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Meeting shall be raised for purchasing Land  
for the use of Boston meeting house.

At a monthly meeting of friends held at  
our meeting house in Dartmouth the 10<sup>th</sup> Day  
of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1714 -

There was Collected for the use of friends  $00-05-07$   
Dartmouth weekly meeting Called Judah Smith  
and William Wood appeared -

Rochester Weekly meeting Called Joseph Wing  
appeared and the friends that was appointed  
to make inquiry Concerning of Disorder of  
William Soule Juner and Giles Ploumbe and  
Daniel Shepherd Juner and they find that the  
report Concerning Daniel Shepherd is false but  
for 2 other two things are not clear as yet and  
the friends that was before appointed are still  
continued to further suspect into the truth of  
sd report and make return to the next month  
ly meeting -

and Judah Smith hath made up the monthly meet-  
ing account to Benjamin Howland and their  
remains in the stock three pounds thirteene shil-  
lings and three pence -

And this meeting hath made a subscription in part  
of pay for the Land that Walter Newberry bought  
of William Howsford at Boston for the use  
of friends meeting house -

and this meeting desires the visitors to visit the  
families of friends by the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meet-  
ing house in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1714

there

There was Collected for the use of friends  $00-06-01$   
1714 Dartmouth Weekly meeting Called William Wood  
appeared - Rochester Weekly meeting Called none  
appeared -

And the Matter Concerning William Soule Juner  
and Giles Ploumbe is referred to the next monthly  
meeting - John Barker and William Wood are appoin-  
ted to attend the next quarterly meeting John Barker  
and Judah Smith are appointed to Draw up an  
account to the quarterly meeting -

John Barker is appointed to receive the Collection  
agreed upon at the Last monthly meeting and to  
carry the money to the Quarterly meeting -  
the visitors gives an account that they have visit-  
ed the most of the families of friends and for the  
most part they find things pretty well - and where  
we found things not well we sh<sup>d</sup> advise that it  
should be amended -

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our  
Meeting House in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of the  
8<sup>th</sup> month 1714 - There was Collected  $00-05-07$   
Dartmouth Weekly meeting Called William Wood  
and John Laptham appeared -

Rochester Weekly Meeting Called and none appeared  
and the matter Concerning William Soule Juner  
and Giles Ploumbe is Referred to the next month-  
ly meeting - William Wood and John Barker  
have attended the Quarterly meeting -

and John Barker hath Carried the money to the  
Quarterly meeting as appointed -

John Barker and Judah Smith have Drawn up an  
account

1714 Account to the quarterly meeting as appointed  
Glezer Plocumb and John Bucker are ordered  
to take Care of the meeting house for the ensuing  
year

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meet-  
ing house in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1714  
there was Collected for the use of friends 00-08-05  
Dartmouth weekly meeting Called none appeared  
Rochester weekly meeting Called Nicolas Davis  
appeared

And the matter concerning William Soule and Giles  
Plocumb is referred to the next monthly meeting -  
A paper presented to this meeting from the pro-  
prietine meeting at rochester signifying that  
Benjamin Hilliard and Hannah Davis have  
proceeded in marriage contrary to the order of truth  
John Bucker and Stephen Willcock are appointed  
to speak with them if they can with Concessionary  
and to show them the evil of their proceeding -  
and to see how the young woman's parents have  
kept them selves clear in that matter

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meet-  
ing house in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>mo</sup> 1714  
there was Collected for the use of friends 00-02-03  
Dartmouth weekly meeting Called William Wood &  
Judah Smith appeared

Rochester weekly meeting Called Stephen Wing ap-  
peared - William Wood Judah Smith and  
William Barker are appointed to speak to William  
Soule juner and Giles Plocumb and let them  
know that if they will not give the monthly meeting  
satisfaction for their outgoings then the Testimo-  
ny of truth will go against them

Stephen Willcock and John Bucker hath spoken with  
Benjamin Hilliard

1714 Benjamin Hilliard and Hannah Davis concerning  
their marrying contrary to the good order of truth  
and did tell them the disadvantage of it but they seem-  
ed to incline to their own way -

and we also spoke to Timothy Davis and his wife and  
by what they said to us they were pretty clear con-  
cerning that matter -

and Eliza Wing is appointed to read Benjamin Hilliard  
and Hannah Hilliard their Condemnation on a fast-  
Day at the end of the meeting -

Which is as followeth - Whereas Benjamin  
Hilliard and Hannah Davis now Hannah Hilliard  
the Daughters of Timothy Davis and Sarah his wife  
of Rochester both of them being under the care of friends  
have proceeded in marriage contrary to the advice of  
friends and of good order established amongst us  
the Society of people called Quakers for is their so  
Doing we do disown them and their parents and wee De-  
sire of God may give them a sight of their outgoings  
and a heart of repentance

Given forth by our monthly men and Women's meet-  
ings in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1714

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| Peleg Plocumb     | Benjamin Howland | Ruth Tucker      |
| Nathaniel Howland | Isiah Merckew    | Phoebe Tucker    |
| John Tucker       | Judah Smith      | Mary Laptham     |
| William Soule     | Stephen Wing     | Mary Smith       |
| Jabez Barker      | Joanna Mott      | Elizabeth Kubele |
| John Laptham      | Mary Plocumb     | Hannah Soule     |
| William Wood      | Hannah Bucker    |                  |
| Stephen Willcock  | Kachel Allen     |                  |

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And whereas Hannah Town now Hannah Akin hath  
joined in marriage to one of the world contrary  
to the good order established among friends the mat-  
ter is concerned to give forth a condemnation against  
her it is as followeth

Whereas Hannah Town now Akin of the town  
of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the  
Province of Massachusetts Bay in New England  
The said Hannah Akin hath been in time past  
one in society with us the people called Quakers  
and did marry a man in unity with us and also  
married him in the good order established amongst  
us: But for want of keeping to Truth and to the  
good order thereof according to her former proceedings  
in taking of her former Husband but now hath left us  
to her Practs which amongst us and set out her mind  
to a man not in society with us and married him  
contrary to the good order of friends although avow-  
ed by her to be contrary.

Therefore this meeting is concerned to give  
forth a publick testimony against the above  
said Hannah Akin and do discover her to be  
one in society with us.

Given forth by our monthly men & Womens  
Meeting held at our meeting House in Dartmouth  
the 20th of the 10th month 1714

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| John Tucker      | Jacob Barker      | Rachel Allen      |
| Joseph Russell   | Abraham Tucker    | Ruth Tucker       |
| Benjamin Howland | Nathaniel Howland | Mehetabell Winy   |
| William Wood     | John Russell      | Elizabeth Russell |
| William Soule    | Nicolas Lapham    | Mary Lapham       |
| John Lapham      | Journa Mott       | Phebe Tucker      |
| Stephen Willcock | Mary Flocumb      | Mary Smith        |
| Stephen Winy     | Hannah Tucker     | Hannah Soule      |
| Josiah Mersher   |                   | Stephen           |

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Stephen Willcock John Lapham and Jacob Barker are  
appointed to attend the quarterly meeting next  
Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to give  
upon account to the quarterly meeting next  
and the visitors give an account that they have not vis-  
ited friends the last quarter - But hope that they shall give  
an account next by the next quarterly meeting  
and William soul is appointed to read Hannah Akin her  
condemnation before the next monthly meeting

- At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house  
in Dartmouth the 27th of the 10th month 1714  
their was called for the use of friends - 8-24-14
- Dartmouth weekly meeting called William Wood and  
Judah Smith appeared -
- Rochester weekly meeting called Elizabeth Winy appeared  
these friends appointed the last month to speak with  
William soul and Giff Flocumb: have spoke with  
them - and they have each of them sent in a paper  
to this meeting where in they are protesting that they have  
been disorderly in their conversation and desire to be for-  
given and say they hope to be more careful for time to  
come: but friends being doubtful of their sincerity do  
at present refer the matter for further tryall to see  
whether their future conversation will be agreeable  
to their conscience -
- John Lapham and Jacob Barker did attend the quar-  
terly meeting if they were appointed -  
and John Tucker and Judah Smith have done so  
and sent an account to the quarterly meeting -  
and William soul did read Hannah Akin her con-  
demnation as appointed -

1714 and Clitha wing did read benjamin Hilyards and the  
 Hilyards and the Hilyards and the Hilyards  
 and a letter of mercy from a married contrary to the order  
 of truth and this meeting agree that condemnation shall  
 go against her and thomas laker and John laker  
 who were united to draw her condemnation against the next  
 monthly meeting  
 and benjamin Howland has paid John laker twelve  
 shillings for keeping the meeting house

A monthly meeting held at our meeting in Dartmouth the  
 the twenty first day of the twelfth month - 1714  
 their was called for the use of friends - 16-05-03  
 Dartmouth weekly meeting called Judah Smith and  
 William Widd appeared  
 Hebester weekly called Saverly Clifton appeared  
 nicholas Gault and Mary Sumner did lay their  
 - bond of marriage before this meeting -  
 and they was desired to wait for their answers until  
 the next monthly meeting  
 and Saverly Clifton and John laker are chosen to see in to their  
 answers and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting  
 thomas laker his wife John laker hath drawn up  
 Elizabeth his daughter's daughter marcy her condemnation  
 and it is signed by the meeting - and is as followeth -

We desire Mary the Daughter of Hex eliah  
 Smith and Mary his wife of Dartmouth  
 in the County of Towistol in New England  
 having been once and under the care of our  
 Meeting yet have of late contrary to the  
 good order established among friends and without  
 the knowledge of her father proceeded in her marriage  
 to the reproach of the truth professed amongst us  
 and to the grief of the sober minded we are  
 therefore

1714 Therefore concerned to give our Testimony against  
 the said Disorderly and unbecoming action and do  
 Duown the said Mary nor the Wife of Thomas  
 Gafford to be one of us the people called Quakers  
 Desiring that she may Come to a sense of her  
 outgoing and return if it be the will of the Lord  
 given forth by our Monthly Meeting of men and women  
 Held at our Meeting House in Dartmouth the 21  
 Day of the 12 month 1714.

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| Peter Abcumb          | Thomas Hathaway   |
| John Tucker           | Joanna Mott       |
| Abraham Tucker        | Mary Abcumb       |
| John Summers          | Rachel Allen      |
| Increase Allen        | Hannah Tucker     |
| Eliazer Abcumb        | Heziziba Hathaway |
| Stephen Willcock      | Mary Sapham       |
| Saverly Clifton       | Elizabeth Summers |
| Nicholas Druw         | Hannah Poul       |
| Benjamin Howland      | Susanna Willcock  |
| Henry Tucker          | Mary Sapham       |
| William Soule         | Debbe Tucker      |
| William Wood          | Mary Russell      |
| John Sapham           | Mary Smith        |
| William Wood Junior   | Mary Eaton        |
| Joseph Russell Junior | Bartha Wait       |
| Nash Smith            | Abigail Chase     |
| Jaber Barker          | Ruth Tucker       |
| Thomas Barber         |                   |

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And William Soule is appointed to read the  
 June on a first Day at the end of a meeting  
 before the next monthly meeting -  
 Benjamin Howland and John Tucker are ap-  
 pointed to speak with Nathaniel Smith  
 concerning his telling the Juris that his  
 Sister Mary had her fathers Consent to be  
 Married to Thomas Bradford and that they  
 was lawfully Published and bring in their  
 answer to the next monthly meeting -  
 The Quarterly meeting Epistle was read at  
 this meeting and was kindly accepted - -  
 and it is Desired that friends may tak it  
 into their Consideration how or what method  
 friends that Travell into forreign Parts how  
 they may return that the meeting to whom  
 they belouge may be sensible that they have  
 behav'd them selves according to truth - - -  
 and it is advis'd that the visitors go forward  
 in their visiting of friends families and  
 give their Account to the next monthly  
 meeting how they find things - - -  
 and whereas there has been some Diffrance  
 of Love amongst some for't Belonging to this  
 meeting about the Laying out of the Cedar  
 Swamps and it has been so Managed that  
 as is thought by this Meeting so as to bring  
 A reproach upon for't and a Dishonour  
 to y<sup>e</sup> Truth Professed amongst us it is  
 Therefore Concluded to Chuse some friends  
 to enquire into that Matter and Where they  
 find

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find that any have been of from their watch to  
 endeavor to bring them to a sense of it so that if  
 it be possible to bring friends into love & unity  
 and to give an account to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meet-  
 ing how they find things relating to y<sup>e</sup> matter & where  
 any cannot be brought in the judgment of those friends  
 to a sight of their faults they are to let y<sup>e</sup> know  
 that this meeting Desires y<sup>e</sup> to be at the next  
 monthly meeting in order to satisfie the meeting  
 & Benjamin Howland Stephen Willcock and William  
 Soule are Chose on that account -  
 And the next monthly meeting is adjourned  
 to the 7<sup>th</sup> second Day of the Next Month

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At a monthly Meeting of friends  
 Held at our meeting House in Dartmouth  
 The 28 Day of the first month 1715 <sup>at</sup> ~~at~~ <sup>at</sup> ~~at~~  
 there was Collected for the use of friends 00-00-00  
 Dartmouth weekly meeting called William Wood  
 and Sarah Smith appeared -  
 Rochester weekly meeting called none appeared  
 Nicolas Davis and Mary Summers came for  
 their answer as to taking each other in marriage  
 and nothing appearing to hinder their said in-  
 tentions they had their answer that they may  
 take each other in the good order established  
 amongst us -  
 And Benjamin Boorman and Hannah Wing  
 did Lay their intentions of marriage before the  
 meeting

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Meeting and they were desired to wait for their answer till the next monthly meeting —

Sauery Clifton and John Lapham are appointed to inspect into their clearenes and bring in their answer to the next monthly meeting —

Sauery Clifton and John Bucker are chosen to see Nicolas Davis and Mary Summers solemnise their Marriage in the good order of truth —

And Mary Trafford her Condemnation was read Benjamin Howland and William Soule according to appointment brought in an account in relation to the Distance about Cedar Swamps w<sup>ch</sup> is ordered to be recorded & is as followeth —

So the monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 28<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1715.

