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To report to this Meeting next Month

Treasurer
is Isaac
with 2/3

The Committee appointed last Month to settle with our Treasurer & report viz -
The Committee appointed last month to settle with our Treasurer & have attended to that service & find in his hands forty six & 1/4 dollars & propose to raise for the ensuing year five hundred dollars & propose for Benjamin Wood to be Treasurer - In behalf of the Committee William Tucker 10th Mo 1851, which report is satisfactory to the Mtg & accordingly Benjamin Wood is appointed Treasurer of this Meeting for the ensuing year or until another appointment. & our preparative Meetings are directed to collect & pay to our Treasurer their proportion of the sum recommended and report to this Meeting when accomplished.

Committee
for
annual

William Potter, Honor Potter, Barret Beard, William Tucker, Daniel Howland & John King, are appointed a Committee to consider of & if thought necessary propose a new percentage of stock to be raised by our preparative Meetings, and report to this Meeting next Mo.

Wm. Allen
complained
of

The following information from the overseer respecting William M. Allen was forwarded through the South Preparative Mtg viz - To the preparative Meeting, this Morn^g Wm. Allen complains that William M. Allen has assumed out of the order of our Society to one not a member, which we submit to the Meeting, Timothy Ashin, Joshua M. Gifford, Overseer's Dartmouth 10th Mo 1851, where upon we appoint Honor Potter & Otis Slacum a Committee to treat with him for his deviations & report to this Meeting next Month.

George Abrey Clerk

Meeting Book

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At Dartmouth the Meeting of Friends held 11th Mo 26th 1851 by acts of the Representatives appointed by the preparative Meetings are from the South George Allen & Jonathan Wilson from the North Rowland Rider and Isaac C. Gifford who are present except one.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from each of our preparative Meetings have been read at this time & summary answers approved of & directed Queries to be forwarded to our next Mtg by Geo. Abrey, Timothy Ashin & Barret Beard whom we have appointed our representatives therefore they are desired to report their attendance to our next meeting, & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on behalf of this Meeting.

The Committee appointed in the 9th Mo & continued in charge thereof at our last Meeting now present the following names for Overseer of this Meeting viz. Timothy Beers Ashin, Joshua M. Gifford, Barret Beard, appointed George M. Francis, Benjamin Potter, & George Abrey who are approved of by the Meeting & accordingly they are appointed to that service for the year to come or until another appointment.

Minutes
appointed

The Committee appointed last Month to consider of & if thought necessary propose a new percentage for our preparative Meetings to be governed by in their collecting of stock, now propose that the South Preparative Meeting should pay 70 per cent & the North 80 per cent which is satisfactory to the Meeting.

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11th mo 1851

The committee in the case of William H. Allen made the following report viz
To the Monthly Meeting. The committee to treat with William H. Allen have attended to our appointment, had an opportunity with him, he said he wished to be retained a member if consistent, but as he was
committee about to go a voyage to sea (and since gone) continued it was our judgment it would be best in case of to defer the case until his return, W. H. Allen which we refer to the Monthly Meeting signed Anna Potter, Otis Sturron, 11 mo 20th 1851, which is satisfactory to the meeting and the same committee are continued in charge thereof to report to the meeting when ready or called upon by the meeting,

Our beloved friend Phebe A. Gifford returned at this time the certificate granted her in the 1th mo last & Bodwell satisfactory returning minutes from P. A. Gifford, Indecorum & Baltimore (Carly Meeting) returned Springfield, Allen Brook & Baltimore minute Quarterly Meetings, & Springfield, Gelad & Allen Brook Monthly Meetings, expressing her acceptable attendance. She also informs that through the aid of divine mercy she had been enabled to perform the apprehended service to the peace of her own mind.

Isaac A. Gifford also returned the minute granted her in the 1th mo last to accompany his wife Phebe Gifford in her religious visit to Friends of Ohio & also produce satisfactory returning minutes expressing of his acceptable attendance

George Shryobler

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12th mo 1851

At Dartmouth Mo. Mo. of Friends held 12th mo 21st 1851 by Set record the representatives appointed by the Preparative Meetings are from the south Joshua M. Gifford, & Otis Sturron, from the north William Potter & George Shryobler who are present.

Representative One of the representatives appointed last 12th mo to attend the Quarterly Meeting reports attended they all attended

Read at this time the following acknowledgement viz.

To Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends Dear Friends, I have so far transgressed the good order of society as to marry with one not admitted a member, and I desire that friends may continue so far pass by my offense as to let me remain a member Joseph C. Smith, Dartmouth 11 mo 24th 1851. which being read the meeting after a time of deliberation accepts for satisfaction and he is continued a member, the women meeting concurring herein, and Abraham Brussel is appointed to inform him thereof & report to this Meeting next mo. George Shryobler

At Dartmouth Mo. Mo. of Friends held 12th mo 28th 1852, by acts read the representatives appointed by the Preparative Meetings are from the south Humphrey Anthony & John Wing, from the north William Potter & Isaac A. Gifford who are present.

Abraham Brussel reports of J. C. Smith he has given Joseph C. Smith information of his being continued a member.

The year for which the committee were appointed to have & take all necessary care of our meeting houses

11th 1852
Committee
have care of
Meeting house
&c.

Burying grounds & also at Funerals, having
expired Otis Stavron, George Army, George
Smith, George M. Francis, William Potter,
Isaac Beard, Abraham Russell, William
Trainer, Abner Potter Jun, & Joshua Gifford,
are appointed to that service for the year
to come or until another appointment.

The Overseers agreeable to a minute of
2nd 1846 report they have handed to the
recorder an act of all the births & deaths
that have occurred within our limits the
past year.

George Army Clerk

At Dartmouth the 1st of Friends held 25th 1852
by act of the representatives appointed by the
Preparative Meetings are from the South George
Smith & Ezra Wing, from the North William Trainer
& Benjamin Potter who are present except one
for whose absence a satisfactory reason
was assigned.

This Meeting is informed that
Joseph Gifford having removed from within
our limits, requests a removal Certificate for
Gifford himself & wife Mary, directed to New Bedford
Monthly Meeting. Geo Army & Timothy Allen
are appointed to write with our Women
friends in preparing one on their behalf if
nothing appears to prevent & present to our
next Meeting.

The following information was
presented through the North Preparative Meeting
to the Preparative & Monthly Meetings
Dear Friends This may inform that Benjamin
Blade has married out of the order of our
religions society with one not in membership
with us, when upon we appoint Isaac P. Gifford
& William Potter a committee to treat

with him on that account & report to the
next month.

we are informed that the South
Preparative Meeting have paid their proportion
share of stock to our Treasurer
George Army Clerk.

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 3rd 11th 1852. by act of the representatives
appointed by the preparative Meetings are from
the South Humphrey, Anthony & Abner Potter Jun
from the North William Trainer & Isaac P.
Gifford who are present.

The Queries with
answers from each of the preparative Meetings
have been read at this time & general answers
considered of & adopted & are directed to our
next Quarterly Meeting by Otis Stavron, Isaac
P. Gifford & George M. Francis whom we have
appointed our representatives thereto, desiring
them to report their attendance to our next
Meeting. The Clerk is directed to furnish
them with the necessary extracts from our
minutes and sign the same on our behalf.
We are informed the South preparative Meeting have paid
their proportion of stock to our Treasurer.

We are also informed that our proportion
of Quarterly Meetings stock has been paid to
the Treasurer of that Meeting, which is to be
noticed in our act to the 1st Meeting.

The Friends appointed produced a
certificate for Joseph Gifford & wife to
New Bedford Monthly Meeting, which the clerk
is directed to sign on our behalf & forward
to that Meeting, the Women Meeting concerning
herin.

The committee appointed to treat
with Benjamin Blade, made the following
report

3rd 1852

At the Monthly Meeting, Dear friends, We have
 Committee in the case of Benjamin M. Wade make
 report, that we have attended to our appointment
 & made him a visit (The received with kindly
 yet with endeavoring to labor with him in
 the ability afforded, we could not discover
 in him any disposition of mind to make
 friends satisfaction or even to be retained
 a member of our religious society, which
 we submit to the Meeting, signed Isaac R.
 Gifford, William Potter, 24th 1852
 which being read the meeting accepted, and
 after a time of deliberation we do hereby disown
 him from being any longer a member of our
 religious society. The women's meeting concerning
 herein, & Geo. Army is named to give him
 information thereof & report to this Meeting
 next month.

Request for
new
app. to be made

The subject of a new appointment
 in regard to town being made between
 the several Monthly Meetings belonging to our
 Quarterly Meeting, having claimed the
 consideration of this Meeting, the Clerk is
 directed to notice the same in our act
 to that Meeting for their consideration
 George Army clerk

At Dartmouth Mo. Mtg of Friends held
 14th Mo. 28th 1852. by acts read the representatives
 appointed by the preparative Mtgs are from the
 south Timothy Allen & George Smith, from
 the North Benjamin Potter & George Army
 who are present except two for whose absence
 a satisfactory reason was assigned

The clerk & assistant being
 unavoidably absent George M. Francis is
 appointed clerk for the day.
 One of the representatives appointed last month
 to attend the 9th Mtg reports they all attended

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To be read
at the
Meeting

nothing in receiving Hannah Bond into
 membership with us.
 George M. Francis clerk for the day

18th 1852

At Dartmouth Mo Meeting of Friends held 18th 1852
 by acts read the representatives appointed by the
 preparative Mtgs are from the south Johnathan
 Kirby & Paul Fisher from the North William
 Potter & Isaac R. Gifford who are all present.

to be read
at the
Meeting

Abraham Russel reports that he has
 received from the New Bedford Institution
 a donation for savings Twenty dollars it being one year's
 begun interest on the Benjamin Richston bequest
 and has paid the same to our Treasurer.

Certificate
of the
Meeting

We concur with the women
 the clerk is directed to sign a removal
 certificate on behalf of Lydia Ann
 Mickelson wife of Benjamin directed to
 a New Bedford Mo Mtg of Friends
 George Army clerk

18th 1852

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
 held 16th Mo. 23rd 1852, by acts read the represen-
 tatives appointed by the preparative Meetings
 are from the south John King & Timothy Stone
 from the North William Fisher & William
 Potter who are present. Our beloved

to be read
at the
Meeting

Friend Daniel Bacher attended this
 Meeting with a satisfactory certificate of
 concurrence from Holly Spring Monthly Mtg
 held in Randolph county North Carolina
 8th Mo. 15th 1851. & endorsed by Southern Quarterly
 Mtg held at Marlborough 8th Mo. 25th also
 presented a certificate from

Both sometimes yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders all expressing their unity & wishing as a Minister & with his present religious engagements his company & gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved Friend Martha Meaden is also in attendance with a Certificate of Union from Sandwich Monthly Meeting State of New Hampshire dated 15th 1852 & attended Endorsed by Dover Quarterly Expressions of their unity with her as a Minister & with her religious engagements her company & gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

We have also the company of our beloved Friends Joseph Sewling from Newburyport Monthly Meeting New Hampshire & Martha Meaden from Sandwich Monthly Meeting New Hampshire company of their company & gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish them respectively with minutes embracing the substance of the foregoing & sign the same on behalf of this Meeting.

The queries have been read at this time with answers from each of the preparative Meetings to the 2nd & 10th a summary of which was approved & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting by William Tucker & Abner Potter from & Isaac Gifford whom we have appointed our representatives desiring them to report their attendance to our next Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on behalf of this Meeting.

Received at this time a Removal Certificate from Newburyport Monthly Meeting for Thomas & his wife Mary M. and their children Edward & Hannah G. which being read was accepted, the Women's M^g concurring therewith.

Resolved from the Doers through the South preparative Meeting the following information respecting David M. Smith, viz: To Dartmouth preparative and Monthly M^g of Friends, (Dear friends, David M. Smith (Son of George) has married contrary to the good order of our Society with one not a member, which we submit to the Meeting signed by Samuel Beard & George M. Francis Overseers Dartmouth 6th Mo 9th 1852, whereupon we appoint Paul Fisher Otis Brown and Joshua M. Gifford to treat with him in restoring love therefor, and report to this next month.

George Abry Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7th Mo 28th 1852 by acts received the Representatives appointed by the preparative M^gs are from the South Hampshire Anthony & George M. Francis, from the South Providence Rider & Benjamin Potter who are present.

One of the representatives to the Meeting reports they all attended.

The year for which the Clerks of this Meeting being expired, George Abry is appointed Clerk & William Tucker assistant Clerk for the year to come or until another appointment.

The Committee in the case of David M. Smith made the following report viz To Dartmouth Monthly Meeting We the Committee in the case of David M. Smith

report we have had an opportunity with him to a degree of satisfaction, and we believe him to be desirous to remain a member signed Otis Sloum on behalf of the Committee Jan^y 28th 1852, which report the meeting accepts and an acknowledgment from him being Mr. Smith presented & read the Meeting after a time of continued deliberation are united in accepting for a member satisfaction & he is accordingly continued a member the Women's Meeting concurring therewith & Barret Beard is named to give him information there of & report to this Meeting next Month.

The acknowledgment is as follows To Dartmouth Monthly Meeting Dear Friends I have so far deviated from the good order of society as to marry one not a member, which I desire that Friends might so far pass it by as to let me remain a member David M. Smith.

We have read at this time 85 London Copies of the London printed Epistle for Epistle 1851 one of which was read its contents are much to our satisfaction.

And Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee And George Abney Barret Beard, Otis Sloum & Abner Patten you are appointed to unite with our Women Friends in forwarding to the School Committee the names of such children as they may think suitable to receive the benefit of the Charitable fund, and also to give certificates to all children going to the school from within our limits the ensuing year

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discipline being read George Abney & Abner Patten you are appointed to cause copies thereof inserted in all our books of discipline & report to this meeting when accomplished.

60 copies of the printed Minutes of Minutes our last Yearly Meeting have been received & then by Mr. with the London printed Epistle are directed

Dart^m 85

THE
EPISTLE
FROM THE
YEARLY MEETING,
HELD IN
LONDON,

By adjournments, from the 21st of the Fifth Month to the 1st of the same, inclusive, 1851.

TO THE QUARTERLY AND MONTHLY MEETINGS OF FRIENDS IN GREAT BRITAIN, IRELAND, AND ELSEWHERE.

Dear Friends,
The Lord has in his mercy given us, in our coming together at this time, to feel the preciousness of true Christian fellowship in the Gospel of his dear Son. In a measure of that love which comes from Him, we feel constrained to offer you a cordial salutation, desiring that we may all surrender ourselves to the government of the Holy Spirit.

In yielding to a religious exercise for the spiritual welfare of the body, and to a concern that both as a Society, and as individuals, we may grow in the truth as it is in Jesus Christ our Lord, we have been afresh brought to consider that before there can be growth there must be life; that we must each partake of the new birth, without which we cannot become inheritors of the kingdom of heaven. We are all by nature alienated from God and prone to sin: we all partake of the corruptions of the human heart consequent upon the fall of our first parents. In the carnal state we are all afar off, and can only be brought nigh by the blood of Christ. We all need the baptism of the Holy Ghost and of fire: the axe must be laid to the root of the corrupt tree.

Beloved Brethren and Sisters, what do we individually know of this great work? We fear that there are too many amongst us who are but little acquainted with it

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following information Meeting respecting

George W. Abney, Esq. was at the Preparation and Monthly Meeting Dear friends George W. Abney has Married out of the Order of Friends with one not a Member of our religious Society

report we have had an opportunity with him to a degree of satisfaction, and we believe him to be desirous to remain a member signed O. W. Sloum on behalf of the Committee 7th mo 28th 1852, which report the meeting accepts and an acknowledgment from him being presented & read the Meeting after a time of continued deliberation

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and that there are others who, having begun in the Spirit, are not enough in earnest that the work of divine grace may be carried on unto perfection. The cares of this life, and an undue attachment to lawful enjoyments and pursuits, interfere with their subjection to the yoke of Christ and their faithful bearing of the cross, and retard their advancement in the way of self-denial. Not submitting to the Power of him by whom the world would be crucified unto them, and they unto the world, they are not fully experiencing that purity of heart to which the blessing appertains; that spiritual vigour in which they might be called "trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified." How emphatic and comprehensive is that declaration of our Saviour, "As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me." For want of abiding steadfastly in Christ, and being earnest and patient in spirit to receive nourishment from Him, many are not bringing forth the fruits of the Spirit so abundantly as might have been the case.

The immediate visitations of the love of God are from time to time renewed, to the quickening of the soul, under which the blessing of a broken and contrite spirit is known to be truly precious; and those who are thus brought low before the Lord, feel him to be indeed the helper of his people. O! that there were more of this brokenness of spirit and contrition of heart before Him; that we were more concerned to work out in fear and trembling the salvation of the soul, strengthened at the same time by the cheering truth, "It is God which worketh in you, both to will and to do of his good pleasure." Continuing in this lowly state of mind, we should be kept from assimilating ourselves to the world, and from the desire unduly to accumulate its possessions.

The Church has need of the help of all its members. Under a renewed sense of our high calling of God in Christ Jesus, and with the thankful acknowledgement that the Lord is still offering his mercies to us, we earnestly desire that none amongst us may any longer delay to come with the whole heart unto Christ: then would He give them to taste the richness of his love, and to realize that amidst

discipline being read George Sloum & Abner Potter are appointed to cause copies thereof inserted in all our books of discipline & report to their meeting when again applied.

60 copies of the printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting have been received & seen last M. with the London printed Epistle and directed

all the allurements of the world, the adversities of life, and the snares and temptations of the devil, the mercy and compassion of the Most High are new every morning; that his loving-kindness and faithfulness fail not.

Our attention has been again turned in love and sympathy to such of our members as attend our Meetings for Worship in very small companies. How encouraging is the experience of those who, feeling their spiritual necessities, and holding fast their confidence, have diligently attended such meetings, and waited upon the Lord in them. These have found them to be seasons of the renewal of their strength and of their faith. We therefore entreat all not to relax in their diligent and regular attendance, let their numbers be ever so few,—not to be weary or to faint in their minds in the performance of this service. And though vocal ministry be seldom heard amongst them, may they never question the reality of the ministrations of the Spirit of God, who can supply all their need and nourish up the soul unto everlasting life.

We are again made sensible of the value and importance of our Christian discipline; it is our earnest concern that it may be upheld and exercised amongst us in tenderness, patience and forbearance, and at the same time with impartiality and faithfulness, and in the authority of the Truth. Many faithful brethren who have preceded us, have attended our meetings established for the right exercise of the discipline, often at no inconsiderable expense of time and money: and we take comfort in knowing that many in the present day are also diligent in this respect. We believe that the honest labours of well-concerned Friends in these meetings have been blessed of the Lord. Some of them are, we know very small; and there may at times be but little business to transact in them. We desire however that these, as well as our larger Meetings for Discipline, may be diligently attended, and be held with Christian gravity; the minds of all being kept in dependence upon Christ, to whose service whatever is transacted in them should appertain and the honour of whose cause they are designed to promote; the speech of those who take part in them being alway with grace, seasoned with salt, and their

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spirits so chastened through the prevailing influence of the love of God, that a beneficial effect may be produced on the minds of our younger friends who may be present. We affectionately invite this interesting class of our members regularly to frequent our Meetings for Discipline, in humility of mind and with desires that they may be times of religious improvement and of self examination. As their own spirits are kept in subjection to the power of the Spirit of Truth, they will be prepared for usefulness and service in the Church; thus will they become more closely bound to our religious Society and its principles, to which we affectionately desire that, on the ground of conviction, they may individually be attached.

The offices of elder and overseer amongst us are of great importance, and when rightly filled of great value. The duties which belong to them are comprehensively set forth in the volume which contains the rules of our discipline, under the head of "Oversight." we feel much for our friends who are appointed to these stations; in the right performance of their service much humiliation may prevail; but whilst it is well that they should be sensible of their own infirmity, this consideration ought not to be allowed to interfere with the right discharge of their duty. We encourage them to cherish an interest in the spiritual welfare of all their fellow members, to exercise a watchful care and affectionate oversight; and more especially to manifest their sympathy with their younger friends in the peculiar circumstances in which some of them may be placed. We invite them to be diligent in warning and counselling the young, in privacy, faithfulness and love; endeavoring to attract them to the paths of virtue and self-denial, and to a living experimental faith in Christ, as their Shepherd, their Saviour and their King. Nor would we limit the performance of these duties to those who occupy such stations; we are all to watch over one another, for good and to be mutually interested one for another, being united together as lively stones in the spiritual building of which the Lord Jesus Christ is the chief corner-stone.

