

10th mo. 1762

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18 day of the 10th month 1762, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **James Shearman & Caleb Russell** present, for Coakset [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA**] **Joshua Devel [Devol]**

*Samuel Shove
Answer*

present, **Samuel Shove & Rebecah Tucker jr** did appear for their Answer, and their Answer was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the good order Established amongst us in the performance thereof, and **Joseph Smith & Paul Russell** are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

*Adam Mott's
Proposel of
Marriage*

Adam Mott ju^r. and **Rachel Rider** did lay their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **Joseph Tucker Joseph Smith** are appointed to Enquire into the young mans Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

*Jacob Chases Case
Refer'd
E. Mosher accepted*

the Matter concerning **Jacob Chase** is refer'd to the next monthly Meeting;

this Meeting doth Conclude to accept of **Ebenezar Mosher** to be one in unity with us and under our Care --

*Complaints against
Archapas Hart
a Testimony to be
drawn against him*

Whereas **Archapas Hart** hath declined attending Meetings for Religious worship and Discipline, and he hath been Sufficienly dealt with by the Visitors and Monthly Meeting, and he Still Continues in the above said disorder, therefore we Can do no less than bear a Testimony against him, therefore this Meeting doth appoint **Joseph Smith** and **Barnabas Mosher** to draw a paper of Denial against him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

*Reporting from
Quarterly meeting*

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Signify that they attended it, and Conveyed the Epistle and Queries as appointed, This Meeting Received an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting which was Read and well accepted;

*Friends to over
see yearly meeting*

This Meeting doth appoint **Caleb Russell, W^m [William] Sanford, Joseph Smith, Dan^l. [Daniel] Russell, and Barnabas Mosher** to have an Inspecti=on over the Galleries & Seats at our fall Meeting; and **Joshua Devel [Devol], Othniel Tripp, Joseph Tripp** and **Philip Tripp** are appointed for the Same Service at Coakset [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA**] Meeting

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*Thomas Russell
proposal of
marriage*

At a monthly Meeting Held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of the 11th m^o, 1762, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Paul Russell** and **W^m [William] Barker** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** **Philip Tripp** and **Israel Wood** present;

*Report of Samuel
Shove marriage*

Tho^s [Thomas] Russell and **Edith Shearman** did lay their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till the next monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **Joseph Smith** and **Paul Russell** are appointed to make Inquiry into the young mans Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation, and make Report to the next monthly Meeting;

*Adam Mott's
answer Refer'd*

The friends appointed to See **Sam^l Shove** and **Rebeckah Tucker** Marriage Consumated, make Report that they attended the Marriage and Saw nothing but that it was accomplished in Good Order, --

*Case of Jacob
Chase refered*

Adam Mott and **Rachel Rider** not appearing for their Answer, the matter is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting the matter Concerning **Jacob Chase** is Referred to the next Mon[thly] Meeting;

*Archapas Hart
paper Refered
yearly meetg
overseers report
Nat^l Howland
Certificate*

There was a paper of Denial brought to this Meeting aga[inst] **Archapas Hart** which is Referred to the next monthly Mee[ting] The Friends appointed to See that the people behave order[ly] in the Galleries and Seats, Signified that they have discharge[d] their trust;

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*Adam Mott
Clearness*

Whereas, **Nath^l [Nathaniel] Howland** hath Returned his Certificate to this Meeting from the **Oblong, [Pawling, Dutchess Co, NY]** therefore this Meeting hath Signed another for him --

*Thomas Russell's
Clearness*

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the [?] [10?] day of the 12th month 1762; **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Peleg Smith** and **Abraham Tucker** present, for **Coakset non[e]** present; the Friends Appointed to Enquire into **Adam Mo[tt's]** Clearness, Make Report that they do not find anything to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage

*[12th] month 1762
Adam Mott's
Answer*

The friends appointed to make Enquiry into **Tho^s [Thomas] Russell's** Clearness, make Report that they do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage

Adam Mott and **Rachel Rider**, did appear for their Answer, and their answer was, that they might proceed in Marriage, in Some Convenient time between this and the next monthly Meeting, observing the Good Order Establisht amongst us in the performance thereof, and **Paul Russell** and **Joseph Smith** are appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Said order and make report

Thos Russell's Answer to the next monthly Meeting,
Thos [Thomas] Russell and **Edith Shearman** did appear for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next monthly Meeting Observing the Good order Established among us in the performance thereof, and **W^m [William] Sanford** and **David Smith** are appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Said Order and make Report to the next monthly Meeting;

Ebenezar Mosher Proposal of marriage **Ebenezar Mosher** and **Jane Crow** did lay their intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **Barnabas Mosher** and **David Shepherd** are appointed to make inquiry into the young mans Clearness, as to Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next monthly Meeting;

Case of Archapus Hart refer'd The matter Concerning **Jacob Chase** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting;

Thos Smith To request a Certificate The matter Concerning **Archapus Hart** is Referred to the next monthly Meeting;

Adjourn whereas **Tho^s Smith Ju^r [Thomas Smith Jr.]** Requests a few lines by way of Certificate to the monthly Meeting at **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**, Certifying his Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation, therefore this Meeting doth appoint **W^m Sanford** and **W^m [William] Barker** to make inquiry into his Clearness and draw a Certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly Meeting;

This Meeting doth Adjourn to the 10th Hour tomorrow in the fore noon;

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12 month 1762 This Meeting met according to adjournment the 21^s of the 12th month 1762, the Representatives being Called for **Ponaganset Abraham Tucker** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** none pres[ent]
 whereas the Friends appointed at **Coakset** preparative Meeting to attend this Meeting hath neglected to attend as appointed, therefore this Meeting doth appoint **Philip Tripp** and **Christopher Gifford** to treat with them to know the Reasons why they did not attend and make report to the next monthly Meeting;

D. Devels Request to Come under friends Care Whereas **David Devel** Requests to Come under friends Care which this Meeting thinks proper to Refer to the next monthl[y] Meeting, and **Christopher Gifford** and **Philip Tripp** are appoint[ed] to treat with him and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Elders appointed **Peter Devel & Philip Tripp** are appointed Elders in the Church by this Meeting

*Request of
Sandwic[h] Monthly
Meeting.*

Whereas **Sandwich [Barnstable Co, MA]** Monthly Meeting Requests of this Meetin[g] to Give a List of all the friends living to the Eastward of **Quitionnet [Acushnet] River** Set off by the yearly Meeting (and also if there be any under transgression before Set off by the above Said Meeting [^ that] this Meeting deal with them) which we think to be out of our Jurisdiction and therefore Refer to the Quarterly Meeting for advice in that particular ---

*Friends to attend
Quar
terly meet
ings*

Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, Humphrey Smith, Caleb Russell and **Philip Tripp** are Appointed Represen-
=tatives to attend our Quarterly Meeting, and they to dr[aw] an Epistle to the Same and bring it to the adjournment of the Meeting;

*To Settle
with Trea
surer*

David Smith and **W^m Barker** are appointed to mak[e] up Accounts with the Treasurer, and make Report to the next monthly Meeting;

D. Smith Treasurer

David Smith is Appointed Treasurer in the place of the former Treasurer

*overseers
of the meet
ing House apointed.*

Seth Shearman and **John Potter** are Appointed to have the Care of the Meeting House, and also to Agree with Somebod[y] to keep the House, and make fires when Necessary;

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*L. Barkers
Certificate*

Lydia Barker wife to **David Barker** hath brought a Certificate to this Meeting from the monthly Meeting of **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** which was read and Accepted;

*Queries
Answer
ed*

This Meeting is adjourned to the 7th day of next month This Meeting being Met according to adjournment the 7th day of the First M^o 1763, **Ponaganset** Called **Abraham Tucker** and **Peleg Smith** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** none present

*Job Russell Req
uest a Certi
ficate*

the Queries have been read, and Answers made by the Visitors, and they are ordered to be Sent up by the Representa-
(tive

*Epistle to Quar
terly meeting*

Job Russell Enforms this Meeting that he desires a few lines by way of Certificate to the monthly Meeting of **Swanzey** Certifying his Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Caleb Russell** and **David Smith** to make Enquiry, and draw a Certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly Meeting;

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This Meeting hath Sent up an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives which was Signed in this Meeting

*Ebenezer Mosher
Clearness*

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of the first month 1763, **Ponaganset** Called **Paul Russell** s present for **Coakset** **Joseph Tripp** present, the Friends appointed to make Enquiry into **Ebenezer Mosher's** Clearness make Report that they do not find anything to hinder his proceed-
ing in Marriage,

*Eben Mosher
answer*

Ebenezer Mosher and **Jane Crow** did Appear for their Answer and their Answer was, that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient times

[R]eport of Adam Motts marriage
between this and the next Monthly Meeting, (~~Observing the~~ and **Joseph Smith** and **Barnabas Mosher** are appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting; the friends Appointed to See **Adam Mott** and **Rachel Riders** Marriage Consumated, make Report, that they attended the

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*Report of
Tho^s Russells
marriage*

the Marriage and Saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order; Likewise the friend, Appointed to see **Tho^s [Thomas] Russell** and **Edith Shearmans** Marriage Consumated make Report that they Attended the Marriage and Said nothing but that it was accomplished orderly --

Case of Archap=chapas Hart refer'd

The matter Concerning **Jacob Chase** Referred to the next monthly Meeting; The matter Concerning **Archapas Hart** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting; --

*Certificate
for Thomas Smith*

There was a Certificate Signed in this Meeting for **Tho^s. Smith jr.** Certifying his Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation to the - Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co MA]**;

*Report of Quarterly
meeting*

Whereas there was five friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, they being Called upon at this Meeting, three make Report that they attended as Appointed, and the other two make Satisfactory Excuses; This Meeting Received an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting which was read to Good Satisfaction;

*Quishnet friends to
be Set off
by List*

The Quarterly Meeting hath Concluded that this Meeting Give a List of all the Friends Living at the Eastward Side of **Quishnet [Acushnet] River**, and also that this Meeting deal with the Transgressors, therefore **Abraham Tucker** and **Caleb Russell** are appointed to prepare a List of the above s^d friends that they find to stand Clear, and also to deal with those friends that they find under transgression

*D. Cornels Request
to Come
under
friends
Care
adjourn*

Whereas **Daniel Cornel** Requests to be taken under friends Care and also his Children, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Tucker** and **Peleg Smith** and **Daniel Russell** to discourse with him, and make Report to the next monthly Meetin[g] This Meeting Adjourns to the last fourth day in this Month ---

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This ^[Meeting][inserted] being met according to Adjournment the 26 of the first month 1763; the Representatives being Called for **Ponaganset Paul Russell** and **James Shearman** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** **Israel Wood** present --

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ak[?] frinds
[no?]t attending

The Case of **David Devel** referd

Settling with
Treasurer refer^d

Certificate for **Job Russell**

To Revise the
minutes

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John Diling=
hams proposal of
marriage

[R]eport of **Eben Mosher's** marriage

Jacob Chase

List of frinds [?]t of
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wich not accom
[p]lished

The friends Appointed to treat with **Joseph Tripp** and **W^m Macumber** (for not attending the monthly Meeting when appointed by the preparitive Meeting) not being both present to make report, therefore this Meeting doth appoint **Othniel Tripp** and **Philip [^Tripp]** to talk with them and make report to the next monthly Meeting;

The mttter Concerning **David Devel** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting, and **Othniel Tripp** and **Philip Tripp** are appointed to talk with him and make report to the next monthly Meeting

The Friends that was Appointed to make up accounts with the Treasurer not being present therefore the matter is Referred to the next monthly Meeting;

there was a Certificate signed in this Meeting for **Job Russell** to the monthly Meeting of **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** Certifying his Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation;

This Meeting Appoints **Abraham Tucker, Joseph Tucker, David Smith** and **Job Russell** to peruse the monthly Meeting Minutes to see what they think proper to be put on Record and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of the 2^d month 1763, **Ponaganset** Called **Joseph Smith & Caleb Russell** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** **Peter Dewel [Davol]** and **Philip Tripp** present,

John Dillingham and **Ruth Gifford** did lay their Intentions of Marriage before this Meeting, and were desired to wait til the next monthly Meeting for their Answer

the friend, Appointed to See **Ebenezer Mosher** and **Jean Craws** Marriage Consumated, make Report that they attended the Marriage and Saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order;

the matter of **Jacob Chases** is Referred to the next monthly Meeting the matter of **Archapas Harts** is Referd to the next monthly Meeting;

whereas the friends Appointed to prepare a List of the friends Living to the Eastward Side of **Quitionet [Acushnet] River**

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that they Shall find Stand Clear, and also to deal with those under transgression, have Signified to this Meeting that they have not done it, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Tucker Caleb Russell** and **Joseph Smith** for the Same purpose and they to make Report to the next monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to talk with **Daniel Cornel** make

Daniel Cornel & Children received a Satisfactory Report to this Meeting, therefore this me[eting] doth accept of **D. Cornel** to be under our Care and also all his Children now under age

S. Wood and E. Slocum Rec'd The monthly, Meeting of women friends Inform us that the[y] have Received **Sinthia wood** and **Elizabeth Slocum** to be under their Care and this Meeting doth Concur with the Same

David Devel Case referd The matter Concerning **David Devel** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting;

Settled with Treasurer the friends Appointed to Make up Accounts with the Treasu[er] make Report that they have done it and there Remai[n] in the Stock 12^s.1^d old tener

minutes Revised The Friends Appointed to Review the monthly [^ meeting] Minutes in order for them to Go to Record, make Report that they have done According to Appointment;

Order to pay Jonath Hussey This Meeting has Collected £8=10^s:10^d Old tener and this Meeti[ng] orders the Treasurer to pay **Jonathan Hussey** three Dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year, and make Report to the next monthly Meeting;

Visitors appointed This Meeting Appoints **Peter Devel** and **Philip Trip** Visi[tors] for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** the year Ensuing and **Caleb Russell** for the Same

Elihu Russell proposal of marriage Service in **Ponaganset** **Elihu Russell** and **Elizabeth Slocum** did Lay their Intention of Marriage before this Meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly Meeting for their Answer and **Humphr[ey] Smith** and **Paul Russel** are Appointed to make Inquiry into the young mans Clearness as to Marriage and Conver =sation and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

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At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 25th of the 3^d mo: 1763, **Ponaganset** meeting Called **Joseph Smith & Wm Anthony ju.** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** **Joseph Tripp & Israel Wood** present --

Jn Dillingham [C]ertificate **John Dillingham** produced a Certificate to this Meeting from **Sandwich [Barnstable Co, MA]** monthly meeting which was read and accepted - **John Dillingham** and **Ruth Gifford** did appear for their answer and their answer was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting observing the Good order Established among us, in the performance thereof, and **Joseph Tucker** and **Joseph Smith** are appointed to see there Marriage Consumated in Said order, and make Report thereof

Jn Dillingham [a]nswer to the next monthly Meeting; **Elihu Russel**, Clearness was Reported as usual

[E]lihu Russells answer **Elihu Russell** and **Elizabeth Slocum** did likewise appear for their answer, and their answer was in like manner with the former, and, **Humphrey Smith** and **Paul Russell** are appointed to see their ~~th~~ Marriage Consumated in like order and make Report thereof to the next monthly Meeting --

~~Henry Smith and Sinthia wood did likewise appear for their Answer and their Answer was likewise the Same with the former.~~

*Henry Smiths
proposal of
marriage*

Henry Smith and **Sinthia wood** did lay their Intention of Marriage before this Meeting, and were Defered, to wait untill the next monthly Meeting for their Answer.

*J. Chases paper
Accept:*

and **John Russell** and **W.^m Anthony ju:** are apointed to [?] Inquiry in^[to] the young mans Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next monthly Meeting This meeting doth Conclude to accept of **Jacob Chases** paper of Condemnation for Satisfaction for his outgoing Provided he Read it or Get Some friend to Read it at the Close of a first day meeting for worship and be present

*List of friends
Sandwich Quarter
prepard*

The matter Concerning **Archapas Hart** is Referred to the next monthly Meeting
The friends appointed to prepare a list of those friends

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Living at the eastward Side of **Quishnet [Acushnet] River** that they Shall find Stand Clear have prepared Sd So List and it hath been Signed in this meeting by the Clerk --

*D. Daval
& Children
accepted
Case of Eber Davis
referd*

This Meeting doth Conclude to Accept of **David Davel** and his Children to be in Unity with us under our Care --

*John Gifford
request a Certificate
Friends ap pointed
to Quarl meet-
ing*

The matter Concerning **Eber Davis** is Refer'd to next monthly Mee[ting] whereas **John Gifford** Requests a Certificate for himself and fami[ly] therefore this meeting Appoints **Daniel Russell** and **Nichols [Nicholas] Howland** to make Enquiry into his Conversation and Circumst[an-] =ces and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the nex[t] monthly Meeting

*Queries answerd
adjourn
mett*

Joseph Tucker, Humphry Smith, Peter Deval, and Philip Tripp appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and draw an Epistle to the Same and bring it to the adjournment of this Meeting ----- the Queries was Read and Answered in this Mee[ting] This Meeting is adjourned to the first day of next month.

*Isaac Sanford
disorderly marriage*

This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the first da[y] of the 4th mo: 1763, the Representatives being Called **William Anthony ju:** present ---

*Chusing Visitors
refer'd*

whereas **Isaac Sanford** hath Married out of the unity of friend and he hath been timely Cautioned, therefore this meeting doth Appoint **Caleb Russell & W^m Barker** to Labour with him and make Report to the next monthly Meeting ---

*Epistle to Quarterly
meeting*

the matter Concerning Chusing Visitors is Referred to the next monthly Meeting

4th mo:

This Meeting hath Signed and Sent an Epistle to the Quart[erly] Meeting by the Representatives ---

1763. At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of the 4th mo:1763, **Ponaganset** meeting Called **Daniel Russell** and **William Barker** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** **James Cornel** and **Joshua Davel** present, **Henry Smith** Clearness was Reported as usual **Henry Smith** and **Sinthia Wood** did appear for their Answer and their Answer was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this and

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[?] Allen
[a]nd Edith
[T]ripp Received

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[C]omplaint against
[?] Barker

Debrah Allen to be one in unity with us and under our Care which this Meeting Concurs with, They also Inform that they have Concluded to accept of **Edith Tripp**, paper of Condemnation for Satisfaction, Provided She Read it or Get some friend to Read it at the end of a first day meeting for worship She being present, which this meeting likewise Concurs with.

Whereas there has been a Complaint brought against **Joshua Barker** by one of the Visitors in three Repsects, First in Declining to make friend,[s] Satisfaction Concerning a Scandalous Report about he and **Catherine Russell** a married woman in their too frequently keeping Company, and Secondly in Declining to pay the Constable his Demand, for a Tax, Thirdly, in Neglecting to Comply with a Verdi[c]t brought Against him for burning Some Rails belonging to **Henry Tucker, Paul Russell**, and **Joseph Smith** a Committee to Labour with him and make Report to the next monthly Meeting --

Nath^l Bowdish
[R]equest a Certificate

[T]homas Potter
[?]nder dealing

Nathaniel Bowdish Informs this Meeting that he is About to Remove to the **nine-partners**, [**Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY**] and Requests a few lines by way of Certificate for himself and family, therefore **Joseph Gifford** and **Jonathan Hussey** are Appointed to make Enquiry [^into] his Conversation and affairs, and draw one if they think proper and bring [^it] to the next monthly Meeting -- whereas **Tho^s Potter** Son of **John Potter** hath Gone Contrary to Good order in Marrying out of the unyty of friends, and in having a Child Soon after Marriage, for which disorders he hath been Laboured with and declines to make Satisfaction therefore this Meeting doth appoint **W^m Sanford** and **Jonathan Hussey** to Labour with him and make Report to the next monthly Meeting ---

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At a monthly Meeting of friends held at our Meeting H[ouse] in **Dartmouth** on the 16th day of the 5th mo: 1763, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **James Shearman** and **Peleg Smith** present, for

Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA] Peter Daval [Daval] and John Mosher.

*Abner Shep=
=herds clear=
=ness*

the friends Appointed to See into **Abner Shepherds** Clearness Sig[nify] that they find nothing to hinder his Intended Marriage.

*Abner Shep=
Shepherd Answer*

Abner Shepherd and **Hannah Gifford** appear'd at this Meeting their Answer, and their Answer was that they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time betwe[en] this and the next monthly Meeting, Observing our Good order in the Confirmation thereof, and **Wm Sanford** and **David Smith** are appointed to See their Marriage Consumated and make Return to the next monthly Meeting

*Report of Henry
Smith marriage
Archapas
Hart's [?]*

The friends Appointed to See **Henry Smith**, and **Synthia wood**, Marriage Consumated, Signify that it was accomplished in Good order And whereas **Archapas Hart** hath Given Some Incouragement Concerning keeping to meeting, therefore the matter is Suspended

*John
Taber disowned*

Whereas, **John Taber jur** having been Married and of our Good ord[er] and [^he] no wise Showing any Desire to make Satisfaction having been Laboured with we think Sufficienly, therefore this Meeting doth Conclude to Set him aside and do deny him from being in unity with us ---

*Testimony against
Abigail Macumber*

Isaac Smith Hath Read **Abigail Macumbers** and **Zilphian Davels** papers of Denials as ordered, and

Abigail Macumbers Denial is as followeth --

Whereas **Abigail Macumber** of **Dartmouth** in the Count[y] Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, w[ife] of **Joseph Macumber** & Daughter of **Benj^a [Benjamin] Allen** and **Deborah [?]** both deceased of **Dartmouth** afore sd, Being one who hath been in Care of us the People Called Quakers but for want of keep[?][respect] to her Education hath Gone from our Good order and married in [the?] Common way of th~~e~~ other people and not only so but since her

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Marriage her Conversation hath not been agreeable to our holy proffession, in particular She not living with her husband, and friend, [s] having Laboured with her in love in order to bring her to a Sense of her outgoing, but nothing appearing to friends Satisfaction of any time Repentence, we Can do no less for the Clearing of the Blessed truth but to Set her [illegible] and do Give this forth as a publick denial against her [illegible] the said **Abigail Macumber** to be one in unity with [illegible] Said people Sincerely Desiring She may Come to a Sight and [unclear] of her out-going, and find mercy, Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the 18th day of the 4th month 1763, and Signed in and by order of said meeting by **Job Russell** Clerk -

*[T]estimony
[a]gainst [Zi]lphia
Davel*

Zilphia Davels Denial is as follows Viz,
Whereas **Zilphia Davel** Daughter of **Reuben Davel** and **Mary** his wife of **Dartmouth** in the County of **Bristol**, in the province of the **Massecthusett Bay** in New-England being one that hath been under the Care of friend, the People Called Quakers, yet by disregarding the Principle of truth in herself, and Giving way to the Information of the evil one hath fallen into the Reproach for

Sin of fornication, for which She hath been Laboured within Love to bring her to a Sense of her evil action but nothing Seeming to appear of true Repentence we think it our duty to Set her aside and do Publickly deny the Said **Zilphia Davel** to be one in unity with us the above Said people, yet truly desiring She may Come to a Sight and Sense of this her Great Evil and find mercy;

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the 18th day of the 4th mo: 1763 and Signed in and by order of S[ai]d meeting by --- **Job Russell** Clerk the matter Concerning **John Gifford** Certificate is Referred the next monthly Meeting -- Friends do Conclude to accept of **Eber Davis** his paper for Satisfaction.

The Case of John Gifford referred

[E]ber Davis [pa]per accepted

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Isaac Sanford case referd

The matter concerning **Isaac Sanford** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting --

Edith Tripps paper not Read

Edith Tripps paper not having been read, is Refer'd in order that it may be accomplished between this and the next monthly Meeting

Choosing Visitors referd

The matter Concerning Chusing Visitors is Referred to next month[ly] [Mee]ting

Testimony signed against Lydia Potter

The [illegible] [p]aper of Denial brought and Signed in this meeting In [illegible] [?]ce [concurrence?] with the womens Meeting Against **Lydia Potter** And [illegible] **Russell** is appointed to read it at **New-town [N Dartmouth, Bristol Co, MA]** meeting

Case of Joshua Barker referd

on a first day at the end of the meeting for worship --

Nathl Bowdish Certificate

The Matter Concerning **Joshua Barker** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting, and the Com^{te} Still Continued that hath alre[ady] had the matter in hand --

Tho^s Potter disowned

There was a Certificate Signed at this Meeting for **Nathaniel Bowdish** and his wife, they being Going to Settle at the **Nine =parterners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]**

The Transcrib the Book of Discipline Nic Howlands paper accepted

The friend appointed to deal with **Thomas Potter** Signify they hav[e] done it, and he Gave them no Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting thinks Proper to deny him, and **W^m Sanford** and **Jonathan Hus[sey?]** are appointed to draw up a paper of denial against him and bring it to the next monthly Meeting

Elihu Russell request Certificate

There was £18:10s old tenner Gathered by this meeting to pay for transcribing our Book of Discipline, which is paid --

Nicholas Howland ju^r hath Given in a paper to this Mee[ting]

Signifying his Sorrow for his disorderly Marriage, which the Meeting accepts -- -- --

whereas **Elihu Russell** and his wife being Removed to the **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co, NY]**

live and desires a few lines from this Meeting to the monthly mee[ting]

Complaint against
W^m Smith
there, and **Humphry Smith** and **W^m Anthony ju:** are app[ointed]
to draw a Cerificate and bring it to the next monthly Meeting
if they think proper -

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There was a Complaint brought to this Meeting that **William Smith** hath been addicted to take too much Spirituous Liqui[d] therefore this Meeting appoints **Humphry Smith & Jonathan Hussey** to talk with him upon that account and bring

m [ake]

[Dan^l] **Russells** to
[cu]t Wood on
[mee]ting land

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make Return to the next Monthly meeting

Whereas there is a Considerable due from this Meeting to **Daniel Russell** upon **Stephen Wilcox** his account therefore this meeting doth Give leave that he Cut wood at 15^s per Cord old tener, Except any body doth appear that will Give more until the debt is paid, on the meeting House Lot

B. Tucker, Request
[t]o Come under the
[C]are of friends

Benjⁿ [Benjamin] Tucker hath Signified his desire of Coming under the Care of Friends, therefore **Joseph Gifford** and **Paul Russell** are appointed to Enquire Concerning his Conversati[on]

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and talk with him and bring in their account to the next monthly Meeting

[Joh]n**Ricketson Jr**
[P]roposal of
marriage

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 6th mo: 1763, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Peleg Smith** and **Abraham Tucker** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** **Joseph Tripp** present

[Re]port of **Abner**
[She]pherds
[m]arriage

John Ricetson jr: and **Patience Tucker** did Lay their Intenti=ons of Marriage before this Meeting, and were desired to wait til the next monthly Meeting for their answer, and **W^m**

Barker and **Job Russell** are appointed to make Enquiry into the young mans Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

The friends appointed to See **Abner Shepherd** and **Hannah Gifford** Marriage Consumated make Report that they attended the marriage and Saw nothing but that it was accomplished in Good order

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5 month [17]63
[Case?] of **John**
[G]ifford referd
Case of **Isaac**
Sanford referd

The matter Concerning Giving **John Gifford** a Certifica[te] is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting

The matter Concerning **Isaac Sanford** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting -

[illegible]

Edith Tripps Paper of Condemnation hath been Read as Appointed by the last monthly Meeting

and is as follows --

*[E]dey Tripp
[pa]per of [re]pent:
[?]*

To the monthly Meeting of friends to be held in **Dartmouth**
on the 20th day of the 12th mo: 1762,
Whereas I by letting my mind out became weak and So Ga[ve]
way to the temtation of the enemy in the Lust of the flesh so f[ar?]
as to Commit the Shamefull Sin of fornication which was m[?]
manifest by ^[my][inserted] having a Child Soon after Marriage and also m[arriage]
out of the unity of friend, all which I do Condemn and am S[orry?]
for therefore I desire that God may forgive me my Sins
that friends would pass it by and Suffer me to Remain under
their ~~Care~~ Christian Care -- -- -- -- **Edey Tripp -**

*Wm How=
land dis=
order
Abr^m Tucker Visitor
Queries an swered*

William Howland hath Sent a paper into this Meeting Signif[ying]
his Sorrow for his disorder in takeing too much Spirituous Liquo[r]
which matter is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting -

*Friends to
Our meeting*

adjourn

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Abraham Tucker is appointed Visitor for the Ensuing year
The Queries have been Read and Answers have been made by
Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA] preparitive meeting --
The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting are
Peleg Smith, Caleb Russell Paul Russell and Philipp Tripp
and they to draw an Epistle to the Same and bring it to the
adjournment of this Meeting --

L. Potter disownd

This Meeting adjourns to the first day in next month --
This Meeting met according to adjournment the first day of th[e]
7th mo:1763, the Representatives being Called for **Aponagans[et]**
and **Coakset** all present

*[1?] month 1763
[Certi]ficate for
[Eli]hu Russell
Wife*

Paul Russell makes Report that **Lydia potter**, paper of
Denial hath been Read as order'd

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*[Pape]r of denial
[signe?]d against
Tom^s Potter*

There was a Certificate Signed at this Meeting for
Elihu Russell and his wife --

*[Case?] of W^m
Smith [re]fer'd*

There was a paper of Denial brought to this meeting
and Signed against **Thomas Potter**, and **Jonathan**
Hussey is appointed to Read it at the End of a first day
Meeting for worship Between this and the next Monthly
Meeting --

Tucker Rce^d

The matter Concerning **William Smith** is Refer'd to
the next monthly Meeting and **Humphry Smith** and
Jonathan Hussey are Still Continued to Treat furdur
with him --

*[frie]nds appointed
[?] meeting*

*[answ]ers to
Queries*

The Friend Appointed to talk with **Benjⁿ [Benjamin] Tucker**
Make Report that he Gave them Good Satisfaction
and this meeting Concludes him to be under our Care
for the time to Come --

*[Jona]than Clark
[R]equest*

Peleg Smith and Humphry Smith Caleb Russell and
Paul Russell are Appointed to Sign the Epistle to the
Quarterly Meeting in behalf of this Meeting
Peleg Smith & Humphry Smith are appointed to Compil[e]
the answers to the Queries

We understand that **Jonathan Clark** hath Signified
that he hath a desire to Come under our Care, therefore

[7?]th month 1763 this Meeting Appoints **Joseph Gifford** and **Paul Rus-**
=sell to treat with him and make Report to the
next monthly Meeting --

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the
18th of the 7th month 1763, **Ponaganset** Called **Caleb**
Russell and **Wm Barker** present, for **Coakset Peter**
Devol [Davol] present --

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7th month
1763
John Ricket-
=son Clearness
Epistle
Received
John Rick-
=etsons
answer
The friends appointed to Inquire into **John Ricetsons** Clear-
ness as to Marriage and Conversation make Report that th[ey]
don't find anything to hinder his proceeding in Marriage
Received an Epistle from the yearly meeting held in **Lon[don?]**
the 5th month 1762 which was Read to Good Satisfaction
John Ricketson and **Patience Tucker** did appear for th[eir]
answer and their answer was that they might proceed
take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time
between this and the next monthly Meeting Observing the
Good order Established among us in the Performance there
and **Abraham Tucker** and **Wm Barker** are appointed
to see their marriage Consumated in S^d order and make
Report to the next monthly Meeting

Case of **John**
Gifford
referd
Case of **Isaac**
Sanford
referd
Report from
Quar. meetg
Eps Receivd
Joshua
Barker
disowned
The matter Concerning Giving **John Gifford** a Certificate
Referred to the next monthly meeting --
The matter Concerning **Isaac Sanford** is Referd to the nex[t]
monthly meeting as-is-also the matter Concerning **Wm H[owland?]**
The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting
make Report that they have attended it and prod[?]
an Epistle from the Same which was Read & well accept[ed]
The Committee appointed to Labour with **Joshua Barker M[?]**
Report that he Refused to Comply with their advice, and
that he Gave them no Satisfaction, therefore this meeting do[?]
Set him aside, and appoints **Wm Sanford** and **Jonathan**
Hussey to draw a paper of Denial against him and bring it
to the next monthly Meeting if they think proper
Tho Potter. **Thomas Potter's** paper of denial hath been Read accordin[g]
paper read to the appointment of last monthly meeting
And is as followeth

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[1?] mth
[17]63
[Test]imony
[ag]ainst
Potter
Whereas **Tho^s Potter** Son of **John Potter** & **Margaret** his wife
he the said **Thomas Potter** having been one under our Care, yet
through unwatchfulness Gave way to the temptation of the Enemy
So as to fall into that Shamefull Sin of Fornication, which appears

by his wife having a Child Soon after Marriage, and he hath been Laboured with from time to time for his Misconduct hoping he may See his Outgoings and make friends Satisfaction, but he Still Remains Obstinate and Refuse to make friends Satisfaction, therefore for the Clearing of truth we Can do no less than Give this forth, as a Publick Testemony against him the Said **Thomas Potter** Denying him from being in membership with us the People Called Quakers yet we Sincerely desire that he may Come to a Sense of his Outgoings, and through unfeigned Repentence find Mercy, Given forth at our monthly Meeting held in **Dartm^o**. the 1^t day of the 7 mo: 1763.
Signed in and by order of Said Meeting by --{**Abraham Tucker**
{ **Peleg Smith**
{ **Peter Devel**

[Ca]se of **Jonathan**
[C]lark referd

[Da]vid **Kirbys**
[Kerby]
[o]rderly
[m]arriage

[8]th mo:
1763

The matter Concerning **Jonathan Clark** is Referred to the next monthly Meeting --
Coakset preparative meeting Informs this meeting that **David Kerby** hath Married out of the Unity of friends and that they have Laboured with him and he Gave them no satisfaction therefore the matter is Referred to the next monthly Meeting --

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of the 8th month 1763 **Ponaganset** meeting Called **Peleg Smith** and **Caleb Russell** present **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** meeting Called **John Mosher** and **Philip Tripp** presents
The Friends appointed to See **John Ricketsons** Marriage Consumated make Report that they attend[ed] the Marriage and Saw nothing but that it was accom=
=plished in Good order.
This Meeting Received an Epistle from the yearly meeting

[Rep]ort of **John**
[Ri]cketsons
[m]arriage

8 month
1763

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Received
Divers
Certification

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Meeting held at **Newport** on the 10th of the 8th[?] mo 17[63?]
which was Read to Good Satisfaction;
This meeting lik[e]wise Read an Epistle from the yearly meeting for Sufferings in **London [England]**, and one from the yea[rly] Meeting held at **Philadelphia [Philadelphia Co, Pa]**, and one from the yearly Meeting held at **flushing.[Queens Co, NY]** and one from our friends **John Woolman** and **Samuel Estburn**, all of which bei[ng] Read in this meeting to Good Satisfaction and as they Contain Good advice, and many Good Exhortations the Contents are Recommended to friends Observation;

John Giffords
Case refer^d

Isaac San=
fords Case refer^d

The matter Concerning Giving **John Gifford** a Certificate

is refer'd to the next monthly meeting;

W^m How
=lands paper
accepted
 The matter Concerning **Isaac Sanford** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting;

Joshua
Barkers
Case refer^d
 This Meeting doth accept of **W^m Howlands** paper of Conde[m]-nation for Satisfaction Provided that he Read it or Get Some friend to read it at the end of a first day meeting for worship and he be present between this and the next mont[hly] Meeting;

Case of Jona Clark
refer^d
 The matter Concerning **Joshua Barker** is Referred to the ne[xt] monthly Meeting

David Kirby
Case refer^d
 The matter Concerning **Jonathan Clark** is Referrd to the next monthly Meeting ~

Order to pay
Jonathan
Hussey
 the matter Concerning **David Kerby [Kirby]** is likewise Referd to the next monthly Meeting and **John Mosher** and **Othnial Tripp** is are appointed to Labour with him, and make report to the next monthly Meeting

Inspection
of the poor
(to report)
 This Meeting hath Collected £5=17^s:8^d old tenor and **Davi[d] Smith** is ordered to pay **Jonathan Hussey** three Dollars fo[r] keeping the Meeting House half a year

[?] month
1763
 This Meeting ^{appoints} **Nicholas Howland** and **Paul Russell** ove[r] =seers of the poor to have an Inspection into their Circ[um] =stan[ces]

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[Com]plaint
against
[Reuben] Devel
 and to make Report once a Quarter ~

[Sub]scription for
[Stephen] Wilcox
 There hath been ^a Complaint brought against **Reuben Devil [Davol]** by one of the Visitors in Several Respects in not attending meetings, and in his Conduct which appears Scandalous [scandalous], therefore this meeting doth appoint **Christopher Gifford** and **Velantine [Valentine] Huddleston** to Labour with him if they have an opportunity and make Report to the next monthly Meeting;

9th mo.th 1763
 This Meeting hath Come to a subscribion [subscription] for the Relief of **Stephen Wilcox** and family;

[Ben]'^a Tuckers
[pro]posal of
[m]arriage
 At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the 19th of the 9 mo. 1763 **Ponaganset** meeting Called **Thomas Smith** and **James Shearman** present, for **Coak=** =set [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA**] **Peleg Huddleston & Peter Devil [Davol]** present

[acknow?]legment
of
W^m Howland
Benj^a [Benjamin] Tucker and **Surviah [Zerviah] Ricketson** Declared their Intentions of Marriage to this Meeting and were desired to wait til next monthly Meeting for their Answer and **Caleb Russell** and **Joseph Gifford** are Appointed to Enquire into the young mans Clearness as to Mar=riage and Conversation and makes Report to the next monthly Meeting ~

[W]illiam Howlands paper being Read as ordered, is as follows - viz
 [To?] the monthly meeting of friends to beholden at **Dartmo:[Dartmouth]** the 16: 9 month 1763

[W]orthy friends, Whereas I have through unwatchfulness some times been Guilty of [drin?]king too much Spirituous Liquor to the Reproach of truth and Grief of the friends [wh?]ereof, for which outgoings of mine they have in Love Labour^d with me, which

[d?]ealings I do Gratefully acknowledge as a Sure mark of their tender Regard for my
[go?]od, which Causes me the more freely, not only to Confess, but also to Condemn my
[w?]eakness in the above S^d Respect, but as I have a Great Regard for friends and
[the?] Good order Established among them, and a desire to Refrain from the Above
[?] Evil for the future, So I desire friends to pass by my offence for the time past (and
[co?]ntinue me under their Care) Hoping for the future with Divine Assistance to be
[m?]ore watchful over my Self, that my life & Conversation may be Such as may
[n?]ot bring the like trouble on friends ; **William Howland**

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*9 month
1763
Certificate
for John
Gifford
& fam.
Signed
Joshua Bar
ker Case referd
David Kirby's
Case refer'd
Jona Hus
sey paid
Jonathan Clark
accepted
Isaac San
=ford's paper
accepted
Friends to attend
Quart[er]
=ly meeting
adjourn
[mett?]
no report
of Ruben Devel
Case
Joseph How
=lands request*

There was a Certificate Signed at this Meeting for
John Gifford and his Wife and Children to the
monthly Meeting at **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co, NY]**; ~
The matter Concerning **Joshua Barker** is Refer'd to th[e]
next monthly Meeting as is likewise the matter
Concerning **David Kirby**; ~
David Smith has paid **Jonathan Hussey** three Dollars
According to the order of Last monthly Meeting; ~
This Meeting doth Conclude to accept of **Jonathan
Clark** to be one under our Care; ~
This Meeting doth likewise accept of **Isaac Sanfords**
paper Condemning his outgoings for Satisfaction and
he to Remain under Our Care
This Meeting doth appoint **Humphry Smith, W^m [William]
Anthony ju:** and **Philip Tripp** to attend the Quarterly
Meeting and to draw an Epistle to the Same and Compile
the Answers to the Queries and bring them to the adjou[rn]
=ment of this Meeting, The Queries have been Read and
Answered by the preparitive meetings
This Meeting adjourns to the first Sixth day in the next
month at the tenth Hour in the forenoon ~
This Meeting being met according to Adjournmen[t]
the Representatives being Called but none present
The friends appointed to treat with **Reuben Devel [Davol]** have
made no report to this Meeting therefore the matter is
Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting;
Joseph Howland Requests to Come ^{under} friends Care, therefo[re]
this Meeting doth appoint **W^m Sanford** and **Jonathan
Hussey** to treat with him and make Inquiry into his
Con=

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1763*

Conversation and make Report to the next monthly
Meeting; ~
Jonathan Clark Requests a Certificate to the monthly
Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Certifying his Clearness as to Mar-

[Jon]athan Clark
[re]quest a
[Ce]rtificate

=riage and Conversation, therefore this Meeting doth appoint **Joseph Tucker** and **Joseph Smith** to make Inquiry into the Above Said particulars, and to draw a Certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly Meeting; ~

[Epi]stle &
answers
[to?] Queries

The Friends Appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries have done it and the Epistle was Signed in this Meeting and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of the tenth month 1763 **Ponaganset** meeting Called **Joseph Smith** and **W^m Sanford** present, for Coakset [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA**] **Ichabod Eddy**

[Be]nj^a
Tuckers [c]learness

The Friends Appointed to Enquire into **Benj^a [Benjamin] Tuckers** Clearness make Report that they don't find anything to hinder his proceeding in Marriage; ~

[Be]nj
Tuckers
answer

Benj^a Tucker and **Surviah [Zerviah] Ricketson** did appear for their Answer, and their Answer was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time Between this and the next monthly Meeting Observing the Good order Established Amongst us in the performance thereof, and **Caleb Russell** and **Joseph Gifford** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Said order and make Report thereof to the next monthly Meeting. ~

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10th month
1763
Joshua Bar
=ker case
refer'd

The matter Concerning **Joshua Barker** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting, by the Request of his brother **Abraham Barker**

David Kirby
Case referd
Report from
Quarterly
Meeting

The matter Concerning **David Kerby [Kirby]** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting ~

The Friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meetin[g] make Report that they have attended Accordingly and have produced an Epistle from the Same which w[as] Read in this Meeting and well accepted ~

Joseph
Howland
accepted

The Friends Appointed to Discourse with **Joseph Howland** make a satisfactory Report therefore this Meeting doth Accept of him to be one under our Care

Certificate
for Jonathan
Clark

This Meeting signed a Certificate for **Jonathan Clark** to the monthly Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Certifying his Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation, ~

overseers
for meeting

This Meeting doth Appoint **Jonathan Hussey, W^m [William] Antho[ny]** j^r **David Smith, W^m Barker, Joseph Smith** and **Benj^a [Benjamin]**

house lofts[?]

overseers
for **Accoaxet**
meeting [?]

Elihu
Bowen
Request
the Second
Time

Howland 2^d overseers to have an Inspection over the lofts[?] and other seats to see that the people Behave orderly at our yearly meeting, And **Joshua Daval [Daval] Daniel Wood Ichabod Eddy** and **Benj^a Tripp** are appointed for the the [sic] Same purpose at **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA] Meeting ~** This Meeting understands that **Elihu Bowen** Desires to Come into Un[i]ty with friends Again therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Abraham Tucker** and **Peleg Smith,** to discourse with him and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

[?]1th mo.
[17]63

[Rep?]ort of
[Benj?] **Tucker**
[MA]rriage

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the 21 day of the 11th month 1763, **Ponaganset Meeting Called Joseph Tucker** present for Coakset [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA] Joseph Tripp and Israel Wood** present ——— The friends appointed to See **Benj^a [Benjamin] Tuckers** Marriage Consumated, make Report that they attended the Marriage and Saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order ~

[Jos]hua
[Ba]rker
[dis]owned

This Meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial Against **Joshua Barker** for his outgoings, and **Jonathan Hussey** is Appointed to read it or Get Some friend to read it between this and the next monthly Meeting at the end of a frist [first?] day meeting for worship

[Dav]id Kerby
[cas]e referd

The matter Concerning **David Kerby [Kirby]** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting ~

[Re]port of
[ov]erseers of
[meet]ing
[ho?]use

The major part of the friends that was Appointed overseers at our yearly meeting make Report that they think they have discharged their duty in that Respect and they hope there is a Service in it ~

[?]se of **Elihu**
[Bo]wen referd

The matter Concerning **Elihu Bowen** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting, and the same friends are Still Continued in the Same Service —

Anne
Russells
[certific?]ate
[r]eceived
[Caleb?] **Russell**
purchase
book for
[re]cords
[illegible, 3 words]

The women friends Inform that they have Received a Re= =moval Certificate for **Anne Russell** which they have accepted and She to be under their Care which this Meeting Concurs with whereas this Meeting is destitute of a Book to Record the minutes of this meeting in, therefore this meeting doth Imploy **Caleb Russell** to Purchase one and bring it to the next monthly Meeting ——— If he Can Conveniently ~ whereas there was a Complaint brought Against **Reuben Devil [Daval]** Some months past and he hath not been Sufficiently

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Laboured with, therefore **Christopher Gifford** and **Ichabod Eddy** are appointed to Labour with him if they have an opportunity and make Report to the next monthly Meeting —

Meetings
Granted in
Allens neck

The friends in **Allens neck [Dartmouth MA]** Requests the liberty to hold a meeting there Some part of this winter therefore this meeting Grants them the liberty to hold a meeting for the three winter months on first days Except the las[t] first days preceding each monthly meeting in Each month This Meeting hath Collected £4=10^s:6^d old Tenor —

Com^{tee} to
revise the
minutes

This meeting doth appoint **Peleg Smith, Humphry Smith Joseph Tucker, Philip Tripp** and **Samuel Smith** a Com =mittee to Inspect into the monthly meeting minutes that are put on Record and Correct them where they

Concerning
Abig[ail] Kerby

Shall find it Necessary, and also to form a new minute or an Addition to the former Concerning **Abigail Kerby [Kirby]**

Complaint
against Ben
Shearman

There hath been a Complaint brought against **Benj^a [Benjamin] Shearman** for his outgoing in Marrying out of the Unity of friends, therefore this meeting doth appoint **Davi[d] Smith** and **Jonathan Hussey** to treat with him and make Report to the next monthly Meeting ~

12th mo:
1763

At a monthly Meeting held at our Meeting House in **Dartmouth** the 19th of the 12th month 176[3] **Ponaganset** meeting Called **Peleg Smith** and **Caleb Russell** present for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA]** **Philip Tripp** and **James Cornel [Cornell]** present

Joshua
Barkers
paper not
Read

The Reading [of] **Joshua Barkers** paper hath been Omitte[d] last month therefore **Isaac Smith** is appointed to Be[?] [him?] Some Convenient times between this and the next monthly meeting ~

[?] month
1763
[Cal]eb Russell
[pu]rchased a
[boo]k for Records

Caleb Russell has purchased a Book according to the appointment of last monthly meeting and the price is two Dollars

[Cloe] Bowen
[R]eceived

The women friends Inform that they have Concluded to accept of **Cloe Bowen** to be under their Care which which [sic] this meeting Concurs with

[Reuben] Devil
[dis]owned

whereas **Reuben Devil [Daval]** hath been one under our Care, and he hath Declined attending Meetings for worship and Discipline, for which he hath been Sufficiently Labour'd with and declines to make Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth Conclude to Deny him from being under our Care

[David] Kerby
[d]isowned

whereas **David Kerby [Kirby]** hath Married out of the Unity of friends for which he hath been Sufficiently Labour'd with and declines to make Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth Deny him from being under our Care

[Eli]hu Bowens The matter Concerning **Elihu Bowen** is Refer'd to the
[c]ase referd next monthly Meeting —

[B]enj Shearmans The friends appointed to treat with **Benj^a [Benjamin] Shearman**
[C]ase referd Signify they have not done it therefore they are Still
Continued in the Same Service and to make Report to
the next monthly meeting —

[pot?] Ink and This meeting doth appoint **David Smith** to purchase a
[Lo]ck required Quire of paper and an Ink pot and a Lock to lock the
drawer to put them in for the use of this Meeting

[O]rder to pay This Meeting has Collected £7=5^s=6^d old tenor, and the
[Jo]na Hussey Treasurer is orderd to pay **Jonathan Hussey** three Dollars
for keeping the Meeting House half a year which he
has accordingly paid

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12 month
1763
Com^{tee} to
Revise the
minuts

This Meeting doth appoint **Peleg Smith, Humphry Smith**
Abraham Tucker Joseph Tucker and **Samuel Smith**
a Committee to peruse the monthly Meeting minutes to
See what part they Shall think proper to be put on
Record, and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

Coakset
meeting
House to
be Enlarg^d

Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA] prepar[a]tive meeting Signify to this Meeting that
they think it will be Convenient to make Some additi[ons]
to their little meeting House, and also to build a Chimny
Therefore this meeting doth appoint **Paul Russell Barn[abas?]**
Mosher and **Joseph Smith** to Consider how big to build
and also to Compute the Cost as near as they Can and when
to build at all or not, and to make Report to the next
monthly Meeting ~

Queries
answer'd

The Queries have been read, and answers made by
both preparative Meetings

Representatives
in Quarter
=ly mee[t]ing

Philip Tripp, Humphry Smith and **W^m [William] Anthony j^{um}**
are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and
to Compile the answers to the Queries and draw an Epistl[e]
to the Same and bring them to the Adjournment

adjourn

And this Meeting is Adjourned to the first Sixth day in
next month —

mett

This Meeting being met according to adjournment
The Representatives being Called, for **Aponaganset** meeti[ng]
Caleb Russell present forCoakset [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA**] none present —

answer to
Queries &
Epistle
[procured?]

The friends appointed to Compile the Answers to the
Queries and to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meetin[g]
have done it according to Appointment, and this
Meeting hath Signed and Sent the Epistle by the
Representatives

[?]st mo:
1764

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth**
on the 16: of the first month 1764, **Ponaganset**
Meeting Called **Caleb Russell** and **Daniel Russell**
present, for **Coakset Joshua Devil [Davol]** and **Israel Wood**
present,

[Fr]ancis Coffins
[pr]oposal of
[m]arriage

Francis Coffin and **Anne Hussey** Declared their Intentions
of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next
monthly Meeting for their Answer
Joshua Barkers Paper of Denial hath been read According
to the Appointment of last monthly Meeting ~

[?], **Barkers**
Denial

And is as followeth (viz)
Whereas **Joshua Barker** Son of **James Barker** Deceased
and **Elizabeth** his wife, he the Said **Joshua Barker**
having been one under our Care and had his Education
among friends, yet he through unwatchfullness Gave
way in three Respects, firstly, in too frequently being
in Company with **Catharine Russell** that brought a
Scandalous [scandalous] Report on the Society, Secondly in declining
to pay the Constable his Tax, Thirdly, in Refusing to
Comply with a Verdit [verdict] brought Against him for burning
Some Rails belonging to **Henry Tucker**, and he hath
been Labour'd with in love from time to time for his
misconduct hoping he may make friends Satisfaction
but he Still Remains Obstinate, therefore for the
Clearing of truth we can do no less than Give this
forth as a Publick Testimony Against him the S^d
Joshua Barker, Denying him to be one in Unity with us
the people Called Quakers, Yet we do Sincerely desire
that he may Come to a Sight and Sense of his Ongoing
and

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1 month
1764

and through unfeined Repentance find Mercy
Given forth at Our monthly Meeting held in **Dart**
=mouth the 21 of the 11 month 1763, And Signed in
and by order of Said Meeting by **Job Russell** [Clerk?]

Elihu Bow^{en}
Case refer^d

The matter Concerning **Elihu Bowen** is Refer'd to the
next monthly Meeting,

Benj Sher
man Ju^r
Paper

Benj^a [**Benjamin**] **Shearman j**^{ur} hath Sent a paper to this Meeting
Condemning his Marrying out of the Unity of friends
which hath been taken notice of, and do Refer the
matter to the next monthly Meeting for funder Consider[ation]

*minuts
not revised*

The Committee Appointed to peruse the monthly Meeting minutes Signify they have not done it, therefore they are Continued in the Same Service and to make Report to the next monthly Meeting

*Report on
acoakset
meeting
house*

The Com^{tee} Appointed to Consider about Enlarging the meeting House at **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA]** and also to Compute the Cost, make Report that they think it will be proper to build a Side flush with the old part and also to Build a Chimny, and they have Computed the Cost as near as they Can which is thirty three Dollars, therefore this meeting Grants Liberty that **Coakset** friends Go on and Build as Above Said

*Report
from Quar
terly meet
ing*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting make Report that two of them attended the other Sent a Sufficient Excuse, and they have produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read in this Meeting and well accepted

[illegible]

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*M: Wilkerson
and R
[W]ilbour
[d]isowⁿ'd*

The women friends Inform that they have Deny'd **Mary Wilkerson** and **Ruhamah Wilbour** for their Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this ^{meeting} Concurs with, and do deny the Same from under our Care

*[P]. Allen
[R]equests
[t]o Come
under
[f]riends Care
[w]ith his
[C]hildren,*

Prince Allen Requests to Come under friends Care with his Children, therefore this Meeting doth appoint **Daniel Russell** and **Phillip Allen** and **Humphry Smith** to Confer with him and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

*[M]eetings
[G]ranted at
New Swanzey*

The friends at **New=Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co MA]** desire the Liberty to hold a Meeting among them as often as friends Shall think proper therefore this Meeting doth Grant them the Liberty to hold a meeting two days in a month for two months, one on the first first [*sic*] day in the month, the other on the third first day of the month;

*Timothy Shear
[m]an Ju^r
[dis order?]*

The Visitors Inform that **Timothy Shearman Ju^r** hath Set up a Publishment, by which we Conclude he Intends to Marry out of the Good order of friends, and he hath been Labour'd with and declines to Retracts his Intentions therefore **Joseph Gifford** and **W^m Barker** are Appointed to tell him if he Shall Continue in his proceedings that he may Expect to be denied and they to Labour with him as they Shall find freedom

*[?] Printing
[G]eorge Foxes
[Jo]urnal refer^d*

Proposals of Printing **George Foxes Journals in London [England]** by way of Subscription hath been Presented to this Meeting which is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting for furdre notice

*[Ca]leb Russell
[is?] paid for the
[Bo]ok for records*

This Meeting hath Collected and Paid **Caleb Russell** two Dollars for the Book for Records; ~

2^d mo:
1764

At a monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 2^d month 1764, **Ponaganset** meeting Called **W^m Bar[ker?]** and **David Smith** present, for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA]** **Joseph Tripp** and **Peter Devil [Davol]** present;

Francis Coffins Certificate

Francis Coffin hath Produced a Certificate from the monthly Meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**, Certifying him to be of an Orderly life and Conservation and Clear from any Entanglement Relating marriage which this Meeting accepts

Francis Coffins answer

Francis Coffin and **Ann Hussey** did appear for their answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and th[e] next monthly Meeting Observing the Good order Establis[hed] among us in the Performance ther[e]of and **Caleb Russell** an[d] **David Smith** are appointed to see their Marriage Consumat[ed] in Said order and make Report to the next [sic] monthly Meeting

E. Bowen Rec^d

This Meeting doth accept of **Elihu Bowen** to be under our Ca[re]

*Jacob Motts paper accep=
=ted*

This Meeting doth accept of **Jacob Motts** paper Condemning his outgoings in taking too much Spirituous Liquor, hoping h[e] may Conduct better for time to Come —————

Prince Allen request refer^d

The matter Concerning **Prince Allens** Request to Come und[er] friends Care with his Children is Refer'd to the next month[ly] Meeting, and the Same friends are Still Continued in that Service and to make Report to the next monthly Meeting —

Timothy Sher =man Ju^r Case referd

The matter Concerning **Timothy Shearman ju^r** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting; —

R. Cornel Rec^d

The women friends Inform that they have accepted of **Rebecca Cornel [Cornell]** to be under their Care which this Meeting Concurs with

meetings Granted in Allens Neck

This Meeting Grants the friends in **Allens neck Neck [sic]** th[e] Liberty to hold a meeting there one month longer as heretofore This Meeting doth appoint **John Potter** overseer of the poor ([?]