We whose names are under written have enquired into that Distance amongst friends concerning the Cedar Swamps and they have in a General manner acknowledged to each other their shortness in so doing to our great Satisfaction and mutual Comfort and they have forgiven each other and are come into Love and unity again and so wee pray the Lord to keep them and us in that Spirit to the end of our Days —

Benjamin Howland  
William Soule

Glezer Nocumb William Wood and John Bucker are chosen to attend the Quarterly meeting next — John Bucker and Judah Smith are appointed to Draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting

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Meeting — And this meeting is adjourned till the next fourth Day come week —

The meeting being met according to adjournment the first Day of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1715 —

Benjamin Howland and John Bucker makes report to this meeting that they have spoke with Nathaniel Smith concerning his going before the Justis and ther signifying that his sister Mary Smith had had her Parents consent to marry to Tho. Trafford w<sup>ch</sup> was no such thing & he hath condemned the same and said he is sorry for so doing and hopes he shall do so no more — And this meeting hath sent 17 Shillings and three pence for 14 Books sent by the Quarterly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of the 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1715 There was Collected for the use of friends 00-04-00  
Dartmouth Weekly meeting called John Lapham and Judah Smith appeared —

Rochester Weekly meeting called Nicolas Davis appeared — Sauery Clifton and John Lapham makes report to this meeting that they find nothing but that Benjamin Boorman and Hannah being may proceed in marriage & they appeared this meeting for their answer & they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the order of truth — Thomas Taber Juner and Joseph Wing are appointed to see their marriage accomplished according

According to order — John Tucker and Judah  
 1715 Smith hath Drawn up an account to the Quar-  
 terly meeting and John Tucker and William Wood  
 Hath attended of Quarterly meeting —  
 And John Barker has carried the money for to  
 pay for the books as appointed —  
 And this meeting received the Epistle from  
 The Last Quarterly meeting —

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our  
 Meeting house in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of  
 the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1715 —  
 There was Collected for the use of Jord. 00-05-00  
 Dartmouth Weekly meeting Called William Wood  
 and Judah Smith appeared —  
 Rochester Weekly meeting Called Eliza Wing appear  
 The friends chose to see the marriages solemn-  
 ized in the good order of truth at Rochester Lane  
 Town at said Marriages and makes report  
 That they were accomplished according to order  
 and at this meeting there was a subscription  
 made toward the building of Salem meeting  
 House and friends are Desired to bring in their  
 Money to the next monthly meeting —  
 It is advised that friends be Careful of their  
 Children that go abroad to yearly Meetings  
 that they bring no Dishonour to the Truth  
 Professed by us —

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meet-  
 1715 ing house in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1715  
 Dartmouth Weekly meeting Called William Wood and  
 Judah Smith appeared —  
 Rochester Weekly meeting Called Joseph Wing appeared  
 And the subscription that was made the Last monthly  
 Meeting for Salem Meeting House is brought in to  
 Elis meeting in order to be put to the Quarterly  
 Meeting next and the sum is — — — 07-05-00  
 Stephen Willcock and John Barker are appointed to  
 attend the Quarterly meeting next and carry of money  
 Gathered for Salem meeting House —  
 The visitors are called to give in their accounts  
 of their visiting of friends families and they signify  
 to this meeting that they have not been out  
 upon that service since the Last Quarter —  
 And this meeting advices the visitors for time  
 to come to be more Diligent in their service  
 of visiting that so the monthly meeting may have  
 a better account how things are amongst us once  
 a Quarter — This meeting orders Benjamin  
 Howland to let Judah Smith have 25 shillings out  
 of the stock for keeping the meeting House —  
 Thomas Baber Jun<sup>r</sup> and Jos<sup>r</sup> Tucker are appointed  
 to Draw up an account to the Quarterly  
 meeting Benjamin Howland and Deliverance  
 Smith are appointed to git the Meeting House  
 Land laid out —

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our  
 1715 meeting in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1715  
 There was Collected for the use of friends  $\text{d} - 06 - 8$   
 Dartmouth Weekly meeting Called William Wood  
 and Deliverance Smith appeared —  
 Rochester Weekly meeting Called none appeared  
 Benjamin Howland hath paid Judah Smith  
 twenty five shillings as appointed —  
 John Bucker hath Carried the Money to the  
 Quarterly meeting as ordered —  
 Tho. Baber Juner and John Bucker did Draw an  
 account to the Quarterly meeting as they  
 were appointed —  
 And Deliverance Smith and J<sup>o</sup>n Kussell are  
 ordered to procure a quantity of Land and  
 fit it Laid out for the Benefit of the five  
 Wood —

At a monthly meeting of friends held at  
 our meeting House in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> Day  
 of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1715 —  
 There was Collected for the use of friends  $\text{d} - 05 - 00$   
 Dartmouth Weekly meeting Called William Wood  
 and J<sup>o</sup>n Layham appeared —  
 Rochester Weekly meeting Called not appeared  
 The yearly meeting Epistle from the ministers  
 was read in this meeting and also the Epistle from  
 the Quarterly meeting and both well accepted —  
 Deliverance Smith was appointed to make up  
 the monthly meeting accounts with Benjamin  
 Howland —

At a monthly meeting of friends held at  
 our meeting House in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of  
 the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1715

1715 There was Collected for the use of friends  $\text{d} - 06 - 06$   
 Dartmouth Weekly meeting Called William Wood and  
 Judah Smith appeared — Rochester weekly meeting  
 Called Nathan Summers appeared —  
 Deliverance Smith has made up the monthly meet-  
 ing account to Benjamin Howland as appointed —  
 the Last monthly meeting and there remains in  
 the stock four pounds seven shillings and three pence  
 This meeting makes Choice of William Wood to be  
 a wipiter — A report is made to this meeting  
 Concerning the Disorderly Walking of William Soule  
 juner and Peleg Ploumb juner and Piezer Ploumb juner  
 Deliverance Smith Judah Smith and Harry Tucker  
 are appointed to inspect into the truth of said report  
 and make return how they find things to the next  
 monthly meeting — Stephen Willock and William  
 Wood are appointed to attend the quarterly meeting  
 next — William Wood brings in an account of  
 one hundred and seventeen pound of Cheestaken  
 from him for his sons not training by William  
 Woodrigh Clark of the Western military Company  
 in Dartmouth under Nathaniel Soule Leightenant  
 the Chee is esteemed worth forty four shillings  
 for three pound Demanded —  
 The meeting is adjourned to the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of 9<sup>th</sup> next month

The meeting being meet according to adjournment  
 the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1715 —

the wipiters gives this meeting an amount that  
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They have visited the most of the families of friends but not all and they find that some friends Children are much out of order and some families pretty well — John Tucker and Abram Tucker are Prop<sup>s</sup> to Draw an account to the Quarterly meeting —

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of the 8<sup>th</sup> m 1715 There was Collected for the use of friends 00-5-0 Dartmouth weekly meeting Called Judah Smith appeared — Rochester weekly meeting Called not appear James Barker and Elizabeth Tucker did Eng their intention of marriage with each other before this meeting and they was Desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer —

John Lapham Josiah Hershell are appointed to make Enquiry into their Character and make Return to the next monthly meeting — Deliverance Smith Judah Smith and Henry Tucker they are still Continued to enquire whether the report be true Concerning the three young men or not —

Stephen Willcock and William Wood Did attend the Quarterly meeting as they were appointed Abram Tucker and Jos<sup>s</sup> Tucker did send an account to the Quarterly meeting —

Deliverance Smith and Benjamin Howland are appointed to get some addition of seats made in the Galleries of the meeting House if they can against the yearly meeting — and the monthly meeting to pay the Charge at

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At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1715 Dartmouth weekly meeting Called William Wood and John Lapham appeared — Rochester weekly meeting Called Nicolas Davis appeared — James Barker and Elizabeth Tucker came for their answer their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in the order of truth — John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to see that they accomplish their Marriage according to order and make the return to the next monthly meeting —

A paper presented to this meeting by Robert Coe signifying that William Howditch took from him a Heer worth 50 shillings for neglecting to train nine Doves which is allowed to be presented to the Quarterly meeting —

A report to this meeting concerning some friends being somewhat out of order and Deliverance Smith Benjamin Howland and John Lapham and Thomas Taber are appointed to inspect into the truth of the report

A paper presented to this meeting from Rochester signifying that Patience Cletton Bath Bath had a child with out a husband — John Tucker Tho. Taber are appointed to Draw her Condemnation —

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting House in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of the 10<sup>th</sup> m 1715 There was Collected for the use of friends 00-07-00 Dartmouth weekly meeting Called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared — Rochester weekly meeting Called

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None appeared — William Wood and John Tucker  
Gives an account that James Barker and Elizabeth  
Tucker Did take each other in marriage in the  
Order of truth — The friends that was chose  
The last meeting to inspect into the truth of  
The report that was reported of Elizer Smith  
Not believing him self according to our profession  
Is referred to the next monthly meeting —

Thomas Taber Juner and John Tucker both Drawn  
up Patience Clifton her Condemnation as ordered  
And it was signed at this meeting and Elisha Wing  
is ordered to read it at Rochester on a first Day  
at the end of the meeting of wooships —

It is agreed at this meeting that there shall be  
a meeting House built on the other side of Coaxet  
river 28 foot wide and 32 foot long and 16 or 17  
foot studd — and there is nothing Done as to  
inspecting the last Quarter —

John Tucker William Wood and Stephen Willcock  
are chose to attend the Quarterly meeting next  
John Tucker and Abram Tucker are chose to  
Draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting  
John Tucker and Elizer Mount are appointed  
to procure the friend to keep the meeting  
House the ensuing year —

And the next monthly meeting is adjourned  
until the fourth second Day in the next month

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At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting  
house in Dartmouth 4<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1715. attended 10  
Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith  
appeared. The friends that were appointed to attend the quarterly  
meeting have attended according to order  
Abraham Tucker and John Tucker have drawn up the account  
to the Quarterly meeting as appointed

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1715 And the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting in 4<sup>th</sup> month and the  
Epistle from the last Quarterly meeting was both of them read and  
kindly accepted. And Patience Clifton her Condemnation was Read as  
ordered and is as followeth —

Whereas Patience Clifton the Daughter of Saviour Clifton and  
Dorothy his wife of Rochester in the County of Plymouth in New England  
having been educated among friends and under the care of our meeting  
hath by giving way to the evil one fallen into the unclean sin of  
fornication (being of late delivered of a bastard child) to the dishonour  
of God the reproach of truth and grief of all that amongst us who sincerely  
desire & prosperety of Life: we are therefore concerned to give for the  
this as a publick testimony against that wicked and detestable action  
and do deny the said Patience Clifton to be one of us the people of God  
called Quakers Desiring that if it be the will of God shee may through  
unfeigned Repentance obtain pardon for this her great wickedness and all  
other her outcries —

Given by our men and womens monthly meeting of friends held at our  
meeting house in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1715:

John Tucker	Hezekiah Smith	Ruth Tucker
Abraham Tucker	Henry Tucker	Rachel Allen
Elizer Mount	Thomas Hathaway	Hannah Tucker
William Wood	Joseph Taber	Elizabeth Russell
Stephen Willcock	Josiah Merriago	Mary Lawton
John Lapham	W <sup>m</sup> Wood Jun	Mary Smith
Joseph Russell	Jabez Barker	Mary Lapham
Deliverance Smith	Eliashib Smith	
James Trapp	John Russell	
Judah Smith	Nicholas Lapham	

and James Trapp is Implored by this meeting to build a meeting house  
for the use of friends on the west side of Coaxet River thirty foot long  
twenty eight foot wide and 16 or 14 foot studd

and the monthly meeting to defray the charge and it is concluded that  
the house above should be finished by the 12<sup>th</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup> month next  
And Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay Jabez Barker for boards  
that were used about the meeting house 1-05-0 out of the stock —

The friends that was chose to inspect into the disorder of some  
friends being in their account as followeth —