That enlarged view of the duties of all the members of the Church of Christ one to another, which in its early

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history is presented to us in the New Testament, has been ever received by our religious Society. They have acted upon the conviction that none should be lords over God's heritage, but that all should be subject one to another in love. It was in accepting in its full import the truth, "One is your Master, even Christ, and all ye are brethren," that our predecessors, amid deep and grievous suffering, faithfully withstood the usurpation of priestly domination in the things of God: in obedience to Him, their only and rightful Lord, they took joyfully the spoiling of their goods, and endured imprisonment even unto death. How different is our lot at this day! But we have still to endure the execution of laws in satisfying demands of an ecclesiastical nature, from which in the full and free enjoyment of the liberty of the Gospel, we ought to be wholly exempt. Property to the value of upwards of eight thousand two hundred pounds is reported to this Meeting as having been distrained in the course of last year from our members, in connexion with our ancient Christian testimony against all such demands.

We have felt it to be a duty to issue an Address to the Members of our Society on Ecclesiastical Claims, which we commend to the serious attention of our dear friends. We again affectionately exhort them faithfully to uphold our views on the spiritual dispensation of the New Covenant, desiring that we may each be brought to live under a sense of their deep religious import; and that, accepting the Lord Jesus as our only Holy Priest, we may be prepared through the heart-cleansing operations of the Holy Spirit, to offer unto the Lord the sacrifices of righteousness. But if, instead of being disciplined to the services of the temple of the Lord, we are sacrificing our time and our strength to the god of this world, the brightness of our testimony will be obscured, Solemn is the language of the apostle, "Quench not the spirit." Did we, in true humiliation of soul, mind the leadings of the Spirit, a right preparation would be known for the service of the sanctuary; in the figurative language of Scripture, the fine linen would be put on, the anointing oil would be poured forth, each, in his rank and order, would become a priest unto God; each would take his part in the

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services of the altar, on which living sacrifices of the Lord's preparing would be offered. Whilst there would be those qualified for the varied offices in his house, our testimony to the freedom and spirituality of Gospel ministry would be maintained in its right authority, by witnesses whose lives and services would proclaim its truth and powerfully invite others to share with them its blessed reality.

Our correspondence with our dear friends in Ireland and on the Continent of America has been continued as heretofore; and we have again highly prized this mode of intercourse. The subjects of the Slave-trade and Slavery continue to form an interesting feature in our transatlantic communications. Our sympathy has been awakened for our brethren in the United States in their peculiarly trying position, with warm desires that they may be strengthened, in meekness and boldness, to uphold our well-known testimony on these subjects. At this enlightened period of the world, to live under a government and amongst a people who profess the religion of our blessed Saviour, and at the same time uphold and strengthen by law the system of Negro Slavery must necessarily bring the Christian mind into deep sorrow. We commiserate the degraded and suffering condition of the enslaved; we feel much for our dear friends who are brought into immediate contact with this state of society, and we feel in brotherly love for the inhabitants of that widely extended and rapidly-rising country who are more or less implicated in the sin of slavery. We should rejoice to hear of the immediate and peaceable termination of this iniquitous system: earnest are our desires that it may please Him who in his love has created all men, and who, as the Almighty and All-wise Parent of the universe, has bestowed upon the slave, natural and inalienable rights of which he is unjustly deprived, rapidly to advance the coming of the day when justice and mercy shall so prevail in the councils of all governments, that Slavery shall utterly cease; not only in the United States of America, but throughout the nations of the earth.

We afresh feel that our brethren who are employed in agriculture, and those who are engaged in the various branches of trade claim our sympathy. The latter especially are at times exposed to close competition and to the temptation to

admission being read George Henry & Abner Pottam you are appointed to cause copies thereof inserted in all our books of discipline & report to this meeting when accomplished.

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pursue their own interest in a way inconsistent with true justice in dealing: they may be much tried by the very small profits often resulting from a course of honest industry and diligent attention to business: but it should never be forgotten that there is a sterling integrity which the Christian trader should always maintain; that there is a standard set before him in the New Testament which he should always keep in view. As this is the case, he will be honourable and just in his transactions, he will have a true support under all his difficulties, and he may ask the blessing of the Lord on his efforts to provide things honest in the sight of all men: and as he is concerned that his wants may be few, that his affections may in the first place be set on things above, and that he may not be ensnared by the love of money, he will escape many a bitter pang and many an anxious toil. Bright have been the examples in our Society, of men who have been enabled to maintain this Christian character amongst their neighbours. May all our members, renouncing the spirit of the world and living under the government of Christ, walk as strangers and pilgrims upon earth, having their possessions in "bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens, that faileth not."

Strong are our desires for you, our beloved young friends, that you may know the work of the Lord not only to be begun, but to be carried forward in your hearts. Seek to have your fallow ground broken up, that the seed of the kingdom may enter in and take deep root. Dwell under the power and discipline of the Spirit of the Lord. Give place to no views which would in the least degree weaken your faith in the mysterious but sacred and all-important doctrines of that salvation which is in Christ: feeling your own weakness and the limited powers of the human intellect, may you accept these doctrines in reverence of soul, in simplicity, and in godly sincerity. Pray that you may be kept in that humble, dependent state of mind in which the Lord, by his Spirit, often gradually unfolds the deep things of his kingdom, and grants a holy settlement in the experience of their reality. Love not the world nor the things of the world. Under a sense of the many temptations which beset your path, earnest is our concern that you may now, in early life, choose the Lord for your portion. Set apart at least a short

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report we have had an opportunity with him to a degree of satisfaction, and we believe him to be desirous to remain a member signed O's Sloum on behalf of the Committee 7th mo 28th 1852, which report the meeting and an acknowledgment from him being presented & read the Meeting after a time of continued deliberation

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time daily for private retirement. Seek for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Thus will you be favoured to escape many trials, and practically to realize the truth, that "Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come." Let not pleasure, profit or advancement in life be your first desire, but be concerned above all things to know your calling and election in Christ to be made sure. Quickened by his love, may you rejoice, not in any earthly hopes, nor in your gifts, talents or services, but in Him who would deliver you from the bondage of corruption, and as you maintain your faith in Him, would in his mercy give you to feel that your names are written in heaven.

And now, beloved Brethren and Sisters, that we are about to separate one from another, we feel called upon to acknowledge, with reverent and grateful hearts, that unworthy as we are of the mercies of the Lord, He has been graciously pleased to grant us the overshadowings of his love and the influences of his Holy Spirit. Many important deliberations have occurred whilst we have been together, and we have been favored to issue them in love and in harmony. We desire to encourage all our dear friends everywhere to fear the Lord with the whole heart. "In his fear is strong confidence, and his children shall have a place of refuge." In these times of excitement on religious matters, how needful is it to enter this place of refuge! "It is not for" us "to know the times or the seasons which the Father hath put in his own power; He who so loved the Church that he gave himself for it, will ever care for it, both as regards the present and the future. Jerusalem is a quiet habitation. In quietness and confidence is our strength; and in that strength the children of God are kept patient, watchful and humble before Him, Amen.

Signed, in and on behalf of the Meeting, by JOHN HODGKIN, Clerk to the Meeting this year.

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The year for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting being expired we appoint Abraham Russell, Barret Beaul, William Fisher and O's Sloum to that Service for the year to come or until another appointment. George Abney Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Mtg of Friends held 4th mo 25th 1852, by order the representatives appointed by the preparative Mtgs are from the South O's Sloum, & Paul Fisher, from the North Isaac Co, Gifford and William Fisher who are present.

Barret Beaul informs he has given David M. Smith information of his being continued a member of our religious Society

We are informed through the South Preparative Meeting that Isaac Lawrence requests a removal certificate to Westport requests a Monthly Meeting for himself & wife Martha. Certificate George Abney & Isaac Co, Gifford are appointed to unite with our overseers in preparing one and present to our next Meeting if nothing appears to prevent

Received the following information through the South preparative Meeting respecting George W. Abney & wife Fable Comparison and Monthly Meeting Dear friends George W. Abney has married out of the Order of Friends with one not a Member of our religious Society

which we submit to the Meeting signed
 Benjamin Potter & Barnet Beard Coarsons
 Dartmouth 8th mo 19th 1852. William Potter
 & Isaac B. Gifford are appointed to treat with
 men on that account and report to this Mo
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8th mo 1852
 The Committee appointed in
 5th mo 1849 to have our Meeting house in Allen
 Wick enlarged made the following report =
 viz To the Monthly Meeting The committee
 appointed some time past, to have enlarge
 the meeting house in Allen Wick report
 committee that at about the time of their appointment
 discharged they were not enabled to get Carpenter to do the
 work, and that the subject has been delayed
 from time to time, and now are of
 the opinion that it is not necessary to enlarge
 at present, and ask to be discharged from
 further care in the case, which we submit
 to the Meeting on behalf of the committee
 William Tucker Dartmouth 8th mo 25, 1852
 The committee are discharged from further
 attention here to

We unite with our women
 in recommending Caroline Elizabeth Barber
 a Minor as a member of our religious
 Society agreeable to the request of her Mother
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 At Dartmouth Mo Mtg of Friends held 9th mo 22, 1852
 by acts and the representatives appointed by the preparative
 meetings are from the South George Allen and
 George Smith from the South George Army &
 Benjamin Potter who are present.

Our beloved Friend Thomas Jones
 in attendance and pleasantly with us at this time & presented
 a certificate from Durham Monthly Meeting of
 Friends held 8th mo 24, 1852 expressing of their
 unity with him as a minister & with his

than before which were so liberally made, that in the sixth
 month 1851 was concluded after mature deliberation, "that
 the time has come when it will be best to proceed in making
 provision for erecting buildings for the necessary accommoda-
 tion of the boarding School on the lot proposed to be given by
 our friend Mrs Brown."

Friends very generally throughout the Yearly Meeting con-
 tributed according to their ability to promote an object which
 they felt to be very desirable for the interests of our religious so-
 ciety, and the necessary buildings being completed and prop-
 erty, the school was opened the 1st of 1st month, 1819.
 Friends who might be enumerated who gave liberally to-
 wards its establishment and contributed annually for its sup-
 port during the infancy of the institution, the following Friends
 have left bequests in their wills, which constitute a fund, by
 means of the income of which more than one half of the ex-
 penses of each scholar who is a member of our Yearly Meeting
 is defrayed, viz: Thomas Palsom, Lydia Tillinghast, Sylvester
 Wicks, Ovidiah Brown, Moses Brown, Amy Green and
 Abraham Shearman, Jr.

Since the School has been in operation subscriptions among
 a limited number of Friends have been several times made for
 specific objects, as the enlargement of the School buildings,
 the procuring of philosophical apparatus, &c. by which we be-
 lieve much usefulness has been derived to the school.

There are now many improvements and repairs proposed—
 all very desirable and some absolutely necessary.

If the Yearly Meeting deems it proper to recommend a sub-
 scription for these purposes, we cannot doubt it will be entered
 into with cheerfulness and liberality. We trust there are none
 among us, who will not be disposed to do something for this
 institution—and however small may be the contribution, that
 some individuals may feel themselves able to make, it will
 be acceptable and will place them on the list of those, who,
 according to their ability, are benefactors to an institution, al-
 tended for the benefit of all—and the usefulness of which
 has already been extensively felt within our borders, and which
 we trust under the blessing of Divine Providence, will continue
 to be experienced not only in our day, but in succeeding genera-
 tions.

We have had during the past year in the school, the services
 of our Friends Silas and Sarah M. Cornell as Superintendents—
 Charles Atherton and Moses C. Stevens as Teachers in the boys'
 school, with the addition of John Henry Crossman for the
 summer, and of William Foster Mitchell for the winter term.
 Deborah Holway and Mary Ann Stanton have been engaged
 as teachers in the girls' school, assisted during the winter
 term by Sarah Alice Cornell.

Instruction in the Latin and Greek languages has been given
 during the summer term by George Pierce and the winter
 term by Charles F. Brownell.
 Elizabeth Prosser has also, as last year, been engaged as
 Teacher of Drawing and has had the care of some of the young-
 er scholars in both schools during the year. Instruction has
 also been given in the French language.

The average number of scholars has been 89, viz: 48 males
 and 41 females.

The accounts of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the
 School Fund have been audited.

The expenditures of the School for the year ending with the
 winter term, have been—

By Superintendent,	\$15,168 30
Interest and insurance paid by Treasurer,	159 17
	\$15,327 47
The income from the School Fund,	\$6,838 51
Balance in Treasurer's hands last year,	178 81
Hired of Manufacturers' Bank,	2,500 00
Advanced by the Treasurer,	51 85
	9,569 17
From Board, Tuition and other sources, including balance in Superintendent's hands last year,	6,034 95
	\$15,604 12
Leaving unexpended in Superintendents hands,	276 65
	\$15,327 47

From income of funds specially appropriated to
 the purpose, a further sum has been expended on
 the farm and premises, of \$390 00

We recommend that the terms of last year for board and tu-
 tion be continued—books and stationery being charged at ac-
 tual cost, viz:—for members of our Yearly Meeting thirty
 dollars per term, for members of other Yearly Meetings, fifty
 dollars per term, and for children not members, one or both of
 those parents are members of our Yearly Meeting, forty-five
 dollars per term, and that the same price be charged for any
 others who may be admitted; five dollars per term additional
 charge being made in all cases for instruction in the Latin and
 Greek languages, and the same charge for French. Payments
 to be made half at the commencement and half at the middle
 of each term.

That the amount to be appropriated the coming year for free
 board and tuition, be restricted to the amount of the income of
 the charitable fund. Monthly Meetings to send forward to the
 School Committee in the ninth and third months, the names
 and ages of such children, within their limits, as they may
 think suitable to receive the benefit of the fund and any infor-
 mation regarding them which may aid the School Committee,
 and the children to be received, to be selected by that commit-
 tee. The condition of the bequest of the principal part of the
 charitable fund being in the words of the donor, "For the
 schooling of such members of the society as are actually poor,
 supported or not as such by the respective Monthly Meetings.
 Females to have equal advantages of the whole of the legacy
 as males."

We trust the cause of education, and the religious training
 of the youth of our society are held in unabated estimation by
 Friends. The children of our families are a sacred trust com-
 mitted to our care, for whose culture in every sense a solemn
 responsibility attaches.

This institution for the guarded education of the youth of
 our society, which has been so much the object of the relig-
 ious concern and care of Friends, and which has shared so
 largely in their liberality in its founding and support, will, we
 trust, continue to be the object of undiminished interest.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee.
 STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk.
 Providence, 6th month, 1st, 1852.

It appearing that there continues to be manifest deficiency
 in the recording of births, deaths and burials, this Meeting en-
 courages Friends to greater care in this respect, and recommends
 that in each Monthly Meeting there should be an annual ap-
 pointment not only of a Recorder but of a Committee, selected
 from each Preparative Meeting, to report births, deaths and
 burials to the Recorder, and the Clerk is directed to forward
 a copy of this minute to the several Quarterly and Monthly
 Meetings.

The Committee to whom was referred the proposition from
 Smithfield Quarterly Meeting, in relation to marrying in the
 kindred by affinity, made the following Report, viz:—

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of a change
 of the discipline in relation to marriage, as proposed by Smith-
 field Quarterly Meeting, have considered the same, and are
 united in recommending that the provision of the discipline
 which prohibits the marriage of a deceased husband's brother,
 or a deceased wife's sister, should be rescinded.

For the Committee,
 BENJAMIN FRY,
 MARY SHOVE.

Newport, 6th mo. 17th, 1852."
 Which is satisfactory, and with the unity of the Women's
 Meeting, that portion of our Discipline upon this subject, re-
 vided in 1830, is hereby repealed. The Clerk is directed to
 give the necessary information to our Subordinate Meetings,
 and they are requested to expunge the article referred to from
 our Books of Discipline.

The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of
 the article of our discipline concerning burials, made the follow-
 ing report, viz:—

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the sub-
 ject of some alteration in our Discipline relative to Burial
 Grounds—having given their attention thereto, recommend that
 the second paragraph on page 12th of our present Book of
 Discipline be rescinded and the following substituted.

Being very desirous that Friends should keep a commend-
 able plainness and simplicity in the burial of the dead, as
 well as in other respects—it is the advice of this meeting that
 no monuments be set up in our burial grounds near or over the
 dead bodies of Friends, or others, except a plain stone not to
 exceed fifteen inches in height above the surface of the ground,
 on which no inscription shall be made other than the name,
 date of death and age of the deceased. And it is advised that
 the several Monthly Meetings take care that in these respects
 our testimonies be carefully maintained. And also to see that
 all burial grounds be properly enclosed.

On behalf of the Committee,
 JOHN OSBORNE.

Newport, 6th mo. 18th, 1852'.

—which being solidly considered, it is united with, and the
 article of our Discipline on the subject of Burials, on the 12th
 page, beginning with the words "and whereas Friends," and
 ending with the words "are decently enclosed," is with the
 unanimity of the Women's Meeting, hereby repealed, and the par-
 agraph proposed by the Committee is substituted therefor; and
 the Clerk is directed to furnish copies of this article to our sev-
 eral subordinate meetings, and they are requested to cause the
 same to be inserted in our Books of Discipline.

From the Minutes of the Meeting,
 SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island in the sixth month, 1852.

To the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings—

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee is approved and adopted and the Clerk is directed to forward copies of it to our several subordinate meetings.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

The Committee for the superintendence of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School at Providence, report, that the objects of their appointment have received their attention. Meetings of the Committee have been held at the school-house monthly and the schools have been visited in the intervals of these meetings by members of the Committee deputed to that service. The semi-annual examinations at the close of each term have also been attended by the Committee.

The department of the scholars, with few exceptions, has been orderly, and their improvement in their studies satisfactory, evincing industry on the part of the teachers and a commendable disposition on the part of the pupils to profit by the advantages enjoyed at the school.

Among the subjects of more particular concern with the Committee, has been that of enforcing the necessity of thoroughness in teaching and learning the rudimental parts of an English education—correct reading, spelling, and writing a good hand; while more advanced studies, including the Latin, Greek and French languages, mathematics, &c., have been regularly taught.

A knowledge of the Holy Scriptures and of our religious principles and testimonies, so far as it may be imparted by school education, has been considered important, and its acquisition has been an object of concern and attention in the school; and much labor has, from time to time, been bestowed to promote conformity to our well-known and consistent practice in relation to simplicity in dress and the use of the plain language.

The rules of the school in relation to these and other subjects, were, at the first meeting of the Committee the last year, revised, and having been printed, were directed to be furnished to each scholar on entering the school, and to the School Committees of the several Monthly Meetings; and it is very desirable and important that Committees of Monthly Meetings should carefully consider, when they are applied to for certificates for scholars to be admitted to the school, of the fitness of such applicants as to their habits and moral standing, as well as docility and willingness to conform to the wholesome discipline and rules of the school; and to grant certificates with due and proper discrimination in these respects.

The proposition of the School Committee to the last Yearly Meeting, in reference to the discontinuance of the holding of meetings for worship in the school-house, having been adopted by the Yearly Meeting, the subject was carefully deliberated upon by the School Committee at their meeting 7th month, 1st, and it was our conclusion that the meetings for worship in Providence should after that time, until the Committee should conclude otherwise, be considered the meetings for the scholars and family to attend.

We believe that advantages have resulted from this arrangement of much greater importance than sufficient to outweigh the difficulties sometimes experienced of all the family attending there. These difficulties have arisen chiefly in inclement weather, and when it would be improper for children, and particularly females, to walk the distance to the meeting in Providence. But the advantages are many and important: giving the children an opportunity to mingle, according to their several capacities, in religious concerns, in a meeting for worship composed of many Friends with whom they are not associated at other times, and a meeting held in the public manner in which our society have always felt themselves bound to hold their meetings for religious worship.

During the last summer, under the care of the Committee having charge of repairs, new warming apparatus in the school-house, and other improvements, including a very complete arrangement for the supply of rain water, and its use in the school-house have been made, and have been found beneficial in promoting the health and comfort of the family. Our late valued friend George Howland, kindly gave his personal attention and superintendence to this work during its progress, and farther manifested his interest in the work during its progress, and Institution, by contributing liberally towards the expenditure in thus adding to the comforts and conveniences of the school.

At our meeting in the second month the Committee came to the conclusion that the Institution, having been in constant operation, with the short vacations, since its first opening in the year 1819, no sufficient time had been afforded to make thorough repair and renovation of the house which the convenience, health and comfort of the family require; and it appearing that alterations in some of the rooms, and several other matters of importance were necessary to be done, important advantages would be derived by vacating the school for the coming summer term, for a thorough repair and renovation of the school-house and appurtenances, the subject was laid before the Meeting for Sufferings for their advice in relation thereto. That meeting advised and consented that the school should be vacated until the time of the Yearly Meeting, for the proposed purpose, and that the subject of a longer vacation be then brought before the Yearly Meeting for their decision. In the mean time a sub-committee has been authorized to

proceed with such of the proposed repairs and improvements as are earliest required, relying upon the approval of the Yearly Meeting and the liberality of Friends to supply the necessary means to defray the expenditure.