John Potter overseer of the Poor

Nicholas Howland) in lieu of **Paul Russell** and they to make Report once a Quarter —

[?] month
1764
[Ca]se of **Benj [She]arman Ju^r**
refer'd
[3?] mo
1764

The matter Concerning **Benjamin Shearman ju^r** is Referd to the Next monthly Meeting; —————

[Jos]eph Howland [pro]posal of mar[ri]age

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the 19th day of the 3^d month 1764, **Ponaganset** meeting Called **David Smith** and **William Anthony ju^r** present, for **Coakset** **Peter Devil [Davol]** and **Philip Tripp** present **Joseph Howland & Bershebe Shearman** and **Daniel Smith** and **Rebecca Cornel [Cornell]** declared their Intentions of Marriage and

[D]aniel Smith were desired to wait till the next monthly Meeting for their
proposal of answer, and **Benjamin Howland ju^r** and **John Potter** are
[m]arriage appointed to make Inquiry into the young mens Clearness
as to Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the
next monthly Meeting ———
[Re]port of Fran~~s~~ The friends appointed to See **Francis Coffin** and **Ann Husseys**
[F]rancis Coffins Marriage Consumated make Report that they attended the
marriage Marriage and Saw nothing but that it was accomplished
in Good order
[Pr]ince Allen The matter Concerning **Prince Allens** Request to Come
[R]equest refer^d under friends Care with his Children is Refer'd to the next
monthly meeting and the Same friends that were appointed
to discourse with them two months ago are still Continued in
the Same Service & to make Report to the next monthly Meeting,
whereas **Timothy Shearman ju^r** hath Married out of the order
of friends, and he hath been Sufficiently Labour'd with, and
he Refusing to adhere to friends Cautions and Labour of love
therefore this Meeting doth deny him the Said **Timothy**
Shearman to be one in Unity with us and from under our Care
The matter Concerning **Benj^a Shearman ju:** is Refer'd to the
next monthly Meeting;
[Jo?]ne Soule The women friends Inform that they have Concluded to accept
Receiv'd of

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3 month of **Jone Soule** to be under the Care of friends which this Meetin[g]
Concurs with; This Meeting appoints **Ichabod Eddy** and **Josep[h]**
1764 **Tripp** ~~are~~ to Carry on the Rebuilding of **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA]** meeting
Building Hou[se]
atcoakset This meeting appoints the Elders of **Aponaganset** and **Coakse[t]**
meeting house a Committee to Collect an Account of the deaths of Public
friends that have happened ~~from~~ for Some time past and
bring them to the Adjournment;
To collect **Coakset** friends friends [*sic*] Preparitive meeting Inform that
account of **Benj^a [Benjamin] Tripp** hath Gone Contrary to friends orders in Opposin[g]
Publick friends the Constable in Distraining for a Tax and he hath been Labo[ured]
deceased with by the Visitors and has not made Satisfaction therefore
this meeting doth appoint **Peleg Smith Humphry Smith** and
William Anthony ju: a Committee to Labour funder with h[?]
and make Report to the next monthly Meeting ~
The Queries have been Read and answers prepar'd from both
preparitive Meetings and Read in this Meeting,
Complaint **Joseph Tucker Peleg Smith Philip Tripp Samuel Smith**
against and **Peter Devil [Davol]** are appointed to attend the Quarterly
Benj Tripp Meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw

Queries
Answer^d
Representa
=tives

*Complaint
against
Benj Devil*

an Epistle to the Same, & bring them to the Adjournment
Benjamin Devil [Daval] hath Married out of the order of friends
and hath also had a Child Soon after Marriage and hat[h]
been Labour'd with and Declines to make Satisfaction
Therefore this Meeting doth appoint **Christopher Gifford** a[nd]
Ichabod Eddy to labour furdur with him and make Report
to the next monthly Meeting, This Meeting hath Colle[cted]
£3-11^s-8^d old tenor and the Treasurer is orderd to pay **An[tipas]
Hathaway** 10 Shillings Lawfull money for mending Glass a[t?]
the meeting House; This Meeting adjourns to the Sixth day
of next month ~

*order to pay
Antipas Hathaway*

adjourn

mett

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*[?] month
1764
[ep]istles &
[an]swers to
[qu]eries Sent*

This Meeting being met according to Adjournment
the Sixth day of the 4th month 1764 the Representatives
all present, This meeting hath Signed and Sent an Epistle
to the Quarterly Meeting and also hath Sent the Answers
to the Queries by the Representatives
The Elders brought the Account of the deaths of Publick
friends to this Meeting

*death of
Publick
Friends*

*4th month
1764*

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** b/y on the 16th
of the 4th mo: 1764 **Ponaganset** meeting Called **Caleb Russell**
and **William Anthony ju^r** present, for **Coakset Peleg Hud=
=dlestone** present,

*[Jo]seph Howland
Daniel Smith
[C]learness*

The friends appointed to Enquire into **Joseph Howlands** and
Danil [Daniel] Smiths Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation
make Report that they do'nt find anything to hinder
their Proceeding in Marriage; —————

*[Jos]eph Howlands
Daniel Smiths
answer*

Joseph Howland and **Bershebe Shearman Danil [Daniel] Smith** and
Rebecca Cornel [Cornell] did appear for their Answer and their
Answer was that they might Proceed to take each other
in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this
and the next monthly Meeting observing the Good order
used amongst us and **John Potter** and **Benj^a Howland ju^r**
are appointed to See **Joseph Howlands** and **Barshebe [Bershebe] Shearmans**
Marriage Consumated in S^d order and make Report to the
next monthly meeting, and **William Anthony ju^r**
and **Samuel Smith** are appointed for the Same Service
at the Marriage of **Daniel Smith** and **Rebecca Cornel [Cornell]** and
they to make Report to the next monthly meeting
This Meeting doth accept of **Prince Allen** and his Children
to be under our Care for time to Come
the matter Concerning **Benj^a [Benjamin] Shearman ju^r** is Refer'd to
the next monthly Meeting

*[Pr]ince Allen
[&?]Children
Received
[Ca]se of Benj
Shearman Ju
referend*

- 4 month*
1764
Benj Tripp
Case Suspen
=ded
The Comm[is]tee appointed to Labour with **Benj^a [Benjamin] Tripp** make Report that he ought to Condemn his Opposing the officer in the manner he did and he Cannot find freedom to Comply with their Judgment at present Therefore the matter is Suspended ~
- Report from*
Quarterly
meeting
Benj Deval
refer'd
The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make Report that they ^{all} attended it and have produced an Epistle from the Same which was Read in this Meeting and well Accepted
The matter Concerning **Benj^a Deval [Daval]** is Referred to the next mont[hly] Meeting and the same friends are Still Continued in the Same Servi[ce] and they to draw up a paper of Denial against him if they think Necessary and bring it to the next monthly meeting;
- Antp^[?] Hath=*
=away is paid
The treasurer has paid **Antipas Hathaway** ten Shillin[gs] for mending Glass;
- W^m Sanford*
& David
Smith acompt
William Sanford and **David Smith** has Brought in an account to this meeting for Repairing the Stable belong[ing to?] this Meeting and the lock the drawer [*sic*] and one Quire of Pap[er] and one Ink Stand; all £27=16^s-6^d Old tenor which this meeting accepts
- Philip Trafford*
request for
his Children
accepted
Philip Trafford Requests that his Children that he had by his first wife be taken under friends Care which this meet[ing] Grants and accepts them to be under Our Care for the time to Com[e]
The women friends Inform that they have Accepted of **Lyd[ia?]**
Cornel [Cornell] to be under their Care which this Meeting Concurs with
- L. Cornel*
Rec^d
- 5 mo:*
1764
At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of [?] 5th month 1764 **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Joseph Smith** and **Samuel Smith** present for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA]** **Daniel Wood** present, **John Potter** and **Benjamin Howland ju:** make report that h[e] attended the Marriage of **Joseph Howland** and **Barshebe [Bershebe] Shea[rman]** and Saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order
William Anthony ju^r and **Samuel Smith** Report that they attended the marriage of **Daniel Smith** and **Rebecca Cornel [Cornell]** and Saw nothing but it was likewise Accomplished in Good Order —————
- Report of*
Jos^[?] Howland
marriage
- Report of*
Dan Smiths
marriage

- [?] month*
1764
[Ca]se of Benj
[She]arman Ju^r
[r]eferd
The matter Concerning **Benjamin Shearman ju^r** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting and **Peleg Smith** and **William Anthony ju^r** are Appointed to discourse with him Concerning his not attending meetings and make Report to the next monthly Meeting, The matter Concerning **Benjamin Devil [Daval]** is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting; —
- [?] take Sub=*
[=sc]riptions for
[Geo]rg Foxes
[Jo]urnals
Samuel Smith is appointed to take the Subscribtions [subscriptions] for **George Fox's Journals** and Endeavour to Collect the Money and Send it up to the Yearly Meeting; —
the women friends Inform that they have accepted of **Naomy Sisson** to be Under their Care and that they have denied **Lydia Shearman** from being one under their Care both which
- N. Sisson*
Rec'd &

L. Shear= this Meeting Concurs with;
[=]man denied There hath been a Report brought to this Meeting that **Stephen Wilcox** hath So Conducted in time past that he hath very much fallen Short of discharging many of his debts which hath been due, which Seems to be of an attendency to bring a Reproach on friends therefore **Peter Devil [Davol] Philip Tripp Peleg Huddleston Joseph Gifford and Joseph Tucker** are Appointed a Comittee of Enquiry and to discourse with him and make Report to the Adjournment of this Meeting
Complaint [a]gainst Wilcox
adjourn This Meeting Adjourns to the 30th of this month
mett This Meeting being mett according to Adjournment the 30th of the 5th month 1764 the Representatives being Called for **Ponaganset Samuel Smith** present, for **Coakset** none present the Committee make Report that **Stephen Wilcox** desires that friends would wait untill the next monthly meeting therefore the matter is Refer'd to S^d meeting; —
[C]ase of Stephen [W]ilcox refer^d
[Co]mplaint [a]gainst Job Howland **Lusana Russell** has Exhibited a Complaint against **Job How=land** for Refusing to Leave a Contr^oversy Subsⁱsting Between them to Arbitration, therefore **Barnabas Mosher and Luke Hart** are appointed a Committee of Enquiry and they to advise **Job Howland** to leave it to men if they think Necessary and make Report to the next monthly meeting; —

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6 mo: 1764 At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of the 6th month 1764 **Ponaganset** meeting Called **Peleg Smith and Joseph Smith** present for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA]** for **Coakset [sic] Joshua Devil [Davol]** present —
~~*Stephen Wilcox case refer^d*~~ **Stephen Hathaway and Abigail Smith** did lay their Intention of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next monthly Meeting for their Answer
Stephen Hathway proposal of marriage Case of Ben Shearman refered Case of Ben Devil referd Money Collec=ted for 12 Books mo meetings advice to Stephen Wilcox Henry The matter Concerning **Benjaⁿ [Benjamin] Shearman ju^r** is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting, as is likewise that of **Benj^a [Benjamin] Devil [Davol]** . —
Samuel Smith has answered the Appointment of last monthly meeting and Collected money Enough for twelve of **Fox's Journals** —————
 It is the advice of this Meeting that if **Stephen Wilcox** Can't discharge his debts no otherwise he ought to deliver up his Estate to his Creditors and Notify them all as Soon as may be, and the Same Committee is Still Continued to Notify him of the Conclusion of this Meeting and assist him in advice and make Report to the next monthly Meeting; —
 Our Esteemed friend **Henry Stanton** has Visited this Meeting with a Certificate from **Carterite [Carteret] [Newport Cartert Co, NC] In North Carolina** dated the 18th of the 4th mo: 1764 which being Read

Stantons was kindly accepted.

Visit

Peleg Smith Humphry Smith Philip Tripp are Appointed

Friends

to attend the Quarterly meeting and draw an Epistle to the

appointed

Same and bring it to the adjournment; _____

for Quarter

The ^{friends} appointed to Inquire into the Controversey between

=ly meeting

Job Howland and **Lusanna Russell** make Report that they

Case of

think it Necessary to Leave it to men and that they

Job How=

advised them to do it which ^{he} Refused therefore **Joseph**

=land

Smith and **Joseph Gifford** are appointed to [attend *is erased?*] Labour

further funder [*sic*] with him and make Report to the next

monthly Meeting;

[*words crossed out for last two lines*]

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[?] month

1764

[or]der to pay

[Jon]athan [Hu]sey

This Meeting has Collected 4[£]-4^s-11^d old tenor and the

Treasurer is order'd to pay **Jonathan Hussie [Hussey]** three Dollars

for keeping the Meeting House half a year

This meeting adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month

[adj]ourn

[m]ett

This meeting being met according to adjournment the 6 of the 7th

month 1764 the Representatives being Called for **Ponaganset**

Peleg Smith and **Joseph Smith** present for **Coakset** none pre=_{=sent}

[ans]wrs

[to] the

[Que]ries

The Queries have been Read and answers prepared from both

preparitive meetings and **Peleg Smith Humphry Smith** and

W^m [William] Anthony ju^r are appointed to Compile the answers to the

Queries and Deliver them to the Representatives

This meeting has Signed and ordered to be Sent an Epistle to the

Quarterly meeting by the Representatives

[Ru]th

[Ed]dy

[de]nied

The women friends Inform that they have Concluded to deny

Ruth Eddy therefore **David Smith** is appointed to draw a paper

of Denial against her and bring it to the next monthly meeting

7th mo:

1764

Stephen

Hathaway

certifi=

[=ca]te

At a monthly Meeting held at **Dartmouth** the 16th of the

7th month 1764 **Ponaganset** meeting Called **David Smith** and **Sam^{ll} [Samuel]**

Smith present for **Coakset Joseph Tripp** and **Ichabod Eddy** present

Stephen Hathaway produced a Certificate from **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly

meet=

=ing Certifying his Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation in a

degree Clear –

Stephen

Hathaways

[an]swer

Stephen Hathaway and **Abigail Smith** did appear for their answer

which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage

in Some Convenient time between this and the next monthly Mee=

=ing Observing the Good order Established Amongst us in the perfor=

=mance thereof and **William Anthony** and **Daniel Russell** are

appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in S,^d order and make

Report to the next monthly Meeting

Jemima

Hoxie

Receivd

Jemima Hoxie has Produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting

of **Sandwich** dated the 29 of the 6th mo: 1764 Informing of her being of

an orderly life and Conversation and under their Care and that

She has Settled her outward affairs which this meeting accepts and She

to be under our Care

7 month

1764

*Mary Tuc=
=ker*

Received

Mary Tucker hath Produced a Certificate from **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly Meeting held the 29th of the 6 mo: 1764 which Informs her being in a Good degree of an orderly life and Conversation which this meeting accepts and She to be under our Care for the time to Come —————

*Ben Sher
=man case
referd*

The matter Concerning **Benj^a [Benjamin] Shearman ju:** is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting

*Jos Taber Ju
his paper*

Joseph Taber ju: has produced a paper to this meeting Condem[n]ing his falling into the Sin of fornication which this meeting appoints **Caleb Russell** to See that it be Red [read] at the end of a first day meeting for worship at **Quishnet [Acshunet, Bristol Co. MA]** and he to be present and make Report to the next monthly Meeting, and when Said paper be Read as afforesaid this meeting Concludes to accept of it for

*Case of
Benj Deval
referd*

Satisfaction; The matter Concerning **Benj^a [Benjamin] Deval [Daval]** is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting; —————

*The case
of Stephen
Wilcox*

the Committee appointed to have the Care of **Stephen Wilcox's** affair make Report that he did not fully Comply with the Conclu: =sion of last monthly meeting therefore the Same Committee are Still Continued to Repeat the Same advice to him and also to Inform him that this Meeting desires him Imediately to Comply with the above Said advice and if he do'nt he must Expect to be dealt with as an offender

*Report
from
Quarterly
meeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting being Called upon make Report that they did all attend it and have produced an Epistle from the Same which was Red to Good Satisfaction This Meeting Received two Epistles from **London [England]** one written the other Printed which was Read to Good Satisfaction, and as they Contain many wholsome Exhortations and advices, they are Recommended to friends Observation; ———

*Epistles
received*

This meeting likewise Received an Epistle from the yearly mee= =ting at **Philadelphia [Philadelphus Co. Pa]** dated the 9th mo: 1763 and one from our last yearly meeting held at **Newport on Rhode Island [Newport Co. RI]**

This ^{meeting} adjourns to the 25th day of this Instant

[?]month

1764

*Testimony
[a]gainst
Ruth Eddy*

This meeting being Met According to Adjournment the Representatives being Called for **Ponaganset** meeting **David Smith** and **Samuel Smith** present for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA]** none present This meeting has Signed a paper of Denial against **Ruth Eddy** for falling into the Sin of fornication which is Evident by her having a Child Soon after Marriage and **Peleg Huddleston** is appointed to Read it or Get Some body to Read it at the end of a first day meeting of worship at **Coakset** meeting house and make Report to the next monthly meeting;

[Case of Job Howland] The Committee appointed last monthly meeting to Labour with **Job Howland** make Report that he declines to leave the Controversy to men therefore **Jonathan Hussie [Hussey] Joseph Smith** and **W^m [William] Anthony ju:** are appointed a Committee to have them face to face and to Labour to Reconcile them and if they Can't to advise them to leave their Controversy to men [*word crossed out*] if they think proper and make Report to the next monthly meeting ———

*8th mo:
1764*

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 8th 1764 **Ponaganset** meeting Called **James Shearman** and **Caleb Russell** present, for **Coakset Peter Devil [Davol]** present and the other friend that was appointed at **Coakset** Sent an Excuse which this meeting thinks Sufficient

*report of
Stephen
Hathaways
marriage*

the friends appointed to See **Stephen Hathaway** and **Abigail Smiths** marriage Consumated make Report that they attended the marriage and Saw nothing but that it was accomplished in Good Order

*Benj Sherman Ju^r
paper
accepted*

This ^{meeting} doth accept of **Benj^a [Benjamin] Shearman ju:** his paper for Satisfaction Condemning his misconduct in marriage and he to be under our Care for the time to Come

Caleb Russell makes Report that **Joseph Taber ju:**'s paper has been Read According to the Appointment of last monthly meeting which is as followeth (viz)

Dartmouth the 22 of the first month 1764

*J. Taber
Repen:*

dear friends;

Whereas I **Joseph Taber ju^r** of **Dartmouth** have had my Education among Friends in a Sober manner and am also fully persuaded and Confirmed in my mind of the Truth of the Doctrines and

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1764*

Principles held forth by them; have notwithstanding through unwatchfullness and not taking that heed which I ought to have done to that Divine Principle of Light and Grace fallen into the Sin of Fornication which is Evident by my wife's having a Child Soon after Marriage, also my being married out of the Unity of friends, all which I do hereby Condem, and am heartily Sorry for, and desire the Lord may forgive me and friends pass it by and let me Remain Under their Care their Labour of love with me I do Gratefully acknowledge and hope it may not prove Labour lost

*Case of Ben
Devil
referred*

from your friend **Joseph Taber ju^r**

The matter Concerning **Benjamin Devil [Davol]** is Referred to next monthly meeting and **Christopher Gifford** and **Ichabod Eddy** are appointed to have the Care of the affair and make Report to the next monthly meeting; ———

Peleg Huddlestone makes Report that **Ruth Eddy's** paper of Denial hath been Read according to the appointment of last

*R. Eddy
disowned*

monthly Meeting; which is as follows,
Whereas **Ruth Eddy** Daughter of **William Gifford** [d?] and **Patience** his wife was Educated in the profession of us the people Called Quakers in **Dartmouth** and did Some times frequent our Religious meetings, but for want of faithfull adherence to the dictates of that Divine Principal which was Sufficient to have preserved her, hath been prevailed on to Give way to the temptation of the enemy So far as to be Guilty of the Sin of Fornicatio[n] as doth appear by her having a Child Soon after marriage and Notwithstanding She hath been duly admonished & advised in order to bring her to a Sight of her misconduct, but She Still Remaining Obstinate, we do therefore hereby disown the Said **Ruth Eddy** to be of our Society until She Come to witness that Godly Sorrow which worketh true Repentance which that the Lord may mercifully Grant her is our Sincere desire; Signed by order and in behalf of the above S^d people in their monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** by adjournment the 25th of the 7th month 1764 by
Job Russell Clerk
Elisabeth Smith Clerk
for this day —

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*[?] month
1764
Affair of
[Stephen?] Wilcox
referd*

The affair Concerning **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting; ———

The Committee appointed to Inspect into the Controversy Subsisting between **Job Howland** and **Lusanna Russell** make Report that it was their advice that he ought to leave to men the Controversy which he Refuses to do therefore he is looked upon as an offender and **John Russell 2^d** **John Potter W^m** [**William**] **Barker** are appointed to Inform him of the Judgment of this meeting, and to Labour with him as they Shall find freedom and make Report to the next monthly meeting It is the Conclusion of this meeting that the Visitors do Still Continue in the Same Service for one month longer · —

*[V]isitors
[Elijah?] Russel
request a
[Cer]tificate*

Elijah Russell Desires a Certificate to the monthly meeting of **Swanzy** [**Somerset, Bristol Co MA**] Signifying his Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation, therefore **Humphry Smith** and **Benj^a** [**Benjamin**] **Howland 2^d** are appointed to Inspect into his Conversation and draw one for him if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting

*[Be]nj Tripps
Case*

The matter Concerning **Benj^a** [**Benjamin**] **Tripp** hath Laid Several months and nothing done therefore **Peleg Huddleston** and **John Mosher** are appointed to treat with him on that matter and make Report to the next monthly meeting; ~

*9 mo:
1764 }*

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of the 9th month 1764 **Ponaganset** meeting Called **Joseph Smith** and **Daniel Russell** present, for **Coa[k]set** [**Westport, Bristol Co MA**] **Christopher Gifford** and **David Devil** [**Davol**] present;

*Benj Devil
Case refer^d*

The matter Concerning **Benj^a** [**Benjamin**] **Devil** [**Davol**] is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting and **Christopher Gifford** is Still Continued according to the appointment of last monthly meeting ~
the matter Concerning **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd to next monthly

Ann Coffin meeting; This Meeting has Signed and Sent a Certificate to the
Certificate monthly meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** for **Ann Coffin** Certifying her being in a
[Job?] Howland Good degree of an orderly life and Conversation and under our Care
[Case] refer^d the matter Concerning **Job Howland** is Refer'd to the next
monthly meeting
[Elij?] Russel This meeting has Signed a Certificate for **Elijah Russell** to the
[certi]fi= monthly meeting of **Swanzy** Certifying his Clearness from any
[=cate] Entan=

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9 month Entanglement Respecting Marriage and in a degree of an
1764 orderly Conversation —
Joseph **Joseph Mosher** and his wife Requests to Come under friends Car[e]
Mosher therefore **Christopher Gifford** and **David Devil [Daval]** are Appointed to
request take an Opportunity of Conference with him on that account
and make Report to the next monthly meeting;
B. Tripp **Benjamin Tripp** hath appeared in this meeting and made
accepted friends Such Satisfaction as they have taken up with
Certificate **Daniel Russell** Requests a Removal Certificate for his Son
requested **Giles** to the **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]**, therefore **Jonathan Hussey** and **David**
for Giles **Smith** are Appointed to draw one if they think proper and to
Russell make Enquiry into his life and Conversation and bring it to the
next monthly meeting ~
Queries The Queries have been Read and Answers prepared by ~~both~~
answered **Ponaganset** preparative meeting, **Joseph Tucker** and his Son
Barziller Tucker are Appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterl[y]
meeting and bring it to the adjournment —————
Job Howland The like Case of **Job Howland**, is to be Sent up to the Quarterly
Case Sent to meeting for advice —
Quar meet This meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month
=ing
adjourn^d This meeting being met according to Adjournment the
mett
Representatives being Called **Daniel Russell Joseph Smith**
and **David Devil [Daval]** present,
[R.?] Willis Our Esteemed friend **Robert Willis** hath Visited this meeting
Visit with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Woodbridge [Middlesex Co. NJ]**
in **New=Jersey** dated the 16th 5 mo: 1764 which was Read and
well Accepted
Chusing the matter Concerning Chusing Visitors and Overseers is Refer['d]
Visitors to the next monthly meeting
refer^d
Friends **Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, Philip Tripp** are Appointed
for Quar- to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistle and
meeting make Report to the next monthly meeting
This meeting hath Signed and Sent an Epistle to the Quarterly
Meeting by the Representatives
Collection the Quarterly Collection is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting
refer^d

10th mo
1764 }

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of the 10th Month 1764, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Joseph Smith** and **Benja =min Howland ju^r** present, for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA]** **Ichabod Eddy** and **Israel**

Wood present,

[*Benj Wings proposal of marriage?*]

Benj^a [Benjamin] Wing and **Mary Potter** declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait til the monthly meeting for their answer and **Peleg Huddleston** and **Joseph Tripp** are appointed to make Enquiry into **Benj^a Wing**, Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation and likewise to see if **Mary Potters** Estate be Settled So that her Children be not hurt by her Said Marriage and make Report to the next monthly meeting

[*Ca]se of [Benj Deval [re]fer^d*

The affair of **Benj^a [Benjamin] Deval [Davol]** is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting and **Philip Allen** and **Adam Gifford** are appointed to have an Inspection over him and his Conduct and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

[*Step?*] **Wilcox**
Case refere^d
[*Job?*] **How-**
[-]lands
[*Case?*] *referd*

Stephen Wilcox's Case is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting
The Case of **Job Howland** is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting on the account of Informing him of the Result of the Quarterly meeting and **Peleg Smith** is appointed to Inform him of Said Result and make Report to the next monthly Meeting;

Giles
Russells
certificate

This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Giles Russell** Certifying him to be in a degree of an orderly Conversation and under our Care directed to the monthly meeting of the **Oblong [Pawling Dutchess Co. NY]**

a Com^{tee}
to advise
with[?] in
Lawsuits

Humphry Smith Joseph Tucker William Barker are appointed a Standing Committee pursuant to the direction of the late Book of Discipline in page 138

overseers
of meeting
house

Jonathan Hussie [Hussey], David Smith, Samuel Smith, Benjamin Howland ju: William Mosher, Israel Wood, Joshua Cornel [Cornell] David Devil [Davol] are Apointed to have the oversight of the people in the Galleries and other Seats at our next Annual Meeting both here & at **Coakset** and to make Report to the next monthly meeting

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10 month
1764
Joseph
Mosher's
Case

The friends Appointed to Confer with **Joseph Mosher** make Report that they have not both Confer'd with him by reas[on?] of Indisposion, therefore **Ichabod Eddy** and **David Devil [Davol]** are Appointed for the Same Service and they to make Re: =port to the next monthly Meeting;

W^m Hath=
[=*away request*

William Hathaway Requests to Come under Care of friends, therefore **Joseph Smith** and **Luke Hart** are Appointed a Committee to Confer with him on that account

and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

H. Mosher
Rec^d The [word crossed out] women friends Inform that they have minuted **Hannah Mosher** wife to **W^m [William] Mosher** under their Care which this Meeting Concurs with

11 mo:
1764 At a monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the 19th day of the 11th month 1764 **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Joseph Smith** and **William Anthony ju:** present for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co MA] John Mosher** and **Joseph Tripp** present,

Benj Wing
Clearness The friends appointed to Inspect into **Benjamin Wings** Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation make Report that they have made Enquiry and do not find any thing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage and also that the widows Estate is Settled according to friends orders;

B. Wings
answer **Benjamin Wing** and **Mary Potter** appeared for their Answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next monthly meeting, Observing the Good order Established amongst us in the performance thereof and **Peleg Huddleston** and **Joseph Tripp** are appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Said order and make Report to the next monthly meeting

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[11?]month
1764
[Benj Devil
case?] referd The matter Concerning **Benjamin Devil [Davol]** is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting; and the Same Committees are Still Continued in the Same Service and to Return the paper to him and Inform him that there is a deficiency and make Report to the next monthly meeting;

[M. Kerby
And
M. Mo=
=sher
Rec^d?] The women friends Inform that they have minuted **Mary Kerby [Kirby]** and **Meribah Mosher** under their Care which this Meeting Concurs with The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting Whereas, there hath been a Complaint Exhibited against **Job**

[J. How:
=land
denied] **Howland** by **Lusanna Russell** for Refusing to leave a Contro=

adjourn =versey Subsisting between them to Arbitration, and he hath been Sufficiently Laboured with and he appears Obstinate and Refuses friends Advice, therefore this Meeting for the Clearing of the Blessed truth doth deny the S,^d **Job Howland** from being one under our Care

This Meeting Adjourns till tomorrow at the tenth hour in the fore noon

mett This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the 20th 11.^{mo}: 1764 the Representatives being Called for **Ponaganset** meeting both present for Coakset [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA] Joseph Tripp** present the other Repre.^{tive}

[overseers
of meetg
house
report?] has made an Excuse for his absence which this meeting accepts The friends Appointed to have the oversight of the people in the Galleries and other Seats at our Annual Meeting being Called upon make Report that they attended Agreeable to

[J.] Mosher
Rec^d appointment and that the people behaved in a Good degree orderly; The Committee Appointed to Confer with **Joseph Mosher** make Report that he Gave them Good Satisfaction

Therefore this Meeting doth accept and minute him under
our Care

*over=
seers
Chosen*

This Meeting appoints **Joshua Devel [Daval]** and **Israel Wood** Overseers
for **Coakset**, and also appoints **William Anthony ju:** and **Job
Russell** Overseers for **Ponaganset**, and also appoints **Luke
hart**

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Visitors

Hart and Barziller Tucker overseers from **Newtown [Dartmouth, Bristol Co. MA]**

This Meeting Appoints **Abraham Tucker** and **Caleb
Russell** Visitors for **Ponaganset [Dartmouth, MA]**, and **Peter Deuel [Devol]**
and **Philip Tripp** Visitors for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**

W^m

Hathway

Rec^d

The Committee Appointed to Confer with **W^m Hathway**

make Report that he Gave them Good Satisfaction

therefore this Meeting Minutes him under our Care

Meetings

Granted

This Meeting Grants the friends living in **Allens neck [Dartmouth, Bristol Co. MA]**

Liberty to hold a Meeting down there at some friends House
three first days in a month for three winter Months and the
first Spring Month, Excepting the first days that precede
the monthly Meetings

*Complaint
against*

*Isaac
Howland*

Whereas, **Isaac Howland ju:** [junior] hath Married out of the Unity
of friends, and hath been in the Practice of the Slave
Trade, and hath never Condemned them to friends Satisfaction
which is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting;

*Nat Soule Jr
Request*

Nathaniel Soule ju: [junior] Requests to Come under friends Care
Therefore **Ichabod Eddy** and **Israel Wood** are Appointed to
take an Oppertunity of Conference with him, and make
Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Jos Mosher
request a
Certificate*

Joseph Mosher desires a Removal Certificate to **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co.
R.I.]**

Therefore **Isael [Israel] Wood** and **Philip Tripp** are Appointed to make
Enquiry into his Outward Affairs, and draw one for him
if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

*To draw a
Certificate
for Mathew
Franklin*

This Meeting Appoints **Humphry Smith** and **William
Anthony juⁿ** to draw a Certificate for **Matthew Franklin**
and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

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12 mo 1764

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of the
12th month 1764, **Ponaganset [Dartmouth]** Meeting Called **David Smith** and
W^m Anthony ju: [jr] present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**, **Philip
Tripp** and **Israel
Wood** present,

*[?]the
[?]*

William Hathway and **Ruth Barker** Declared their Intentions of
Marriage, and were desired to wait until the next monthly Meet=
=ing for their Answer and **Caleb Russell** and **Joseph Smith** are

[?] of Marriage Appointed to Make Enquiry into the young mans Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly meeting; Whereas **Benj^a Davil [Daval]** hath fallen into the Sin of fornication and he hath been Sufficiently dealt with and Refuses to make friends Satisfaction; therefore this Meeting thinks best for the Clearing of the Blessed truth to disown him, and do Appoint **Isaac Smith** to draw up a paper of denial Against him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

[B] [Da]vil [di]sowned The friends Appointed to See **Benj^a Wing**, and **Mary Potters** Marriage Consumated Make Report that they attended the Marriage, and that it was Consumated in tolerable good order;

[report?] of [?] Wings The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Referred to the next monthly Meeting As is likewise the Matter Concerning **Isaac Howland juⁿ** -- and the Represen=
[Mar]riage Consumated to the Quarterly Meeting are Appointed to treat with Said **howland** on that account and Inform him that his Accknowledgment is too short and wherein;

[?] of Step [Wil]cox referd The friends Appointed to Conferr with **Nathaniel Sowle y^e 2^d** Make Report that he Gave them Good Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth Minute him under friends Care.

[?] of Isaac [How]land [?] This Meeting has Signed and Sent a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** for **Joseph Mosher** and family; Certificate [for] **Matthew Franklin** This Meeting has Signed and sent a Certificate for **Matthew Franklin** to **Flushing [Queens Co. NY]** on long Island; [Request] for [M]eeting The friends at **New[?] Swanzy [Swansea, Bristol, MA?]** Requests Liberty to hold a Meeting there [?] **Swanzy** on first days till the last of the 4th month 1765 which this Meeting Grants

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1764

Grants Exceptt the holding a Meeting on them first days that precedes our Monthly Meeting day,

John How Land's request **John Howland** Requests to Come under friends Care, therefore this Meeting doth appoint **W^m Bowdish** and **Joseph Gifford** to Confer with him on that Ac^t and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

John Smith's request & Certificate **John Smith** the 3^d Requests a Certificate to the monthly Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Respecting his Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation Therefore **Luke hart** and **Barzillear Tucker** are Appointed to Inspect into the Above Sd. particulars and draw one for him if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

order to pay **Jonaⁿ Hussey** This Meeting has Collected £7:17^s-2^d old tener, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay **Jonathan Hussey** three Dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year; **W^m Sanford** and **Jonathan Hussey** are Appointed to make up Accompts with the Treasurer and Make Report to the next monthly Meeting;

To Settle with Trea surer The Treasurer has paid **Jonathan Hussey** According to order. --

meeting house The overseers of the Meeting House are Still Continued for one year more

Overseers **Humphry Smith, Samuel Smith, W^m Anthony ju. Caleb Russell Philip Tripp** are Appointed to Attend the Quarterly meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the Same and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

J Howland appeals **Job Howland** Requests an Appeal from the Judgment of this Meeting to the Quarterly Meeting which is Granted This Meeting Adjourns to the 26 day of this Month

adjourn mett This Meeting being mett According to Adjournment this 26 day of the 12th month 1764, the Representation being Called for **Ponaganset [Dartmouth, Bristol Co., Mass.] David Smith and W^m Anthony ju.** present, for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co., MA]** None present; --

D Smith Clerk this day This Meeting Appoints **David Smith** Clark of this Meeting for this day –

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12 Month 1764 The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting have drawn an Epistle and Compiled the Answers to the Queries which was brought to this Meeting and the Epistle Signed by the Clark and ordered to be Sent up by the Representatives; --

Queries answered Epistle Signed

1st mo. 1765 At a Monthly Meeting held at **Dartmouth** the 21 of the first Month 1765, **Ponaganset Meeting [Dartmouth, Mass.]** Called **Joseph Smith and Caleb Russell** Present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** **John Mosher** present

W^m Hathaway's Clearness The friends Appointed to make Enquiry into **W^m Hathaway's** Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation Make Report that they do not find Anything to hinder their proceeding in Marriage.

W^m Hathaways proposal of marriage **William Hathaway and Ruth Barker** did appear for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next monthly Meeting Observing the Good Order Established among us in the performance thereof and **Caleb Russell and Joseph Smith** are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in S^d order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Benj^a Davil disowned This Meeting has Signed a paper of denial Against **Benj^a Davil [Davol]** for the Sin of Fornication but the Reading of it is Referred to the next monthly Meeting, and **Philip Allen** is Appointed to Inform him of the Judgment of this Meeting and make Report to the next monthly meeting.

Case of Stephen Wilcox refer'd The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting as is likewise the Case Concerning **Isaac Howland juⁿ** And likewise the Case Concerning **John Howland** is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

Case of Isaac Howland Ju. & John Howland refer'd

Certificate for John Smith This Meeting has Signed a Certificate for **John Smith, Joseph's** Son, to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Certifying his Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation

Settled with Treasurer

Report from Quarterly Meeting The friends Appointed to make up Accompts with the Treasurer make Report that they have answer'd their Appointment and there is due to this Meeting £4-10^s-1^d old Tener The Friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting

Make Report that three of them attended agreeable to
appoint-

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1 Month Appointment and one of the other made an Excuse which the
1765 Quarterly Meeting took up with and **Caleb Russell** [4-5 letters crossed out] has
made an Excuse to this Meeting, and the Said friends have
produced an Epistle from the Sad [Said] Meeting which was Read
in this Meeting and Well Accepted

Obediah Allen's **Obediah Allen** has sent a paper to this Meeting Condemning [Condemning]
offence his falling into the Sin of Fornication which Was Read in
this Meeting and Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting for
P. Snell furdur Consideration.

denied The Women friends Inform that they have denied **Phebe Snell**
for Marrying Contrary to the order of Friends which this Meeting
Concurs With

T. Wings Whereas **Thomas Wing** has Married Contrary to the Order
of friends, and also has Removed Without a Certificate, and

P. Davel also **Philip Davel [Daval]** has Removed without a Certificate and
under without friends Advice, Therefore **Daniel Russell** is Appointed
dealing to Labour with both of them for the affores^d offences in behalf
of this Meeting when he Goes to **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co., N.Y.]**, and Make Report to
this Meeting as Soon as he Can. -- -- --

2^d mo:
1765

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the 18th of the
2^d Month 1765 the Representatives for **Ponaganset [Dartmouth, Bristol Co., MA]** are
Joseph Smith and **Caleb Russell** present, for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co., MA]** **Philip**
Tripp

Ezekiel Comstock and **Israel Wood** present;
proposal of **Ezekiel Comstock** and **Mary Russell** declared their Intentions
marriage of Marriage at this Meeting and were desired to ^{wait} till the next
Report of Monthly Meeting for their Answer.

W^m Hath The friends Appointed to oversee the Marriage of **W^m Hathaway**
away mar and **Ruth Barker** Report that they both attended the Marriage
riage and Saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order

Benj Davil There was a paper of denial Signed Against **Benj^a Davel [Daval]** at the last
disowned Monthly Meeting, and was Presen'd to this Meeting to let him know
the Conclusion of S^d Meeting, and Report being Made that he
Still Refuses to Condemn his outgoings, therefore **Philip Tripp**
is Appointed to Read it at **Coakset [Westport]** Meeting after the Meeting
of Worship on a first day between this and the next Monthly
Meeting, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

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1765

Case of **Stephen Wilcox & Isaac Howland** refer'd **Obediah Allen's** case continued

The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** and likewise that of **Isaac Howland juⁿ** are both Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting

The Case of **John Howland** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting under the Same Care as heretofore

Obediah Allen's Reference is Still Continued till next Monthly Meeting, and **Peleg Huddleston** and **Job Case** are Appointed to discourse with the young man, and also with the young Woman that Accused of[△] him of the Afores^d Crime, and Endeavor to have them face to face and see if the young Woman be fully Satisfied and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

G. Handy Requests to Come among friends
D. Smith under dealing

George Handy Requests to Come Under the Care of friends therefore **Joseph Smith** and **W^m Mosher** are appointed to [fə] Confer with him on that Account and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Whereas **Daniel Smith** (**Isaac's** Son) hath been of Accused of the Sin of Fornication for which offence he hath been discoursed with by the overseers and declines to Condemn the Same, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Tucker** and **James Shearman** to discourse funder with him, and Inform him that it is the mind of this Meeting that if he do not Condem his offence nor Endeavour to make friends Satisfaction

C Slocum under dealing

That they are Appointed to draw a paper of denial Against him and to bring it to the next Monthly Meeting and Make Report to the Said Meeting. -- -- --

Whereas **Christopher Slocum** hath been Accused of the Sin of Fornica=
=tion and hath been Laboured with by one of the overseers and the visitors and Gave them no Satisfaction, Therefore this Meeting doth appoint **Daniel Cornel** and **Samuel Smith** to Labour funder with him and also Inform him that it is the Mind of this Meeting that they Should draw a paper of denial Against him if he don't Incline to Condemn his Offence and make friends Satisfaction and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

Order to draw a Certificate for **Robert Willis**

Order to

Revise

Minutes

Affair of **Abigail Kirby**

Humphry Smith and **W^m Anthony juⁿ** are Appointed to draw a Certificate for our Worthy friend **Robert Willis**, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting **Peleg Smith, Samuel Smith, W^m Anthony juⁿ, Job Russell, Joseph Tucker** are Appointed to Peruse the Monthly Meetings Minutes to see what part they Shall think proper to Go on Record, and they also to Inspect into the Affair Relating to **Abigail Kerby** and prepare a Minute for that purpose if they think proper and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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3^d mo

1765

Ezekiel

At a Monthly Meeting held at **Dartmouth** the 18th day of the 3^d Month 1765 **Ponaganset [Dartmouth, Bristol co., MA]** Meeting Called **John Potter**

and **W^m Anthony juⁿ** present, for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co., MA]** **Joseph Tripp** and **Joshua Davel [Daval]** present.

Comstock's Certificate

Ezekiel Comstock hath produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]**, Certifying him to be in some good degree of an

Ezekiel Comstock's Answer

orderly life and Conversation and Clear from Any Intanglement Respecting Marriage Among them, which this Meeting Accepts **Ezekiel Comstock** and **Mary Russell** Appeared for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Adviseing with the overseers for the purpose ----- and **Peleg Smith** and **W^m Anthony juⁿ** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.-----

B. Davel Denial

Philip Tripp Makes Report that **Benj^a Devels [Davol]** Denial hath been Read According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows – - - - -

Whereas **Benj^a Davel [Davoll, Devol]** Son of **Reuben Davel** and **Mary** his wife of **Dartmouth** in the County of **Bristol** in the Province of the **Masachusetts Bay** in **New England**, being one Under the Care of friends the People Called Quakers, yet for want of keeping to the Spirit of Truth hath Given way to the Insinuations of the Evil one So as to fall into the Sin of Fornication as is Manifest by his Wives having a Child Soon after Marriage, and all Proper Endeavors in love having being Used to bring him to a Sense of his outgoings, yet no Sign of Repentance Appearing we Can do no less but to Set him aside, Denying him the Said **Benj^a Davel [Davol, Devol]**to be one Under the Care of us the People Called Quakers. Yet Sincerely desiring that he May Come to a Sense of his Outgoings and find Mercy

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of the first month 1765 And signed in and by order of Said Meeting by -- -- -- -- ----- **Job Russell** Clerk

3 month

1765 Case of Step Wilcox Case

[?] Howland and [Ob]ediah Allen refer'd Case of [George] Handy Daniel Smith and Christopher Slocum Refer'd [?] to put on Record

The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting and likewise the Matter Concerning **Isaac Howland juⁿ** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting – - - - -

The Case Concerning **Obediah Allen** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting Under the same Care as heretofore, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting – - - - -

The Matter Concerning **George Handy** is Refer'd to the next Month=ly Meeting – - - - -

The Case Concerning **Daniel Smith** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting Under the Same Care as heretofore – - - - -

The Matter Concerning **Christopher Slocum** is Refer'd to the next Month=ly Meeting – - - - -

The friends Appointed to Peruse the Monthly Meetings Minutes Make Report that they have Perused said Minutes and left them with **Sam^{el}**

Smith to be put on Record, and have prepared a minute Respecting **Abigail Kerby** which is Approved by this Meeting, and ordered to be Recorded, and is as follows –

A Minute about A. Kerby [**Job Howl** Crossed out] Whereas, **Abigail Kerby** was Some years past Under dealing as appears by our Records, but there being no Mention made therein that She Made friends Satisfaction, by Reason as we Apprehend of the Deficiency of the Record (there being the Minutes of Several Monthly Meetings omitted) and it appearing now by living Evidence that She did make friends Satisfaction by Sending a paper into the Monthly Meeting which was Accepted, Therefore this Minute is Made and Recorded for a Memorandum thereof – --- --- -----

J. Howland apeal [?] **Job Howland** Requests a hearing at the next Quarterly Meeting and hath Sent his Reasons of his not Prosecuting his Appeal at the last Quarterly Meeting which this Meeting Grants and the Rea=

Queries answer'd =sons to be Sent to the aforesaid Meeting— --- --- ---- -----
The Queries have been Read in this Meeting and Answers prepared by both preparative Meetings.

Friends to attend Quarterly Meeting **Peleg Smith, Caleb Russell, Humphry Smith, W^m Anthony juⁿ, Peter Davil [Davol, Devol]** are Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistles to the Same and bring them to the Adjournment. --- --- -----

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3 month 1765 adjournment This Meeting Adjourns to the first 6th day in next Month, This Meeting being Mett According to Adjournment the 5th day of the 4th Month 1765, the Representatives being Called, for **Ponaganset [Dartmouth, Bristol Co., MA]**

both present, for **Coakset [Westport, Bristol Co., MA]** **Joseph Tripp** present –

Case of John Howland refer'd The Case of **John Howland** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting and **W^m Sanford** and **Jonathan Hussie [Hussey]** are Appointed to take an oppertunity of Conference with him on Account of his desire of being taken Under friends Care and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting – --- --- -- --- -- -- ---- ---

E. Cornel accepted The Women friends Inform that they have Accepted of **Elizabeth Cornel** to be under the Care of friends, Which this Meeting Concurrs with – and they also Inform that they have So far Accepted **Catherine**

Catherine Russell Acceptence **Russell**'s paper Condemning her outgoing in Keeping Company with **Joshua Barker**, with the Provisal that She Read Said Paper or Get Some friend to Read it at the End of a Meeting for Worship She being present at **Ponaganset [Dartmouth]** Meeting House between this and the next Monthly Meeting which this Meeting Concurrs With,

Accompts Settled with D. This Meeting Appoints **Jonathan Hussey, David ^{^Smith} Samuel Smith** to Settle Accompts with **Daniel Russell** and Make Report to

Russell the next Monthly Meeting – --- --- --- --- --- --- --- --- ---
Epistle & Answers to Queries The friends Appointed to draw an Epistle and Compile the Answers to the Queries have Answer'd their Appointment, and the Epistle has been Read and Signed in this Meeting by the Clerk and Sent with the Answers to the Queries to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives – --- -----

4th mo: 1765 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of the 4th Month 1765 **Ponaganset [Dartmouth]** Meeting Called **David Smith** and **Jonathan Hussey** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** **Peleg Huddleston** present –

Report of Ezekiel Comstock Marriage The friends Appointed to See **Ezekiel Comstock** and **Mary Russells** Marriage Consumated Make Report that they attended the Marriage and Saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order
Friends Advice to Stephen Wilcox **Peleg Smith, Peleg Huddleston** and **W^m Anthony juⁿ** are Appointed a Committee to advise with **Stephen Wilcox** in behalf of this Meeting on the Account of his debts he now Labours Under and they to advise him to deliver all this Estate up to his Creditors if he Can't answer them some other way before the next Monthly meeting – --- --- --- -----

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[Case] of [Isaac Howland] [Ob]jediah [A]llen The Case of **Isaac Howland juⁿ** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting – --- --- --- --- -----

The friends Appointed to discourse with **Obediah Allen** Make Report that they have Answer'd the Appointment and they don't find things Quite Clear, therefore the Matter is Refer'd under their Care and they to make Report to this Meeting when they shall have opportunity to treat furder with him – --- --- --- -----

[G?] Handy

The Case of **George Handy** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting.

Danil Smith and

The Case of **Daniel Smith** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting by the Request of **James Shearman** – --- --- --- --- -----

Christopher Slocum

The Case of **Christopher Slocum** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting Under the Care of **Humphry Slocum** – --- --- --- -----

Refer'd Report from Quar^{ly} Meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Make Report that they all Attended Agreeable to Appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same which was Read in this Meeting & well Accepted

[J.] Howland received among friends

The friends Appointed to discourse with **John Howland** Make Report that he Gave them Good Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting Accepts him to be Under friends Care.

Settled with [?] Russell

The friends Appointed to Make up Accompts with **Daniel Russell** Make Report that they have Made up Accounts and there Remains due £4-11^s-9^d old tener which he ^{^is} to take in Wood – -----

P. Slocum Request

Peleg Slocum juner Requests to Come Under friends Care and has Given in a paper to this Meeting Condeming his former outgoings which is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting and **Benj^a Howland** and **Sam^{el} Smith** are Appointed to discourse with him on that Account, and to See if he has Made Satisfaction to the Young Woman that Accused him and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting – -----

Tho Wilcox accepted

Whereas **Tho^s Wilcox** hath Gone Contrary to friends Orders in times past in Inlisting into the Kings Service and took up Arms for which he hath Given in a paper Condemning his afore said offences which this Meeting Accepts for Satisfaction, and he to Remain Under friends Care The Women friends Inform that they have Accepted **patience Sowle** to be under friends Care and also that they have denied **Charity Sowle** from Under friends Care both which this Meeting Concurs with – --- ----- This Meeting has collected Three Dollars – -----

*P. Sowle
Received &
C. Soule
denied*

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*5th mo:
1765* At a monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 5th mo: 1765, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **David Smith** and **Samuel Smith** present, forCoakset [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA**] **John Mosher** and **Peleg Huddleston[e]**

*Case of Step
Wilcox
refer^d*

present,
The Committee appointed to treat with **Stephen Wilcox** make Report that he desires longer time to try to discharge his Debts in some other way; therefore the Matter is Refer'd to the next

*Isaac
Howland Ju
to be inform^d*

Monthly Meeting — — — —
Whereas **Isaac Howland ju^r** hath been in the Practice of the Slave trade and lik[e]wise Married out of the Unity of friends and he hath been Sufficiently Labour'd with and Neglects to Make Satisfaction, therefore **W^m [William] Anthony ju^r** is Appointed to Inform him that this Meeting hath Come to a Conclusion to deny him if he do not Endeavour to Make friends Satisfaction at the

*Case of
Geo Handy
refer^d*

next monthly Meeting – – – – –
The Case of **George Handy** is Refer'd under the same Care as heretofore

*Dan Smith
disownd*

This Meeting hath Signed a paper of denial against **Daniel Smith** for the Sin of Fo[r]nication and **W^m [William] Anthony ju^r** is ap=
=pointed to Read, ^{it} at the End of a Meeting for Worship Between

*S. Clark
Certifica
=te*

this and the next monthly Meeting and make Report to S, ^d meeting
The women friends Inform that **Susanna Clark** hath Produced a Removal Certificate from **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly meeting which they accepted, and this meeting Concurs therewith

*Christophr
Slocum
disown^d*

This Meeting hath signed a Paper of Denial Against **Christopher Slocum** for the Sin of Fornication and **Job Russell** is Appointed to Read it at the End of a first day meeting of worship between this and the next monthly meeting and he to make Report

*Case of
Peleg
Slocum
refer^d*

to Said meeting
The Committee appointed to treat with **Peleg Slocum ju^r** make Report that he hath made the young woman Satisfac=
=tion that accused him of the Sin of Fornication, and also that he Gave them Good Satisfaction; which is Referred to the next monthly meeting – – — — —

*Eben Allen
request
to*

Ebenezer Allen (James Son) Requests to Come Under friends Care. There, ^{=fore} **Peleg Smith** and **Samuel Smith** are appointed to

come under
frien[d]s care

take an Opportunity of Conference with him on that account
and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting — —

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[Ste]phen
Russell
request
Certificate

Stephen Russell Requests a Removal Certificate to the month
ly Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** therefore **Caleb Russell** and **W^m Sanford**
are appointed to Enquire into his Conversation and draw one for
him if they think Proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting

Weston
Briggs
request a
Certificate

Weston Briggs and his Wife Requests a Removal Certificate to the
monthly Meeting of **Sandwich**, Therefore **James Shearman** and
Paul Russell are Appointed to Enquire into his Conversation and
the Circumstance of his outward affairs, and they to joyn with
the women friends, to draw a Certificate for them if they think
Proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting

6th mo:
1765

At a monthly meeting met the 17th of the 6th Month 1765
Ponaganset Called **James Shearman** and and [sic] **Paul Russell**
present, forCoakset [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA**] **Benj^a** [**Benjamin**] **Tripp** and
David Davil [Davol] present

adjourn

whereas this Meeting happening while the yearly meeting of
Rhod[e]-Island is in being, therefore this Meeting thinks Proper
to adjourn and do adjourn to the 24th of this Instant at the Usual
hour of the day on other monthly meetings— — — — —

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Case of
S. Wilcox
referrd

This Meeting being mett according to adjournment this 24th of
the 6th month 1765, The Representatives being Called and all
present; — The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd to the next
monthly meeting Under the Care of **Joseph Tucker, Joseph Gifford**
and **Humphry Slocum** and they to make Report to the next monthly
Meeting - -

I. Howlan^d
Ju^r gave
in a pape^r

Isaac Howland ju^r hath Given in a paper Signifying in Sorrow
for his outgoings in Using the Slave Trade and in Marrying out of
the Unity of friends, which is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting
The Reports brought in Concerning **George Handy** being to Satisfaction
Therefore this Meeting Accepts the Said **George Handy** to be in
Membership and Under friends Care.

G. Handy
Received

W^m [William] Anthony ju^r makes Report that **Daniel Smiths** paper of denial
hath been Read According to the Appointment of last Monthly
Meeting, which paper is as follows — — — — —

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1765
D. Smith's
denial

Whereas **Daniel Smith** Son of **Isaac Smith** and **Mary** his wife
hath had his Education among friends the People Called Quakers
Nevertheless not keeping to that unerring Guide the Spirit of
Truth, hath fallen into that Scandalous sin of Fornication as -
he hath been accused, and not Clearing himself, nor writing to
Condem it to friends Satisfaction, altho' there hath been Consi=

=derable pains taken with him in order for his Recovery.
Therefore for the Clearing of Truth, we can well do no less than
Give this forth as a Publick Testimony Against him the S,^d
Daniel Smith, denying him,^{to} be one in Unity with us the afores,^d
People and from Under our Care, yet desiring if it be the Will
of God, that he May Come to a Sight and Sense of his outgoings
and through Unfeigned Repentence find Mercy – ———

Given forth at our monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth**
the 20th day of the 5th mo: 1765, And signed by order and in said
Meeting by- — — — ——— **Job Russell** Clerk

Job Russell makes Report that **Christopher Slocum**'s paper
of denial hath been Read according to the appointment of last
monthly meeting, which paper is as follows (viz) – —

*C. Slocum's
denial*

Whereas **Christopher Slocum** of **Dartmouth** in the County
of **Bristol** in **New England** having had his Education, and
made Profession with us the People Called Quakers, Yet through
unwatchfulness and a disregard to the Testimony of Truth in
himself, hath Given Occasion for a Scandalous Report that
he hath Committed the Reproachful Sin of Fornication,
and he not Clearing himself of the Crime, but after due
Inquiry we have Reason to believe it is true, and friends
having Laboured with him in a Spirit of Love and Meekness in
order to bring him to a Sight of his Error, but their Care and
Labour Proving Ineffectual, Therefore for the Clearing of Truth
and friends from such Enormities, This Meeting is Concerned
to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony Against him disown=
=ing

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disowning him the Said **Christopher Slocum** from being a member of
our Community, and from under our Care, Sincerely desiring if it be
the Will of God that he may yet Come to a true Sight of his Great
Evil, and thro' unfeigned Repentance find acceptance with him

Given forth at our monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth**, on the
20th day of the 5th Month 1765
Signed in and by order of said meeting by - **Job Russell** Clerk

*Case of Pe Slocum
referd*

*E. Allen
& wife
Re'd*

The Case of **Peleg Slocum 2^d** is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting
The Committee appointed to Confer with **Ebenezer Allen 2^d** Make Report
that he Gave them Good Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting accepts
him into Membership and Under friends Care, and the women friends
Inform that they have Minuted his wife Under friends Care which
this Meeting Concurs with; – — —

*Case of
Wes Briggs
referd*

The friends appointed to Inquire into the Circumstance of **Weston Briggs**
and draw a Certificate for him, make Report that things is not Quite
Clear, therefore the Same friends are Continued for the Same Service
and to make Report to the next monthly meeting

*T. Akin
denied*

Whereas **Thomas Akin** hath Gone Contrary to friends orders in
Several Respects, and friends not having an opportunity to labour

with him until lately and he not Inclining to make Satisfaction,
Therefore this Meeting denies the said **Thomas Akin** from Under
friends Care ~

*Philip
Davel
paper*

Philip Davel [Daval] and his wife have sent a Paper to this Meeting from
Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY] Condeming their Removing without a Certificate the
Unity

of friends, and they desire a Certificate to the monthly meeting
of **Oblong**, therefore **Isaac Smith** and **Paul Russell** are appointed
to Enquire into his Conversation and Circumstances in Regard to his
outward affairs, and they to join the women friends to draw a Certi=
=ficate for them if they think Proper and bring it to the next
monthly meeting — — — —

*Tho Wing
paper*

Thomas Wing hath Sent a paper, to this Meeting Condeming his Mar=
=rying out of the Unity of friends, and desires a Certificate to the
monthly meeting of **Oblong**, which this Meeting so far accepts as
to

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to Appoint **Peter Davel [Daval]** and **Philip Tripp** to Inquire into his other
Conversation and draw a Certificate for him if they think
proper and bring it to the next monthly Meeting — —

*Queries
answer^d*

the Queries have been Read in this meeting and Answers prepared
by **Ponaganset** Preparitive Meeting —

*Represen=
tatives to
Quarterly
meeting*

Peleg Smith, Humphry Smith, Peter Davel [Daval] and **Joshua Davel**
are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and to draw an
Epistle to the Same and bring it to the Adjournment.