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 1715 We being chosen by the monthly meeting in the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1714  
 to enquire concerning Eleazer Smith and Thomas Smith their un-  
 -seamly words and behavior at Seth Dopes & we do find that  
 Tho: Smith in his words and actions was too Light and airy for one  
 professing truth which he readily owned but as to their being in drink  
 we dont find they were and we do advise him for time to come that he  
 be careful that he do not <sup>Speak</sup> act so as to bring a reproach upon the truth  
 and the professor of it and we do advise that Hezekiah Smith and  
 John Lopham and all friends to be careful in Reporting anything of  
 friends, and not to strain things beyond what they are but to  
 Consider which will be most for the honor of the Truth  
 Whether to speak or to keep Silent - Deliverance Smith  
 Benjamin Howland

The business of Rochester meeting Called  
 and an account was brought to this meeting of several friends that  
 are deceased at Rochester of late. In order to be recorded

12<sup>m</sup> At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth  
 the 20<sup>th</sup> day of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1715 -  
 Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith and Deliverance Smith appeared  
 Rochester meeting called none appeared  
 This hath concluded to come to a subscription to pay for the building of  
 the meeting house at Acoset. and Benjamin Howland hath paid  
 Jabez Barker 1-03-00 as appointed at the last meeting -  
 And this meeting has appointed Stephen Willcocks and Tho: Taber <sup>jun</sup>  
 to purchase a piece of Land to set the meeting house upon on the  
 west side of Acoset River -  
 And this meeting advises the visitors to Diligence in their Service  
 So that there may be a full account given to the next monthly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth  
 the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1716 -  
 There was collected for the  
 And Abraham Tucker and John Tucker are appointed to receive the  
 Collection for Acoset meeting house and to pay it out as there may be  
 need and forasmuch as it difficult to get small money it is agreed  
 to have our collection once a quarter: and to collect for the  
 Quarter past next monthly meeting

158 At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in  
 1716 Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1715  
 There was collected for of life of friends 13 shillings -  
 1<sup>m</sup> Dartmouth meeting Called Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared  
 Rochester meeting Called and none appeared  
 The Visitors were called upon to give in their accounts which they  
 did and is as followeth - That they have visited the most of friends  
 families under their care and their visits for the most part were  
 kindly accepted and in some friends families they find things pretty  
 well and in some others not so well as they could desire  
 where they gave such advice as they thought suitable to their condition  
 Eleazer Stearns and Thomas Taber <sup>jun</sup> are appointed to attend  
 The Quarterly Meeting next  
 and John Tucker & Tho: Taber <sup>jun</sup> are appointed to Draw up an account  
 to the Quarterly meeting how things are among friends relating  
 to truth -  
 And it being proposed by some friends to this meeting whether it  
 be agreeable to truth to purchase slaves and keep them team of  
 Life it is referred to of consideration of the Quarterly meeting  
 Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith brought in their accounts  
 of their charge in their building of the new gallery it is - 01-18-00  
 which Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay out of 4<sup>th</sup> stock  
 he is also ordered to pay Judah Smith 18 out of the stock towards  
 keeping the meeting house which sum of said Benjamin Howland  
 forthwith paid

2<sup>m</sup> At a monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the  
 16<sup>th</sup> day of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1716  
 Dartmouth meeting Called Judah Smith and Will<sup>m</sup> Wood appeared  
 Rochester meeting called & none appeared  
 And Eleazer Stearns and Thomas Taber <sup>jun</sup> hath attended the quar-  
 -terly meeting as appointed Drawn up an account to the  
 Quarterly meeting as appointed  
 And the Widow Mary Dovel desired the advice of this meeting  
 concerning the putting her son an apprentice to Robert Forry to learn  
 the trade of a tanner which this meeting doth agree to  
 And the Quarterly meeting Grille was read and kindly accepted  
 The business of the propogative meeting is that friends be careful  
 to make their wills for the settlement of their estates in Time

159 At a monthly meeting the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1716  
1716 Dartmouth weekly meeting called Judah Smith and William Wood appeared  
Rochester weekly meeting called none appeared  
3 mo: The business of Dartmouth meeting called and there is no business  
presented from the prospective meeting

4 mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of  
the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1716 there was collected for the use of friends  $1^{\circ} 0^{\circ} 0^{\circ}$   
Dartmouth weekly meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith  
appeared: Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared  
The business of Dartmouth meeting called and the business of Rochester  
and whereas there is occasion of the chief of some friends to be  
chose to take a deed of some land to set coaksot meeting house upon  
The meeting makes choice of Stephen Willcocks William Wood  
Henry Tucker and Th<sup>o</sup>. Taber<sup>jun</sup> and Joseph Taber to be the persons to  
take the deed  
and Eleazer Ploum and William Wood are appointed to attend the  
Quarterly meeting next: and John Tucker and Th<sup>o</sup>. Taber<sup>jun</sup> are  
appointed to draw up an account to the quarterly meeting

5 mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house  
in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1716  
Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith and William Wood appeared  
Rochester meeting called Nicholas Davis appeared  
and the two friends that was appointed to attend the Quarterly  
meeting hath attended as appointed.  
And John Tucker makes report to this meeting that there was  
an account drawn up and sent to the Quarterly meeting -  
The business of Dartmouth meeting called and the business of  
Rochester meeting called: from Dartmouth meeting no business  
a paper being presented to this meeting signifying that John  
Summers hath gone about to take a woman of y<sup>e</sup> words to wife  
Contrary to the god or<sup>er</sup> established among friends and Stephen  
Willcock Thomas Taber<sup>jun</sup> and John Tucker are appointed to speak with  
John Summers to know whether he will condemn his out going and clear  
Smith or not and make return of their doings to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly  
meeting and the Quarterly meeting epistle was read at  
this meeting and kindly accepted

at

160  
At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in  
1716 Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1716 -  
Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared  
6 mo: Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared  
And Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith is appointed to see the  
young couple declare their intentions of marriage before the month-  
ly meetings in order: Eleazer Ploum<sup>jun</sup> and Deborah Smith the  
daughter of Deliverance Smith both of Dartmouth did lay their  
intentions of marriage and they were desired to wait till y<sup>e</sup> next  
monthly meeting for their answer and Benjamin Howland and  
Judah Smith are appointed to inquire into their clearness  
respect to marriage and make return to the next monthly meet-  
ing: and those appointed to speak with John Summers to bring in  
an account that they have been with him and he justifies his  
actions wherefore this meeting concludes that he still Remains under  
dealing

7 mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in  
Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1716 -  
There was collected for y<sup>e</sup> use of friends  $2^{\circ} 15^{\circ} 0^{\circ}$   
Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appear-  
ed: Rochester meeting called and none appeared  
The two friends that was chosen the last monthly meeting to  
inspect into the two young friends clearness as to marriage make  
Report that they find nothing but that Eleazer Ploum<sup>jun</sup> and  
Deborah Smith might proceed and Eleazer Ploum<sup>jun</sup> and Deborah  
Smith came for their answer ~~and~~ concerning their taking  
each other in marriage and they had their answer that they  
might take each other in y<sup>e</sup> good order of truth and Benjamin  
Howland and Judah Smith is appointed to see y<sup>e</sup> marriage solemn-  
ized in y<sup>e</sup> good order, truth and make return to y<sup>e</sup> next  
monthly meeting. The business of Dartmouth meeting called  
James Tucker desires a certificate from this meeting and  
Jabez Barker and Josiah Merino is appointed to make enquiry  
into his clearness concerning marriage and conversation and  
make report how they find things to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting  
and provide a certificate accordingly and this meeting  
orders Benjamin Howland to pay Judah Smith 25 shillings  
out of

161 out of the monthly meeting, took for keeping the meeting house  
1716 And this meeting is adjourned till y<sup>e</sup> first sixt day of the week in  
the 8<sup>th</sup> month next

This meeting being met according to adjournment this 5<sup>th</sup> day  
of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month 1716 the officers gives this meeting an account  
that they have visited pretty generally the families of friends  
belonging to this meeting and in a general way they find  
things pretty well as far as they see

And Abraham Tucker & John Tucker is appointed to draw an account  
(showing how things are amongst us Relating to truths affairs)  
To y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting next; and Increase Allen and  
Abraham Tucker is appointed to attend y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting  
next

2 mo At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house  
in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month 1716

Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith appeared  
Rochester meeting called & none appeared: the business of  
Dartmouth meeting called and Benjamin Woodard and  
Judah Smith do make report to this meeting that y<sup>e</sup> marriage  
between Eleazer Ploum and Deborah Smith hath been solemn-  
-ized in the good order of truth: and Abraham Tucker and  
John Tucker hath signified if they did draw up an account to  
y<sup>e</sup> quarterly meeting as ordered.

And Increase Allen hath attended y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting as  
Ordered: and James Tucker has a certificate signed rela-  
ting to his clearance w<sup>ch</sup> respect to marriage

3 mo At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in  
Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month 1716:

Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith  
appeared: Rochester meeting called Eleasha Wing appeared  
the business of Dartmouth meeting called: The minutes of y<sup>e</sup>  
yearly meeting Recommended to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting and  
so to y<sup>e</sup> monthly meeting was read by request of y<sup>e</sup> propra-  
-etive meeting Last and y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting minutes was  
Read and kindly accepted.

Rochester on business  
at

162 At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth  
by friends the 17<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> month 1716 Dartmouth meeting called  
10 mo William Wood and Judah Smith appeared:

Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared  
The business of Dartmouth meeting called and John Tucker and  
Eleazer Ploum are chosen to take care of Dartmouth meeting house  
for the ensuing year and y<sup>e</sup> visitors were called upon to give an account  
of their visiting friends families and they give no account of any  
thing done in that service of Last Quarter.

The business of Rochester called and they give an account that  
John Summers hath taken a wife contrary to y<sup>e</sup> good order esta-  
-blished amongst friends and this meeting doth conclude that judy-  
-ment must go forth against him for that and also for his other  
disorders wherein he hath gone out of the good order of truth

And John Tucker and Thomas Taber just are appointed to draw up a  
paper of Condemnation in order to be signed at y<sup>e</sup> next monthly  
meeting: And Stephen Wing is chosen to be a visitor for Rochester  
weekly meeting

The matter relating to purchasing slaves Recommended to y<sup>e</sup>  
Quarterly meeting being agitated in y<sup>e</sup> meeting it is concluded by  
the most of y<sup>e</sup> meeting that it would be most agreeable to our holy  
profession to forbear for time to come to be any wayes concerned in  
purchasing any slaves

And Eleazer Ploum William Wood & Tho<sup>s</sup> Taber just are appointed  
to attend y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting and John Tucker & Thomas Taber just  
are appointed to draw up an account to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting  
and y<sup>e</sup> officers of truth are amongst us.

11 mo At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in  
Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> month 1716

Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Frank Smith appear-  
-ed Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared

The business of Dartmouth meeting called this meeting hath signed  
a condemnation against John Summers his proceeding in marriage  
contrary to y<sup>e</sup> good order of truth as established among friends  
And Thomas Taber just is ordered to read it in Rochester meeting  
of worship on a first day of y<sup>e</sup> week or cause it to be read:  
this

163. This meeting has concluded to make a subscription to pay  
 1717. 3<sup>d</sup> Due for y<sup>e</sup> Land whereon Cakes meeting house stands  
 And Benjamin Hodland is order'd to pay 12. 6<sup>s</sup> out of y<sup>e</sup> meet-  
 -ing's stock to John Tucker for keeping y<sup>e</sup> meeting house  
 The business of Rochester meeting called and they give an account  
 that Benjamin Clifton and Sarah Davis have published their  
 intentions of marriage contrary to y<sup>e</sup> good order of friends and  
 John Tucker and Stephen Willcock are desired to go and Labour  
 with y<sup>e</sup> to head them y<sup>e</sup> danger of their proceedings

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house  
 in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> month 1717:  
 Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Eleazer Ploum  
 appeared: Rochester meeting called none appeared:  
 And Thomas Taber Jun<sup>r</sup> has signified that he has heard  
 John Summers his condemnation as ordered and is as  
 followeth:

Whereas John Summers of Rochester in the County of  
 Devonshire in Great England hath for some years made profession  
 of y<sup>e</sup> Gospel truth as it is held and professed amongst us the people  
 called Quakers and having been by the ordering providence of  
 God deprived of his wife by her decease hath shown a haughty desire  
 to obtain another contrary to y<sup>e</sup> God order and chaste commendable  
 custom among friends in so much that in a few months he did  
 proceed to for the one not of our profession to be published according  
 to the custom of y<sup>e</sup> Country which action though he proceeded no  
 farther therein yet did stand to justify obstinately refusing  
 and trampling upon the advice of friends that through y<sup>e</sup> Godly care  
 of y<sup>e</sup> monthly meeting were sent to advise him concerning that  
 matter and now of late hath farther appeared in flight and contempt  
 of y<sup>e</sup> good order established among friends

Therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a testimony  
 against his out going denying him to be one in unity with us the  
 people called Quakers desiring if it be the will of God he may come  
 to a sense of his out going and through unfeigned repentance  
 Return and find mercy

given

164  
 1717. 10 Given forth at our monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting  
 1717. 10<sup>th</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> month 1717

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Stephen Willcock           | John Tucker           |
| John Lopham                | Peleg Ploum           |
| Tho Taber Jun <sup>r</sup> | Valentine Haddelstone |
| Benjamin Hodland           | Abraham Tucker        |
| Judah Smith                | Nathaniel Hodland     |
| Thomas Hathaday            | Eleazer Ploum         |
| Josiah Merihoo             | William Wood          |
| William Poule              | Deliverance Smith     |

And Benjamin Hodland hath paid 12 shillings and 6 pence as ordered  
 at the last monthly meeting: and Stephen Willcock and John  
 Tucker hath been at at Rochester as desired the last monthly  
 meeting but Benjamin Clifton and Sarah Davis has accomplished  
 their marriage before they came there and they could not come  
 -mently speak w<sup>th</sup> them: so that matter is referred to y<sup>e</sup> next  
 monthly meeting

The business of Dartmouth meeting called  
 Whereas John Kees sent in a paper to this meeting concerning  
 his not proceeding in marriage with Rachel Allen which this  
 meeting for something therein mentioned both not approved  
 nor accept for satisfaction: And John Tucker and Tho Taber Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 is appointed to signify y<sup>e</sup> reason thereof in behalfe of y<sup>e</sup> meet-  
 -ing

At a monthly of friends held at our meeting house in  
 Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> month 1717:

There was collected for y<sup>e</sup> up of friends 6-12-06  
 Dartmouth meeting called Eleazer Ploum and Judah Smith  
 appeared: Rochester meeting called and none appeared  
 And y<sup>e</sup> business concerning Benjamin Clifton and Sarah  
 Davis is referred to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting

The business of Dartmouth meeting called and this meeting is  
 adjourned till y<sup>e</sup> first next Day in y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> month next

this

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This meeting being met according to ajournment:  
 the 5<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> month 1717.  
 the sisters being called upon to give in their account  
 concerning their visiting friends families and their  
 account is as followeth y<sup>e</sup> they have visited the fami-  
 lies of friends belonging to this meeting in a pretty general  
 way and they dont find but things are pretty well for the  
 most part and they think their visits for the most part  
 well accepted.