We have thought that at the present time it might be interesting and useful to remind Friends of the early concern of the Yearly Meeting in the establishment of a school for the "virtuous education" of the youth of our society, and briefly to advert to the progress of this engagement as indicated by reference to the records of the Yearly Meeting and Meeting for Sufferings.

So far as we discover, the first minute that was made upon the subject in the Yearly Meeting was in the year 1779, when official information was called for from the subordinate meetings in relation to the state of education among them. The next year, 1780, after solid consideration, it was concluded to attempt the establishment of a school; and it was recommended to "the several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings the promotion of free, liberal and voluntary subscriptions, donations, bequests, and devises, adequate to the design and importance of the subject"—and that it become the care of Friends in future, at all the Meetings, to promote, annually, subscriptions to be applied to the use of the school, until the income of the fund shall be sufficient, and so make such annual subscriptions unnecessary.

The subject was then committed to the care and management of the Meeting for Sufferings, which accordingly proceeded to take charge of the case, and entered vigorously upon the work. It was a time when Friends, in common with others, were laboring under many difficulties and embarrassments, in consequence of the war then existing between this country and Great Britain. Nevertheless, in 1782 the Meeting for Sufferings issued a powerful and extended printed address to Friends, in which they quote the memorable words of George Fox, when he expressed his concern that our children should be instructed in "whatever things were civil and useful to the creation."

This address was liberally responded to, considering the pecuniary situation of most of our members at that time, and from year to year funds were raised and forwarded to the Meeting for Sufferings. Rhode Island Monthly Meeting contributed freely of the income of property in its possession. A room in the meeting-house at Portsmouth, R. I., was prepared for the reception of scholars, and the school was opened under the care of Isaac Lawton as teacher, in the 11th month, 1784.

A very judicious code of Rules and Regulations was prepared by the Meeting for Sufferings for the observance of the teachers and scholars, and in a minute on record, they say—"Besides the necessary literary instruction, the children are to be taught habits of regularity, of decency, of respectful subordination to their superiors, of forbearance, affection and kindness towards each other, and of religious reverence towards their Maker, and those habits of silence and recollection, taught and practised in the ancient schools, and inculcated in the Holy Scriptures."

The school appears to have been continued until the year 1788, when the funds being found to be inadequate for its support, they being chiefly applied to the board and instruction of the children of the poor, it was concluded best by the Yearly Meeting to vacate it for a time, or until some more adequate provision could be made for its support, and the funds on hand were placed on interest to be increased from time to time by subscriptions and donations.

The concern for re-opening the school was frequently revived in the Yearly Meeting, but it was not thought prudent to make any decided step towards its re-establishment until the following communication was received from our late valued friend Moses Brown, viz:

PROVIDENCE, 4th of 5th mo. 1814.

TO THE MEETING FOR SUFFERINGS:

Dear Friends—As my feeble state of health prevents my attending the Meeting at this time, I thought best to inform you that in the course of my confinement by bodily indisposition for some time past, the subject of the Yearly Meeting's School has been renewedly brought under my consideration. And believing that a permanent institution for a graded education of the rising generation will be promotive of their usefulness in society and the honor of truth, I have, for the furtherance of these desirable objects, concluded to give a tract of land on the western part of my homestead farm, containing about forty-three acres, for the purpose of erecting suitable buildings for the Boarding School thereon: provided the Meeting should consider it an eligible situation, and conclude to carry into effect the establishment of the benevolent institution thereon. If the Meeting should appoint a committee to view the ground, consider of the proposal and report thereon to the next Meeting for Sufferings, which may be more generally attended, they can then act upon it, as it shall appear to them best. You will know how to dispose of the proposal in this or any other way that appears to you best. As treasurer of the School Fund, I may say for information thereof, that its present amount is about nine thousand three hundred dollars. With desires that this important subject may be considered, and proceeded in conformity to the mind of Truth, that we may hope for its blessing.

I conclude, your affectionate friend,

MOSES BROWN

Subscriptions were now renewedly recommended Friends for the purpose of proceeding in the establishment of a School upon a more extended plan and more permanent

present religious engagements, his Company & Gospel labor have been truly acceptable to us

Our beloved Friend Joshua Douglas companion to Thome Jones is also acceptable with us, with a double gratulation, since from Duxbury Me Meeting his company & solid deportment have been acceptable to us.

The Clerk is directed to notice their attendance in our act to the Po Mtg. they having attended all the Meetings constituting this.

The friends appointed inform they have not prepared a certificate for Isaac Lawrence and inquire if they are continued in charge thereof for past and next month.

The committee appointed last month to treat with George B. Hays, made the following report this. To Dartmouth Me Mtg. We gave committee in the case of George B. Hays, some report that we have made him a visit, he received us kindly & manifested a disposition to make friends satisfaction, and we believe him sincere in a desire to be retained a member of our religious society, signed William Potter & Isaac B. Gifford, 9th mo 20th 1852, which the Meeting accepts and he having presented the following acknowledgment at the same Meeting after a time of deliberation we united in accepting for satisfaction the Momen's Meeting uniting therewith & Benjamin Potter is named to inform him of his being continued a member & report to this Meeting next month

The acknowledgment is as follows:—
To Dartmouth Me Mtg. of Friends I acknowledge having deviated from one of the rules of Society, by contracting myself in Marriage with one who is not in membership with us, but hope that friends will excuse the fault and receive me as a member of Society & George B. Hays 9th mo 20th 1852

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The Quinies have been read at this time with answers to the 1st & 10th from each of the preparatory Meetings a summary of which were approved & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting by John Wing, Anne Allen and Geo. Shing whom we have appointed our representatives desiring them to report their attendance to our next Meeting and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

The Committee having charge of our Meeting houses burial grounds &c. inform that there needs to be some repairs on & about our Meeting house in Adams neck & also that in some the needs, that committee are directed to make or cause to have made such repairs as they may think advisable & call on Friends of those belonging to those Meetings to contribute towards the expense & if necessary dispose of wood enough of the lot belonging to this meeting to defray the balance & report to this Meeting when accomplished.

George Shing clerk.

At Southworth the Mtg of Friends held 10th 27th 1862 by order the representatives appointed by the preparative Mtgs are from the south Joshua W. Gifford & Ezra King, from the north Isaac B. Gifford & William Potter who are present.

The Friends appointed presented a certificate removed Certificate for Isaac Sarovane & for his wife Martha to Westport Monthly Meeting & removed friends which was approved & directed to be signed & forwarded to that Mtg. The women's Mtg visiting there with. Benjamin Potter informs he has informed given George B. Shing information of his being continued a member of our Religious Society

The representatives to the Quarterly Mtg report they were all attended.

The friends appointed report that the paragraph of Discipline in regard to burial grounds has been inserted in all the books of discipline belonging to this Meeting.

We write with the 2^d Richard's women's meeting in denying the right of membership proposed with us to Elizabeth Richardson formerly Sisson.

We are informed through the south preparative meeting that George W. Francis requests a removal Certificate for himself his wife Mary Ann & their children Mary Taber requests Joseph Parker & Elizabeth Austin to attend quarterly meeting of Friends State of Ohio. Nowr Potter Jun & William Tucker are appointed to unite with our women friends in preparing a Certificate & present to this meeting next month if nothing appears to prevent.

We are informed through the north preparative Meeting that George B. Shing requests a removal Certificate to Sarah Scott from north quarterly meeting of Friends Isaac B. Gifford & Benjamin Potter are appointed to prepare one & present to this meeting next month if nothing appears to prevent.

William Tucker & Abraham Bussell are appointed a committee to settle with our Treasurer propose one for the year to come & also to propose if thought necessary a sum of money necessary to meet our expenses the ensuing year.

The following Communication was presented through the south preparative meeting to the Friends in the south preparative & Monthly Meetings. With Divine permission, and friends approbation we unite a marriage with each other, Elizabeth & Hannah J. Allen, which being read was noted by the Meeting, whereupon we appoint Anne Allen & George Smith

to make the necessary enquiry respecting Etis
Stourm's claim to proceed in marriage and
report to this meeting next month. They are
10th 1852. also directed to see that the legal rights of Etis
& Allen's children are secured to them &
report to this Mtg.

The Overseers inform
that they have from time to time paid
such attention to the case in regard to the
fund belonging to this meeting arising out
of the Mary Good request, and now in the
Mary Goodhands of Benjamin Tucker and one of the
request Overseers having been removed by death one
removed within the limits of another Yearly
Meeting William Tucker & Isaac P. Gifford
are appointed to write ^{with} the Overseers now under
appointment or may hereafter be, in taking
such further care & act on behalf of this
Meeting in the case as they may think best
report to this meeting when ready or called
upon

George Abney, Clerk.

11th 1852. At Portsmouth Monthly Meeting of
friends held 11th 11th 24th 1852. by acts received
the representatives appointed by preparative
Mtg's are from the south Moses Smith and
Paul Fisher from the north George Abney
and Benjamin Potter, who are present.

The friends appointed produced
a certificate for George M. Francis and
G. Abney family which was approved and directed
certificate to be signed by the Clerk, the women's Mtg
& M. Francis writing therewith.

The pres appointed produced a
Certificate for George M. Abney Sr. to New-
Bedford monthly meeting of friends
G. M. Francis which was approved and directed to be
signed, the women's meeting writing therewith

The Clerk is directed to forward the foregoing
certificates to the correspondents of these meetings
respectively.

The committee appointed to settle
with our Treasurer &c presented the following report.
viz. To the Monthly Meeting, The committee appointed
last month to settle with our Treasurer have attend
to that service, & find a balance in his hands
of thirty eight & 53/100 dollars, we think it not
necessary to raise any money for the expenses of
the meeting for the ensuing year, & propose
Cesman Wood for Treasurer, which we
submit to the meeting, On behalf of the committee
William Tucker 11th 10. 1852. which is satisfactory
to the meeting and accordingly Cesman Wood
is appointed Treasurer of this meeting the
ensuing year or until another appointment

The for which the Overseers of
this meeting were appointed having expired
Isaac M. Gifford, George Smith, Etis Stourm
and Howard Potter are appointed to consi-
der of and propose the names of such friends
for that service as they may think suitable &
present to this meeting next month.

The Prings have been read at
this time with answers from each of our
preparative meetings to the 1st, 2^d & 10th and
summary answers approved of & decided to be
forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting by
Benjamin Potter, Etis Stourm & Joshua M.
Gifford whom we have appointed our repre-
sentatives thereto desiring them to report their
attendance to our next meeting, & the clerk
is directed to furnish them with the necessary
extracts from our minutes & sign the same
on our behalf.

We write with the women's meeting
in accepting an acknowledgement from
Elizabeth S. Gifford wife of Johnathon P. Gifford

11th 1852

Treasurer
appointed

Committee
for
Overseers

Minutes
answered

E. S. Gifford
continued
in
minutes

11th 1852, and continuing for a number of our religious society.

The friends appointed a report they find nothing to prevent Otis Aborn's proceeding in marriage with Hannah S. Allen. & that the legal rights of her children Aborn have been secured to them & seems informed that consent of surviving parents is given, they allowed the said Otis Aborn and Hannah S. Allen to be left at liberty to consummate their said marriage agreeable to the rules of our society they advising with Isaac C. Gifford and George Army who are appointed to attend & see that good order is observed, forward the certificate to the recorder & report next month.

George Army clerk.

At Dartmouth monthly meeting of friends held 12th Nov 23, 1852, by act and the representatives appointed by the preparative Mtgs are from the South George Smith & Otis Aborn, from the North Rowland Miller & William Potter who are present.

The Committee appointed last month to consider of & propose the names of such friends for co-securers of this meeting as they might think suitable presented co-securers the following George Army, Benjamin Potter, Humphrey Anthony, George Smith, Timothy Allen, & Joshua M. Gifford, which being approved of by the meeting they are accordingly appointed to that service for the year to come or until another appointment.

The representatives to our last 2d meeting report they all attended

12th 1852 The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Otis Aborn & Hannah S. Allen, report they orderly attended, the marriage was orderly conducted & the certificate has been recorded.

George Army clerk.

At Dartmouth monthly meeting of friends held 1st Dec 25, 1852, by act and the representatives appointed by the preparative Mtgs are from the South John Wain & Paul Fisher from the North Isaac C. Gifford & George Army, who are all present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The Clerk being absent William Fowler is appointed Clerk for the day.

The co-securers agreeable to a motion of S. Potter they have handed the recorder an act of all such births & deaths that have occurred within our church's jurisdiction for the past year.

This meeting unites with the women's committee in retaining these Amos, Horace & John Potter in membership with us.

His worship is appointed in room of David Beard deceased to inform friends of David's denial of past meeting.

It appearing upon consideration of this meeting that an appointment of co-securers to our meetings may be right & proper, & our wound friends concerning the same, we appoint Isaac C. Gifford, Otis Aborn, Rowland Potter & Abraham Russell a committee to unite with a similar committee of our women's meetings in considering & and producing to our meetings the names of such friends as they may think suitable for that station should the quarterly meetings committee unite therewith.

Nov. 8. 53

Mr. Davis informant

At Dartmouth the Monthly meeting of Friends held Nov. 23. 1853 by a record be representatives appointed by me from the south Ebenezer & James Smith from the North William Potter and Ebenezer Aider who are present

James Smith informs he has given James M. Davis's informative of his being denied the right of membership with us. George Abney Clarke

At Dartmouth the Mtg of Friends held Nov. 23. 1853. by a record the representatives appointed by the preparative meetings are from the south Ebenezer Potter and Ebenezer Aider from the north William Tucker and William Potter who are present.

Minutes entered

The Queries with answers from each of the preparative Mtgs have been read at this time & general answers considered & adopted & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting. William Tucker, George Smith & William Potter are appointed our representatives to that meeting. They are desired to report their attendance to our next Mtg. & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

Minutes entered

We have approved in concurrence our womens meeting a removal Certificate on behalf of Lydia Gifford to Ebenezer Bedford Monthly Meeting, which the clerk is directed to sign on our behalf. We unite with the womens Mtg in all their acknowledgments for withdrawal from these meetings unless they in continuing per a mem

Nov. 23

Nov. 23. 1853

representatives all attended 2 Mtg

committee Ebenezer

certificate Ebenezer Gifford

read at this time 18 memorials of deceased friends belonging to our Mtg which are directed to be forwarded distributed amongst the families belonging to this Mtg. George Abney Clarke

At Dartmouth the Mtg of Friends held Nov. 27. 1853 by a record be representatives appointed by the preparative meetings are from the south Ebenezer Potter and Ebenezer Aider from the north Isaac M. Gifford and William Tucker who are present.

The representatives appointed last month to attend the Quarterly Meeting report they all attended.

The year for which the committee were appointed to have the care of our meeting houses being grounds & having expired we appoint George Abney, William Tucker, George Smith, Ebenezer Potter, Humphrey Anthony, Joshua M. Gifford, Abraham Busiel and Ebenezer Aider to that service for the year to come or until another appointment. They are to have and take all necessary care & oversight of the meeting houses and burial grounds belonging to this meeting, also one or more of them to attend all funerals held within our limits which may be held agreeable to the requirements of our discipline, & report to this meeting at the end of the year.

We approve in concurrence with our womens meeting of a removal Certificate for Elizabeth Gifford wife of Jonathan P. Gifford to Westport Monthly Meeting which the clerk is directed to sign on our behalf and forward to that meeting

Jonathan
B. Dickinson
request

Abraham Buspel reports that he has received from the New Bedford Institution for Savings twenty dollars, also fifteen dollars for rent of marsh the last year, also from Jonathan B. Dickinson three dollars which has been due several years whole amount \$38.00 all of which has been paid to our Treasurer and is the income arising from the Benjamin Dickinson request to date

The committee appointed some time past to make such repairs as they may think advisable on our meeting houses in Smiths & Allens neck made the following report. = To Dartmouth monthly meeting now sitting. the committee to cut and sell report of wood to repair the meeting houses in the committee necks have attended to our appointment to repair and have cut & sold wood with the Myrtles tree in the meeting house yard to the amount of one hundred & eighty six dollars $\frac{24}{100}$ \$ 186.24

Amount paid in Allens neck	63.47
" " Smiths neck	63.77
" cutting wood	27.36
" measuring do	1.43
	<u>155.03</u>
	\$ 37.17

Leaving a balance in the treasury when collected of thirty one dollars & sixteen cents on behalf of the committee Abner Russel Dartmouth Nov 27. 1853.

Which report is satisfactory they are continued in charge thereof to make a further report when ready or called upon by the meeting

George Shury Clerk

Nov 1853

At Dartmouth meeting of Friends held on 25th 1853 by act and the preparative appointed by the preparative mtgs are from the south Howard Potter & Joseph Bladen from the north Benjamin Potter and George Shury who are present.

We are informed through the south preparative mtg that Samuel W. Snow requests a removal certificate to New Bedford monthly meeting for himself & family (see his wife Mary P. & their minor children Marianna Thomas Snowles, Sarah Barber, Maria M. and George Morton, Jonathan Wilbor & Moses Smith are appointed a committee to write with a similar committee of women friends in preparing one if nothing appears to prevent and present to our next meeting.

The Overseers presented through the north preparative meeting the following information respecting Samuel Furber viz To Dartmouth North preparative and committee Monthly Meeting of Friends, Dear Friends Samuel Furber having for a considerable length of time wholly neglected the attendance of our meetings, and I entangled himself with those who have succeeded from our religious society by attending their meetings, we have thought it best to submit the case to the Monthly Meeting whereupon we appoint Otis Shawver Isaac M. Gifford and Abraham Buspel a committee to visit him in restoring him on that account and report to this meeting next month.

The committee appointed in the pt. mtg last presented the following report - over -

S. W. Snow requests certificate
Committee
Samuel Furber

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 To Dartmouth monthly meeting
 We your committee in relation to the affair
 report of - of Elders mess report, that we have
 committee for given attention to that subject and are
 united in proposing the names of
 George Shry, Elizabeth Stace and
 Anna C. Shry to fill that station having
 had the advice of the Quarterly meeting
 Committee herein, on behalf of the
 committee Isaac H. Gifford, Phoebe Gifford

This meeting is united in the
 appointment of George Shry to the station
 of an Elder the women's meeting concur
 in giving information thereof to be
 forwarded to our next Quarterly meeting

The women's meeting inform
 they are united in the appointment of
 Elizabeth Stace to the station of an Elder
 also in the appointment of Anna C. Shry
 to the same station with which this
 meeting concurs, information thereof
 to be forwarded by the women's meeting to our
 next meeting

The committee appointed to repair our
 meeting houses in Smiths & Allen's North
 made the following report viz To the Monthly
 meeting mess setting, we your committee
 to cut & shew wood to repair the meeting houses
 in the North report that they had attended to
 their appointment and a balance was due
 the meeting after paying the bills of \$31.44
 but some were found a bill for masts at
 Weymouth, N. H. of \$5.00 which makes a
 balance due the meeting of \$36.44 which
 has a balance due the meeting had
 been paid the Monthly meeting treasurer
 & receipts for all the bills left with him
 on behalf of the committee
 Isaac H. Gifford
 Anna C. Shry
 25th Dec 1853

Report of
 committee
 to repair
 meeting
 houses

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 The Dartmouth Monthly meeting of Friends held
 at home 25th Dec 1853 by acts read the representatives appointed
 by the preparative meeting are from the south George
 Allen & Exra King from the north Isaac Gifford
 & Isaac H. Potter who are present.

18th Dec 1853

Our beloved friend Erus G. Gray attended
 with a certificate of
 the Quarterly meeting
 in which with him
 present religious
 & gospel labors have

THE
 EPISTLE
 FROM THE
 YEARLY MEETING,
 HELD IN
 LONDON,
 BY ADJOURNMENTS, FROM THE 10TH OF THE FIFTH MONTH TO THE 25TH
 OF THE SAME, INCLUSIVE, 1852:
 TO THE
 QUARTERLY AND MONTHLY MEETINGS OF FRIENDS
 IN GREAT BRITAIN, IRELAND, AND ELSEWHERE.