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mett*

This Meeting Adjourns to the first sixth day of next month
This Meeting being mett according to Adjournment the 5th day of the
7th Month 1765, The Representatives being Called **Paul Russell**,
Benj^a [Benjamin] Tripp and **David Davel [Daval]** present - - - — -

Epistle

This Meeting has signed an Epistle and Sent it with the Answers
to the Queries to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives

*Paper to
be drawn
against
P. Wilbor*

The women Friends Inform that they have discharged themselves
in Labouring with **Phebe Wilbour** for the Sin of fornication
and She declines to make friends Satisfaction, therefore this meeting
doth Appoint **Samuel Smith** to draw a paper of Denial against
her and bring it to the next monthly meeting — — — —

*J. Hicks
Rec'd*

The Treasurer has paid **Jonathan Hussey** five Dollars for Keeping
the Meeting House half a year — —
The women friends Inform that they have Minuted **Judith Hicks**
Daughter of **Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks** under friends Care which this Meeting
Concurs with - - — —

*7th mo:
1765*

At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th

day of the 7th month 1765, **Ponaganset Meeting Called Joseph Smith and Samuel Smith** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** **Daniel Wood** and **Joseph Tripp** present
Zephaniah Anthony and **Waite Allen** Declared their Intentions of Marriage at this Meeting and were desired to wait till the next monthly Meeting for their answer, and **Peleg Smith** and **Humphry Smith** are Appointed to Inquire into the young mans ^{Clearness} as to Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next monthly meeting - - - - -

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[Case] of Ste Wilcox & Isaac Howland referd

The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Referd to the next monthly Meeting This meeting Cannot find freedom to accept of **Isaac Howlands** paper by Reason of his Apparel and some friends Questioning his Sincerity Therefore the Matter is Refer'd to the next monthly meeting —

P. Slocum paper accepted Certificat for Sibil Sisson Certifit'e for Weston Briggs & wife

This Meeting Accepts of **Peleg Slocums** the 2^d paper Provided he will Read it or get Some body to read it at the End of a first day meeting for worship he being present between this and the next monthly meeting and make Report to the next monthly meeting

Certificate to be given

This Meeting has signed a Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of **Oblong [Pawling, Duchess Co NY]** for **Sibil Sisson** - - - - - This Meeting has signed a Removal Certificate for **Weston Briggs & his Wife** to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]**- - - - -

Report from Quar meeting

The friends Appointed to draw a Certificate for **Philip Davel [Davol]** & his wife have drawn one too short, therefore the same friends are Still appointed to draw one fuller and bring it to the next monthly meeting The friends Appointed to draw a Certificate for **Tho^s [Thomas] Wing** make Report that they have not drawn one, therefore they are Still Continued to draw one and bring it to the next monthly meeting if they think proper - -

Epistles Receiv^{ed}

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make Report that they all attended Except **Peleg Smith** and he sent an Excuse which was accepted and they have Produced an Epistle from the S,^d meeting which hath been Read in this Meeting and well accepted - - -

Denial of Phebe Wilbor

This Meeting hath Received three Printed Epistles from **London** one written Epistle from **flushing [Queens Co NY]** on **Long Island** and one Epistle from the yearly meeting of **New-port** on **Rhod[e]-Island** all of which was Read to Good Satisfaction. This Meeting has signed a Paper of Denial against **Phebe Wilbor** for the Sin of Fornication, and **Job Russell** is appointed to Read it at the End of a Meeting for worship on a first day between this & the next monthly meeting and make Return of S,^d Paper to the next monthly meeting,

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*Minute from Rhod-
Island*

Received the following Minute from **Rhod-Island** Monthly Meeting Respecting **John Gifford**.

From our Monthly Meeting held at **Portsmouth [Newport Co. RI]** on **Rhod-Island** the 30th of the 4th month 1765.

J. Gifford Rec'd

This Meeting Gives their Approbation that **Dartmouth** Monthly Meeting Receive into Unity **John Gifford** if they think him worthy Notwithstanding his place of Abode is within the Varge [verge] of this Monthly Meeting, True Ccopy of the minute.

Test [text]. **Tho^s Gould** Clerk

This Meeting Accepts of **John Gifford** to be in membership with friends and under the Care of this Meeting –

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*Zep Anthony
Clearness*

*Zephaniah
Anthony
Answer*

*Benj Davil's
proposal of
marriage*

*Isaac Howland's
Case refer'd*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th day of the 8th month 1765, **Ponaganset** Called **W^m Anthony juⁿ** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** **Philip Tripp** and **Joshua Davel[Davol]** present

The friends Appointed to Inquire into **Zephaniah Anthony's** Clearness Make Report that they do'nt find anything to hinder his Proceedings in Marriage. –

Zephaniah Anthony and **Wait Allen** Appeared for their Answer which was that they Might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that Purpose – And **Peleg Smith** and **Humphry Smith** are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

Benjamin Davil[Davol] and **Patience Sowle** Declared their Intentions of taking Each other in Marriage. And were Desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and **Benj^a Tripp** and **Israel Wood** are Appointed to Inquire into the Young Man's Clearness, Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

The Case of **Isaac Howland ju:** is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting –

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*Certificate [?] Davil
Certificate T. Wing*

P. Wilber, denial

The friend Appointed to draw a Certificate for **Philip Davil[Davol]** and his Wife have drawn one which is Signed in this Meeting and Sent to the **oblong**. The friends Appointed to draw a Certificate for **Tho^s Wing** have done it, which was Signed and Sent to the **Oblong [Pawling Dutchess Co. NY]– Phebe Wilber[Wilbur]**'s paper of Denial hath been Read According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, which is as follows

Whereas **Phebe Wilber[Wilbur]** Daughter of **Samuel** and **Mary Chase**, and Now Wife to **Henry Wilbor[Wilbur]**, having had her education Among friends and Under the Care of this Meeting, but through Unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth, hath fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication, as Appears by her being

Delivered of a Child soon after Marriage, and this Meeting having Labour'd with her in Love in order for her Recovery, but She proving Obstinate, and Regardless of the tender Counsel to her Given, Therefore for the Clearing of the precious Truth that we profess from such Enormities, this Meeting is Concerned to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony Against her, disowning her the Said **Phebe Wilbor**[**Wilbur**] from being a member of our Society and from Under the Care of this Meeting, Desiring if it be Consistent with Divine pleasure, that She may yet be Convinced of the Error of her ways, and by a Sincere Repentance find favour with the Lord, Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the 19th day of the 7th month 1765. And signed in and in behalf of Said Meeting by

*L. Beard
paper*

Job Russell Clerk

Lilless Beard's paper Condemning her outgoing hath been Read According to the Appointment of the women's Monthly Meeting And is as follows –

To the Monthly Meeting of friends in **Dartmouth** Esteemed friends; This May Inform you that Through Unwatchfulness I have Gave way so far to the Enemy as to go Contrary to the Good order of the Church which Appears by My having a Child born so soon after Marriage for which I am Sorry, and Condemn My outgoing

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out goings, I hope God will forgive me. And desire friends so far to pass it by as to let me Remain Under their Care – Given under My hand the 13th of the 7th Month 1765

Lillis Beard

Catherine Russell's Paper hath been Read According to the Appointment of the Monthly Meeting tho' not so soon as the former Minutes Expressed, which this Meeting overlooks which said paper is as follows –

*C. Russell's
Confession*

To the Monthly Meeting of friends at **Dartmouth** to be held the 19th of the 11th Month 1764, Esteemed friends – I heartily Acknowledge My outgoing in Keeping Company with **Joshua Barker** in too free and frequent a Manner, to the dishonour of Truth and the Grief of friends, but tho' my offences have been Great, yet through the Goodness of God I have been favoured with a Sight and Sense of my outgoing, for which my outgoing I am heartily Sorry and do Condemn, hoping God will forgive Me My Offences and Receive me Again into favour and desire friends would pass by my disorderly walking, and let me Remain under their Care, which I value highly, hoping through Divine Assistance for the time to Come to be preferred in a State of Circumspect Walking, from your friend **Catherine Russell**

D. Briggs Request

David Briggs Requests to come under friends Care therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Wm Sanford** and **Wm Barker** to take an opportunity of Conference with him on his Request and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

The women friends Inform that they have Minuted **Elizabeth White** wife to **W^m White**, and also **Elizabeth Macumber** wife to **Zebudee Macumber** under friends Care which this Meeting Concurs with, --

*J. Wood
put Under dealing*

The overseers Inform that there is a bad Report Concerning **Josiah Wood** and **William Wilcox** their Salting up Beef and Exposing it to Sale which was not Merchantable, and they

have

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have Made Some Inquiry and do not find things Clear, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Daniel Cornel**, **Seth Shearman**, **John Potter** a Committee to Make funder Inquiry into the particular Circumstances between them in the Aforementioned Report, and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

*P. Slocum's
Confession*

Peleg Slocum's Paper hath been Read According to the Order of last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth (viz)

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth**;
Whereas I **Peleg Slocum** Son of **Holder Slocum** (deceased) having been Educated Amongst friends, but in My youthful days through Unwatchfulness so far gave way to the Enemy as twice to fall into the Sin of Fornication, as Appears first by My wife's having a child before Marriage, and Secondly with **Phebe Hussey**, for which I was justly disowned by friends; Now these are to Testify to friends and openly declare to all People that I do utterly Condemn and am Heartily Sorry for the Above said Crimes, with all other my outgoings, and I hope the Almighty will forgive mee all my offences, and I desire friends would so far pass them by as to Receive me Again Under their Care.

Given forth under My hand
this 15 day of the 6th month 1765

Peleg Slocum

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th day of the 9th month 1765, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Caleb Russell** and **Humphry Smith** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport Co MA]** **David Davel[Davol]** and **Ichabod Eddy** present,

The friends Appointed to Inquire into the Clearness of **Benj^a Davels [Davol]** ~~Clear~~ make Report that they don't find anything to hinder his proceeding in Marriage –

*Benjamin Davil's
Answer*

Benj^a Davel[Davol] and **Patience Sowle** Appeared for their Answer which was that they Might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for the purpose, And **Benj^a Tripp**

and

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and **Israel Wood** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly meeting;

[?] [Record] of
Z. Anthony
marriage

The friends Appointed to see **Zephaniah Anthony** and **Wait Allen**'s Marriage Consumated make Report that they attended the Marriage and saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order.

Case of
S. Wilcox
refer'd
I. How:
land
accepted

The case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting **Isaac Howland** juⁿ hath sent a paper to this Meeting Some Months ago, Signifying his Sorrow for his outgoings in Marrying out of the Unity of friends and also his Using the Slave trade which this Meeting accepts –

David
Briggs
Received

The Committee Appointed to Confer with **David Briggs** on this[^] his Request to Come Under friends Care Make Report that he Gave them Good Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth Minute the Said **David Briggs** into Membership and under friends Care –

Josiah
Wood & W^m
Wilcox
Cases refer'd

The Committee Appointed to Make Inquiry into the Circumstances of the affair Concerning **Josiah Wood** and **W^m Wilcox** Make Report that they have not had an opportunity to speak with both of them, therefore the Same Com:^{tee} are Still Continued in the Same Service, and they to Make Report to the next

Thirty Cords of
Wood Sold
to pay part
of **S. Wilcox**
Debts

Monthly Meeting;
This Meeting hath Sold Thirty Cord of Wood to **Doctor Hathaway** at two Shillings Lawful mony[money] per Cord, to discharge part of his Demand, for Doctoring of **Stephen Wilcox**'s family and **Tho^s Hicks** ju: is Appointed to see the Wood Measured and

E. Max:
field's
Request

Make Report to this Meeting as soon as he Can Conveniently **Edmond Maxfield** Requests to Come under friends Care therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Tucker** and **Abraham Tucker** to Make Inquiry into his Conversation and to Confer with him on the Account of his Request and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

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Queries Answered

The Queries have been Read in this Meeting and Answers prepared by both preparative Meetings and Read in this Meeting – **William Anthony** ju: and **Samuel Smith** are Appointed to Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and bring them to the Ajournment [Adjournment]– This Meeting hath collected £8:4:5 old tener –

adjourns
mett

This Meeting adjourns to the first Sixth day in next Month This Meeting being Met According to Adjournment the 4th day of the 10th Month 1765, the Representatives being Called for **Ponagan**–

[adjournment] =set **Humphry Smith & Caleb Russell** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport Bristol Co Co MA]** none present

Answers to *Queries* **W^m Anthony ju:** and **Samuel Smith** have drawn the Epistle and
 [?] Compiled the the Answers to the Queries and the Epistle has been
 [?] signed in this Meeting and Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the
 Sent by Representatives with the Answers to the Queries, the Representa=
 Representatives are **Peter Daval[Davol] Israel Wood & Caleb Russell** –
 Certificate for **Rebecca Shove** to the Monthly Meeting of **Swanzey[Somerset, Bristol Co MA]**, and likewise signed one for **Mary Comstock** to the Monthly Meeting of **Smithfield[Woonsocket, Providence Co RI]** –
 Certificate for **Mary Comstock** **John Sisson** hath Removed to the **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** without friends

John Sisson removed Advice and without a Certificate, therefore **Joseph Smith** and **Luke Hart** are Appointed to Enquire into his CerCumstances [Circumstances] and also Labour with him if they have an opportunity and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

M. Wing removed Whereas **Mary Wing** hath Removed without a Certificate Some years ago to **Rhod-Island**, and She not Standing Clear as Appears by our former Minutes. therefore **Humphry Smith, Samuel Smith, W^m Anthony ju:** are Appointed to draft a letter to the Monthly Meeting of **Rhod-Island** as they shall think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

a letter to be sent

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 day of the 10th Month 1765 **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Caleb Russell** and **Joseph Smith** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport Bristol Co MA]** **Joseph Tripp**

Epistle Received

and **Ichabod Eddy** present
 This Meeting hath Received an Epistle from the yearly Meeting held at **Philadelphia** for **Pensilvania** and **New-jersey** dated the 9th month 1764 which was Read in this Meeting to Good Satisfaction.

John Howland's proposal of marriage

John Howland and **Hannah Smith** Declared their Intentions of Marriage at this Meeting and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and **Jonathan Hussey** and **Caleb Russell** are Appointed to Make Inquiry into the young man's Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting The friends Appointed to see **Benj^a Davel[Davol]** and **Patience Sowle** Marriage Consumated Make Report that they attended the Marriage and saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order

S. Wilcox Case Referred

The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd to the next Monthly

*Hannah Russell
Certificate*

Meeting

Hannah Russell wife of **Elijah Russell** hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Swanzy**[**Somerset, Bristol Co MA**] which this Meeting Accepts

*List of
Friends*

This Meeting has Signed a list (for the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich**[**Barnstable Co MA**]) of the friends that [live?] the **Eastward Side** of **Quishned**[**Acushnet**] **River** that was Under Transgression when the former List was Given who has Since Made this Meeting Satisfaction.

*J. Wood &
W^m Wilcox
Case*

The Committee Appointed to Enquire into the Circumstances of **Josiah Wood** and **W^m Wilcox**'s Salting and Exposing Beef to Sale not Merchantable Make Report that they

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they think they are neither of them Clear therefore **John Potter, Daniel Cornel, Seth Shearman, Tho^s Hicks** ju: **Paul Russell, David Smith, Samuel Smith** are Appointed a Committee to hear and Determine Upon the Complaint brought Against them and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

*Edmond
Maxfield
Case
refer'd*

The friends Appointed to Confer with **Edmond Maxfield** make Report that he Gave Good Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth Refer the Matter till the next Monthly Meeting –

*Report
from Qua
terly Meeting*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting being Called Upon Make Report that two of them attended and the other Made a Satisfactory Excuse, and they have Produced an Epistle from the Same which was Read to Good Satisfaction

*Proposal
to Enlarge
little
Meeting
House*

It has been Proposed at this Meeting for friends to Enlarge the little Meeting House which is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting **Jonathan Hussey, John Potter, Caleb Russell, Samuel Smith, Berzillia Tucker, Daniel Cornel, David Smith**, are Appointed to oversee the Yearly Meeting, to prevent any indecency that May happen at that time, and also **Benj^a Tripp, David Daval**[**Davol**], **John Mosher, Daniel Wood** are Appointed for the Same Service at **Coaksett**[**Acoaxet, Westport Bristol Co MA**] Meeting, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Abigail
States
paper
accepted*

Abigail States[**Slade?**] has Given in a paper to this Meeting Condem=ning her falling into the Sin of fornication which this Meeting accepts Provided She Read it or Get Somebody to Read it at the End of a first day Meeting for Worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting She being present

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th day of the 11th Month 1765, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Joseph Smith** and

Caleb Russell present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** **David Davel** and **John Mosher** present,
J. Howland
Clearness
 The friends Appointed to Make Enquiry into **John Howland's** Clearness, Make Report that they Don't find Any thing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage.
John Howland's
Answer
John Howland and **Hannah Smith** did Appear for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, Advising with the Overseers for the Purpose and **Jonathan Hussey** and **David Smith** **Joseph Smith** are Appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting; –
Seth Russell
proposal of marriage
Seth Russell and **[Ihaziah?][Kaziah] Walker** Declar'd their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **Joseph Smith** and **Luke Hart** are Appointed to Make Enquiry into the Young Man's Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting
Case of S. Wilcox
refer'd
 The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd Under the Same Care as heretofore –
Josiah Wood's,
Paper accepted
 The Committee Appointed to hear and Determine Upon the Complaint brought Against **Josiah Wood** and **W^m Wilcox** Make Report that they have had a Conference With **Josiah Wood** and they think he ought to Condemn his Misconduct in that Affair Publicly and the Said **Wood** hath Accordingly Given in a Paper to this Meeting, Condemning his Selling Beef to **W^m Wilcox** that was not Merchantable, which this Meeting Accepts Provided he will Read S^d paper or Cause it to be Read at the End of a first day Meeting for Worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting he being present

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E. Max
Field
rec'd
Amey
Hart's
paper'
 And the Same Comittee are Still Continued to Also Confer with Said **Wilcox** and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting
 This Meeting Minutes **Edmond Maxfield** Under friends care.
Amey Hart hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning her falling into the Sin of Fornication with the Rest of her Misconduct in that Case, which this Meeting Refers to the next Monthly Meeting,
 [?][refer'd]
 Enlarging Meeting House refer'd
 [?][report] of Overseers Yearly Meeting
P. Shearman's
paper
 The Proposal for Enlarging the little Meeting House is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;
 The friends Appointed overseers at the Yearly Meeting to Endeavour to prevent Any Indecency that may happen at that time Make Report that they attended the meeting and that the People behaved in a Good degree Orderly, and they think the Practice of Appointing Overseers for that Purpose has a Good Attendency
Philip Shearman hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his disorder in falling into a Bodily Strife with **Daniel Pabody**;
 Meeting Granted in **Allen**
 The friends down in **Allens Neck [S Dartmouth, MA]** Requests the Liberty to hold a Meeting there for four months from this time on first days which is Granted, and **Philip Allen** and **Daniel Cornel**

Neck are Appointed to see that the Meeting be held Agreeable to Good order and they to Make Report thereof at the Expiration of the four Months

Meeting at New Swanzey granted The friends at **New Swanzey**[**Somerset, Bristol Co MA**] Request the Liberty to hold a Meeting at Some Convenient Place up there for four Months on first days which this Meeting Grants and **Elihu Bowen** and **Abraham Russell** are Appointed to See that the Meeting beheld According to Good order and they to Make Report at the End of the four Months

J. Sisson request a Certificate **John Sisson** Requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting at the **Nine Partners** [**Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY**], therefore **Joseph Smith** and **Luke Hart** are Appointed to draw a Certificate for him if they think Proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting –

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Abigail States' Paper hath been Read According to the Appointment of the last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows;

A. States Confession

To the Monthly Meeting of Women friends held in **Dartmouth** the 21th day of the 10th Month 1765 –
This May Enform you that by Unwatchfulness I have fallen into the Sin of Fornication which I do Condemn and hope that God will forgive me, and Desire that friends would forgive and pass by my offences and let me Remain under their Care as before. **Abigail States**

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At a Monthly Meeting held at **Dartmouth** the 16th day of the 12th month 1765, **Ponagansett** Meeting Called **Paul Russell** and **Caleb Russell** present, for **Coakset** [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA**] **Peter Davel**[**Davol**] and **Benj^a Tripp** present;

S. Russell Clearness

The friends Appointed to Enquire into **Seth Russell's** Clearness make Report that they don't find Any thing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage –

Seth Russell answer

Seth Russell & Kaziah Walker Appear'd for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that Purpose and **Joseph Smith** and **Luke Hart** are Ap= pointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

Report of John How=land's Marriage

Jonathan Hussey and **Joseph Smith** make Report that they attended the Marriage of **John Howland** and **Hannah Smith** and Saw nothing but that it was Accomplish=

Case of Ste=ven Wilcox refer'd

=ed in good order –
The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting
Josiah Woods Paper hath been Read According to the

Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, which Paper is as follows(viz)

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*Wood's
Confession*

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** on the 18th day of the 11th month 1765, through Unwatchfulness I have Sold Beef to **William Wilcox** that was not Merchantable for which I am Sorry and do Condemn, hoping that God will forgive me, and I desire that friends would pass it by. ~~and let me R~~ -**Josiah Wood**

*Case of
W^m Wilcox*

The Com^{tee} Appointed to Confer with **W^m Wilcox** Report that they have not had an Opportunity to Speak with him, therefore the same Committee are Still Continued in the Same Service and also to Labour with him for Inlisting into the Kings Service and taking up Arms, and also to Treat With him About his Marrying out of the Unity of friends, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

*Case of
A. Hart*

The Case of **Amey Hart** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting – It hath been proposed at this Meeting to Enlarge the little Meeting House, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Gifford, W^m Sanford, Humphry Smith, Prince Allen, Barnabas Mosher,** a Committee to Consider the Advantages and disadvantages that May Attend the Enlargment, and also Compute the Cost as near as they Can, and make Report to the Adjournment –

*Com^{tee}
in Little
Meeting
House*

*P. Sher-
=man
paper
accepted*

This Meeting doth so far Accept of **Philip Shearman's** Paper Condemning his disorder as for him to Read it or Cause it to be Read at the End of a first day Meeting for Worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting and he to be present –

*G. Smith
Confession*

George Smith ju: hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his disorder in Listing[enlisting] on board of a Privateer with all the Rest of his Conduct in Supporting of War, Which this Meeting Accepts and he to Remain Under friends Care.

*I.How=
=lands
request*

Isaac Howland ju: Requests A Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Rhode-Island[Newport, Newport Co RI]**, Therefore **Samuel Smith** and **Wm Anthony ju:** are Appointed to draw one for him if they think Proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting –

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*Coakset
friends Re-
-quest to
to have*

The Queries have been Read and Answer'd in this Meeting and **W^m Anthony ju:** and **Humphry Smith** are Appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries and bring them to the Adjournment **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Meeting Requests to have a Monthly Meeting

a Monthly Meeting Granted them, which this Meeting so far Concurs with as to Refer the Matter to the next Monthly Meeting for Consideration. This Meeting hath collected £6:15 –

adjourn mett This Meeting Adjourns to the first sixth day in next Month This Meeting being Met According to Adjournment this 3rd day of the first month 1766 –

Report on little meeting house The Representatives being Called, for **Ponaganset Caleb Russell** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA] Benj^a Tripp** present, The friends Appointed to consider the Advantages and disadvantages of Enlarging the little Meeting House Make Report in writing, which is Refer'd to the Monthly Meeting to be holden in the fourth Month Next and the Report to be kept upon file till then –

Answers to Queries Epistle Sent The friends Appointed to Compile the Answers to the Queries, and draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting have done it, and the Epistle was Signed in this Meeting and order'd to be Carried up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives together with the Answers to the Queries, the friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting are **Caleb Russell, Joseph Smith, Benj^a Tripp**.

1st mo: 1766 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20 day of the first month 1766, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Caleb Russell** and **W^m Anthony** ju: present, for **Coakset Philip Tripp** present

Report of Seth Russell Marriage The friends Appointed to see **Seth Russell** and **Kaziah Walters** Marriage Consumated make Report that they attended the

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1st month 1766 the Marriage which was Accomplished in Good order –

S. Wilcox and Wm Wilcox case refer'd The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting The friends Appointed to Labour With **W^m Wilcox** Make Report that they Labour'd with him and he desires one Month More to Endeavour to Make friends Satisfaction. Therefore the Matter is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

P. Shearman **Philip Shearman**'s Paper hath been Read According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, And is as follows,

[?] To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be held in **Dartmouth**, the 18th day of the 11th Month 1765,

These Are to Inform that I some time past through Unwatchfulness unhappily fell into a Bodily Strife with **Daniel Pabody**, Whereby Blows were Passed between Us, for Which I am heartily Sorry and do Condemn, and I hope friends will pass by My Offence and let me Remain Under their Care.

Given forth Under My Hand this 15th day of their 11th mo 1765

Philip Shearman

Certificate for I. Howland This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Isaac Howland** ju: To the Monthly Meeting of **Rhod-Island [Newport, Newport Co RI]**

adjourn This Meeting Adjourns to the 29th Instant This Meeting being Mett According to Adjournment the 29th

mett day of the first month 1766. The Representatives being present
report The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Make
from Report that they all attended S^d Meeting, and have produced
Quart an Epistle from the same which was Read and well Accepted
meeting in this Meeting.

Coakset **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** friends Request to have a Monthly Meeting set
request off
for a mo to them, is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;
meeting **Bridget Potter** wife to **Stephen Potter** hath Given in a paper
B. Potter to this Meeting Condemning her outgoings in Marrying out of
paper the Unity of friends with all the Rest of her outgoings, which
accepted this

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1766 which this Meeting Accepts, and this Meeting hath signed
Certificate a Certificate for her to the Monthly Meeting at the **Nine Partners[Millbrook, Dutchess Co**
for B.T. **NY]**

Case of The Committee Appointed some months ago to Treat with
Obediah **Obediah Allen** on the Account of his Sincerity in Giving in
Allen a Paper to the Meeting Condemning his outgoings in falling
into Fornication, together with the Rest of the Circumstance
Relating to that Case, make Report that (they not having
an Opportunity to treat with him till lately) that they do
not find him Clear in all the Above mentioned Circumstances
therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Daniel Russell** and
Nicholas Howland to Join with the Aforesaid Committee to
treat furdur with him for all the offences that May Appear
Against him, and they to make Report to the next Monthly
Meeting
J. Russell **Joseph Russells** Requests to Come under friends Care with
Request his wife and family which is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting.

2: mo:
1766 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the
17 day of the 2nd Month 1766, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called
Caleb Russell and **Samuel Smith** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**
Joseph Tripp and **Israel Wood** present,
The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd to next Monthly Meeting.
Case of The Committee Appointed to treat with **Stephen Wm**
S. W. refer'd **Wilcox** make Report that they have Laboured with
W^m Wilcox him for Inlisting into the King's Service and taking up
disowned Arms, and also Marrying out of the Unity of friends, and
Neglecting to attend Meetings for Worship, which disorders
he Gave them Encouragement of Condemning at this Meeting
tho' he still Neglects it, therefore this Meeting finding
themselves Clear in Labouring with him, and do Conclude
to deny the Said **W^m Wilcox**, and do Appoint **David Smith**

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and **Samuel Smith** to draw a Paper of denial Against him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting, and **Timothy Russell** is Appointed to Inform him of the Conclusion of this Meeting and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;
Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA] friends Still Request to have a Monthly Meeting Set

*Coakset friends
Request to
have a month
ly meeting*

off to them, and also desire a Committee to determine where to prefix the Boundaries between this and that Meeting and all Circumstances Relating thereto, Therefore **Humphry Smith, Philip Tripp, Samuel Smith, Daniel Wood, Joseph Tucker** are Appointed a Committee for that purpose and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*O. Allen
case refer'd*

The Committee Appointed to Treat with **Obediah Allen** make Report that they have discoursed with him and he Gave them Encouragment that he would write to the next Monthly Meeting which is Refer'd to the Said Meeting Under their Care.

*J. Russell &
Wife request*

Joseph Russells and his wife's Requests to Come Under friends Care is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

*S, Howland
Removed*

*Said Howland
request a certificate*

Samuel Howland junⁿ Hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his outgoing in Removing without friends Advice, which this Meeting Accepts, and the **S^d Howland** Requests a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co RI]** in **Rhod-Island** Colony, for himself and Children

therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Peleg Huddleston** and **Philip Tripp** a Committee to Inquire into his Circumstances, and draw a Certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

*minutes to
be Revised*

This Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Tucker, Humphry Smith, Job Russell, Samuel Smith** a Com^{'tee} to peruse the Monthly Meeting; Minutes to see what part they Shall think proper to be put on Record, And Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

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1766
To Settle
with overseers of the
poor.

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Jonathan Hussey and **William Sanford** are Appointed a Committee to Make Up Accounts with the Overseers of the Poor and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting,
Coaksett [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA] Preparative Meeting Informs that **Paul Mosher** hath Married out of the Unity of friends, and hath been

sher's disorderly marriage dealt with by the Overseers, and declines to Condemn his Offence, therefore **Benj^a Tripp** and **Joseph Tripp** are Appointed to Labour furder with him and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Amey Hart paper acceted **Amey Hart** Hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting, Condemning her outgoing, in falling into the Sin of Fornication which this Meeting Accepts with the Provisal that She Read it or Cause it to be Read at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship at **Newtown** [N Dartmouth, MA] between this and the next Monthly Meeting She being present, and Return the paper to the S^d Meeting.

F. Allen & Benj Allen hath alowd Fiddleing & dancing in their houses The Overseers Inform this Meeting that **Francis Allen** and **Benj^a Allen** hath Allowed of fidling and dancing in their Houses for which the S^d Overseers have Laboured with them and they decline to Condemn the Offence to friends Satisfaction therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Gifford** and **Berzillia Tucker** to Labour furder with them, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

3 mo: 1766 At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** the 17th day of the 3^d Month 1766, the Representatives are for **Coaxet** [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA] **Philip Tripp** and **Daniel Wood** present, for **Ponaganset Caleb Russell** and **Samuel Smith** presented,

Davi Briggs Edm Maxfield & W^m Hart's proposal of marriage **David Briggs** and **Rebecca Howland** and **Edmond Maxfield** and **Rachel Russell**, and **William Hart jun** and **Esther Slade** declared their Intentions of Marriage at this Meeting and were desired to wait till the next Monthly

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3 month 1766 Meeting for their Answers, and **John Potter** and **Jonathan Hussey** are Appointed to Make Inquiry into **David Briggs'** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting; And **Joseph Smith** and **Barnabas Mosher** are Appointed for the same service with **Edmond Maxfield** and **William Hart jun**: and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

W^m Wilcox denial to be read **Timothy Russell** Reports that he hath Informed **W^m Willcox** Agreeable to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting and Also **David Smith** and **Samuel Smith** hath drafted a denial against **S^d Willcox**, and presented it to this Meeting which hath been Read and Signed by the Clerk, and the S^d Clerk is order'd to Read S^d Denial Publickly, at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting and Make Report to S^d Meeting;

Case of W refer'd R. Tripp, R. Tripp and L. Tripp recei'd O. Allen's case refer'd The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting The women friends Inform that they have Minuted **Ruth Tripp**, **Rebecca Tripp**, and **Lydia Tripp** under their Care, which this Meeting Concurs with; Thee Committee Appointed to discourse with **Obediah Allen** Make Report that he hath not [writ?] anything to this Meeting agreeable to his talk some time past, therefore his Case is

Refer'd (on the Request of his Father) unto the next Monthly Meeting.

*J. Russell
& wife
& children
request
to be Read*

Joseph Russell and his Wife hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning their disorder in Marriage, and also they desire to Come under friends Care with their Children which this Meeting so far Accepts as to Appoint **Joseph Tucker** and **Joseph Gifford** to Treat with them and their Children that have Attained to the years of understanding, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

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*W^m Brown
Certificate*

William Brown hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket[Dukes Co MA]** to this Meeting which hath been Read and Accepted

*Certificate
for Samuel
Howland*

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Smithfield[Woonsocket, Providence Co MA]** for **Samuel Howland juⁿ** and his Children –

*Miniuts
not Revised*

The Committee Appointed to peruse the Monthly Meeting Minutes, Make Report that they have not perused S^d Minutes, therefore they are still continued in the Same Service and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

*Settled with
overseers of
the Poor*

The Committee Appointed to Adjust Accompts with the overseers of the poor Make Report that all accounts are Balanced between this Meeting and the S^d overseers –

*Case of Paul
Mosher*

The Committee Appointed to Treat with **Paul Mosher** Make Report that they have not had an opportunity with S^d **Mosher** therefore the S^d Committee are Still Continued in the Same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Amie
Harts
paper read*

Amey Hart's Paper hath been Read According to the order of last Monthly Meeting –

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*Benj Allen's
paper accep
ted*

Benjamin Allen hath Given in a Paper Condemning his Allowing of fidling and dancing in his House at the time of Husking, which this Meeting Accepts

*F. Allen's
Case
Continued*

The friends Appointed to treat with **Francis Allen** Report that they have not had an opportunity to Speak with him, therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

*adjourns
mett*

This Meeting Adjourns to the 26 day of this Instant;
This Meeting being met According to Adjournment the 26 day of the 3^d Month 1766, the Representatives being Called **Caleb Russell**, **Samuel Smith**, **Philip Tripp** and **Daniel Wood** present;
The Committee Appointed to fix the Boundaries between this

and the Monthly Meeting Requested to be sett off at **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**, Make

Report that they have agreed Upon the Boundaries and other things relating to **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** being set off as a Monthly Meeting

which Report is as follows (viz)

*Boundries
of [?]
of month
ly meeting*

According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, we have Described a line for the boundaries between the Monthly Meetings of **Ponaganset** and **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** as follows, Beginning at the

South Eastermost Corner of **Benjamin Wing**'s Homstead farm, from thence to **Coakset River** as the line of Said **Benj^a** Land goes, Thence Southerly by Said River to the Sea, Again from Said Corner first Mentioned thence Northerly in the line between Said Villages until it comes to the Country Road, Thence on a Straight line to the nearest part of the Westernmost Branch of **Noquechuck River**, thence by said branch of Said River Till it comes to **Freetown** line –

*Concerning
the books*

We have likewise Concluded for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** friends to have About

one third part of the Books belonging to the Monthly Meeting, and likewise that they be supplied with A Transcript of the Book of Discipline at the Cost of the Whole, And also that

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the Monthly Meetings debts be paid in the same proportion that Shall be due when the Meeting is Divided, But the friends that are now under Relief are to be Supported when they are, and **Coakse[Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** friends, to Quit their Claim of the Meeting

House Land, in **Ponaganset**; dated the 26th of the 3rd mo. 1766.

**Joseph Tucker | Philip Tripp
Humphry Smith | Daniel Wood
Samuel Smith**

*Joseph Roach
accepted*

Joseph Roach juⁿ hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of [**Nantucket** [Nantucket Co. MA] to this Meeting which hath been Read and Accepted

*Represen
tatives to
Quar Meet=
=ing*

The Queries have Been Read and Answer'd in this Meeting **Caleb Russell, William Anthony** juⁿ, **Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks** juⁿ are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the Same, and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

W^m Smith [?]

The overseers Inform that **William Smith** the 2^d has gone

disorderly marriage Contrary to Good order in Marrying out of the Unity of friends, for which he hath been Labour'd with by the Overseers, and declines to Make Satisfaction, therefore **John Potter** and **William Barker** are Appointed to Labour furdur with him, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Complaint against Samuel Smith The overseers also Inform that **Lemuel Smith** hath fallen into the Sin of fornication, and hath been Labour'd with by them and he Neglects to Condemn his outgoing, therefore **Paul Russell** and **Luke Hart** are appointed to Labour furdur with him, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

adjourn mett This Meeting adjorns to the first Sixth day of next month
This Meeting being met According to Adjournment the 4th day of the 4th Month 1766, the Representatives
being

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3 month 1766 being Called, **Caleb Russell, Samuel Smith** and **Philip Tripp** present

*[?][Queries]
[?][answer'd]
Epistle sent*

The friends Appointed to Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting have fulfilled their Appointment and the Epistle has been Signed in this Meeting and sent up by the Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting with the Answers to the Queries

This Meeting hath signed and sent a Letter to the Monthly Meeting of **Oblong[Quaker Hill, Pawling, Duchess Co NY]**, Signifying that this Meeting hath Received their letter Concerning **Daniel Tripp**, which is as followeth;

Letter from Oblong concerning Daniel Tripp

From our Monthly Meeting held at **Oblong[Pawling, Duchess Co NY]** the 20th of the 2nd Mo. 1766, To the Monthly Meeting of Friends at **Dartmouth,**

Dear Friends, we herby Acquaint you, that whereas **Daniel Tripp** Resides sometime Amongst us, and was for some years a Member of our Society, But by Marrying out from Amongst us, Contrary to the Advice of Friends, for which he was dealt with, but Proving Refractory, after some time he was Testified Aagainst, Soon after which he ~~was Testified Against~~ Set up a Seperate Meeting, which he kept for a Considerable time, to the Great Dissatisfaction of Friends, And Since he has Moved to your parts we Understand he frequents friends Meetings, and Publickly Appears as a Minister Amongst you, therefore we send you the Above lines to let you know the Circumstance he Stood in at the time when he Removed from these parts.

Signed in and on behalf of our S^d Meeting by

Zebulon Ferriss Clerk

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of the 4th Month 1766, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **John Potter** and **W,^m Anthony ju,^r** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** **Peleg Huddleston** and **Joseph Tripp** present, **David Briggs** and **Rebecca Howland**, and **Edmond Maxfield** and **Rachel Russell**, and **William Hart ju:** and **Esther Slade** Appeared for their Answers, which was that each Couple Might Proceed to take Each other in Marrage [*sic*] in some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that Purpose. And **John Potter** and **Jonathan Hussey** are Appointed to see **David Briggs** and **Rebecca Howlands** Marriage Consumated in Good order, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting. And **Paul Russell** and **William Mosher** are Appoin=
=ted to see **Edmond Maxfield** and **Rachel Russell's** Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Month=
=ly Meeting; And **Joseph Smith** and **Barnabas Mosher** are Appointed for the Same .^{Service} with **William Hart ju:** and **Esther Slade** and .^{to} make Report to the next Monthly Meeting **William Wilcox's** Paper of Denial hath been Read According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows; —

*D. Briggs
E. Maxfield
& W^m Hart J^u
answers*

*W^m
Wilcox
disowned*

Whereas **William Wilcox** Son of **W,^m Wilcox** Deceased and **Dorithy** his Wife, having been under the Care of this Meeting, yet through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth, has So far deviated from our Holy Profession as to fall into Several Reproachful things, and disorders, Parti=
=cularly in Inlisting [*sic*] and Going into the Milatary [military] Service, and Marrying out of the order of Friends, likewise in Selling Such Beef as was not Merchantable to the Defrauding of the Buyer, and also in Neglecting to attend our Religious Meetings of Publick Worship, and Friends having Repeated their

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Labour of Love and advice ~~and~~ toward him in order to disco=^{(ver} to him the Evil of his ways, but their Labour not obtaining it's desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting, Therefore for the Clearing of the precious Truth and Friends from the Reproach thereof, this Meeting Gives this forth as a Publick Testimony against him, Disowning him the Said **Will,^m Wilcox** from being one of our Community, and from u[n]der the Care of this Meeting, Yet desiring his Return from the way of Error and that by the door of true Repentance he may find Mercy.

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** on the 17th day of the 3.^d mo: 1766, And Signed In and on behalf of S.^d Meeting by - - **Job Russell** Clerk

*O. Allens
case refer^d*

Whereas **Obediah Allen** hath been in the Practice of Gaming and hath been dealt with, and declines to make friends Satisfaction, therefore friends Canst find freedom to Accept of his Condemning his falling into the Sin of Fornication, therefore the matter is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting under the Same Care as heretofore

*M. Smith;
Certifi:*

Meriah Smith hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** to this Meeting which hath been Red [*sic*] and Accepted.

*R. Russell
Receivd*

The women friends Inform that they have minuted **Rebecca Russell** wife Daughter of **Joseph Russell** under their Care which this Meeting Concur's with

*J. Russell
& family
Rec^d*

The Com,^{tee} appointed to treat with **Joseph Russell** his wife and Family on their Request to Come under friends care, Make a Satisfactory Report, therefore this Meeting Accepts them under friends Care

The friends Appointed to Review the Monthly Meetings Minutes to see what part must go on Record, make Report that
they

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they have fulfilled their Appointment and left S.^d minutes with **Samuel Smith** to be Recorded — ——

*Minutes recorded by
S.S.*

The friends Appointed overseers in the Meeting held in **Allen's Neck**, [S Dartmouth, MA] Report that they attended the Meeting and saw nothing but that it was Carried on decently and in Good order — — —

*Report of overseers
of mee[t]ing
Allens Neck*

The[^]friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that

*Report from
Qtr meeting*

they all attended S.^d meeting, and have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read and well accepted

*Coakset
meeting
set off*

And the Quarterly Meeting hath Granted our Request to have a monthly Meeting of men and women Friends Sett off at **Coaksett** [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA] according to the Boundaries prefixt [*sic*], and this meeting Concludes for **Coakset** friends to hold their Monthly Meeting the Seventh day before the third Second day in Each month;

*W.^m
Smith
denied*

The friends Appointed to Treat with **W.^m [William] Smith** ye 2^d[?] Make Report that he Gave them no Satisfaction, therefore friends finding themselves Clear in Labouring with him do deny the S.^d **W.^m Smith** from under friends Care —

*Lamu Smith
case refer'd*

The friends Appointed to Labour with **Lemuel Smith** Report that both have not had an Oppertunity with, him, but the friend that had an Oppertunity Reports that he Gave him Good Satisfaction, And he hath Sent a Paper to this Meeting Con=

S. Wilcox
his Trans=
=gresion

=demning his offence which is Refer'd under the Care of the Afore Said Committee — — — —
 Whereas **Stephen Wilcox** having Appeared in this Meeting in a very Passionate Manner, Casting heavy Reflections on us, Saying that he believed we Should have fewer Testimonies [*sic*] Amongst us, And that it was Pitty we Shou[*l*]d have any Except it be Some to Reprimand us for our Wickedness, and Stamping on the floor in a Passionate Manner, to the Great Grief and Sorrow of the Sincere in heart, Therefore this

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Meeting doth Appoint **Tho,^s [Thomas] Hicks, Peleg Smith, Joseph Gifford Barzillia Tucker** to Labour with him and Make Report there=
 =of to the next Monthly Meeting; – They are likewise to Inform him that we desire him to desist from Appearing in Publick – –

adjourn

This Meeting Adjourns to the 7th day of next Month

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This Meeting being met according to Adjournment ye 7th day of the 5th mo. 1766, the Representatives being Called, **John Potter** and **Peleg Huddleston** present

Paul Mosher denied

Wher[e]as **Paul Mosher** hath Married out of the Unity of friends and hath been dealt with Agreeable to Good order, and he de=
 =clines to Condemn his offence therefore this Meeting finding them=
 =Selves Clear in Labouring with him, do deny the S.^d **Paul Mosher** from under the Care of this Meeting

Case of F. Allen refer'd

The Case of **Francis Allen** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting under the Same Care as heretofore —
 Proposal for Inlarging the little Meeting House is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th day of the 5th month 1766, **Ponaganset** Meeting Called **Joseph Smith** and **Tho,^s Hicks ju.^r** present, for **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA] Joshua Davil [Davol] and Israel**

E. Wing Ju proposal of marriage

Wood present,
Edward Wing ju: of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** and **Edith Tucker** declared their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer,

Tho Smith Ju proposal of marriage

And **Tho,^s [Thomas] Smith ju:** and **Rebecca Howland** likewise declared their Intentions of Marriage & were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **Luke Hart** and **W^m Mosher** are Appointed to Inquire into S.^d **Smith's** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting; —

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Report of
D. Briggs
marriage

John Potter and **Jonathan Hussey** Report, that they attended the Marriage of **David Briggs** and **Rebecca Howland** and that it was Accomplish'd in Good order —

Report of
E. Maxfield
marriage

Paul Russell and **W.^m Mosher** Report that they attended the Marriage of **Edmond Maxfield** and **Rachel Russell** which (they say) was Accomplished in Good order —

Report of
W.^m Hart Ju
marriage

Joseph Smith and **Barnabas Mosher**, likewise Report that they attended the Marriage of **W.^m [William] Hart ju:** and **Esther Slade** and that it was Accomplished in Good order

Meeting
concluds
to deny

O. Allen

Whereas **Obediah Allen** Some time past fell into the Sin of Fornication, and also Since hath been in the Practice of Gaming, for which he hath been dealt with by this Meeting and declines to Condem[n] his offences to friends Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting being Clear in Labour=ing with him, do Conclude to deny him from under the Care of this Meeting, and do Appoint **Samuel Smith** to draw a Paper of denial Against the S,^d **Obediah Allen**, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting. —

Case of
S. Wilcox
Referd

The friends Appointed to Labour with **Stephen Wilcox** for his Misconduct at the last Monthly Meeting, Report that he did not Condem his S,^d offence in full therefore the matter is Refer'd till next monthly Meeting under the same Care as heretofore and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting — —

F. Allen
Paper

Francis Allen hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his Giving way to too much Liberty in Allowing of fidling and dancing at the time of his Husking, which this Meeting Accepts — — — — —

Case of little
meeting
house
dr^opt

This Meeting Concludes to drop the Proposal for Enlarging the little Meeting House for the present — — — —

to Receive
accomp^ts
of poor

This Meeting doth Appoint **Jonathan Hussey** and **David Smith** to Receive in Accounts for doing for the poor of this Meeting and also Endeavour to Inform themselves into the Validity of S^d Accounts, and also S^d friends, to Join with **Philip Tripp**

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To Collect
[Ac?]count of
[Pu?]blick
Friend
deceased

to Divide the Books that belongs to this Meeting; —

This Meeting doth Appoint **Samuel Smith** and **W.^m Anthony ju:** to Collect the Birth, place of abode, time of publick Ministry and death of **Elizabeth Gidley**, and bring the account to the next Monthly Meeting — — —

[?] to
[pay?] **Tim**
Russell

This Meeting hath Collected £9-7^s-6^d old tener [tenor] and the Treasure[r] hath paid **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for Keeping the Meeting House half a year — —

To Settle
with
Treasurer

And **Jonathan Hussey** and **W.^m Sanford** are Appointed to Adjust accomp^ts [accounts] with the Treasurer and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

W.^m Anthony

This Meeting doth appoint **W.^m Anthony ju^r** to Receive the Subscriptions that are Subscribed to defray the Charges of this

[?] to Rece Subscrip Meeting and also to pay out the money as this Meeting Shall
tions order -----

6 mo: At a Monthly Meeting Met the 16th of the 6th Month 1766
1766 The Representatives are **Abraham Tucker & John Potter**
present;

Whereas the yearly Meeting is now in being, therefore this Mee=
=ting doth adjourn to the 23^d Instant

Edw Wing This Meeting being met According to adjournment the 23^d
Certificat of the 6th month 1766 The Representatives being Called both present
Edward Wing hath Produced a Certificate from the monthly
Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]**, Certifying his Clearness Respecting

Edw Wings Marriage and Conversation which hath been Read & Accepted
answer **Edward Wing ju:** and **Edith Tucker** Appeared for their Answer
which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in
Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the
next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that
purpose, And **Abraham Tucker** and **Joseph Gifford** are Appoin=
=ted to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make
Report to the next Monthly Meeting; -----

Tho Smith Ju **Thomas Smith ju:** and **Rebecca Howland** Appear'd for their
Answer answer

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6 month Answer, which was that they might Proceed to take Each other
1766 In Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next
Monthly Meeting, Advising with the overseers for that purpose
and **Luke Hart** and **William Mosher** are Appointed to See
their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make Report
to the next Monthly Meeting; - - - - -

W^m Ricket **William Ricketson** and **Elisabeth Smith** declared their
=sons Intentions of taking Each other in Marriage, and were desired
proposal to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and
of marriag **Caleb Russell** and **Job Russell** are appointed to make Inquiry
Into **W,^m Ric[k]etson's** Clearness Respecting Marriage and
Conversation and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

O. Allen This Meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial Against
disownd **Obediah Allen** for the Sin of Fornication & Gaming, and
the Clerk of this Meeting is appointed to read it at the Close
of a first day Meeting for worship between this and the next
Monthly Meeting and make Report to Said Meeting.

S. Wilcox' **Stephen Wilcox** hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting
paper Condem[n]ing his Reflecting Speeches, which was Expressed
in our Monthly Meeting two Months ago, which this Mee=
=ting doth accept, and Said **Wilcox's** former References are

Still Continued under the Same Regulation as heretofore

This Meeting hath signed a Paper of Denial against **Su=**
=sanna Brightman for the Sin of fornication and the Clerk
is Appointed to Read Said paper at the Close of a first day
Meeting for Worship between this and the next Monthly
Meeting, and make Report to Said Meeting. —

*John
Griffith }
Visit*

Our Esteemed friend **John Griffith** hath Visited this Meeting
with a Certificate from **Chelmsford** [Essex Co England] Monthly Meeting in **Essex** dated the
25th of the 2^d month 1765 and also from the Quarterly
Meeting held at **Coggoshall** in **Essex** [**England**] the 12.th of the 3.^d mo: 1765
and also from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held in
London by Adjournments from the 25.th of the 5.th Month to the
3.^d of the 6.th month 1765 which was Read to Good Satisfaction

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Our Esteemed friend **Tho.^s Ross** hath Visited this Meeting, and pro=
duced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held in **Write-Town** [**Bucks Co. PA**]
in **Bucks Country Pen[n]sylvania**, bearing date the 6th day of the 5th
month 1766 which hath been Read to Good Satisfaction

*T. Ross }
Visit*

*Queries
Answerd*

The Queries have been Read & Answer'd in this Meeting and
Peleg Smith & Humphry Smith are Appointed to draw an Epistle
to the Quarterly Meeting & bring it to the Adjournment

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mett*

This Meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month
The Meeting being Met according to Adjournment the 4th day
of the 7th mo: 1766 the Representatives being Called both present

*acco^mpts
Receiv'd*

The friends Appointed to Receive accompts [accounts] and Approbate them=
Report that they have Received them and allowed to the

amount of — — — — —	£	S	d
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Coakset Meeting paying one third part of S. ^d Sum — —	5	8	- 9
Remains for this Meeting to pay — — — Lawful mony — —	10	17	7

*Elis: Gidley
to go on
Record*

The Committee appointed to Collect the Birth & C. of **Elisabeth
Gidley** have Answer'd their Appointment, and the Account
thereof is order'd to be put on Record — — — — —

*[Repre]sentatives
Quart
meeting*

Humphry Smith, Abraham Tucker, Caleb Russell are Ap=
pointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting. This Meeting
hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and Sent
it up by the Representatives — — — — —

*7 mo:
1766*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of the
7th month 1766, The Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and
Barzillia Tucker present;

*W^m Ric^{ket}
answer*

The friends appointed to Enquire into the Clearness of **W.^m Ricetson** [**Ricketson**]
make Report that they have made proper Inquiry, and don't
find anything to hinder him from Proceeding in Marr[i]age
William Rictson [**Ricketson**] and **Elisabeth Smith** appear'd for their An=
swer, which was that they might Proceed to take Each
other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this
and the next monthly meeting, A[d]vising with the Overseers for
that purpose, and **Caleb Russell & Benj,^a Howland ju:** are
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appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting ———

Report of
Ed Wing's
marriage

Abraham Tucker Reports that he attended the Marri[a]ge of **Edward Wing ju:** and **Edith Tucker** which was Accomplish'd in Good order —

Report of
Tho Smith's
marriage

Luke Hart & W.^m Mosher Reports that they attended the Marriage of **Tho^s [Thomas] Smith ju:** and **Rebecca Howland** which was Accomplish'd in Good order — — — —

Obediah Allen's Paper of Denial hath been Read Accor=
=ding to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting —

And is as follows (viz) —

O. Allen
disowned

Whereas **Obediah Allen**, Son of our friends **Prince** and **Deborah Allen**, having been under the Care of this Meet=
=ing, yet he has So far Gone astray from our Profession as to fall into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication, and also been found in the Practice of Gaming, And friends having Repeated their Labour of Love with him in order for his Recovery, but our Labour of Love not obtaining the de=
=Sired Effect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting, Therefore we being desirous that the Truth of our Holy Profession may be preserved from the Reproach of [^]Such Enormities, do Give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him, disowning him the Said **Obediah Allen** from being one of our Society and from being in Membership With us, yet we desire if it be Consistant with Divine Pleasure, that he May yet find a place of Repentence (and by an Unfeigned acknow=
=ledgement of the Error of his way) Return to ~~th~~ the way of Truth

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** by Adjournment on the 23^d day of the 6th month 1766 by — — — **Job Russell** Clerk

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Susanna Brightman's Paper of Denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follow's

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Bright }
man's |
denial /

Whereas **Susanna Brightman** Daughter of **Joshua** and **Hannah Shearman** having had her Education among friends and under the Care of this Meeting, but through unwatchfulness & disregarding the Testimony of Truth hath fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication, as appears by her having a Child Soon after Marriage and this Meeting having Labour'd with her in Love in order for her Recovery, but She proving obstinate, and Regardless of the ten=
=der Council to her Given, Therefore for the Clearing of the precious Truth that we Profess, from Such Enormities, this Meeting is

Concerned to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony against her disowning her the S^d **Susanna Brightman** from being a Member of our Society, and from under the Care of this Meeting, desiring if it be Consistant with Divine pleasure, that She may yet be Convinc=ed of the Error of her ways, and by a Sincere Repentance, find fa=avour with the Lord —

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in **Dart=mouth** by adjournment on the 23.^d day of the 6.th month 1766

Signed In, by order & in behalf of S.^d Meeting by **Job Russell** Clerk
Apphia Mott Clerk

*S. Wilcox /
not to }
preach /* This Meeting hath Come to a Conclusion that **Stephen Wilcox** ought to desist from Appearing in Publick untill his affairs be better Settled in Regard to his debts, and the S^d **Stephen Wilcox**'s Case is Refer'd under the Same Regulation as heretofore to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended Agreeable to Appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read to Good Satisfaction

Epistles { Received Epistles one from **London** Printed & one written one also one Epistle from **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]**, and one from **Flushing [Queens Co NY]**

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Also we have Received an Epistle from our Yearly Meeting of **Rhode-Island[Newport, Newport Co RI]** held the 12th of the 6th month 1766 All which have been read in this Meeting to Good Satisfaction, and as they Contain a great deal of wholesome advice and Good Ex=hortation, they are Earnestly Recommended to friends Notice and Observation,

*Settled
With
Treasurer*

The friends Appointed two months ago to adjust Accounts with the Treasurer Report that they have Settled accounts and there Remains in the Stock - £2 - S8 - d1
Old tenner -

Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA] Monthly Meeting has paid their Proportion of the
Monthly Meeting Debts which is - £5 - S8 - d9
Lawful Money

*Care of
books to
T. Russell*

twenty four Books belongs to this Meeting, and **Timothy Rus=sell** is appointed to have the Care of Said Books to lend them out and take them in once a month.