And William Wood and Gleazer Ploum is appointed to  
 attend y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting next and Abraham Tucker  
 and John Tucker is appointed to draw up an account to y<sup>e</sup>  
 Quarterly meeting next.

And this meeting is ajourned till y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1717  
 This meeting being met accord to ajournment  
 the 10<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> month 1717.

Some suffering allowed at this meeting of Peleg Ploum  
 And Abraham Tucker and John Tucker at Chilmark

2 mo

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting  
 house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1717  
 Dartmouth meeting called Joshua Smith and Gleazer Ploum  
 appeared: Rochester meeting called none appeared  
 The business concerning Benjamin Clifton and Sarah  
 Davis is referred to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting.

And William Wood and Gleazer Ploum  
 and John Tucker and Abraham have drawn up an  
 account and sent it to y<sup>e</sup> quarterly meeting as appoin-  
 ted And William Wood and Gleazer Ploum hath  
 attended the Quarterly meeting as appointed

This meeting hath received and expelled from y<sup>e</sup> quarter-  
 ly meeting Dated y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1716  
 and from y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> month 1717  
 and they was both read and kindly accepted

The business of Dartmouth meeting called and Deliverance  
 Smith hath brought the returns of the Survey of  
 y<sup>e</sup> Land w<sup>ch</sup> heron friends meeting house stands in  
 Donaganset

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Donaganset village and is ordered to be recorded in y<sup>e</sup> parishes  
 Records and friends to pay for y<sup>e</sup> Recording

3 mo

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in  
 Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> month 1717.

Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Joshua Smith appeared  
 Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared  
 and Gleazer Ploum and Deliverance Smith and Joshua Smith  
 is appointed to speak to Timothy Davis and his wife to know whether  
 they have kept y<sup>e</sup> Deliver clear in their testimony in the marriage  
 of their daughter Sarah Davis with Benjamin Clifton contrary to  
 the good order established amongst friends and also to speak if y<sup>e</sup> above  
 Benjamin Clifton and Sarah to know how it hath been that they  
 have proceeded in marriage contrary to y<sup>e</sup> good order of friends  
 and the friends to make return to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting how  
 they find things:

And this meeting makes choice of Griffin Owen and Peleg Ploum  
 and Gleazer Ploum to draw up some account to Walter Winbury  
 concerning a late act for y<sup>e</sup> maintenance of ministers and refer  
 him to take y<sup>e</sup> act along with him to Old England and deliver it to  
 John Whiteing or some other friends if he shall think suitable:  
 And our friends Griffin Owen and John Saltkin was at this meeting  
 and their service was kindly accepted and they shewed their  
 certificates and they was well approved.

4 mo

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house  
 in Dartmouth the 24<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> month 1717:

at here was collected for the use of friends ———— of ————  
 Dartmouth meeting called Joshua Smith and Deliverance Smith  
 appeared: Rochester meeting called and none appeared  
 Edward Wing and Sarah Tucker did signify to this meeting their  
 intentions of taking each other in marriage if y<sup>e</sup> Lord permitt  
 and Joshua Meriloo and Henry Tucker is appointed to see into  
 their clearness and bring in their answer how they find things to  
 the next monthly meeting.

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And whereas Eleazer Ploum Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith have not been w<sup>th</sup> Timothy Davis and his wife and Benjamin Clifton and his wife according to ye order of the last monthly meeting they are continued to do so busines and to bring in their account to ye next monthly meeting.

The visitors being called upon say that little has been done in visiting of Last Quarter.

John Tucker and Tho. Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting John Tucker and Stephen Willcocks and Eleazer Ploum are appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting and the ~~meeting~~ meeting have made up the accounts with Benjamin Howland and there remains in ye Stock £ 02-11 and this dayes collection which is as afores<sup>d</sup> - - - - - 1-03-00

And Benjamin Howland is to pay 22 shillings to W<sup>th</sup> R. Wood for money that he paid towards ye Land whereon Coakset meeting house stands, which he forthwith paid.

And Benjamin Howland is also ordered to pay 21 shillings out of the Stock to Eleazer Ploum for keeping ye meeting house

6mo At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> day of ye 5<sup>th</sup> month 1717.

Dartmouth meeting called Eleazer Ploum and Judah Smith appeared. Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared Edward Wing and Sarah Tucker after came before this meeting For their ~~answers~~ answers considered the meetings answer with respect to their intentions of marriage which they laid before the last monthly meeting and the meeting answers that they being clear they may proceed in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting

And Benjamin Howland and Eleazer Ploum and John Tucker are appointed to see it accomplished.

And Eleazer Ploum Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith have been with Timothy Davis and Benjamin Clifton as appointed and have discoursed them concerning the J<sup>r</sup> Cliftons taking his wife out of ye order of truth as it is established amongst friends and said Benjamin Clifton justified him selfe in his taking his wife and this meeting makes choyse of Tho. Taber jun<sup>r</sup> and John Tucker to draw up their condemnation against next monthly meeting and John Tucker hath drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed

and

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And Stephen Willcocks and John Tucker hath attended ye Quarterly meeting w<sup>th</sup> appointed and Benjamin Howland has paid 21 out of the meetings Stock to Eleazer Ploum for keeping the meeting house as ordered. The friends of Rochester preparative meeting require the assistance of this meeting towards the orderly settling the Land whereon their meeting house stands and the house also and this dayes ground place: and the meeting advises that they have as soon as may be the sd house and lands made over to some particular friends in the usual method among friends in such cases and the persons nominated by the meeting are Savory Clifton Stephen Wing Nicolas Davis Tho. Hathaway and Joseph Taber and John Tucker and Tho. Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are ordered to be helpful to them in accomplishing the work: and the Epistle from London yearly meeting and our last quarterly meeting were read and kindly accepted and the matter in the Quarterly meeting epistle concerning slaves is refered to the next monthly meeting.

And this meeting both agree to come to further subscription to wards ye defraying the charge of Coakset meeting house

and whereas James Howland is about to take a wife out of the good order of truth to ye trouble of friends the meeting appoints Benjamin Howland and Eleazer Ploum to let him know ye mind of the meeting and to advise him in the matter:

6mo At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 19<sup>th</sup> day of ye 6<sup>th</sup> month 1717

Dartmouth meeting called Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared. Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared nothing being done concerning Rochester meeting house and Land about it it is refered to next monthly meeting and John Tucker and Benjamin Howland do give account that Edward Wing and Sarah Tucker have taken each other in marriage according to ye good order of truth. The business relating to James Howland taking a wife out of ye order of friends is refered to the next monthly meeting and ye matter relating to slaves refered from ye quarterly meeting to ye consideration of this meeting being spoken to it is refered to ye next monthly meeting

and



And Stephen Wilcock's Deliverance Smith Benjamin Howland  
 1717. Abraham Tucker and Tho: Taber Junr are ordered to draw up  
 something relating to that matter for the meetings to sign if  
 they approve of it and the condemnation of Benjamin Clifton  
 and his wife is signed and Elisha Wing is appointed to read it at  
 the conclusion of their meetings of worship on a first Day -  
 And the friends of Coakset village having desired to have a meeting  
 of worship every first day it is allowed that they may for time to  
 come have a meeting according to their desire and John Summers  
 of Rochester having signified to this meeting his desire to come in  
 to unity again w<sup>th</sup> friends and hath sent a paper to this meeting  
 to signify y<sup>e</sup> same the meeting hath appointed John Tucker and  
 Elisha Wing to speak with him in order to know his sincerity  
 and make report to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting -  
 And some friends suffering being sent from Rochester are read  
 and approved to be sent to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house  
 in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> month 1717  
 Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Benjamin Howland  
 appeared. Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared  
 Eleazer Placum and Tho: Taber Junr are chose to draw up a  
 condemnation against James Howland, Disorderly walking  
 proceeding in marriage and present it to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting  
 to be signed and Elisha Wing has read Benjamin Clifton and his  
 wifes condemnation: which is as followeth -  
 Whereas Benjamin Clifton the son of Sassy Clifton of  
 Rochester in the County of Plymouth in New England and  
 Sarah Davis daughter of Timothy Davis of Rochester being  
 both friends children yet have proceeded in marriage to each other  
 contrary to y<sup>e</sup> good order established among friends on that account  
 and contrary to their parents consent especially y<sup>e</sup> parents of  
 the said Benjamin Clifton - - -  
 Therefore we are concerned to give forth this as a publick  
 testimony against their disorderly proceedings denying <sup>tho</sup> to be of  
 us the people called Quakers desiring that if it be the will of God  
 they may come to a sense of their out goings and find mercy  
 given

Given forth at our monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting  
 house in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> 6 month 1717

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|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Increase Allen    | Henry Tucker        | Mary Lapham      |
| Deleg. Placum     | Nicolas Lapham      | Hannah Tucker    |
| John Tucker       | Nathaniel Howland   | Rachel Allen     |
| Joseph Kusel      | Benjamin Howland    | Mary Laton       |
| Stephen Wilcock   | Jidah Smith         | Mehetabel Burvel |
| Elisha Wing       | Joseph Russell Junr | Mary Lapham Junr |
| William Wood      | Ruth Tucker         | Prudence Tucker  |
| John Lapham       | Mary Placum         | Mary Kusel       |
| Deliverance Smith | Hezreiah Hathaway   | Mary Smith       |

And John Tucker and Elisha Wing not having spoke to John Sum-  
 =mers as desired the last monthly meeting it is refered to the next  
 monthly meeting the friends appointed to draw up something  
 relating to Slaves to send to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting have done it  
 and it being read the meeting doth approve of it and appoint  
 John Tucker and Thomas Taber Junr to sign it in behalf of y<sup>e</sup> meeting  
 and Thomas Taber Junr and Stephen Wilcock <sup>are</sup> appointed to attend y<sup>e</sup>  
 Quarterly meeting an account how the affairs of truth are  
 amongst us and it is proposed to offer to y<sup>e</sup> quarterly meeting whether  
 it may not be well for friends not to sue any at Law or suffer them  
 Alows to be sued without the advice of y<sup>e</sup> monthly meeting they belong to  
 if it can be or otherwise the advice of some substantial friends  
 The collection is refered to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting - - -

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth  
 the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month 1717  
 Dartmouth meeting called William Wood appeared  
 Rochester meeting called none appeared  
 Daniel Goddard of Newfields and Mary Tripp the daughter  
 of James Tripp have laid their intentions of marriage before this  
 meeting and they are desired to wait till y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting  
 for their answer

And William Wood and Stephen Willcock are ordered to inquire  
 1717. into their cleareness with respect to marriage and give an  
 account to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting:  
 Elisha Wing and John Tucker is still continued to speak with  
 John Summers: And Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> hath attended y<sup>e</sup> Quar-  
 terly meeting as appointed. and Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> and John Tucker  
 hath signed a paper relating to Slaves as appointed.  
 And John Tucker and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> hath drawn up an  
 account to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting as appointed:  
 And James Howland's Condemnation is ordered to y<sup>e</sup> next month-  
 ly meeting and the same persons to Benjamin Howland are  
 ordered to draw it up against y<sup>e</sup> meeting. The Quarterly  
 meeting Epistle was read and kindly accepted.