Also signed with a minute from Hope well Monthly
 meeting we acceptably with us at this time
 their company & Police Department have
 been acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed
 to unite with the clerk of the women's meeting in
 furnishing minutes embracing the substance of
 the foregoing as it relates each & sign the
 same on our behalf

The committee appointed presented a
 certificate for Samuel Hibbard of Weymouth
 Monthly Meeting of Friends - over

Anna Thornburg
 with a certificate
 from Walnut Ridge
 and endorsed by
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 of their society with
 present religious
 & gospel labors
 she having attended
 on this
 and Joel Gifford
 being with a minute
 setting state of Indiana
 with him as an Elder
 of that society

Dear Sir, To Dartmouth monthly meeting
 We your Committee in relation to the appoint-
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 their appointment and a balance was due
 the meeting after paying the bills of \$ 21.75
 but since we found a bill for masts at
 Weymouth of \$ 3.42 which leaves a
 balance due the meeting of \$ 27.57 which
 leaves a balance due the meeting has
 been paid the monthly meetings treasurer
 & receipts for all the bills left with him
 on behalf of the committee above
 Geo. Shury Clerk
 5th Nov. 25. 1853

At Dartmouth Monthly meeting of Friends held
 Nov. 25. 1853 by acts read the representatives appointed
 by the preparative mtgs are from the south George
 Allen & Ezra King from the north Isaac C. Gifford
 & Isaac H. Potter who are present.
 Our beloved friend Mrs G. Gray attended

EPISTLE.

DEAR FRIENDS,

Our coming together at this time has been to our spiritual
 refreshment, and to the confirmation of our faith. We are
 bound to acknowledge with thanksgiving, that, notwithstanding
 all our unworthiness, our gracious Lord has, as we humbly
 trust, been mercifully pleased to own us by his presence, and
 to grant us renewed tokens of his love and care. Under the
 sense of his unmerited mercy, we offer you the word of apostolic
 salutation, "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you
 through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord."*

Unto you that believe, saith the Apostle, Christ is precious.†
 It is the experimental sense of this in themselves, and one with
 another, that constitutes the fellowship of the saints. By nature
 fellow-partakers in the effects of the fall, dead in trespasses
 and in sins, it is as He has quickened them by his Spirit to
 abhor and to forsake their sins, as He has given them to know
 Him to be their Passover,‡ sacrificed for them, bringing them
 nigh unto God through his precious blood, that they have be-
 come brethren in the adoption; in the blessed and endearing
 relationship of the children of God. Rooted and built up in
 Christ, He is felt to be the alone source and centre of their
 unity.

Wherefore, beloved brethren, ye who, in the largeness of
 the Father's love, are in any measure partakers of the heavenly
 calling, let it be the frequent engagement of your souls

* 2 Peter i. † 1 Peter ii. ‡ 1 Cor. v.

attended Also Sybil Bell companion on the Anna Thornberg
 with a minute from Hopewell Monthly
 meeting we acceptably with us at this time
 their company & Police Department have
 been acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed
 to unite with the Clerk of the same city in
 furnishing minutes embracing the substance of
 the foregoing as it relates to each & sign the
 same on our behalf

The committee appointed presented a
 certificate for Samuel M. Snow formerly to the
 Monthly Meeting of Friends - over

Dear Sir, To Dartmouth Monthly meeting
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Weymouth of \$ 5.42 which leaves a
balance due the meeting of \$ 77.54 which
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been paid the monthly meetings treasurer
& receipts for all the bills left with him
on behalf of the committee
Geo Shroy Clerk
5th Nov 25th 1853

in deep reverence and humility, to "consider the Apostle
and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus."* The prom-
ised Messiah, He to whom all preceding dispensations had
pointed, and in whom they were ended and fulfilled, † He who
was with God, and was God, the Word who hath declared
to man Him that is invisible, even He was made flesh, and
dwelt amongst men. Though He was rich, yet for our sakes
He became poor; veiling, in the form of a servant, the bright-
ness of his glory, ‡ that through Him, the kindness and love of
God toward man might appear, in a manner every way suited
to our wants and finite capacities. His righteous precepts were
illustrated and confirmed by his own holy example. He went
about doing good; for us he endured sorrow, hunger, thirst,
weariness, pain; unutterable anguish of body and of soul even
unto death; and was "in all points tempted like as we are, yet
without sin."§ Thus humbling Himself that we might be ex-
alted, He emphatically recognised the duties and the sufferings
of humanity as among the means whereby, through the obedi-
ence of faith, we are to be disciplined for heaven; sanctifying
them to us by Himself performing and enduring them, and, as
"the Forerunner,"¶ at once plainly marking and consecrating
for his followers, the path in which they must tread. But not
only in these blessed relations must the Lord Jesus be ever
precious to his people. Exalted to be a Prince and a Saviour,
in him has been revealed a Redeemer at once able to suffer and
almighty to save; an High Priest, "touched with the feeling
of our infirmities,"|| who, having made reconciliation for our
sins by the offering up of Himself once for all, "is gone into
Heaven," there to appear, our Mediator and Advocate, in the
presence of God.

Beloved Friends! how high and holy is our vocation in
being called by the name, and invited to the service of such a
Saviour. And whilst we take comfort in believing that He

* Heb. iii. 1. § Heb. iv. 15.
† John i. 1, 14, 18. ¶ Pet. iii. 22.
‡ Phil. ii. 7. || Heb. vi. 30. || Heb. ix. 24.

Dartmouth Monthly meeting of Friends held
at 2 o'clock 1853 by a vote of the representatives appointed
by the preparative meeting are from the south George
Allen & Everett King from the north Isaac B. Gifford
Isaac A. K. Potter who are present.

Our beloved friend Mrs G. Gray attended

is indeed precious to the souls of many, fervent are our desires
for ourselves and for you, that as we advance in life we may
in all things be more and more growing up into Him who is
the Head. But we have had renewedly to feel that it is only
as the heart is, in very truth, quickened by the Spirit of the
Lord, that any can be made truly alive unto God through
Jesus Christ. There is not one amongst us, whatever be the
advantages of his education, the amiableness of his disposi-
tion, or his advancement in refinement and intelligence, there
is not one of us to whom, in his natural state, the language
of our adorable Redeemer may not be addressed, "Ye must
be born again."* These are words of universal and perpetual
application; in them is set forth that work of the Holy Spirit
in the conversion and sanctification of the heart, † that renewing
in the spirit of our minds, by which we may every one of
us be made as "lively stones" ‡ in that spiritual house in which
the Lord Himself delights to dwell.

To you, dear friends who are in the position of parents, the
condition in the sight of the Lord, of your beloved offspring is
unspeakably important. Shrink not, we entreat you, from
your solemn responsibilities. Remember that your children
are born for eternity; and let it be your great concern to lead
them to the Saviour, that they may be early trained to bear
his yoke, and be prepared for an inheritance in his kingdom.
Let not their wills be unsubjected, but keep your right places;
ruling your households in the fear of God and in the authori-
ty of his love. Be tenderly watchful that his holy name may
be sanctified among them through your conversation and ex-
ample. Seek for opportunities to instruct them in the Truth
as it is in Jesus, and be especially concerned that the disciplin-
ing of their hearts in righteousness, may be steadily going
forward. And, under a deep sense of the importance of these
duties, may your prayers unto God be fervent for that wisdom
and help which will not fail to be found sufficient for all the
needs of those who honestly trust in Him.

* John iii. 7. † Ephes. iv. 23. ‡ 1 Pet. ii. 5.

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The committee appointed presented a
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Monthly Meeting of Friends - over

Dear To Dartmouth Monthly meeting
 We your Committee in relation to the appoint-
 ment of Elders now report that we have
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 & receipts for all the bills left with him
 on behalf of the committee Anna Bresset
 Secy. 25th 1853

The public worship of Almighty God is enjoined upon us
 as an acknowledgment of our love to Him and of our dependence
 upon Him; and we regard the occasions which, in the
 economy of the church, are provided for this solemn duty, as
 precious opportunities for waiting upon the Lord that we may
 be taught by him; for the exercise of spiritual gifts in the
 ability which He giveth, and for the strengthening of the bond
 of Christian fellowship by a mutual participation in those
 strong consolations which are in Christ Jesus our Lord. The
 meetings established amongst us in the middle of the week,
 present advantages peculiarly important to us for the enjoyment
 of all these blessed privileges. We could wish that it were in
 our power to bring those amongst us who absent themselves
 from these meetings to a sense of the loss which they are
 themselves sustaining, and which they are in danger of entail-
 ing upon their offspring. Can it be, dear friends, that your
 peace can consist with such neglect; or is it not rather a symp-
 tom that the health of the soul languishes; that its salvation is
 with you a matter of secondary moment; that earthly things
 have the place which belongs to heavenly things, and that this
 world has a stronger hold upon your affections than the life to
 come. Prayer is the duty and privilege of us all: we need
 the pardon of our sins; and in this our dependent condition,
 we need the renewed help of the Holy Spirit, day by day, to
 enable us to maintain the warfare between the flesh and the
 spirit. And are not the intervals of cessation from the cares
 of business afforded by our meetings in the middle of the week
 opportunities for this purpose which ought to be highly prized?
 It is because we desire that our dear friends every where may
 derive all that help which comes from communion with God,
 from the fervent and frequent exercise of prayer through Jesus
 Christ, and from the fellowship of their brethren, that we are
 constrained in love to bring these things before them.
 We have received as in former years an Epistle from our
 friends in Ireland, and one from each of the Yearly Meetings

Dartmouth Monthly meeting of Friends held
 at [unclear] 1853 by acts and the representatives appointed
 by the preparative judges are from the south George
 Allen & Ebenezer King from the north Isaac Gifford
 & Isaac H. Potter who are present.
 Our beloved friend Erus G. Gray attended

on the American Continent. It continues to be acceptable to
 us thus to maintain an intercourse with our beloved distant
 brethren; and greatly do we desire that the members of our
 society every where, being individually earnest to be
 brought day by day to a closer walk with God, may so witness
 an increase of faith and hope and love, that we may be
 yet more and more united in the precious fellowship of the
 Gospel.

Reports have been received and read from our several Quar-
 terly and other Meetings, of the distraits upon our members
 on account of Ecclesiastical demands. The total value taken,
 including the costs of distrait, amounts to upwards of eight
 thousand pounds. We continue to feel the great importance
 of upholding our well known testimony to the entire freedom
 of the ministry of the Gospel and against the usurpations and
 corruptions that pervade so large a portion of the profess-
 ing church. We exhort all our dear friends to maintain it in
 the meekness that becometh the Gospel, but in uprightness
 and faithfulness unto the Lord.

The recent proceedings in Parliament on the subject of re-
 organizing a militia throughout the kingdom, have introduced
 this meeting into deep religious exercise. The whole system
 of war is so directly at variance, not only with the plain pre-
 cepts of our Lord, but with the whole spirit of his Gospel, that
 any attempt to bring under its influence those who are engaged
 in the ordinary peaceful occupations of life, cannot but awaken
 painful apprehension. Our testimony against the bearing of
 arms, being grounded upon the supreme authority of the Lord
 Jesus, we have had afresh to feel that in maintaining it our
 strength and safety consist in drawing very near unto Him,
 and in seeking to live under the government of his Spirit.
 May it be the engagement of our souls so to witness the peace
 of God to rule in our own hearts, that not relying on fleets or
 armies, but in simple trust in the Lord Almighty, this im-
 portant Christian principle may be upheld by us in godly sin-

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The committee appointed presented a
 certificate for Samuel Thomas formerly to the
 Monthly Meeting of Friends - over -

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cerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, and thus commended to the consciences of others.

We rejoice with our friends in a sense of the blessings of which they are partakers, while we sympathize with them in their conflicts and trials; and we cordially desire their encouragement for every right service of the day. Amidst the various exertions that are making at the present time for the promotion of the good of mankind, whilst we would strengthen every effort that has its spring and its continuance in the love of Christ, we tenderly invite all our members to keep very near to the sure guidance of the Spirit of the Lord, as to their respective lines of duty. As this is the case, we believe that in their labors for the good of others, they will be preserved from undue excitement, and enabled to guard against the love of popularity, and everything inconsistent with the character of a spiritually minded Christian.

In conclusion, dear friends, it is our concern that we may become a watchful, lowly-minded, retiring people; that we may live more distinct from the spirit of the world; that our affections may be thoroughly fixed upon heavenly things, not in anywise seeking our own glory, or desiring to occupy conspicuous positions in the world, but rather that we may individually serve God in our generation according to his will. Thus would our hearts be more and more prepared to receive the gifts of the Spirit, if it please the Lord to confer them upon us, and to exercise them in faithfulness and in love. Building upon Christ, as our foundation, we should witness a growth in our own souls; walking in his light, our light would not be hidden or obscured, but would shine to his praise, drawing and directing others to the same blessed fountain of light, and peace, and love.

Signed, in and on behalf of the Meeting, by
 JOSEPH THORP,
 Clerk to the Meeting this year.

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 on behalf of the committee [unclear]
 Geo. Shug Clerk
 25th Decr 1853

Dartmouth Monthly meeting of Friends held
 Nov. 24 1853 by act and the representatives appointed
 by the preparative mtgs are from the south George
 Allen & Esna King from the north Isaac C. Gifford
 & Isaac B. Potter who are present.

Our beloved friend Erwin G. Pray attended
 this meeting with a satisfactory certificate of
 concurrence from Springfield Monthly meeting
 of Friends & endorsed by Eastern Quarterly meeting
 State of Ohio [unclear] of their visits with him
 as a minister & with his present religious
 engagements, his company & gospel labors have
 been acceptable to us

Our beloved friend Anna Thornburg
 attended this meeting with a satisfactory
 certificate of concurrence from Wallcutridge
 Monthly meeting of Friends and endorsed by
 Springfield Quarterly held in Henry county
 State of Indiana expressing of their service with
 her as a minister & with her present religious
 engagements, her Company & gospel labors
 have been acceptable to us, she having attended
 all the meetings constituting this.

Our beloved Friend Joel Gilport
 companion to Anna Thornburg with a minute
 from Hopewell Monthly Meeting State of Indiana
 expressing ~~of~~ their unity with him as an Elder
 also Sydney Bell companion to Anna Thornburg
 with a minute from Hopewell Monthly
 meeting we acceptable with us at this time
 their company & solid deportment have
 been acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed
 to unite with the Clerk of the same city in
 furnishing minutes embracing the substance of
 the foregoing as it relates each & sign the
 same on our behalf

The committee appointed presented a
 certificate for Samuel H. Snow & family to the
 Monthly Meeting of Friends - over -

may apply for certificates, and they are also to forward the names of such as they may think suitable to receive the privilege of the charitable fund

George Henry Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th mo 24th 1853. by a record the representatives appointed by the preparative meetings are from the South River Allen & Hinkston Stearns from the North Isaacs, Gifford & Wm Lusher who are present.

Clerk appointed

The year for which the clerk & assistant clerk of this meeting were appointed being expired George Henry is appointed clerk for the year to come or until another appointment. And the representatives were under appointment to this meeting are directed to consider of & propose to this meeting next month the name of a friend to act as assistant clerk. Wm Lusher being desirous of being released.

The Committee appointed to treat with Samuel Tucker made the following report - viz. To Dartmouth Monthly meeting Dear Friends We your committee in the case of Samuel Tucker report that we have made him a visit, he received us in a friendly manner, but said that he was willing to tell us that he did not consider himself a member of our meeting. & further we that he felt satisfied with the cause he had taken which we submit to the meeting & our report. Isaac H. Gifford and Etie's statement committee 8th mo 24th 1853 which report the meeting are united in accepting and approving of a resolution from the said Samuel Tucker forbidding any longer a member of our religious society, the women's meeting meeting him with & Wm Lusher's name to inform him of his denial & report to this meeting next month.

Therefore for which the ^{of the Poor} presence of this meeting being expired we appoint

Overseers of Poor 1850

William Tucker, Abner Mearns, & Titus [unclear] to that service for the year to come or until another appointment.

We have received & read an extract from the minutes of our last yearly meeting embracing an interesting report of the Boarding School Committee also advice in regard to slavery &c of which are satisfactory to us.

85 Copies of the London printed Epistle of last year have been received one of which being read is truly satisfactory & meeting edifying to us. These with 55 copies of the printed minutes of our last year's meeting are directed to be distributed among our members in the usual way.

George Abney, Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th mo 28th 1850 by acts read the representatives appointed by the preparative meetings are from the south George Smith & Timothy Abner, from the north William Potter & William Tucker who are present.

The representatives having proposed Moses Smith for assistant clerk the proposition was united with & he is accordingly appointed to that service for the year to come or until another appointment.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers from each of our preparative meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th & Summary answers approved of & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting. William Tucker, Abner Potter & Titus Mearns are appointed representatives to that Meeting, they are directed to report their attendance to our next meeting & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

Queries Answered

George Abney

From 1850. William Tucker informs he has given Daniel S. Tucker & Tucker information of his having been denied the right of membership with us.

George Abney, Clerk

At Dartmouth monthly meeting of Friends held 10th mo 26th 1850 by acts read the representatives appointed by the preparative meetings are from the south Paul Fisher & Howard Potter from the north Isaac M. Potter & Isaac M. Gifford who are present.

Representatives attended

One of the representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended.

We are informed through the south preparative meeting that William Gifford has removed to reside within the limits of Westport Monthly meeting Timothy Abner & Abner Potter are appointed a Committee to prepare a Certificate for him and present to our next meeting if nothing appears to prevent.

Committee Certificate W. Gifford

We unite with the women's meeting in denying the right of membership with Phoebe Anderson letter Anthony George Abney, Clerk

Philadelphia

At Dartmouth monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th mo 23rd 1850. by acts read the representatives appointed by the preparative meetings are from the south George Smith & Ezra King from the north William Tucker & William Potter who are present.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers from each of our preparative meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th & Summary answers approved of & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting. Humphrey Anthony, George Abney & Moses Smith are

Queries Answered

appointed our representatives to that Meeting, they are desired to report their attendance to our next meeting & the Clerk is desired to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

1100th 1850

Certificate for William Gifford

The friends appointed presented a Certificate for William Gifford to Westport monthly Meeting of Friends which was approved - the Clerk is directed to sign the same on our behalf and forwarded it to that meeting the women's meeting uniting there with William Tucker & Abraham Paruel are appointed a committee to settle with our Treasurer propose one for the year to come also if thought necessary propose a sum of money need- ary to be raised to meet our expenses the ensuing year, & report next month. George Abing Clerk

1220th 1850

Representatives at quarterly meeting

Treasurer appointed

At Dartmouth No. 11th of Friends held 12th Nov. 29th 1850. by acts read the representatives appointed by the preparative meetings are from the south John King & Howard Potter from the north Benjamin Potter & George Abing who are present One of the representatives to our last quarterly Meeting reports they all attended. The committee appointed last month to settle with our Treasurer he presented the following report viz. To the Monthly Meeting. The committee appointed last month to settle with our Treasurer, report that they have attended to that service and find in his hands ninety three and 70/100 dollars and think it not necessary to raise any money for expenses of the

meeting for the ensuing year. and propose George Wood for Treasurer which we submit to the meeting on behalf of the committee William Tucker 12th 28th 1850 which is satisfactory to the meeting. & accordingly George Wood is appointed Treasurer for the year to come or until another appointment.

And the following information from the Overseers through the South preparative meeting viz. To the preparative Meeting of Friends this may inform that Abner P. B. at New had married out of the good order of Friends to one not a member Humphrey Anthony George Smith Overseer Dartmouth 12th 19th 1850. George Abing & William Tucker are appointed a committee to treat with him on that subject report to this Meeting when ready or called upon by the Meeting.

A. P. Tucker under dealings

G. Abing invited dealings

And the following information from the Overseers through the North preparative Meeting viz. To the preparative & Monthly meeting Dear Friends John P. Abing has married out of the order of our society with one not a member with us which we submit to the meeting. Benjamin Potter Timothy & John Overseers Dartmouth 12th 19th 22th 1850. Isaac M. Gifford and Benjamin Potter are appointed a committee to treat with him on account of his debt & report to this meeting next month.

The year for which the Overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired we appoint Benjamin Potter, George Abing, Humphrey Anthony, George Smith, Timothy Abing & Joshua M. Gifford to that service for the year to come or until another appointment.

George Abing Clerk.

At Dartmouth Mo. Meeting of Friends held the 2^d 1854 by acts read the preparative meetings are appointed by the preparative meetings are from the South Prime Moore & Humphrey Anthony from the North William Tucker & William Potter who are present.