*Deb Slade
Certificate*

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate of **Deborah Slade** (wife to **Joseph Slade**) and her Children to the Monthly Meeting of **Swanzey[Somerset, Bristol Co MA]** -

8 mo:
1766
*Report of
Wm. Ricket
sons
marriage*
*Certificate
for Abigail
States*
*Case of
S. Wilcox
Refer'd*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18
of the 8th month 1766 The Representatives are **William
Mosher** and **Benjamin Smith** ju: present
The friends Appointed to See **W^m Ricketson** and **Elizabeth
Smith**'s Marriage Consumated Report that they attended
the Marriage which was Consumated in Good order
This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for
Abigail States (wife of **Peter States**) to the Monthly
Meeting of **South Kings-town[Perryville, South Kingstown, Washington Co RI]**–
The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd under the Care of
Thomas Hicks 2^d and he to ~~make report~~ Inform Said
Wilcox that his Meeting Requests that he Inform friends
at

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8 month
1766
*Overseers
appointed*
*Zephaniah
Anthony
& Wife's
paper*
*Fox's
Journal*

at the next Monthly Meeting what Progress he hath made in
Regard to paying his debts –
Luke Hart, Paul Russell, William Anthony ju: **Benj^a Howland 2^d,**
Samuel Smith and **Daniel Cornel [Cornell]** are Chosen overseers
Zephaniah Anthony and his wife have Given in a Paper to this
Meeting, Signifying their Sorrow for their falling into the Sin
of Fornication, which is Refer'd unto the next Monthly Meeting
under the Care of **Peleg Smith & Benjamin Smith** ju: and they to
make Report to next Monthly Meeting;
This Meeting Hath received one of **George Fox**'s Journals and
7S/6d Sterling overplus Money, which is Lodged with the Treasurer

9th mo:
1766
*To draw
Epistle*
*S. Wilcox
Case refer'd*
*Z. Anthony
Case
refer'd*
*Repre
sentatives*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th day of the
9th month 1766,
William Anthony ju: and to[?] **Samuel Smith** are the Representatives
both presentatives
This Meeting doth Appoint **Humphry Smith** and **Samuel Smith**
to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and bring it to the
Adjournment of this Meeting;
This Meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in next Month
This Meeting being Met According to ~~Appointment~~ adjournment
the 3rd of the 10th month 1766. The Representatives being Called both
presents;
The Case of **Stephen Wilcox** is Refer'd under the Care of **Daniel
Russell** and **Thomas Hix 2^d** –
Peleg Smith and **Benj^a Smith** ju: Report that they have Treated
with **Zephaniah Anthony** in Regard to his Paper that he Gave in
last Monthly Meeting, in which they think him to be Sincere,
which is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;
Joseph Tucker, Humphry Smith, Caleb Russell are Appointed to
attend the Quarterly Meeting, and present the Epistle (which was
Signed in this Meeting) with the Answers to the Queries, and Make
Report

9 month
1766

to pay [?][Coak
[?] [set]6-2-6

Report to the next Monthly Meetings;

This Meeting orders the Treasurer to pay **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Monthly

Meeting half a Crown Sterling, it being one third part of the overplus Money for **George Fox's Journals** –

10 mo:
1766

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 10th month 1766, The Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and **Benj^a Howland** the 2^d Presents

Case of
Z. Anthony
refer'd

The Case of **Zephaniah Anthony** is Refer'd under the Care of his Brother **W^m Anthony** unto the next Monthly Meeting

Elihu Bowen
en requests
a Certificate

Elihu Bowen Requests a Removal Certificate for himself and Family to the Monthly Meeting of **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co MA]**. Therefore **Luke Hart & Paul Russell** are appointed to Make proper Enquiry into his Circumstances, and draw one for them if they think proper & bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

Report from
Quarterly
meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended Agreeable to Appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the Same, which hath been Read in this Meeting to Good Satisfaction

R. Soule

Rachel Soule hath been Represented under Necessitous Circumstances, and Liable to become one of this Meetings poor, Therefore **Humphry Smith & Jonathan Hussey** are Ap= =pointed to make Inquiry into her Circumstances & Estate and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Jonaⁿ Gifford
desires a Certificate

Jonathan Gifford desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket, Co MA]**, Certifying his Cleanness Respecting Marriage & Conversation, Therefore **Jonathan Hussey** and **David Smith** are Appointed to make Inquiry into his aforeS^d

Overseers
for yearly
meeting

Circumstances, and draw a Certificate for him if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting doth Appoint **John Potter, Daniel Russell Timothy Russell Samuel Smith, Tho^s Hicks 2^d Prince Allen**

James

9 month
1766

James Tucker overseers at the yearly Meeting to Endeavour to prevent any Indecency that May happen at that time, and

Make Report of their Service to the next Monthly Meeting

10th mo:
1766 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of the 11th Month 1766, The Representatives are **Daniel Cornel** and **Thomas Hicks 2^d** present

*Timothy Howland
proposal
of marri
age*

Timothy Howland and **Lucey Allen** Declared their Intentions of taking each other in Marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **Daniel Cornel** and **Thomas Hicks 2d** are appointed to Make Inquiry into the young Man's Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting,

*Z. Anthony
Case
refer'd
Certificate*

The Case of **Zephaniah Anthony** is Refer'd under the Same Care as heretofore –

*[?][for]Elihu
Bowen
Case of
R. Soule
refer'd*

This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Elihu Bowen** and his family to the Monthly Meeting of **Swanzy[Somerset, Bristol Co MA]**;

The Case of **Rachel Soule** is Referred under the Same Regulation as heretofore

*Certificate
for Jonat.
Gifford*

This Meeting Hath Signed a Certificate for **Jonathan Gifford** to the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket[Nantucket, Co MA]**, Respecting his Clearness in Regard to Marriage & his Conversation –

*Tim Rus
sell
acompt*

This Meeting allows of **Timothy Russell**'s account for Clearing the Burying yard & Repairing the fence & Bars, which is £4 13S old tener

David Smith hath paid **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Monthly Meeting 2 / 6d Sterling agreeable to Appointment

*J. Sisson
desires a
Certifi
cate*

John Sisson Requests a Removal Certificate for himself and Children to the Monthly Meeting of **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]**, therefore **Paul Russell & Luke Hart** are Appointed to draw one for him if they shall think Proper after due Inquiry into his Circumstances, and make Returns to the next Monthly Meeting;

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11 month
1766

*Report of
Overseers
of Yearly
meeting*

The friends Appointed Overseers at the yearly Meeting, Report that they attended Agreeable to Appointment & discover'd nothing but what was in a degree orderly, and they think that friends Care in that Respect answers a Good Purpose –

Meetings

This Meeting Grants the friends Living in **Allen's Neck [S Dartmouth, MA]** the

*granted
in Allen's
Neck*

Liberty to hold a Meeting down there at Some friends House for four Months to Come on first days, Excepting the first day preceding the Monthly Meeting in Each Month, and **Daniel Cornel [Cornell]** and **Prince Allen** are Appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting, and to Make Report to this Meeting at the Expiration of the four Months –

*12 Mo:
1766*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of the 12th month 1766, the Representatives are **Paul Russell** and **David Smith** Present;
Timothy Howland and **Lucey Allen** Appeared for their Answer which was, that they Might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, Avising with the overseers for that Purpose and **Daniel Cornel** and **Thomas Hicksⁿ** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

*Timothy
Howland
answer*

Tim Russell paid

This Meeting hath Collected £11 -7S-6d old tener, and the Treasurer has paid **Timothy Russell** the Above S^d Sum
Humphry Smith and **Jonathan Hussey** Report that they have Inspected into the Circumstances of **Rachel Soule** and they find due to her by Bond and Note £12 – 16S – 9d Lawful money The friends Appointed to draw a Certificate for **John Sisson** and his Children have drawn one for them, but things not appearing Quite Clear, the Signing of it is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting

*Rachel
Soule Case*

*John Sisson
Certificates
refer'd*

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*12 month
1766*

*John Williams
Certificate
Accepted*

John Williams and his wife have Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]**, which this Meeting accepts;

*[?] Smith hath
[?][given] a paper
which is accepted*

Stephen Smith hath Produced and Given in a Paper to this Meeting, Condemning his Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this Meeting Accepts;

Representatives

Caleb Russell, Joseph Russ-Smith, William Barker are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Make Report to the Next Monthly Meeting;

*overseers of
Poor accompt*

The overseers of the poor hath Brought an Account for doing for the poor to the Amount of £3 – 6S -6d old Tener, which this Meeting allows,

*Case of Zep
Anthony refer'd*

The Case of **Zephaniah Anthony** is Refer'd
The Overseers Inform that **James Allen** hath fallen into the Sin of Fornication, for which they have Labour'd with him, and he declines to Make Satisfaction, therefore

*Complaint
against
James Allen*

this Meeting doth Appoint **Caleb Russell & Job Russell** to Labour with him & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting The Queries have been Read in this Meeting and Answer'd This Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and Sent it up with the Answers to the Queries by the Representatives.

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*first mo:
1767*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th of the first Month 1767, the Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and **William Anthony ju:** present;

Tim Howland's marriage

Daniel Cornel and **Tho^s Hicks 2^d** Report that they attended the Marriage of **Timothy Howland & Lucey Allen**, which was Consumated in Good order,

John Sisson's Case

The Signing of **John Sisson's** Certificate is Refer'd to next Monthly Meeting;

James Allen Case

The friends Appointed to Labour with **James Allen** Report that he declines to Condem his offence to friends Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Gifford** and **Job Russell** to draw a paper of denial Against Said **Allen** and also Inform him of the Conclusion of this Meeting and Labour with him as they shall find freedom, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Report from Quarterly meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, Report that neither of them attended by Reason of the Severity of the weather; but we Received an Epistle ~~an~~ from the Quarterly Meeting which hath been Read and well accepted,

S. Dennis Request

Shadrach Dennis Requests to be taken under friends Care, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Abraham Tucker** and **Peleg Smith** to Inquire into the young mans Life and Conversation, and also take an opportunity of Solid Conference with him and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

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*1 month
1767*

The women friends Inform that they have Minuted **Elisabeth**

E. Russell **Russell** wife of **Isaac Russell** under friends Care, which this Meeting Concurs with;
Recev'd

Zeph. Anthony **Zephaniah Anthony** and his wife have Given in a Paper to this Meeting Signifying their Sorrow for their falling into the Sin of fornication, which hath lain on file for Some Months and now friends being fully Satisfied, do Accept of S^d Paper Provided they Cause it to be read at the Close of a first day Meeting for Worship, between this and the next Month=
& Wife paper =ly Meeting they being present, and also Return Said Paper
accepted to the next Monthly Meetings –

Testimony This Meeting hath Given forth a Testimony Concerning
of E. Gidley Our Well Esteemed friend **Elizabeth Gidley** deceased which was Signed in this Meeting by a Number of friends

2^d month
1767

James Allen
denied

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** the 16th of the 2d month 1767 The Representatives are **Paul Russell** and **William Anthony ju:** present,
This Meeting hath Signed a Paper of denial against **James Allen** Son of **Francis Allen** for Fornication, and the Clerk is order'd to read S^d Paper at the Close of a first days Mee=
=ting for worship, between this and the next Monthly Meeting and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Shadrich
Dennis
Case

The friends Appointed to Inquire into the Conversation of **Shadrach Dennis**, and to Confer with him on his Request to Come under friends Care not being able to Make a Satisfac=
=tory Report, therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Service, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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2 month
1767

Certificate
for John Sisson
Z. Anthony
paper read

Z. & W.
Anthony's
Confession

This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **John Sisson** to the Monthly Meeting of **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]; Zephaniah Anthony's** and his wife's Paper hath been read According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting

And is as followeth; (viz)

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** Esteemed friends,

These are to Inform that we were Educated and Married Amongst friends, But we Acknowledge that we have fallen into the Sin of Fornication, as Appears evident

by the Birth of our Child, the which Sin we do Condemn and are Sorrowful for, But we hope the Almighty will forgive us, and we desire friends would so far pass it by as to Suffer us Still to Remain under your Care

Given under our Hands the 18th of the 8th

Month 1766 – –

Zephaniah Anthony

Waite Anthony

*Lem^l Smith
paper accep =ted*

Whereas **Lemuel Sisson Smith** hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Some Months ago, and not accepted by Reason of his Absence, Therefore this Meeting being Satisfied do accept of S^d Paper, Provided that he Cause it to be Read at the Close of a first day Meeting for

*Miniuts
to be revised*

worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting he being present, and Return S^d Paper to the Clerk –

This Meeting doth Appoint **Peleg Smith, Humphry Smith, Samuel Smith, William Anthony ju^r & Job Russell** to Peruse the Monthly Meetings Minutes, to See what part they Shall think Proper to be put on Record and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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*2 month
1767*

*Edith Wing's
Paper Accept.*

Edith Wing hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning her falling into the Sin of fornication, which this Meeting doth Accept with the Provisal that She Cause S^d Paper to be read at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship She being present, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting and Return the Paper to the Clerk –

*To Settle with
Treasurer*

William Sanford & Jonathan Hussey are Appointed to ad= =just Accounts with the Treasurer & Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Overseers

This Meeting doth Appoint **John Potter, Prince Allen & Joseph Gifford** overseers of the Poor for one year –

*A. Hath:
away
Certificate*

This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Abigail Hathaway** to the Monthly Meeting of [Sandwich, Barnstable Co MA]

*3^d month
1767*

*Tho Akin's
proposal
of marriage*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th of the 3^d Month 1767, the Representatives are **Daniel Cornel** and **Samuel Smith** Present,

Thomas Akin and **Rebecca Russell** Declar'd their Inten= =tions of Marriage and were desired to wait until the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **Thomas Hicks ju^r** and **Samuel Smith** are Appointed to Inquire into the young man's

Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

James Allen's Paper of denial hath been Read According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting – and is as followeth

*James
Allen
disowned*

Whereas **James Allen** Son of **Francis Allen & Rebecca** his Wife deceased, having been Under the Care of this Meeting yet he has So far Gone astray from our Profession as to fall into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication and Friends having Repeated their Labour of Love with him in order for his Recovery, but our
Labour

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*3 Month
1767*

Labour of Love, not obtaining the desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting, Therefore we being desirous that the Truth of our Holy Profession May be Preferred from the Reproach of Such Enormities do Give this forth a Publick Testimony against him, disowning the S^d **James** from being one of our Society, and from being under our Care, Yet Sincerely desiring if it be Consistent with Divine Pleasure that he May yet find a place of Repentance, & by an Unfeigned ~~Repentance~~ acknowledgement of the Error of his way Return to the way of Truth –

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the 16th day of the 2^d month 1767 By

Job Russell Clerk

*Shadrich
Dennis
Case*

The friends Appointed to Inquire into the life & Conversation of **Shadrac Dennis**, and also to take an Opportunity of Conference on his Request to Come under friends Care not being able to make a Satisfactory Report, therefore the Case is Refer'd under their Care until the next Monthly Meeting and then to Make Report,

Lemuel Smith's Paper hath been Read According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows

*Lemuel
Smith's
Confession*

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held in **Dartmouth** on the 21 of ye 4th month 1766
Loving Friends, whereas I through the Insinuation of the Evil

one, I have fallen into the Sin of Fornication, for which Evil Action I Can Truly Say I am Sincerely Sorry for, and pray that God may forgive me and all my others Sins, and that you would pass it by So as to let me Remain under you Care for I have a Great Value for Friends, So no more at present but I Remain your well Wishing Friend

Lemuel Smith

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*3 month
1767*

*Minutes
to be recorded*

The Committee Appointed to peruse the Monthly Meetings Minutes Report that they have perused S^d Minutes and left them with **Samuel Smith** to Record –

*E. Wing's
Confession*

Edith Wing's paper hath been Read According to the Appoin=
=tment of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows—

To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be holden at **Dartmouth** the 16th day of the 2 Month 1767 –

Well Esteemed friends, these May Inform altho' I have had my Education among friends, yet through unwatchfulness I have fallen into the Sin of Fornication, which is ~~S~~ Known by my having a Child So Soon after Marriage which Sin I Condemn and am very Sorry for and pray God to forgive me and friends pass it by So far as to let me Remain under their Care

*Settled with
Treasurer*

The friends Appointed to Adjust accompts **Edith Wing** with the Treasurer, Report that there is Remaining in the Treasury 7S – 7d old Tener –

*Ann Gifford
[?] to
Sandwich*

Anna Gifford Informs this Meeting that She hath a Con=
=cern on her Mind to Visit **Sandwich**[**Barnstable Co MA**] Quarterly Meeting, which this Meeting Concurs with –

*Order to pay
Antipas
Hathway*

Antipas Hathway hath Sent an Accompt for Mending our Meeting House windows to the Amount of £0 -1S -6 ½ d Lawful Money which this Meeting orders the Treasurer to pay, and also to pay the overseers of the poor £3-6S-6d old Tener

*Complaint
against
Tho^s Wilcox*

This Meeting hath Collected £7-18S-3d old tener
The Overseers Inform This Meeting that **Thomas Wilcox** hath Married out of the unity of friends, for which they have Labour'd with him and he declines to Make friends Satisfaction therefore **Job Case** and **Daniel Russell** are Appointed to Labour further with him and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Complaint
against
Holder
Slocum*

The Overseers Inform that **Holder Slocum** hath been in the prac=
=tice of Gaming for which they have Laboured with him and he declines to Make friends Satisfaction therefore **Abraham Tucker** & **Joseph Tucker** are Appointed to Labour with S^d **Slocum** and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

3 Month
1767

Answers to
Queries &
Epistle
Sent

The Queries have have been read and Answer'd in this Meeting and this Meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting which is Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives with the Answers to the Queries –

Representa=
=tives

Humphry Smith, Samuel Smith and William Mosher are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

4th mo:
1767

At a Monthly Meeting held at **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 4th month 1767 –

The Representatives are **Thomas Hicks 2^d** and **Samuel Smith** present –

The friends Appointed to Inquire into **Thomas Akin's** Clearness Report that upon Inquiry they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage –

Tho Akin's
answer

Thomas Akin and **Rebecca Russell** Appeared for their Answer which was that they Might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that purpose, and **Humphry Smith** and **Thomas Hicks** are appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

Tim Russell
proposal
of marriage

Timothy Russell and **Hanna Briggs** declar'd their Inten=
=tion of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and **Humphry Smith** and **Jonathan Hussey** are Appointed to Inspect into **Timothy's** Clear=
=ness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and also they are Appointed to See that the widow's Estate be Settled So that [?][her] Children be not Ronged by her Marriage and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

S. Dennis
Accepted

The friends Appointed to Inquire into the Conversation of **Shadriac Dennis** Make a Satisfactory Report therefore this meeting minutes him under friends Care –

~~The overseers for the poor Report~~

The Treasurer Reports that he has paid the overseers of the poor According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting The friends Appointed to treat with **Thomas Wilcox** not Making a Satisfactory Report they are still Continued in the Same Service and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting,

4 month
1767

*Holder
Slocum's
case*

The friends Appointed to Treat with **Holder Slocum** Report that they have not discharged themselves in that Respect, therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Service and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

*Reprent.
for Qrt.
Meeting*

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended Except **W^m Mosher**, and he sent an Excuse which was Accepted, and they produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read and well Accepted

*[?][Report] of
Meetings
in Allen's
Neck*

The friends Appointed overseers of the Meeting held in **Allen's Neck** [S Dartmouth, MA] Report that they have attended According to Appointment and Saw nothing but that it was Carried on in Good order

5th mo:
1767

At a Monthly Meeting held at **Dartmouth** the 18th of the 5th month 1767 the Representatives are **Caleb Russell & Daniel Russell** both present;

Humphry Smith & Jonathan Hussey Make Report that they have made Inquiry into **Timothy Russell's** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation, and do not find anything to hinder his proceeding in Marriage, and they also Report that the widow's Estate is Settled Agreeable to Good order

*Tim Russell
Answer*

Timothy Russell and **Hannah Briggs** Appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, Advising with the oversers for that purpose, and **Humphry Smith** and **Jonathan Hussey** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

*Report of
Tho Akin's
Marriage*

The friends Appointed to See **Thomas Atkin's** and **Rebecca Russell's** Marriage Consumated Make Report that they attended the S^d Marriage which was Accomplished in Good Order

*Thomas
Wilcox
Case*

The friends Appointed to treat with **Thomas Wilcox** Report that they have not had a Convenient Opportunity to discharge themselves therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Service until Opportunity affords

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5 Month
1767

P. Sisson

affords and then to make Report

The women friends Inform that they have denied **Phebe Sisson**

denied Daughter of **Joseph Barker** for Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this Meeting Concurs with –

Phebe Allen's paper accepted **Phebe Allen** hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning her falling into the Sin of Fornication which this Meeting Accepts Provided She Cause said paper to be Read publickly at the Close of a first day meeting for worship between this & the next Monthly Meeting She being present and Make Return of S^d paper to S^d Meeting

Holder Slocum's Case The friends Appointed to treat with **Holder Slocum** Report that he declines to Condemn his offence to Satisfaction therefore his Case is Refer'd under the Same Care as heretofore and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

B. Taber Requested a Certificate **Benjamin Taber** Requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**, Certifying his Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation therefore **Joseph Gifford** and **Joseph Russell** are Appointed to Make proper Inquiry and to draw one for him if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

R. Russell's affair Whereas **Rose Russell** hath Removed out of the verge of **Coak**=
=set [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA**] Monthly Meeting where this Meeting Apprehends She belongs, and makes Application for assistance, therefore **Joseph Tucker & Humphry Smith** are Appointed to Inform **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Meeting that this Meeting desires them to take Care of her and S^d Com^{tee} to make Report to the next Monthly Meetings

6th mo: 1767 At a Monthly Meeting met the 15th of the 6th mo: 1767 The Representatives are **Daniel Russell** and **John Williams** present;

The yearly Meeting being now in being, for which Reason This Meeting Adjourns to the 22^d Instant,

At a Monthly Meeting Met and held by Adjournment the 22^d of the 6th mo: 1767

The Representatives being Called and both present

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6th Month 1767

Timothy Russell Marriage **Humphry Smith** and **Jonathan Hussey** Report that they attended the Marriage of **Timothy Russell** and **Hannah Briggs** which was Consumated in Good Order –

P. Allen's Confession **Phebe Allen's** Paper hath been read According to the Appoint=
=ment of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows –

To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be held in **Dartmouth** the 20th day of the 4th month 1767 –

dear Friends

I through unwatchfulness have fallen into the Sin of Fornica=
=tion which Appears by my having a Child So Soon after Mar=
=riage, for which I am heartily Sorry and do Condemn, hoping
that God will forgive me and friends pass it by so far as to let
me Remain under their Care. **Phebe Allen**

- H. Slocum Case* The Case of **Holder Slocum** is Refer'd under the Same Care as heretofore
This Meeting hath Signed a Certificate for **Benj^a Taber** to the Monthly
B. Taber Certificate Meeting of **Nantucket [Dukes Co MA]** Certifying his Cleanness Respecting Marriage
and Conversation –
The friends Appointed to Treat with **Coaksett [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Monthly
Rose Russell Case Meeting on
behalf of **Rose Russell** Report that they have not had an opportunity
Conveniently to discharge themselves, therefore they are still
Continued in the Same Service and to make Report to the next
Monthly Meeting;
The Treasurer has paid **Antipas Hathaway** 11 / 8d old tener
A. Hathaway is paid The Queries have been Read and Answer'd in this Meeting,
Peleg Smith, Humphry Smith, Joseph Tucker, Samuel Smith
Queries Answer'd **Caleb Russell** are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting
and to present the Answers to the Queries with the Epistle to the
Representatives Same, which hath been Signed in this Meetings –
This Meeting Collected £8 – 7S – 3d old Tenner –
Tim. Russell is paid The Treasurer has paid **Timothy Russell** five dollars for
keeping the Meeting House half a year –

Book; MEN-1762-1785; pp 124, 125; P Trebek/ Gotranscript 11/22/2019

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7th mo:
1767

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 7th
month 1767, Called **Joseph Smith & Jonathan Hussey** present
William Anthony ju^r Chosen Clerk for this day,

Clerk for this day
Hol. Slocum Case The Case of **Holder Slocum** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Mee=
=ting under the Same Case as heretofore, and he is desired to attend
Meetings more diligently for the future;

To Treat with Coak=
=set Meeting The friends Appointed to Treat with **Coaksett [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Monthly
Meeting

Report that they have not discharged their Trust by reason of one
of S^d friends being unwell therefore 'tis Refer'd Still under [?][their care]

Report from Quar: meeting the friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report
that they all attended but **Humphry Smith** and he Sent an
Epistles Excuse which was Accepted –

Received This Meeting Received an Epistle from the yearly Meeting of **London [England]** which was read in this Meeting, and the Good and wholesome advice therein Recommended to friends Observation also Received an Epistle of the yearly meeting of **Rhod Island[Newport, Newport Co RI]** also one from the Quarterly Meeting which were read in this Meeting and Kindly accepted;

8th mo:
1767 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of the 8th Month 1767

The Representatives are **Caleb Russell & Samuel Smith** both present,

R. Wilbor Received The women friends Inform that they have minuted **Rachel Wilbor [Wilbur]** under their Care which this meeting Concurs with,
Holder Slocum **Holder Slocum** hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting
paper Condemning this being in the Practice of Gaming, which this
accepted Meeting Accepts Provided the Cause S^d paper to be read Publickly at the Close of a first day meeting for worship be=
=tween this and the next monthly meeting he being present and Return S^d Paper to the next monthly Meeting –
Rose Russell The Committee Appointed to Treat with **Coaksett** Monthly Mee=
case =ting on the Account of **Rose Russell** Report that they [?][have] discharged their Trust in that Case, and **Coakset** Meeting hath promised to Give this Meeting an Answer as soon as they Can Conveniently

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The women friends Inform that they have accepted: of **Eunice Kirby**'s Acknowledgement for Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this Meeting Concurs with –
Eunice Kirby
acct.

9th mo:
1767 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of y^e 9th month 1767 The Representatives are **W^m Sanford** and **Daniel Cornel[Cornell]** present

David **David Anthony** and **Judith Hicks** declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Mee=
Anthony =ting for their Answer, and **George Smith** and **Benj^a Howland**
proposal of are Appointed to Inquire into the young Man's Clearness Respect=
marriage =ing Marriage & Conversation and Make Report to the next Month=
=ly Meeting **Holder Slocum**'s Paper hath been read According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and here follows

H. Slocum's To the Monthly Meeting of Friends next to be held in **Dartm^o**
Paper on the 20th of the 7th mo: 1767 –
Esteemed friends, Whereas I through unwatchfulness and by Keeping Unnecessary Company have fallen into the bad Prac=
=tice of Gaming, which I am heartily Sorry for and do Condemn

hoping God will forgive me, and I desire friends would pass
it by So far as to let me Remain under their Care, hoping
I shall walk More Agreeable for the time to come

Holder Slocum

*Answer
from Coakset
Concerning
Rose Russ
[?][ell]not
accepted*

Whereas this Meeting hath Received an Answer from **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**

Monthly Meeting Respecting **Rose Russell**, which this Meeting
Apprehends is too Short and not to Satisfaction, therefore **Joseph
Gifford William Anthony ju: & Samuel Smith** are Appointed to
Make Sufficient Inquiry to know whether Said **Rose Russell**
properly belongs to **Coakset** Meeting or not, and if upon Inquiry
they ~~her~~ think her to belong to **Coakset**, to Inform them that this
Meeting desires them to Appoint a Committee to Confer with them
on the Case and Make a final Settlement between the two Meetings
and if they Cannot Agree to a Settlement, then for the two Com^{tees}
to Chuse friends to Settle the Case belonging to Some other Monthly
Meeting –

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1767*

*Overseers
appointed*

This Meeting doth Appoint **Daniel Cornel[Cornell], Luke Hart,
Paul Russell, Benj^a Howland 2^d William Anthony ju: Samuel
Smith** Overseers for the year Ensuing –

*Conclude
to repair
the meeting
house*

This Meeting hath Come to a Conclusion to Repair our Meeting
House, therefore **George Smith, Daniel Russell, & Timothy
Russell** are Appointed to Consider what they shall think Ne=
=cessary to be done and also to Employ[Employ] Some body to do Said
business and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting
The Queries have been read & Answer'd in this Meeting
and we have Signed an Epistle and Sent it up to the Quar=
=terly Meeting by the Representatives who are as follows
**Peleg Smith Abraham Tucker, Nicholas Howland, Benj^a
Howland 2^d** who are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting
and present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries and to
Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Answers
to Queries
and
Epistle
sent by
Represent=
=atives*

*10th mo:
1767*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th of the
10th Month 1767 The Representatives are **David Smith**
and **Jonathan Hussey** present –
The friends Appointed to Inspect into the Clearness of **David**

Anthony's Report that they have Made Inquiry and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage –

*David
Anthony
answer*

David Anthony and **Judith Hicks** Appear'd for their Answer which was that they Might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that purpose and **George Smith** and **Benj^a Howland** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good Order, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Shadach
Dennis
proposal
to marriage*

Shadrac Dennis and **Abial Hussey** declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and **W^m Sanford** and **David Smith** are Appointed to Inquire into the young man's Cleanness Respecting Marriage & Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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*10 Month
1767*

*Repairing
Meeting
House*

The Committee Appointed to Repair our Meeting House Report that they are on their way to accomplish S^d business therefore they are desired to do it as soon as may be and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

*Report from
Quar^{ly}
Meeting*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended Agreeable to Appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been read and Kindly Accepted –

*B. Chase
desires a
Certificate*

Benj^a Chase Requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Swanzy**[**Somerset, Bristol Co MA**] Certifying his Cleanness Respecting Marriage & Conversa=

=tion therefore **Paul Russell Russell** and **Luke Hart** are Ap= pointed to make proper Inquiry and draw a Certificate for him if they think Proper and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Rotche's
Certif.*

Whereas **Joseph Rotch** hath Resided Among us for a Considera= ble time & Agreeable to Good order hath Produced a few lines by way of Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket** [Nantucket Co. MA] Signifying his being a friend in Unity Among them which this Meeting Accepts:

*Overseers
for yearly
Meeting*

Daniel Russell, Timothy Russell, Jonathan Hussey, Thomas Hicks Ju^r David Smith are Appointed to have the Oversight of the Galleries and other Seats to Endeavour to prevent any Indecency that may happen at our yearly Meeting, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meetings;

Complaint

Henry Russell hath Married out of the Unity of friends and hath been Labour'd with by the Overseers, and he declines

*against
Henry Russell*

to Condemn his offence to Satisfaction, Therefore **Jonathan Hussey** and **Barzillai Tucker** are Appointed to Treat farther with him and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th 11th Mon: 1767
*11th mo:
1767* The Representatives are **William Sanford** and **Jonathan Hussey** both present –

The friends Appointed to Inquire into **Shadrac Dennises** Clearness Report that they have Made Inquiry and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage –

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Shadric Dennis and **Abial Hussey** Appeared for their

*Sha: Dennis
answer*

Answer which was that they Might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that purpose, and **William Sanford** and **David Smith** are appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order & Make Report to the Next Monthly Meeting

*Report of
David Anthony's
Marriage*

The friends Appointed to See **David Anthony** and **Judith Hicks** Marriage Consumated in Good order Report that they attended the Marriage, which was Accomplished in Good order –

*Bill for
repairing
meeting house
Certificate
for*

The friends Appointed to Repair our Meeting House Report that they have Repared S^d House Agreeable to Appointment, and have brought in their Bill which is two pounds Lawful Money

B. Chase

This Meeting hath Signed a Certificate for **Benj^a Chase** to the Monthly Meeting of **Swanzy**[**Somerset, Bristol Co MA**], Certifying his Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation;

*W^m
Hunt &
T.Thorn=
brough's
Visit*

Our friends **William Hunt** and **Tho^s Thornbrough** have Visited this Meeting with their Certificates from the Monthly Meeting held at **New-garden** in **Rowan Country North Carolina** dated the 25th 4th month 1767 which have been Read to Good Satisfaction and their Visit Kindly accepted

*Henry
Russell's
case*

The friends Appointed to Treat with **Henry Russell** for Marrying out of the Unity of friends Report that they Labour'd with him, and he Neglects to Make friends Satisfaction for his offence Therefore this Meeting being Tender of him do Refer the Matter under the Care of **Peleg Smith** & he to Treat with him as he shall find freedom and Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Report of
Overseers of
Yearly*

The Committee Appointed to have the oversight of the people that

Meeting they behave orderly at our yearly Meeting Report that they all attended According to Appointment and Saw nothing but what

Meeting in Allen's Neck Granted was tolerable orderly –
The friends living in **Allen's Neck** [S Dartmouth, MA] Request Liberty to hold a Meeting there four Months from now on first days Excepting the day preceding the Monthly Meeting in Each Month which this Meeting Grants and do Appoint **Daniel Cornell**[**Cornell**]and **Philip Allen** and **Prince Allen** to have the oversight of the Same and they to Make Report to the Monthly Meeting at the Expiration of S^d 4 Months –

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*11 month
1767*

This Meeting Adjourns to the 23^d Instant at the 11th hour in y^e fore noon
This Meeting being Mett according to Adjournment this 23rd of 11th mo: 1767

Certificates to be [?] [?] for our Esteemed Visiting Friends

The Representatives being Called **Jonathan Hussey** present
Whereas **William Hunt** and **Thos Hornbrough** from **Newgarden** [Greensboro Guilford Co. NC] in **North Carolina**, and **Aaron Veal** from the **Nine partners** [**Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY**], have Visited Sever'l

Meetings in these parts and being About to Return Home, This Meeting finds freedom to Give Each of them a Certificate, therefore **Abraham Tucker**, **Jonathan Hussey** and **David Smith** are Appointed to draw them and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting,

*adjourn
mett*

This Meeting Adjourns to the 25th Instant after the Meeting of Worship
This Meeting being Mett by Adjournment the 25th of the 11th month 1767
the Representatives being Called **Jonathan Hussey** present

Complaint against Hum. Smith & Hol. Slocum

The Overseers Inform this Meeting that **Humphry Smith** (son of **Humphry**) and **Holder Slocum** have been Concerned in Horse Racing, and that said **Slocum** has lately been in the practice of Gaming, for which the Overseers have Labour'd with them but they decline to make friends Satisfaction therefore **Jonathan Hussey** **Thomas Hicks** 2^d **Barzillai Tuc=**
=ker and **David Smith** are appointed to Treat with them and also to advise them to be More frequent in attending Meetings.

Certificates for Visiting friends Complaint against D. Russell

This Meeting hath Signed Three Certificates, One for **W^m Hunt**, one for **Thomas Thornbrough** and one for **Aaron Veal**, (The overseers Inform that **Daniel Russell** hath Suffered too much Liberty in his tavern, which tend to bring reproach on Truth, there fore **Joseph Tucker** & **Abraham Tucker** are appointed to Labour with him, & make Report next Monthly Meeting

*12 mo:
1767*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** ye 21 of the 12 Month 1767
The Representatives are **William Anthony ju^r** and **Samuel Smith** both present,

Shadrach Dennis Marriage

William Sanford and **David Smith** Report that they attended the Marriage of **Shadrach Dennis** and **Abial Hussey** According to Appointment which was Consumated in Good order –

Henry Russell

Case **Peleg Smith** Reports that he Spoke with **Henry Russell** Concerning his disorderly Marriage, and he desires friends to wait a while Longer with him, therefore his Case is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting under the Care of **Thomas Hicks** 2^d

The Case of Hum. Smith Son of Hum. and Holder Slocum The friends Appointed to Treat with **Humphry Smith** (son of **Humphry**) and **Holder Slocum**, Report that they have Laboured with them and that **Humphry Smith** desires friends friends to wait a while longer with him therefore his Case is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting, they also Report that **Holder Slocum** declines to make friends Satisfaction and doth not desire friends to wait any Longer on him, therefore this Meeting

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12 month 1767 doth Conclude to deny him and do Appoint **Daniel Cornel**[**Cornell**], **Sam^{el} Smith** and **W^m Anthony ju^r** to draw a Paper of Denial Against him and to Inform him of the Conclusion of this Meeting and bring S^d Paper to the next Monthly Meeting –

advise of friends is that Dan. Russell to forbear Selling Spirituous Liquors The Friends Appointed to Labour with **Daniel Russell** for allowing too Much Liberty in his Tavern Report that they have discharged themselves in that Respect, and it is the Sense and Judgment of this Meeting that he throw up Selling Spirituous Liquor –

adjourn This Meeting hath Collected £8 – 10S – 8D old Tener – This Meeting Adjourns to the 28th day of this Instant at the 11th Hour in the fore noon

mett This Meeting being met by Adjournment this 28th of y^e 12th month 1767, The Representatives being Called **W^m Anthony ju^r** and **Samuel Smith** present

This Meeting Adjourns to Tomorrow after the Meeting of worship This Meeting being Met by Adjournment the 29th of the 12th month 1767 The Representatives being Called **W^m Anthony ju^r** and **Samuel Smith** Both present –

Answers with the Epistle to be sent up by Representatives The Queries have been read and Answer'd in this Meeting, and the Answers order'd to be Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Repr=esentatives with the Epistle which hath been read And Signed in this Meeting, **Caleb Russell**, **Benj^a Howland** the 2^d & **Nicolas Howland** are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

This Meeting hath Collected £9 – 17S – 6d old Tennor – This Meeting Adjourns to the first fourth day in next Month after the Meeting of worship –

This Meeting being Met by Adjournment the 6th of the first month 1768

The Representatives being Called both present,

*a debt to
pay for
Ste. Wilcox*

The Overseers of the poor hath brought an Accompt to this Meeting for doing for **Stephen Wilcox** which is £3 – 10S – 0d Old Tene which this **David Briggs**; which he Saith he hath paid Accordingly –

*Joⁿ Williams and
wife
desires a
Certificate*

John Williams and his wife Requests a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]**, therefore **Joseph Tucker** and **Paul Russell** are Appointed to make proper Inquiry and Join with the womens Committee Appointed for the Same purpose and draw a Certificate for them if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

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1767*

*Geo. Smith's
paper accepted*

George Smith ju: hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Signifying his falling into the Sin of Fornication and Condemning the Evil [?][there] of which this Meeting Accepts, Provided he Cause S^d paper to be Read at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting he being present and Make Return of Said paper to the next Monthly Meeting –

*first mo:
1768*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of the first Month 1768 The Representatives are **Tho^s Hicks 2^d** and **Barzillai Tucker** present –

*Henry Russell
Case*

Tho^s Hicks 2^d Reports that he hath Spoke with **Henry Russell** and that he desired longer time to Endeavour to Make friends Satisfaction therefore his Case is Refer'd under the Same Care as heretofore –

*Case of
Hum. Smith*

The Case Concerning **Humphry Smith** Son of **Humphry** is Refer'd under the Care of **Samuel Smith**, and he to Make Report as Soon as opportunity will Afford –

Hold. Slocum

This Meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial Against **Holder Slocum** and **W^m Anthony ju^r** is Appointed to Read S^d Paper at the End of a first day Meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and Return S^d Paper to S^d Meeting –

*J. Crow's
paper accepted*

John Crow hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this Meeting Accepts,

*Report from
Quarterly Meeting*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended According to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read & Kindly Accepted,

*John Williams
Case*

The friends Appointed to draft a Certificate for **John Williams** [?] Report that all things are not Quite Clear therefore the Same friends are Continued for the Same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

*G. Smith ju:
Confession*

George Smith ju^r his Paper hath been Read According to order of last Monthly Meeting & Return'd to this Meeting, which is as follows

To the Monthly Meeting of **Dartmouth**

Whereas I **George Smith ju^r** having been Educated Among friends but through unwatchfulness So far Gave way to the Enemy as to fall into the Sin of Fornication which Appears by my wife having a Child So Soon after

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After Marriage, Now these are to Testefy to all whom it may Concern, that I am heartily Sorry for the Above said Evil, and do Condemn the Same, with all other My outgoings, hoping God will forgive me my offences and Receive me into favour, and I desire friends So far to pass them by as to let me Remain under their Care Given forth this 10th day of y^e 11th month 1767 by your friend

George Smith ju^r

*Step. Wilcox
Case*

The friends Appointed Some time past to have the Care of **Stephen Wilcox's** Affairs Respecting his discharging his debts, Make Report that he has not discharged them all yet, and this Meeting thinks proper to discharge **Daniel Russell** he being one of the Com^{tee}, and to Appoint **Joseph Gifford** and **Paul Russell** to join the afore S^d Committee to have the whole over= sight of **Stephen Willcox's** aforementioned Circumstances –

*2^d mo:
1768*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of the 2d month 1768. The Representatives are **W^m Anthony ju^r** and **Samuel Smith** both present ,–

*Daniel Ricketson
proposal of
marriage*

Daniel Ricketson and **Rebecca Russell** declared their In= tentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **Daniel Cornel[Cornell]** and **Tho^s Hicks 2^d** are Appointed to Inquire into the Young Man's Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting Whereas **Henry Russell** hath Married out of the Unity of friends, and friends having discharged themselves in Labouring with him, and he disregarding their Labour, therefore for the Clearing of Truth this Meeting do deny the Said **Henry Russell** from being under the Care of this Meeting

*H. Russell
disown'd*

William Anthony ju^r Reports that he hath Read **Holder Slocum's** Paper of denial according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting and has Returned the same to this Meeting, which is a follows

*H. Slocum's
denial*

Whereas **Holder Slocum** the Son of **Holder Slocum** deceased and **Rebecca** his wife, having been under the Care of this Meeting

Yet through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth, has So far Deviated from our Religious Profession as to be found in the practice of Gaming, and in Supporting of Horseracing, and also in the Neglect of that Indispensable duty

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duty of attending Religious Meetings of Divine worship, And friends having Repeatedly Labour'd with him in Love in order to Shew unto him his Errors and Reclaim him from his outgoings, But he Continu=
=ing Obstinate, and not adhering to our tender advice and Council, Therefore for the preservation of the precious Truth and Friends from the Reproach thereof this Meeting is Concerned to Give this forth as a Testi=
=mony Against him, Hereby Publicly disowning him the S^d **Holder Slocum** from being one of our Religious Community and from under the Care of this Meeting, Yet Sincerely desiring (if it be Consistant with Divine pleasure) that he may yet Return from the Evil of his ways, and by Sincere Repentance Return to the way of Truth & Salvation. Given forth & Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th day of the first month A.D. 1768 by

Job Russell Clerk

John Williams Case

The friends Appointed to draft a Certificate for **John Williams** & his wife Report that his affairs are not all settled to Satisfaction, therefore the Case is Refer'd under the Care of the S^d Committee, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

Chusing Visitors refer'd

This Meeting hath Made Trial for a Choice of Visitors, and finding the work of Great Importance, but no friend finding the weight of that Service laid on them at present, therefore the Chusing them is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

Com^{tee} to Review Miniuet

Humphry Smith, Benj^a Howland the 2^d **Samuel Smith, Caleb Russell** and **Job Russell** are Appointed to Review the Monthly Meeting's Minutes to see what part they Shall think proper to go on Record, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Overseers of poor

John Potter, Joseph Gifford and **Prince Allen** are Appointed Overseers of the poor for the year Ensuing –

Joseph Tucker & Humphry Smith are Added to the former Committee

Rose Russell case

Appointed to Confer with **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Meeting Respecting **Rose Russell**

Thomas Russell paper

Tho^s Willcox hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting, Condemning his disorder in Marrying out of the order of friends, which is Refer'd to next Monthly Meeting under the Care of **Job Case** and **Jonathan Hussey** and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

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*Daniel
Russell
case*

This Meeting being Informed that **Daniel Russell** hath Proceeded Contrary to the Advice and Judgment of this Meeting in Selling of Spiritous Liquor, and this Meeting Reconsidering a former Minute Respecting Said **Russell** and do think it is Rather too Extensive in that part which debars him from Selling Spiritous Liquor by the Large Quantity therefore do Reverse that part of S^d Minute Nevertheless this Meeting Continuing of the Same Judgment in Re= spect to his Selling Liquor by the small Quantity and do Appoint **Prince Allen** and **Thomas Hicks 2^d** to Labour with him and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

3^d mo:
1768

*Daniel Ricketson
answer*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of the 3d Month 1768 – The Representatives are **Tho^s Hicks** and **Barzillai Tucker** both present; The Friends Appointed to Enquire into **Daniel Ricketson**'s Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation Report that they find nothing to hinder their Proceeding in Marriage **Daniel Ricketson** and **Rebecca Russell** Appeared for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting and **Joseph Gifford** and **Job Russell** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting **Benjamin Wing** of **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]** and **Peace Gifford** declar'd their Intention of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, The S^d **Wing** having Produced a Certificate Certifying his Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation which is Accepted and ~~also~~ hath Pro= duced his Parents Consent – Chusing of Visitors was Refer'd to this Meeting, and no friend finding the weight of that Service, laid upon them at [present?][present] Therefore this Meeting thinks fit to Omitt any furdur Trial in that Matter – The friends Appointed to Peruse the Monthly Meetings Minutes Report that they have discharged their Trust in that Respect.

*Benj Wing's
proposal of
marriage*

*Chusing Visitors
omitted*

*Miniutes
perused*

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*Case of
Coakset friends
Respecting
Rose Russell* The Committee Appointed to Confer with **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**
Monthly Meeting
Respecting **Rose Russell** Report that they have had Several Confe=
=rences on that Account, but Could not Come to an Accomidation
without Submitting the Case to Friends of another Monthly Meeting
and have Made Choice of **Edward Upton, Philip Chase** and
William Buffinton whose Judgment is as followeth –

[?][*The Coakset
Judgment
about
Rose Russell* **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** the 16th of the 3^d Month 1768,
To the two Committees of the Monthly Meetings of **Dartmouth**
We the Subscribers by your Appointment, have heard your
Allegations and Consider'd them weightily, and upon the whole
our Judgment is that **Ponaganset** Meeting be at y^e two thirds of
the Charge that may Acrue by **Rose Russell** for the future
and **Coakset** the one third part for the future

**Edward Upton
Philip Chase
William Buffinton**

*Case of
Thomas Wilcox* The Friends Appointed to Treat with **Thomas Wilcox** Report
that he desires one Month Longer to Endeavour to Make friends
Satisfaction, Therefore the Case is Refer'd under the Same Care
as heretofore and they to Make Report to the Next Monthly
Meeting –

*Report of meetings
in Allen's Neck* The Friends Appointed to oversee the Meeting in **Allensneck**
Report that they have attended the Meetings According to
appointment which was orderly and to Satisfaction –
The Queries have been Read & Answer'd in this Meeting, and an
Epistle Signed and Sent to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representa=
tives who are **Caleb Russell, Nicholas Howland** and **William
Barker** who are to present the Same and to Make Report to
the next Monthly Meeting –

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The Case
of Daniel Russell* The Friends Appointed to Labour with **Daniel Russell**
Report that they have Labour'd with him and he declines
to Retract his Proceedings in Selling of Spirituous Liquor
And this Meeting having been Informed from time to time
of the undue Liberty that **Daniel Russell** Suffers in
his Tavern, which Tends to bring a Reproach on Truth
and Friends, his House not being in a fit Place to keep

a Tavern in because of the Great Report of Town's people
Therefore do Appoint, **John Potter, Prince Allen** and
Thomas Hicks 2^d, to Labour with him for the Above
S^d disorder and to desist from Keeping Tavern and Make
Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Case of
John Williams
Refer'd*

This Meeting hath Collected £9 – 9S – 9d Old Tenor,
John Williams and Wife's Certificate not drafted by the
Same Reason as heretofore which is Refer'd to the next
Monthly Meeting

*4th mo:
1768*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the
18th of the 4th Month 1768, The Representatives are **David
Smith** and **Jonathan Hussey** both Present –

*Benj Wings
answer*

Benj^a Wing & Peace Gifford appeared for their Answer
which was that they Might Proceed to take each other in
Marriage in Some Convenient time between this & the
next Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for
that Purpose, and **Joseph Tucker** and **Joseph Mosher** are
Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order
and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

*David Allen's
proposal
of marriage*

David Allen and **Hannah Ricketson** declared their Inten=
=tion of Marriage and were desired to wait until next Month=
=ly Meeting for their Answer, and **Caleb Russell & Job Russell**
are Appointed to Inspect into the young Man's Clearness Re=
=specting Marriage & Conversation and Make Report to the
next Monthly Meeting

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*Daniel Ricketson's
marriage*

Joseph Gifford and **Job Russell** Report that they attended the
Marriage of **Daniel Ricketson** and **Rebecca Russell** which was
Consumated in Good order –

*Tho's Wilcox
paper*

Thomas Wilcox hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condem=
=ning his falling into the Sin of Fornication which is Refer'd to
the next Monthly Meeting under the Same Care as heretofore

*Report from
Quarterly Meeting*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that
~~they~~ two of them attended According to Appointment & the other
Sent a reasonable Excuse which was Exce~~e~~ Accepted, and they have
Produced an Epistle from S^d Meeting which hath been read and
Kindly accepted –

*[?] of friends
Dan. Russell*

The appointed^Appointed to Labour with **Daniel Russell** Report that he
declines to Make friends Satisfaction, Therefore **Joseph Tucker
Caleb Russell** and **Daniel Cornell** are Appointed to let him know
the Mind of this Meeting that is if he do not make friends Satis=
=faction he may Expect to be denied, and they to make Report to

Treasurer paid

Tim. Russell the next-Monthly-Meeting
J. Williams & wife Certificate The Treasurer hath paid **Timothy Russell** the whole of his demand, on this Meeting, and also **Daniel Russell**'s demand, which is £2 – 2[?][S] Lawful Money –
This Meeting hath Signed a Certificate for **John Williams** & his wife to **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]** Monthly Meeting;

5th mo:
1768

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th of the 5th Month 1768, The Representatives are **Thomas Hicks & Barzilai Tucker** both Present;

Caleb Russell & Job Russell Report that they have made Suffi=cient Inquiry into **David Allen**'s Clearness in Respect to Marriage and Conversation & do not find anything to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage –

David Allen's proposal of marriage

David Allen & Hannah Ricketson appeared for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose and

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and **Caleb Russell** and **Job Russell** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Benj Wing's Marriage

Joseph Tucker & Joseph Mosher Report that they attended the Marriage of **Benj^a Wing** and **Peace Gifford** which was Consum=ated in Good order –

Case of Tho Wilcox refer'd

The Case of **Tho^s Wilcox** is Referred under the Same Care as hereto[?][heretofore] and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting,

The case of Daniel Russell refer'd

The friends Appointed to Enform **Daniel Russell** of the Sense of this Meeting Report that they have discharged their Trust in that Respect, and that he declines to desist from keeping of Tavern until his year is up that he has taken out Licenses to sell Liquor and also **Daniel Russell** hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting which is nowise to Satisfaction, Therefore his Case is Refer'd at the Request of his Brother, **John Russell**, and he to Inform him how his Paper was received, and also to Labour with him as he shold find freedom and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting,

F. Rotch his Certificate Re^d

Francis Rotch, Son of **Joseph Rotch** hath Removed into the verge of this Meeting, and hath Produced a Removal Certificate from

the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket** [Nantucket Co. MA] which hath been read & Accepted
whereas the Committee Appointed to Give a List of those friends
R. Sowl's living at the Eastward Side of **Quishnet** [**Acushnet**] **River** report that
affair they have Given in **Rachel Sowle** to **Sandwich**[**Barnstable Co MA**] Monthly Mee=
=ting which they decline to accept, therefore this Meeting
doth Appoint **Humphry Smith, Job Russell William Mosher &**
Prince Allen to join with S^d Com^{tee} to Confer with **Sandwich**
Monthly Meeting on that account, and also to make a final
Settlement about the S^d **Rachel Sowle** in behalf of this Mee=
=ting & they to make report to the next monthly Meeting

6 mo:
1768

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th
of the 6th Month 1768. The Representatives are **Caleb**
Russell & David Smith both present

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Barnabas Kirby
& Allen's
proposal of
marriage
Barnabas Kirby & Elizabeth Allen declared their Intentions
of taking each other in Marriage & were desired to wait till y^e
next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and **Philip Allen**
and **Nicolas Howland** are Appointed to Inspect into the young
Man's Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation & Make
Report to the next Monthly Meeting

David
Allen's
marriage

Caleb Russell & Job Russell Report that they attended the
Marriage of **David Allen & Hannah Ricketson** & that it was
Consumated in Good order –

Case respect
ing Tho^s Wilcox

The friends Appointed to have the Care of **Tho^s Wilcox** Respecting
Receiving his paper that he Gave into this Meeting some months
past Report that he declines to attend Meetings for Religious
Worship therefore this Meeting Cannot find freedom to Accept
his paper, and do Appoint **Abraham Tucker** to Join the former
Committee to Labour farther with him for his Several disorders
and draw a paper of denial against him if he Gives them no
Satisfaction, and bring it to next Monthly Meeting

D. Russell
accepted

Daniel Russell hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning
his former disorder in Indulging too Much Liberty in his Tavern
which this Meeting accepts, and it is the desire of this Meeting
that he would desist from keeping a Tavern after the year is Expired
that he has Engaged for, and it is Recommended that the overseers
have a particular Inspection over him in his Conduct Respecting
his Tavern.

Case with Sandwich
respecting
Rachel
Sowle

The Committee Appointed to Treat with **Sandwich**[**Barnstable Co MA**] Monthly
Meeting Respecting **Rachel Sowle** Report that they have
had a Conference with Said Meeting and that they have Appoint^d
a Com^{tee} to Confer with them, therefore they are Continued in

*Visits
of Travel
ling
friends*

in the Same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –
Our Esteemed friends **Thomas C[?]rleton, Aaron Lancaster** and **Joshua Shearman** hath Visited this Meeting with their Respective Certificates, The first from **Chester County** in the Province of **Pensylvania** bearing date the 12th of the 5th mo: 1768

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The Second (viz **Aaron Lancaster**) from the **Purchase** in the County of **westchester** in the Province of **New York** whose Cer=
=tificate bears date the 5th month 1768 The first third from the **Nine Partners**[**Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY**] in **dutches County** in S^d Province of **New-york** bearing date the 19th of the 5th Month 1768 – all of which were read in this Meeting and their Visits well accepted The Queries have been read and Answer'd in this Meeting This Meeting Adjourns to our next youth's Meeting after the Meeting of worship –

adjourn

mett

This Meting being met according to Adjournment the first of the 7th month 1768 The Representatives being Called both Present;

*Friends to attend
Quar.
meeting*

Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, William Anthony and **Humphry Smith** are Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting and Present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries which have been read & signed in this Meeting and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Epistle & answers
to
Queries
sent up*

William Sanford and **Jonathan Hussey** are Appointed to adjust Accounts with the Treasurer and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

*To Settle
with
Treasurer*

This Meeting orders the Treasurer to pay **Joseph Tucker** one dollar that this Meeting borrowed some time past ~~which~~ he has done Accordingly;

*Order to pay
Jos Tucker*

Whereas **Humphry Smith** Son of **Humphry Smith** hath been under dealing sometime past under the Care of **Samuel Smith**, who now Informs this Meeting that the S^d **Humphry Smith** Neglects to Make friends Satisfaction Therefore This Meeting doth Appoint **Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker** to Labour farther with him as they may find freedom and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*case of
Hump Smith
son of Hump.*

This Meeting hath Collected £6 – 6S – 9d old Tener –

6 mo:
1768

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of the 7th Month 1768, The Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and **Thomas Hicks 2^d** both Present.

