Chase desiring a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Swanzey, he being about to remove there, Abiel Gifford and William Gifford are therefore appointed to take the necessary care therein, and report to next Monthly meeting

The Friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Tucker, report that they have treated further with him on his misconduct, but that he does not give them Satisfaction: and produced a draught of a Testimony against him, which with the concurrence of the Women Friends was signed by the Clerk who is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual manner and report to next Monthly meeting; and the same friends are desired to inform Jonathan thereof - Which Testimony is as follows

Whereas Jonathan Tucker have had his Birth and Education among us the people called Quakers; but for want of more closely adhering to the dictates of his own Conscience has been guilty of using profane and unbecoming Language; as also frequently, and unnecessarily report at Taverns, too frequently partakes of Spiritous Liquors; all which being inconsistent with our Religious Profession; We having Laboured with him for the above offences, but do not find Satisfaction; therefore we give this forth as a publick Testimony against his conduct hereby disowning him the said Jonathan Tucker from being a member of our Religious Society, untill through unfeigned Repentance he shall return to the ways of Truth which is our Sincere desire

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 25th of 2nd month 1785

By William Anthony Jun^r Clerk
The North Preparative meeting informs that they have raised the Remainder of their propotion of money for Yearly meeting and Quarterly meeting; and paid the same to the Treasurer of this meeting

This meeting concludes to make sale of some of the wood standing on this meeting's Land; at the discretion of Samuel Smith, Giles Shub Thomas Hish, and Gideon Howland, who are appointed for that service and they to make report of their proceedings therein from time to time

The Preparative meetings in their account inform they have Collected and sent up to the Treasurer Viz from the South 0-55-0 from the North 0-18-0

This meeting is adjournd to the 3rd of Sept after the meeting for Worship 3 month 9th meet by adjournment - The Representatives being called Giles Nicum and Stephen Gifford present; Seth Huddleston and Seth Russell not present, nor any reason sent of their absence

One of the Friends appointed to take the necessary care for Abraham Russell's request for a Certificate report that they have made the necessary enquiry therein and find no sufficient obstacle to granting his request and therefore produced a Certificate, which after some alteration was signed by the Clerk

Part of the Committee to make sale of wood report that it is their opinion that a considerable Quantity may yet be disposed of, tho they have sold one hundred Cords to Josiah Woods at four shillings & six pence per Cord standing

Month 1785

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choice of overseers

Isaac Nicum's case deferred

Ben. Chase's specific demand

Jon. Tucker's Denial read

Benj. Howland's case deferred

And that if Friends would assist in getting a Quantity to the Land - ing it may be sold to more advantage, therefore said Committee are desired to draught ^{to} Promote Subscriptions for Friends to cut and Cart as much as they shall be free to in order to defray the charge of this meeting and bring said Subscriptions to next Monthly meeting

A Quarterly meeting held in Dartmouth the 25th of 3rd month 1785
The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings are from the South Philip Bradford & Elijah Gifford from the North Benj^r Buller & Jonathan Hart who being called are all present

The choice of overseers being refer'd from last Monthly meeting to this, Benjamin Taber Joseph Austin Joseph Tucker Jun^r Elijah Gifford William Gifford & Jonathan Hart

Are appointed for that service for the year ensuing or till others may be appointed in their stead

The friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Nicum report, that they have not all had opportunity so as to accomplish that matter & desire it continued, it is accordingly deferred under their care they to make report according to next Monthly meeting

The committee appointed in the case of Ebenzer Chase report that they have not accomplished S^r business therefore they are continued in S^r service & to report the next Monthly meeting

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of the Denial of Jonathan Tucker ^{has} been read as directed & the committee's report that Jonathan hath been inform'd thereof

The committee in the case of Benjamin Howland report that he hath given them so much encouragement that they desire the matter continued, which is accordingly deferred under the same Friends care, who are to report to next Monthly meeting

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In concurrence with the Women's meeting, a Testimony of the denial of Eunice Russell, wife of William Russell of Bedford, was sign'd by our Clerk.

Our Friend Ann Jessop attended this Meeting with her Certificates from New Garden Monthly meeting and Quarterly meeting of the 8th month last which were read in this Meeting to satisfaction & her visit and labours of Love were also to satisfaction.