The Committee appointed last month to treat with John D. Army made the following report -

To Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
continued we gave Committee on the case of John D. Army, now report, that we have attended to our appointment, that he received us kindly and we believe him sincere in a desire that friends would pass by his transgression & let him remain a member of our religious Society, Isaac Gifford, Benjamin Potter (Dartmouth the 2^d 1854) which is satisfactory to the meeting, and his acknowledgment being read is a relief for satisfaction and he continued a member of our religious Society the previous meeting concerning them with. Benjamin Potter is named to inform him of his being continued a member report to this meeting next month.

We have in concurrence with the Critique or P. R. Bacon Certificate to New Bedford Monthly Meeting on behalf of Phoebe Robinson wife of Peleg Adams which the Clerk is directed to sign on our behalf & forward to that meeting.

We are informed that the Overseers have handed to the recorder an list of all the births & deaths that have occurred within our limits the last year.

Acknowledgment of John D. Army To Dartmouth monthly meeting of Friends having transgressed the good order of the

Discipline, by marrying one not a member of the Society of Friends I am desirous the meeting may so far pass it by that I may remain a member John D. Army New Bedford the 26th 1854
George Army, Clerk.

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2^d Mo 22^d 1854 by acts read the representatives appointed by the preparative meetings are from the South Minkerton Sloum and Paul Fisher from the North Mrs Potter & George Army who are present except one Benjamin Potter informs he has given John D. Army information of his being continued a member of our religious Society
George Army Clerk.

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5th Mo 22^d 1854 by acts read the representatives appointed by the preparative Meetings are from the South Moses Smith & Humphrey Anthony from the North Mrs Tucker & Benjamin Potter who are present.

Our beloved Friend Gadiah Chase attended this meeting with a satisfactory minute of concurrence from Inwary Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 2^d Mo 27th 1854 expressive of their visits with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements, his company & gospel labors have been acceptable to us & the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute & sign the same on our behalf.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers from each of the preparative meetings. A summary of which were approved of & directed to be -

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Wing

forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting, Benjamin Potter Moses Smith & Prince Allen are appointed our representatives to that meeting & they are desired to report their attendance to our next meeting. The Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

James
Wing

Received the following from Overseers through the South preparative Meeting viz To the preparative & Monthly Meeting this may inform that James Wing having as we apprehend needed the advice & assistance of Friends. We have accordingly had several opportunities with him, but he declines taking up with Friends advice & has placed himself & property in the care of one not a member of our Society, which we submit to the meeting, signed Humphreys Anthony & George Smith Dec 11th 1854. William Tucker & Isaac Gifford are appointed to labor with him on that act & report to this meeting next month. George Shry, Clerk.

Nov 1854

The following information from the At Oar month Mr. W. of the preparative meetings are from the South preparative W. Gifford & Prince Allen from the North Isaac Gifford & William Potter who are appointed to labor with James Wing on the following report viz To the Monthly Meeting of Friends Dear Friends this may inform that we have had several opportunities with James Wing in which we find the complaint against him by the Overseers to be fully substantiated, and that we have not

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& A. Gordon

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been able to discover how or in what way he can make friends satisfaction signed Isaac Gifford & William Tucker the 25th 1854. which report the meeting after a term of deliberation are united in accepting & we do hereby disown him from being any longer a member of our religious society the womens meeting there with, Moses Smith is named to inform him of this disavowment & report to our next meeting.

James
Wing

They are informed through the north preparative Meeting that John P. King is desirous of a removal out of our Society on his behalf to attend Monthly Meetings of Friends. Benjamin Potter & William Tucker are appointed to prepare one & present to our next meeting if nothing appears to prevent.

Committee
of

The committee appointed last year to have the care of our meeting houses & grounds &c made the following report, viz To the monthly meeting the committee appointed to have the care of our meeting houses & grounds &c report that they have attended to the service for which they were appointed, one or more of their number having attended all the funerals that have been held within our limits the past year, agreeable to the requirements of our discipline. They would also mention for the attention of the Meeting that the burial ground at Oar month should be more properly considered agreeable to the maintenance of our discipline. On behalf of the committee Wm. Tucker the 25th 1854 which report is satisfactory to the meeting, & the same committee now under appointment viz William Tucker, George Shry, George Smith, Isaac Potter, Humphreys Anthony, Posthum Gifford, Abraham Lincoln & Charles Brown are continued to that service for the ensuing year to report to this meeting at the end thereof, & they are desired to encourage friends in taking the

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necessary Curian having outburysing grounds properly enclosed.

Income from Bankton request

Acobson Bussell reports that he has received from the 1836 Bussell Institution for carrying two dividends amount to \$22, also an extra dividend of 25% per cent for five years amount \$50, also received for rent of marsh for the last year \$15, whole amount eighty five dollars, being the income arising from the Benjamin Mickelson request and has paid the same to our Treasurer which is satisfactory to the meeting.

George Henry Clarke.

One of the representations to our last Quarterly meeting reports they all attended. Geo Henry Clarke

5th 1857

At Dartmouth the meeting of Friends held 24th 25th & 26th 1857 by acts and the representatives appointed by the preparative meeting from the south Isaac King & Timothy Abing from the north Benjamin Potter & Isaac M. Gifford who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned.

Nothing informed

Moses Smith informs he has given up all thing information of his being disjoined from being a member of our religious society.

Certificate

The Friends appointed at our last meeting to prepare a certificate for John Dunning present one which was read & approved & directed to be signed by the clerk & forwarded to Friends of our Monthly Meeting of Friends the Quorum meeting meeting there with.

Certificate under sig

We have read a numerical Certificate from Friends of our Monthly Meeting of Friends on behalf of Daniel C. White which was read & accepted the Quorum meeting meeting there with.

George Henry Clarke

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At Carlisle the meeting of Friends held 18th 19th 20th & 21st 1857 by acts and the representatives appointed by the preparative meeting from the south Wm. H. Brown & Prine Allen from the north Isaac M. Gifford and Benjamin Potter who are present.

At Carlisle

We have at this time the acceptable company of our beloved Friend John D. Dugg with a satisfactory certificate of connexure from Greenwich Monthly Meeting of Friends held in New York this & endorsed by Abner Weeks. Recently meeting this company of Gospel laborers have been acceptable to us.

At Carlisle

also the company of our beloved Friend the Rev. S. P. Roberts companion from Gettysburg Monthly Meeting held at Westport in Morrow Co Ohio expressive of his being an Elder in good esteem & unity with this present engagement his company has been acceptable to us. The clerk is directed to furnish them with minutes embracing the substance of this & to sign the same on our behalf. Stating that they have acceptably attended all the meetings constituting this.

Account of the meeting

The Minutes have been read at this time with answers from each of the preparative meetings the 1st 2d & 3d 10th and a summary there of are directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting. George Henry Abner Brown & Isaac M. Gifford are appointed our representatives to that meeting, they are directed to report their attendance our next meeting & the clerk is directed to furnish them with the meeting minutes from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

Chambers, Mad & Hannah ^{of} offered by
 a written communication published their
 intention of taking each other in succession
 which was noted by the meeting & they
 are desired to wait until our next
 meeting for an answer.
 George Henry Clerk.

At Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends
 held the 25th 1854 by adjourned the representatives
 appointed by the preparative Meeting are from the
 south George Smith & Joshua S. Gifford from
 the north William Tucker & Isaac S. Gifford
 were present.

Our beloved friend Paul Batty
 attended this Meeting with a satisfactory
 certificate of conversion from his former
 Meeting of Friends held at Wrentham and
 expressed his thanksgiving Quarterly Meeting
 as a minister & with his present religious
 engagements, his company & gospel labor
 have been acceptable to us, and the Clerk
 is directed to furnish him with a copy
 of a minute embracing the substance of
 this & sign it on our behalf.

We have read at this time 90 Copies
 of the London printed Epistle of last year
 one of which which was read & its contents
 is instructive & edifying to us.

An extract from our last year's Meeting
 embracing the report of the Boarding School
 committee & advice in regard to the 14th
 Query to have been read & read it are desir-
 ous to us, these with the printed minutes
 of our last year's yearly meeting are directed
 to be forwarded & distributed among our
 members.

George Henry, Abner Potter, & Mansfield were
 appointed a committee to unite with a similar
 committee of our former meeting in granting
 certificates to all children going to the boarding
 school also to forward the names of
 such children as they may think most
 suitable to receive the benefit of the charitable
 fund.

One of the representatives to our last
 Quarterly Meeting reports they were attended
 We have received the following list
 from our last Meeting.

At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting of Friends
 held at Sandwich the 18th 1854
 that their representatives reported they had met
 together and were united in proposing that
 the sum of six hundred & fifty dollars be raised
 for the service of this meeting the ensuing
 year, which proposition was united with
 and our several Monthly Meetings are
 requested to forward their respective proportions
 of that sum to our Treasurer.

They also proposed the following
 appropriation of the stock to be raised for the
 service of this Meeting viz
 Sandwich Monthly Meeting to pay 20 per cent
 Pembroke " " " " 4 " "
 Wrentham " " " " 2 " "
 Dartmouth " " " " 19 " "
 Westport " " " " 5 " "
 New Bedford " " " " 50 " "

which is satisfactory and the clerk is
 directed to inform our respective Monthly
 Meetings of this conclusion, from the
 minutes of the meeting Mrs C. Labor Clerk

Our Treasurer is directed to pay our proportion
 viz two hundred twenty five dollars & fifty cents
 to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting when the
 state of our treasury will admit.

We have out at this time a certificate from Smith's Monthly meeting of Friends Ohio on behalf of Thomas W. Sudd to make him to be a member in marriage with Hannah P. Gifford. The wife of Sudd is indispensable to the meeting if they have no other consent of surviving parents, making an agreement to prevent they are left at liberty to proceed with marriage by advising with George Stone & William Tucker who are appointed to attend the solemnization provided that good order is observed, believe he certifies to the recorder and report to this meeting next month.

The parties being desirous to consummate their marriage on 14th day the 16th of next month this meeting grants their request & liberty is given to hold a mtg. at our meeting house at Dartmouth on that day at 10 o'clock. George Henry Blake.

8th mo 1854

At Dartmouth Me. Mtg. of Friends held 8th mo 23rd 1854. by acts read the representatives appointed by the preparative Mtgs are from the South John King & Moses Smith from the North William Potter & George Henry who are present.

The year for which the clerk & assistant clerk of this meeting being expired George Henry is appointed clerk & Moses Smith assistant clerk for the year to come or until another appointment.

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of Thos. W. Sudd & Hannah P. Gifford by duty report they attended to their appointment. The conducted was orderly conducted & the certificate has been copied on our records.

The year for which the Overseers of the poor of this meeting being expired we appoint William Tucker. Abraham

George Grace
& A. Gordon

Andrews, David, Otis Storun & William Anthony to be our that service for the year to come or until another appointment.

Joshua St. Gifford is appointed to unite with Otis Storun in visiting with Mr. St. Allen on account of his depositions one of the Committee having some that time deceased. they to report to this meeting with Mr. George Henry Blake.

At Dartmouth Me. Mtg. of Friends held 9th mo 27th 1854 by acts read the representatives appointed by the preparative meetings are from the South John King & Paul Fisher from the North Benjamin Potter and George Henry who are present except one for whom absence a sufficient reason was assigned.

The committee appointed to treat with William W. Allen made the following report to the Monthly Meeting and the Committee in the case of Wm. W. Allen have had an opportunity with him to some degree of satisfaction and W. W. Allen believe him to be desirous of retaining his continued right of membership signed Joshua St. Gifford of the 27th mo 1854. which the meeting are united in accepting & he having presented an acknowledgment the meeting are also united in accepting for satisfaction the reasons. Meeting with him with Paul Fisher is named to inform him of his being continued a member of our religious society & report to this meeting next month.

The acknowledgment is as follows. To the Monthly Meeting of Friends Dear Friends I have deviated so far from the good order of society as to marry one who is not a member for a which I desire Friends may so far see by what I do not remain a member. Signed William W. Allen Dartmouth 9th mo 7th 1854

9th 1854 50 copies of the minutes of deceased Friends read by
Memorials over last year's meeting have been read & distributed
amongst our members.

The subject of bringing
business of this house & making such other repairs
committee as may be thought advisable being brought
before this meeting we appoint Abraham
Atkinson, Charles Potter & James Smith a committee
at Abington to have it done. Deacons our Treasurer for
the amount of cost & report to this meeting
when assembled.

The overseers are directed
to dispose of a lot of land now occupied by
Sara Red Water give a deed thereof on behalf of
lot of land this meeting, place the words thereof in the
hands of our Treasurer & report when
assembled. George Henry Clarke.

9th (omitted) 9th The Queries have been read
at this time with answers from our preparative
meetings to the 1st, 2^d & 10th a summary thereof
was approved of & directed to be forwarded to our
next Quarterly meeting. Timothy Allen
Humphrey Anthony & William Potter
are appointed our representatives to that
Meeting & they are desired to report their
attendance to our next meeting. The Clerk
is directed to forward the necessary
extracts from our minutes & sign the same
on our behalf.

10th At Dartmouth monthly meeting of Friends
held 10th mo 25th 1854.
by act of the representatives appointed
by the preparative meetings are from the
south Ezra King & Ephraim Gifford
from the North William Tucker and
William Potter who are present.

George Grace
& J. Gordon

10th 1854 One of the representatives appointed to attend our
preparative last Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended
except one for whom absence a sufficient reason
was assigned.

The Friend appointed to give
William W. Allen information of his being
continued a Member informs he has given him
that information.

William Tucker Forward
committee Potter & Abraham Budget are appointed
to settle with our Treasurer propose one for
the year to come, also propose a sum of money
necessary to be raised to meet our expenses for
the ensuing year & report to this meeting next
month.

We unite with our women's
S. D. Deacon's Meeting in accepting an acknowledgment
continued for satisfaction from Sylvia M. Leonard late
Further & in continuing her a member of
our religious society.

Being informed that
some of our books of records need new
binding George Henry is appointed to
have it done & report to this meeting when
assembled. George Henry Clarke.

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 11th mo 22^d 1854 by act of the representa-
tives from the preparative meetings are from the
south Humphrey Anthony & George Allen
from the North Isaac M. Gifford & Benjamin
Potter who are present.

The Queries have
been read at this time with answers from
each of our preparative meetings to the
1st, 2^d & 10th & summary answers approved
of & directed to be forwarded to our next
Quarterly Meeting.

11th
11th 1854

Benjamin Potter, Joshua M. Gifford and
Abraham Bristol are appointed our representatives
& are desired to report their attendance to our
next meeting. The clerk is directed to
forward the necessary extracts from our
minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

Treasurer
appointed
&c

The friends appointed at our last
meeting to settle with our Treasurer &c
made the following report, viz. To the Mo
Meeting. The committee appointed last Mo
to settle with our Treasurer &c have attended
to the service assigned to them and find
in his hands \$20.00, and propose to raise
for the year ensuing \$117.00, and propose
Osman Wood for Treasurer which we
submit to the meeting on behalf of the
committee William Tucker 11th Mo 22^d 1854
all of which is satisfactory to the meeting
and accordingly Osman Wood is appointed
Treasurer of this Meeting for the ensuing year
or until another year & appointment,
and our preparative Meetings are directed
to raise their proportions of the sum
recommended & report when accomplished

books
returned

George Shury informs he has had
the 3 books rebound as directed least \$1.00
the cost one dollar & fifty cents he is directed
to call on our Treasurer for

Metg
expended

The committee appointed in the 9th
last to shingle the roof of this house &c
made the following report, viz. To the
monthly meeting now sitting. we your
committee to buy materials to repair
the meeting house at a bargain & have
attended to our appointment, & have
accomplished it, & the whole cost is one
hundred forty eight dollars & 1/2 which
sum has been drawn from the Treasury
& receipts lodged with him

George
Bristol

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on behalf of the Committee Abraham Bristol
all of which is satisfactory to the Meeting,
George Shury clerk

12th 1854

Representatives
attended

Wm. S. H. S. H.
under

Committee
for
business

Committee
have
accordant

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 12th Mo 27th 1854. We received the
representatives from the preparative Metg
are from the South John Smith & Moses
Smith from the North William Tucker
& George Shury who are present except one.

One of the representatives appointed
to attend the last Quarterly Meeting
they all attended

Recd the following information
from the Overseers through the South preparative
meeting viz. To the preparative Meeting
held at this place May inform that William S. H. S. H.
under has so far deviated from the good order
discipline of our society as to many contrary to
discipline. 12th Mo 20th 1854. Timothy
Shure, Joshua M. Gifford, Overseers,
Moses Smith and Benjamin Potter
are appointed a committee to treat with
him on that account & report to this
meeting next month

The year for which the Overseers
of this meeting were appointed having
expired Isaac M. Gifford, Abraham Bristol
and Howard Potter are appointed
to consider of & propose to our next meeting
the names of such Friends for that service
as they may think suitable

From information now laid before
this meeting it appears there is wood now
standing & owing to this meeting that
would be desirable to have cut & whed
we appoint William Tucker, Abraham Potte
Howard Potter & Abraham Bristol a
committee to have about fifty cords

and disposal of report to this meeting when accomplished

George Henry Clarke

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At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held Nov 24th 1855 by acts read the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the South Howard Potter & Timothy Skin from the North Isaac W. Potter and Isaac W. Gifford who are present except one for whose absence a sufficient reason was assigned

The committee in the care of Wm S. Allen made the following report to the Monthly Meeting, We your committee to visit William S. Allen have attended to a good degree of satisfaction he manifesting a regard for society and wish to be retained a

member - Benjamin Potter Moses Smith continued 11/29th 1855. which the meeting are united in accepting and he having professed a communication expressive of a wish to be continued a member of our religious society which the meeting after a time of deliberation are united in granting the women's meeting visiting there with Joshua W. Gifford is named to inform him there of and report to this meeting next month.

To the Monthly Meeting Dear Friends, Although I have married W. Allen out of the order of society I wish friend to pass it by & let me remain a member your friend William S. Allen

We unite with our Women Friends in the approval of a Memorial Certificate approved for Hannah P. wife of Thos W. Ladd to the P. S. Ladd's Monthly Meeting of Friends

George Grace
of London

State of Ohio, which the clerk is directed to sign in our behalf & forward to that meeting.

The committee appointed last month to consider of & propose names for overseers of this meeting presented the following

To Dartmouth Nov 11th Dear Friends We the committee in the case of Overseers, now report that we have attended to that service & are united in proposing Benjamin Potter, Overseer George Henry, Humphrey Anthony, George Smith, Moses Smith, Timothy Skin, & Joshua W. Gifford to fill the station of overseers for the ensuing year, which we submit to the meeting signed on behalf of the committee Isaac W. Gifford Nov 24th 1855 which are satisfactory to the meeting & they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year or until another appointment

Our beloved Friend Phoebe Gifford appeared before this Meeting a concern which had rested on her mind to attend in Gospel love the ensuing for P. S. Ladd's field Quarterly Meeting of Friends and to appoint a few meetings amongst Friends & others as they may open the way.

Which claiming the weighty consideration of this meeting was fully united with & she left at liberty to proceed therein being a minister with whom we have unity. The clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Women's Meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this & sign it on behalf of this Meeting.

George Henry Clarke

2^d Dec 1855

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held Dec^r 11th 1855 by acts read the representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South Ephraim Gifford, Humphrey Anthony, from the North William Potter & George Abney who are present.

Joshua W Gifford & W^h Allen informs he has given William S. information of his being continued a Member of our Religious Society

A removal certificate from Granville Monthly Meeting of Friends State of New York on behalf of Nath^l son - David Potter & Minor son Albert G. being read, was read and accepted the womens meeting uniting therewith

David the following information from the Overseers through the South Preparative Meeting viz Co the Committee Preparative & Monthly Meeting this ^{to} and please may inform that Scudder Smith had ^{to} moved out of the order of our Society with one not a member Humphrey Anthony, Moses Smith Overseers Dartmouth Dec^r 21th 1855. Humphrey Anthony and Paul Fisher are appointed a Committee to treat with him on that act and report to this meeting next month.

We are informed that the North Preparative Meeting's proportion of stock has been paid to our Treasurer George Abney 6^{cts}

James Grace
to the board

2^d Dec 1855

At Dartmouth 100th meeting of Friends held Dec^r 11th 1855 by accounts read the representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South Prime Allen & Moses Smith from the North William Tucker & Isaac M. Potter who are present.

The Quores have been read at this time with answers from each of our preparative meetings a summary thereof was approved & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting. Geo. Abney, George Smith & Paul Fisher are appointed our representatives & desired to report their attendance to our next Meeting & the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary extracts from our minutes & signe the same on our behalf. We are informed that our proportion of the Dec^r Meetings stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

The Committee appointed to treat with Scudder Smith are continued in charge thereof to report next month.