the same

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house  
 in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> month 1717.  
 Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith  
 appeared: Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared  
 There was Collected for y<sup>e</sup> use of friends — 1-04-04  
 The friends that were appointed y<sup>e</sup> last monthly meeting to  
 inquire into Daniel Goddards and Mary Tripps cleareness as to  
 marriage so make report that they find nothing but that they  
 may proceed and said Goddard has brought a certificate from  
 the monthly meeting of friends at Pembroke to signifye  
 their allowance of her proceeding and his cleareness as to  
 marriage he also brought a few lines from his father and  
 mother w<sup>ch</sup> signifye their consent to his present proceedings  
 And y<sup>e</sup> said Daniel Goddard and Mary Tripp presented them selves  
 before this meeting desiring friends an order as to their intentions  
 said before y<sup>e</sup> last monthly meeting and they were considered that  
 nothing appearing to hinder they might proceed in the order  
 of truth and William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to see  
 it accomplished accordingly.  
 And Isaac Howland y<sup>e</sup> son of Benjamin Howland and  
 Hannah Allen y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ebenezer Allen did lay their in-  
 tentions of marriage before this meeting and they are desired

To wait till y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting for their answer and  
 1717. Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith are appointed to inquire  
 into their cleareness with respect to marriage and give account  
 to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting  
 And John Tucker and Elisha Wing are still continued to speak  
 to John Summers: and James Howland's Condemnation is drawn  
 up approved and signed and John Tucker is ordered to read it or  
 cause it to be read between this and next monthly.  
 The business of Dartmouth preparative meeting called  
 Rochester preparative meeting business called no business  
 presented: and there being a paper presented to this meeting  
 from John Summers and it being read Nathaniel Howland  
 and Deliverance Smith and Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to  
 write an answer to it and send it to him as soon as may be

the same

At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth  
 the 16<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> month 1717.  
 There was Collected for y<sup>e</sup> use of friends 16 Shillings  
 Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith appeared: Rochester  
 meeting called and none appeared —  
 And Isaac Howland and Hannah Allen having laid their intenti-  
 ons of marriage before y<sup>e</sup> last monthly meeting did now present  
 them selves desiring y<sup>e</sup> meetings assaies and the meeting not  
 having so good an account of y<sup>e</sup> young womans having had her  
 her parents consent as ought to be do consider them that they may  
 proceed in y<sup>e</sup> good order of truth betwix this and y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meet-  
 ing provided that they then bring an account of her parents consent  
 James Howland's Condemnation has been read according to y<sup>e</sup> order of  
 the last monthly meeting and is as followeth.  
 Whereas James Howland the son of Nathaniel Howland and wife  
 his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Windsor in y<sup>e</sup> Province of y<sup>e</sup>  
 Massachusetts Bay in New England hath from his childhood been  
 Equated amongst friends his father and mother being both of y<sup>e</sup>  
 people called Quakers yet hath in Right of friends and the good  
 advice and counsel by them given him and in contempt of the good

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Order established among friends proceeded to take a wife in the common way of other people we are therefore constrained to give this forth a public testimony against said disorderly action and to deny the said James Howland to be one of us y<sup>e</sup> people called quakers truly desiring that he may return and find mercy w<sup>th</sup> God and tenderly all serious children to beware of giving way to the inducements of Satan Lest they be led forth to soon friends and y<sup>e</sup> testimony of y<sup>e</sup> blessed truth as it has been delivered through great tribulations even to the sealing of it with the blood of many faithful witnesses surely it will be the portion of those that can slightly transgress thereon and by whose testimony of the blessed truth may fall in the street in any particular unless by true and unfeigned repentance they return to God which that every disorderly and wicked one may do it our sincere desire given forth at our monthly meetings of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> month 1717.

John Tucker	Benjamin Howland	Thos Smith
Abraham Tucker	Josiah Meritt	Wm Soule
Peter Placyn	Elisha Wray	Thos Taber junr
Nathan Willcock	Thomas Hathaway	Henry Tucker
William Wood	Jesse Russell	Jabez Straker

And Deliverance Smith and Sarah Smith are appointed to see the aforesaid couple that James Howland and Hannah Allen accomplish their marriage in the good order of truth  
 And John Tucker and Stephen Willcock are appointed to attend the Quarterly meetings near the village of Dartmouth meeting being called upon they give an account: and John Tucker and Eleazar Placyn are to take care of the meeting house for y<sup>e</sup> year following  
 And John Tucker and Thos Taber junr are appointed to draw up an account to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting and whereas Daniel Mosher makes a complaint to this meeting that Nathaniel Howland has wronged him this meeting makes choice of Deliverance Smith Jabez Straker and Wm Soule to hear the matter and make up the difference if they can and if they cannot to make report to the next monthly meeting  
 The foreward appointed to see Daniel Howland and Mary Trapp solemnize their marriage in the good order of truth  
 say that it was so accomplished as far as they said

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At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> month 1718. Dartmouth meeting called Josiah Smith and William Wood appeared: Rochester meeting called none appeared  
 Deliverance Smith and Sarah Smith being called upon to give an account how James Howland and Hannah Allen marriage was carried on and they say in good order as far as they know  
 And John Tucker hath attended y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting as appointed  
 Thomas Taber junr and John Tucker did draw up an account to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting as appointed: the men that were chosen to make inspection into y<sup>e</sup> Difference between Daniel Mosher and Nathaniel Howland make report to this meeting that y<sup>e</sup> P<sup>r</sup> Mosher refuses to have the whole difference to them Therefore they thought not best to meddle therewith: The business of Dartmouth preparative meeting called but no business presented the epistle from y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted

2 mo:

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> day of this month 1718: Dartmouth meeting called Benjamin Howland and Sarah Smith appeared: Rochester meeting called and Nicolas Davis appeared  
 Daniel Shepherd junr and Mary Shearman y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Shearman have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting also William Soule junr and Rachel Allen y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Increase Allen have likewise laid their intentions of marriage before the meeting and they are all desired to wait till y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting for their answer and Eleazar Placyn and Henry Tucker are appointed to see into Wm Soule and Rachel Allen's cleanness with respect to marriage and Sarah Smith and John Lapham to see into y<sup>e</sup> cleanness of the other couple in that respect: Dartmouth business called and there is no further business: Rochester business called and no business presented

3 mo:

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1718  
 There was collected for the use of friends - 14 shillings and 6 pence  
 Whereas Daniel Shepherd and Mary Shearman in the last monthly meeting lay their intentions of marriage and were to have their answer at this meeting but the young woman being ill it is referred to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting  
 William Soule junr and Rachel Allen junr presented their answers and time dividing their answer with respect to their intentions

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of marriage laid before the last monthly meeting and the meeting answered that nothing appearing to hinder they may proceed to take each other in marriage in y<sup>e</sup> good order of truth  
 Dartmouth meeting called Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared. Rochester meeting called Eliza Wing appeared  
 The business of Dartmouth meeting called Eleazer Noxon and Henry Tucker are appointed to see the marriage between W<sup>m</sup> Soule and Rachel Allen accomplished in y<sup>e</sup> good order of truth and they are permitted to solemnize their marriage on y<sup>e</sup> next 4<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> week although it be a meeting day by course but not to be allowed as a president for time to come  
 The sisters being called upon to give account that nothing has been done in that service the last quarter

And Stephen Willock and Benjamin Howland are appointed to attend y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting next

And a matter being presented from y<sup>e</sup> preparative meeting of Dartmouth concerning y<sup>e</sup> putting off the hat or having uncovered in laying the intentions of marriage and receiving their answers and the meeting being generally of y<sup>e</sup> mind that it ought not to be and the meeting refers it to y<sup>e</sup> consideration of y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly Meeting: also from said preparative meeting a query whether our marriages among friends be good without a justice of y<sup>e</sup> peace and whether friends be obliged to invite a justice to their marriages and if a justice be invited to come and it so happen that he cannot or will not come whether friends are obliged to go to another which matter is also referred to y<sup>e</sup> next Quarterly meeting

The business of Rochester meeting called and they give account that they have visited the families of friends and things for the most part are pretty well amongst them

And there was presented some sufferings of friends from Rochester which was approved to be sent to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting and this meeting is adjourned till y<sup>e</sup> sixth day next before y<sup>e</sup> quarterly meeting

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This meeting being met according to adjournment this 4<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> month 1775

The sisters gives the following account that they have visited the families of friends belonging to Dartmouth meeting and for the most part as far as they saw things are pretty well and that Taber Jun<sup>r</sup> and John Tucker and Nathaniel Howland or eight or two of them are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting and

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And William Wood and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next

2<sup>mo</sup>

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Benjamin Howland appeared Rochester meeting called none appeared

Daniel Shepherd and Mary Shearman appeared before this meeting for their answer as to their intentions of marriage and enquiry being made into their clearness and nothing appearing to hinder their intentions they had their answer that they might proceed in marriage to each other in y<sup>e</sup> good order of truth

And Stephen Willock and William Wood and John Tucker hath attended y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting as appointed and John Tucker hath drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as appointed and Judah Smith and John Lapham are appointed to see Daniel Shepherd and Mary Shearman marriage solemnized in the good order of truth and make return to the next monthly meeting

The Epistle of y<sup>e</sup> last Quarterly meeting was read among us and kindly accepted and the friends that were appointed to see that W<sup>m</sup> Soule and Rachel Allen did solemnize their marriage in the good order of truth makes report that they were there and they saw nothing but that it was performed in good order

And W<sup>m</sup> Soule is appointed to draw a deed of Land that y<sup>e</sup> meeting bought of Deliverance Smith and there was collected 10 shillings and ordered to be paid to James Trapp towards the build the meeting house

3<sup>mo</sup>

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith and Benjamin Howland appeared Rochester meeting called Eliza Wing appeared

Judah Smith and John Lapham being called upon to give in their account how things was managed at Daniel Shepherd and Mary Shearman marriage and their answer is that it was managed in the order of truth as far as they saw the business of Rochester meeting called and no business reported

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At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> day of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1718

4mo: Dartmouth meeting called John Merber and Henry Tucker appeared: Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared and there was collected for use of friends 1 4 6

The business of Dartmouth meeting called Deliverance Smith John Tucker and Benjamin Howland are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next: and Judah Smith and John Tucker is appointed to draw an account to the quarterly meeting next the business of Rochester meeting called but no business presented The Epistle of ye yearly meeting from London held in London in ye year 1714 was read at this meeting and kindly accepted

5mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth ye 21 day of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared - Rochester meeting called Eliza Wing appeared The business of Dartmouth meeting called and John Tucker and Benjamin Howland hath attended ye Quarterly meeting as appointed and John Tucker and Judah Smith did draw up an account to ye Quarterly meeting as they were appointed The epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read to good satisfaction

also some minutes of ye yearly meeting at London 1717 Concerning tomb stones distinguishing apparel for the dead and bowings and Censures which minutes are ordered to be read on a first day meeting after worship by John Tucker or some one who he may appoint - and there was a subscription made by friends at the meeting in answer to the desire of the Quarterly meeting who ordered our monthly meeting to raise ten pounds for ye service of truth and John Tucker is ordered to receive the money and convey it to ye next quarterly meeting of friends no business from Rochester to this meeting

Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 30 shillings out of the meeting Stock to John Tucker and Eleazer Placum for keeping the meeting house

6mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> day of ye 6<sup>th</sup> month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared John Tucker has called the minutes to be read according to ye order of the last monthly meeting

The visitors being called upon

7/18 The business of Dartmouth being called the visitors are desired to visit the families of friends between this and the next monthly meeting: from Rochester no business presented

8mo: At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1718 there was collected for the use of friends - - 6 17 0

Dartmouth meeting called Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared - Rochester meeting called Eliza Wing appeared Joseph Mosher the son of Nicholas Mosher and Mehetabel Smith did lay their intentions of taking each other in marriage and Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith appointed to see into their cleanness in respect to marriage and also that they have their parents consent: and Benjamin Howland hath paid to John Tucker and Eleazer Placum 30 shillings as ordered: the subscription of 10<sup>l</sup> agreed upon at ye monthly meeting in the 5<sup>th</sup> month last is finished

The business of Rochester meeting called and they have gathered forty shillings for the use of friends and sent it by Eliza Wing and it is ordered to be sent to ye Quarterly meeting next by John Tucker: and William Wood Eliza Wing and John Tucker is appointed to attend ye Quarterly meeting next: and Judah Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting next and this meeting desires to have an account what is done concerning the buying and keeping of Books

9mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> day of ye 8<sup>th</sup> month 1718

Dartmouth meeting called Benjamin Howland and John Merber appeared - Rochester meeting called none appeared

The friends that were chosen to make inquiry in to Joseph Mosher and Mehetabel Smith, (names from all others in relation to marriage) and also the content of parents gives account that they find nothing to hinder their proceedings in that affair: and they the said Joseph Mosher and Mehetabel forth proposing them selves before this meeting during their answer they had their answer that they might proceed to take each other in the Gods order of truth and Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith are appointed to see the marriage solemnized in the good order of truth

and bring in their answer how they find things to the next monthly meeting

1718 Lord John Tucker and Judah Smith hath drawn an account to the Quarterly meeting as appoyed: Lord John Tucker hath carried y<sup>e</sup> twelve pounds to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting as appoyed and Benjamin Hodland is order'd to pay 25 shillings for mess-ings and making glass for y<sup>e</sup> meeting house