[?][Barn]Kirby answer The friends Appointed to Inspect into the Clearness of **Barnabas Kirby** Report that they have made Sufficient Enquiry and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage –

Barnabas Kirby & Elizabeth Allen Appear'd for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that Purpose, And **Nicholas Howland & Philip Allen** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

W^m Tripp proposal of marriage

William Tripp & Elizabeth Maxfield declared their Intentions of Marriage & were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting –

Case of Thomas Wilcox

The Committee Appointed to Labour with **Thomas Wilcox** Report they have not had a Convenient Oppertunity to Treat with him, therefore they are Continued in the Same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting,

[?][Report] of the Com^{tee} to Treat with Sandwich meeting

The Com^{tee} Appointed to Treat with **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Monthly Meeting Report that they have met with **Sandwich** Meeting's Committee and Could not Settle the Affair, and have Referred the Matter

Treasury not Settled

Till next fall, therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Service and to Make Report when they have Settled the Affair, The Committee ~~Com~~ Appointed to Adjust Accounts with the Treasurer Report they have not done it therefore they are Still Continued in S^d Service and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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1768

Weston Briggs Certi:

Weston Briggs and his wife have Returned into these parts Again and have Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** which hath been

James Davis Certifi:

Read and Accepted – **James Davis** hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich** which hath been

Report from Quarterly Meeting

Read and Accepted The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended According to Appointment

and have brought an Epistle from the same but it is not
Come to hand therefore they are desired to take Care and
bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

*Humphry Smith 3rd
paper*

Humphry Smith the 3^d hath Given in a Paper to his Mee=
=ting Condemning his Runing Horses and Keeping Loose
Company which is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting
and he is desired to attend at that time –

*David Anthony
& wife's
paper*

David Anthony and his wife have Given in a paper
to this Meeting Condemning their falling into the Sin
of Fornication which is Referred to the next Monthly
Meeting and **Joseph Gifford** and **Barzillia Tucker** are

*T. Almy
Request*

appointed to take an oppertunity of discourse with
him and Make Report to the Next Monthly Meeting
Thomas Almy Requests to Come under friends Care
and **Daniel Cornell**[Cornell] & **Prince Allen** are Appointed to Inquire
into the young Man's Conversation & take an oppertunity
of Sollid Conference and Endeavour to understand if his
Motive be from the bottom of True Conviction and they
to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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1768*

William Brown Informs this Meeting that he is About to Remove
to **Nantucket** [Nantucket Co. MA] and desires a Removal Certificate, Therefore **Caleb
Russell & Job Russell** are Appointed to draw one for him if they
think proper after they have made Sufficient Inquiry into
his Life & Conversation And bring it to next Monthly Meeting

*W^m
Brown
request
of Certi:*

*Treasurer paid Tim.
Russell*

This Meeting hath Collected £9 – 13S – 7d old Tener
The Treasurer has paid **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for Keeping
the Meeting House half a year –

*8th mo:
1768*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th 8 mo: 1768
The Representatives are **David Smith** and **Samuel Smith** present
William Tripp hath Produced a Certificate from **Coakset** [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co
MA] Monthly

*W^m Tripp
answer*

Meeting Certifying his Clearness in Respect to Marriage and
Conversation which hath been read and accepted
William Tripp & Elizabeth Maxfield Appeared for their Answer
which was that they might Proceed to take each other in
Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the
next Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for that
Purpose, and **Luke Hart & W^m Mosher** are Appointed to see
their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report
to the next Monthly Meeting

*Barnab Kirby's
answer*

The friends Appointed to See **Barnabas Kirby's & Elizabeth**

marriage **Allen's** Marriage Consumated Report that they attended
Tho Wilcox According to Appointment which was Consumated in Good order
case The Committee Appointed to Confer with **Tho^s Wilcox** Report that
they have had a Conference with him and they desire to have the
Matter defered one Month Longer, which is accordingly under
their Care who are to make Report to next Monthly Meeting

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Settled
with
Treasurer

Epistles
receiv'd

David
Anthony's
Case

Tho^s Almy

W^m
Brown
removed

Humph
Smith 3^d
case

P. Russell &
D. Cornel
dismist

Stephen
Wilcox's
affair

9th mo
1768

The friends Appointed to Adjust accounts with the Treasurer
Report that they Settled Accounts with him and there Remain
£2 – 2S – 8d old Tener in the Treasury
The Epistle from the last Quarterly Meeting now Came to hand
and hath been read and Kindly accepted
Likewise the **London [England]** Printed Epistle and one from
Philadelphia, and as they Contain a Great deal of Counsel
and Good Advice the Contexts are Earnestly Recommended
to friends Notice and Observation –
The friends Appointed to Confer with **David Anthony** ~~Am~~
make Report that he Gave them Satisfaction but we not
having any account from the women the matter is Referred
to the next Monthly Meeting –
The friends Appointed to Confer with **Thomas Almy** make a
Satisfactory Report and the matter is Still Continued under
Their Care who are to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting
This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **William**
Brown to the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket** [Nantucket Co. MA]
This Meeting doth Refer the Case of **Humphry Smith** the 3^d
under the Care of **Abraham Tucker** & **Joseph Tucker** and they
to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting
This meeting Excuses **Paul Russell** from having having the Care of
Stephen Wilcox's affair, and also Excuses **Paul Russell** and
Daniel Cornel[Cornell] from being overseers.
Prince Allen, Benj^a Howland 2^d Samuel Smith and **Barzillai**
Tucker are added to the former Comittee to have the Care of
Stephen **Wilcox's** affair in Regard to his paying his debts
and they to make Report to the next monthly meeting –

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19 of the 9th month 1768, The Representatives are **Benj^a Howland**

Caleb 2^d and **Thomas Hicks 2^d** both present –

*Caleb
Macumber's
[?]
proposal
of marriage*

Caleb Macumber & Rachel Wilbour declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait Till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer

*W^m Tripp
marriage*

Luke Hart & William Mosher Report that they attended the Marriage of **William Tripp & Elizabeth Maxfield** which was Consumated in Good order

*Tho^s Wilcox
paper
accepted*

The friends Appointed to Treat with **Tho^s Wilcox** Report that they think best to accept of his Paper therefore this Meeting accepts it accordingly with the Provisal that he Cause S^d paper to be read at the Close of a first day meeting of worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting he being present and Return S^d Paper to the next monthly meeting

*David
Anthony
& wife's
paper*

This Meeting Likewise accepts of **David Anthony** & his wife's paper provided they Cause it to be read at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship they being present and return S^d paper to the next Monthly Meeting

*T. Almy
accepted*

The friends Appointed to Confer with **Thomas Almy** on his Request to Come under friends Care, Make a Satisfactory Report, Therefore This Meeting doth accept him a Member under friends Care

*Case of
Humph.
Smith 3*

The friends Appointed to have the Care of **Humphry Smith** y^e 3^d Report that they think it not best to Receive his paper and that he desires friends to Defer the Matter one Month longer, Therefore his Case is Referred € under the Same Care as heretofore and they to Make Report to next Monthly Meeting;

*Ste. Wilcox
affair*

The friends Appointed to have the Care of **Stephen Wilcox**'s affair in Regard to his discharging his debts Report that they are not ready for
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an Answer, Therefore the Matter is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting under their Care who are then to make Report

*Paul Russell
intends a
visit*

Paul Russell Informs this Meeting that he hath it on his Mind to visit Some Meetings in the Circuit of the Quarterly

*P Russel
& Daniel Cornel
approv^d ministers*

Meeting of **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]** which this Meeting Approves of – This Meeting hath Recommended **Paul Russell** and **Danil Cornel[Cornell]**

Overseers chosen

as Ministers in Unity to the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders at **Rhode-Island** –

*Rotches
Certificate*

Luke Hart, Benj^a Howland 2^d William Anthony ju: and **Samuel Smith** are Appointed overseers for the year Ensuing **Joseph Rotch** hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket[Dukes Co MA]** which hath been read and accepted –

*Answers to Queries
sent up*

*Represent
atives
Epistle
sent*

The Queries have been Read in this Meeting and Answer'd and the Answers Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives who are **Paul Russell, Caleb Russel Nicolas Howland** and **Jonathan Hussey**. This Meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and Sent it up by the Representatives, **Nicolas Howland** hath brought an Account to this Meeting for Covering **Fox's** Journal and Mending the Bellow's to the Amount of four Shilling Lawful Money which this Meeting Approves, and the Treasurer has paid it by order of the Meeting

*Covering Fox's
Journal
&c*

This Meeting hath Collected £6 – 0S – 9d old Tener –

*10th mo:
1768*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of the 10th Month 1768 The Representatives are **David Smith** and **Benjamin Howland** [?][2^d] both present –

*Caleb Macumber
Clearness*

Caleb Macumber hath produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Certifying his Clearness Respect=
=ing Marriage & Conversation

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1768*

*C. Mac
umber's
answer*

Caleb Macumber and **Rachel Wilborr** Appeared for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting and **Philip Allen** and **Daniel Cornel[Cornell]** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the Next Monthly Meeting –

Thomas Wilcox's Paper hath not been read According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting by Reason of a Mistake, therefore he is desired to Cause S^d paper to be read between this & the next Monthly Meeting and Return Said Paper to S^d Meeting

David Anthony and his wife's paper hath been read and Return'd to this Meeting According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting And is as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of **Dartmouth**

*David & Judith
Anthony's
Confession*

These Comes with Sorrow to Inform that through weakness and the Insinuation of the Adversary, we have fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication, as Appears by our having a Child So Soon after Marriage for which we are heartily and Sincerely Sorry and do Condemn the Same hoping forgiveness from Almighty God and desire

to take the Reproach thereof upon ourselves, and [?][Clear] friends
and the Truth from the same and desire friends so far to pass
it by as to let us Remain under their Care

Given forth this 13th of the 7th month 1768 by your friends

David Anthony

Judith Anthony

*Case of
H. Smith 3*

The Committee Appointed to have the Care of **Humphry Smith** y^e 3^d
Report that they have not had an opportunity with him and that
he desires that friends would wait on him one month [?][longer] therefore
the Matter is Referred under the Same Care as heretofore and they
to Make Report to the Next Monthly Meeting –

*S. Wilcox
case*

The friends Appointed to Assist **Stephen Wilcox** Report that the Mat=
=ter Remains not Settled therefore the Case is Referred under the Same
Care and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Report
from Quar
terly Meeting*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that
they all attended According to Appointment and have produced an
Epistle from the Same which hath been read & Kindly Accepted

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*Susanna
Howland
Received*

The Women friends Inform that they have Minuted **Susanna
Howland** under friends Care, which this Meeting Concurrs with
**Joseph Gifford, William Anthony ju: Berzillai Tucker, Prince
Allen, Timothy Russell, Samuel Smith, Jonathan Hussey &
John Potter** are Appointed to have the oversight of the Gallery
and other Seats at our yearly Meeting to Endeavour to prevent
any Indecency that may be liable to happen at that time
and they to Make Report of their Service at the next Monthly
Meeting,

*overseers of
yearly
meeting*

*11 mo: }
1768*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21
of the 11th mo: 1768, The Representatives are **Benj^a Howland**
the 2^d and **Samuel Smith** both present

*Caleb
Macumber
marriage*

Daniel Cornel and **Philip Allen** Report that they
attended the Marriage of **Caleb Macumber** and **Rachel
Wilborr [Wilbur]** which was Consumated in Good order
Thomas Wilcox's paper hath been read According to the
appointment of last monthly Meeting, and is as follows

Dartmouth 18th day 11th [4th?]mo: 1768

*Wilcox's
Confession*

To the Monthly Meeting of friends –

Whereas Through unwatchfulness have I falled
Into the Sin of Fornication as Manifestly hath Appeared by

my wife having a Child Soon after Marriage, for which which [sic] Evil I am Sorry for, hoping for the future to be more Carful, & I beg that God will forgive me for the Above S^d Evil and all my misconduct, and friends would pass it by, and I Remain under their Care, from your friend – **Thomas Wilcox**

*Hum. Smith ^ 3^d
case*

Whereas **Humphry Smith the 3^d** Some time past hath been in the Practice of Horse racing and hath been Laboured with for the Same and Neglects to Condemn the Above S^d practice to friends Satisfaction and Since hath Kept a Great deal of loose Company, and hath fallen into a Bodily Strife with **Sam^{el} Macumber ju**: Therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Benj^a**

Howland

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1768*

Howland the 2^d and William Anthony ju: to Labour with him for the aforeS^d offences as they Shall find freedom and draw a paper of denial if he do not Give them Satisfaction, and to Inform him of their Appointment from this Meeting and Make Report to y^e next Monthly Meeting ---

The friends Appointed to Assist **Stephen Wilcox** Report as follows

*Wilcox's }
affair*

Agreeable to Appointment we have made Inspection into the affairs of **Stephen Wilcox** in Regard to his debts (which the Meeting hath long held in Suspense) and we think he is very Much Involved in debt, & in low Circumstances, and Neglects the payment of his Just debts as Appears to us by the Complaints of his Creditors, Some of whom appear to be long Kept out of their Just dues, and he not in a way to discharge them to the Honour and Credit of Friends, and the Pro[fession ?]we bear, wherefore we having Seriously and weightily Considered the Same it is our united Sense and Judgment that he ought to pay & Satisfy his Said Creditors or Imediately deliver up his Estate to [them?] Notifying them Respectively to Come and take it in proportion to their Several dues, which Method we have Repeatedly advised him to Proceed in, and which he now promises Imediately to Comply with --- Given forth this 21 of the 11th mo: 1768 by

your friends

Benja Howland

Samuel Smith

Thomas Hicks

Barzillai Tucker

And the afore S^d Com^{tee} are Still Continued to See that the Said **Stephen Wilcox** fulfils his Promise and make Report to

*Report of
overseers
of yearly
Meeting*

the Monthly Meeting as soon as the Matter Can be Accomplished
The Comittee Appointed to have the oversight of ^{^the} yearly Mee=
=ting Several of them Report that they attended the Service to
Satisfaction and that People behaved tolerable orderly, but
Several of the Comittee hath Neglected to Make Report
therefore **Samuel Smith** is Appointed to Call on them for
the reasons of their Neglect & make Report next Monthly Meeting

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*11 month
1768
Meetings
in Allen's
Neck
Granted*

The friends living in **Allen's Neck [S Dartmouth MA]** Request the Liberty
to hold a Meeting down there on each first in the four
following Months which this Meeting Grants, and do
Appoint **Philip Allen & Daniel Cornel** to See the
Meeting Carried on agreable to Truth and Make Report
to the Monthly Meeting at the Expiration of Said Time

*Meetings
in Smith's
Neck
granted*

And the Friends living in **Smith's Neck [S Dartmouth MA]** Request the
Liberty to hold a Meeting among them on two first days
in Each Month for the winter Season, which this Meeting
Grants, and they are to hold it on Every other first
day as Comes in Course for the winter Season and **Benj^a
Howland 2^d** and **Samuel Smith** are appointed to See
that the S^d Meeting be held According to Truth and
they to Make Report to the Monthly Meeting at
the Expiration of the Afore S^d time –

*E. Baker
Certifi:*

Whereas Our Esteemed friend **Ephraim Baker**
hath Visited our Meeting and desired our Certificate
Therefore, **Joseph Tucker** and **Barzillai Toker [Tucker]**
are appointed to draw one for him and bring it to
the next Monthly Meeting –

*H. Slocum's
Certifi:*

Whereas **Humphry Slocum** now Resides at **Rhode Island** [Newport Co. RI]
and desires a few lines to Recommend him to the Monthly
Meeting there, Therefore **Joseph Tucker & Barzillai Tucker** are
Appointed to draw a Certificate for him and bring it to the
next Monthly Meeting –

*Rotch's
Certifi:*

Whereas **Joseph Rotch** desires a Certificate to the Monthly
Meeting of **Rhode Island** Certifying his Clearness in Respect
to Marriage and Conversation, therefore **Caleb Russell** and
Job Russell are Appointed to draw one for him if they
think proper after they have made Sufficient Enquiry
in his afore S^d Clearness, and bring it to next Monthly

B. to be

Transcri^{bed}
for
[?]

Meeting

This Meeting Appoints **Samuel Smith** to Join with **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** friends to Transcribe the the Book of Discipline as reasonably as they can & make Report when it is Accomplished –

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12: mo:}
1768

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th of the 12th month 1768, The Representatives are **David Smith** and **Barzillai Tucker** both present

*Peleg Slocum's
proposal
[of] marriage*

Peleg Slocum Ju: and **Susanna Howland** declared their Intention of Marriage and were desired to wait Till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and **Nicolas Howland & Prince Allen** are Appointed to Enquire into **Peleg Slocum's** Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

*Barnabas
Wing's
proposal of marriage*

And **Barnabas Wing** and **Jane Merihew** declared their Intention of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer –

*Humphry
Smith's
Case*

The Friends Appointed to Labour with **Humphry^{Smith} y^e 3** Report that they have Laboured with him, and that he desires friends to wait on him one month longer which is Granted, and they Still Continued in the Same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

*Overseer
yearly
meeting
Report*

Whereas three friends were deficient last Monthly Meeting in Making Report of their Service in the oversight of the yearly Meeting now make Report that they all attended the Service to pretty Good Satisfaction, and they have assigned the Reasons of their Neglect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting

*B:
Certifi:*

This Meeting hath Signed a Certificate directed to the Monthly Meeting of friends held at the **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** in the Province of **Newyork** for our friend **Ephraim Baker** –

*H. S:
Certifi:*

And this Meeting hath also Signed a Certificate for our friend **Humphry S~~mi~~ Slocum** to the Monthly Meeting of **Rhod Island [Newport Co. RI]** Certifying his being under the Care of this meeting, and his Conversation in a Good degree orderly –

*R:
Certi:*

And this Meeting hath also Signed a Certificate for **Joseph Roch** to the Monthly Meeting of **Rhod Island** Certifying his Clearness in Respect to Marriage & Conversation –

*Queries
&
Epistle*

The Queries have been Read and Answer'd in this Meeting –
This Meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting

*12 month
1768
Representatives*

The Friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting are **William Anthony ju., William Mosher, Samuel Smith, and Benjamin Howland the [2?]^d** and they to present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

*Tim Russe'
paid*

This Meeting hath Collected £10 – 16^s – 8^d old Tener – and the Treasurer has paid **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for Keeping the Meeting House half a year According to order

*1: mo: }
1769*

At a Monthly Meeting hold in **Dartmouth** the 16th of the first month 1769 The Representatives are **Caleb Russell** and **Jonathan Hussey** both Present

*Bar Wing
Certificat*

Barnabas Wing hath Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]**, Certifying his Clearness in Respect to Marriage and Conversation which hath been Read and Accepted –

*Peleg Slocum ^ju
& Barna
Wing's
answer*

Peleg Slocum ju: and Susanna Howland, and Barnabas Wing and Jane Merihew Appeared for their Answers which was that Each Couple Might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that purpose and **Joseph Gifford & Job Russell** are Appointed to see **Peleg Slocum's** and **Susanna Howlands** Marriage Con=
=sumated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, And **Joseph Smith** and **William Mosher** are appointed for the Same Service with **Barnabas Wing & Jane Merihew** and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Batho: Taber
and
Tho's Almy
proposal of
marriage*

Bartholomew Taber and **Mercy Bowdish** and **Thomas Almy** and **Deborah Allen** Declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait Till next Monthly Meeting for their Answers And **Daniel Cornel & Prince Allen** are Appointed to ~~wait till~~ Make Enquiry into **Thomas Almy's** Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conver=
=sation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*H. Smith's
paper*

Humphry Smith the 3^d hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his offences in horse Racing, Gaming

and

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1769*

And in having a Bodily Strife with **Samuel Macu^{^m}ber**

with all the Rest of his Misconduct which is Continued under the Care of **William Anthony ju^r** until the next Monthly Meeting –

*Report
[from?] Quar
[M]eeting*

The Friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended According to Appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read & well accepted –

*Books
[to?] be
Printed*

Proposals for Printing two Sorts of Primers and a Book of **Samuel Fuller**'s works has been Sent down from the Quarterly Meeting. Therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Caleb Russell, Jonathan Hussey W^m Anthony ju^r Samuel Smith, Prince Allen Daniel Cornel, Tho^s Hicks, William Mosher, Peleg Gifford and Benj^a Russell the 4th** to Collect Subscriptions for the afore Said Books and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

*Certificate
for Tho^s
Wilcox

[?prop]osed*

The overseers Inform this Meeting that **Thomas Willcox** hath Re=
=moved out of the verge of this Meeting without a Certificate therefore **Humphry Smith Samuel Smith and William Anthony ju^r** are Appointed to draw a Certificate for him and bring ~~bring~~ it to the next Monthly Meeting

*Rachel
Sowle's
affair*

the Committee Appointed Some time past to Settle the Affair Respec=
=ting **Rachell Sowle** with **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Monthly Meeting Report that they have had two Conferences with S^d Meetings Com'ttee and that they Could not ~~not~~ settle that affair therefore the Matter is Referred to next Monthly Meeting -----

*2^d mo: }
1769*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 2^d month 1769, The Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and **William Anthony ju^r** Both Present, -----

*Bart Taber
Certificat*

Bartholomew Taber hath Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich**, Certifying his Clearness in Respect to Marriage and that he is under the Care of that Meeting and also Signifying his Parent's Consent –

*Tho Almy
Clearness*

The friends Appointed to Inquire into the Clearness of **Thomas Almy** Respecting Marriage and Conversation Report that

they

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they have Made Inquiry and do not find anything to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage – --- -----

Bart Taber

Bartholomew Taber and **Mercy Bowdish** and **Thomas Almy**

*and
Tho's Almy
answer*

and **Deborah Allen** Appeared for their Answers which was that Each Couple Might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that Purpose and **Thomas Hicks** and **Prince Allen** are Appointed to See **Thomas Almy** and **Deborah Allen's** Marriage Consummated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting and **Caleb Russell** and **Joseph Gifford** are Appointed to See **Bartholomew Taber** and **Mercy Bowdish's** Marriage Consumat[ed]

*Peleg Slo
=cum's
marriage*

in Good order & Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting The friends Appointed to See **Peleg Slocum's** and **Lucy Howland** Marriage Consumated Report that they attended the Marriage and that it was Accomplished in Good order ----- and also the friends Appointed on the Same Account with **Barnabas Wing** and **Jane Merihew** Make the like Report that their Marriage was Consumated in Good order –

*on Printg
Books*

The friends Appointed to Collect Subscriptions for the Printing the Primers and Books Report that they [^]are in the Progress of their Service but have not Accomplished it yet Therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Service and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

*T. Wilcox's
Certificate*

The Matter Concerning **Humphry Smith the 3^d** is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting – This Meeting hath Signed a Certificate for **Thomas Wilcox** to the Monthly Meeting of **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** – The Matter Concerning **Rachel Sowle** is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting –

*Minutes
to be
review'd*

Humphry Smith, Samuel Smith, Benj^a Howland Job Russell are Appointed to Review the Monthly Meeting's Minutes to See what part they may think proper to be put on Record and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*[3^d] mo: 1
1769*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of 3^d month 1769 – The Representatives are **Caleb Russell** and **Samuel Smith** both Present – --- ---

*James
Davis
proposal
[of] marriag*

James Davis & Patience Russell declared their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait Till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **William Sanford & David Smith** are Appointed to Enquire into the young Man's Clearness Respecting Mareriage and Conversation & Make Report to y^e next Monthly Meeting

*Tho's Almy
&
[Bart]. Taber
marriage*

The friends Appointed to See **Tho's Almy & Deborah Allen's** Marriage Consumated in Good order Report that they both attended the Marriage which was Consumated in good order, and likewise the friends Appointed on the Same Account for **Bartholomew Taber & Mercy Bowdish** make the Like Report that their Marriage was Consumated in Good order –

*Subscrip=
tions*

The friends Appointed to Collect Subscriptions for **Fox's** Primers and **Fuller's** Books Report as followeth they have taken them in as followeth (viz)

Small	Fox's	Fuller's
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	Primers	Primers	Books
Caleb Russell	23	24	21
Prince Allen	22	16	16
Peleg Gifford	12	5	3
Will^m Mosher	60	24	26
Daniel Cornell	10	5	5
Benj^a Russell 4th	41	20	8
Thomas Hicks	11	3	2
Samuel Smith	31	[13?]	6
W^m Anthony ju^r	15	10	00
Jonathan Hussey	6	6	00
Whole of Each Sort}	231	126	87
Subscribed for --			

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Hum Smith 3
case* The Matter Concerning **Humphry Smith y^e 3^d** is Refer'd to the under the Care of **Joseph Gifford, W^m Sanford & Barzillai Tucker** and they are desired to Visit the young man and make Report to the adjournment of this Meeting –

*Dinah Ric=
=ketson's
paper
Received* The women friends Inform that **Dinah Ricketson** hath Given in a Paper to their Meeting Some Months past Condemning her falling into the Sin of Fornication, which they have Concluded to Accept Provided She Cause S^d paper to be Read Publickly at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship She being present, and Return Said paper to the Next Monthly Meeting which this Meeting Concurs with –

*The affair
of Rachel
Sowle* Whereas **Rachel Sowle** was Set off to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Monthly Meeting Some time past, and the S^d Meeting Refusing to Accept her, and this Meeting having Appointed a Committee to hear the Reasons of their Refusal and also to Settle the Matter Concerning her, and they have Some Months past Made Report that they have had Several Conferences with **Sandwich** Monthly Meeting and Could not Settle the matter in Controversey, their Reasons as we Apprehend not being Sufficient therefore this Meeting doth Appoint a Committee to Settle ^{^the} matter the best way that they may think proper in behalf of this Meeting whose Names are **Humphry Smith, Prince Allen, Tho^s Hicks, Joseph Gifford, James Tucker** or Either two of them and they to Make Report to this Meeting when they have Made full Trial for a Settlement –

*Overseers
of poor
accompts* The overseers of the Poor have brought an Accompt for doing for the poor to the amount of £6 – 11^s – 10^d old Tener, and the

Treasurer has paid the Same by the order of this Meeting –
adjourns This Meeting hath Collected £8 – 4 – 2^d old Tener –
 This Meeting adjourns to the 29th Instant –
mett This Meeting being mett According to Adjournment y^e 29th of
 the 3d Month 1769 – The Representatives being Called
Miniuts both Present –
Review'd The Committee Appointed to Review the Meeting's Minutes
 Report they have Reviewed S^d Minutes and Left them with
Samuel Smith to be Recorded –

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[3] month
1769
[Que]ries
[E]pistle
[Rep]resen=
[ta]tives

The Queries have been Read and Answered in this Meeting and
 This Meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and
Jonathan Hussey, Tho^s Hicks and **W^m Barker** are Appointed to
 attend the Quarterly Meeting, and to Present the Epistle with
 the Answers to the Queries & Make Report to the next Monthly
 Meeting – --- --- --- ---

[H.] Smith³
[pa]per
[ac]cepted

The friends Appointed to have the Care of **Humphry Smith y^e 3^d**
 Report that he Gave them Tolerable Good Satisfaction therefore
 This Meeting Concludes to Accept his paper that he Gave in to this
 Meeting Some Months past if he will Cause it to be Read at the
 Close of a first day Meeting of worship he being present between
 This and the next Monthly Meeting and Return Said paper
 to next Monthly Meeting –

[Ch]using
[E]lders
referd

Chusing of Elders is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting
Prince Allen, Joseph Gifford, Barzillai Tucker, Tho^s Hicks 2^d
 and **Caleb Russell** are appointed overseers of the Poor –

[Re]port of
[M]eeting in
Allen Neck

The friends Appointed to have the Care of the Meetings held in **Allen's**
Neck [S Dartmouth, MA] and in **Smith's Neck [S Dartmouth, MA]** Report that they
 attended the Meetings Respectively, which were held to Good Satisfaction

4th mo: }
1769]

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the
 17:th 4th Month 1769 – The Representatives are
David Smith & Barzillai Tucker both Present --

James Davis
Clearness

The friends Appointed to Enquire into the Clearness of
James Davis in Respect to Marriage & Conversation Report
 that they have Made Inquiry & do not find anything to hinder
 his Proceeding in Marriage –

James Davis
answer

James Davis & Patience Russell Appeared for their Answer
 which was that they Might Proceed to take each other in
 Marriage in Some Convenient time between this & the next
 Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for that Purpose
 and **W^m Sanford** and **Joseph Gifford** are Appointed to See their
 Marriage Consumated in Good order, and Make Report to the

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*Dinah Ricketson's paper
Read Report of the
Judgment about
R. Sowle*

Dinah Ricketson's Paper hath been Read & Returned to this Meeting According to the Direction of Last Monthly Meeting The friends Appointed to Settle the Controversey between this and **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Monthly Meeting Concerning **Rachel Sowle**, Report that they have Settled the Matter by Referring it to Indifferent friends, and their Judgment is that the Said **Rachel Sowle** belongs to this Meeting – -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --

*Dinah Ricketson's
Confession*

Dinah Ricketson's paper Above mentioned is as followeth To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be held the 21 of the 11th Month 1768 – -- -- --

Esteemed friends, Whereas I through unwatchfulness have fallen into the [^]Reproachful Sin of Fornication which plainly appears by my having a Child So Soon after Marriage & gone Contrary to the Good order of friends all which I am Sorry for, hoping God will forgive me, and I desire friends would pass it by, So far as to Let me Remain under their Care

Dinah Ricketson

*Rachel Sowle
affair*

Jonathan Hussey & David Smith are Appointed to Make Inquiry to find what Estate belongs to the above S^d **Rachel Sowle** and also to Settle accounts with her Creditors, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting – -- -- --

*Report from
Quar meeting*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended According to Appointment, and have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read and well Accepted – -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --

Humphry Smith the 3^d his paper hath been Read Agree= able to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting – and is as follows - - - -

*H. Smith's
Acknow=
ledgement*

To the Monthly Meeting of **Dartmouth** These Comes with Sorrow to Acknowledge my outgoing in Horse-Ra= cing, Gaming & falling into a bodily Strife with **Samuel Macumber ju:** all which I do heartily & Sincerely Condemn with all other my outgoing, and hoping forgiveness from the Lord, I desire friends So far to pass them by as to let me Remain under your Care, desiring that I may for the time to Come be preserved from the like evil or any others, dated this 15th of y^e first mo: 1769

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1769
[Chus]ing
[Elders] referd

Chusing of Elders is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting

[J?] Mosher
[desires?]
[Ce]rtificate

Joseph Mosher Informs this Meeting that he is about to Remove with his family to the **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]**, and desires a Removal Certificate, Therefore **Luke Hart & Barzillai Tucker** are appointed to Make Inquiry into his Life & Conversation, and to See that his outward affairs be Settled to Satisfaction, and draft a Certificate for himself & family if they think Proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

Complaint
against
Benj. Smith

William Wilcox hath Exhibited a Complaint against **Benj^a Smith** for Refu= sing to pay him an award brought in by Arbitrators Indifferently Chosen between them, Therefore **Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker** are appointed to Treat with the Said **Benjamin Smith** for his Neglect and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting –

5 mo: }
1769 }

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15: 5th month 1769 – The Representatives are **David Smith & Barzillai Tucker** both Present –

James Davis
marriage
not accom
plished

The friends appointed to See **James Davis** and **Patience Russell**'s Marriage Consumated Report that their S^d Marriage is not accomplished by Reason the young woman has been Sick, therefore they are Still Continued in S^d Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Rach Sowle
Case

The friends Appointed to Inquire into **Rachel Sowle**'s affairs and to Settle accounts with her Creditors Report that they have made Some Progress therein & desire one month longer to Accomplish S^d business which is Granted them & they to make Report next Monthly Meeting

Certifi }
for J. }
Mosher}

This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Joseph Mosher** & his family to the Monthly Meeting at the **Nine- partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** in **Douches [Dutchess] County** in the Province of **Newyork**

The friends Appointed to Treat with **Benjamin Smith** for Ne- glecting to fulfil an award brought in by between him and

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William Wilcox Report that the S^d. **Benjamin** Informed the[m]

*Benj Smith's
Case*

that the arbitrators were not Chosen between them according to Rule, & therefore y^e Case was not brought to the Meeting according to the Rule of Discipline, therefore this meeting doth add **Joseph Gifford[d]** to the former Committee on that Case, and they Treat with the S^d.

*Chusing Elder
referred*

Benj^a Smith & to make Inquiry into Every particular Circumstance Relat[ing?] to the Controversey & to Labour as they find freedom to Settle the S^d Controv[ersey] and to make Report to y^e next Monthly Meeting -- -- -- ----

*Obediah Allen
request*

Chusing of Elders is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting
Obediah Allen hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting
Condemning his former Outgoings, for which he was denied,
and desiring to be Received Again under friends Care, which
is Referred to Next Monthly Meeting under the Care of
Thomas Hicks & Barzillai Tucker, and they to Make Report
to the next Monthly Meeting -----

*6th
Month
1769*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th
of the 6th month 1769, ^{^The Representatives} are **Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey**
both present -- -- ----

*James Davis
marriage*

William Sanford & Joseph Gifford Report that they
attended the Marriage of **James Davis & Patience Russell**
which was Consumated in Good order --- ---- -----

*Rachel
Sowle's
Estate*

The friends Appointed to Settle Accompts with **Rachel Sowle**[s]
Creditors, & to See what Money Remains due to her Report
that there Remains due to the Sd, **Rachell** £6 - 5^s - 10^d ½ Lawful
Money -- -- -- -- --

*Benj Smith
affare Settled*

The Committee Appointed to Treat with **Benjamin Smith** ~~for~~
on account of a Complaint Exhibited against him by
William Wilcox Report, that the Matter is Settled to

*Removal
Certificates
for E. Tripp
R. Macumbr
& M. Taber*

Satisfaction Between the Said **Benja Smith & Wm Wilcox**
This meeting hath Signed Three Removal Certificates
one for **Elizabeth Tripp** & one for **Rachal Macumber** both
to the Monthly Meeting of **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** , and one for
Mercy Taber to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Monthly Meeting -----

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*The Visits
of Foreign
Friends*

Our Esteemed friend **Rachel Wilson** hath Visited us
with her Certificate from the Monthly Meeting at
Kendal [Cumbria Co. England] in **Westmorland** in old **England** bearing date
the 24th of the 6th month 1768, With a Concurrance from the
Quarterly Meeting held at **Kendal** for **Westmorland** the
8th of the 7th month 1768, Which were Read in this Mee-
=ting to Good Satisfaction - in Company with whom Came
our Esteemed friend **Sarah Hopkins** with her Certificate
from the Monthly Meeting held at **Haddonfield [Camden Co. NJ]** in the
County of **Gloucester** the 8th of the first month 1769
and her Visit Kindly accepted, And likewise our Esteemd
friend **John Pemberton** hath Visited This Meeting with
his Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held in **Phi-
-ladelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** by Adjournment from the 26th 5^{mo} to the 30th
of the Same 1769, which hath been Read & well accepted

*Certificate
for T. Wilcox*

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for
Thomas Wilcox to the Monthly Meeting of **Coakset**

This Meeting hath Collected 19^s - 2^d Lawful money

*adjourn
mett*

This Meeting Adjourns to the Last fourth day of this Month

This Meeting being Mett by Adjournment the 28th of the

6th mo: 1769, The Representatives being Called, **Caleb**

Russell Present, but **Jonathan Hussey** not Present by

Reason he is gone to **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** yearly Meeting

*Chusing Elders
referred*

The Matter Concerning Chusing Elders is Referred to the

Next Monthly Meeting --- ---- -----

Obediah Allen

The Matter Concerning **Obediah Allen** is Referred to next

Monthly Meeting under the Same Care as heretofore and they

then to make Report -- --- ---- -----

Case referd

E. Potter

accepted

The women friends have brought a Paper to this Meeting

from **Elisabeth Potter**, Condemning her disorderly Marriage

which they have Accepted, & this Meeting Concurs therewith

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*6 month
1769
Representatives*

Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, & William Barker are

appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Present

the Epistle to the Same which this Meeting hath Signed

and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Time of

Publick

fr'ds

decease

to be

Collected

Humphry Smith & Samuel Smith are appointed to Collec[t]

an Account of ^{^the} Several Publick friends decease that have

Lately been Removed, and Put them in order Agreeable

to the Book of Discipline, and bring them to this Meeting

as Soon as they Conveniently Can -- --- -----

[?]?th mo:

1769

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th

of the 7th month 1769, The Representatives are **Samuel**

Smith and **Benja, Howland 2** both Present

Obedi Allen

paper accep

Obediah Allen hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting

Some time past, and now this Meeting Concludes to Accept of

it, Provided he Cause S^d paper to be Read Publickly at the

Close of a first day Meeting for worship he being present [and ?]

Return S^d paper to the next Monthly Meeting -----

*Report from
Quar meeting*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report

that they all attended According to Appointment and have

Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read

in which it Appears there is a Mistake, therefore this

Meeting Concludes to Return S^d Epistle to the Quarterly meeting

again -- --- ---- -----

Treasurer

paid Tim

Russel

Epistles Rece

=ved

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid **Timothy Russell**

five Dollars for keeping the Meeting house half a year

This Meeting hath Received the **London [England]** Epistle for the year

1768, as likewise a Transcript of our Last yearly Meetings

Respecting Tenth Query Epistle and likewise a Transcript of the Judgment of the yearly Meeting Committee Respecting the tenth Query -----

Peace Shearman paper accepted **Peace Shearman** hath Given in a paper to this Meeting which Came from the womens Meeting and they Inform this Meeting that they have Concluded to accept of the same which this this Concurs with Provided She Cause it to be Read Publickly at the Close of a first day Meeting of worship & She be present, and Return Sd paper to next monthly meeting---

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[?] month 1769 [Chus]sing Elders [re]ferd The Matter Concerning Chusing of Elders is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting -- -- -- -- --

8th mo: 1769 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of the 8th month 1769 -- The Representatives are **Caleb Russell** and **Jonathan Hussey** both present -----

Abraham Smith proposal of marriage **Abraham Smith & Suruiah Ricketson** declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly Meeting for their Answer and **Caleb Russell & Joseph Gifford** are Appointed Enquire into the young man's Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next monthly meeting -- -- -- -- --

O. Allen's Confession **Obediah Allen's** paper hath been Read According to the appointment of Last Monthly Meeting and is as follows ---

To the Monthly Meeting of **Dartmouth** -----
Loving friends
Whereas I through weakness and the Insinuation of the Adversary have twice fallen into the Sin of Fornication, and Likewise in Gaming, for which Evils I Can Truly Say I am Sorry for, and do Sincerely Condemn the Same with all other my outgoings, hoping forgiveness from Almighty God, I desire friends to Receive me Again under their Care, and would hereby take the Reproach of my outgoings on myself and Clear friends and the Truth from the Same

P. Shearman's Confession Given for the this 15th day of the 5th month 1769
By your friend **Obadiah Allen**

Peace Shearman's paper hath been Read & Returned to this meeting According to the Appointment of Last Monthly meeting, and is as followeth -- -- -- -- --

Dartmouth the 12th of the 1 month 1769
To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be holden in **Dartmouth** the 16th Instant -- -- ---
Dear friends, These may Inform that Notwithstanding

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1769

I had my Education Amongst Friends. I have by Giving way to the Temtation of the Adversary, been Guilty of the Sin of Fornication, as Appears by my having a Child So Soon after Marriage, which Sin I do hereby Condemn, with all other my offences and am heartily Sorry for, hoping that God in his Abundant Mercy will forgive me, and I do desire that friends will So far pass by my offences as to Suffer me Still to Remain under Their Care -- -- -- **Peace Shearman** -----

Remo:
Certifi:
for E. W.
& J. W

This Meeting hath Signed two Removal Certificates to the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** one for **Edith Wing** wife of **Edward wing ju**: the other for **Jane Wing** wife of **Barnabas wing** -- -- --- -----

J. Russel
an Elder

This Meeting doth Appoint **Job Russell** an Elder in addition to our former Elders -- -- -- -----

Letter from
Smithfield
respecting
Saml How=
=land

Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI] Monthly Meeting hath writ to this Meeting Informing us that **Samuel Howland Ju**: hath omitted to Deliver his Removal Certificate ~~th~~ to them till three years after the date, and also they discover a Shortness in the Certificate Respecting the Settlement of his owtward Affares, Therefore **W^m Anthony Ju^f** and **Samuel Smith** are Appointed to write the Said **Howland** in behalf of this Meeting as they Shall think Proper, and also to Enquire into his Affairs Above mentioned, and to make Report as Soon as they Conveniently Can to this Meeting -- -- -- -----

Dan^l Cornel desires
a Certificate

Daniel Cornel Desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Coackset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** Concerning his Clearness in Respect to Marriage & Conversation. Therefore This Meeting doth appoint **Nicolas Howland** and **Philip Allen** to Enquire into the Above Mentioned Respects and draft a Certifi; cate for him if they think proper and Make Report to next Monthly Meeting -- -- -----

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1769

W^m Sanford ur
paper

William Sanford ju: hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his disorder in Marrying out of the unity of friends, which is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting; ---

9th mo:
1769

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of the 9th mo: 1769, The Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and **Barzillai Tucker** both present -- -- -- --- **Caleb Russell & Joseph Gifford** Report that they have

made Inquiry into the Clearness of **Abraham Smith** in Respect to Marriage & Conversation and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage -- -- -- -----

Abraham Smith answer **Abraham Smith & Surviah [Zeruiah] Ricketson** Appeared for their Answer which was that thy might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between now and next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that Purpose, and **Caleb Russell & John Potter** are Ap: pointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting -----

John Tucker proposal of marriage **John Tucker & Rhoda Wing** declared their Intentions of Marriage, & were desired to wait till next monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **Luke Hart & W^m Mosher** are Appointed to Inquire into **John Tucker's** Clearness in Respect to Marriage & Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Certificate for Dan: Cornel This Meeting hath Signed a Certificate for **Daniel Cornel** to **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** Monthly Meeting Certifying his Clearness in

Case of W^m Sanford Ju referd Respect to Marriage & Conversation --- --- -----

The Case of **W^m Sanford jur** is Referred to next monthly Meeting under the Care of **Jonathan Hussey & David Smith** & they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting -----

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9 Month 1769 Rhoda Wings Certificate **Rhoda Wing** hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the monthly Meeting of **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** which hath been read in this Meeting and Accepted -- --- --- -- -----

Chusing Overseers refered It hath been moved at this Meeting for a new Choice of Overseers, and the matter Labouring Somewhat hard the matter is Referred to next monthly meeting, and the Same friends that were in that Service are Continued in the Same Service one month Longer ---- -----

writ to Smithfield about S. Howl'd This Meeting hath Signed a few Lines to **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** Monthly Meeting in Answer to their Request Respecting a deficiency in **Samuel Howland ju:r** Certificate

Phebe Sisson paper accepted The women friends Inform that they have accepted of **Phebe Sisson's** paper, which this meeting Concurrs with This meeting hath Collected £12 - 5^s - 6^d old tener

adjourn This Meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month -- --- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --

mett This Meeting being mett by adjournment the 6th day of the 10th month 1769 -- -- The Representatives being Called, both Present --- --- ---

Answers to Queries The Queries have been read & Answer'd in this Meeting and the Answers are order'd to be Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives with the Epistle to the Same which hath been Signed in this meeting

Representatives **Joseph Tucker, Nicholas Howland & W^m Sanford** are Appointed to attend the Quarly Meeting and Present the Said Epistle & Answers as aforesaid, and Make Return to the next Monthly Meeting

J Russel Recomend^d an Elder This meeting hath Signed a few Lines to the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders, Signifying our Appointing of **Job Russell** an Elder

1847-10 [11?] m^o 5th Examined by S. R. Gifford {It appears that **Job Russell** }
{ was Clark at this time }

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10th mo: 1769 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th of the 10th month 1769, The Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey & W^m Anthony ju^r** both Present -- -- -- --

John Tucker answer

The friends Appointed to Enquire into **John Tucker's** Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation Report that they have Made Inquiry & find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage **John Tucker & Rhoda Wing** Appeared for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting, Advising with the overseers for that Purpose, and **Luke Hart & William Mosher** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

W^m Taber pro posal of marriage

William Taber (Son of **Joseph Taber**) and **Martha Hart** declared their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait until the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer -- -- -----

Abraham Smith marriage

Caleb Russell and **John Potter** Report that they attended the Marriage of **Abraham Smith & Zeruiah [Surviah] Howland Ricketson** which was Consumated in Good order -- -- -- -- -----

W^m Sanford Ju Case referd

Jonathan Hussey & David Smith Report that they have had no oppertunity to Treat with **W^m Sanford ju^r**, therefore that Case is Refer'd to next monthly Meeting under the Care of the Same friend & they then make Report -- -- -----

Chusing Overseers referd

A New Choice of overseers is Referred to next Monthly Meeting, and the former overseers Still Continued one month Longer -- -- -- -- --

Report from Quart meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all Attended According to Appointment & have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read

and well Accepted -- -- -- -- --

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*Epistles
from the meeting s
of Suffer-
-ing*

*Certificate
for Elisa: Gifford*

*Overseers
of yearly meeting*

This meeting hath Received two Printed Epistles, one from the meeting of Sufferings in **London [England]** dated in the 3^d Month 1769, the other from the Meeting of Sufferings in **Philadelphia [PA]** dated in the 9th month 1769

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Coaksett[Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** for our friend **Elisabeth Gifford**

This Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Gifford, John Potter, Wm Barker, Caleb Russell, Barzillai Tucker, Prince Allen, & James Tucker** to have the oversight of the Lofts and other Seats at our yearly meeting to Prevent any disoreder at that time, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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*Wm Taber
Certificate*

*Peter Bar=
=ned's Certificate*

*Peter Bar=
=ned proposal of
marriage*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 11th month 1769 The Representatives are **Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey** both Present

William Taber (Son of **Joseph Taber**) hath Produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]**, Certifying his being under the Care of friends there, and Clear from Any Entanglement Respecting Marriage, and he hath also Produced the Consent of his Parents to Proceed in Marriage

Peter Barnard hath Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** , Certifying his being under the Care of that Meeting, and Clear from Any Entanglement in Respect to Marriage, and he hath also Produced his Parent's Consent that he may Proceed in Marriage with **Rebecca Hussey**

Peter Barnard with **Rebecca Hussey**, and **John Wood** with **Dinah Hussey**, and **Increase Smith** with **Elisabeth Barker** Declared their Intentions of Marriage, and

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each Couple were desired to wait until the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **William Anthony ju^r** and **Samuel Smith** a[re] appointed to Inquire into the S^d **Increase Smith's** Clearness Respecting ~~Res~~ Marriage and Conversation and to Make Report to the Next Monthly Meeting

*John Tucker
marriage*

Luke Hart & W^m Mosher Report that they attended the Marriage of **John Tucker & Rhoda Wing**, and that it was Consumated in Good order

*Wm Sanford
Jur*

Jonathan Hussey & David Smith Report that they have not yet had an opportunity to Speak with **Wm Sanford ju^r** by

case referd Reason of his being Absent, therefore the matter is Referred under their Care as heretofore, and they to make Report to the next monthly meeting

Certifi for M. Hamond This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting at **Oblong[Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]** for our friend **Mary Hammond** This Meeting doth Adjorn to the 29th day of this Instant

Wm Tabers proposal of marriage At a Monthly Meeting met by Adjournment in **Dartmouth** the 29th 11^{mo} 1769—the Representatives being Called **Caleb Russell** Present the other not Present: **William Taber** Son of **Joseph Taber** and **Martha Hart** appeared for their Answer, which was that they mought Proseed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient Time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers that we Shall appoint for that Purpose **William Mosher** and **Barzillaj Tucker** are appointed to See their Marriage Consomated in Good order and make Report to the next monthly meeting

Chsing overseers referd A New Choice of Overseers is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting

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11 month 1769 Report of Overseers of yearly meeting The Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Lofts and other Seats at the yearly meeting Report that they Mostly attended the Said meeting and Saw nothing but what was Tolerable orderly

Meetings Granted in Allens Neck The Friends Living in **Allen's Neck [S Dartmouth, MA]** Request Liberty to hold a Meeting for worship in Said neck as heretofore which is Granted them Agreeable to their Request, and **Philip Allen & Daniel Cornel[Cornell]** are appointed to have the oversight of the Same to See that it be Kept in Good order, & to make Report to the monthly Meeting in the fourth Month Next

Meetings granted in Smiths Neck The friends Living in **Smith's Neck** do also Request Liberty to hold a Meeting of worship in their neck on Each first day of the week for the three Ensuing winter Months, Which is Granted them, and **William Anthony & Samuel Smith** are Appointed to See that the Same be Kept orderly, and to Make Report to the Monthly Meeting in the fourth Month next

12 mo: 1769 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of the 12th month 1769; The Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey** and **William Anthony ju**: both Present

John Wood Certificate **John Wood** hath Produced a Certificate from **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Monthly Meeting, Certifying his Clearness Respecting Marriage & that he hath the Consent of his near Relations to Proceed in Marriage

Increase Smiths Clearness **W^m Anthony Ju^r & Samuel Smith** Report that they have made Inquiry into **Increase Smith's** Clearness, and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage

*Peter Bar=ned
John Wood and Increase Smith proposals of marriage* **Peter Barnard & Rebecca Hussey, and John Wood & Dinah Hussey, and Increase Smith and Elisabeth Barker,** all Appeared for their Answers, Which Was that Each Couple Might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some

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Convenient time between this and the Next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that purpose, and **Abraham Tucker & David Smith** are Appointed to See that the Marriages of the two first Mentioned Couples are Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting and **W^m Anthony ju: & Samuel Smith** are Appointed to See that the Marriage of **Increase Smith & Elisabeth Barker** be Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting **Jonathan Hussey & David Smith** Report that they have not had an opportunity to Treat with **W^m Sanford ju^r** Therefore the Matter is Referred under their Care, and they to make Report to the Monthly Meeting as Soon as they Conveniently Can

Case of W^m Sanford ju^r referd
W^m Taber marriage

W^m Mosher & Barzillai Tucker Report that they attended the Marriage of **W^m Taber & Martha Hart,** and that it was Consumated in Good order

Chusing overseers refered A new Choice of overseers is Refer'd to next Monthly Meeting This meeting hath Collected £7-15^s-2^d old Tene

Treasurer paid Tim Russell

The Treasurer hath paid **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for keeping the meeting House half a year by the direction of this Meeting

adjourn This Meeting adjourns to the 27th Instant

mett At a Monthly Meeting hld by Adjournment the 27th of the 12th month 1769 The Representatives being Called both

Answers to Queries & Epistles Sent up

present; The Queries have been read and Answered This meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, And **Caleb Russell & William Mosher** are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting & Present the Epistle with the P. Answers, and to make Report to y^e next Monthly Meeting

To Collect money for Books

Jonathan Hussey, W^m Anthony ju^r & Samuel Smith are Appointed to Collect the Money for the Books, and to Send it to **John Dockry** as Soon as May be, According to the Request of the Last Quarterly Meeting;

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*first mo:
1770*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of the first Month 1770, The Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey** and **W^m Barker** both Present

*Benj Howland 2nd
proposal
of marriage*

Benj^a Howland 2^d and **Silvester Smith** Declared Their Intentions of Marriage at this Meeting, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and **John Potter & Thomas Hicks** are appointed to Enquire into the Said **Benj^a Howland**; Clearness in Respect to Marriage & Conversation, and make Report to next Monthly Meeting

*Peter Barnad
marriage
John Wood
& Increase
Smith's
marriage*

Abraham Tucker & David Smith Report that they Attended the Marriages of **Peter Barnard & Rebecca Hussey**, and **John Wood & Dinah Hussey** which were Consumated in Good order and **W^m Anthony ju^r & Samuel Smith** Make the Like Report Respecting the Marriage of **Increase Smith & Elisabeth Barker**

*M. Cornell's
Certificate*

Mary Cornell wife of **Daniel Cornell** has Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** which hath been Read and Accepted

C. Brigg accepted

The women friends Inform that they have accepted of **Catherine Briggs**'s Paper Condemning her Marrying out of unity of friends which This Meeting Concurs with

*Chusing Over seers
Refer'd*

A New Choice of overseers is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting

and the following friends are Chosen as a Committee for that

Service for one Month, /viz/ **Daniel Cornell, Jonathan Hussey**

W^m Barker, & Nicolas Howland, and they to Make Report

to the next Monthly Meeting;

*Report from Quar
meeting*

Caleb Russell and **W^m Mosher** Report that they attended the ~~Marriage~~ Quarterly Meeting Agreeable to Appointment, and they have Produced an Epistle from the Same, which hath been read & Kindly Accepted

State of Treasury

The friends Appointed have Adjusted Accompts with the Treasurer, and there Remains in the Stock £10-6-2^d old Tener

*money Sent
to pay for Books*

and they also Report that they have fulfilled their Appointment in Regard to the Books, and that they have Sent all the money in the Stock to pay for S^d Books

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*Complaint
against
S. Wilcox*

William Smith hath Exhibited a Complaint against **Stephen Wilcox** for Neglecting to pay him his due, which the overseers hath brought to this Meeting with a Scandalous Report Re-Specting the S^d **Wilcox's** deceiving of **Benj^a Gifford** of **Falmouth [Barnstable Co, MA]** by taking Money of him to Convey to **William Smith** & Converted it to his own use, and also that he Neglects to attend Meetings both for Worship & discipline, for all which offences the overseers have Labour'd with him, and this Meeting doth Appoint **Abraham Tucker, Joseph Gifford & Barzillai Toker[Tucker]** to Labour further with the S^d **Wilcox** in order to Convince him of the Above S^d offences & to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*David Shepherd
request a Certificate*

David Shepherd desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Rhod-Island[Newport, Newport Co RI]** of his Clearness in Respect to Marriage & Conversation

Therefore **Caleb Russell & Job Russell** are Appointed to Make Inquiry & draw one for him if they think Proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

*Complaint against
Elihu Mosher*

One of the overseers with another friend have Exhibited a Complaint against **Elihu Mosher** for Marrying out of the unity of friends, for which they Labour'd with him, and he declines to make Satisfaction, Therefore **Joseph Gifford** and **Barzillai Tucker** are appointed to Labour farther with him, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

*2 mo:
1770*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th of the 2^d Month 1770, The Representatives are **Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey** both Present

*Friends ~~app~~
appointed reprt
Benja Howland 2^d
case not
Clear*

The friends Appointed to Enquire into **Benj^a Howlands** Clearness Report that they don't find him Quite Clear and they also Report that the widows Estate is not Settled According to Good order, Therefore **John Potter & Tho^s Hicks** are Still Continued in the Same Service, And they are also Appointed with **Jonathan Hussey & Benj^a Slocum** to See that the widows Estate be Settled According

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*Choosing overseers
refer'd
friends ap pointed
to assist them
continued*

to Good order, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting a New Choice of overseers is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting The friends Appointed as overseers Last month Report that they have been in a Progress to discharge their Trust, and have found tolerable Good Satisfaction, Therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Service one month Longer, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*The meeting
conclude
to deny
Step Wilcox*

The friends appointed to Labour with **Stephen Wilcox** Report that they have discharged their Trust in that Respect, and that he Gave them Some Encouragement to Appear at this Meeting, which he hath failed of, and hath not Sent any Excuse for his offence, and their Report not being Satisfactory and this Meeting being Clear of any further Labour with him, have Concluded to deny the Said **Stephen Wilcox**, and do Appoint **Joseph Gifford, Daniel Cornell & Samuel Smith** to draft a paper of Denial Against him, Agreeable to his offences, and to bring it to next Monthly Meeting, and they to Inform Said **Stephen** of the Conclusion of this Meeting

*Certification for
David Shepherd*

This Meeting hath Signed a Certificate for **David Shepherd** to the Monthly Meeting of **Rhode-Island[Newport, Newport Co RI]** Certifying his Clear- in Respect to Marriage & Conversation

*minutes
to be
reviewed*

Abraham Tucker, Joseph Tucker, Samuel Smith, Job Russell and **Barzillai Tucker** are Appointed to Review the Meeting Minutes, to See what part they think Proper to go on Record and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

E. Mosher paper

Elihu Mosher hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his disorderly Marriage, which is Refer'd under the Care of the friends Appointed Last Monthly Meeting to Labour with him

E. Gifford paper

Elihu Gifford hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his disorderly Marriage, which is Refer'd under the Care of **William Barker**

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*Wm Anthony Ju'
[pa]per accepted*

William Anthony ju' hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his falt Against **John Russell**, which this Meeting hath Concluded to Accept, Provided he Cause it to be Read at the Close of a first day Meeting of worship he being Present, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, and then to Return Said Paper

This meeting adjourns to the 28th Instant

At a Monthly Meeting mett According to adjournment the 28th of the 2^d month 1770, The Representatives being Called both Present

*Hepzabah
Shearman
disowned*

The women friends Inform that they have denied **Hepzabah Shearman** for Marrying out of the unity of friends which this Meeting Concurr with

*James Davis and
Wife gave in a
paper*

James Davis and his wife have Given in a paper to this Meeting, Signifying their Sorrow for their falling into the Sin of Fornication which is Refer'd under the Care of **Paul Russell** and **Daniel Cornell**, and they are desired to Treat with them Respecting the above S^d offence, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*3^d mo:
1770*

At a monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th 3rd mo 1770 The Representatives are **Thomas Hicks 2nd** & **Samuel Smith** Both Present The Friends appointed to inspect into **Benjⁿⁱ**

*Benj Howland 2nd
Clearness* **Howland the 2nd** Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation Repoart
that they have made inquiry and don^t find any thing

*Benj Howland²
proposal of
marriage* Material to hinder his proceeding in marage **Benj^m Howland 2nd**
& **Selvester Smith** appeared for their answer which was that
they might Proceed to Take Each other in marrage in Some
Covenant Time between this & the next monthly meeting
advising with the overseors for that purpose and **Thomas**
Hicks & Samuel Smith are appointed to See their marrage
Consomated in good order & make Report to the next monthly meeting

*Caleb Russell Ju^r
proposal of
marriage* **Caleb Russell Ju^r & Content Gifford** declared thire intention
of

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marrage at this meeting and was Desired to wate untill the
next monthly meeting for Their answer & **William Barker &**
Berzillar Tucker are appointed to Enquire into the yonug mans
Clearness Respecting marrage & Conversation and make Report to
to the next monthly meeting, The Friends appointed as overseors
at the Last monthly meeting Report that they have in a good
Degree Discharged their Trust Reposed in them and they are still
Continued in the Same Cervise one month Longer and to make
Report to the Next monthly meeting and **Wil^m Mosher &**
Samuel Smith are aded to the [?]afore Sd Committe of oversee[rs]

*Friends
added to
overseors
continued*

*Paper of
denial of
Stphen
Wilcox
Signed*

The Friends appointed to Draw a paper of denial against **Stephe[n]**
Wilcooks[Wilcox] and to inform him of the Conclusion of Last monthly
Meeting Report that they have Discharged their Trust in the respect
And that the Sd **Stephen** gave them Some incoragement of
Trying to make Friends Satisfaction at this meeting which
He hath failed off therefore the Clark[Clerk] hath Signed Sd paper by
order of this meeting and he is appointed to Read Sd paper at
the Close of a first day meeting for Worship between this & the
Next monthly meeting & he then to make Report

*Minutes
Reviewed*

The Committee appointed to purruse the monthly meetings minutes
Report that they have done it and have Left them with **Sam^l**

*P. Wings
Certificate*

Smith to be Reccorded, This meeting hath Signed a Removel
Certificate for **Peace Wing** wife of **Benjⁿ Wing** to the monthly

*Rebecca Cornal
Received*

meeting of **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]**, The women Friends inform that they have
Minuted [**Cornell**] under ~~Friends~~ their Care which this meeting

*Wm Anthony jr
paper read*

Conkirs[Concurs] with, **Wil^m Anthony Junior** hath Reported to this meeting
that his paper hath been Read and returned to the meeting
According to the apointment of Last monthly meeting Which S[?]