Let's Huddleston gave the reasons of his Nonattendance of the Adjournalment of last Monthly meeting of the 8th month last, which were satisfactory.

The South Prepar. meeting in their account inform they have collected and handed to the Treasurer of this Meeting

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The North Preparative Meeting

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Total 1. 9. 7

The Queries were read with the Answers from the Preparative Meetings, and Samuel Smith & Jonathan Wilbur, are appointed to compile S. Answers into general ones and bring to the Adjournalment of this Meeting, with an Account to this Meeting, with an Account to the Quarterly meeting.

A Removal Certificate was sign'd by the Clerk in behalf of Eliakim Mosher, to the Monthly meeting of Ninepartners, expressing his right of membership and cleareness respecting marriage.

10 month 1785

Testimony of denial of Eunice Russell's wife

The Case of Ben Allen settled

W. Sanford report a certificate to go

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Confessing a matter in another meeting

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Testimony of denial of Eunice Russell's wife

Queries answered

Let the Quarterly meeting

Report on circulating Exproprietion meeting the

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With the Concurrence of the Women, this Meeting admits into Friends care, Jethro & Rebecca Russell's Children by their request of their Parents, the Children's names are Martha, Mary and Howland.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to the 2^d of next month, at the 11th hour. 4 month 2. Met by adjournment.

The Overseers being called are all present. The Year of the service of the Clerk being expired and William Anthony jun^r having served this Meeting as Clerk for some years to satisfaction, therefore Abel Greene is appointed Clerk for the year ensuing, or till another be appointed in his place.

The Friends appointed in the Case of William Sanford jun^r report, that it is not accomplished and desire it continue, it is accordingly deferred under the same Friends care, till next Monthly meeting, they then to report.

A Proposal from this Meeting in concurrence with the Women, was forwarded to the Quarterly meeting, that it be recommended to the Yearly meeting, whether the answering the Queries once a year only, would not be more useful, than every Quarter, or at least, that some of the Principal ones, only, be answer'd at each Quarterly meeting.

Propos. 2^d making respecting the Queries

Report on circulating Exproprietion meeting the

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth
the 16th of the 5 month 1785.

The Representatives from the South Preparatory
Meeting are Benjamin Howland^d and George
Smith, from the North, Prince Potter and
Josh Russell, who being called are all present.

The Committee in the Case of Jonathan
Stocum, report, that they have made further pro-
gress therein; yet the obstacles for the accomplish-
ment thereof are not removed to satisfaction, &
that it is their judgment it should be dismissed
from this Meeting, and Friends taking the same
into Consideration, do dismiss the same accordingly,
and the same Friends are desired to inform him
of the reasons thereof.

A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk
directed to the Monthly meeting of Swansea in
behalf of Ebenezer Chace, signifying he is a mem-
ber, and settled his outward affairs to satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to treat with Rich^d
Lapham, on his Misconduct, report, that they
have not both had opportunity with him, it is
therefore deferred under their care, with Caleb Greene
till next Monthly meeting, they then to make report.

In Concurrence with the Women, a Testimony of
the Denial of Abigail Cornet wife of Elhu Cornet,
was read and signed by the Clerk, and W^m Anthony

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is appointed to read the same, in the usual
public manner and report to next monthly meet-
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The Friends appointed in the Case of W^m M^r
Sandford jun^r, report that they have attended there-
to, but not accomplished it to satisfaction; it is
therefore continued under the same Friends
care, who are to report to next M^r meeting.

The Committee in the Case of Benj^d Howland
3. report, that some further opportunity with him
and that he signified he should continue in his
Practice, yet at the Desire of some Friends, the
matter is continued under the same friends care, as
heretofore, who are desired to labour further with him
and report to next M^r meeting.

The Friends appointed to enquire into James
Allen's cleanness and conversation respecting Mar-
riage, report, that they find nothing sufficient
to hinder such a Procedure.

The Friends appointed to take the necessa-
ry care for a removal certificate for Stephen
Buffinton and Family, report, that they have
not yet accomplished it, they are therefore continued
to accomplish it and report to next M^r meeting.

James Allen and Sarah Howland jun^r appeared
for their answer, which is, that we find nothing
sufficient to prevent their proceeding to take each
other in Marriage, at some convenient time be-

W^m Sandford
case deferred.