9<sup>mo</sup>. At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month: 1718: Dartmouth meeting called Benjamin Hodland and William Wood appeared: Rochester meeting called and none appeared: Adam Mott and Apphia Hathaway have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting Henry Tucker and Tho<sup>s</sup> Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to inquire into their clearness with respect to marriage and make report to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting: Benjamin Hodland and Deliverance Smith makes report to this meeting that they have attended y<sup>e</sup> marriage of J<sup>o</sup>sh<sup>u</sup>a Mather and Miletabel Smith and it was performed in the order of truth as far as they find - - -

10<sup>mo</sup>. At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1718: Dartmouth meeting called Eleazer Bacon and Jabez Tucker appeared: Rochester meeting called Eliza Wing appeared: These who collected for y<sup>e</sup> use of friends - 5-09-06 Adam Mott and Apphia Hathaway presented them selves before this meeting desiring y<sup>e</sup> meetings to proceed with respect to their proceeding in marriage and inquiry having been made and things on both sides appearing clear the meeting allows that they may proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting and Henry Tucker and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to see it accom- plished accordingly and make report to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting And the visitors being called upon have an account to give and y<sup>e</sup> meeting desires that they be careful to visit the families of friends so that there may be a full account to give to the Quarterly meeting in y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> month next: And William Wood and Stephen Wilcox and Eliza Wing are appointed to attend y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting next and John Tucker and Tho<sup>s</sup> Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to draw up an account to the quarterly meeting concerning the affairs of truth amongst us

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1718 The business of Rochester meeting called it is signified from their preparative meeting that Benjamin Smith of Rochester has notified to them his intentions of proceeding marriage with Hasarah Sanders of Sandwich friends do therefore make choice of Eliza Wing and Stephen Wing to inquire into his conversation and clearness with respect to marriage and make report to the next monthly meeting:

11<sup>mo</sup>. At a monthly meeting friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> month: 1718: Dartmouth meeting called Henry Tucker appeared: Rochester meeting called and none appeared: William Wood and Eliza Wing hath attended y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly Meeting as appointed: and John Tucker hath drawn an account to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting: And it is desired that friends take care to get the deed acknowledged and concerning Adam Mott and Benjamin Smith relating to mar-riage for the next month next: And John Tucker and Henry Tucker is appointed to take care of the meeting house y<sup>e</sup> ensuing year <sup>and</sup> the year to begin at y<sup>e</sup> Last monthly meeting and the meeting to pay the charge: we received the Epistle from the last Quarterly meeting which was read and kindly accepted:

12<sup>mo</sup>. At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> month: 1718: Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith and Henry Tucker appeared: Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared: Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> gives account to this meeting that the marriage between Adam Mott and Apphia Hathaway was performed in the good order of truth - - - and the friends appointed to inquire into Benjamin Smiths conversation and clearness with respect to marriage do make report to this meeting that they find nothing to y<sup>e</sup> contrary but that he may proceed: and the meeting hath given him a certificate directed to y<sup>e</sup> monthly meeting at Sandwich according to report: The business of Dartmouth meeting called it being proposed from Dartmouth preparative meeting whether it be agreeable to truth to fetch timber of from another mans lot that was fallen

181 <sup>thereon</sup> before the lot was laid out without leave of the owner of said lot it is concluded by the full consent of y<sup>e</sup> meeting that no friend ought to fetch any such timber without leave first obtained of y<sup>e</sup> owner of such lands: for Rochester no business

1920: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> month 1719<sup>2</sup> There was collected for y<sup>e</sup> use of friends: 1-11-6  
Phineas Chase of Tiverton and Desire Wing of Rochester the Daughters of John Wing of Rochester deceased: have laid their intentions marriage before this meeting who are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answers.

And Nathan Parlow having desired a Certificate of his cleareness with respect to marriage and conversation: and Elisha Wing and Nicolas Davis are appointed to inquire into the same and give an account thereof to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting  
The business of Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith being appointed to present y<sup>e</sup> business the visitors do give account that they have pretty generally visited y<sup>e</sup> families of friends and as far as they saw things are pretty well for y<sup>e</sup> most part and friends generally in unity.

And William White having offered some contribution towards the furnishing Cookset meeting house this meeting makes choice of John Tucker William Wood and Stephen Willcocks to signify the order of friends to him on such occasions and to give account to the next monthly meeting whether he be minded to become one with us

And James Tripp the Son of James Tripp having a design of proceeding in marriage contrary to the order of friends and he having been spoken with by the visitors and other friends appointed by the synodallive meeting about it and he not giving a positive answer this <sup>meeting</sup> Nathaniel Howland and Deliverance Smith to labour farther with him and give account to the next monthly meeting

Rochester meeting called Nicholas Davis appeared and no farther business presented: only Elisha Wing and Nicholas Davis are appointed to inquire into Phineas Chase and Desire Wing cleareness with respect to marriage and conversation and make report to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting and Nicolas Davis and John Tucker and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are chose to attend the Quarterly meeting and also to draw an account to y<sup>e</sup> next

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At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1719:

2<sup>nd</sup> mo: Dartmouth meeting called Benjamin Howland and Judah Smith appeared: Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared Phineas Chase and Desire Wing not appearing not appearing for their answer it is referred till y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting that matter concerning speaking to William White is referred for an account till y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting:

And the friends appointed to speak with James Tripp jun<sup>r</sup> concerning his marrying out of the order of friends do give account that he had accomplished his marriage before they had opportunity to speak with him friends are therefore concerned to condemn a disorderly practice and to deny the said James Tripp jun<sup>r</sup> to be one of us the people called Quakers and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> is appointed to draw up a paper of friends Denying him and present it to the next monthly meeting to be signed

The persons chose to attend the Quarterly meeting did attend meeting also John Tucker and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> did draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting as ordered: The business of Dartmouth meeting called no business appeared: Rochester no business and friends have signed a certificate signifying Nathan Parlow's cleareness relating to marriage: This day the accounts were made up and ballanced with James Tripp concerning the building of Cookset meeting house and there remains 40 shillings in John Tucker hands of the subscription for D meeting house

3<sup>rd</sup> mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1719:

Dartmouth meeting called Abraham Tucker and Joseph Merino appeared: Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared the friends appointed to speak with W<sup>m</sup> White do give account that he desires some time of consideration and the condemnation of James Tripp jun<sup>r</sup> disorderly walking and proceeding in marriage is presented to the meeting which is as followeth

according to y<sup>e</sup> order of the last monthly meeting and being accepted and signed Deliverance Smith is ordered to read it or cause it to be read on a fast day at Cookset meeting house

house

House at the end of the meeting for worship between this and the next monthly meeting

Dartmouth business called no business appeared:  
1719 Rochester business called none presents only some sufferings presented from Rochester which are accepted and ordered to be sent to the yearly meeting -  
the business relating to Phineas Chace his proceeding in marriage is referred to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting by reason of y<sup>e</sup> yearly meeting falling <sup>out</sup> to be on the 3<sup>d</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> next month the next monthly meeting and preparative meeting is adjourned one week later than usual

4<sup>th</sup> mo - At a monthly meeting of forewarn held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 22<sup>d</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 1719. Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and John Smith appeared. Rochester meeting called - - - Savery Clifton appeared.

There was Collected for the use of forewarn - - - 1-07-00  
Deliverance Smith being called upon to know whether he hath read James Trapp's <sup>1<sup>st</sup></sup> Condemnation and he answered that he hath not done it and so he is continued till to read y<sup>e</sup> same according to y<sup>e</sup> order of y<sup>e</sup> last monthly meeting the sufferings that was presented <sup>at y<sup>e</sup> preparative meeting</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> yearly meeting at Rhode Island as appointed - -

The business of Dartmouth meeting called William Wood Thomas Taber Jun<sup>r</sup> and John Tucker are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting next. Deliverance Smith and John Tucker are appointed to draw up an account to y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting. Phineas Chace and Desire Wing appeared at this meeting desiring their answer relating to their taking each other in marriage and nothing appearing to hinder their said intentions they had their answer <sup>and</sup> they might proceed in taking each other in the good order of truth and Savery Clifton and John Tucker is appointed to see it performed as above and make return to the next monthly meeting.

The business of Rochester meeting called and their was a paper presented signifying their love but no business one thing omitted viz: the visitors being called upon to know how they find things under their care and answer <sup>that</sup> nothing is done in respect of visiting forewarn <sup>in</sup> by the last quarter



At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting  
 1719: House in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> month 1719  
 6<sup>mo</sup> = Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith  
 appeared: Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared  
 James Tripp jun<sup>r</sup> Condemnation hath been read according  
 to order - John Tucker and William Wood have attended the  
 quarterly meeting - and John Tucker and Deliverance Smith  
 have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting:  
 and John Tucker gives account that Phineas Chase  
 and Desire Wing have performed their marriage in the  
 good order of truth as far as they saw  
 The business of Dartmouth meeting called it is proposed  
 to this meeting that Thomas Smith hath a desire to go to y<sup>e</sup>  
 westward to visit his relations, <sup>and friends</sup> and desires the consent of  
 this meeting therein and a few lines of their unity in way  
 of a certificate:  
 And John Tucker and Tho: Tucker jun<sup>r</sup> are ordered to draw a  
 certificate according to his request and present it to the next  
 monthly meeting to be signed  
 And Selig Floum having signified that there is an intention  
 of marriage between his son Giler Floum and Elizabeth  
 Wanton the daughter of John Whenton of Newport and  
 desires a certificate of this meeting of his sons cleanness  
 on that account to others: and Glicer Floum and Henry  
 Tucker are appointed to inquire into the same and make  
 report to the next monthly meeting how they find things  
 and it being requested it is granted that William Wood  
 James Tripp Robert Tripp Daniel Goddard and Hannah Cadman  
 may build a stable of 20 foot square on friends meeting house  
 land at Cohasset only it is advised that Stephen Willcock and  
 James Tripp do set of a piece of Land as they may think fit  
 able for a burying place and the bound and quantity thereof  
 to be given in to the next monthly meeting  
 The business of Rochester meeting called no business  
 there is no spittle form y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting  
 Ruth Lawton's condemnation is given forth and signed and  
 John Tucker is appointed to read it or cause it to be read at  
 Cohasset meeting house on a first day after y<sup>e</sup> meeting of  
 y<sup>e</sup> doct<sup>r</sup> at

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house  
 1719: the 17<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> month 1719  
 6<sup>mo</sup>: Dartmouth meeting called Benjamin Howland and  
 Deliverance Smith appeared:  
 Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared  
 Tho: Smith hath a certificate granted him and signed at  
 this meeting signifying our consent in his going to Pensilvania  
 to visit his friends and relations there.  
 Also Giler Floum hath a certificate signed signifying his  
 cleanness in regard of marriage  
 And the friends appointed to set out the burying ground  
 on y<sup>e</sup> meeting house land at Cohasset do give account that  
 they have allotted the south east corner of said lot to by six  
 rods in length north and south and four rods wide at y<sup>e</sup> south  
 end and three rods wide at the north end for a burying place  
 and Ruth Lawton's <sup>condemnation</sup> hath been read according to the order of  
 the last monthly meeting which is as followeth  
 Whereas Ruth Lawton of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in  
 New England having been educated in among friends her  
 mother being one in unity with us the people called Quakers  
 and her self made some pretended shew of Love to friends  
 and the blessed truth professed amongst us yet by giving way to  
 a Reprobate mind hath gone out into Stubborness and disobedience to  
 her parents by keeping company with a lascivious person and at last  
 to the committing of that unclean sin of fornication as appears  
 by her having a bastard child to the dishonour of god reproach to  
 truth and scandal to the professors thereof  
 Now though it is matter of sorrow and grief to all the sincere  
 hearted amongst us that any of our youth should thus fall into  
 the snares of the Devil to the wounding of their souls yet are  
 we constrained to give this forth as a testimony against such  
 foul and wicked practices denying the said Ruth Lawton to be  
 one of us the people called Quakers heartily desiring that if it  
 be the will of God she may by taking the shame to her self  
 through <sup>repentance</sup> find pardon and acceptance with him  
 given

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Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1719 and signed by

John Tucker:	Thos. Taber junr:	Rose Howland
Abraham Tucker:	John Lapham:	Mary Pleum
Peter Flocum:	Josiah Meekins:	Ruth Tucker
Increase Allen:	Joseph Rubell junr:	Mary Howland
Judah Smith:	Robert Cropp:	Tabitha Aduite
Nathaniel Howland:		Abigail Allee
William Wood:	Mary Landon:	Mary Lapham
Stephen Willcock:	Rachel Allee:	Mary Rubell
Elisha Wing:	Hannah Cadman:	Mary Smith
		Ruth Smith

And there being some of y<sup>e</sup> dying sayings of Gearshom Smith presented to this meeting which are thought to be of service to be read at a publick meeting and Deliverance Smith is ordered to read it at a convenient time  
 The business of Rochester meeting called and no business appeared: and John Tucker having signified his design of travelling into y<sup>e</sup> western parts to visit friends and his Relations: friends have given him a certificate signifying their unity therein