Phoebe M. Gifford returned at this time the certificate granted her in the Dec^r 11th last & informed she had been enabled through divine favour to accomplish the visit to the place of her own mind. She also produced a returning minute from Smithfield Quarterly meeting which is satisfactory to this Meeting.

We are informed Thomas Abney is desirous of a removal certificate to W^h Allen Monthly Meeting of Friends. William Potter & Isaac M. Gifford are appointed to prepare one on his behalf & present to our next meeting if nothing appear to prevent.

We are informed the South preparative Meeting have paid their proportion of stock to our Treasurer George Abney 6^{cts}

4th mo 1855

At Dartmouth the Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th mo 25th 1855 by acts read the representation from the preparative Meetings are from the South Moses Smith & Abram Potter from the North Isaac W. Gifford & William Potter who are present.

Representatives
In Mtg

The representatives appointed to attend our last Quarterly Meeting report they all attended except one who was prevented by sickness.

Certificate removed
to being

The committee appointed presented a certificate removed to New Bedford Monthly Meeting on behalf of Thomas Arny which was approved & directed to be signed by the clerk & forwarded to that Meeting. The Womens Meeting uniting therewith.

L. Smith
continued

The committee appointed in the 2nd mo continued at our last meeting to treat with Scander Smith now made the following report viz To Dartmouth Monthly Meeting. The committee that was appointed to treat with Scander Smith on a warrant of his Marriage out of the order of Friends have had an opportunity with him and found a member good a good degree of satisfaction which we submit to the Monthly Meeting signed Humphrey Anthony & Paul Fisher 3rd mo 12 1855 which the Meeting we united in uniting and he having presented the following communication, The Meeting after due consideration thereon do hereby continue him a Member of our religious Society, the Womens Meeting uniting therewith and Moses Smith is named to inform him there of.

The following act being read was satisfactory to the Meeting. viz To the Monthly Meeting now sitting the removal of the Institution for Savings the past year two dividends \$24.

George Grace
at Garden

Also received for rent of Marsh from the bequest of Boyer Westcott property \$13.
Dividends also read for wood that was cut on the several side of the road, on the Monthly meeting wood lot which had been paid to the Treasurer \$47.
In behalf of the committee Abraham Pausell 4th mo 25th 1855.

W. Gifford
continued
a member

We unite with our women in continuing Betty G. Allen late continued with a member of our religious Society George Henry Clapp.

5th mo 1855

L. Smith
informed

At Dartmouth Mo Meeting of Friends held 5th mo 28th 1855 by acts read the representation from the preparative Meetings are from the South Ezra King and Joseph Shaler, from the North William Tucker & William Potter who are present. Moses Smith informs he has given Scander Smith information of his being continued a member of our religious Society.

Decided
to Baker

The committee appointed 9th mo 1854 to dispose of a lot of land belonging to this meeting made the following report. viz. To the Monthly Meeting agreeable to a minute made 9th mo 1854 we have conveyed to Job Baker the lot of land herein mentioned & paid the proceeds to our Treasurer viz \$35. And propose that the money be placed in the savings bank if agreeable to the Monthly Meeting on behalf of the owners Humphrey Anthony, Moses Smith 5th mo 11. 1855. which is satisfactory to the Meeting & Abraham Pausell is directed to place the balance \$34. after paying for the deed in the New Bedford Institution for savings.

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5th mo 1855

Committee report
care of the
house

The committee appointed in the 12th mo of last year to have the care of our meeting house & to make the following report viz -
To the Monthly Meeting, The committee appointed last year to have the care of our meeting houses, burial grounds &c. report, that they have attended to the service for which they were appointed, one or more of them have attended all the Funerals that have been held under the care of Friends within the limits of this Monthly Meeting. We have noticed some variance from what the Discipline recommends, in some of the inscriptions on some of the monuments set up in our burial grounds. It is desirable that all Friends should feel an interest in keeping strictly to the discipline in regard to the inscriptions alluded to. The committee think that the time has nearly come that the roof of the meeting house at Newtown and also a portion of the roof of the school should be shingled. In behalf of the committee William Tucker 5th mo 23 1855
This report is satisfactory to the meeting.
And the same Friends namely William Tucker, George Abney, George Smith, Abner Potter, Humphrey Anthony, Joshua M. Gifford, Abraham Russell, Otis Bacon, & Moses Smith, are appointed to the same service for the ensuing year or until another appointment to report but the end of the year.
And the same committee are directed to make the proposed repairs on our meeting house & school at Newtown & draw on our Treasurer for the amount expended & report to this meeting when accomplished. Benjamin Potter is appointed to assist them.
Our beloved Friend Phoebe M. Gifford informed this Meeting that she had a

passed Grace
To the Garden

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prospect of attending the ensuing year's Meeting of Friends in New York which claiming the right of Gifford's attention of this meeting was fully united with & she left at liberty to proceed therein being a minister with whom we have unity & the clerk is directed to sign on our behalf a minute prepared for her by our women's meeting.

We unite with our women friends in denouncing the right of membership with Sarah Tallman late Anthony.

Our esteemed Friend Isaac M. Gifford informed this meeting that he had a prospect of attending the ensuing year's Meeting of Friends of N York as companion to his wife Phoebe M. Gifford with which this Meeting unites in being well pleased in good esteem with us & the clerk is directed to furnish him with minute embracing the substance of this & sign it on our behalf.
George Abney Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th mo 27th 1855 by vote and the representatives from the preparative Meetings were from the South Joshua M. Gifford and George Smith from the North Benjamin Potter & George Abney who are present.

Our beloved Friend Isaac M. Gifford attended this meeting with a certificate of communion from Mississinewa Monthly Meeting and endorsed by Northern Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Mississinewa S. A. 5th mo 17th 1855
Expression of their unity with him as a minister & with his present religious engagements his company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved Friend Phoebe Bishop attended this Meeting with a certificate

of Communion from Norwich Monthly Meeting
6th 1855 of Friends Canada West, and endorsed by P. L. Thomas
Quarterly Meeting held at P. L. Thomas 2nd 10 1855
expressive of unity with her as a minister
and with her present religious engagements
her company & gospel labors have been
acceptable to us

Isaiah Thomas companion to Isaac Day
Isaiah attended this meeting with a certificate from
Thomas New Garden Monthly Meeting of Friends to be
attended at New Garden in Wayne Co. N. C. His company
and social deportment have been acceptable &
satisfactory to us.

William P. Barker & Sarah V. Barker
P. Barker companions to Phoebe Bishop attended this
attended Meeting with certificates of Communion from
Norwich Monthly Meeting of Friends Canada
West their company & social deportment
have been acceptable & satisfactory to us

And the clerk is directed to unite with
the clerk of our women's Meeting in informing
themselves with minutes embracing the
substance of these and sign them on
our behalf.

The Minutes have been read at
this time with consensus to the 15th 2nd 10th
from each of our preparative Meetings
summary answers approved of & directed to
be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting
and Benjamin Potter Joshua W.
Gifford & Moses Smith are appointed
our representatives to that meeting and
the clerk is directed to forward the
said extracts from our minutes & sign
the same on our behalf

These representatives are desired to report
their attendance to our next meeting
Phoebe Gifford attended at this time
the minute granted her last month

George Grace
T. the Garden

6th 1855 to attend the sittings of New York Epistle Meeting
of Friends & informed the attendance was to
be equal of her own mind. Isaac the
Gifford Gifford also returned the minute granted
her to be a company his wife. The returning
minutes minutes granted them are satisfactory to
us.

George Abney clerks.

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 7th 1855 by acts read the representatives
from the preparative Meetings are from the
South Howard Potter & Timothy Allen
from the North William Potter & Isaac W.
Gifford who are present.

One of the representatives to our last
Meeting reports they all attended.

Preced at this time 90 Copies of
the London printed general Epistle of last
year one of which was read & the excellent
advice therein is much to our satisfaction.
These Epistles with the 75 printed minutes
of our last Yearly Meeting which have been
sent at this time are directed to be distrib-
uted amongst our members.

An Extract from our last Yearly
Meeting embracing the report of the
boarding school committee has been read
& read & Moses Smith, Horner Potter &
George Abney are appointed a committee
to unite with a similar Committee of our
women's Meeting in granting certificates
to all children going to the boarding school
from within our limits. also to forward
the names of such as they may think most
desirable to receive the benefit of the charitable
fund. They are also directed to appear our
proportion of stock called for by the Quarterly
Meeting is one hundred forty four $\frac{40}{100}$ dollars

Our Paper which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the
Deputies Treasurer of the Co Meeting when the State
of the Treasury will admit
George Henry Clarke.

Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th Mo 22th 1855

8th Mo 1855 by called the representatives from the
preparative Meetings are from these with
John King & Humphrey Anthony from
from the north William Tucker & Benjamin
Potter who are present.

The year for which the Clerk
Clerk & Assistant of this Meeting were appointed
assistant having expired George Henry is appointed
Clerk & Moses Smith assistant Clerk for the
year ensuing or until another appointment

is made at this time from N. Bedford
Monthly Meeting of Friends a removal
Certificate for George M. Francis, his wife
Mary Ann & their two minor children
family Joseph Pecker & Elizabeth Austin which

this meeting is united in emitting the
Womens Meeting concerning them with

the united with our Womens Meeting
in emitting a removal Certificate from
Certificate of our Monthly Meeting of Friends
on behalf of Mary T. Johnson wife of
David S. Johnson.

The year for which the Overseers of
Brethren of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed
Pastor having expired Messrs Tucker, Hornsmond
Otis Hallow & Humphrey Anthony are
appointed to that service for the ensuing
year or until another appointment

is made
The Committee appointed in 5th Mo
last to have the roof of our meeting house
shingled at Newbury & a portion of the shed shingled
made the following report viz =

George Grace
T. the Garden

To the Monthly Meeting, we your Committee
appointed to have the roof of the Meeting house &
a portion of the shed at Newbury shingled
report that we have attended to our appointment
have had the roof of the Meeting house and
the front side of the roof of the shed shingled
& some other needed repairs done, the whole
expense of which is \$125.21 etc, On behalf of
the Committee Wm Tucker 8th Mo 22th 1855.
all of which is satisfactory to the meeting
and our Treasurer is directed to pay to
Wm Tucker the amount expended when
the State of the Treasury will admit
George Henry Clarke

Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 9th Mo 26th 1855 by called the
representatives from the preparative Mtgs
are from the south Ephraim Gifford and
Humphrey Anthony from the North
Isaac G. Gifford and Benjamin Potter
who are present.

Our beloved Friend Thomas Jones
attended this Meeting with a Certificate
from Durham Monthly of Friends expressing
of their unity with him as a Minister and
with his present religious engagements, his
company & gospel labours have been
acceptable to us

Our esteemed Friend
Levi Meador attended this Meeting as
companion to Thomas Jones with a certi-
ficate of concurrence from Durham
Monthly Meeting of Friends his company
and soled disposition have been acceptable
& satisfactory to us & The Clerk is directed
to unite with the Clerk of the womens
meeting in furnishing them with minutes
embracing the substance of the above

9th 1855 The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the 1st & 2^d and 10th and deemed approved of & directed to be forwarded to our next Q^r Meeting George Army & Wm Quier & George Allen are appointed our answers representatives to that Meeting, and they are desired to report their attendance to our next Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to forward the necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf
George Army Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th mo 24th 1855 by attendance the representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South George W. Francis and Prime Allen from the North Isaac M. Potter and George Army who are present.

The representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they collected.

Abraham Russel & William Tucker are appointed a committee to settle with our Treasurer propose one for the year to come also to propose a sum of money necessary to be raised to meet our expenses the ensuing year and report to this meeting next month

George Army Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th mo 28th 1855 by attendance the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the South George W. Francis & Prime Allen from the North Isaac M. Gifford & George Army who are present

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At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th mo 28th 1855 by attendance the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the South Abner Knapp and Joseph Stead from the North William Tucker & Isaac M. Gifford who are present.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers from each of our preparative Meetings to the 1st & 2^d and 10th a summary of which was approved of & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting.

William Potter, Prime Allen and George M. Francis are appointed our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting who are desired to report their attendance to our next meeting.

The Committee appointed last month to settle with our Treasurer & appointed to the following report viz. To the last meeting the Committee appointed last month to settle with the Treasurer of this Meeting, & for other purposes, have attended to that service & find in his hands eleven dollars & 9³/₄ Cents, there is due to the Meeting about two hundred dollars for wood sold, the Committee propose to raise seventy five dollars for expenses of the Meeting for the ensuing year.

Osman Wood having expressed a desire for a number of years past & at this time particularly to be excused from serving any longer as Treasurer of this meeting on account of his age & infirmities. The committee propose the name of William Tucker for Treasurer for the year to come on behalf of the committee Abner Knapp
Dartmouth 11th mo 27th 1855

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The report is satisfactory to the meeting and William Tucker is appointed Treasurer for the ensuing year or until an other appointment. And our preparative Meetings are directed to raise to raise their proportions of the sum we commande report to this Meeting when accomplished

George Abrey Clerk

12th mo 1855 At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th mo 26th 1855 by acts and the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the south Timothy Allen and Ephraim Gifford from the North S. W. Potter & William Potter who are present

O Dudley attended Our beloved Friend David Dudley attended this Meeting with a satisfactory certificate of concurrence from Sitchfield Monthly Meeting of Friends expressive of their unity with him as administrator & with his present religious engagements, his company & Gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Joseph Taylor attended Our beloved Friend Joseph Taylor as companion to O Dudley attended this Meeting with a satisfactory certificate of concurrence from Sidney Monthly Meeting of Friends, his company & exemplary deportment have been acceptable & satisfactory to us

The Clerk is directed to furnish there with minutes embracing the substance of the above and signe the same on our behalf.

Representatives report The representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report they all attended except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned

George Abrey
Clerk

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1855 The Committee appointed 12th mo 1854 to have wood cut on the lot belonging to this Meeting made the following report. viz To the Monthly Meeting now sitting we your Committee to cut & sell wood on the Meetings lot have attended to our appointment & have cut & sold of Merchantable wood 47 cords 6 feet & 2 inches for \$199.02 also 14.4 feet of Trash wood for \$24.45 whole amount \$223.47

and have paid one hundred & twenty three dollars & 24 cents into the Treasury, and the balance will be ready soon, The cutting was paid by the Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting amount is \$35.73 cents on behalf of the committee Abm Russell

Dartmouth 12th mo 26th 1855. also which Committee's satisfactory to the Meeting & the same continued Friends now under appointment viz William Tucker, S. W. Potter, Howard Potter, & Abm Russell are continued a Committee to complete the collection have about fifty cords more of wood cut and for of the same & pay the proceeds to our Treasurer & report to this Meeting when accomplished, George Abrey Clerk

1856 At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th mo 28th 1856 by acts and the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the south Joshua Gifford & Prine Allen from the North William Tucker & George Abrey who are present

The year for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired & the subject claiming the attention of the Meeting were united in appointing the same Friends viz Benjamin Potter, George Abrey

Humphrey, Anthony, George Smith, Moses Smith, Timothy Allen & Joshua M. Gifford to that service for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

at births & deaths

We are informed by the Overseers that an act of all the births & deaths that have occurred within our limits the past year have been handed to the recorder.

P. Potter dismission of

We write with the women's meeting in dismissing of Elizabeth Potter (daughter of John Potter) from being a member of our Religious Society.

George Henry G. Clerk.

Jan 1856

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held Jan 27th 1856 by act and the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the South George Allen & Moses Smith, from the North Isaac M. Gifford & George Henry who are present.

X.P. Miss flash piece

The North preparative Meeting informs their proportion of stocks has been paid to our Treasurer.

S.P. Miss flash piece

We are also informed that the South preparative Meeting's proportion of stocks had been paid to our Treasurer.

Received the following information through the South Preparative Meeting.

Committee to visit

To the preparative Meeting this may inform that George G. Allen has so far deviated from the good order of our society as to marry one not in membership with us which we submit to the Meeting. Timothy Allen & Joshua M. Gifford Overseers Jan 20th 1856 Prime Allen & Joshua M. Gifford are appointed to treat with him on that act & report to our next Meeting.

The committee continued 12 not last to finish the collection due for wood

Balance paid forward

held last year made the following report viz To the Monthly Meeting the balance one hundred & 21/100 dollars due for wood sold has been paid to the Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting In behalf of the Committee William Tucker Dec 27th 1855 which is satisfactory to the Meeting.

W. Tucker dismission of

The Women inform that they have come to the conclusion to disown Mary Underhill wife of Henry Underhill & Sarah M. Wilbur daughter of Thomas M. Wilbur with which this Meeting united.

George Henry G. Clerk.

Jan 1856

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held Jan 27th 1856 by act and the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the South Abner Potter & Moses Smith, from the North William Tucker and Isaac M. Potter who are present.

W. Tucker continued

The committee appointed last month to treat with George G. Allen made the following report, viz To the Monthly Meeting, We your committee in the case of George G. Allen inform that we have had an opportunity with him to a good degree of satisfaction and believe him to be sincerely desirous of remaining a member, signed Prime Allen Joshua M. Gifford Jan 26th 1856 which is satisfactory to the Meeting and he having presented a communication to this Meeting expressing a desire to be continued a member the meeting have come to the conclusion to grant his request the women's meeting uniting their wish Joshua M. Gifford is named to inform him here of & report to this Meeting next month.

By information through the North preparative meeting we are informed

3rd 1856 Benjamin Potter requests a certificate to
to Potter request for certification
1855 Short Monthly Meeting of Friends to
enable him to proceed in marriage with
Mary Chase, William Tucker and
George Army are appointed to prepare
one on that act & present to this meeting and
should nothing appears to prevent.

The Quia's have been read at
this time with answers thereto from
Quia's each of our preparative meetings a
moment summary thereof was approved of &
directed to be forwarded to our next
Quarterly Meeting. William Tucker
Percy King & Prince Allen are appointed
our representatives to that meeting and
desired to report their attendance next
month. The Clerk is directed to
forward any necessary extracts from
our minutes & sign the same on our
behalf

George Army Clerk.

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
12th 1856 held 4th 11th 23rd 1856 by acts read the
representatives from the preparative Mtgs
are from the south Abner Potter & George
Smith from the north George Army &
William Potter who are present.

One of the representatives to our last
Quarterly Meeting reports they all
Dorothy attended

Joshua W. Gifford who was named
to inform George C. Allen of his being continued
continued a member of this meeting being absent is
continued in charge thereof to report next month

The Committee appointed last month to prepare
a certificate for Benjamin Potter's wife's
Monthly Meeting on act of Marriage presented
one which was read approved & directed to be signed

passed Grace
& Garden

by the Clerk & forwarded to that meeting.
Received at this time the following
viz To the Monthly Meeting now sitting,
The Committee that has the care of the Benjamin
Dickinson bequest have received from the
Trustees of the Institution for Savings for the past year
\$2570
Bequest, Also for rent of Marsh 13.60
and for the privilege of sea wead
which has been paid into the
Treasury, on behalf of the committee

Abner Russell
Dartmouth 14th 11th 23rd 1856
which is satisfactory to the Meeting.
George Army Clerk.

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
13th 1856 held 5th 11th 28th 1856 by acts read the representatives
from the preparative Meetings are from the south
Ephraim Gifford & George W. Francis from the
North William Tucker & William Potter
who are all absent except one

Joshua W. Gifford who was named
to inform George C. Allen of his being
continued a member of this meeting being
absent he is continued in charge thereof to
report to this meeting next month.

We concur with our Western Meeting
in disowning Hannah B. Swift late member
from being any longer a member of our
religious society.
George Army Clerk.

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 6th 11th 25th 1856 by acts read the representatives
from the preparative Meetings are from the south
Otis Shawnee & Abner Potter from the North
Isaac R. Potter & William Potter who are
present

Our beloved Friend Ann Mearns, wife attended
 this meeting & presented a satisfactory certificate
 of concurrence from White Water Monthly Meeting
 of Friends & endorced by White Water
 attended Quarterly Meeting expressive of unity with her as
 a Minister & with her present religious engagements
 her company & Gospel labours have been acceptable
 to us

Our beloved Friend James Jones attended
 this Meeting & presented a satisfactory certificate
 of concurrence from Chinese Monthly Meeting of
 attended Friends & endorced by vassalborough Quarterly
 Meeting expressive of unity with him as a Minister
 & with his present religious engagements, his
 company & Gospel labors have been acceptable
 to us.

Our beloved Friend William Mearns wife
 attended this Meeting as companion to her
 William Mearns wife & presented a satisfactory certificate of concurrence
 attended from White Water Monthly Meeting expressive
 of his being an Elder in good stead, his company
 & voice department have been acceptable
 & satisfactory to us. And the Clerk is
 directed to forward them with minutes
 embracing the substance of the above as directed
 to each & sign them on our behalf.