*Jame Davis
Case referd*

The Friends apointed to treat with **James Davis** and his wife
Report that they have not had an opertunity to discharge their

Trust therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Servis & to make Report to the Next monthly meeting,

*report of meetings
in Allen & Smiths
Neck*

The Friends apointed to have the Care of the meeting granted to be held in **Allins[Allens] neck [S Dartmouth, MA]** and in **Smiths neck [S Dartmouth, MA]** Report that they have

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T. Briggs Request

Attended Sd meetings which hath been kept to good Satisfaction **Thomas Briggs** Requests be taken under Friends Care therefore **Seth Shearman & W^m Sanford** are appointed to inquire into his Life & Conversation and make Report to next monthly meeting

*Certificate Ann
Gifford*

The Queries hath been Read and answered in this meeting This meeting hath Signed a Certificate for our Friend **Anna Gifford** to the Quarterly meeting of **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]** Certifying that her Testimony & Conversation is accepted among us

*Certificate
for Paul
Rusel*

This meeting hath Signed a Certificate for **Paul Russell** to the [care] of **Sandwich** Quarterly meeting Certifying that his Conversation & Testemony is in unity among us

Epistle signd

This meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting to be held next at **Rhodisland[Newport, Newport Co RI]** and **Abraham Tucker Joseph**

Representatives

Tucker Sam^{ul} Smith Wi^m Mosher Thomas Hicks 2^d are apointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and to Present the Epistle with the answers to the Queries and they to make Report to the next

*Complaint against
J. Russell*

Monthly meeting: The overseers hath Exhibitted a Complint against **John Russel[Russell]** for Reporting from time to time that **Wi^m Anthony Junir** was a false man & a Deceiver and he Refuses to Condemn it according to the Judgment of the Arbitrators therefore this meeting appoints **John Potter Prince Allin[Allen]** and **Joseph Gifford** to inspect into the Cause of Sd **Russels [Russells]** Refusing to Comply to Condemn his fault as aforesaid and to Labour with him as they may find ocation and to make report

*T. Hick App:
Treasurer*

to the Next monthly meeting **Thomas, Hicks 2^d** is appointed Treasurer for this meeting in Stead of **David Smith ~~which the~~**

who is dismiss

~~Request~~ This meeting doth appoint **Joseph Gifford & Barz^{er}**

*Stephen Wilcox to
have a copy of deial*

Tucker to Serve **Stephen Wilcks [Wilcox]** with a Ccopy of his Denial

*Treasurers accompt
to be compared*

And make Report to the next monthly meeting **Samuel Smith & Benja^m Slocom[Slocum]** are appointed to Compare the Treasurers accounts With the Records & make Report to the next monthly Meeting this meeting hath Colected – – – £10 S8 3 old tener

4th mo:
1770

At a monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th of the 4th month 1770, The Representatives are **William Barker & Barzillai Tucker** both Present; —

W^m Barker & Barzillai Tucker Report that they have Answered Their Appointment in Regard to **Caleb Russell ju** and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage —

*Caleb Rus=
=sell Ju
Proposal
of marriage*

Caleb Russell jur & Content Gifford appear'd for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting, Advising with the overseers for that purpose and **W^m Barker & Barzillai Tucker** are Appointed to See the Same Consumated in Good order & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Benj How=
=land 2
marriage*

The Friends Appointed to See the Marriage of **Benj^a [Benjamin] Howland the 2^d** and **Silvester Smith** Consumated in good order Report that they attended their Said Marriage, and that it was Consumated in Good order

*overseers
continued*

The Friends appointed as overseers Report that have discharged Their Trust in Some degree, therefore they are Still Continued one month Longer in the Same Service, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

*Testimo
=ny Against
S. Wilcox*

Stephen Wilcox's paper of Denial hath been Read According to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth Whereas **Stephen Wilcox** of **Dartmouth** in the County of **Bristol** in the Province of the **Massachusetts Bay** in **New England**, Having been Educated under the Care of friends, and has long made Profession with us, and in times past bore a Publick Testimony which was Acceptable Among us, Yet Nevertheless with Sorrow we find that thro' the Prevalence of the Adversary, and disregarding the divine Principal of Life in his own heart, he has So deviated from the way of Truth, and the Profession he has made as to fall into Several Reproachful Evils & disorders, particularly in that he being Intrusted by a Friend of **Falmouth [Barnstable Co, MA]** to Carry Some money to **William Smith** and Converted the Same to his own use whereby he betrayed his Trust, and very Much deceived the S,^d friend, for the want of which money the Said **W^m Smith** hath Exhibited his Complaint to this meeting, and likewise the
S,^d

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Said **Stephen** is found in the Neglect of that Indispensable duty of attending Religious Meetings of Divine Worship and discipline And friends having in Great love & tenderness toward him Repeatedly Visited him & Labour'd with him in order to discover to him the Evil of his ways, and Reclaim him from his outgoings But our Labour of Love not obtaining the desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting, Therefore for the Clearing of [~~Truth~~ erased] the precious Truth and friends from the Reproach of Such Evils and defective Members this Meeting is Concerned to Give this forth as a Testimony Against him, and do hereby Publickly disown the Said **Stephen Wilcox** from being a member of our Society, and from under the Care of this meeting, Sincerely desiring (if

it be Consistant with Divine pleasure) that he may yet Return from the Evil of his ways, and by an unfeigned Repentance and Reformation, be Restored to the way of Truth & Salvation.

Given forth by our Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartm.**^o [**Dartmouth**] the 19th of the 3,^d month 1770,

order to give S Wilcox Coppy of denial And Signed in & by order of Said Meeting by **Job Russell** Clerk The friends Appointed to Serve **Stephen Wilcox** with a Coppy of the forego-
-ing denial, Report that they Gave him only Coppies of the minutes of his denial therefore they are Still Requested to Serve him with a Coppy of the Above denial, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting ~ ~ ~

Tho Brig request Continued The Freinds [*sic*] Appointed to Enquire into **Thomas Briggs's** Life and Conversation on his Request to Come under friends Care, and to Treat with him in that Respect, one of the Said friends Report that but one of them has had an oppertunity to Speak with him Therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Service, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Report from Quarter^y meeting The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended According to Appointment, and have Produc^d an Epistle from the Same which hath been read and Kindly accepted --- --- ---

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1770 John Russell case continu^d The Committee Appointed to Treat with **John Russell** for his fault Cognised [recognized?] in the Last Monthly Meeting Report that they desire one month longer to discharge their Trust in that Respect Therefore they are Continued in the Same Service and to make Report next monthly meeting --- ---

To compare Treasurers accompts refer^d The Committee Appointed to Compare the Treasurers Accompts [accounts] with the Records Report that they have not had an oppertunity to fulfill that Service, Therefore they are Still Continued in S^d Service and to make Report to the next monthly meeting ---

Book of disciplin^e Transcrib^d for Coak⁻set meeting **Samuel Smith** Reports that he hath Joined with a friend of **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** monthly meeting, and they have Transcribed the Book of Discipline According to the Appointment of this Meeting Some months past, for which he Charges this meeting £7 - 1 - 6 old Tenner [tenor] which is allowed, and he is Tolerated to draw the money out of the Treasury if there be Enough in its Stock, and he to make Report next monthly meeting -----

J Potter & S. Sherman accompt **John Potter** and **Seth Shearman** hath brought an Accompt to this meeting for one Trenching Shoal which Cost --- £2 5 0 which this meeting allows

E. Mosher's Paper accepted **Elihu Mosher** hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Some months past, Condemning his Marrying out of the unity of friends, and

now a Report hath been made to Tolerable Good Satisfaction

Therefore his Said paper is accepted --- --- --- --- ---

Rebecca Ricketson denial

This Meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial Against **Rebecca Ricketson** [**Ricketson**] for falling into the Sin of Fornication, and the Clerk of this Meeting is ordered to read the Same at the Close of a first day meeting for worship between this and the next monthly meeting, and then to make Report thereof --- ---

S. Almy denied

The women friends Enform that they have denied **Sarah Almy** for Marrying out of the unity of friends which this meeting Concurs with

B. Russel's paper

Barnabas Russell hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his disorder in taking the oath in Common form, which this meeting accepts --- --- --- --- ---

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James Davis

James Davis and his wife have Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning their falling into the Sin of Fornication, which this Meeting Concludes to accept Provided they Cause the Same to be Read at the Close of a first day meeting for worship they being Present, and Return Said paper to the next Monthly meeting, and make Report of its being read

[&?] wife [p]aper [a]cceptd

[Jos?] Rotch [jur] request a certificate

Joseph Rotch Ju,^r Informs that he Intends to go to **London** [**England**] and desires a Certificate, therefore **Caleb Russell & Samuel Smith** are Appointed to Enquire into his Conversation and in his Clearness Respecting Marriage and to draft a Certificate for him if they find things Clear and to bring it to the next monthly meeting -- -- -- -- --

Barnabas Request a Certificate

Barnabas Russell likewise Informs that he Intends a Voiage [voyage] to **London** and desires a Certificate, and **Joseph Gifford & Samuel Smith** are to make the like Enquiry Concerning him, and to draft a Certificate for him if they find him Clear & to bring it to the next Monthly Meeting --- --- --- --- ---

Complaint against

Hum Smith son of Humphry

The overseers have Exhibited a Complaint Against **Humphry Smith** the Son of **Humphry** for falling into the Sin of Fornication and in frequently drinking of Spirituous Liquor to Excess, and in frequently using of bad Language, for all of which Evils they have Labour^d with him and he declines to Condemn his offences to their Satisfaction, Therefore this Meeting do Appoint **John Potter & Thomas Hicks** to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and to draft a paper of denial against Him if he do not Give them Satisfaction, & Inform him of their Appointment, and make Report to the next monthly Meeting --- --- --- --- ---

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 of the 5th month 1770, The Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and **Barzillai Tucker** both Present --- --- ---

Caleb Russell Ju marriage

W^m Barker and **Barzillai Tucker** Report that they attend,^d the Marriage of **Caleb Russell Ju,^r** and **Content Gifford**, and that it was Consumated in Tolerable Good order --- ---

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oversers
Continued

The friends Appointed as overseers Report that they have been in a Labour to discharge the Trust Reposed in them, therefore they are Continued in that Service one month Longer as heretofore ---

gave S Wilcox
copy of
denial

The friends Appointed to Serve **Stephen Wilcox** with a Copy of his denial, Report that they have fulfilled their Appointment

Case of
Tho Briggs

The friends Appointed to Treat with **Tho^s [Thomas] Briggs** Respecting his Request to Come under friends Care Report that things are not Clear, and the Said friends desire to be Excused from that Service which is Granted, and do Appoint **Joseph Tucker, John Potter & Job Russell** in the Room of the afores,^d friends that were Excused and they to make Report next monthly meeting ---

F Elisabeth
Kirby
disownd

This meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial Against **Elisabeth Kirby** daughter of **Robert Kirby**, for falling into the Sin of Fornication, and the Clerk of this meeting is ordered to read S,^d paper at the Close of a first day meeting of worship between This & the next Monthly Meeting and then to make Report ---

C. Macum
ber - &
wife's
Certifi:

Caleb Macumber & his wife have Removed within the Compass of this meeting, and Each of them have Produced a Removal Certificate which have been read and Accepted -----

Certificates
for Jos Rocth Ju'
and Barnabas

This Meeting have Signed Certificates for **Joseph Roch [Rotch] ju^r** and **Barnabas Russell** to friends in **London [England]**-----

Russell
Accounts
Settled
with the
former
Treasur^r

Benj^a Slocum and **Samuel Smith** Report that they have Compared the former Treasurers Accounts with the Records of This meeting as far as Seems Needful, and find no Error -----

S Smith
Rec^d money
for Tra[n]sc
Book

Samuel Smith Reports that he hath Received the mon[e]y out of the Treasury for Transcribing the Book of Discipline According to the order of Last monthly Meeting ---

Rebecca Ricketsons Paper of Denial hath been Read According to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting which paper is as follows ---

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R. Ricket=
[=]son's
denial

Whereas **Rebecca Ricketson** Daughter of **John Ricketson** and **Phebe** his wife, being under friends Care having (Through the Pre-vailence of the Adversary, and the depravity of her own Nature) fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication, as Appears by her being deliver,^d of a bastard Child, and friends having Suffi- ciently Labour,^d with her for her Recovery, and to Restore her to the way of Truth, but friends Labour not Proving Effectuel She Appearing obstinate, & no appearance of hearty Sorrow, there- fore for the Clearing of the Truth and friends from the Reproach thereof, This meeting Gives this forth as a Publick Testimony Against her, hereby disowning her the Said **Rebecca Ricketson** from being one of our Society, and from under the Care of this Meeting, until by unfeigned Repentance She Shall Return to the way of Truth Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth**

on the 16 day of the 4th month 1770 --- --- ---

Signed in & on behalf of S.^d meeting by **Job Russell** Clerk
{ **Hephzibah Hussey** Clerk

*James Davis
paper not read*

James Davis hath failed of making the Report of Reading his paper and his wife's According to the Provisal of Last Monthly Meeting Therefore **Caleb Russell** is Appointed to Treat with with [*sic*] him for his Neglect, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting -----
The Committee Appointed on Account of **John Russell** Report as follows, which is Accepted in this Meeting, and is as followeth

*Report on John
Russell case*

Agreeable to the Minute from our monthly meeting we have heard **John Russell's** Reasons why he Refused to Comply with the Judgment of the Arbitrators, which Reasons we think not Suf=
=ficient to Excuse him, Therefore it is our Judgment that **John Russell** Publicly Condemns what the Arbitrators found him Guilty of, Agreeable to their Judgment

Joseph Gifford
John Potter
Prince Allen

*John Russell's
paper not
accepted*

And the Said **John Russell** hath Given in a paper to this Meeting which this Meeting thinks is too Short, and do not accept of it, Therefore **Peleg**

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Peleg Gifford and **Jedidiah Allen** are Appointed to Labour with the Said **Russell** to Condemn his fault Agreeable to the Judgment of the afore S,^d Committee, and to return him his paper and let him Know the mind of this Meeting, and to make Report to next monthly meeting --- --- ---

*Hum: Smith
son of Hum
case continu^d*

The Committee Appointed to Labour with **Humphry Smith** Son of **Humphry Smith** Report that they have not had an oppertunity to discharge themselves in that Respect, Therefore they are Still Continued in that Service, until next monthly meeting and then to Make Report --- --- ---

*6 mo:
1770 }*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of the 6th month 1770 -- The Representatives are **Caleb Russell** and **Jonathan Hussey** both Present ~ ~ ~ ~

*report of
overseers*

The Friends Appointed as overseers Report that they have been in a Progress to discharge the Trust Reposed in them.

Jonathan Hussey, Daniel Cornell, Samuel Smith, W.^m [William] Barker W.^m [William] Mosher are Appointed overseers for the year Ensuing ~ ~

*T. Briggs
declines
his Request*

The[^]friends Appointed to Treat with **Thomas Briggs** on his Request to Come under friends Care, Report that he declines his Request at Present, things not being Clear --- --- ---

*E. Kirby's
Denial*

Elisabeth Kirby's Paper of denial hath been read According to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows ---
Whereas **Elisabeth Kirby** Daughter of **Robert Kirby** and **Abigail** his wife having had her Education among friends under

the care of this Meeting, yet thro' the ~~Infirmity~~ Insinuation of the adversary, and the depravity of her own Nature hath So far gone astray from her Education and the Profession we bear, as to fall into the Reproachfull Sin of Fornication, as Appears by her having a Bastard Child. And friends having Sufficiently Labour'd with her in Love for her Recovery, but our Labour of love not obtaining the desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting. Therefore for the clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of Such Enormities This meeting Gives this

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this forth as a Testimony against her, hereby Publickly disown-
-ing the Said **Elisabeth Kirby** from being one of our Society
and from under the care of this Meeting, desiring if it be
agreeable to Divine pleasure that She may yet come to a
Sense of her outgoings and by unfeigned Repentance Return
to the way of Truth --- --- --- --- --- --- --- ---

Given forth and Signed in & on behalf of our Monthly Meeting
held in **Dartmouth** on the 21 of the 5th Month 1770 by

Job Russell Clerk
Hephzibah Hussey Clerk

*James Davis
paper Read*

James Davis and his wife's paper hath been read according to
the direction of the Monthly Meeting held two months ago,
which paper is as follows --- --- --- ---

To the Monthly Meeting of friends in **Dartmouth**
Beloved friends --- --- ---

*J & P
Davis's
Paper*

whereas we thro' unwatchfulness have fallen into the
Reproachful Sin of Fornication as Appears by our having
a child So Soon after Marriage, for which we are heartily
Sorry & do condemn the Same, and hoping forgiveness from
almighty God we desire friends So far to pass it by as to let
us Remain under your care, from your friends **James Davis**
Patience Davis

dated this 16th: 4 mo: 1770 -- --

*James Davis
Neglect*

And **Caleb Russell** Reports that he hath Treated with the S.^d
Davis for Neglecting to read Said paper by the time first limited
for which he hath Render'd a Sufficient Excuse ~

*Hum Smith
Son of Hump
denied*

The friends Appointed to Labour with **Humphry Smith** Son of
Humphry Smith Report that he gave them no real Satisfaction
therefore according to Appointment they have drafted a paper
of denial against him which hath been read & Signed and
the Clerk is Appointed to Read Said paper Publickly as usual
and make Report to next monthly meeting and **William**
Anthony is Appointed to Serve him with a copy of his denial
and to make Report next monthly meeting -----

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The Queries have been Read & Answer'd, and this meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting

Visits
of Publc
friends

Our Esteemed Friends **Joshua Brown** and **David Willets** having Visited this meeting with their Respective Certificates, the first from the Monthly Meeting held in **Nottingham [Chester Co, PA]** by adjournment the 5th of the 5 month 1770: in **Pennsylvania**, the other from the Monthly Meeting held at **westbury [North Hempstead Nassau Co, NY]** on **Long Island** the 30th of the 5th month 1770, whose Certificates have been read to Satisfaction, and their Visits Kindly accepted ~ ~ ~

W^m [William] Barker, Caleb Russell, Paul Russell & W^m Mosher are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and to present the Epistle & answers to the Queries, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting ~ ~

Mary
Gifford
Receiv'd &
Leah Shrm
& Rhoda
Hathway

The women friends Inform that they have minuted **Mary Gifford** wife of **Obediah Gifford** under friends care, and also that **Leah Shearman & Roda Hathway [Hathaway]** hath made Satisfaction for Marrying out of the unity of friends, which this meeting concurs with

John Russel
case
refer'd

The friends Appointed to Labour with **John Russell** Report that they have Labour'd with him, and he hath Given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his disorder in Reporting that **W^m [William] Anthony ju,^r** was a false man & a deceiver, which this Meeting thinks is too Short, and do Still Refer the matter under the care of the afore Said friends and **Joseph Gifford**, and they to Inform him the mind of this Meeting, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting This Meeting hath collected & Sent the money due for the Books to **John Dockry** by the Representatives to the Quarterly meeting This meeting hath collected £7-13-0 old Tenner [tenor] ~ ~

money Sent
for books

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At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th of the 7th month 1770, the Representatives are **Nicolas Howland** and **Barzillai Tucker** both present ~ ~

William Anthony Reports that he hath Served **Humphry Smith**

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[H] Smith
paper
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with a copy of his denial According to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting, and Said paper hath been read as ordered by last Monthly Meeting ~ --- which paper is Recorded at large in pages 201:202

Return
from
Quar
meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended, and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read and Kindly accepted and they Report that they have deliver'd the Money to **John Dockry** for the Books, and have produced a Receipt in full from S^d **Dockry**

Epistles
Rec'd

This Meeting hath Received Several of the **London [England]** Printed Epistles, and also a Transcript of our last yearly Meeting's Epistles & [?] Likewise a copy of Several Matters concluded on by Said Meeting ~ ---

N Howl^d
[o]verser

Nicolas Howland is Appointed an Overseer to Serve with the others

that were Appointed last Month --- --- --- --- ---
John Russell paper accepted

The committee Appointed to treat with **John Russell** Report that they have discharged the Trust Reposed in them, and **John Russell** hath Given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his offence in Reporting in too Extencive a manner that **william Anthony ju^r** was a false man and a deceiver, which this Meeting concludes to Accept of, Provided he cause Said paper to be read publickly, at the End of a first day Meeting of worship he being present between this & the next Monthly Meeting and then Return S^d paper & make Report --- --- --- --- ---
C. Russel Condemg his Exp: [r]ession
whereas Some Months past **Caleb Russell** Expressed in a Monthly Meeting that **David Smith** was not Suitable to be Appointed in business by reason that he was against the Meeting, and it was the Sense & Judgment of this Meeting that **Caleb Russell** Inconsiderately Expressed himself to [too] far, which he hath condemned to the Satisfaction of this Meeting two months past, and then begged of **David Smith** to pass it by, but we have omitted Minuting of it until this day --- --- --- --- ---
adjourn mett
This Meeting Adjorns to the 25th day of this Instant after the Meeting of worship --- --- --- --- ---

At a monthly Meeting Mett by Adjournment the 25th of the 7th mo: 1770
The Representatives being called both present --- --- --- --- ---
it was proposed for a New Choise of overseers of the poor, but the former not being all present the matter is Refer'd to next Monthly Meeting.

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7 month 1770 John Potter accompt.

John Potter hath Exhibited an Accompt [account] to this meeting for doing for the poor, and for one Trenching Shoal, and one Pail, all Amounting^{to} £4 - 1^s - 3^d old tenner [tenor] and **Thomas Hicks** hath likewise Exhibited an Accompt for mending the Meeting House to the amount of £1 - 2^{ls} - 6^d old tenner [tenor] which this Meeting Approves and do order them to draw the money out of the Treasury, and make Report as Soon as they can conveniently --- --- ---

Com.tee to advise in cases of Sueing

William Barker, William Mosher and Barzillai Tucker are Appointed a Standing Committee for friends to Advise with in the Intervals of monthly meetings, in Cases of Sueing at Law -

Books to be Sold

Whereas this Meeting is possessed of a Number of [**George**] **Fox's** Large Primers and [**Samuel**] **Fullers** Books. Therefore **Caleb Russell & W^m Mosher** are Appointed to take the Books, and Endeavour to Sell them at the prime Cost, and Return the Money to this Meeting as Soon as they can.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 8th month 1770, the Representatives are **John Potter & Samuel Smith** both present --- --- --- --- ---

J Russell paper not returnd

John Russell's paper hath been read according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting^{but} he hath omitted Returning S.^d paper to this

Meeting as ordered. Therefore he^{ls} desired to Return Said paper to
 the next Monthly Meeting --- --- --- --- ---
overseers of the poor **Caleb Russell, Joseph Barker, Barzillai Tucker, & Gideon Howland** are Appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year Ensuing
J. Mosher & family Returned **Joanna Mosher** widow, and her family having Returned to live Among us again, have Produced a Removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of the **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]**, which hath been read
R. Barnard Removed and Accepted --- --- --- --- ---
Complaint against J Smith This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Rebecca Barnard** to the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co, MA]** ~ ~ ~ ~
 The overseers Inform that **John Smith** hath Married out of the

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unity of friends for which they have Laboured with him but he declines to Make friends Satisfaction. Therefore this Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Tucker** and **Paul Russell** to Labour with him furdur [further] and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting ---
John Potter & Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks have taken the money out of the Treasury as ordered by last monthly meeting --- --- ---
Receiv^d Resolve from yearly meeting This Meeting hath Collected £7 - 15^s - 6^d old tener [tenor] --- --- ---
 Whereas at the Last Monthly Meeting we Received Several Matters concluded on by our last yearly Meeting, and now this Meeting concludes to Send up to the Quarterly Meeting to Know under what head, in the Book of discipline will be most proper to place them

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of the 9th month 1770, the Representatives are **W^m Mosher & Barzillai Tucker** both presents --- --- ---
Lemuel Mosher Proposal of marriage **Lemuel Mosher & Ruth Gifford** declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait Till next monthly Meeting for their Answer and **Paul Russel & Barzillai Tucker** are Appointed to Enquire into the young man's clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation and make Report to the next monthly meeting ---
J Russell Paper return^d **John Russell** hath Returned his paper according to the Request of Last Monthly Meeting ~ ~ which paper is as followeth

J. Russell's Confession

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held this 16.th of the 7.th mo:1770 Esteemed friends --- ---
 As I have Reported of **William Anthony ju.^r** that he was a false man & a deceiver, for which I am Sorry, that thro[ugh] Inadvertancy I Reported in So Extensive a manner, by which I have broke the Good order of friends --- my misconduct in So Reporting, I condemn. and I desire friends to pass by my offence and Still Continue me under their Care, as I Desire that I may be more Careful for the futer [sic] --- **John Russell**

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John Smith
Case

The friends Appointed to Labour with **John Smith** Report that they have Labour^d with him and he gave them Encouragement of making this Meeting Satisfaction. Therefore the matter is Refer^d under their care until next monthly Meeting, and they are desired to make Report —

O. Gifford
Removed
Request a
Certificate

Obediah Gifford hath Removed to the **Nine-partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** with his

family and Requests a Removal Certificate for himself and family therefore **Daniel Cornell & Philip Allen** are Appointed to make Inquiry into his Life & Conversation, and also to See if His Temporal affairs be Settled According to the good order of friends and to draft a Certificate for them if they think proper, and to make

Compl^{int}
ag against
Benj Chase

Report to the next Monthly Meeting — — — — —

The overseers Inform that **Benj^a [Benjamin] Chase** hath gone contrary to good order in Striking of **Abigail Blackmer**, therefore this meeting do Appoint **Luke Hart** and **Barnabas Mosher** to Inquire into the Circumstance Relating to the cause of his afore said disorder, and to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting — — —

Representa^{tives}
answers &
Epistle
Sent upp

The Queries have been Read and Answered in this meeting.

Abraham Tucker, Joseph Tucker, Nicolas Howland are Ap-
-pointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and to Present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries, which Epistle hath been Signed in this Meeting, and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting — — — — —

Paul Rus=
=sell desires
a Certificate

Our friend **Paul Russell** desires a few Lines by way of Certificate in order to Visit the Quarterly Meeting next to be holden at **pem-
-brook [Pembroke, Plymouth Co, MA]**, which hath been Read & Signed in this Meeting.

Martha
Pabody
paper
accep'd

The women friends Inform that **Martha Pabody** hath Given in a paper to their Meeting condemning her falling into the Sin of Fornication which is Accepted Provided She Cause it to be read Publickly at the close of a first day meeting for worship between this and next monthly meeting, She being present, and Return S^d paper to next Monthly Meeting —

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[^Si]lvia
[S]mith
accepted

The women friends also Inform that **Silvia Smith** wife of **Humphy [Humphry] Smith the 3^d** hath Made them Satisfaction for marrying out of the unity of friends. They also Inform that they have denied

[Re]becca Briggs
Disownd

Rebecca Briggs wife of **Tho.^s [Thomas] Briggs** for Keeping Company and Marrying out of the unity of friends, which this Meeting Concurr with — — — This Meeting hath Collected £ 6 - 13^s - 0^d old tener [tenor]

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of the 10th Month 1770, The Representatives are **W^m [William] Mosher & Bazillai Tucker** both present — — —

Paul Russell & Barzillai Tucker Reports that they have Made

Lemuel Mosher answer Inquiry into **Lemuel Mosher's** Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation, and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage **Lemuel Mosher & Ruth Gifford** Appear^d for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose and **paul Russell** and **Barzillai Tucker** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

John Smith case The Committee Appointed to Treat with **John Smith** Report that they have Treated with him, and he hath Given in a paper to this Meeting in order to Condem[n] his disorder, which this Meeting thinks is too Short & not to the purpose, therefore the matter is Refer^d under the Care of afore Said Committee, to the next

O.Gifford Certificate Monthly Meeting; --- --- --- --- --- --- --- ---
This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Obediah Gifford** and his Children to the Monthly Meeting at the **Nine-Partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co, NY]** --- --- --- --- --- --- --- ---

Benja Chas^e case The friends Appointed to Treat with **Benj,^a [Benjamin] Chase** Report that they

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10 month 1770 They have had Some discourse with him, and desire the matter to be Continued one month Longer under their care which is Refer^d Accordingly, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting --- ---

Return from Qar meeting The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report That they all attended according to Appointment, and have Produced an Epistle from the Same, which hath been Read & kindly accepted --- --- --- --- --- --- --- ---

M. Pabody paper not read **Martha Pabody's** Paper hath^{^ not} been read According to the direction of Last monthly^{^ meeting} for which omission there hath been a Reasonable Excuse made. Therefore She is directed to Cause it to be read at the End of a first day meeting for worship before the next monthly meeting, and She to be present and Return Said paper to the next monthly meeting --- ---

Visits of Publick friends Our friends **Matthew Frankin [Franklin]** and **Richard Titus** have Visited This Meeting with their Certificates, the first from the Monthly Meeting held at **Newtown [Elmhurst, Queens Co. NY]** on **Long Island** the 7th of the 4th mo: 1770 and the Latter from the Monthly Meeting held at **Westbury [N Hempstead Nassau Co, NY]** on **Long Island** the 29th of the 8th month 1770 which have been Read to good Satisfaction, and their Visits Kindly Accepted, and this meeting finds freedom to Give Each of them a Certificate, Therefore we do Appoint **Samuel Smith** and

*Overseers
of yearly
meeting* **W^m [William] Anthony ju^r** to prepare Certificates for them & bring them to the adjournment --- --- --- ---
This meeting doth Appoint **Jonathan Hussey, W^m [William] Mosher, Barzillai Tucker, Samuel Smith W^m Anthony ju^r** and **Barnabas Mosher** to have the oversight of the Lofts and other Seats at our yearly meeting to prevent any Indecency that may be liable to happen at that time ~~and to~~ make Report of their Service to the next Monthly Meeting

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*Lydia
Potter
[Dis]ownd*

This meeting hath Signed a paper of denial against **Lydia Potter** for the Sin of Fornication, and **Job Russell** is ordered to read S^d paper at the End of a first day meeting for worship between this and next monthly Meeting, and he then to make Report **Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, W^m [William] Mosher, Barzillai Tucker** and **Jonathan Hussey** are Appointed a Committee to have the oversight of those friends and others that attend our Religious Meetings and are frequently in the practice of Staying out of doors after the Meetings are gathered, and to Invite them into meeting when they think Necessary --- --- --- ---

*Com.^{tee}
[¹] Invite
Delinquents
into
meeting*

adjourn

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*Certificate
for Mat=
=thew
Franklin
Rich Titus*

This meeting Adjourns to the 24th Instant after the Meeting of worship At a Monthly Meeting met According to adjournment the 24th of the 10th month 1770. The Representatives being called both present, This Meeting hath Signed two Certificates, one of our friend **Matthew Franklin** to[^] the monthly Meeting of **Newtown [Elmhurst, Queens, NY]** on **Long Island** and the other for our friend **Richard Titus**, to the Monthly Meeting of **Westbury [N Hempstead Nassau, Co. NY]** on Said Island ~ --

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At a monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th of the 11th Month 1770, the Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey** and **William Barker** both present; --- --- --- ---

*Lemuel
Moshers
Marriag*

Paul Russell and **Barzillai Tucker** Report that they attended the Marriage of **Lemuel Mosher & Ruth Gifford** which was consumated in tolerable good order --- --- --- ---

*John
Smith
Case
referd*

The Committee Appointed to Labour with **John Smith** Report that they have Treated with him, and he Still Neglects to Condemn his disorder to the Satisfaction of this meeting, therefore the matter is Refer^d under the care of the afore said Committee, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*B Chase
referd*

The Com,^{tee} appointed to Labour with **Benj,^a [Benjamin] Chase** Report that they have

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have made Some progress therein, and they desire one Month Longer for that Service therefore they are Still Continued in said Service Accordingly and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting ~

M. Pabody
Paper
read

Martha Pabody's paper hath been read According to the Appointment of last monthly meeting and Returned to This meeting, and is as follows — — /viz/

Mar:
Pabody's
paper

To the Monthly Meeting to be held in **Dartmouth** the 16th: 7.th mo: 1770; Esteemed friends

These are to Inform that through unwatchfulness I have fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication, as Appears by my having a Child So Soon after Marriage, for which I am heartily Sorry for, and do Condemn the Same, with all the Rest of my outgoings, hoping God will forgive me, and desiring friends So far to pass it by as to let me Remain under your Care from your friend — — — — **Martha Pabody** — — dated the 16th. 7.^{mo}: — 1770 — —

Overseers
of yearly
meeting
report

The friends Appointed to have the oversight of the Lofts and other Seats at our last yearly Meeting Report that they all Attended According to Appointment, and that people behaved as Still as could be Reasonably Expected — —

Lydia
Potter's
denial

Lydia Potter's paper of Denial hath been Read According to the Appointment of last monthly Meeting, and is as followeth

At a monthly meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** on the 15th of the 10th. mo: 1770 —

Whereas **Lydia Potter** having had her Education Among friend and under the care of this Meeting but yet for want of watchfulness, and by Giving Way to the Insinuations of the Evil one hath fallen in the Reproachful Sin of Fornication which may Appear to the world by her having a Child So Soon after Marriage

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notwithstanding the Much Labour that hath been taken for to bring her to a Sight & Sense of her outgoings proves Ineffectual and She not having any Appearance of a disposition [*sic*] to Condemn her S.^d outgoings, and to make friends Satisfaction. Now for the Clearing the Truth this Meeting can do no less than Give this forth bearing their Testimony Against Such Reproachful Evils and do deny the Said **Lydia Potter** from being under the Care of this Meeting, yet Truly desiring that She may be brought to a Sight and Sense of[^] all her outgoings, and come to a true Repentance and find Mercy. Given forth and Signed in & on behalf of S.^d meeting by

Job Russell Clerk

Hephzibah Hussey Clerk

Han Win[slow]
accepted
P. Thirst-
-on's
Certi:

[*word crossed out*] The women friends Inform that they have Minuted **Hannah Wins-**
-low under their care, which we concur with — — — —

This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Pernal Thirston** [**Thurston**]

wife of **Edward Thurston Ju^r** to the Monthly Meeting of **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** ~

Meeting in Allens & Smiths Neck granted The Friends Living in **Allen's Neck [S Dartmouth, MA]**, and also those Living in **Smith's Neck [Dartmouth, MA]** Request the Liberty to hold a Meeting in Each neck, the Ensuing Winter. Therefore this meeting Grants them their Request in both Necks, and they to hold a Meeting in each neck on Each first day of the week from now to the monthly meeting to be held in the third Month next, and **Philip Allen & Daniel Cornell** are Appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting in their s.^d neck, and **Samuel Smith & Benj^a Howland the 2^d** are Appointed for the Same Service in the meeting in their neck, and all to Make Report to the S.^d third month next

Weston Briggs request a Certificate **Weston Briggs** hath Removed in the Compass of **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** Monthly Meeting, and Requests a Removal Certificate for himself & family

Jacob Chase request a Certificate and **Jacob Chase** hath likewise Removed in the Compass of the same meeting & Requests a Removal Certificate for himself & Children Therefore **Luke Hart & Barnabas Mosher** are Appointed to Inquire into **Jacob Chases**

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Chase's Life & Conversation and to draft a Certificate for them if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting --- ---
 And **Tho.^s [Thomas] Hicks** and **W^m [William] Anthony ju^r** are Appointed for the Same Service for **Weston Briggs** and to Join the women friends to draft a Certificate for himself & family if they think proper, and to bring it to the next monthly Meeting

Jenaverah Gifford's paper accepted

Jena^{ve}rah Gifford hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning her falling into the Sin of Fornication, Which this Meeting Concludes to Accept Provided Said paper be read at the End of a first day Meeting for worship, and She is Excused from being present at the reading Said paper by reason of her being at a Great distance, and a Lame woman, and under Low Circumstances in the world, therefore the Clerk of this Meeting is order'd to Read Said paper According to the afore s.^d directions, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting ~ ~ ~

Propo-sal to build a new Meeting house

This Meeting Proposes to build a new Meeting House where our old one now Stands in **Ponaganset [Apponagansett, Dartmouth, MA]**, and do Appoint **Barnabas Mosher, Prince Allen, Philip Trafford, Caleb Russell, Jonathan Hussey, W^m [William] Anthony ju.^r Joseph Russell, Samuel Smith** and **Deliverence Smith**, and they to consider how Large to build Said House and also to compute the cost as near as they can and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting ---

Comtee

to assist
the over-
seers of the
poor

John Potter, Prince Allen, W^m Anthony ju^r are Appointed to
Join the overseers of the poor to Settle Accounts in behalf of
Alice Smith with **John Sisson**, and they to Make Report to the next
monthly Meeting; ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

12 Mo:
1770 }

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of the
12th Month 1770 The Representatives are **W^m [William] Barker** and
Barzillai Tucker both present ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

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[J] Gifford
[ju^r?] proposal
[of] marriage

Joseph Gifford ju^r and **Hannah Winslow** declared their Intentions
of Marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting
for their Answer, and **W^m Barker** and **Barzillai Tucker** are
appointed to Enquire into the young man's clearness Respecting
Marriage & Conversation and make report to the next Monthly
Meeting --- ---

John Smith
case

The Committee Appointed to Labour with **John Smith** Report that they
have Treated^{^ further} with him, and that he gave them Some Satisfaction, but
S[t]ill Neglects to make this meeting Satisfaction, therefore the Matter
is Still Refer'd under the Care of the afore S.^d Committee, and they to

Ben Chase
Paper
accepted

Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~
The friends Appointed to Inspect into the Case of **Benj.^a [Benjamin] Chase's** Striking
of **Abigail Blackmer** Report that he hath Made the Said **Abigail**
Satisfaction, therefore this meeting concludes to Accept of his paper
that he gave in Some months past, Provided he Cause it to be read
at the close of a first day Meeting for worship at **Newtown [S Dartmouth, MA]** between
this & the next Monthly Meeting he being present, and make Report
to the next monthly Meeting, and Return Said paper -----

Barnabus
Russell's
Certificat
from London

Barnabas Russell hath Produced a Certificate from the two weeks
Meeting in **London** held on the 17th of the 9th month 1770 which hath
been Read & well Accepted --- --- --- --- ---

Jacob Chase
Certificate

Luke Hart & Barnabas Mosher have prepared a Removal Certificate
for **Jacob Chase** & Children to the Monthly Meeting of **Swanzey [Somerset, MA]** which
hath been Signed in this meeting, and this meeting has Likewise Signed
a Removal Certificate for **Weston Briggs** & family to the aboves^d meeting
Jenavarah [Jenaverah] Gifford's paper hath been Read According to the direction
of Last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows ~ ~ ~ /viz/

J. Giffords
Confession

Sandwich [Barnstable Co, MA] the 2 of the 7th month 1769,
To the Monthly ~~Monthly~~ Meeting of friends to be held in **Dartmouth**
the 17th Instant --- ---

Beloved friends, These May Inform that Notwithstanding I had
my Education amongst friends, I have by Giving way to the
Temptation of the enemy, been Guilty of the Sin of fornication

as

as appears by my having a Child So Soon after Marriage which Sin I do condemn with all other my offences and am heartily Sorry for(them) hoping that God will forgive me, and I do desire that friends will So far pass by my offences as to let me Still Remain under their care, from your friend,

Jeneverah Gifford

The Committee appointed to consider about Building a New Meeting House in **aponagaset** and to calculate the cost Report as follows

*Estate of
Alice Smith not
Settled*

The committee appointed to Join with the overseers of the poor to Settle the Estate of **Alice Smith** Report that the matter is unsettled therefore they are Still continued to Endeavour to Settle the matter as Soon as may be and then to make Report

*W. Cornals
complaint*

Walter Cornell hath Exhibited a complaint against **Jedediah Allen** for Refusing to Join with him in fulfilling the Judgment of the Arbitration Respecting the discharging of their Mother **Wood's** debts that she left at her decease, therefore this meeting do Appoint **Caleb Russell Wm Anthony jn^r Barzillai Tucker, Joseph Barker, & Thomas Hicks** a Committee to Inquire into the State of the case and to Labour as they may find freedom, and to Make Report to the next monthly meeting

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*Complaint against
[?] H. Smith*

Benjamin Shearman, Tho^s Shearman and Peleg Shearman Jointly have Exhibited a complaint against **Humphry Smith** for Refusing to Submitt a controversey between them to men. Therefore this meeting do Appoint **Joseph Gifford, Gideon Howland, Barzillai Tucker, Joseph Barker & Benj^a Slocum** a Committee to Inquire into the State of the Case and to Labour as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Queries answered

The Queries have been read and answer'd in this meeting and

*Representa
tives appointed*

Joseph Tucker, Jonathan Hussey, Wm Anthony jn^r and Samuel Smith are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and to present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries which Epistle hath been Signed in this Meeting, and they to make Report next Monthly Meeting

J. Trafford paper

Joseph Trafford hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his falling into Sin of fornication therefore this meeting do Appoint **W^m Anthony jn^r and Benj^a Howland the 2^d** to Inquire if the young woman be Satisfied that Accused him, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

This meeting hath Collected £ 7-10^s-6 old tener

The following denial of **Humphry Smith the 3^d** ought to have been Recorded Among the minutes of the 7th month Last in page 189 but was omitted /viz/

*The Denial of Hum.
Smith 3d*

Whereas **Humphry Smith**, Son of **Humphry Smith** having had his Education among friends, yet thro' disregarding the Principle of Life in his own heart hath So far followed the Variety of his own un-stable mind as to fall into Several Reproachful Soils, particularly in that he being accused of being the father of a Bastard Child, and he in no wise clearing himself therefrom to the Satisfaction of

friends and after Inspection we have Sufficient to believe the
Accusation to be Justly Grounded. Likewise he is found in the too
frequent practice of Drinking Spiritous Liquors to Excess and also
in the use of bad Language, for which friends have Repeatedly
Laboured with him in Love in order to Reclaim him from Such Vanities
but

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but our Labour not having the desired Effect to friends Satisfaction
Therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of
Such Enormous Practices this meeting is Concerned to Give this
forth Against him, and do hereby Publicly disown him the Said
Humphry Smith from being one of our Society, and from being
in membership with us, desiring Nevertheless if it be Agree-
-able to Divine pleasure that he may yet be Restored from the
evil of his ways and by unfeigned Repentence Return to the
way of Truth—Given forth by our Monthly Meeting of
friends held in **Dartmouth** on the 18th of the 6th month 1770

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And Signed in & on behalf of Said Meeting by **Job Russell** Clerk
At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21st of the first
month 1771, the Representatives are **Nicolas Howland** and
W^m Anthony jn^r both present

*Jos. Gifford^{ju}
proposal of
marriage answer*

W^m Barker and **Barzillai Tucker** Report that they have Made
Inquiry into **Joseph Gifford Ju^r's** Clearness Respecting Marriage and
conversation, and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage
Joseph Gifford ju^r and **Hannah Winslow** Appear'd for their Answer
which was that they might proceed to take each other in Mar-
-riage before the next Monthly Meeting advising with the
overseers for that purpose and **W^m Barker & Barzillai Tucker**
are Appointed to See their Marriage consumated in good order
and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*J. Smith
accepted*

John Smith hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his
disorderly Marriage which is accepted and he Stil to Remain
under the care of this meeting

B. Chase's paper

Benj^a Chase's paper hath been read According to the direction
of the Last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows /viz/
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To the Monthly Meeting of friends held at **Ponaganset**
whereas I thro' weakness and Giving way to the Temtations of the
enemy

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enemy Some time past struck **Abigail Blackmer** for which I am
now Sorry for and Condemn, hoping the almighty will forgive me
desiring to be preserved from Such practices for the futer[future] and desire that
friends will pass it by and Continue me under their Care from
your friend — — —
Benjamin Chase

Return from Quar. meeting The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended According to Appointment and have produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been read & kindly accepted

Jed. Allen case referd. The Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Complaint of **Walter Cornel**[**Cornell**] against **Jedidiah Allen** Request the matter to be defer'd one month Longer under their Care therefore their Request is Granted and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

J Gifford Certifi. This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Jeneverah Gifford** wife of **Silvanus Gifford** to the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich**[**Barnstable Co MA**]

Humphry Smith Case The Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Complaint of **Benj^a Thos** and **Peleg Shearman** against **Humphry Smith** Report that the Matter is Still unsettled, and **Humphry Smith** Requests a Copy of the Complaint therefore the Said Complaint is Refer'd under the care of the afore said Committee and they to Consider whether it be left to Give Said **Smith** a Copy or not and if upon Mature Consideration they think best to Give a Copy they may, and **Job Case** and **W^m Anthony jn^r** are added to the afore s^d Committee, and they to Advise and Labour as they may find freedom and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Jos Trafford paper accepted The Committee Appointed on the account of **Joseph Trafford** Make a Satisfactory Report, therefore his paper is Accepted Provided he cause it to be read Publickly at the End of a first day meeting for worship before next Monthly Meeting, he being present and Return it to next Monthly Meeting and Report of its being read

B. Howland Gives in a paper **Barnabas Howland the 2^d** hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his disorderly Marriage, therefore the matter is Refer'd. under the care of **Samuel Smith & W^m Anthony jn^r** and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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B. Little Produced a Removl. Certifi. **Barker Little** hath Produced a Removal Cerificate from the Monhtly Meeting of **Pembrook**[**Plymouth Co MA**] which hath been read and Accepted

I Howland Produced a Removal Certificate **Isaac Howland jn^r** hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of [**Newport, Newport Co RI**] which hath been Read and Accepted

Paul Russell Certificate This Meeting hath Given **Paul Russell** a few Lines to the monthly Meeting of **Sandwich**[**Barnstable Co MA**] Signifying our unity with his Visit This Meeting hath collected £10-14^s-11^d old Tenner, and the Treasurer is order'd to pay **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for Keeping the meeting house half a year, and Also to pay **John Sanford** half a Dollar

Order on Treasurer

2d Mo:1771 At Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18 of the 2d month 1771, the Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and **Thos Hicks** both present

Wm Barker & Barzillai Tucker Report that they attended

Jos Gifford jnr marriage the Marriage of **Joseph Gifford jnr & Hannah Waslow** which was Consumated in Good order

Humphry Smith Case The Comtee appointed to Inquire into the Complaint of **Benja Thos & Pelef Shearman** against **Humphry Smith** Report that they have made Some progress therein and desire one month Longer for tat Service which is Granted.

Paper for the meeting **Thos Hicks** hath Procured a Quire of paper for this meeting which Cost 11/3d old Tenner
Joseph Trafford's Paper hath been Read according to the ap pointment of Last monthly Meeting & Returned to this meeting which paper is as followeth/viz/
to the Monthly Meeting of **Dartmouth**

J. Trafford Paper Respected Friend
With Sorrow I have to acknowledge my misconduct in falling into the Reproaching Sin of Fornication for which I am heartily and sincerely Sorry and do Condemn the Same

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Joseph Trafford

Treasurer said Tim Russell [?] not paid The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid **Timothy Russell** Ten Dollars for Keeping the meeting house a year but has not paid **John Sanford** as ordered therefore he is still Continued to pay Sd Sanford & to make Report to the next Monthly Meetings

Case of Barna Howland Jn **Wm Anthony jnr** and **Samuel Smith** Report that they have Treated with **Barnabas Howland jnr** Respecting id disorderly Marriage and that he Gave them some Satisfaction, therefore they are still continued in the Same Service and to make Report when they think Necessary

Jedida Allen Case the Greatest part of the Comtee appointed to Inquire into the Complaint of **Walter Cornel** against **Jedidiah Allen** Report as followeth which is accepted by this Meeting
According to appointment of Last Monthly Meeting we have Inspected into the Reason of **Jedidiah Allen's** Refusing to Joyn **Walter Cornel** in the Discharging their **Mosher Woods** Debts according to the Judgment of the arbrators that Settled that affair & according to the best of our understanding we have to Inform that although it falls Somewhat hard upon sd **Allen**, yet we think **Walted Cornel** suffers Eagerlly with him in said Judgment, and as they have found themselves to perform the same we advised **P. Allen** to Comply with
Likewise we understand there is some Debts that was not brought in to [?] Arbitrators to Judge on, that was made by **Jedidiah Wood** we think them Dont belong to **Jedidiah Allen** and **Walter Cornell** to pay unless then Arbitrators thinks it proper & Reasonable

from your Committee this 18 Day 2mo 1771 **Wm Anthony jnr Caleb Russell Barzillai Tucker Joseph Barker**

[?] *Allen reuse to comply*

The Said **Allen** Refusing to Comply with the Sd Judgment Therefore this meeting do appoint **Abraham Tucker, Joseph Tucker** and **John Potter** to Labour with Said **Allen** to Comply

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therewith as they may find freedom and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Prince
Allen
Gives in a paper*

Prince Allen hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his Saying that; If **Thomas Briggs** had got Such a Receipt as he Said he had he made it, which Paper hath been Read & Considered in this Meeting and Accepted

*To Review meeting
minutes*

Samuel Smith Job Russell, W^m Anthony ju^r John Potter and **Tho^s Hicks** are Appointed to Review their Meeting's Minutes to See what part they may think proper to go on Record, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Complaint against
D. Gifford*

The overseers have Exhibited a Complaint against **David Gifford Jun^r** as Charged on Oath by **Meribah Hammond** deceased of being the father of her Child, and also for denying a matter of fact between himself & **Jabez Hammond**, for which they have Labour'd with him, and he declines to Condemn his offences, Therefore This Meeting do Appoint **Abraham Tucker**, and **Paul Russell** to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

The following paper of **Wm Anthony jur** ought to have been Recorded in page 178 but was omitted by reason of not coming to hand /viz/

*Confession
of W^m Anthony ju^r*

To the Monthly Meeting to be held in **Dartmouth** the 19th 2^d month 1770, Esteemed friends & Brethren These are to Inform that in the year 1768 I was Indebted to **John Russell** for a Large Sum of Money, and the time being Expired for payment, and he calling for his pay; I not having near all the money to pay him, I proposed for to Answer part of the Money due to him, by Giving Notes to his Creditors, which he Consented to, and I being under an Engagement to Go a Voiage [Voyage] to **perkipsey[Poughkeepsie, Dutchess Co NY]**, and being disapointed at that time

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about Answering to Some of his Creditors as afore said I Then Inconsiderately Proceeded the Voiage[Voyage] before there was a full Settlement between the S^d **Russell** & I, which Gave him cause to think hard of me, The which I am Sorry

for and do condemn, and I desire Friends to pass by my
offence in That Respect,

From your friend **W^m Anthony ju^r**

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mo:
1771*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of
the 3^d Month 1771, The Representatives are **Jonathan
Hussey & W^m Anthony ju^r** both present

*J Sanford
is paid*

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid **John Sanford** £1-2^s-6^d
old Tener According to Appointment

*Jed Allen refuse to
Comply*

The Committee Appointed to Labour with **Jedidiah Allen** to
Comply with the Judgment of this meeting in Regard to his
Mother **Wood's** debts, Reports that the Said **Allen** Still
Refuses to Comply with the aforeS^d Judgment, therefore they are
Still Continued in the Same Service, and to make Report to the
next Monthly

*Anna
Smith's Certifi:*

Anna Smith hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the
Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** which hath been Read and
Accepted

Minutes Revie'd

The Committee Appointed to Review this meeting's minutes to See
what part they may think proper to be Recorded, Report they have
fulfill'd their Appointment and **Samuel Smith** hath undertook
to Record them

The Greatest part of the Committee Appointed to Inquire into the
Complaint of **Benj^a, Tho^s and Peleg Shearman** Against **Humphry
Smith** Report as followeth, which is accepted

*Report Respecting
H. Smith
& Shearman*

According to appointment of the Monthly Meeting we had
Humphry Smith & the Shearman together to Inspect into the Controversy
Subsisting between them, and have to Inform, that firstly **S^d Smith**
Queried if Gospel order had been kept to, and by Inquiring we found that
before they Entered their Complaint to the meeting one of the overseers
taking a friend with him went to **S^d Smith** with **Tho^s Shearman** on the
affair, which appear'd to us according to Good order, then **S^d Smith**
Demanded a Cobby of the Complaint which after Consideration we
thought best for him not to have without he would promise to make
no use thereof in the Law, which promise he Refused, Then we offer'd that
a friend Should wait with him as long as he thought Proper to peruse
and Consider the Complaint, and he might Call in friends to advise with
but not Suffer any Cobby to be taken, and then Give us an Answer
which offer **S^d Smith** Refused Complying with- Then we refer'd **S^d
Smith** to Give us Some reasons ~~why he~~ why he Refused to Leave the

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the affair to men, by he declined giving us any, for we found the **Shear-
-mans** would Leave it to men by them Equally Chosen or the Meeting might

Choose them and they would be bound to abide Judgment, and the **Shearmans** Say there is a Number of Judicious Neighbours are Ready to Say that **Smiths** Evidence in Court Contradicts the Known matters of fact but yet they offer'd to Settle the whole affare by friends as aforesaid, and we have made Much Inquiry in Regard to its touching Titles of Land and find that Said **Smiths** and **Shearmans** written Titles Jointly Concur and the dispute is only in Settling the Line, and our Judgment is that where friends hold Land under Vouchers not to Compel them to Leave to Arbitration, but in this Controversy we find that the **Shearmans** are willing that a number of Surveyors Should take Said **Smiths** Deed and by the Return therein, Run the Line as they shall think Just & Right, and they will be bound to abide by the Same, which Appears to us that the **Shearmans** Contend, for no Land that S^d **Smith** holds under a Voucher, therefore our Judgment is that Said **Smith** ought to Leave the Controversy to men or Render Sufficient Reason why, which he declines

from your Committee the 18th the 3^d month 1771- **Joseph Barker**

Job Case

Gideon Howland

W^m Anthony jn

Barzillai Tucker

Hum Smith Case This Meeting doth Appoint **Joseph Tucker & Abraham Tucker** to inform Said **Smith** of the Judgment of this Meeting and to Labour as they may find a freedom and make Report to the adjournment

David Gifford case The Committee Appointed to Labour with **David Gifford** Report they have discharged themselves in Labouring with Said **Gifford** and he Gave them no Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting being Clear of any further Labour with him do Appoint **W^m Barker & Barzillai Tucker** to draft a paper of Denial against him, and also Inform him of their Appointment, and make Return to the next monthly meeting

report of meetings in Allen & Smith Neck The friend Appointed to have the care of the Meetings in **Allen & Smiths Necks** Report that they attended the Respective Meetings which were held orderly & to Satisfaction

Complaint against J Barker The overseers have Exhibited a Complaint against **Jabez Barker** for Suffering two of his children to be married in his house the world, way for which they have Labour'd with him, and he declines to Condemn his disoner[dishonor], Therefore This Meeting do Appoint **Barnabas Mosher & Tho^s Hicks** to Labour with him as they may find freedom and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

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P. Shearman*

and

The overseers likewise Inform That **Philip Shearman** hath Married Contrary to Good order, for which they timely Cautioned & Advised him Therefore this Meeting do Appoint **W^m Sanford & Job Russell** to Labor with him as they may find freedom, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, They also Inform that **Abraham Ricketson**

A. Ricketson hath been in the Practice of Running horses, for which they have

offenders Laboured with him, and he declines to Condemn his offence therefore
This meeting doth Appoint **Tho^s Hicks & Phillip Allen** to Labour
with him as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the
next Monthly Meeting

adjourns This Meeting hath Collected in old tene — — —£ 6 - 5^s - 10^d
This Meeting Adjourns to the 27th Instant after the meeting
of worship

mett This meeting being met According to adjournment the 27 the
3^d mo: 1771, The Representatives being Called both Present
The Queries have been Read & Answer'd in this meeting

*Request
for advice
to the Quarterly
Meeting* This meeting taking into Consideration the Practice of dwarf[diverse]
persons amongst us in going out of the order of friends, in marriage
It is therefore Recommended to the Quarterly meeting for advice, whether
it may not be Sufficient in that Case for overseers or Visitors to
Pre-admonish them, and then for the meeting to proceed to disown
them if they persist in their disorder, without any furder Labor
with them

*H. Smith Requests
an appeal* The friends appointed to Inform **Humphry Smith** of the Judgment of
This Meeting, Report that they have fulfil'd their Appointment and
Labour'd with him to Comply with s^d Judgment, which he declines, and
Requests an Appeal to the Quarterly Meeting which is Granted

*Friends to attend
Quarter meeting* **Paul Russell, W^m Anthony ju^r and Caleb Russell** are appointed
to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Present the Epistle with the
Answers to the Queries, and they to ~~present~~ Represent **Humphrey
Smith's** Appeal, and to produce Such papers and minutes as Shall appear
Necessary in that case, and to make Report to the next monthly
meeting - The afore said Epistle was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk

*4th mo:
1771* At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th: 4th mo: 1771
The Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey & Samuel Smith**
both present

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*4 month
1771 Jonathan
Tucker's proposal
of mar=
riage* **Jonathan Tucker and Mehetabel Mosher** declared their Intentions
of Marriage, and were desired to wait Till the next Monthly
Meeting for their Answer, and **Joseph Gifford & Barzillai Tucker**
are appointed to Inquire into the young man's clearness Respecting
Marriage and conversation, and Make Report to the next
Monthly Meeting

*order
to draw
a denial against
J. Allen* one of the Committee that had the care of **Jedidiah Allen's** case
Reports that he Still declines to Comply with the Judgment of this
Meeting, therefore this Meeting believing that we are clear of
any farther Labour with him, and do Appoint **Nicolas Howland**
ans **W^m Anthony ju^r** to draft a paper of denial against S^d
Allen, and to Inform him of their Appointment and make
Report to the next Monthly Meeting

D. Gifford denial The friends Appointed to draft a paper of denial Against **David
Gifford ju:** have drafted & brought S^d paper to this Meeting which
hath been Signed by the clerk, and he is appointed to read Said

paper at the close of a first day meeting for worship, before the next monthly meeting & then to Make Report, And ~~Joseph Gifford Tucker~~ is appointed to Serve S^d Gifford with a Copy of his denial, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Philip Shearman
case referd*

The friends Appointed to Labour with **Philip Shearman** Report that they have not had an oppertunity to Labour with him both together therefore the matter is Refer'd under their care until the next Monthly Meeting, and then make Report

*Abraham Ricketson
Case
referd*

The Committee Appointed to Labour with **Abraham Ricketson** Report that they have not had an opportunity fully to to discharge themselves, therefore the matter is Refer'd under their care one month Longer, and then to make Report

*Report
from
Quar
meeting*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report they all attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the Same, which hath been Read, and the Contents are Recommended to friends Notice & observation and **Samuel Smith & W^m Anthony ju:** are appointed to In-

*Hump
Smith
to be
Inform'd*

-form **Humphry Smith** of the above Contents Respecting his Request or appeal to S^d Meeting, & give him a copy of the Compt if he Comply with S^d Epistle

*Jabez
Barker
case*

The Com^{tee} appointed to Labour with **Jabez Barker ju.** Report that they have Labour'd with him, and he declines to Condem[n] his

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*4 month
1771*

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his fault to their Satisfaction, therefore the matter is Refer^d under their care one month Longer, and then to make Report

The said Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting Informs us that their Com^{tee} appointed to View our our meeting House made the following Report, which was accepted by s^d Quarterly Meeting