7<sup>th</sup> mo. At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> month 1719  
 There was collected for the use of friends =  
 Dartmouth meeting called Wm Wood and Judah Smith appeared: Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared  
 The friends of Dartmouth meeting called: Benjamin Howland William Wood and Deliverance Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting the visitors being called upon to give account that they have visited friends families where their care and as far as they saw things are for the most part pretty well and where they saw things amiss they have taken care that it be mended and the persons appointed to attend y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting are ordered to

Draw

Draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting:  
 1719: And it being presented to this meeting from the private meeting of Dartmouth that there is a report that William Soule has brought a scandal on truth and friends by bargaining in an underhand way w<sup>th</sup> Ruben Allen and others this meeting makes choice of Elisha Wing Benjamin Howland Thomas Taber junr William Wood and Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker to inquire into the grounds of said report and they or the major part of them to determine and judge of the whole matter and make report to the next monthly meeting: Rochester business called and none appeared the collection is refered to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting

8<sup>th</sup> mo. At a monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1719  
 Dartmouth meeting called Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared: Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared: there was collected for the use of friends - 1-00-00.  
 The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Sept have attended it and did Draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting as ordered:  
 The friends appointed to judge in the matter between William Soule and Trustorum Allen have given in their judgment and is as follows:  
 We whose names are under written being appointed by the monthly meeting held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> day of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1719: to hear and give judgment in a matter brought to a meeting by Trustorum Allen about the estate of Josiah Allen late of Dartmouth &c. &c. we have heard the matter debated between them do conclude and it is our judgment that William Soules going to away privately without the advice of friends was disorderly and that he ought to condemn it: and as to his bargaining in an under hand way w<sup>th</sup> Benjamin Allen and others we fear that Wm Soule was not so upright

As he ought to <sup>have</sup> been in the prosecution of that business  
 1719: and the matter being doubtful to us we leave it to y<sup>e</sup> Lord  
 who will judge every man according to his deeds and whereas  
 we have taken notice of severall hard speeches that have  
 passed between Wm Soule and Troutrum Allen wherein we  
 judge they were both to blame we do advise them for time  
 to come to live in love for he that says he loves God and  
 hates his brother is a lyar for he that loves not his brother  
 whom he hath seen how can he love God whom he hath  
 not seen but he who loves God loves his brother

Benjamin Howland: Deliverance Smith  
 William Wood: Elisha Wing  
 Henry Tucker — Thomas Taber Jun<sup>r</sup>

The business of Dartmouth meeting called it being  
 reported to this meeting that Robert Tripp and Alice  
 Anthony have proceeded in marriage contrary to the  
 order of friends William Wood is appointed to inquire into  
 the truth of the report and give account to the next  
 monthly meeting there being also a report that George  
 Soule and Lydia Howland have published their intention  
 of marriage contrary to y<sup>e</sup> order of friends Deliverance  
 Smith and Judah Smith are appointed to inquire into the  
 report and give an account the next monthly meeting  
 Rochester meeting called and no business presented  
 The Epistles from y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meetings in the 5<sup>th</sup> month  
 last past and the last quarterly meeting are read in this  
 meeting and kindly accepted: Troutrum Allen appeals  
 from the judgment of friends to y<sup>e</sup> next Quarterly  
 meeting: Deliverance Smith is appointed to make  
 the monthly meeting accounts with Benjamin Howland

at

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting  
 1719: House in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1719:  
 9<sup>th</sup> mo: Dartmouth meeting called Henry Tucker appeared  
 Rochester meeting called Nicholas Davis appeared  
 John Summers Jun<sup>r</sup> and Rest Davis y<sup>e</sup> daughter or Timothy  
 Davis laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting  
 and Savory Clifton and Stephen Wing are appointed to  
 see into their cleareness on that account, and give account  
 thereof to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting in order that they may  
 then have their answer  
 And whereas it appears that Robert Tripp and Alice  
 Anthony have proceeded in marriage contrary to the  
 order of friends and that George Soule and Lydia Howland  
 have done y<sup>e</sup> like Thomas Hathaway and Thos. Taber Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 are appointed to draw up a paper for each of their con-  
 : nations to be ready in order to be signed at the next month-  
 : ly meeting: and Deliverance Smith has made up the  
 monthly meetings accounts to Benjamin Howland  
 and there remains in the book — 06-05-10  
 Stephen Willcox having signified his design of travelling  
 to Sandwich and then parts to visit friends this meeting  
 has given him a certificate signifying their unity therewith

10<sup>th</sup> mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting  
 House in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> month 1719:  
 There was collected for y<sup>e</sup> use of friends — — 01-06-07  
 Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith  
 appeared — Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing  
 appeared: John Summers Jun<sup>r</sup> and Rest Davis appeared  
 for their answer and the friends appointed giving account  
 that they find nothing to hinder their proceeding in  
 marriage The meeting answers that they may proceed  
 to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth  
 between this and y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting and Stephen  
 Wing and Savory Clifton are appointed to see their  
 accounts

1719. Marriage solemnized accordingly and make report  
 thereof to the next month's meeting -  
 and the friends appointed to draw up Robert Trigg and  
 his wives condemnation for their disorderly proceeding  
 in marriage and also for George Soule and his wife for  
 the like cause have done it and they are signed in order  
 to be read and Deliverance Smith is ordered to read  
 Robert Trigg and his wives condemnation or cause it to  
 be read at Coughset meeting on a first day at the conclu-  
 sion of the time of worship: and John Tucker is ordered  
 to do the like by the other at ponaganset meeting and  
 both to make return thereof to the next monthly meeting  
 Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 30<sup>shil</sup> out of y<sup>e</sup> monthly  
 meeting stock to John Tucker for keeping the meeting house  
 which he accordingly paid for the year past.

The visitors give no account of visiting -  
 Rochester business called no business presented  
 John Tucker and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed  
 to draw up an account to the next Quarterly meeting  
 and Stephen Willcock and Tho<sup>s</sup> Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed  
 to attend the Quarterly meeting next:  
 And a concern lying on this meeting concerning frien-  
 ds wearing of wigs is referred to be proposed to the next  
 Quarterly meeting:  
 And it is ordered that the meetings at Coughset be  
 held every first day except they day before the monthly  
 meeting till the first of the 3<sup>d</sup> month next.

At a monthly meeting <sup>of friends</sup> held at our meeting house  
 in Dartmouth the 13<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1719:  
 Dartmouth meeting called Judah Smith and ad<sup>n</sup> id<sup>n</sup>  
 appeared: Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared:  
 Stephen Wing and Savory Clifton give account that  
 John Sumner jun<sup>r</sup> and Rest Davis have accomplished  
 their marriage according to the good order established  
 among friends: George Soule and his wives condemnation  
 has been read according to y<sup>e</sup> order of the last monthly  
 meeting and is as followeth

whereas

1719. Whereas George Soule son of William Soule and Hannah  
 his wife and Lydia Howland the Daughter of Benjamin  
 Howland and Judith his wife both of Dartmouth in the  
 County of Bristol in New England having been educated  
 amongst friends their parents being all of y<sup>e</sup> people  
 called Quakers have of late proceeded in marriage to  
 each other contrary to the good order established amongst  
 us on that account we do therefore give this forth as  
 a publick Testimony against so disorderly proceeding  
 and also do deny the sd George Soule and Lydia his wife  
 to be of us the people called Quakers Sincerely desiring  
 if it be the will of God they may come to a right and  
 sense of this and all other their outgoings and by an  
 unfeigned repentance find acceptance with the Lord  
 and his people signed at our monthly meeting  
 at Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1719

- |                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| John Tucker                     | Ruth Tucker       |
| Abraham Tucker                  | Rachel Allen      |
| Eli ezer Flocum                 | Hannah Tucker     |
| William Soule                   | Elizabeth Russell |
| William Wood                    | Mary Lawton       |
| Stephen Willcock                | Mehetabel Burwell |
| Deliverance Smith               | Phebe Tucker      |
| Joseph Russell jun <sup>r</sup> | Mary Lapham       |
| Nathaniel Howland               | Mary Smith        |
| Benjamin Howland                | Rose Howland      |
| John Lapham                     | Mary Lapham       |
| Henry Tucker                    | Mary Smith        |
| Peleg Flocum                    |                   |

And Robert Trigg and his wives condemnation not  
 being read: Deliverance Smith is still continued  
 to do it between this and the next monthly meeting  
 And John Tucker and Tho<sup>s</sup> Taber jun<sup>r</sup> have drawn  
 up an account to the quarterly meeting -  
 according

1719

According to the order of the Last monthly meeting and it not being sent it is ordered to be sent with the account to y<sup>e</sup> next Quarterly meeting Stephen Willcox has attended y<sup>e</sup> quarterly meeting according to order

And a complaint being brought to this meeting that our friend Tho: Coleman of Sittuate has of late commenced a sute in law against our friend Richard Kirby contrary to the order of friends and the advice of the apostle wherefor John Tucker Nathaniel Howland and Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are ordered to signify to <sup>Mr</sup> Thomas Coleman that he act no disorderly and to ~~advise~~ him to desist from proceeding any farther in <sup>the</sup> matter and also to give an account to Sittuate monthly meeting of his <sup>proceeding</sup> to go to law with his brother that they may take care to prevent farther proceeding therein: The Epistle from y<sup>e</sup> Quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted

The meeting orders Benjamin Howland to pay 1-19-08 out of the monthly meeting stock to John Russell for the meeting house hand irons which w<sup>as</sup> 2-10-09: paid by the womens meeting make y<sup>e</sup> full price

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> month 1719 Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared: Rochester meeting called none appeared Deliverance Smith has read Robert Tripp and his wives condemnation as ordered: and it is as followeth

Whereas Robert Tripp and Alice Anthony both of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New England having been educated among friends and as to appearance have walked in a degree conformable to the good order established among us yet of late in contradiction to the good shew that they have

formerly made and the grief and trouble of friends they have refused the good and wholesome order among them relating to marriage having lately been married to each other from among friends thereby giving advantage to the light and airy waiston people to make a shift and deviation of friends and the blessed truth professed amongst us we are therefore concerned to give this forth as a publick testimony against their disorderly walking and to deny the said Robert Tripp and Alice his wife to be of us the people called Quakers sincerely desiring if it be the will of God they may come to a right and sense of their out going and come into unity with the people of God  
Signed at our monthly meeting held at Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1719

- John Tucker : Deliverance Smith : Rachel Allen
- Abraham Tucker : Thomas Hathaway : Hannah Tucker
- Benjamin Howland : Henry Tucker : Ruth Tucker
- Eliazer Hocum : Joseph Russell jun<sup>r</sup> : Hannah Soule
- William Dood : Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> : Elizabeth Russell
- Nathaniel Howland : Jofiah Mericho : Mary Lapham
- Stephen Dillock : Horekiah Smith : Mehetabel Burvil
- John Lapham : Peleg Hocum : Mary Russell
- Judah Smith : William Soule : Phoebe Tucker
- Mary Lapham jun<sup>r</sup>
- Mary Smith
- Rosa Howland

The friends that were ordered to signify to the monthly meeting of Sittuate the proceeding of Thomas Coleman against Richard Kirby have done it Benjamin Howland has paid 1-19-08 to John Russell according to the order of the Last monthly meeting The burthen of Dartmouth meeting called

and

1719: And it being requested the next preparative and monthly meeting be adjourned one week longer than the usual time it is ordered that it <sup>be adjourned</sup> and it appearing that there is due to Judah Smith the sum of 3:18:08 for recording the monthly meetings minutes Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay it out of the monthly meetings stock.