Poshua M. Gifford informs he has given
 George Mearns information of his being continued
 a Member of our religious Society.

The Queries have been read at this
 with answers from each of our preparatives
 answered meetings to the 1st & 10th a summary thereof
 was approved & directed to be forwarded to
 our next Quarterly Meeting. George Mearns
 Isaac M. Gifford & Poshua M. Gifford are
 appointed a committee to the Quarterly
 Meeting & desired to report their attendance
 next Month. The Clerk is directed to forward
 any necessary extracts from our minutes and

Moses Grace
 to the Garden

sign the same on our behalf

The Committee appointed last year to have
 the care of our meeting houses burial grounds &
 to attend at Funerals Made the following
 report viz To the Monthly Meeting The
 Committee appointed in 5th mo last year to
 have the care of Meeting Houses Burial grounds
 & to attend at Funerals report that they have
 endeavored to attend to the services for
 which they were appointed, we still have
 to inform that a whilst Friends appear to be
 concerned to maintain our testimonies in
 regard to monuments erected in our burial
 grounds and inscriptions thereon, yet there is
 a departure from what our discipline requires
 by some who are not in profession with us
 in regard to the inscriptions. we would
 recommend a more proper enclosure
 around the burial ground at Newtown,
 one or more of the Committee have we believe
 attended at all the Funerals that have been
 held under the care of Friends within
 the limits of this Monthly Meeting on behalf of
 the Committee Moses Smith Dartmouth
 mo 25th 1855. The report is satisfactory & believing
 usefulness might arise from a new appointment
 Isaac M. Gifford, Howard Potter, Humphrey
 Anthony & Priner Allen are appointed a
 committee to consider of & propose such names
 of Friends for a committee for that service as
 they may think suitable to our next meeting.

We concur with our womens Meeting
 in receiving a removed certificate from West
 Port Monthly Meeting of Friends on behalf
 of Hannah H. Davis wife of Davis John Davis
 George Henry G. Gifford

7th mo 1856

Representatives
all
present

Committee
appointed
Nov 7th 56

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7th mo 23rd 1856 by which the representatives from the preparative Meetings were from the South Benjamin Gidley & George Smith, from the North Isaac H. Gifford and Benjamin Potter who are present.

One of the representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended. The committee appointed last month to consider of & propose names of Friends to have the care of our Meeting houses several grounds & to attend at funerals presented the following viz. William Tucker, Benjamin Potter, George Abney, Joshua H. Gifford, Otis Moccum, Moses Smith, Abram Knapp, George H. Francis, Abner Potter, Thompson & Anthony & Prax King which are satisfactory to the Meeting and they are accordingly appointed to those services for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

L.D. Epistle
read

We have read at this time 90 copies of the London printed Epistle for 1855 one of which was read & was interesting & satisfactory to us. These Epistles with 70 copies of the printed minutes of our last quarterly meeting are directed to be distributed amongst our members.

An Extract from our last yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee, advice in regard to answering Queries & to the appointment of Elders have been read & read. Moses Smith, George Abney & Abner Potter are appointed a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of our Womens Meeting in granting certificates to children going to the boarding school from within our

received Grace
To the Garden

7th mo 1856

at 7th mo
Dartmouth

L.D. Epistle
read

limits, also to forward names of such as they may think most suitable to receive the benefit of the charitable fund.

By an account read it appears our proportion of the Quarterly Meeting's stock is seventy six dollars (19 per cent) which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurers of the Quarterly Meeting when the state of the Treasury will admit.

The Committee appointed in 12th mo 1855 to treat with Abner P. Barker on act of his staying out of the order of our society made the following report, viz To Dartmouth Mo. Mtg. Dear Friends we your Committee in the case of Abner P. Barker reports that we have had an interview with him he received us kindly acknowledged he had an attachment for the society of Friends in preference to any other sect could not say he wished Friends to continue him a member, apprehending further labor from us will be unavailing we submit the case to the Monthly Meeting William Tucker George Abney Dartmouth 7th mo 23rd 1856 the meeting accepts the report and are united in disowning him from being any longer a member of our Religious Society the womens Meeting concurring therewith & Isaac H. Gifford is named to inform him thereof & report next month.

George Abney Clerk

At Dartmouth Mo. Meeting of Friends held 8th mo 27th 1856 by which the representatives from the preparative Meetings were from the South Joshua H. Gifford & Abner Potter from the North William Tucker & Benjamin Potter who are present.

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The year for which the Clerks & Assistants
of this Meeting having expired George
Army is appointed Clerk & Moses Smith
appointed Assistant Clerks for the ensuing year or
until another appointment

Isaac M^r Gifford informs he has not
given Abner P. Barker information of his
not being disowned, he is continued in charge
there of to report next month.

The following information was presented
by the Overseers viz To Dartmouth Monthly
Meeting Dear Friends This is to inform
that William S. Potter has for a considerable
length of time neglected the attendance
at our Religious Meetings, and is about
to unite himself with a society holding
principles & views different from those
of Friends Benjamin Potter George Army
8th Dec 1856 which being read Isaac M^r Gifford
and William Tucker are appointed a
committee to visit him on that act and
report next month.

The year for which the Overseers of the pro-
cess of this Meeting having expired William
Tucker Thompson, Benjamin Potter
Abner Potter & Ephraim Gifford are appointed
to that service for the ensuing year or until
another appointment

George Army Clerks

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th Dec 1856
by order of the representatives from the preparative
Meetings are from the south Timothy Allen &
Prince Allen from the north Isaac M^r Gifford
& William Potter who are present

Isaac M^r Gifford informs he has given
Abner P. Barker information of his being
disowned from being a member of our religious
society

received Grace
To the Garden

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The Minutes have been read at this time with
answers to the 1st Dec 10th & a summary thereof
approved of & directed to be forwarded to our next
annual Yearly Meeting. William Potter, Moses Smith
& G. A. Army are appointed our representatives
& directed to report their attendance
next month. The Clerk is directed to forward
any necessary extracts from our minutes & sign
the same on our behalf

The committee appointed last month
to visit William S. Potter made the following
report, viz To the Dec Meeting Dear Friends
We your committee in the case of Wm S. Potter
now report, that we have attended to our
appointment, and that he received us kindly
& that after stating to him the objects of our
visit he replied & said that for a considerable
length of time he had found himself disagreeing
with the discipline of our society, also that he
was now engaged or about to engage in a
Theological study, to prepare himself for the
ministry, and that we believe any further
labor to restore him to our views & practices
at present would be unwarrantable Isaac M^r
Gifford & William Tucker Committee of Dec
24th 1856 which report the meeting is united
in accepting and we do hereby disown him
from being any longer a member of our religious
society. The women's meeting concerning them with
Isaac M^r Gifford is named to inform him
there of & report to when accomplished or
called upon by the meeting

Our much Esteemed Friend Abner
Pensley having read & paid to the Treasurer
of this Meeting the income arising from
the Benjamin Whitson bequest since the
year 1828 until his decease in 1856 = 28 years
we now appoint George Army to receive on
behalf of this Meeting & on behalf of the =

17th

9th 1855

Oversors any & all incomes arising from said bequest & also the income from any other property belonging to our Monthly Meeting and pay the same to our Treasurer & present an annual acct thereof to this Meeting. The said Geo Army to act as above until otherwise directed. George Army Clerk.

10th 1855

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th mo 2^d 1855 by act & order the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the south George Allen & Otis Blossum from the North William Tucker & George Army who are present. One of the representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended. Abner Potter & Benjamin Potter are appointed a committee to settle with our Treasurer & propose one for the ensuing year, also propose a sum of money necessary to be raised to meet our expenses for the year to come & report next month.

representatives
all
attended

committee
for
Treasurer &c

\$40 given
by
Mr Barber

We are informed there is in the hands of the Oversors 40 dollars given for the use of this Meeting by our dear deceased friend Maria Barber. The Overseors are directed to pay the same to our Treasurer it being the judgement of this Meeting that it should be appropriated towards a new enclosure around the burying ground at New Town. George Army, Clerk.

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th mo 2^d 1855 by act & order the representatives from the preparative meetings are from the south John Wing and Ephraim Gifford from the North George Army and Benjamin Potter who are present

11th mo
1855

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the 1st 2^d & 10th from each of our preparative Meetings a summary of which was approved of and directed to be forwarded to our annual next Quarterly Meeting. George Army Moses Smith, and Joshua W Gifford are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as our representatives and they are desired to report their attendance next month. The Clerk is directed to forward any necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

Treasurer
settled
with

The Committee appointed last month to settle with our Treasurer &c. Made the following report - viz. To the Monthly Meeting, The committee appointed last month to settle with our Treasurer &c. have attended to the object of our appointment. We find in the Treasury one hundred & one dollars & one cent. = we are of the opinion that it is not necessary to raise any money for expenses of the Meeting the ensuing year, and propose the name of William Tucker for Treasurer for the year to come which we submit to the meeting Benjamin Potter, Abner Potter 11th mo 2^d 1855 which is satisfactory to the Meeting, and accordingly William Tucker is appointed Treasurer for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

W B Potter
informed

Benjamin W. Gifford informs he has given William B. Potter information of his being disowned from being a member of our religious Society.

This Meeting being informed that there is a person wishing to purchase a lot of land belonging to this meeting =

lying on the east side of the road leading
Committee to Mussels Mills, we appoint William
in regard to Potter, Shner Potter, Howard Potter,
Wood lot, George Smith, and Moses Smith to
consider of the subject & have the lot
surveyed and report their judgement
in the case next month.

We unite with our womens
Certificate Meeting in receiving a removal Certif
icate from Westport Monthly Meeting of
Friends on behalf of Mary G. Potter wife
of Benjamin Potter

George Shury Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
12th 1856. held 12th mo 21st 1856 by acts read the
representatives from the preparative Mtgs
are from the south Joshua Gifford &
Moses Smith, from the North William
Tucker & William Potter who are present

representatives One of the representatives to our last
attended Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended

The Committee appointed last month
to consider of the propriety of disposing of a
Committee wood lot & report they have given some
attention to the case but are not ready to
report make a full report they are continued
in charge thereof to report next month

Received the following communication
from Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends
viz through Falmouth Preparative Meeting
Apr 21st 1857 we have received the following complaint against
Septimus Swift. viz To Sandwich Monthly
Meeting, Septimus Swift had so far de-
viated from the good order of our Society as to
many contrary to the rules of our discipline
and to absent himself from our religious
meetings Stephen Dillingham, Barnabas
Howman, Arnold Gifford = traversers

And he now residing within the limits of Dartmouth
Monthly Meeting, it is concluded to refer the case to
that meeting and request them to attend such case
& assistance as may appear proper & inform this Meeting
of the result, and the Clerk is directed to forward to
that meeting a copy of the complaint, with the
substance of this minutes. Extracted from the
minutes of Sandwich Monthly Meeting of friends
held at Falmouth 11th mo 7th 1856 David H. Ash
Clerk, which this meeting accepts and Resol
ves Gifford & George Shury are appointed a
Committee to visit them on that case & bestow
such labour as they may apprehend the case
calls for and report next month.

George Shury Clerk

12th 1857 At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held
14th mo 28th 1857 by acts read the representatives
from the preparative Meetings are from the
south George Smith & Moses Smith, from
the North William Potter & George Shury
who are present.

The Committee to consider the
propriety of disposing of a wood lot
not being ready to make a full report
are continued in charge thereof to report
next month

The Committee to treat with
Septimus Swift not being ready to report
they are continued in charge thereof to
report next month.

George Shury Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2^o
mo 25th 1857. by acts read the representatives
from the preparative Mtgs are from the south
John Shury & George Allen from the North
William Tucker & Benjamin Potter
who are present.

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1857

The committee appointed in 11th mo last to consider the propriety of selling a lot of land belonging to this Meeting made the following report to the committee appointed 11th mo last to take into consideration the propriety of selling part of the wood lot that belongs to the Monthly Meeting report we are united in opinion that it is not for the interest of society to sell it which we submit to the meeting. Howard Potter, George Smith, Moses Smith, Abner Potter June 5th 1857 which the meeting and the committee are discharged from further attention thereto.

We unite with our women's Meeting in disowning Rhoda B. Brown late Sherman disowned from being any longer a member of our religious society

The following information respecting Abner T. King was received through the South meeting viz To the preparative Meeting this may inform that Abner T. King has so far deviated from the good order of our society as to marry one who is not a member of our society. Tim. May, Abner Joshua M. Gifford Dec^r 18th 1857. Elisha Brown & Ephraim Gifford are appointed to treat with him on that account and report to this meeting next mo.

The year for which the Overseers of this Meeting were appointed having expired we appointed Isaac M. Gifford, Humphrey Anthony, Abner Potter, George Abney & Moses Smith, to consider & propose to our next meeting the names of such friends as they may think suitable for their service

The committee appointed in 12th mo last to treat with Stephenus Swift made the following report viz To the Monthly Meeting the report committee to visit Stephenus Swift on account of a complaint from the Overseers of Sandwich Monthly

Settling
and
committee

Committee
for
Overseers

Swift
report of
committee

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Meeting report that we have had an interview with him, he fully justifies himself in the course he has taken, and was satisfied with & should continue to attend the Meetings of those who have seceded from our religious society, believing further attention from us will be unwarrantable we submit the case to the Monthly Meeting. Isaac M. Gifford, George Abney Dec^r 25th 1857. which after a time of consideration the meeting is united in accepting & the clerk is directed to forward a copy of the report with such extracts from our minutes as may be thought necessary to send with the City of Friends

We are informed the Overseers have handed to the recorder an act of all the births & deaths that have occurred within our limits the past year

George Abney & Clerk.

Dec^r 1857. At Dartmouth Mo Meeting of Friends held Dec^r 25th 1857 by and through the representatives from the preparative meetings viz from the south Anthony Humphrey, Anthony & Ephraim Gifford from the North Isaac M. Gifford & William Tucker who are present.

The committee appointed last month to treat with Abner T. King inform that they have paid some attention to the case but not being ready to make a full report, they are continued in charge thereof to report next mo.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers from each of our preparative Meetings, a summary thereof was approved & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting. William Potter, Joshua M. Gifford & Howard Potter are appointed to attend as our representatives & desired to report their attendance to our next meeting. The clerk is directed to forward any necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf

Settling
committee
two-part.

Queries
answered

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Dec 1857

We are informed our proposition of Quarterly Meetings, & that has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

Business
appointed

The committee appointed last month to propose names for Treasurers of this Mtg presented the following, Benjamin Potter, George & Henry, George Smith, Moses Smith, Timothy, Aaron, Joshua M. Gifford, Humphrey Anthony, & Braithling which being read with they are accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Communication
from
Sandwich
Meeting

Received & accepted the following information from Sandwich Monthly Meeting by To Carborough Monthly Meeting of Friends Dear Friends, We have received your communication in the case of Hyman's draft referred to you by minute of all Mtg. And after a time of consideration and having the concurrence of our women's meeting, we are united in denying him the right of membership with us. And the clerk is directed to forward the substance of this minute to our meeting & request you to inform him of his denial and right of appeal. From the minutes of Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Carborough Dec 18th 1857. David M. Allen Clerk. Humphrey Anthony appointed to inform him of his being disowned from being a member of our religious society by Sandwich Monthly Meeting report next month.

Our beloved Friend Prudence M. Gifford in a weighty manner shew'd before this Mtg of P. M. Gifford a concern which has rested on her mind for a quite some length of time to perform in gospel love a visit to Friends within the limits of Sandwich yearly Meeting, in attending their Meetings & appointing Meetings among Friends and others not members of our religious society as way may open for it in the truth

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which claiming the weighty consideration of this Meeting was feelingly united with & she left at liberty & encouraged to proceed therein being a Minister with whom we have unity. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the women's Meeting in furnishing her with a certificate embracing the substance of the above & sign it on our behalf.

George Henry Clerk

1857

At Carborough Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th 12th 22d 1857. By acts read the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the South Otis, Accorn & Abner Potter from the North Isaac M. Gifford & Benjamin Potter who are present

Representatives
all
attended

One of the representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports they call attended

Attending
continued
a
member

The committee appointed in 2^d Mtg last to treat with Abner F. Strong made the following report. To the Monthly Meeting. - We your committee in the case of Abner F. Strong have attended to our appointment and found him desirous of being continued in membership with us which we submit to the Monthly Meeting Otis, Accorn & Abner Potter from 14th Mtg 17th 1857, which being read the meeting is united in unity & he having presented a communication requesting to be continued a member, the Meeting hereby grants his request the women's Meeting uniting therewith, Abner Potter jun is named to inform him of his being continued a member and report next month.

Humphrey
Anthony
has
given
us
swift
information

Humphrey Anthony informs he has given us swift information of his disownment by Sandwich Mtg Meeting. The clerk is directed to inform that Meeting then of

W. Kelly
original
member of
1875, 1876, 1877

Recd the following from South Bedford Monthly Meeting, To Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, Dear Friends Wm Kelly who was formerly a member of and disowned by your Meeting, has requested to be received into membership with us, having made due enquiry by a committee, we are united in receiving him provided there is no objection on your part signed on behalf of S Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3rd Mo 26th 1857. Charles M. Tucker clerk, which claiming the consideration of this Meeting, & nothing appearing to hinder his being received to membership the clerk is directed to give this information to that Meeting.

B. Winslow
request
member of

Bra Winslow Junr having for several months through the north preparative Meeting a request to become a member of our religious society we appoint Isaac M. Gifford, George Army & William Potter to visit him & endeavour to find the sincerity of his request and fitness to become a member & report next month.

Wm Gifford
minute

Our beloved Friend Isaac M. Gifford informed this Meeting that he felt it right to stand assigned to accompany his wife Phoebe M. Gifford in her proposed religious visit to Friends & others within the limits of S. for the Yearly Meeting, which (as expressed in the certificate granted her last year) claiming the weighty consideration of this Meeting was feelingly united with will he felt at liberty to proceed therein, being an elder in good esteem with us. The clerk is directed to write with the clerk of the women's Meeting in forms herewith a certificate embracing the substance of this & sign it on our behalf.

George Army clerk.

1857

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5th Mo 27th 1857. By acts and proceedings from the preparative Meetings are from the South Abraham Gifford & Joseph Hind from the North William Tucker & William Potter who are present. Abner Potter reports he has informed Abner T. King of his being continued a member of our religious society.

B. Winslow
committee
report

The committee appointed last month to visit Ezra Winslow Junr on act of his request made the following report, viz To Dartmouth Monthly Meeting Dear friends We the committee appointed in the case of Ezra Winslow Junr, were not that we visited him on act of his request he received us kindly, but we were not able to discover that the time had yet fully come to receive him into membership which we submit to the meeting. Isaac M. Gifford, William Potter & Geo Army 5th Mo 26th 1857. The meeting is united in accepting the report and the committee are discharged.

Committee
to
have
a
report.

The committee appointed in 1855 to have a wood cut on the lot belonging to this Meeting made the following report. To the monthly Meeting your committee having charge of cutting & selling a wood cut that they had seventy three & one half cords of merchantable & eight & one half cords of refuse wood cut & sold last year, amounting to eighty nine & 83/100 dollars after paying expenses of cutting, which amount has been paid to the Treasurer of the Meeting on behalf of the committee Abner Potter Junr 5th Mo 27th 1857. which is satisfactory to the Meeting & Abner Potter Junr, George Smith, Moses Smith & Benjamin Potter are appointed

1857

15th Nov 1857

Committee
to make
arrangements
for
the
ground

to have the care of disposing of what arrangements
to have about fifty cords
more but a report of it & report to this Mtg
when accomplished.

The subject of having a better enclosure
around our burying ground at Newtown
having claimed the attention of friends
William Tucker, William Potter and
Benjamin Potter are appointed to
have a more suitable one made & report
to this meeting when accomplished
George Henry Clerk.

18th Nov 1857

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held the 24th 1857 by vote of the representatives
from the preparative Meetings are from the
South Joshua M. Gifford & Moses Smith
from the North William Tucker & Benjamin
Potter who are present.