*Judgm^t
of the
Quar^{ly}
meeting
Respecting
Meeting
House*

To the Quarterly Meeting of friends next to be held at **Portsmouth [Newport Co. RI]** on **Rhode Island.**

We the Subscribers Agreeable to the appointment of the Quarterly Meeting having Viewed and Examind the Meeting house at **Apponaganset**, there being a Number of friend, belonging to **Dartmouth** Monthly Meeting then present, and it is our Judgment that it will be best to Repair it – Notwithstanding we think it might be well for the Quarterly Meeting to leave them at their Liberty to Rebuild if they Should Still continue to prefer it, and if Rebuilt we think a house of the following dimentions would be Sufficient (viz) Sixty feet in Length, and thirty five feet in width and twenty feet [?],

Dartmouth 15th the 1st mo: 1771 — — **Abraham Barker**

Moses Farnum Jacob Mott Ju^r

*Quarterly Meetings
advice
about
disorderly Marriage*

And our Representatives from the s^d Quarterly Meeting Informing Verbally that the s^d Meeting Concluded to leave it at the diser[?]ssion of the Monthly Meeting, in Regard to disowning of persons that Mar-ry out of the unity of friends without dealing with them after they have been Pre-caution^d before marriage

*Complaint
against
Stephen
Marihew*

One of the overseers Informs that **Stephen Merihew** hath Married out of the unity of friends and that he hath Labour'd with him therefor, and he declines to condemn his offence, therefore This Meeting doth appoint **Caleb Russell & James Davis** to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and to make

5th mo. Report to the next monthly meeting - - - -
1771

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of the 5th month 1771, The Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and **W^m Anthony ju^r** both present

*5 month
1771*

*Jona Tucker
answer*

The friends Appointed to Inquire into **Jonathan Tucker**'s Clear-ness Respecting Marriage & Conversation Report that they have made Inquiry & do not find anything to hinder his proceeding in Marriage. And the s^d **Jonathan Tucker** appear'd for their Answer which was that they Might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Convenient time before next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers that this Meeting shall appoint for that pur-
-pose, and **Joseph Gifford & Barziallai Tucker** are appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order & Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Case of
Jedediah Allen
referd*

The friends Appointed to draft a paper of Denial against **Jedediah Allen** Report they have not it, and they have Render'd a Reason for their omission, Therefore the matter is Refer'd un-
-der their care until next Monthly Meeting, and they to draft S^d paper if they think Necessary, and then to Make Report

*D Gifford
inform^d*

Joseph Tucker Reports that he hath Served **David Gifford** [?][ju^r] with a Copy of his Denial, and also his denial hath been read According to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting, and is a followeth

*D Gifford
Denial*

From our Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** y^e 15th of the 4th month 1771, Whereas **David Gifford ju^r** having had his Education Amongst friends, but by not Giving heed to that unerring Guide & Teacher the Spirit of Truth in his own heart he has So far deviated from our Christian Profession, that he has been accused and charged on oath by **Meribah Hammond** deceast of being the father of her Child, & also denying a matter of fact between

himself & **Jabez Hammond**, for which offences friends having Laboured with him in order to bring him to a True Sense of his Transgressions, but their Labour of Love in that Respect proving Ineffectual, he not condemning the same to friends Satisfaction, Therefore for the clearing of Truth & our Christian profession from Such Reproaches, we can do no less than Testify against him, & do hereby disown him the S^d **David Gifford** from being one in unity with us and under our care, Notwithstanding desiring if it be consistant with divine pleasure that he yet may be brought to a True Sight & Sense of his offences, & through a true and unfeigned Repentance and Reformation which
his

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*5 month
1771* his peace made with the Lord, and thereby be Restored to the unity of his friends - - - - -

Signed in & on behalf of the said Meeting by **Job Russell** Clerk The friends Appointed to Labour with **Philip Shearman** Reports that they have Labour'd with him, and he declines to Condemn his offence to their Satisfaction, Therefore this Meeting being Clear of any farther Labour with him do deny the s^d **Philip Shearman** from being a member of our Society and from under the Care of this Meeting, and **W^m Sanford** is Appointed to Inform him of his denial & make Report to the next monthly Meeting

*P Shearman
denied*

The friends that had the care of **Abraham Ricketson**

*Care of
Abraham
Ricketson
refer'd*

Report that they have had no opportunity to Treat with him by reason he is gone to Sea, therefore the matter is Still Refer'd under their Care, and they to make Report as Soon as they Can with Conveniency - - - -

*J Barker
ju^r
denied*

The friends Appointed to Labour with **Jabez Barker ju^r** Report they have discharged themselves in Labouring with him, and he declines to condemn his offences to their Satisfaction. Therefore this Meeting being Clear of any farther Labour with him, do deny the s^d **Jabez Barker** from being a member of our Society & from under the Care of this Meeting and **Peleg Gifford** is appointed to Inform him of his denial and to make Report to the next monthly Meeting ~ ~

*S. Merihew
Accepted*

The friends Appointed to Treat with **Stephen Merihew** Report That he hath Condemned his offence to their Satisfaction, and he hath also Appear'd in this Meeting & Verbally Condemnd the same which is accepted - - - - -

*E Sheperd
Certifi.*

Elisabeth Shepherd /wife of **David/** hath Produced a Removal Certificate from **Rhode Island** monthly Meeting which is Accepted and also the women friends Inform that **Abigail Winslow** hath Given in a paper Condemning her falling into the sin of fornication, which they have accepted, and this Meeting

Concurs therewith----

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At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th 6th month 1771
The Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey** and **Tho^s Hicks** both present
whereas our yearly Meeting is now in being at **Rhode Island**, There-
fore this Meeting doth Adjourn to the 24th Instant at the 11th hour
in the Morning- - -

At a monthly Meeting held by Adjournment the 24th 6th month 1771
The Representatives being called both present -

Jedidiah Allen
Case refer'd

The friends that were Appointed some months past to draft a paper of
denial Against **Jedidiah Allen** Report that they have still omitted
it for the Same reasons as heretofore, therefore they are Stil Continued
in that Service & to make Report next monthly Meeting

Jonathan Tucker's
marriage

one of the friends that was Appointed to see **Jonathan Tucker** and
Mehetabel Mosher's Marriage Consumated in good order Reports
That he attended Said Marriage and that it was Consumated orderly
The other friend Reports that he did not attend and he hath Render'd
an Excuse for his omission - - -

P. Shearman's
& J Barker's
denial

William Sanford Reports, That he hath Informed **Philip Shearman** of
his denial, and **Peleg Gifford** also Informs That he hath Informed
Jabez Barker Ju^r of his denial according to the Appointment of
Last monthly Meeting - - -

Visits of
foreign friends

The Queries have been Read & Answer'd in This Meeting

Henry Chase hath Visited this meeting with a few Lines from the Mo[n]th=
-ly meeting of **Oblong**, dated the 5th month 1771, Certifying him to
be of an orderly Conversation & an approved Minister in unity
which hath been read to Satisfaction & his Visit Kindly accepted
Our friend **Joshua Tomson** hath Visited this meeting with a
Certificate from the monthly Meeting held at **Salem in New Jersey**
the 27th 5th month 1771, Certifying him to be in Good unity as an Elder
which hath been read to Satisfaction & his Visit Kindly accepted

Complaint
against
J. Rotch

The overseers have Introduced a Complaint into this meeting Sign'd
by **George Winslow** Against **Joseph Rotch** for Refusing to Com=
=ply with the Judgment of the arbitrators that were Mutually
Chosen between them, therefore this Meeting do Appoint **Joseph**
Gifford, **W^m Anthony ju^r**, **Barzillai Tucker**, **Prince Allen**, **Tho^s**
Hicks, **Joseph Barker** & **Gideon Howland** to Enquire into the Grounds
& Vility of s^d Complaint & make Report to the Adjournment of this
Meeting - - -

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6 month
1771
Anne Sherman
deny^d

The women friends Inform that they have denied **Anne Shearman** wife of **Philip Shearman** for Marrying out of the unity of friends which This Meeting Concurs with

J Oxly's
Visit

Our Esteemed Friend **Joseph Oxly** hath Visited this Meeting with his Certificate from the Monthly Meeting in **Norwich [Norfolk Co. Eng] Old England** bearing date the 23^d 3^d month 1770, with Concurring Certificates from the Quarterly Meeting held at **Norwich** for the **County of Norfolk** the 28th 3^d mo: 1770, And from the yearly meeting of Ministers ~~the~~[^]held y^c 11th of the 6th month 1770, Certifying from whence he came that they had Good unity with his Concern, and also his Publick and Private Charector, and his Ministry Sound & Living, which have been read in this meeting to Good Satisfaction and his Visit Kindly accepted

Order to pay
Tim Russell

This Meeting hath Collected £8 s8 – 2^d old Tenner and the Treasurer is order^d to pay **Timothy Russell** five dollars for Keeping the meeting house half a year and Make Report to the next monthly meeting

This Meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month after the Meeting of worship

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment the 4th 7th mo: 1771 The Representatives being called both present

Jos Rotch
case Settled

The Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Complaint of **George Win**[?][**Winslow**] Against **Joseph Rotch** Report that said Rotch hath Comply^d to fullfill the Judgment of the Arbitrators

J Barker's
appeal

Jabez Barker ju^r Requests an Appeal from the Judgment of This Meeting to the Quarterly Meeting which is granted

Representa
tives

Samuel Smith, W^m Anthony ju^r Barzillai Tucker & Jonathan Hussey are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Convey the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries, and present the [?][business] from this meeting to the Quarterly Meeting, and make Report to the next monthly Meeting. The above S^d Epistle was Signed in this Meeting

Complaint against
B Shear
man

whereas **Benj^a Shearman** hath Neglected to attend Religious Meeting both for worships & discipline for Some years past, and now Refuses to condemn the Same, therefore this Meeting do Appoint **John Potter Job Russell Gideon Howland, Tho^s Hicks, & Barzillai Tucker** to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and make Report to the next monthly meeting

7th mo:
1771

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th 7th Mo: 1771 The Representatives are **W^m Anthony ju^r & Benj^a Howland 2^d, S^d Howland** not being present by Reason of his wife being not well

Jedidiah Allen's
case
continued

The friends Appointed to draft a paper of denial against **Jedidiah Allen** Report that they have not done it by Reason that Some of the Arbitrators are not fully Satisfied in their Settlement between S^d parties, therefore this Meeting do Appoint **Caleb Russell Joseph Barker, W^m Anthony Ju^r, Barzillai Tucker Tho^s Hicks** to Treat with monthly **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Meeting and Request said Meeting to Appoint a

Com^{tee} to assist to bring s^d parties (as some of them below there) to a Rehearing, and to make Report as Soon as they can Conveniently

Report from Quar meeting The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended According to Appointment, and they have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read & Kindly Accepted, and likewise the Lord on[**London**] Printed Epistle for the year 1770 hath been Read to Good Satisfaction, and the Contents earnestly Recommended to friends Notice & Observation

Benja Shearman Case The friends Appointed to Labour with **Benj^a Shearman** for his Neglect of attending Religious Meetings Report they have not all of them had an opportunity to discharge themselves in that Respect therefore they are still Continued in that Service, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Humph Smith case The Appeal of **Humphry Smith** is Returned to this meeting again, in order for him to Render his Reason for not Referring his Con-troversey to Arbitration if he Still declines the Same, therefore do Appoint **W^m Mosher, Caleb Russell, Job Russell, W^m Sanford** and **Adam Gifford** to hear the Reason and Judge whether they be Sufficient or not, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*J Barker to be in=
=formed* **Jonathan Hussey** and **Job Russell** are Appointed to Serve **Jabez Barker ju^r** with a Ccopy of his denial and Accusation, and to Make Report next monthly Meeting

To Collect money for London The Quarterly Requests of this meeting to Collect four pounds Sterling, and Send it up to the next Quarterly Meeting for the Suply of the Stock in the yearly Meeting of **London [England]**

Overseers Continued The time being Expired that the overseers were appointed in Their Service, therefore they are Continued in that Service one month Longer.

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*7 month
1771
Tim Russell
is paid* The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for Keeping the Meeting House half a year as appointed by Last Monthly Meeting

*T. Smith
Certificate* **Tho^s Smith** and family have Removed into the Compass of this meeting to Live, and have Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** which hath been read & Accepted

*8^{mo}
1771
Report on
the Case of
B: Shear
man
Refer^d* At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th 8^{mo} 1771 The Representatives are **Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey** both present The friends appointed to Labour with **Benj^a Sherman [Shearman]** for his Neglecting of attending Religious meetings, Report that they have Treated with him and he Declines to Condemn his Disorder their Satisfaction which is Refer^d to the Next monthly meeting for further Consideration

Report on
J: **Barker's** Caser

The friends appointed to serve **Jabes[Jabez] Barker j^u** with a Coppy of his Accusation & Denial, Report if they have answer^d their appointment

The Committee Appointed to Treat with **Humphry Smith** and hear his Reasons on account of his appeals being Return^d, back from the Quarterly Meeting Report as followeth

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Jacob Chase
Certificate Return^d

Whereas **Jacob Chase** had a Removal Certificate to **Rhod-Island[Newport, Newport Co RI]** Monthly meeting and now he hath Removed back again within the Compass of this meeting much Sooner than he Expected, And Return^d Said Certificate which we Except[Accept]

Overseers
appointed

Daniel Cornel[Cornell] William Mosher William Barker Jonathan Hussey William Anthony j^u & Tho^s Hicks, Are appointed Overseers for the year Insueing

Overseers
of poor Appoin:

Caleb Russell Barzillai Tucker Joseph Barker Gideon Howland & Philip Allen, are apointed overseers of the Poor for the year Insueing

9^{mo}
1771
**Benja:
Sherman**
Case refer^d
Hump Smith case

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 16th 9^{mo} 1771 the Representatives are **William Anthony j^u & Tho^s Hicks** Present The matter Concerning **Benj^a Sherman** is Refer^d to next Monthly Meeting for Further Consideration — The Committee appointed to Serve **Humphry Smith** with a Coppy of the Judgment of this meeting, And Labour with him to Comply therewith report that they have answered their appointment and Said **Smith** Declines to Comply therewith, therefore this Meeting Doth appoint **Benj^a Smith j^u and Abraham Howland** to Inform Said **Smith** If he Dont Comply with the Judgment of this meeting he may Expect to be Deny^d And make Report to next Meeting

Committee to
Repair Meeting
house

This Meeting Comes to a Conclusion to Repair our Meeting house in **Poneganset**, And do appoint **John Potter Tho^s Hicks and William Anthony Juner**, To Shingle S^d House and Repair it as they think Proper, and they are Desired to Accomplish Said Business as Soon as may bee and then to make Report to this meeting

Representatives
to y^e Quarterly
meeting

The Queries hath been Read & Answered in this Meeting this Meeting has Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and Appoint **Joseph Tucker William Anthony j^u William Mosher and Job Russell** to Attend the Quarterly Meeting and to Present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries, & Represent the Business of this Meeting & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

money paid
for **Smithfield**

Complaint against
A: S:

This meeting hath collected four pounds five Shillings Lawfull money for the Use of **Smithfield[Woonsocket, Providence Co RI]** Monthly meeting and Sent up by our

Representatives

The Overseers hath Exhibited a Complaint against **Abraham Sherman[Shearman]** for taking too much Spirituous Liker for

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for which they have Labour^d, with him and he still Persists therein therefore this Meeting doth appoint **William Sanford & Job Russell** to Labour with him as they may find freedom & make Report to nex monthly meeting

Committee's Report
of
J: W: heirs

The Committee appointed from this monthly meeting & **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** meeting to Inquire into the Controversy Subsisting between the heirs of **Jedediah Wood**, Report as followeth

According to the appointment of the Monthly Meetings to which we belong, We having inspected into the Reasons why one of the heirs of **Jedediah Wood** Refuses to Comply with the Judgment of the Arbitrators which was mutually Chosen by them, as appear by Articles of agreement under their hands And have Inform as followeth—That we had the said heirs & Arbitrators together, in order to Inquire into all Circumstances Relating thereto, And find there is some things brought to light that was not Laid before S^d Arbitrators to Judg upon (altho their Judgment Expresses the whole) Which since appearing to some of s^d Arbitrators, gave them Some Uneasiness therein, & we by Inspection finding those things not Consider^d, nor Judg^d upon, Give this forth as our Avice[Advice] and Judgment that if said Parties doth not Settle those matter & things between themselves then they Lay all those things & matters not Considered, Befor said Arbitrators in order that the Same may be fully Compleated and Settled as they shall think Just & Right, And also Rectifie what they formerly Judg^d upon if they shall find it Necessary,

Given forth this 26th Day ye 8^{mo} 1771 by your friends

Tho^s Hicks
W^m Anthony jⁿ
Barzillai Tucker

David Davel
Joshua Davel
Joseph Barker

The above Report being Axcepted

11^{mo}
1771

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** ye 21st : 10^{mo}: 1771 The Representatives are **Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey** both present, The matter Concerning **Benj^a Sherman** is Referred to next monthly meeting for furthe [further] Consideration

Case of **Benj^a**
Sherman refer^d

E: Potter
Certificate

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Elizabeth Potter** wife to **Benj^a Potter** to the monthly meeting of the **Nine= Partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** in the Province of **New York**

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1771
M: Taber
Certificate
J: Rotch
Certificate

and also Signed a Removal Certificate for **Marthew Taber** to the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]** **Joseph Rotch Jⁿ** hath Returned from **London [England]** and hath Produced a

Certificate from the two weeks meeting held in **London** y^e 10th: 6^{mo}: 1771
which hath been Read to y^e Satisfaction of this meeting

The friends appointed to Inform **Humphry Smith** of the Judgment
of the last monthly meeting & also to Inform him if he Dont Comply
therewith he may Expect to be Denied, Report that they have
Answered their appointment and Said **Smith** Requests an Appeal
from the above S^d Judgment, to the Quarterly Meeting which
this Meeting grants

*H: Smith's
appeal*

The friends appointed to Labour with **Abraham Sherman**
Report, that they took an oportunity and Treated with Said
Sherman and he Gave them Some Satisfaction therefore the
matter is Refer^d, under the Cair of the afore S^d friends & they
to make Report to the next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report
that they all Attended according to appointment and have
Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read
to good Satisfaction, also Received two Transcrips of Yearly meet:

*Received
Epistles from y^e
yearly meeting*

Epistles one from the yearly Meeting held in **Philadelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]**
for **Pennsylvania & New=Jersey** by Ajournments from the
22nd y^e 9^{mo} 1770 to the 28 of the same Inclusive

The other from the yearly Meeting held in **Newport on Rhod=
Island** by Adjournments from the 14th: 6^{mo} 1771 to y^e 17 of the
Same Inclusive, Which hath been Read to good Satisfaction
and the Contents thereof are Earnestly Recommended to

*Certificates
received
[?] for
R. Michel &
M. Spencer*

friends observation
The Women friends Inform, they have Received two Removal
Certificates from the Monthly Meeting of **Rhod Island [Newport, Newport Co RI]**
one for **Rhodey Mitchel** wife of **James Mitchel** – The othe
for **Mary Spencer**, which this Meeting Excepts

*H: Allen
Deni^d*

The Women Likewise Inform that they have Denied **Hope Allen**
wife of **John Allen** for manning[mam'ing] of the the Unity of friends
which this meeting Concurs with

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*10 month
1771*

Whereas **Jabez Barker Juner** hath been Denied Some months
past, for suffering two of his Children to be Married in this house
and now the said **Barker** appearing in this meeting and
verbally Desired friends, & this Meeting to pass it by —
and after a space of Silence this Meeting finds freedom to
pass by his afore Said fault, And to Receive him under friends
Care again — — — — —

*J: Barker
acknowledg
=ment --*

*Report on
the case of
B. Howland
Juner*

The friends that was appointed Some time past to treat with
Barnabus [Barnabas] Howland J^u on the account of his Disorderly marr[i]age
now Report that he gave them no Satisfaction and they also
Report that he hath fallen into the Sin of Fornication as
appears by his wives having a Child So Soon after Marrage

therefore this Meeting do appoint **William Anthony J^u & Samuel Smith** to Labour further with him and make Report to the next monthly meeting —————

*friends to
oversee
y^e Lofts*

John Potter Barzillai Tucker Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks Joseph Barker Gideon Howland William Anthony J^u are Appointed to have the over sight of the Lofts & the Seats [seats] at our Insueing yearly Meeting to Indeavour to Prevent any Indecent Behaviour that may be liable to happen at that time and to make Report to the next monthly meeting —————

*Complaint
against
B. Howlan^d
Sadler*

The Overseers hat[h] Brought a Complaint against **Benj^a [Benjamin] Howland Sadler** for abusing **Benj^a Smith** in Threting [threatening] words and Expressions and Cut[t]ing Down his fruit trees, And also S^d **Howlands** Cre[a]tures Tresspas[s]ing on him, for which Disorders the Overseers hat Laboured with him for and he Refuses to indeavour to Settle it to their Satisfaction therefore this Meeting Doth appoint **Joseph Barker & W^m [William] Sandford** to Labour with him & to Judge & Detirmine and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting —————

*Committee
appointed*

*11^{mo}
1771*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of y^e 11^{mo} 1771 – The Representatives are **Caleb Russell** and **Jonathan Hussey** both present

*Report on
the case of
B. Howland
Juner*

The friends appointed to Labour with **Barnabus [Barnabas] Howland Juner** Report, that they have Laboured with him and he Declines to Condemn his Disorder therefore

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*11 month
1771*

the above Said friends are appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against S^d **Howland** and inform him of their appointment and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting —————

*Report of frinds
oversee the
Lofts*

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the Lofts &C [etc] at our yearly Meeting, Report that most of them attended the three Days, and that the People behaved in a Degree orderly

*Report on the
case of Abra^m
Shearman*

The friends Intrusted with the care of the Case of **Abraham Shermaⁿ** Report that they hant [haven't] had an opportunity to Discharge their trust therefore the Case is Referd as heretofore and to make Report to next meeting

*Case of Benj^a
Howland Sadler*

The friends appointed to Labour with **Benj^a Howland** S^d [Sadler] and to Judge and Determine in a matter between S^d **Howland** and **Benj^a [Benjamin] Smith** Report that they have made some progress but have not gone through, therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Service and to make Report to next meeting

*W^m Russells
Request*

William Russell Requests to be taken under friends Care therefore **Caleb Russell & James Davis** is appointed to Inquire into his Conversation & to m̄take an oppertunity of Sollid Conferrance with him in order to Discover wheather his motive be from the bot[t]om of true Conviction and make Report to next meeting,

*Selling not[e]s
of hand Confir,^d*

It hath been brought to this meeting from the Preparative wheather it be Consistant with friends Discipline for a friend to sell a note of hand which he had from a friend Payable to him or his order. Therefore this meeting Do appoint, **Sam^l [Samuel] Smith Barzillia Tucker W^m Anthony ju James Davis Joseph Gifford John Potter Jonathan Hussey** to Consider of the above S^d matter and bring in their Judgment in behalf of this Meeting and make Report to next meeting

*M: and Ann
Howland
admitted memb:*

The women friends inform that they have minuted **Mehetable & Ann Howland** Daughters of **Isaac Howland J^u** under their Care which this meeting Concurs with

*Coaket request
a Com^{tee}*

Acoakset [Acoaxet Westport, Bristol Co MA] monthly meeting Requests this meeting to appoint a Committee to Join them to Labour

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*11 month
1771*

adjourn

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*Jorment
11^{mo} 1771*

*Committee
appointed*

with the Heirs of **Jedediah & Keziah Wood** to Comply with the advice of the Committee which was appointed Some months past, This meeting adjourns to the 27 Day of this month after the meeting for Worship _____

This Meeting met According to Adjornment y^e 27: 11^{mo} 1771 the Representatives being called one Present y^e othe[r] not by Reason of his being gone to **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**, This meeting appointed a Committee agreeable to the above Said minute who are **William Anthony j^u Barzillai Tucker Job Russell** and they to Labour and a[d]vise as they think best and make Report to the next Meeting

*B: S:
Condemna:*

Benj^a [Benjamin] Sherman hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Disorder in not attending meeting Several years Past which is Refer^d to next meeting _____

*Complaint
against
L. Smith*

The Overseers hath Exhibited a Complaint against **Lamuel Smith** for Marr[y]ing out of the Unity of Friends for which they have timely Precautioned him and he Persisted therein therefore this meeting do appoint **Abraham Tucker** and **Barzillai Tucker** to Labour with him as Soon as they can Conveniently & make Report

*Request
for a meet:
house in
Allens Neck*

The Friends in **Allens Neck [S Dartmouth, MA]** Request some Assistance or advise in Regard to their holding a meeting in said **Neck** they being under some Difficulty in Regard to a house to hold their meeting in Therefore this meeting doth Appoint **John Potter William Anthony j^u Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks Caleb Russell** to pay them a Visit and Consider wheather it may be best for them to build themselves a Meeting house or not and also to Consider wheather they Continue to hold a Meeting there or not & make Report to next Meeting

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*J. Barker
under[?] Dealing*

Whereas **Jabez Barker j^u** appear^d in our Monthly meeting at the tenth month past and made an acknowledgement which was then Accepted and he appearing in the monthly meeting held the 11^{mo} 1771 in the first Sitting of Said meeting and would not own what he had done in Regard to Suffering his Children to be married in his house was a Breach of order which Causes this meeting to be Dissatisfied with his S^d acknowledgment therefore this meeting do appoint **Samuel Smith Barzillia Tucker Prince Allen** to Labour with him in order to show him his mistake and make Report to next meeting

12^{mo} 1771

*B: H: paper
of Denial*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 16: 12^{mo} 1772 the Representatives are **W^m [William] Anthony J^u** and **Sam^l [Samuel] Smith** both Present. This meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial against **Barnabus [Barnabas] Howland Juner** for the sin of fornication and the Clark is appointed to Read said paper at the close of a First day meeting for Worship before the next Monthly meeting and at Said meeting to make Report of its being Read —————

*Case of Abraham
She[?]man Refer^d*

The Friends that had the Care of the Case of **Abraham Sherman** Report that they Desire one month Longer time which is granted them and then they to make Report

*Report of frinds
that Joynd
accoakset
friends*

The friends that was appointed to Joine **Acoakset [Acoaxet Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Monthly meetings Committee to Labour & advise with the heirs of **Jedidiah Wood** Report that they have Join^d S^d Committee and bestowed Some labour and advice, And the matter

*Case of Benj^a
Howland
[Sadler?]*

Remains unsetted [unsettled] - - -

The Committee appointed to Labour with **Benj^a [Benjamin] Howland Sadler** and to Judge & Determine a matter between Said **Howland** and **Benj^a Smith** Report as followeth

*Benj Howland
acknowledgment*

which is accepted & S^d **Howland** hath made an acknowledgment to this meeting which is Excepted [accepted?]

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1771

*friends to
treat with
W: Russel*

The friends appointed to treat with **W^m [William] Russell** on account of his Request Report that they have Discharg^d themselves in that Respect, and that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction therefore it was Refer^d to the Adjournment —————

*To build
a meeting
not grant*

The Committee appointed to Consider on Account of the friends Request, in **Allens Neck [S Dartmouth, MA]** to build a Meeting house there and also to hold a meeting there this wintter, Report that they

ed think best not to build a meeting house there at Present
meeting in Allen neck granted but in Regard to holding a meeting they think it may be well with the Provisal that they can accomadate themselves with a House Su[i]table Therefore their Request is Granted in Regard to holding a meeting As Usual and **Daniel Cornel [Cornell] & Philip Allen** is appointed to see the meeting held agreeable to Good order and to make Report to next third month

W: Spen[cer] Receivd adjourn The Women friends inform this meeting that they have minuted **Welthan Spencer** a member under their Cair [care] which this meeting Concurs with - - This meeting Adjourns to the 25 Instant after the meeting of worship

mett This Meeting meet by adjournment the 25th of 12^{mo} 1771
W: Russel Received the Representatives both Present **Samuel Smith** is Chosen Clark [Clerk] for this Day. **William Russell** is Received under the Care of this meeting ~~~~~

Committee Respecting Selling Note of hand The friends appointed to Judge and Determine Respecting the Sel[ing] Notes of hand Report as followeth which is Exceped [Accepted?] According to the appointment of the monthly meeting we have meet and Consid[e]red the matter Respecting friends Selling of notes of hand payable to them or their order; and as on the one hand we do not think it Reasonable to prohibit friends from Selling all or any Kind of Such Securities in a way Just Commerce -- So on the other hand we think it not Consistant with the Discipline of friends, for any friend to Sell Such a Note to an at[t]orney or any Else that he hath

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12 month 1771 hath on a friend with Intention for the said friend to be Prosecuted in the Law, of which Said Intention the Circumstance of Such particular Case (if any such happen) will Sufficiently Demonstrate and friends & the monthly meeting are the proper Judges thereof according as the wisdom of truth shall Direct

Given forth and Dated This 23 Day of the 12^{mo} 1771
by **Jonathan Hussey** **William Anthony J^r**
Joseph Gifford **Samuel Smith**
John Potter **Barzillai Tucker**

Com^{tee} on the Heirs of Jedediah Woods case The Committee appointed to give **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** Committee in Labouring with the heirs of **Jedidiah [^]& Keziah Wood** are Continued and to make Report as Soon as Conveniency will admitt — — —
Ben Sherman paper **Benj^a [Benjamin] Sherman** hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Declining to attend meetings also his pretending to prophecy which this meeting accepts provided he Cause S^d paper to be Read Publickly at the Close of a first Day meeting for worship at any convenient time before the next Monthly meeting he being Present, Said paper is as followeth

*B: S paper
of Confession*

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held in
Dartmouth the 16 of y^e 12^{mo} 1771
Dear Friends whereas I have been Missled through
Imagination so far as not to attend Religious meetings for
Several years past which is Contrary to the good Order
of friends and also in Pretending to Provesy or aforetell
future things all which I am fully perswaded was wrong
and I am hertely [heartily] Sorry for and do Condemn and I Desire
friends would pass it by with all the Rest of my outgoings
So far as to let me Remain under their Care
from your friend — — —

Benjamin Sherman

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The friends appointed to Labour with **Jabez Barker ju^r** Report
as followeth which is Excepted [Accepted?]

*Committee
to Labour
with J: B*

According to appointment of Last Monthly Meeting we
have Discoursed with **Jabez Barker ju^r** on the account of his
Suffering his Daughters to be married in his house, And had
a Long Conferrance with him on that subject. Endeavouring
(according to our Abilities) to Convince him of his Error therein
we likewise Shew^d [showed] him a Cobby of part of a minute made
in our yearly meeting in the year 1708. Which we think
is very Clear against Such Conduct as his, yet he would
by no means Condemn the Same, nor yet own that he had
broaken any order of Friends, but used many words tending to
Justifie himself therein — — — — —

Given forth this 16th of y^e 12^{mo} 1771 by your friends

Sam,^{ll} [Samuel] Smith
Prince Allen
Barzillia Tucker

And the matter is Refer^d to the next monthly meeting and
the Same Committee are Still Continued in the Same Service
and **Abraham Tucker & Caleb Russell** are ad[d]ed to them & they
to make Report to the next meeting — — — — —

*B: R^{l's}
paper*

Barnabus [Barnabas] Russell hath Given in a paper to this meeting
Condemning his Assisting in a tumultuous Riot which is
Accepted Provided he Cause the Same to be Read Publicly
at the Close of a first Day meeting for worship between this
& the next monthly meeting he being Present and Return S^d
paper to next meeting — — — — —

*B. Russel
Intention of
marrage*

Barnabus [Barnabas] Russell Proposes his Intention of Marraige [marriage] with
Anna Howland at the Preparative meeting but he having fallen
into the aforesaid disorder it is Refer^d to the next Monthly meeting

Bedford friends Request to build a meet house The friends at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** Request this meeting to Consider wheather it may not be Needfull to build a meeting House in or near Said place therefor this meeting do appoint **Abraham Tucker W^m [William] Sanford W^m Mosher Barzillia Tucker Sam^{ll} [Samuel] Smith Prince Allen Jonathan Hussey** to Consider

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12 month 1771 of Said matter and bring in their Judgment to the meeting as soon as they ^{can} Conveniently - _____ - _____ - _____

G: Howland paper **Gideon Howland** hath Given in a paper Condemning his unbe=
=coming Expressions & falling into a bodily Strife with **Zephaniah Anthony** which this meeting accepts Provided he Cause the Same to be Read Publickly as Usual and Return the Same to next meeting - - - - -

Representatives to the Quarter The Queries have been Read and Answer^d and the answers approved, Likewise ~~the~~ an Epistle prepared and Sign,^d all which are Sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Caleb Russell W^m [William] Mosher Job Russell & W^m Anthony j^r** and Report of ^{their} Doings to next monthly meeting - - - - -

John Williams Certificate **John Williams** hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Certif[y]ing him to be in unity with friends and his outward affairs Sett[l]ed to Satisfaction which is accepted _____

Bill for repair =ing meeting house The friend appointed to Repair the meeting house have given in their bill which is £10 " 14^S " 6^d Lawfull money — This Meeting hath Collected 5[£] – 2^S – 10^d old tennor and the Collection is Refer^d to next monthly meeting _____

order to pay Tim Russell The Treasurer is order^d to pay **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for Keeping the meeting house half a year _____
th 1772

1^{mo} 1772 Bar^{s[?]} Howland paper read At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth 20 : 1^{mo}** the Representatives are **William Mosher & Barzillia Tucker** both present, the Clerk Reports that **Barnabus [Barnabas] Howlands J^u** Paper of Denial hath been Read according to the appointment of Last monthly meeting - _____

Abra: Shearman case refer^d The matter Concerning **Abraham Sherman** is Refer^d under the same Care as heretofore and **Barzillia Tucker** and **William Mosher** and **David Smith** are ad[d]ed to the fo[r]mer Committee to Labour with said **Sherman** and make Report to next monthly meeting - _____

Ben Shearman paper read **Benj^a [Benjamin] Shermans** paper hath been Read and Returⁿd to this meeting according to appointment of Last monthly meeting, **Barnabus [Barnabas] Russells** paper hath been read and Returned to this meeting as ordered. - - - - -

*1 month
1772
Jabez
Barker
case*

The Committee appointed to Treat with **Jabez Barker Juner** Report that they hant [haven't] had an oppertunity to Discharge themselves in that Respect Therefore they are Still Continued in that Service and to make Report to next monthly meeting - - - - - **Gideon Howland**^s Paper hath been Read and Return^d to this meeting as order^d and is as followeth - _____

*Confession
of G: H*

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held in **Dartmouth** the 16th of the 12^{mo} 1771

Beloved friends whereas I through unwatchfulness got into a Passion and uttered Some unbecoming Expressions and fell into a bodily Strife with **Zepheniah Anthony** all which I am hertily [heartily] Sorry for and do Condemn and Desire friends would pass by my offence and Let me Remain under their Care hoping through Divine Assistance I shall be more Carefull for the time to come, from your friend

Gideon Howland

*Report of
Represen:
to the Quar
meeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all Attended S^d meeting and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read to Good Satisfaction and the Contents are Earnestly Recommended to friends notice and Observation, **Jonathan Hussey** and **William Barker** are appointed to take the Epistle of Last Quarter and show that Parragraff [Paragraph] to **Humphry Smith** and **Benj^a [Benjamin] Tho^s [Thomas] & Peleg Sherman** that Respects the appeal of S^d **Smith** from this meeting to the Quarterly- And the above Said friends are Desired to advise the above said Parties to Comply therewith and to make Report to next monthly meeting - - - - -

*Hum: Smith
& Shearman
to be inform*

*money paid
for London
Stock*

Caleb Russell informs this meeting that he hath paid W^m [William] **Redwood** Four pounds Sterling in order to recruit the yearly meeting Stock in **London [England]** & Produc^d S^d **Readwood**[?]

*meeting
adjorned*

Rece[i]pt for the Same - — This meeting adjorns to the 29th Instant after the meeting for Worship

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This Meeting meet according to Adjornment the 29th 1st mo 1772 – The Representatives both Present

*W^m Russ-
parents'
Consent*

Jonatha[n] Russell & Wife of Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA] Gave their Consent in Writing to this meeting that their Son W^m [William] **Russell** Shall Proceed in marr[i]age with **Welthan Spencer**

*1 month
1772*

*W: R Intention
of marrage*

William Russell and **Welthan Spencer** Declar,d their Intentions of marr[i]age at this meeting and were Desir^d to wait untill next monthly meeting for their answer

*B: R Intention
of marrage*

Barnabus [Barnabas] Russell and **Anna Howland** Declar^d their Intentions of marriage and were Desir^d to wait untill

next monthly meeting for their answer. And **Jon^a Hussey [Hussey]** and **Job Russell** is appointed to mak[e] Inquiry into **William Russell^s** and **Barnabus [Barnabas] Russell^s** Clearness Respecting marr[i]age and Conversation and make Report to next meeting

*Tim Russell
paid*

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year -

*accmpts for
repairing meet
house to be
viewed*

Caleb Russell & James Davies[Davis?] is appointed to Inspect into the accounts of the Committee that was to Repair our meeting house and make Report to next monthly meeting

*John: A Request
Certificate*

John Allen Requests a Certificate to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Certifying his Clearness Respecting marr[i]age & Conversation therefore **Prince Allen & Barzillia Tucker** are appointed to make inquiry into his Clearness and Conversation and Draught a Certificate for him If they find things Clear and make Report to the next meeting

*Complaint
against Dan^l
Smith Ju^r*

This Meeting is inform^d that **Daniel Smith J^u** hath Abused a Tranchent [Transient?] man named **Morrison** with blows for which Disorder he hath been Laboured with and Declines to Condemn it therefore **Abraham Tucker** and **Joseph Tucker** are appointed to Labour with him and make Report to next monthly meeting

*Complaint
against
Zebelon Cornel*

This Meeting is also inform^d that **Zebulon Cornal [Cornell?]** hath fallen into the Sin of fornication as appears by his Wives having a Child So Soon after marr[i]age for which Disorder he hath been Labour^d with by the overseers and Declines Condemning it therefore **Paul Russell** and **Joseph Tucker** and **Job Russell** are appointed to Labour with him and make Report to next monthly meeting

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*1 month
1771
Complaint
against
A: Russell*

This meeting is Inform^d that **Abner Russell** hath been accused on Oath of being guilty of Fornication for which Disorder the overseers hath Labored with him and he Declines to Condemn it therefore **W^m [William] Sandford** and **Barzillia Tucker** is appointed to Labour with **S^d Russell** and Report to next monthly meeting

*Elihu Gifford
& David
Chase papers*

Elihu Gifford and **David Chase** hath given in papers to this meeting Condemning their marrying [marrying] out of the Unity of friends which is Refer^d under the care of **Caleb Russell** **Job Russell** and **Barzillia Tucker** and they to make Report to next monthly meeting - - - - -

*money order^d
to pay for
repairing*

This Meeting is inform^d that there was 24 Pounds old tenor overplush money which was Rais^d to Recrute [recruit] the yearly meeting Stock in **London [England]** Said money is Lodg^d in **W^m [William] Anthony J^u**

meetg house hands to pay to those that have Demands on the Committee for Repairing the meeting house

This meeting Collected 7[£] – 0^[s] – 4^d old tenor—————

*Bill on
Alice Smiths
acc'*

The Overseers of the Poor hath given in an account of Doing for **Alice Smith** 3[£] " 15^S " 0^[d] old tenor and the treasurer is order^d to pay the money to **John Potter** and Report to next meeting

*2^{mo}
1772*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 17th: 2^{mo} 1772
The Representatives are **W^m [William] Mosher & Barzillia Tucker** Present
Joseph Russell and Wife hath Given their Consent that their Son
Should Proceed in marr[i]age with **Anna Howland**

*W^m Russel
and
Bar Russel
Clearness*

The fri[e]nds appointed to Inquire into **W^m [William] Russells**
and **Barnabus [Barnabas] Russells** Clearness Respecting marraige
and Conversation, Report that they have made inquiry
according to appointment and Dont find anything
to hinder their Proseeding **William Russell & Welthan**

*W^m Russel
and
Bar Russels
answer*

Spencer, and **Barnabus [Barnabas] Russell & Anna Howland** appear^d
at this meeting for their answer which was that Each
Couple might Proceed to take Each other in Marraige
in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting

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*2 month
1772*

W: R: answer

Advising with the overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that
Purpose, and **Caleb Russell & James Davis** are appointed to see
William Russells and **Welthan Spencer** marraige Consomated in
good order and make Report to next monthly meeting, And
Jonathan Hussey & Job Russell are appointed to see **Barnabus [Barnabas]**
Russells and **Anna Howlands** marriage Consomated in good
order and make Report to the next monthly meeting - - - —

B: R answer

Caleb Russell and **James Davis** Reports that they have
inspected into the Committee Accounts that was appointed to
Repair the Meeting House and find S^d Accounts to be Just
which this meeting approveth - - - - - - - - - - -

*J: Allen
Certificate*

This meeting hath signed a Certificate for **John Allen**
to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Certifiing his Clearness
Respecting marraige & Conversation - - — The friends appointed
to Labour with **Abraham Sherman** Report that they have Treated with
him and he gave them no Real incouragment [encouragement] of Reforming from
his Disorder in taking too much Spiritous Licquor. therefore the
above Said Committee is appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against
S^d **Sherman** and to Shew [show] S^d paper to him and to Labour with him
as they may find freedom and make Report to the next meeting

*Abraham
Shearman
Case*

*Jabez Barkers
Case*

The Committee appointed to Labour with **Jabis [Jabez] Barker J^a** Report
that they hant [haven't] had an oppertunity to Discharge themselves with
him though they went to his house & Did not find him at home
Therefore they are still Continued in that Service & to make Report
to next meeting

*Hum Smith
informed*

The friends appointed to Inform **Humphry Smith** of the Judgment
of the Quarterly meeting Respecting his Appeal Report that they
have fulfilled their Appointment - - - —

*respecting
his appeal*

*Dan Smith
paper*

The friends Appointed to Labour with **Daniel Smith** for his Disorder Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction and the S^d **Daniel Smith** hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Disorder which is Referd to next meeting under the Care of the afore Said Committee and then they to make Report.

The friends appointed to Labour **Zebulon Cornal [Cornell]** Report

*Zebulon Cornels
case continued*

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1772*

Report that they hant [haven't] had an oppertunity to Discharge themselves in that Respect therefore they are Continued in that Service and to make Report to next monthly meeting — — — — —

*Abner Russel
case continued*

The friends appointed to Labour with **Abner Russell** Report that they hant had an oppertunity to treat with him therefore they are Continued in that Service and to make Report to next monthly meeting — — — — —

*Elihu Gifford
&
David Chase
papers*

The friends appointed to have the Cair [care] of the matter Concerning **Elihue Gifford** and **David Chase** Report, that they have Labour^d with Said **Gifford** for being in Company with Some People that was Shuting [shooting?] Cakes[cocks?] at the time Called Crismus [Christmas] and they have Given in Papers Condem[n]ing their marriing [marrying] outt of the Unity of Friends and **David Chase**^s is Refer^d under the same fri[e]nds

*J. Potter
paid*

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid **John Potter** £3 – ^s15 old Tennor According to Appointment

*D: Allen
Confession*

David Allen hath Given in a Paper to this meeting Condemning his being in Company with the Rabble at the time Called **Crismus** and Shot a Goos[e] for which he hath Condemn^d in writing which is accepted - — — — —

*To Revise
minutes*

Samuel Smith Job Russell W^m [William] Anthony J^u Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks are appointed to Revise and Correct this meeting[s] minutes and papers in order to be Recorded and make Report to the next monthly meeting

*women
want assistance
about D: W:*

This Meeting being Informed that there is a Report about **Deborah Willbur** which is of such a Gross & Scandalous Nature that the women friends desire assistance from us therefore this meeting appoints **Job Russell Jon^a [Jonathan] Hussey** and **Prince Allen** for that Service

*3^{mo}
1772*

adjourn

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 16: 3^{mo} 1772 the Representatives are **W^m [William] Barker & Samuel Smith** both Request this meeting Adjourns to the Last forth Day in this month it being the 25 Instant — — — — —

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3 month
1772
mett by
Adjournment
Adjournment

At a Monthly meeting meet According to Adjournment this
25th of 3^{mo} 1772 the Representatives being Called both Present
Whereas a Committee of the Quarterly meeting Requests this meeting
to Adjourn till the third Day of next month which this meeting Concurs
with and Doth Adjourn to S^d 3rd Day and to meet at the usual hour

mett by
Adjournment

This Meeting being meet by Adjournment the 3rd of y^e 4^{mo} 1772
the Representatives being Called **W^m [William] Barker** present, This meeting
Adjourns to the 4 Instant _____

met by adjourn^m

This meeting meet by Adjournment the 4 Day of y^e 4^{mo} 1772
the Representatives being Called are **William Barker & Sam^l [Samuel] Smith**
both present

Barna^s: Russell
marriage

The friends appointed to See **Barnabus [Barnabas] Russells** and
Anna Howlands marr[i]age Consomated Report that they
both attended the marrage which was Consomated in a Degree
orderly Except the young mans apparel – — — — —

Paper of Denial
Signd against
Abra^m Shearman
Recor^d in next
page

This meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial against
Abraham Sherman for a Disorder mentioned in the former
minutes and the Clerk is appointed to Read Said paper at
the Close of a first Days meeting for worship and to make
Report to next monthly meeting, Said paper Recorded in next page

Committee
Report about
J: Barker

The Committee appointed to Labour with **Jabiz [Jabez] Barker J^u**
Report as followeth, which is Excepted [Accepted?]

According to Appointment of Las[t] monthly meeting we
have Disco[u]rsed with **Jabez Barker j^{ur}** on the account of
his Suffering his Daughters to be married in his House, and
had a Long Conference with him on that Subject, Endea=
=vouring (according to our Abilities) to Convince him of
his Error therein, We likewise Shewed him a Cobby of part
of a minute made in our yearly Meeting in the year 1708,
which we think is very Clear against Such Conduct as his
yet he would by no means Condemn the Same, not yet
own that he had broaken any Good order of friends but
use^d many words tending to Justify himself therein

[text starts in this
column and follows
through to end]

Given forth this 26th of y^e 12^{mo} 1771 by your friends-
and this meeting being Clear of further Labour with him do
Deny the said **Jabez Barker** from being a member of our Society
& from under our Cair & **Paul Russell** is to Inform him of his Denial &
make Report to next monthly meeting

Sam^{ll} Smith
{ Prince Allen
Barzillia Tucker

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1772
A: **Shermans**
Denial
ought to

From our Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** by
Adjournment the 4th Day of y^e 4^{mo} 1772
Whereas **Abraham Sherman Seanor [Senior]** being under the Care
of our Said meeting, But he not giving heed to that Divine

*been Record:
in y^e forgoing
page*

Power to wit the Spirit of Truth in his heart, has so far
Deviated from our Christian profession as to be in the
frequent practice of Drinking Spiritous Liquor, in an Exce=
=ssive manner, for which Transgressions friends having from
time to time in Love and tenderness Labour,^d with him
in order thereby to be Instrumental to Reclaim him from
the Error of his ways, But their Labour of Love in that
Respect not having its Desired affect therefore for the
Clearing of Truth and our Christian Profession from such
Reproachfull Practices we think we Can do no Less than
to Deny him, And do hereby Disown the said **Abraham
Sherman** from being a member of our Society Nevertheless
Desiring if it be Consistant with Divine Preasure [pleasure?]
that he may through an Unfeigned Repentance and
Reformation may [*sic*] witness his peace to be made with the
Lords, Signed in and on behalf of Said meeting by
Job Russell Clerk

*Miniutes
Revised*

The Committee appointed to Revise and Correct
the Monthly Meeting minutes and Papers Report, that they
have fulfilled their appointment and have Left said minutes
and papers with **Samuel Smith** to Record —————

*Denial of
Zeb. Cornel*

The Greater part of the Committee appointed to Labour with
Zebulon Cornal [**Cornell**] Report that they have Discharg,^d themselves
in Labouring with him, And now this meeting being Clear
of any further Labour with the Said **Cornal** have Concluded
to Deny him and do appoint **Sam^{el} Smith** to Draught [draft] a paper
of Denial and bring it to next monthly meeting —————

*Complaint
against
David
Smith*

The Overseers hath handed a Complaint to this meeting
against **David Smith** for Refusing to Submitt a Controversy
to arbitration, Subsisting between him Self and **Abner
Russell** and **Daniel Russell**, And this meeting hath Given
Said **David** a Copy of Said Complaint agreeable to his Request
but this meeting being Small by reason of the Extremity of

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of the weather, the appointing a Committee on that account is Refer^d
to the Adjournment of this meeting —

The Queries hath been Read and Answer^d in this meeting

This Meeting adjorns to the Seventh Day of this Instant at the
mett Eleventh hour in the forenoon—————

*met by
Adjournment*

This Meeting net [met] according to adjournment the 7 Day 4^{mo} 1772
The Representatives being Called **William Barker** and **Samuel Smith** Present

*Report of
W^m Russells
marriage not
made*

The friends appointed to see **W^m Russells** & **Welthan Spencer** marraige
Consomatted have not made any Report therefore **Abraham Tucker** and
Joseph Tucke[r] are appointed to Call on them to know the Reason of their not
making Report — —

*Dan Smith
case refer^d*

This Meeting has not had a Return Respecting **Daniel Smith** it is
Refer,^d under the Same Care as heretofore and they to make report
to next monthly meeting — — — — —

Case of David

The friends appointed to Treat with **David Chase** Report that

Chase refer^d they hant [haven't] had an oppertunity since Last month therefore it is Refer,^d under their Care and they to make Report to next meeting

Case of Abner Russell refer^d The Friends appointed to Treat with **Abner Russell** Report that they hant had any Oppertunity with him therefore the matter is Refer,^d under the Same Cair [care] as heretofore and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

To Visit those possessed of Slavees The Friends appointed to visit those that Pos[s]ess Slaves Report, That they have not Discharg,^d themselves in that Respect therefore they are Continued

Complaint against D: Smith According to the Referrance of the former Sitting of this Meeting Do appoint **Joseph Tucker Abraham Howland Benjamin Howlands 2nd Barnabus [Barnabas] Mosher** to Inquire into the above Complaint Respecting **David Smith** and Labour as they may find accation [occasion] and make Report as Soon as Conveniency will admitt — — — — —

Quar meeting Collection refer^d Jos Rotch Ju^r request a Certificate to London Our Quarterly Collection is Refer,^d to next monthly meeting **Joseph Rotch j^{ur}** informs this meeting that he Intends to **London [England]** and Desires a few Lines as ^a Certificate therefore **Samuel Smith & William Anthony Jⁿ** is appointed to make inquirey into his Conversation and Draught [draft]

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3 month 1772 Draught a Certificate if they find things Clear on his Behalf and bring it to the Monthly Meeting as Soon as they Can

W^m Smith Complain^d of One of the Overseers Informs this meeting that he hath taken two friends with him and Labour,^d with **William Smith** for Taking two [*sic*] much Spirittous Licqour for which he Niglects to Condemn and Likewise this Meeting is Inform,^d that the Said **Smith** has Purchased Land under such Ministeral incombrances [encumbrances] as is not Consistant with our Profession therefore this meeting Do appoint **Samuel Smith & John Potter & Philip Trafford** to Labour with the Said **William Smith** and make Report to next monthly Meeting

Representatives to the Quar This Meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting to be held next at **Porthmouth, [Newport Co. RI]** And **Joseph Tucker W^m Barker Samuel Smith** and **W^m [William] Anthony j^{ur}** are appointed to attend the Above Said Meeting and to Present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries and to make Report next monthly Meeting —

4^{mo} 1772 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth 20: 4^{mo} 1772** the Representatives are **Caleb Russell & William Anthony j^{ur}** both Present, The Clerk Reports that he hant [hasn't] Read **Abraham Sherman,^s** Paper of Denial, as Appointed, by Reason of his Wives Request and said Clerk is Still under appointment to Read Said ^{Paper} at the Close of a first Day meeting for Worship before next Monthly meeting and then make Report —————

Paul Russell Reports that he hath inform,^d **Jabez Barker j^{ur}**

of his Denial according to the appointment of Last monthly meeting — — — — —

Z: Cornel Deni[e]d

This Meeting hath Signed a Paper of Denial against **Zebulon Cornal [Cornell]** for the Sin of Fornication and the Clerk is appointed to Read said paper at the Close of a first Day meeting for Worship befor next monthly meeting and then make Report

Caleb Russell Reports the Reason that he and **James Davis** Did not make Report at the Adjournment of the said meeting of their attending of the Marraige of **W^m [William] Russell & Welthen [Welthan] Spencer** was by Reason of the Extremity of the weather, And they Now have made Report that they attended Said Marraige which was Consomatted in tolerable Good order — — —

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D: Smith 3^d paper

Daniel Smith y^e 3rd hat[h] Given in a Paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into a bodily strife with **Michel Morriss** which this meeting Concludes to Except [accept?] with Provisal that he Cause Said paper to [^]be Read at the Close of a first Days meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting he being Present, and then ~~the~~ Return Said paper to Said meeting and make Report of its being Read — — — — —

Case of David Chase Continued

The Friends appointed to Treat with **David Chase** Report that they hant [haven't] had an opportunity to Discharge themselves in that Respect. - therefore they are Still Continued in the Same Service and to make Report as Soon as they have an Oppertunity to Discharge their trust

Case of Abner Russell refer^d

The Friends appointed to Labour **Abner Russell** Report that they have made Some Progress in that Respect and Desire the matter to be Refer^d which is Refer^d under their Cair [care] untill next monthly meeting and then to make Report - - - - -

R: M Request a Certifiate

This Meeting is Inform,^d that **Rachel [Merithew?]** is about to Remove within the Compass of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co, MA]** monthly meeting and Desires a Certificate therefore **Joseph Tucker & Paul Russell & W^m Mosher** are appointed to Joine the Women friends to make Inquirey into her Circumstances and Consider whether it may be best for her to Remove and If they think it Necessary to Draught [draft] a Certificate for her and bring it to the next monthly meeting - - - - -

Case of W^m Smith refer^d

The friends appointed to Labour with **William Smith** Report that they have Labour,^d with him and he Condemn,^d his taking two [*sic*] much Spiritous Licquors Therefore the matter is Referd under their Cair and they to make Report when they had an oppertunity fully to Discharge themselves in that Respect - - - - -

Representatives to the Q: meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all Attended according to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read and kindly Accepted — — — — —

Report concern= ing building a meeting house at Bedford

The Committee appointed to Consider about the Request of the friends at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** building a Meeting house; Report as followeth which is accepted

According to appointment of the Monthly Meeting, we have Confer,^d with the friends at **Bedford** and weightily Consid[e]red their Reque [Request?] in Regard to building a meeting house there, and altho we look favoura[b]ly on their S^d Request

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yet we think it would be better for them to make Some Trial of holding a meeting in a Private House before they build a House for that purpose in order for Some Degree of Experance [Experience?] of Keeping up their meeting in the Authority of truth, which would be a farther Satisfaction to us in that matter, we not being so fully Satisfied wholly to Grant their Request before some Such Trial be made, Given forth this 20th day y^e 4^{mo} 1772 by your friends

Jonathan Hussey : W^m Sandford
Prince Allen : W^m Mosher
Sam^{ul} Smith : Barzillia Tucker

Concerning
Reprinting
W^m Sewels
History

This Meeting is Inform,^d that friends at **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** are about to Reprint **W^m Sewels[?]** History, And this Meeting Conclud[e]s to Subscribe for one Book, and **Samuel Smith & Barzillia Tucker & Caleb Russell** are appointed to Receive Subscriptions - - - -

There was Collected 2[£]-19^S-5^d old Tenno [tenor] and the Collection is Refer^d to the next monthly meeting This meeting Adjorns to the 29 Instant after the meeting of Worship——

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Jos Rotch J^r
Certificate

This Meeting meet According to Adjournment the 29th 4^{mo} 1772 – The Representatives being Called **Caleb Russell** and **William Anthony J^{ur}** both present, This meeting hath Sign,^d a Certificate for **Joseph Roach [Rotch] j^{ur}** to friends in the City of **London Old England** - - - - -

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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 18th : 5^{mo} 1772 The Representatives are **Caleb Russell & Tho^s Hicks** both Present **Daniel Smiths** paper of ~~Denial~~ hath been Read according to the appointment of Last monthly meeting, and is as followeth

D: Smith
paper

To the Monthly Meeting of friends in **Dartmouth**, Esteemed friends whereas I being of my watch and got into a bodily Strife with **Mikel morris** whereby I have transgrees^d [*sic*] the good orders of friends notwithstanding the agravation was great yet taking into Consideration the bad Effect of Passion, Which transgression I Due [Do] not Justifie but am sorry for & do Condemn & Desire that friends would pass by my offence and Still Continue me under their Care

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hoping to be more Car[e]full for the futur in such Respects from your well wishing friend— — — **Daniel Smith**——
the 17 of y^e 2nd month 1772

~~Da-Zebulon Cornal~~,s paper of Denial hath been Read as order,^d and is as followeth

*Z Cornel
paper of
Denial* Whereas **Zebulon Cornell** Son of our friends **Daniel Cornell** and his Deceas,^d wife **Elisabeth**, having had his Education Amongst friends ^& under the care of this meeting, yet he hath so for [far?] departed from the Simplicity of Truth and the Testimony thereof in this own heart as to fall into the Sin of Fornication as appears by his wives having a Child So Soon after Marraige and friends having Labour,^d with him in Love in order to Convince him of the Evil thereof, and that he may be Restor,^d to the way of Truth, but our Labour & Cair [care] therein not Obtaining the Desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this meeting and friends beleiving they are clear of him in that Respect do hereby publicly disown him y^e S^d **Zebulon C** from under the Care of this meeting the 20 y^e 4^{mo} 1772 by ——— **Job Russell** Clerk

*Case of David
Chase Continued* The friends appointed to Labour with **David Chase** Report that they hant [haven't] had on oppertunity to Treat with him therefor they are Still Continued in that Service and **Adam Gifford** is ades [added?] to them and they to make Report to next monthly Meeting

*Case of Abner
Russell
Continu^d* The friends appointed to Labour with **Abner Russell** Report that he is gone from home and they have not had an oppertunity to Treat with him and they are Still Continued in that Service and to make Report when they have an oppertunity to Discharge themselves in that Respect

*Case of Rachel
Merithew
Continued* The friends appointed to Inquire into **Rachel Marithew^s** Request for a Removal Certificate, Report that Inquiry hath been made, and her affairs not being all Settle,^d they are Continued in that Service and make Report to the next monthly meeting

*Abra: Shearman
denial not read* The Clerk Reports that he hant [hasn't] Read **Abraham Shermans** Paper of Denial by Reason of some hopes of a Reformation and now this meeting seing [seeing] no real sign of Reformation to Continue the Clerk to Read Said paper before next monthly meeting

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*5 month
1772* and then make Report

*C: Green
Certificate Accepted* **Caleb Green** hath Removed within the Compass of this meeting and hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at **East Greenwich [Kent Co RI]** which is Accepted –

The friends appointed to have the Cair of thee meeting held in **Allen's Neck** (So Called) [**S Dartmouth, MA**] Report that they attended the Meeting which was held Somewhat Satisfactory –

*Complaint
against J:A and
D: Gifford* The Overseers hath Exhibited a Complaint against **Jedidiah Allen** for Striking **Samuel Gifford** Son of **Daniel Gifford** – And they also have Exhibited a Complaint against the S^d **Daniel Gifford** for Prosecuting the Said **Jedediah Allen** in the [?][Law] for Striking his Son. Therefore this meeting do Appoint W^m **Sandford Caleb Russell & Samuel Smith** to Inquire into the whole matter

Respecting the two above said Complaints and Labour as they may find freedom and make Report to next monthly meeting
This Meeting hath Collected £5=8^s=6^d old Tennor

*6^{mo}
1772* At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th 6^{mo} 1772
the Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey & Seth Sherman** both Present
Whereas the yearly meeting at **Rhod Island[Newport, Newport Co RI]** is now in being for
adjourn which Reason this meeting Doth Adjourn to the 22 day of this
Instant after the Meeting for Worship which meeting of worship
begins at the Eleventh hour –

mett At a Monthly Meeting meet by Adjournment 22:6^{mo} 1772
the Representatives being Called both Present. The Committee
David Chase appointed to Labour with **David Chase** for marring[marrying] out of the
give in a paper Unity of friends, Report that he gave them a Degree of
Satisfaction & the Said Chase has given in a Paper Condemning
his manning[marrying] out of the Unity of friends which is Refer^d under
under the care of s^d Committee and they to make Report to next
monthly meeting

*Rachel
Merithew* The friends appointed to Prepare a Removal Certificate for
*Certificate not
prepar^d* **Rachel Merithew** Report that they have not Prepar^d Said
Certificate for the Same Reson as was last monthly meeting
therefore S^d Committee are Still Continued in that Service and
to make Report to the next monthly meeting –

*Abra Shear=
=man's
paper read* The Clerk Reports that he hath Read **Abraham Sherman's** paper
of Denial according to the appointment of Last monthly meeting

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1772* The Committee appointed to Labour with **Jedidiah Allen** last monthly meeting
Jededi Allen Report that they Labour^d with S^d **Allen** and the matter is not fully setted[settled]
Case Continued to their Satisfaction therefore they are Still Continued in that Service
and **Prince Allen** aded to them and they to mak Report next monthly
meeting –

*Women
Inform y'
they accept* The Women friends inform this meeting that **Hannah Bennitt** hath
*H: Bennet's
paper* Given in a Paper to their meeting Condemning her Disorder in falling
into the Sin of fornication as appears by her having a Child so soon
after marriage which hath been Read & Accepted by their meeting which
this meeting Concurs with, and the Women friends also Inform that **Mary
Howland** wife of **Luthan Howland** hath Condemned her marring[marrying] out of
the Unity of friends, to the Satisfaction of their meeting which this meeting
Concurs with, And the women friends Likewise Inform that they
*Alice Philips
Received* minited **Alice Philips** a Member under their Cair which this
meeting Conkers[Concurs] with –

*Case of Daniel
Gifford
continud* The Committee appointed to Labour with **Daniel Gifford**
for Prosicuting **Jedidiah Allen** in the Law, Reports that they have
treated with him, and the matter is not fully made up to their
Satisfaction therefore the Said friends are still Continued in
that Service and make Report to next monthly meeting

L: Mosher
Request
to betaken
under friend's Care

Lemuel Mosher Requests to be Admitted under friends **Cair** therefore **Paul Russell & Barzillia Tucker & Joseph Gifford** and **Adam Gifford** are appointed to Inquire into the Said **Mosher's** Life and Conversation and take an Oppertunity of [Solled?][Solid] Conference with him and make Report to next Monthly meeting –

Joseph Russell
Dan Gifford
Tim Gifford
Isaac Howland
in practice of
runing goods

This meeting is Informed from the Preparative meeting that **Joseph Russell Daniel Gifford Timothy Gifford** [?] **Isaac Howland** hath been in the Practice of [Runing] Goods for which Disorder the Overseers have Laboured with them for, And they Decline to Condemn it, Therefore **Samuel Smith Joseph Gifford Prince Allen John Potter & Philip Allen** are appointed to Labour with them in order to show them the Error of Such Practices and make Report to next Monthly meeting

Queries answerd

The Queries hath been Read and Answered in this meeting
This meeting hath Collected £7:12^s:10 Old tennor
This Meeting Ajourns to the 24th of this Instant after
adjourn the meeting for Worship

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At a Monthly Meeting met According to Adjournment the 24: 6^{mo} 1772 the Representatives being Called both present This meeting Adjourns to the 3rd Day of next month after the meeting of worship –

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1772

At a Monthly Meeting met According to Adjournment this 3rd Day 7^{mo} 1772 the Representatives being Called both present The Treasurer is Ordered to pay **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year & Report to next m^o Meeting

Order to
pay Tim.