And whereas William Soule by y<sup>e</sup> judgment of some friends appointed by the monthly meeting held in the 7<sup>th</sup> month last past to hear to hear and give judgment in a matter brought against him by Trustron Allen did judge that he ought to condemn his going to the westward privately without the advice of friends he has now condemned it and is as follows

I do acknowledge that my going to the westward and not first acquainting friends thereof was contrary to the order of friends and I am sorry that it hapned so and hope that I shall be more careful for the time to come

William Soule

1720: At a monthly meeting <sup>of friends</sup> held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month 1720. There was collected for y<sup>e</sup> use of friends 1-16-02  
Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared: Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing <sup>and appearing</sup> appeared Benjamin Howland has paid the sum of 3:18:08 to Judah Smith according to y<sup>e</sup> order of the last monthly meeting: The business of Dartmouth meeting called James Tripp demanded 17:2<sup>0</sup> for expence toward coakset meeting house which Benjamin Howland paid out of the monthly meeting stock by order of the meeting  
The visitors of Dartmouth meeting called upon do give account that they have visited the most of friends families belonging to their care and find things for the most part pretty well and adhere things were not well they gave advice that it might be amended and friends seem to take their visit kindly: and Rochester meeting business called and their visitors give account that they have visited friends families and

1720: And find things amongst them pretty well: and Elisha Wing Deliverance Smith and Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to attend the quarterly meeting next And John Tucker and Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to draw up an account to to the Quarterly meeting

2<sup>mo</sup>: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1720 Dartmouth monthly meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared - - - - - Rochester meeting called none appeared  
Elisha Wing Deliverance Smith and Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> have attended the quarterly meeting according to the appointment of the last monthly meeting. and John Tucker and Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> have drawn up an account to the Quarterly meeting as ordered The business of Dartmouth meeting called: and Berial Goddard of some town and Anna Smith the daughter of Deliverance Smith of Dartmouth have laid their intentions <sup>in writing</sup> and they are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer: and Eleazer Flocum and William Wood are appointed to inquire into their clewnet on that account and make return to the next monthly meeting: - - -  
And whereas Nathan Soule has offered to contribute something toward Finnickings Coakset meeting house William Wood and James Tripp and John Tucker are desired to speak with him and to let him know how friends can receive on such occasions according to the request of the Quarterly meeting friends have made a subscription for Salem meeting house which John Tucker is desired to receive and carry it in to the yearly meeting  
and in compliance to the advice of the quarterly meeting with respect to reviewing of visitors by a new choice the meeting makes choice of Eleazer Flocum Benjamin Howland Deliverance Smith Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> and John Tucker

1720: And whereas Sarah Wing the Daughter of our friends Elisha Wing of Rochester hath fallen into that foul sin of fornication as appears by her own Confession this meeting has given forth a Condemnation against her to read publicly at the end of forecnds meeting of worship at Cuckshot and Thomas Taber just is ordered to read it between this and the next monthly meeting

3<sup>mi</sup>: At a monthly meeting of forecnds held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1720 Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared:

Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared the young Cuple that appeared and laid their intentions of marriage the last monthly meeting not appearing for their answer it is ordered to yt next monthly meeting. And the forecnds that were ordered to let Nathan Soule know the mind of this meeting to respect to his offering to contribute towards the finishing of Cuckshot meeting house having spoken with him and given = his answer to this meeting and the meeting having considered of it do order the same forecnds to let him know that he is desired to wait some time in the counsel of God to be confirmed in the principles of truth. And Tho: Taber just. has read Sarah Wings Condemnation according to the order of the last monthly meeting which is as followeth

Whereas Sarah Wing the Daughter of Elisha Wing of Rochester in the County of Plymouth in New England her parents being forecnds and she educated in the way of truth yet to the dishonour of God & reproach of the blessed truth professed amongst us and grief of forecnds she has by giving way to the temptation of Satan and her own wicked inclination fallen into that foul sin of fornication as appears by her own Confession: we do therefore give this forth as a publick testimony against this wicked and unclean action denying the same to Sarah Wing to be one of us the people called Quakers sincerely desiring if it be the will of God she may come to a right and sense of this her sin and all other her sins and by an unfeigned repentance find mercy

Given forth at our monthly meeting of forecnds held in 1720: Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> month 1720:

- |                   |               |
|-------------------|---------------|
| John Tucker       | Mary Slocum   |
| Abraham Tucker    | Hannah Tucker |
| Blag Slocum       | Hannah Comon  |
| William Wood      | Rachel Allen  |
| Eliexer Slocum    | Ruth Smith    |
| Nathaniel Howland | Abigail Allen |
| Judah Smith       | Hope Merihoo  |
| Benjamin Howland  | Mary Lawton   |
| Deliverance Smith | Rose Howland  |
| William Soule     | Phebe Tucker  |
| James Torryp      | Mary Lapham   |
| Thomas Hathaway   | Mary Russell  |
| Stephen Willcock  | Ruth Tucker   |
| Henry Tucker      | Mary Smith    |
| Thomas Taber just | Dinah Smith   |
| Jabez Bowker      |               |
| John Lapham       |               |
| Josiah Merihoo    |               |
| Eliashib Smith    |               |

no business from the preparatorie meetings - in order to answer the desire of the Quarterly meeting on the account of forecnds wearing of wigg: John Tucker Benjamin Howland Deliverance Smith and Tho: Taber just are ordered to Draid up something on that account to be ready at the next monthly meeting

4<sup>mi</sup>: At a monthly meeting of forecnds held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1720: Dartmouth meeting called Wm Wood and Judah Smith appeared Rochester meeting called none appeared. Josiah Howard and Ann Smith appearing for their answer and the meeting having inquired into their cleareness and finding nothing but that they may proceed the meeting therefore answers that they may proceed to take each other in marriage

1720: In the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting and John Tucker and William Wood are appointed to see their marriage accomplished accordingly and John Tucker has received the subscription for Salem meeting house and delivered it in to y<sup>r</sup> yearly meeting according to order.

The friends that were ordered by the last monthly meeting to signify the mind of y<sup>r</sup> meeting to Nathaniel Soule having done it and he signifies that he has considered of the matter and sees nothing but that he can comply to the orders of friends in all respects.

And the friends that were ordered to by the last monthly meeting: Draw up something on the account of wages having done it. it is accepted and ordered to be sent to the Quarterly meeting in the account

Deliverance Smith and Eleazer Ploum and William Wood are ordered to attend the Quarterly meeting next And John Tucker and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting

5:mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth on the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1720 Dartmouth meeting called Deliverance Smith and Judah Smith appeared

Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared John Tucker and W<sup>m</sup> Wood gives account that their marriage between Feviah Goddard and Ann Smith has been accomplished in the good order of truth Eleazer Ploum and W<sup>m</sup> Wood gives account that they have attended y<sup>r</sup> Quarterly meeting:

John Tucker and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> have drawn up an account to y<sup>r</sup> Quarterly meeting according to order.

The Epistle from the quarterly meeting was read and kindly accepted: No business from Rochester preparative meeting.

6:mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1720 Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared: Rochester meeting called Elisha Wing appeared

1720 John Walker jun<sup>r</sup> of Massachusetts and Sarah Summers of Rochester have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting and they are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer:

The business of Dartmouth meeting called and it is desired that the visitors be stirred up to visit the families of friends between this and the next monthly meeting.

The business of Rochester meeting called and no business except that of y<sup>r</sup> intention of marriage and Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing are appointed to

inquire into their cleanness in respect to marriage and to give in their account to the next monthly meeting

7:mo: At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1720: Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Judah Smith appeared: these was collected for y<sup>r</sup> use of friends: £ 36<sup>0</sup> 0

Rochester meeting called Nicolas Davis appeared: John Walker and Sarah Summers not appearing for their answer it is referred to the next monthly meeting.

The business of Dartmouth meeting called and Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 35 shillings out of y<sup>r</sup> monthly meeting stock to John Tucker and Henry Tucker for keeping the meeting house for halfe a year that is past which he forthwith paid.

And Benjamin Howland and Deliverance Smith are appointed to seat the upper gallery:

The business of Rochester meeting called no business: This meeting is adjourned to the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month next

This meeting being met according to adjournment the visitors gave in their account that they have made a pretty General visit of the families of friends belonging to this monthly meeting and find things for the most part pretty well as far as they said and to some they gave advice as they thought needful And that their visit were kindly accepted

John Tucker and Th<sup>s</sup>. Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are ordered to draw up an account to the Quarterly meeting John Tucker Nicolas Davis and W<sup>m</sup> Wood are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting at a



1720

8<sup>th</sup> mo

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month 1720.  
 Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Sarah Smith appeared: Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared: John Walker and Sarah Summers having formerly laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting and now appearing for their answer answer and all things appearing clear the meeting answers that they may proceed to take each other in marriage in the good order of truth between this and the next monthly meeting and Stephen Wing and Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to see the marriage solemnized

Also Samuel Wing the son of Daniel Wing of Andover and Dorothy Clifton the daughter of Savory Clifton of Rochester have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting who are desired to wait till y<sup>e</sup> next monthly for their answer and Elisha Wing and Stephen Wing are appointed to inquire into their cleareness and make report to the next monthly meeting John Tucker and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> have drawn an account to the Quarterly meeting and John Tucker and Wm Wood have attended the Quarterly meeting according to order

The business of Dartmouth meeting called and a difference between James Howland and Jedediah Allen being laid before this meeting the meeting make choice of Jabez Barker John Rubell Robert Kirby and Josiah Merino or either three of them to end the Difference and it is the mind of this meeting that the parties do become bound to each other in suitable bonds in the judgment of those appointed to end the Difference to stand to their award

From Rochester no further business  
 The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting was read to friends Satisfaction

1720

9<sup>th</sup> mo

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting house in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> day of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1720  
 Dartmouth meeting called William Wood and Sarah Smith appeared: Rochester meeting called Savory Clifton appeared: Samuel Wing and Dorothy Clifton not appearing for their answer it is referred to the next monthly meeting Stephen Wing and Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> give account that the marriage between John Walker and Sarah Summers was accomplished according to the good order of truth Benjamin Rubell and Abigail Howland the daughter of Nicholas Howland have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting who are desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer

Also Joseph Tucker and Mary Howland Daughter of D<sup>r</sup> Nicolas Howland have laid their intentions of marriage before this meeting who are likewise desired to wait till the next monthly meeting for their answer

And Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are ordered to inquire into the cleareness of the first couple with respect marriage and conversation

And Jabez Barker and John Sappam are ordered inquire into the cleareness of the other couple with respect marriage and conversation and each to make report to y<sup>e</sup> next monthly meeting: And whereas there is a report that Sarah Howland the daughter of Nathaniel Howland is married out of the order of friends and contrary to without the consent of her parents Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> is ordered to the truth of the report and give an account to the next monthly meeting

And the matter between James Howland and Jedediah Allen not being fully finished it is referred to the next monthly meeting

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At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting  
 House in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Day of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1720  
 1720 Dartmouth meeting called Eleazer Floum and Sarah Smith  
 10mo: appeared: There was collected for the use of friends 1-15:00  
 Rochester meeting called Stephen Wing appeared  
 Samuel Wing and Dorothy Clifton appeared desiring the meet-  
 ings consider with respect to their taking each other  
 intentions of marriage laid before this meeting at our  
 monthly meeting in the 5<sup>th</sup> month last past and nothing  
 appearing to hinder their proceeding the meeting answers  
 that they may proceed to take each other in the good order  
 of truth between this and the next monthly meeting  
 And Eliza Wing and Stephen Wing are appointed to see  
 it accordingly accomplished  
 Also Benjamin Ruffel and Abigail Howland having laid  
 their intentions marriage before our last monthly meeting  
 and now appearing for their answer the meeting answers  
 that they may proceed to take each other in the good order  
 of truth between this and the next monthly meeting  
 and Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker are appointed  
 to see it accordingly accomplished  
 And Joseph Tucker and Mary Howland having likewise laid  
 their intentions of marriage before the last monthly meeting  
 and now appearing for their answer the meeting answers  
 that they may proceed to take each other in the good order of  
 truth between this and the next monthly meeting  
 and Jabez Barker and William Wood are appointed to see it  
 accordingly accomplished  
 Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> being appointed to inquire concerning  
 Sarah Howland being married out of the order of friends he  
 gives account that that he understands that she is married  
 and Taber is appointed to wait a condemnation against  
 her for her disorderly proceeding  
 And the friends appointed to accommodate the difference  
 between James Howland and Federal Allen have finished  
 matter — The business of Dartmouth meeting called  
 Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 7<sup>s</sup> and 9<sup>s</sup> to Antipas  
 Hathaway for mending the meeting House Glass —

William Wood and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to attend  
 1720: the Quarterly meeting, and John Tucker and Tho: Taber jun<sup>r</sup> is  
 to Draw an account to the Quarterly meeting  
 Benjamin Howland is ordered to pay 1-15:00 to Deliverance Smith  
 out of the stock and to pay to him self 5 shillings  
 and whereas Peter Scripps has signified his desire of being  
 received into unity with friends some time past and was  
 desired to wait a while and now friends being desirous to  
 know how his mind stands and how his conversation has  
 been John Tucker W<sup>m</sup> Wood and Thomas Taber jun<sup>r</sup> are to  
 see into the matter  
 Deliverance Smith is ordered to make up the monthly meeting  
 accounts w<sup>th</sup> Benjamin Howland  
 from Rochester meeting no business

At a monthly meeting of friends held at our meeting  
 House in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> month 1720:  
 Dartmouth meeting called Deliverance Smith and Sarah Smith  
 appeared: Rochester meeting called Nicholas Davis appeared  
 Daniel Weedon of James town and Joanna Floum the daughter  
 of Eleazer Floum have laid their intentions of marriage  
 before this meeting who are desired to wait till the next  
 monthly meeting for their answer and Benjamin Howland  
 and Deliverance Smith are ordered to inquire into their  
 cleareness with respect to marriage and conversation and give  
 account to the next monthly meeting  
 Stephen Wing gives account that the marriage between  
 Samuel Wing and Dorothy Clifton was performed in the good  
 order of truth as established among them friends  
 And Deliverance Smith and Henry Tucker give the <sup>account</sup> taken  
 of Benjamin Ruffel and Abigail Howland's marriage  
 and W<sup>m</sup> Wood and Jabez Barker do also give the same account  
 at Joseph Tucker and Mary Howland marriage  
 and Deliverance Smith not having made up the monthly  
 meeting accounts with Benjamin Howland he is ordered  
 to do it by the next monthly meeting Benjamin Howland  
 has paid 7<sup>s</sup> and 9<sup>s</sup> to Antipas Hathaway and 1-15:00 to Deliverance  
 Smith