B. Howland
3. case
deferred.

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James Allen's
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30 month 1781
 Certificate for 3rd Nat. Wife & Children
 The Case Ben Allen Settled
 W. Sanford a Certificate
 (Russell) against a Certificate
 Confirmed a meeting
 11 month 1781
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 30th Thomas Akin gave in a Paper condemning misconduct in going into Company, where were a
 dancing and there drinking so as to render
 him for business. - whereupon we appoint our friends
 David Shepherd, Caleb Greene and J^r. Howland,
 to take a solid Opportunity with him, and make
 inspection, in order to discover his Sincerity, and re-
 port to next M^o. meeting

Benj^a. Allen (Son of Philip deceased) gave
 in a Paper condemning his falling into the re-
 proachful Sin of Fornication and Marrying out of the
 Unity of Friends, Thomas Russell & Thomas Hicks, are
 appointed to take a solid Opportunity with said Benj^a. in
 order to discover his Sincerity & report to next M^o. meeting

The Queries were read with the Answers
 from each Prepara^r. Meeting, and James Davis, Th^o.
 Anthony Jun^r. & Samuel Smith, are appointed to
 compile said Answers from this Meeting, prepare
 an Account to the Quarterly meeting, and bring to
 the Adjournment of this Meeting

The South Prepara^r. in their Acct^s
 inform, that they have collected & sent
 to the Treasurer. 11-10⁰⁰
 North Prepara^r. Meeting. 13-6⁰⁰

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th Day of
 month at the close of the meeting of Worship

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 Met. The Representatives being called are all present
 except Seth Huddleston, who sent a satis-
 factory reason in Writing of his Absence.

The friends appointed in the Case of
 Stephen Buffinton's Certificate, report, that the
 Matter is not fully accomplished, they are there-
 fore continued in said service & to report to next
 monthly meeting.

One of the Comtee^s to settle accounts with
 the former Treasurer, made report in writing,
 that he settled s. acct. to the 23rd of 6th month last,
 and that it appears, that the former Accounts
 allowed by this Meeting, amount to £3.10.9¹/₂
 more than he was supplied with Money to pay,
 and the present Treasurer is desired to pay
 the same, as soon as supplied with sufficien-
 cy of money.

One of the Committee appointed in the Case of
 Job Deval, informs, that they have not all had
 opportunity with him, tho' they have made
 some progress therein and therefore desire the
 Matter deferd: it is accordingly continued un-
 der the same friends care till next Monthly
 meeting, they then to report.

Received Advice from the Meeting for
 Sufferings dated the 8th of the 6th month last, wherein
 they

of Buffinton's Certificate refer^d
 Comtee^s report settling with former Treasurer.
 Job Deval's case deferd.
 Advice from Meeting for sufferings

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Certificat
for the mee
Wife & child were
born
The Cafe
Ben Allen
settled
W. Sanford
a certificat
to go
L. Russell
resigns and
certificat
And
Conferring
the next

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they desire, that one of the first class of Poor (if any in the Monthly meeting) may be sent to the yearly meetings School: this Meeting taking it into consideration, do commit the care and oversight, ^{thereof} to the Overseers of the Poor and School Committee, who are to Report next N^o. meeting

F. Rotch
removd
w^{thout}
Certificat

It appearing to this Meeting, that Francis Rotch removd from this Meeting without Certificate, and resides or is often within the compass of Providence N^o. meeting, Caleb Greene & Joseph Austin, are therefore appointed, to write to said Meeting; what may appear to them necessary and report to next Monthly meeting.

Repos
satives
Acct
to the
Quarterly
Meeting

The Friends appointed to compile the Answers to the Queries, have presented them, with a Account to the Quarterly meeting, which after being read are approved and signed by the clerk and sent forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are our friends Thomas Hicks, Jonathan Hart, & Ben^y. Chace, and they to make report to next Monthly meeting.

Inform
ation
from
Nantucket
at meeting
respect
Shub
Bunby

This Meeting is informed by writing from Nantucket N^o. meeting, that Shubal Bunby Junior hath resided for sometime, within the compass of this Meeting, and hath had no Certificate, desiring us to take some care in that respect, and if it appears best, that he have one, that we acquaint them thereof, we therefore appoint Caleb Russell

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and Barnabas Russell to take the necessary care therein and make report to next Monthly meeting.

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Testimony
denial of
F. Russell

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