Committee
to have
care of
funerals

The committee appointed in Jan^o
last year to have the care of our Meetings &
burial grounds & to attend at funerals
made the following report viz To Dartmouth
Monthly Meeting we the committee appointed
to attend & have the care of funerals & burial
grounds & reports we have attended all
funerals which have been held under
the care of Friends within the limits of this
Meeting & believe they were orderly conducted
& that the order of discipline has been so far
observed with regard to the inscriptions on
stones & other respects as to be satisfactory to the
committee signed on behalf of the committee
Moses Smith Nov^o 24. 1857 The report is
satisfactory since the same Friends were with
appointment (with the exception of our
deceased one above named) an continuation
for that service to report next year their
names are William Tucker, Benjamin

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William Potter, George Henry, Joshua M. Gifford,
Otho Storran, Moses Smith, George M. Francis,
Abner Potter jun^r, Humphrey Anthony & Ezra
Wing

The Queries with answers to the 1th
D^o & 10th from each of our preparative Meetings
have been read & read & summary answers
approved of & directed to be forwarded to our
next Quarterly Meeting. George Henry
John Wing & William Potter are
appointed to attend as our representatives
They are desired to report their attendance
next month & the Clerk is directed to forward
any necessary extracts from our minutes &
sign the same on our behalf.

Queries
answered

Out of
the
request.

The following act was read & read
& is satisfactory - To the Monthly Meeting
the following is an act of the income arising
from the Benjamin Dickson bequest the
past year -
viz Two dividends from the D^o of 1857 \$26.04
institutions for savings
For rent of North \$12.25
\$38.29

which has been paid to the treasurer of the
Monthly Meeting. George Henry
Dartmouth the 20th Nov 1857.

By
attended
The
attended

Our beloved Friend Priscilla Green
from Gt. Britton attend this Meeting and
attended previous satisfactory certificates from that to
the Mtg held at Dunsmoe County of Essex
England - The Quarterly Mtg of Essex & the yearly
Mtg of Ministers & Elders
Also our beloved friend Mary Richardson
who is engaged with Priscilla Green in
religious service, who procure satisfactory
certificates from the Mtg of Pardshaw
the Quarterly Mtg of Cumberland & Westmorland
held at Wigton and one from

The Morning Meetings of Ministers & Elders that in London all expressing unity with them as Ministers of the Gospel & with their present religious engagements. Their company & gospel labors have been satisfactory & acceptable to us
George Abney Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7th mo 2^d 1857. by act and the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the south ^{William George Smith} Humphrey Anthony & from the north George Abney & Benjamin Potter who are present

One of the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended report except one

Extracts from our Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the board of school committee & information respecting the admission of members to the Meetings of ministers & Elders have been read & read & are satisfactory. George Abney, Moses Smith, Ephraim Gifford & Abner Potter are appointed a committee to write with a similar committee of our own meeting granting certificates to children going to the boarding school from within our limits also to forward names of such as may apply to receive the benefit of the charitable fund

90 copies of the London printed Minutes of last year have been read one of which was read at this time which is satisfactory to us then with 75 copies of the printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting are directed to be distributed amongst our Members

George Abney Clerk

8th mo 1857

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th mo 2^d 1857 by act and the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the south Timothy Skin & Paul Fisher from the north William Potter & George Abney who are present.

blocks appointed

The year for which the Clerk & Assistant Clerk of this Meeting were appointed having expired George Abney is appointed Clerk and Moses Smith assistant Clerk for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

oversers of the poor

The year for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired William Tucker Otis Abner, Humphrey Anthony, & Abner Potter Jun are appointed to that service for the ensuing year or until an other appointment

By act and at this time it appears our proportion of Quarterly Meetings is \$76.00 dollars, our Treasurer is directed to pay that amount when the state of the treasury will admit

George Abney Clerk

9th mo 1857

At Dartmouth Mo Mtg of Friends held 9th mo 2^d 1857 by act and the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the south Ephraim Gifford & Abner Potter Jun, from the north William Tucker & Benjamin Potter who are present.

Minutes returned

The Minutes have been read at this time with answers to the 1st & 10th from each of our preparative Meetings a summary of which was approved of & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting. William Tucker, William Potter & Humphrey Anthony are

appointed representatives to the Q^r Mtg and the Clerk is directed to forward any necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf

passed the following through the South preparative Meeting - to the preparative Meeting. This may inform that Benjamin W. Allen has so far deviated from the good order of our society as to marry one who is not in membership with us. Timothy Allen Joshua M. Gifford 9th mo 16th 1857. Paul Fisher and Moses Smith are appointed to visit him on that act & report to this meeting next mo. George Army Clerk

10th April 1857 At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th mo 25th 1857 we received the representatives from the preparative Meeting are from the South Prince & Anne County Anthony from the North Anne Co. Gifford and George Army who are present.

One of the representatives to a recent Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended. The committee appointed last month to meet with Benjamin W. Allen made the following report viz to the Monthly Meeting. The year committee appointed last month to meet with Benjamin W. Allen on account of his deviation in marriage report we had an opportunity with him to a good degree of satisfaction he manifesting a number regard for society & wishes to remain a member. Paul Fisher, Moses Smith - The Boston 10th mo 25th 1857. which is satisfactory to the Meeting & he having presented a commendable desiring to remain a member the meeting is united in granting his request. The next Meeting uniting therewith Joshua M. Gifford is named to inform him thereof. Report next month. George Army & Gifford appointed a committee to settle with our Treasurer propose one for the 1st to come also propose a sum necessary to cover real estate expenses the committee report next mo. George Army Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th mo 25th 1857 we received the representatives from the preparative Meeting are from the South Anne King & Paul Fisher from the North William & Benjamin Patter who are present.

Our beloved friend Joseph W. Peate attended this Meeting with a satisfactory exhibit of concern from Unity Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Albion in respect of their united with him as a Minister & with his present vigorous engagements his company & Gospel labours have been acceptable to us.

Also Martha B. Peate Companion to her Husband J. W. Peate with a satisfactory exhibit from Unity Monthly Meeting held at Albion her company and advice department have been acceptable & satisfactory to us. The clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the even us into in furnishing them with minutes embracing the substance of the above as it relates to each they having attended all the votes constituting this.

The Quines with unremittable 14th & 10th from each of our preparative Meetings have been read & summary answers approved of & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting. William Fowler & Smith together with Moses Smith are appointed to attend as our representatives they are desired to report their attendance to this meeting next month and the clerk is directed to copy any missing extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

The committee appointed last month to settle with our Treasurer & make the following report viz to the Mo Meeting. The committee appointed last month to settle with our Treasurer & have attended to that service and find a balance in his hands of eighty =

11th 22nd 1847

There is \$200 dollars and for...
money for the purchase of the...
and upon William...
Dartmouth 11th 22nd 1847...
Henry Potter...
meeting & accordingly William...
Treasurer of...
until another appointment.

The committee appointed in...
have a better enclosure made...
burying ground at...
ground...
appointed some time past to attend...
burial ground at...
they have attended to that service and have
had twenty eight & one half loads of new wall
made & six rods of old wall...
cost of one hundred and twenty five dollars
which are submitted to the...
11th 25th 1847...
William...
is directed to pay the amount of...
when the state of the Treasury...
The \$400 given by our late friend...
to be appropriated in part payment...
directed by this meeting in 1846.

Miss Gifford...
at this time...
granted her in...
within the limits of...
she had seen...
the same gratuity to the comfort & relief of her
own mind. Also presented...
from the following meetings...
Yearly Meeting of...
on each...
Waltham, Purchase, Nine Partners
& Stamford Quarterly Meetings, also gave
...
at...
at...

Township of Farmington and Rochester Monthly
meetings expressive of unity with...
sewers

George & Henry...
Waltham

11th 28th 1847

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 12th 14th 23rd 1847...
the Preparative Meetings...
from the South People...
M. Gifford, from the South William Potter
& Isaac M. Gifford who are present.

Minutes

The Clerk being absent William...
is appointed Clerk for the day.

Deputation

One of the representatives appointed
last month to attend the...
reports that they will attend.

Miss Gifford

Present Mr. Gifford returned the
certificate granted him in...
to accompany his wife...
on her religious visit to...
within the limits of...
Meeting, he also returned...
Minutes expressive of his...
attendance.

William... Clerk for the day.

11th 28th 1847

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 14th 16th 24th 1847...
from the Preparative Meetings...
from the South Jonathan...
from the South George...
Potter who are present.

Certificate

Received & accepted a...
certificate from...
Meeting of Friends on behalf of...
Henry his wife...
Miss Childman...
Women's Meeting...
at...

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Febr. 1858

with deaths
handwritten
to consider

We are informed the Overseers have handed
to the records an act of the births & deaths
that have occurred within our bounds the
past year.

Old Gifford
signed
authenticate

Our beloved Friend Phoebe the
Gifford in a worthy manner informed
this Meeting that she felt her mind
dissatisfied in Gospel love to wait a part of
all of the Families of Providence Monthly
Meetings. I feel to attend to such
brother Prelogians service within the
limits of Middle Island Quarterly Meeting
as I wish may run the war for, which
claiming the deliberate consideration of the
Meeting was united with and she left
at liberty to proceed therein as best wisdom
may direct, being a minister in ungodly
and whom with us. And she is
directed to unite with the Work of the
Societies Meeting in furnishing her
with a minute embracing the substance
of the above design it on our behalf.

And her husband Isaac M. Gifford
is appointed to make the necessary arrangements
to carry out the above concern.

George Army Clerk

3m 1858

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 2m 24th 1858 by call of
the representatives from the Preparative
Meetings are from the south Prime Collier
and John King from the North Isaac
M. Gifford & William Tucker who
were present except one

George Army Clerk

3m 1858

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2m 24th 1858
by call of the representatives from the Preparative Meetings
are from the south Paul Fisher & George Smith, from
the North Benjamin Collier & George Army who are
present.

Isaac M. Gifford rendered a satisfactory reason
for his not attending our last Monthly Meeting as
the representative.

The Queries have been read at this
time with answers from each preparative Meeting
a summary of which was approved & directed to be
forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting. Isaac M. Gifford
George M. Francis & Paul Fisher are appointed to
attend the Quarterly Meeting as our representatives,
& desired to report their attendance next month.
The Clerk is directed to forward any necessary extracts
from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

Queries
considered

Qr Meeting
South pt

Our proportion of Quarterly Meeting stock
has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

Treasurers
appointed

The year for which the Treasurer of this
Meeting were appointed having expired & the
subject having claimed the deliberate consideration
of the Meeting we are united in appointing Benjamin
Collier, George Army, George Smith, Moses
Smith, Timothy Skin, John M. Gifford,
Samuel, Anthony & Ezra King to that service
for the ensuing year or until another appointment
George Army Clerk.

Qr Meeting
1858

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 2m 28th 1858 by call of the representa-
tives from the preparative Meetings are
from the south Joseph Smith & Prince
Allen from the North William Collier &
William Tucker who are present.

Representatives
all
attended
by meeting
at the
Dartmouth

The representatives to our last Quarterly
Meeting were by meeting great may attended
George Army Clerk

At Canton the Monthly Meeting of Friends held at 11th 28th 1858 by invitation the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the South Hampshire & Boston & New England from the North West & Peace & Gifford who are present.

Read the following viz -
To the Monthly Meeting the following is an act of the income from the Benjamin & Deborah Peckham bequest the past year viz two dividends from the Stocks of \$26.114
Deduction for savings)
For rent of House) 9.44
Which has been paid to the Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting George Henry on behalf of the Treasurers
4th 25, 1858

Phoebe Gifford returned at this time & reports the certificate granted her in 1856 last year. Religious service within the limits of Rhode Island & Maine. To which income attached have amounted to the satisfaction of her own mind. She also presented interesting minutes from Providence Mass. & a very satisfactory

George Henry & others
At Canton the Monthly Meeting of Friends held at 11th 28th 1858 by invitation the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the South Hampshire & Boston & New England from the North West & Peace & Gifford who are present. Love beloved friends James Gordon & Boston from Adams the Monthly Meeting held at 11th 28th 1858 & from Bloomington Monthly Meeting State of Mass. & attended this Meeting & presented certificates of conversion from their respective Meetings & pursued of unity with them as ministers with

with their present religious engagements their company & Gospel labors have been acceptable to us

Our beloved friend Lydia Thompson attended this 2nd Session Meeting as companion to her husband. She has attended Monthly Meeting her company & kind deportment have been acceptable & satisfactory to us

The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of our women's Meeting in furnishing them with minutes embracing the substance of the above & sign them on our behalf

The Queries have been read at this time with answers from each of our preparative Meetings. The 1st & 2nd 10th Query which commonly answers were approved & directed to be forwarded to our next Yearly Meeting. Benjamin Potter, Mrs. South & Joseph P. Smith are appointed as our representatives & directed to report their attendance to our next Meeting. The Clerk is directed to forward one copy of the same on our behalf

The Committee appointed to attend at Concord & make the following report. To the Monthly Meeting. The Committee on general Friends grounds & Burial & Burial - with proposals under the care of Friends have been attended by one or more of the Committee & have been orderly conducted. In some of the monuments in our burial grounds the inscriptions are in the limits of our discipline. In behalf of the Committee the affair Potter Jan 6th 25 1858 advised the members of the committee have been satisfied with report of the committee and the following Friends are now appointed to visit seven for the evening to examine the monuments & point out their names are William C. Cook, Benjamin Potter, Abner Potter, Joshua M. Gifford, Moses Smith, and John & Hannah Gifford. George Henry Clerk

At Cantonment Monthly Meeting of the 25th of 1858. The representatives from the preparative Meeting from the South were Gifford & George Smith from the South & also a brother William Potter was present. The representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting were also present they all attended.

Reports from our last Quarterly Meeting embracing the report of the boarding school committee was read and some issues arising therefrom were explained. The tension pointed to with relation to the machinery of which is referred to our last meeting being referred at the close of the meeting to our wife. Her visits with 75 babies in the preparative Meeting of our last year's meeting was invited to be distributed in the usual way.

We unite with our brethren in their hearty acceptance of a removal to the preparative Meeting of funds on behalf of a better service.

George Abney, Abner Potter, James Gifford & the undersigned were appointed a committee to unite with the ladies of our women's Meeting in granting certificates to those attending the boarding school from within our limits, also to have names of such as may wish to reside the benefit of the charitable fund.

By an act read from our last Quarterly Meeting it appears our proportion of Quarterly Meeting fund is 77 dollars, which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting when in funds. George Abney Clerk

8^{mo} 1858 At Cantonment Monthly Meeting of the 25th of 1858 By acts read the representatives from the preparative Meeting from the South Abner Howland

8^{mo} 1858 and Joshua M. Gifford, from the North William Furber & George Abney who are present.

The year for which the Clerks and Assistant Clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired ^{Geo. Abney wishing to be re-elected} the subject having claimed the attention of the expired Meeting it is left with the present representatives for them to consider of & report next month.

The year for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired we appoint William Furber, Abner Potter, James Paul Fisher & Ezra King to that service for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

Our beloved Friend Deborah G. Winsdale attended this Meeting and she presented a satisfactory certificate from attended New York Monthly Meeting held 7th of 4th mo 1858 endorsed by Westbury Quarterly Meeting held at New York expressive of unity with her as a minister & with her present religious engagements her company & Gospel labours have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved Friend Maria Willits attended this Meeting as companion to Deborah G. Winsdale with a satisfactory certificate from New York Monthly Meeting held 7th of 4th mo 1858. her company & solid deportment have been acceptable & satisfactory to us. The Clerks is directed to unite with the Clerks of the women's Meetings in furnishing them with Minutes embracing the substance of the above & sign the same on our seal. Geo. K. Sherman Read the following through the week under date of preparative Meeting viz To Cantonment Preparative & Monthly Meeting

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8^{mo} 1858

Geo. K. Shuman
and
dealing

This may inform that George K. Shuman
has married out of the good order of our
Society with one not a member signed
George Smith, Moses Smith bersers
8th mo 18th 1858. Paul Fisher and
Isaac M. Gifford are appointed to visit
him on that act, and report next month.

Paul the following through the
South preparative Meeting. To the
Preparative & Monthly Meeting (Decorations)

W. P. Lawrence
requests
membership

I have for some time felt a concern on
my mind to request to become a member
of your religious society. If I may be
found worthy, William P. Lawrence
8th mo 18th 1858. Moses Smith and
Joshua M. Gifford ^{are appointed} to visit him on that
act & report to this Meeting their sense
& judgment the state of his mind and
fitness to become a member of our religious
society.

L. Epistle
read

The London Printed Epistle of
last year has been read & its contents
were much to our satisfaction
George Abney Clerk

9^{mo} 1858

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of
Friends held 9th mo 22nd 1858. By acts
and the representatives from the preparative
meetings are from the South John
Wing & Abner Potter Jun from the
North William Potter & Isaac M. Gifford
who are present

clerk
appointed

The representatives informed
they have conferred together and are
united in proposing George Abney for
clerk & Moses Smith for assistant which
being united with they are accordingly
appointed to that service for the ensuing
year or until another appointment

9^{mo} 1858

W. P.
Lawrence
and

Queries
answered

Geo. K. Shuman
committee
continued

10th mo 1858

The Committee in the case of William P. Lawrence
request to become a member of our Religious Society
made the following report viz To the Monthly Meeting
The committee appointed last month in
the case of William P. Lawrence, have had
an opportunity with him to a good degree
of satisfaction, we think him sincere in
his request & in a measure convinced of
Friends principles. Which we submit to the
meeting To Isaac M. Gifford & Moses Smith
The report is accepted, And the Meeting
after due deliberation is united in granting
his request, and he is accordingly received
as a member of our Religious Society, the
Worms Meeting uniting there with.

The Queries have been read at this
time with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th from
each of our preparative Meetings, & Summary
answers approved of & directed to be forward
to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting
William Potter, Abner Potter Jun & Paul
Fisher are appointed as our representatives &
directed to report their attendance to our next
meeting & The Clerk is directed to forward
any necessary extracts from our minutes &
signe the same on our behalf.

The Committee in the case of George K.
Shuman inform they are not ready to report
at this time they are continued in charge
there of to report next month.
George Abney Clerk

At Dartmouth Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 10th mo 27th 1858 by acts and the representa
tives from the preparative Meetings are from
the South Aaron Allen & Howard Potter
from the North William Parker & Benjamin
Potter who are present.

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10th 1858

One of the representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting reports they all attended.

The committee in the case of George K. Sherman made the following report. To the Monthly Meeting Dear Friends agreeable to appointment we have had an opportunity with George K. Sherman, he recd us kindly but stated he thought he should not attend Friends meetings, and did not manifest any wish to be continued in membership with us, feeling ourselves clear of further labor we submit the case to the Meeting on behalf of the committee Paul Fisher, which is another & the Meeting after due deliberation do hereby disown him from being any longer a member of our religious society, the women Meeting uniting there with and Moses Smith is named to inform him thereof & report next month.

J. S. Wilbur reviewed the following through the under month Preparative Meeting viz To Dartmouth dealing, month Preparative & Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends, James F. Wilbur son of Thomas K. Wilbur has for several years wholly neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings and attended the Meetings of those who have seceded from our religious society which is a scandal for the information of the Monthly Meeting Benjamin Potter and George Abney Overseers 4th Mon^o 21st 1858 Benjamin Potter and William Fowler are appointed to visit him in a loving love & report to this Meeting next month
George Abney Clerk

11th Mon^o 1858

At Dartmouth the Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th Mon^o 24th 1858 by a record the representatives from the preparative Meetings are from the south Para King & Paul Fisher from the north

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11th Mon^o 1858

Isaac M. Gifford & William Potter who are present our beloved friend Thomas Grover attended this Meeting & presented a satisfactory certificate of his coming from Southfield Monthly Meeting of Friends expressive of their unity with him as a Minister & with his present religious engagements, his company & labor have been acceptable to us, the Clerk is directed to write with the Clerk of the Women's Meeting in furnishing him with a minute embracing the substance of this & sign it on our behalf.

Queries answered

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the 1st, 2^d & 10th from each of our preparative Meetings & summary answers approved & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting.

Timothy Akin, John King & George Abney are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as our representatives & directed to report their attendance to our next Meeting & the Clerk is directed to forward any necessary extracts from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf.

G. Sherman informed

Moses Smith informs he has given George K. Sherman information of his being disowned from being a member of our religious society.

The committee appointed last month to visit James F. Wilbur made the following report - viz To the Monthly Meeting. The committee appointed last month to visit James F. Wilbur on acct of his absenting himself from our religious Meetings.

J. S. Wilbur disowned

Report that we have had an interview with him, he fully justifies himself in the course he has taken, and gave us no encouragement of again attending our meetings. Believing that further labor from us would be unavailing we returned the case to the Monthly Meeting. Benjamin Potter & William Fowler committee 11th Mon^o 24th 1858

we are united in accepting their report & do hereby disown him from being a member of our religious society, the women Meeting uniting there with Isaac M. Gifford is named to give them this information & report next month