Ben Allen
Accom^t.

The Overseers of the poor hath brought an Account from **Benj: Allen** for helping **Rachel Sole** 155 weeks at 3/ [?][p^d] week which [?][amounts] to £23–5^s Which account this meeting Approveth –

Committee
to Assist
the Women
to Labour
with D: W:

The friends Appointed to Assist the Women friends in Labouring with **Deborah Willbur** Report that the matter Labours very Difficuld and they Desire Some more Assistance, therefore Do appoint **Caleb Russell & Samuel Smith** to Join them in that Case and they to make Report as Soon as they are Ready.

Represent:
to y^e Quarterly

This Meeting hath Sign^d an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting Next to be held at **Newport** – And our friends **Caleb Russell Jon^a Hussey Paul Russell W^m Sandford & W^m Mosher** are appointed to attend the above S^d Quarterly meeting and to Present the Epistle with y^e Answers to the Queries and make Report to next monthly meeting – Our Quarterly Collection is Refer^d to next monthly meeting

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At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 20: 7^{mo} 1772
the Representatives are **W^m Anthony j^{ur}** and **Sam^l Smith** both Present
Tho^s Philips & his Wife hath given their Consent in writing that their
Daughter **Alice** Should Proceed in Marriage with **Elisheb Smith**

*Elisheb
Smith pro
=posal of
marriage*

Elisheb Smith & Elice Philips Declared their Intentions of
Marriage and were Desir^d to wait untill the next monthly meet:
For their Answer And **Adam Gifford & W^m Mosher** are
appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness Respecting
marriage & Conversation and make Report to next monthly
meeting

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Case of
David Chase
Refer^d*

The friends appointed to have the Care of the matter Respecting
David Chase Report that they hant anything new to Inform this
meeting – And s^d **Chase** is not Present therefore the matter is Refer^d
under the Same cair as heretofore and they to make Report to next
monthly meeting –

The friends Intrusted with the Cair of **Rachel Mearithew** Certificate
Report that they have not prepair^d one, therefor they are
Continued in that Caire and to make Report to next monthly
meeting

*L: M matter
Refer^d*

The friends Appointed to treat with **Leamuel Mosher** on account
of his Request Report that they have made Some Progress in
that matter and they think it best to Refer the matter
for the Present, therefore it is Refer^d under the same friends
Cair and they to make when they think necessary –

*Tim Russell
paid*

The Treasurrer Reports that he hath paid **Timothy Russell** five
Dollars as Ordered – The Committee appointed to Labour
and Advise with **Daniel Gifford** and **Jedediah Allen** Report

*D:G & J:A
setled their
Controversy*

that the Controversy is made up between them to Satisfaction and
the [?][S^d] **Gifford** hath Given in a paper Condemning his Prosecuting the
Said **Allen** in the Law Contrary to the Advice of the Overseers advice
which paper is Accepted, and the S^d **Allen** not being Present his
paper is not Accepted but is Refer^d to next monthly meeting

*Jedeh: Allen
paper refer^d*

The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that
hath been in the Practice of Runing of Goods Report that
they have made Some Progress in that matter and have
found Some Satisfaction, tho none of them have fully
Condemned S^d Disorder –

*Report of those
that run goods*

*Reports from
Qly meeting*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report
that they all Attended According to Appointment
The Women friends inform that they have Denied **Elisabeth Mosher**
wife of **Leamuel Mosher** for Marring[Marrying] out of the Unity of
friends which this meeting Concurs with –

*L: Mosher
Denied*

The Committee appointed to labour with those friends that
Possess Slaves Report as followeth which is Accepted

*Com^{tee}
Report on those
that posses
Slaves*

Agreable to the Appointment of y^e M^o: Meeting, We have
Visited those Friends that Possess Slaves belonging to this

meeting and have had much Confe[?][Conversed] with them

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[?]
[?]of above
account some
of us have
been with
[?][Isaac Howl]]
who [?]
some [?]
of [?][Compliance]]

on that account Endeavoring (according to our abilities) to
Convince them of the [?][Evil] of that Iniquitous Practice of Sheeping[Keeping]
our fellow Creatures in Bondage but Several of them yet Refuses
to Comply with the advice of friends in that matter; who are
Joseph Russell who has Two Negroes in Bondage & Refuses to set them at
Liberty **Isaac Howland** y^e [?][2nd] one Negro in bondage & Refuses to free him **Rebecca** [?]
[Slocum]
widow, three Negroes in Bondage of full age (& one or two under age) and Refuses
to free any of them yet But has (as she saith) order^d them to be free in her
will, **John Russell** we think complies with friends Advice who has
let one goe at Liberty & has one under age that he says he Intends to
free, and have order^d it So in his will, **W^m Sandford** one Negroe but
he fully complies with friends advice by frankly Setting her at Liberty
Peleg Slovin[Slocum] having Negroes one of fill age to be free & has So far Complies as
to free them at [?][Six] & [?][twenty] Laying up five Dollars yearly after that
for Security wherefore upon the whole we find that **Joseph [Russell?] [?][I Howland]**
& **Rebecca Slovin[Slocum]** widow are offenders in this matter by keeping their Negroes
in bondage when they are fit for freedom after they have been Repented by [?]
to Comply with y^e order of friends in that Case [?][Neith] doth [?] fully comply
as could be desired but upon further Labour in a Spirit of Love we are in some hope
he will more fully Comply therewith – by your Comittee this 20th 4^{mo} 1772

Job Russell **Caleb Russell**
Barzillai Tucker **Benj^a Howland**

friends
to Labour
with Negro
masters &
those that
Run goods

And the above s^d Committee are Appointed to Labour with
the above Said friends that appear Difficient Respecting of
keeping Slaves in Bondage, And also to Labour with those
friends that appear Difficient in Regard to the [Clandistand?][Clandestine]
Trade in the foregoing Minutes And make Report when ready

Epistles
Receiv^d

This Meeting hath Received a Number of **London [England]** printed
Epistles with a Transcrip of the last Epistle from the yearly
held at **RhodIsland[Newport, Newport Co RI]** –

D: **Wilbor**
Denied

This Meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial Against
Deborah Willbur for y^e Offences therein mentioned And the
Clerk is appointed to Read Said Paper at the Close of a first Day
Meeting before the next monthly meeting and then make
Report Said paper is as followeth

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Josep Rotch and Sons hath Exhibited a Complaint against **Daniel**

*Complaint
against
Daniel
Russell* **Russell** for Neglecting to pay them their Due, And the Overseers inform that they have bestowed much Labour in order for him to Comply with their Request which hath Proved inaffectual therfore this meeting Do appoint **Philip Allen & Prince Allen David Shepherd & James Davile** to Labour with the Said **Daniel Russell** and to make Report to next mon: meeting –

*Report of
the Com^{tee}
on Jedidi
Wood's
Heirs* The Committee appoint to joine with **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Committee to Labour with heirs of **Jedediah & Keziah Wood** Report as followeth which is Accepted To the Monthly Meetings of **Dartmouth and Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**

We the Subscribers being a Committee appointed by the monthly meeting to Labour with the Heirs **Jedidiah** and **Keziah Wood** to bring them to a Settlement of the Estate Left them by S^d **Jedediah & Keziah Wood** And we having meet together with S^d heirs from time to time, and Labour^d in Love with them to Compose and finally Settle S^d Estate among them Selves, or Submitt to friends as Arbitrators to Settle the Same, but our Labour proving Ineffectually with them, And it is our Advice and Judgment that S^d Heirs apply to the Judge of Pro[?][Probate] in order to have the Estate Setted, Or Compose a Settlement among themselves for we find the Circumstances of the affair to be such we think best not to Compell S^d heirs to Arbitration from your Committee the 29 y^e 6^{mo} 1772

**Pelleg Huddleston
Joseph Tripp
W^m Anthony Juner
Barzillia Tucker
Abial Maccomber
Job Russell**

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Committee
to labour
with J.M.* This Meeting is Inform^d by the Preparative meeting that **Jacob Mott** hath fallen into Several Disorders Particularly in taking too much Spirituous Liquors & in Using bad Language & in Abusive behaviour & in Niglecting attending for Worship and Discipline for which Several Disorders he hath been Treated with and gave no Satisfaction therefore **Joseph Tucker W^m Sandford** and **Abraham Tucker** are appointed to Labour with the S^d **Moot** as they may find Accation and make Report to next monthly meeting

*To Collect
account
of friends
[?][Sufferings]* This Meeting is Informed that **Pelleg Smith** hath in his Cair Some Accounts of the Sufferings of Friends therefore **Samuel Smith** and **W^m Anthony jⁿ** are Appointed to Inspect the Accounts and make Report the next monthly meeting

*Received
Transcrip
from ye
ye^a meeting*

This Meeting hath Received a Transcript of Several matters
Concluded on as Rules of our Society at our Last yearly meeting
at **Rhod Island**[Newport, Newport Co RI] & **Samuel Smith & William Anthony j^u** Are
appointed
to Place the Above Said Rules under Proper heads in our Book of
Discipline and make Report to the next monthly meeting

*To collect
money for
repairing
meet. house*

Benjamin Howland David Shepherd Barnabus Mosher Prince Allen
are Appointed to Collect money by way of Subscription for to
[?][Defray] the Charges of Repairing our Meeting house and to
make Report as Soon as they Can

*24 books
Subscribed
for*

This Meeting hath Subscribed for Twenty four Books of [?][Such]
Histories and **Caleb Russell** is appointed to Send the money for
Said Books to **W^m Redwood** or **Joseph Jacobs** and make Report
as Soon as he Can – The Treasurer hath paid one Dollar
to **Caleb Russell** for to Send for one of Sd books for this meeting

8^{mo} 1772

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 17 y^e 8 ^{mo} 1772
The Representatives are **W^m Mosher & Barzillia Tucker** Present
Joseph Smith hath Given his Consent that his Son **Elishep Smith**
may Proceed in Marraige with **Alice Philips** – The friends [?][appointed]
to Inquire into **Elishep Smith**'s Clearness Respecting marriage and
Conversation Report that they have made Inquiry, And Don't
find anything to hinder his Proceeding in marraige –

*E:S & E:P
come for
their Answer*

Elishep Smith & Alice Philips Appear^d for their Answer which was
that they might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some
Convenient time before the next monthly meeting Advising with
the Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that Purpose
and **Adam Gifford & W^m Mosher** are appointed to see their marriage

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*9 month
1772
Report Re=
=specting
David Chase*

Consomated in good order and make Report to next m^o meeting
The Report Respecting **David Chase** not appearing to good Satisfaction
by reason of his neglecting of Attending of meetings, And this
meeting not being fully Satisfied about Receiving his Acknowledgment
therefore the matter is Refer^d Under the Cair of the Same friends
that was appointed in that Case Same months past & **Paul Russell** is aded
to them and they to make Report when they think proper –

*Deb: Wilbur
denial read*

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read **Deborah Willburs** paper of
Denial According to Appointment –

*Jedidi Allen
paper accep^d*

The Paper that **Jedediah Allen** gave into this meeting Some
months past Condemning his Striking **Samuel Gifford** has been
now read, and Considred, which is Accepted provided he Cause S^d paper
to be Read at the Close of a first Day meeting for Worship before next m^o meeting he being
Present and Return s^d paper to s^d meeting and make Report of its
being read s^d paper is as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held in [?] **Dartmouth** 18th 9^{mo} 1772

J. Allen's paper Whereas I through unwatchfulness have Struck **Samuel Gifford** Son of **David Gifford**, Which I am hertily Sorry for and do Condemn, hoping God will forgive me, and friends So perhaps by mine offence as to let me Remain under their Care hoping for time to Come I shall be more Carefull
Jedediah Allen

H. Bennet Certificate This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for our friend **Hannah Bennitt** wife of **Robert Bennitt** to the Monthly meeting **Rhod Island**[Newport, Newport Co RI]

Jacob Mott Case The friends appointed to Labour with **Jacob Mott** Report that they have taken an Oppertunity and treated with him and he gave them no Satisfaction therefore **Samuel Smith** is aded to the Committee and they to inspect into his Disorders and Labour as they may find Accation and make Report to next monthly meeting –

*Report on inspe=
=ting friend's
Sufferings*

Samuel Smith & W^m Anthony jⁿ Reports that they have made Some Progress in Inspecting of the Accounts of friends Sufferings as Appointed but have not gone through, therefore they are still Continued in that Service and to make Report when Ready And the above S^d friends Report that they have Answer^d their Appointment in Placing the Several matters Concluded on as Rules in our Society under proper heads in the book of Discipline –

*Placing matters
In book of Dis
=ciplines*

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*8 month
1772
Red wood
Receipt
S: Russell
Condem^d
his Disorder*

Caleb Russell hath produc^d a Receipt from **W^m Read Wood** that he Delin^d the money According to appointment of last M^o Meeting **Seth Russell** hath appear^d in this meeting and Verbally Condemned his Disorder in Suffering a Couple to be married in before a [Justis?][Justice] of peace in his House which is Accepted

*Dan Russel's
Case*

The Committee Appointed to Labour with **Daniel Russell** for Neglecting to pay **Joseph Rotch & Sons** their Demands, Report that they have Labour^d with him and **Daniel** hath made Some proposals to Said **Rotch** to Satisfy him but it not being Solled[Solid] the Said Committee are appointed to Judge & Determine of S^d [?][Proposals] and make Report to next monthly meeting

*Overseers
appointed*

Daniel Cornal[Cornell] **William Anthony Jⁿ Jonathan Hussey Tho^s Hicks William Mosher William Barker** are appointed Overseers in the meeting for the year Insewing[Ensuing]

*Overseers
of y^e poor
appointed*

Caleb Russell Joseph Barker Barzillea Tucker Philip Allen Abraham Howland are Appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year Insuing---

9^{mo} 1772 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 21: 9^{mo} 1772

the Representatives are Called **Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey**
both Present

*Elis[?][Elishab]
Smith
marriage*

The friends appointed to see **Elishib Smith** and **Alice Philips** marriage Consomated Report that they attended Said marraige which was Consomated in good order

*J: Allen's
paper Read*

Jedediah Allen's Paper hath been read and Return^d to this meeting According to the Appointment of last monthly meeting

*Jacob Mott
Case*

The Committee appointed to Labour with **Jacob Mott** Report that they have Discharg^d themselves in that Respect, therefore the Said committee is Still Continued to Draught a paper of Denial against the S^d **Jacob Mott** and make Report to next monthly meeting

*Dan Russell
Case*

The Committee Appointed to Judge & Determine between **Daniel Russell & Joseph Rotch & Sons**, Report that the matter in that Service & to make Report to next monthly meeting

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1772*

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*David Shepherd
James Davis
Overseers of poor*

David Shepherd and **James Davice[Davis]** are appointed Overseers of the poor whereas **David Smith** and **Jonathan Hussey** was appointed to Labour with **W^m Sandford j^u** for marring[marrying] out of Unity of friends Some time past and S^d **Sandford** has been much from home and nothing hath been Done to the Satisfaction of this meeting therefore **W^m Barker** is appointed in the Room of **David Smith** and they to Labour with S^d **Sandford** and make Report to next monthly meeting – The Queries hath been Read and Answered in this meeting

*W^m Sanford J^u
case*

Received Several Transcripts (viz)

*Received
Transcripts*

one written Epistle from the yearly meeting in **London [England]**
one from the yearly meeting held in **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]**
one from the yearly meeting held in **Flushing [Queens Co. NY]** on **Long Island**
all Which were read to good Satisfaction

*Representa^s
for y^e Quarter^y
meeting*

William Barker W^m Anthony J^u Benjamin Smith J^u are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and to present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries which Epistle hath been sign^d in this meeting – And they to make Report to next m^o meeting This meeting hath Sign^d a Removal Certificate fo[for] **Rachel Merithew** to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]**

*R. Mertihew
Certificate*

There was collected at this meeting £11 – 2^s – 9^d old tenor The Treasurrer is Ordered to pay the above seem[?] to the Overseers of the poor for the use of the poor

*Order on Trea
=surer*

S^d Treasurer Reports that he hath now paid S^d money as ordered

10^{mo} 1772

*Jos Russell Ju^r
proposal of
marriage*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th y^e 10^{mo} 1772 the Representatives are **Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey** Present **Joseph Russell j^{u^r}** and **Mehetable Howland** Declar^d their Intentions of marraige and were Desir^d to wait untill the next Monthly meeting for their Answer, And **David Shepherd & John Williams**

are Appointed to make Inquirey into the young man's Clerness[Clearness]
Respecting marriage & Conversation and make Report to next
Monthly Meeting

This meeting hath Signed a Paper of Denial against **Jacob Mott** (for the Offences [?] against him some months past)
J: Mott Denied And the Clerk is appointed to Read Said paper at the Close of a first Day's meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting and then make Report Said paper is as followeth

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*10 month
1772*

*Testimony
against
J: Mott*

Whereas **Jacob Mott** of **Dartmouth** in the **County of Bristol** in the **Province of the Massachusetts Bay** in **New England** - - Having been Educated Amongst friends, under the Care [care] of this meeting, yet by Departing from his Education, and the Principal of Truth in his own br[??]t hath so far gone astray as to be found Guilty of Diverse Disorderly practices highly Inconsistent with the Piety and Gravity of our Profession Particularly in Absenting himself from our Religious meetings, And in taking too much Spirituous Licquor, and Using bad Language, and in Abusive behaviour, For which Reproachful Conduct this meeting hath Treated with him and admonished him in love & Moderation in order to Convince him of the Evil thereof, and Reclaim him therefrom, but our Admonition & Labour not being Effectual So as to obtain the desired End Therefore for the Clearing of truth and the Professors thereof from such Reproachful behaviour, This Meeting is Concerned Publickly To Testify against him, And do hereby Disown him the Said **Jacob Mott** from being a Member of our Religious Society Untill by Unfeigned Repentance he Shall Return to the way of truth, Which y^t [that?] he may is our Sincere [sincere] desire – Given forth & Signed in & on behalf of our monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th 10^{mo} 1772
By _____ **Job Russell** Clerk

*Case of Dan
Russell &
Rotchs [Rotch]
Settled*

The Committee Appointed to labour with **Daniel Russell** for Neglecting to pay **Joseph & Sons** their Demands Report, that the Matter is made up to the Said **Rotches** Satisfaction for the Present _____

*Case of W^m
Sanford Ju
Continued*

The Committee appointed to Labour with **W^m [William] Sanford J^u** Report that they have not had an Opportunity to Labour with him, (both together) tho they have Labour^d with Seperate & Rec[e]iv^d Some Incouragment, therefore they are Still Continued in that Service untill next m^o Meeting and then to to [sic] make Report _____

*Represent^s
Report*

The friends Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended Except **Benj^a [Benjamin] Smith J^u** & he Render^d a Reasonable Accuse [excuse?] for his not attending, And the [he?] produced an Epistle from S^d Quarterly meeting which hath been Read to Good Satisfaction and they have Produced a Cobby of an Epistle from the

Quarterly Meeting held in **Newport** on **Rhodisland** [**Rhode Island**] the
9th & 10th Days of y^e 7^{mo} 1772, Said Epistle informs that
its Concluded to be Lay^d out thirty pounds Lawfull money
money [call^d?]
for

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1772

this ^{meeting} desires to
be excus^d
by reason of
debt for their
own meet house
yearly meet
ing reverst
Judgment of
Q^r meeting a
gainst **Humphry
Smith**

South Kingston [**Perryville, Washington Co. RI**] and Each monthly meeting is Desir^d to
Contribute

according to their freedom, But we think this meeting may be
Excused by Reason that we are Considerably in Debt for Repairs [?]
of our Meeting house in **Aponeganset** [**Dartmouth, MA**] and for Supporting of our poor
And also S^d Epistle informs that the yearly meeting of **Rhodisland** [**Rhode Island**]
hath Reversed the Judgment of the Quarterly ^{meeting} Respecting
Humphry Smith

Jonathan Hussey Samuel Smith Prince Allen W^m [**William**] **Sandford
Tho^s** [**Thomas**] **Hicks & William Mosher**, are Appointed to have the Oversight
of the People in the Lofts & Other Seets [seats] at our insuing yearly
Meeting to Indeavour to Prevent Any indeacency that may
be Liable to happen at that time and make Report of their
Service at the next monthly meeting, This Mee^[n?] hath Conclude^d
to alter our Quarterly Colle[c]tion to a Monthly Collection
and Conclude to Collect Every month as nead [need] may Appear

Order on Trea=
=surer

The Treasurer is Ordered to pay **William Anthony J^u** two Dollars
which he Distributed for this meeting to Purchase Extracts
And Said Treasurer is Likewise Ordered to pay **Antⁱpas
Hathaway** one Dollar for Glasing[?] the Meeting House

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This Meeting hath Collected 4[£] – 6^S – 11^d old tennor [tenor] -- ---

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 16th the 11^{mo}=
1772

Barz Tucker
Clerk for this
day

the Representatives being Called which are **Joseph
Barker & Barzillia Tucker** Both Present
Barzillia Tucker is Chosen Clerk for this Day _____
The friends appointed to Inquire into the Clearness of **Joseph
Russell j^{ur}** Report that they find nothing to hinder
his proceeding in marraige [marriage]

J:R: & M:H
appear^d for
their answer

Joseph Russell j^{ur} and **Mehetable Howland** appear^d for
their Answer which was that they might Proceed in to
take Each Other in Marraige between this & next monthly
meeting Advising with the Ove[r]seers that this meeting
shall appoint for the purpose

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1772

and **David Shepherd** [**Shepherd**] and **John Williams** are Appointed to See their Marriage Consomated in Good order and make Report to the next monthly meeting

Jacob Mott
denial not
read

By Reason of the Clerk^s being Sick he has not Read **Jacob Motts** denial as Ordered therefor he is Continued in that Service and to make Return to next monthly meeting _____

Report of
Overseers
of yerly
meeting refer^d

The friends appointed last monthly meeting to have the oversight of the People in the Lofts and Other Seets [seats] at our yearly meeting not being all Present therefore their Report is Refer^d to next monthly meeting

Case of W^m
Sanford Ju^r
continu^d

The friends appointed on the Case of W^m **Sanford ju^r** not fulfilling their Appointment by Reason of Sickness therefore they are Still Continued in that Service and **Abraham Tucker** is ad[d]ed to them & they are Desired to do Somthing in that Case before next monthly meeting and then make Report _____

W^m **Jones**
visited this
meeting

Our friend **William Jones** hath Visited this meeting with his Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Burlington [Burlington Co. NJ]** in the **Provence of New=jersey** the 7th of the 9^{mo} 1772 whose Visit and Service in the Truth is Kindly Accepted — —

meeting
granted
at [New] **Bedford**

Friends at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** Request to have a Meeting for Worship held there two Days in a week, the Week Day meeting to be held on the Sixth Day of the week (Except those weeks of our M^o meeting & Preparative & youths meetings are held in) untill the Last of the third month next, Which Request is Granded [Granted] and **David Shepherd** and **James Davis** are appointed to have the oversight thereof and to see if it be held in the Authority of truth and to make Report at the Expiration thereof _____

Treasurer
report

The Treasurer Reports that he has paid **Antipas Hathaway** one Dollar as Ordered
this Meeting hath Collected 7[£] – 17^S – 10^d Old Tennor [Tenor]

12^{mo} 1772

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 21st: 12^{mo} 1772 the Representatives are **Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks** and **Samuel Smith [?; Ju^r?] **John Williams** Reports that, by reason of Sickness he did not attend the marraige of **Joseph Russell & Mehitible Howland** and we Understand **David Shepherd** could not attend this meeting
by**

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1772

by Reason of his family being unwell therefore his Reporting is Refer^d to next monthly meeting

Jacob Mott
denial read

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read **Jacob Motts** paper of Denial According to the Appointment of last m^o meeting _____

The friends appoint^d to have the Oversight of the [^]People in the Lofts and

*Overseers of
yearly meeting
Report* at our yearly meeting Report that most of them attended
all the meetings and that the People behaved in Some Degree
orderly ———

*Case of W^m Sanford
Ju
Continued* The Committee Appointed to Labour with **W^m Sanford** ^{ju}
Report that they have not Discharg^d their trust in that
Respect by reason of Some Disappointment therefore [*two words crossed out*]
they are Still Continued in that Service and they to make Report
to next monthly meeting

*money from
D Shepherd Rec^d* This meeting hath Received from **David Shepherd** by the hand
of **John Howland** the Sum of 1[£] – 9^S – 3^d [?] Lawfull money which
he Raised by way of Subscription Acording to Appointment of
this meeting, And the Same is Deliver^d to **W^m [William] Anthony J^{ur}**
this meeting Collected 7[£] – 7^S – 8^d Old tennor———

Adjourn This meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in next month
after the meeting for Worship —————

mett This Meeting meet According to Adjournment the first Sixth
Day of the first m^o 1773 the Representatives being Called both
Present

*Com^{tee} to examin
accmpts* The Overseers of the Poor hath brought an Account
to this meeting for doing for the Poor therefore we do
Appoint **Samuel Smith Job Russell Prince Allen** and
William Mosher a Committee to Exammine Said Accounts
and Also to Collect the whole Accounts that this meeting
is in Indebt and make Repor[t] as Soon as they Can
with Conveniency

*Order on Trea=
=surer* The Treasurer is ordered to pay **Timothy Russell** 5 Dollars
for keeping the meeting House half a year———

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*12 month
1772* The Queries hath been read and Answer^d and an Epistle
to the Quarterly Meeting was read and Signed, & **Joseph Tucker**
*Represent^s
to attend
y^c Quarterly
meeting* and **William Sanford** are Appointed to Attend the Quarterly
Meeting and Convey the Answers & Epistle to ^{^S^d} Quarterly meeting
and make Report to next monthly meeting
*money Rec^d
of Bar Mosher* This Meeting Received 8[£] – 10^S – 9^d old Tennor of **Barnabus [Barnabas]**
Mosher which he Collected by way of Subscription which is
Deliver^d to **W^m Anthony J^{ur}** — — —————

*1^{mo} 1773
Report of* At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 18th 1^{mo} 1773
the Representatives are **William Mosher & Barzillai Tucker** Present
David Shepherd [Shepherd] hath not made Report of his attending **Jos^h [Joseph]**
Russells marraige according to Referrance of Last monthly

Jos Russell meeting therefor **James Davice** [Davis?] is appointed to Call upon
not made him to know the reason of his not making report and to Desire
him to make Report to next monthly meeting

Tim Russell The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid **Timothy Russell**
paid five Dollars as Ordered

W^m Sanford Ju The friends Appointed to Labour with **William Sandford j^{ur}**
give in a for marriing [marrying] out of the Unity of friends Report that he gave
paper is them a Degree of Satisfaction and S^d **Sandford** hath given
accepted in a Paper Condemning his Disorder which is Accepted and
is as followeth

W^m Sanford To the monthly meeting of friends in **Dartmouth**
Confession beloved friends these are to inform you that I have
gone Conterary [Contrary] to the good order Established among friends
in Marriage which breach of Unity after I have
meturly [maturely] Considered it am sorrow for and should be glad
that friends would So far pass it by as to let me Remain
under their Care given forth and Dated this —
18th Day of the 1^{mo} 1773 - **William Sandford J^u**

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1 month
1773 The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting
Report from Report that they all attended according to appointment and
Quart meeting have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been
Read to good Satisfaction and the Contents thereof Earnestly –
Recommended to friend notice and Observation

on the subject
of holding our
yearly meeting
in two places
a Com^{tee} appointed
Whereas this meeting Requested of the Quarterly meeting that
there may bee an Alteration in our yearly meeting as it is
now held in two Branches, to have the same held in two
Distinct [Distinct] yearly meetings, and this meeting is inform^d by an
Epistle from the Quarterly meeting that S^d Quarterly meeting Desires
this meeting to Consult with **Acoakset** [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA**] monthly
meeting about
the Alteration, And we Appoint **Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker**
Paul Russell Job Russell Jonathan Hussey and **Samuel Smith** a
Committee to Confer with **Acoakset** monthly meeting on that
and make Report So as to have S^d matter Sent up to next Quarter

Sh: Craw[?] Two of the Overseers Informes this meeting that **Sherman Craw**
Dealt with hath married out of the Unity of friends Although they
Precautioned him before marraige therefore we do appoint
Barnabus Mosher & W^m Wood to Labour with him as they
may find freedom and make Report to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to treat with **David Smith** Report
as followeth which is Accepted

Agreable to the Appointment of the Monthly Meeting
We have made Inquiry into the Complaint Against **David Smith**

Report
Concerning
David Smith

and have Labour^d with him to Leave the matter to Indifferant
men in order to Settle the Controvercy which was then Subsisting
between him and **Daniel Russell & Abner Russell**, which was [*faded word*]
So far Complied with as to Choose the Arbitrators, but the other
parties not Appearing to proceed in the Matter in order for
Settlement, therefore we think **David Smith** may be Dismised
from S^d Complaint at Present — — — — —

Given forth by your Committee this 18th y^e 1st[?] mo 1773

Joseph Tucker
Abraham Howland
Barnabas Mosher
Benj^a Howland 2nd[?]

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1 month
1773
Thomas
Almy
request a
Certificate

Thomas Almy hath Removed within the Compass of **Acoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** Monthly Meeting to Live and Desires a Removal Certificate
Do appoint [*sic*] **Prince Allen & Nicholass Howland** to Inquire into
his life & Conversation and to see ~~that his Life & Conversation~~
that his outward affairs be settled to Satisfaction and Draw a
Certification for him if they think proper and make Report to next meeting

Complaint
against
David
Smith

William Barker and **Daniel Cornal [Cornell]** hath Exhibeted a Complaint
against **David Smith** for Reporting that Some of the Overseers were
fals [false?] men, in Peticularly **W^m Barker & Daniel Cornal** to their
Diffimation [defamation?], Therefore this meeting do appoint **Benj^a [Benjamin] Taber**
Nicholass Howland John Ricketson Benj^a Howland 2nd W^m [William] Wood
a Committee to inquire into and to Judge and Determine the
matter between them in behalf of this meeting and make
Report to next m^o meeting.

Money col=
=lected for
repairing
meeting
house

Prince Allen hath Collected by way of Subscription — 7[£] : 12^S: 9^d O[ld] [Tennor?]
also **Benj^a Howland 2nd** hath Collected by way of Subscription 19 - 4 : 0 o:T:
and said money is Deliver^d to **W^m Anthony Jⁿ** for Repairing Meeting house
the collection is Refer^d to next monthly meeting —————

2^{mo} 1773

Jos Russell Ju
marriage

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 15: 2nd mo 1773
the Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and **James Davis** present
David Sheepherd [Shepherd] Reports that he attended the Marraige of **Joseph**
Russell & Mehetable Howland According to Appointment which
was Consomated Orderly & S^d **David** has rend[e]red a Excuse for his
not making Report Last monthly meeting

Shearman
Craw give
in a paper

The Committee appointed to treat with **Sherman Craw** Report
that they have treated with him and he gave them a good Degree
of Satisfaction, and S^d **Craw** hath given in a paper to this meeting
Signifying his Sorrow, Therefor the matter is Refer^d under the
Cair [care] of the above S^d Committee and **Paul Russell** is ad[d]ed to them

for a further Trial of his Sencerity and they to Report ~~to next meeting~~
when they think Necessary

*T. Almy
Certificate
Sign^d*

The Committee appointed to inquire into the matter Respecting
Tho^s [Thomas] Almy, have Draughted [drafted] a Certificate on his behalf, to the m^o
meeting of **Acoakset** which was Signed by the Clerk in behalf
of this meeting

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*2 month
1773
Complaint
against David
Smith*

The Committee appointed Respecting the Complaint of **W^m [William] Barker**
and **Daniel Cornal [Cornell]** against **David Smith** for Reporting that Some
of the Overseers were false men, Report as followeth and is Accepted

*Judgment
against
D. Smith*

To the Monthly Meeting of **Dartmouth** —

Agreeable to your Appointment last monthly meeting we have made
Inquirey into the Grounds of the Complaint of **W^m Barker & Daniel
Cornel** Against **David Smith** and we find by undoutted [undoubted] Evidences
that **S^d David Smith** has Publickly Reported that Some of the
Overseers of our Meeting were false men to the Defamaing [Defaming] of
them therefore our Judgment is that **S^d David Smith** Ought as
Publickly to Condemn the Same, as he Reported the Scandel —
Given forth by your Com^{te}
this 10th the 2^{mo} 1773

Nicholass Howland
John Ricketson
Benj^a Taber
W^m Wood
Benj^a Howland 2nd

*D:S appeal
granted*

David Smith Requests a Ccopy of the Complaint of **W^m Barker
& Daniel Cornel** against him which is granted
Lik[e]wise **S^d David** Requests an Appeal from the afore **S^d Judgment**
to the Quarterly meeting which is granted —

*Settled accoump^t
with Treasurer*

The Committee Appointed to Settle Accounts with the Treasurer
Report that they have Settled Sd Accoump^ts and Remain in the
Stock 23[£] : 1^S : 2^d old tenor —

*account of
meetings debt*

The **S^d Committee** also Inform that they have Collected the Chief
Debts against this meeting which amount to 35[£] – 12^S – 2^d; L[awful]: mon[ey]

Order on Treasurer

this meeting Collected the Sum of - - 13[£] – 12^S – 2^d Old tenor
and the Treasurer is Ordered to Deliver £2:0-0 Lawfull money
to the Overseers of the poor for the Use of the poor —
and **S^d Treasurer** is Ordered to pay **W^m Anthony Jⁿ** 1[£] – 2^S – 2^d L. money
for Repairing the meeting house —

*money to be
raised*

Samuel Smith is Appointed to Draught Subscriptions for to
Raise money to Defray the above **S^d Debts** and bring them
to the Adjournment of this meeting, this meeting Adjourns
to the Last forth Day in this month

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2^{mo} 1773 At a Monthly Meeting meet by Adjournment 24th : 2^{mo} : [1]773
The case of Dav Smith the Representatives were Called **Samuel Smith** present
 this meeting has further Consid[e]red the matter Respecting **David Smith**
 and do appoint **Prince Allen Seth Sherman Abraham Tucker** to Show
 him the Judgment that was Read and Accepted at the first sitting[?]
 of this meeting in Consequence of the Complaint of **W^m Barker**
 and **Daniel Cornal** and to Labour with the S^d **David** to Comply
 therewith- and make Report to the next monthly meeting
Commit to correct y^e minutes **Tho^s Hicks Samuel Smith Job Russell W^m Anthony J^u** are
 appointed to Correct the monthly meeting minutes in order to
 be Put on Record And also to Inspect the papers and they to burn[?]
 them that appear to be of no Use or Service and make Report
 to next M^o Meeting –
*Papers for Subscrip=
=tions* **Samuel Smith** hath Drafted papers for Subscriptions agreeable
 to Appointment And **Caleb Russell Prince Allen Gideon Howland**
William Mosher Timothy Russell & Jonathan Hussey are appointed
 to Communicate S^d papers to Each member of this meeting that
 are able) [*sic*] in order for them to Subscribe thereto & S^d Committee
 to Receive the money and pay the Same into the Treasury
 of this meeting and make Return of their doings, and the
 Sum total So Collected to this meeting as Soon as they Can
 with Conveniency
J: Hussey overseer of y^e buring ground **Jonathan Hussey** is appointed to have the Oversight of
 the Buriing [Burying] Ground ~~belonging~~^{ing} belonging to this meeting
 in the Room [place] of **Daniel Russell** Deceas^d

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3^{mo} 1773 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th y^e 3^{mo} 1773
Treasurer paid out money the Representatives are **William Mosher & William Wood** present
 the Treasurer Reports that he hath paid the Overseers of the poor
 £2 – 0^S – 0^d Lawfull money also paid **W^m Anthony J^u** 19[?][£] – 2^S – 2^d L money
 as Ordered last monthly meeting - — — — —
Report of Com^{tee} on David Smith case The Committee appointed to Shew [Show] **David Smith** the Judgment
 in Consequence of the Complaint of **Daniel Cornal & W^m Barker**
 against Said **David**, and to labour with him to Comply therewith
 Report as followeth which is Accepted
 Agreeable to appointment we have Shewed **David Smith** the
 Judgment of the Committee appointed to Judge & Determine between
 Said Smith and the Overseers of our Meeting which was read and
 Accepted in our Last monthly Meeting (**David Smith** present)
 we have Likewise laboured with S^d **Smith** to Comply with Said
 Judgment which he Refusses to do and Still Insisted upon his
 appeal to the Quarterly meeting **Abraham Tucker**
 Dated **Dartm^o y^e 15th 3^{mo} 1773** { **Seth Sherman**

Prince Allen

*To correct
Minutes &
Record them*

The Committee appointed to Correct the Monthly Meeting minuets [minutes] & Inspect the loos[e] papers & burn those that appear to be of no Use or Service Report that they have fulfilled their appointment & **Sam^l Smith & W^m Anthony J^u** is to Record S^d Mi:

*Step: Merithew
desires a
Certificate*

Stephen Mearithew [Merithew] hath Removed within the Compass of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Monthly Meeting and Desires a Removal Certificate therefore we Appoint **John Williams & James Davice [Davis]** to Inquire into his Life and Conversation & also to see if his Outward affairs be Set[t]led to Satisfaction and Draught a Certificate for him if they find things Clear and Report to next mont[hly] meeting

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*3 month
1773*

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*Report of
Com^{tee} ab^{ut}
yearly meet
ing*

The Committee appointed to Consult with **Acoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** M^o Meeting about the Alteration of our yearly meeting Report as followeth which is Accepted

*agreed y^t [that]
Coakset
& Aponigst
yearly
meetings
be two
Distinct
meetings*

We the Committee appointed by the Moonthly Meetings of **Dartmouth and Accoakset**, Persuaht [Pursuant] to appointment we have Weightily Consid[e]red the matter in R[e]gard to an Alteration in our yearly meeting, And have Agreed that S^d yearly meeting be two distinct meetings the better to Accomodate the Select meeting and that they both be held at the Same time as heretofore and that the time of meeting be first as followeth (viz) The first day of said meeting to begin at the [tenth *erased*] twelfth hour the Second Day at the Eleventh hour & the last Day at y^e tenth hour **Dartmouth** the 10th of y^e 3^{mo} 177[3?]

Joshua Davel Joseph Tucker
Same^l Smith Abraham Tucker
Paul Russell Jon^a Hussey
Leomuel Sisson Joseph Tripp
Job Russell

*Represe:
to y^e Q:
meeting*

The Queries hath been answer^d in this meeting and an Epistle Signed to the Quarterly meeting and order^d forward by the Repr: who are **W^m Mosher Samuel Smith Barzillia Tucker Prince Allen & Job Russell** and Likewise S^d Representatives are to Procure Such papers & Coppies as shall appear Necessary and Report to next Monthly Meeting

*4^{mo}
1773
Certificate
for Step
Merithew*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 19th y^e 4^{mo} 1773 the Representatives are **Tho^s Hicks & James Davice [Davis]** Present This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for **Stephen Mearithew [Merithew]** to the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co, MA]** ———

4 month
1773
Report from
Quart meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all Attended according to Appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been read and well Accepted

J: Case
Desires a
Certificate

Job Case Informs that he is about to Remove to the **Oblong [Pawling Dutchess Co. NY]** and Desires a Removal Certificate for himself and Children, therefore do Appoint **Prince Allen & Daniel Cornal [Cornell]** to Inquire into his life and Conversation and see that his Outward affairs be Sett[l]ed to Satisfaction and Draw a Certificate for them if they find things Clear and bring it to next monthly meeting — —————

Meeting at
[New] Bedford
Continued

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of that meeting at **Bedford, [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** Report that they attended S^d meeting which was kept in a good Degree orderly, And the friends at **Bedford** Request that the weekday meeting there be Continued as here= =tofore untill the Monthly Meeting in the tenth month Next, which is granted and **David Shepherd [Shepherd] & James Davice [Davis]** are appointed to have the Oversight of S^d meeting to see that it be kept orderly & in the Authority of truth and Report to the tenth Month next — —

H. Cook
admitted a
member
Some meetings
discontinued
in **New Town**

The Women friends Inform that they have Admitted **Hannah Cook** A member of our Society which this meeting approveth The friends at **Newtown [N Dartmouth, MA]** inform that they think it Necessary to Drop Several meetings held on week Day there namely the meeting held on that week our youths meeting is, and also the meeting on that week our Monthly meeting is held therefore S^d meetings are Discontinued for time to come

S: Craw
paper
Accepted

The Report Respecting **Sherman Craw** being Satisfactory therefore this meeting accepts of his paper Condemning his marring [marrying] out of the Unity of friends

Judgment against
David Smith
confirmed by
Quar meeting

This meeting is Informed by the Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting that said ^{^meeting} has Confirmed the

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the Judgment of this Meeting against **David Smith** therefore we appoint **Abraham Tucker Prince Allen** and **James Davice [Davis]** to Labour with Said **Smith** to Comply with Said Judgment, and they to Report to next monthly meeting

Received
Extracts
from y^e
Q meeting

This Meeting has Received 330 Extracts of Epistles from the Quarterly Meeting which were Lat[e]ly Reprinted and are to be Distributed among friends in generall————~

Money
Recd by
Subscrip
=tions
Order to
Treasurer

William Mosher Reports that he has Received by way of Subscription £40 " 12^S " 2^d old tennor which he paid into the Treasury, And S^d Treasurer is order^d to pay S^d Sum to them that has Demands on this meeting and Report to next m^o Meeting - - - - Collected at this meeting £6 " 18^s " 0 Old Ten

5^{mo} 1773
on the case
of Job
Case

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 17th 5^{mo} 1773 the Representatives are **Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks & Sam^l [Samuel] Smith** present the friends appointed to Inquire into **Job Casses** Conversation and Settlement of his outward affairs and prepare a Certificate for him, Report that S^d **Casses** affairs are not all Settled therefore they have not prepared one for him, and they are Continued in that Service and to Report when ready————

David
Smith
Case

The Committee appointed to Labour with **David Smith** Reports as followeth that he is not willing to comply and S^d matter is Refer^d to next monthly Meeting ^{^for Sd Smiths further Consideration} under the Same friends care as heretofor and then they to make Report

order on
Treasurer

The treasurer reports that he hath paid part of the money as order^d last Monthly meeting, therefore he is Still Continued to pay as Order^d and Report to ~~next M^o meeting~~ when he thinks Necessary

J. Howland
Requests
Certificate

John Howland Requests a Certificate to the m^o meeting of **Rhod[e] Island [Newport, Newport Co. RI]** Certif[y]ing his Clearness Respecting marraig [marriage] and Conversation, And we appoint **David Shepherd** and **James Davice** to take the necessary Care

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Care on that account and Draw a Certificate if they think proper and bring to next monthly meeting

friends
Request to
build a Meet
house at
Bedford

Friend Living at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** Request the Liberty to build a Meeting House there Therefore we appoint **Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker Joseph Barker John Potter Benj^a Smith J^u Tho^s Hicks & William Anthony J^u** To Consider wheather it be best to build a house there or not, and if they think best to build to agree on what Size to build, and Report to next m^o meeting

M: Stratton Receiv^d
a
member &
Susan^h Wing

The women friends Inform that they have minueted [minuted] **Margaret Stratton** and **Susanah Wing** under their Care which this meeting Approveths of————

D. Cornel
Complain^d
of Tho Smith

Daniel Cornal [Cornell] hath Exhibitted a Complaint against **Tho^s [Thomas] Smith** for accusing him of being a falls [false] man and saying

he Could prove it, which is Refer^d to next m^o meeting by Reason of S^d **Smith** not being present and **John Potter** is appointed to Inform S^d **Smith** and Report to next m^o meeting this Meeting Collected £7 " 6^s " 2^d old tenor————

6^{mo} 1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 25: 6^{mo} 1773 the Representatives are **Prince Allen & W^m [William] Anthony J^a** Present

*Da. Smith
Denied*

the Committee appointed to have the Care of that matter Respecting **David Smith** Report that he Refusses to Comply with the Judgment of this Meeting and friends being Clear from further Labour with him Do hereby Deny the Said **David Smith** from being a member of our Sosity [Society] and **Prince Allen** is Appointed to Inform s^d **Smith** of his Denial and Report to next m^o meeting —————

*J: H obtain^d
Certificate*

This Meeting has Signed a Certificate for **John Howland** to the monthly meeting of **Rhod[e] Island [Newport, Newport Co. RI]** Certifying his Clearness Respecting maraige & Conversation

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*6 month
1773
Tho^s Smith
Case*

The Referance of Last Monthly Meeting Respecting **Daniel Cornal [Cornell]** and **Tho^s [Thomas] Smith**, Now Coming under notice and we appoint, **David Sheepherd [Shepherd] Abraham Howland James Davice [Davis] Seth Russell Joseph Barker** to Inquire and here [*sic*] and Determine between them in behalf of this meeting & Report to next M^o Meeting

*Wm Mathews
visited
this
meeting*

Our friend **William Mathews** hath Visited this meeting with his Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of **Worrington [Wellsville]** in the County of **York** in **Pennsilvania [Pennsylvania]** Dated the fifth month last, Whose labour and Service in the Truth is well Accepted Likewise our friend **John Willis** hath Visited us with a few Lines of Concur[r]ence from the yearly Meeting of **Flushing [Queens Co. NY]** held the first of the 6^{mo} 1773 whose Visit was Kindly accepted —————

*R:B &
wives
Certificate*

This Meeting hath Received Removals Certificates form [from] **Rice Baker** and Wife from the Monthly Meeting of **Acoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** which is Accepted

*Meetings
to begin
at the 11
hour
adjourn*

This Meeting hath Concluded for friends to meet at the Eleventh hour in the fore noon at all our meetings for worship Except our yearly Meetings - - this meeting Adjourns to the first Six Day in next month

*mett
[erasure]*

At a Monthly Meeting held according to adjournment the 2nd day of the 7^{mo} 1773 the Representatives both present

W^m Anthony Ju^r

Clerk **William Anthony j^{ur}** is Chosen Clerk for this day and untill
Job Russell Shall be able to attend the business

*Building
[New] Bedford
mee[t]ing
house refer^d
to Quar
meeting
answers
Epistles &
Representa
7^{mo} 1773
Luthan
Wood
proposal
of marriage
and Ben Sawdy*

The Committee appointed to Consider about building a meeting
House at **Bedford**, [New Bedford, Bristol County MA] Report that they think it might be
well
to build a House there, yet that matter is Refer^d to the
Quarterly Meeting for further advice, An Epistle to y^e Quarterly meeting
was Sign^d Sent with y^e answer to the Queries by our Representatives who are
Thos Hicks Barzillia Tucker Caleb Russell Seth Russell & Nicholas Howland

At a Monthly Meeting held at **Dartmouth** ye 19th y^e 7^{mo} 1773
the Representatives are **W^m Mosher & Samuel Smith** present
Luthan Wood and **Susannah Wing** Declear^d their Intentions of
marraige, also **Benjamin Sawdy & Hannah Cook** Decler^d

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*7 month
1773
L.W & S. W
published*

Their Intentions of marraige (they having produced their parents
Consent in writing to Satisfaction) and were Desir^d to wait till
next monthly meeting for their Answer, And **Prince Allen** and
Joseph Barker are appointed to Inquire into **Luthan Woods** Clearness
Respecting marraige and Conversation, And **Barzillia Tucker** and
W^m Wood are appointed to Inquire into **Benj^a Sawdies** Clearness Respect^{ing}
marriage & Conversation and Report to next m^o meeting—————

*D Smith in=
=formed of his
denial*

Prince Allen Informs that he Inform^d **David Smith** of his Denial
as order^d Last m^o meeting

*Tho Smiths
Case refer^d*

The Committee appointed on Account of **Tho^s Smith & Daniel Cornal**
Report that they hant [haven't] had an opportunity to Discharge themselves
therefore the matter is Refer^d under their Care and they to make
Report to next monthly meeting—————

*Return from
Qur meeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that
they all attended Except **Seth Russell** & he hath Render^d an Excuse
which is Accepted, Said friends have Produced an Epistle from
Said Quarterly meeting which hath been Read and kindly Ac-
=cepted and Likewise the **London [England]** Printed Epistle of last year
which hath been Read in this meeting & the moving & whol[e]som[e]
advice therein Earnestly Recommended to the Notice of Each
Individual, The Quarterly Meeting hath Sent this meeting Six books
part whereof was wrote by **Ambrose Rigg**, Entitled, a Brief & Serious
warning to Such as are Concerned in Commerce & Tradeing &C [etc.] ———

*Received
6 books
from y^e
Q meeting*

The other part being the Advices of Several yearly meetings in
London, which books are Recommended to friends Perusal—————

*Received
T. W: Certifi:*

*appeal granted
to David Smith*

Received a Removel Certificate from **Acoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co,
MA]** Monthly meeting on behalf of **Tho^s [Thomas] Willcox** Dated ye 7th month 1773 which is
Accepted This meeting grants **David Smith** an Appeal to the Quarterly

meeting and **Prince Allen** is Appointed to Inform S^d **Smith** thereof

Caleb Russell Informs that he hath Collected by way of Subscription according to appointment £45 " 4^S " 0 old tenor

money collected **Prince Allen** Reports likewise that he hath Collected S^d Subscription as appointed 20[£] - 14^S - 9^d all which they paid into the treasury this meeting Collected 12[£] - 3^S - 0 old tenor

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*7 month
1773
order on
Treasurer*

The Treasurer is ordered to pay **Joseph Tucker** 1[£] - 15^S - 0 old tenor for Shewing friends horses

The treasurer is ordered to pay **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for half years ke[e]ping the meeting house

*overseer of
y^e meeting^s
Land*

This Meeting appoints **Prince Allen & Thomas Hicks** to Oversee the Meeting House & to Inspect the meeting house Lot, in the Room [place] of **John Potter** (who is Dismised) & **Seth Sherman** Deceas^d_____

*16th y^e 8^{mo}
1773*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 16th y^e 8^{mo} 1773 the Representatives are **Tho^s Hicks & Barzillia Tucker** both Present

*Lut Wood
and
Ben Sawdy
Clearness*

The friends appointed to Inquire into **Luthon [Luthan] Woods** and **Benj^a Sawdy^s** Clearness Respecting marraige & Conversation make Report that they find nothing to hinder their Proceeding

*Luthan Wood
and
Ben Sawdy
Answer*

Luthon [Luthan] Wood & Susanah Wing appear^d at this meeting for their Answer Likewise **Benj^a Sawdy** and **Hannah Cook** appeared for their Answers whose Answers ware, that Each Couple might Proceed to take Each other in marraige [marriage] in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting Advising with the Overseers that this meeting Shall appoint for that purpose and **Joseph Barker & Prince Allen** are appointed to See **Luthon Woods** marraig Consomated Orderly and **William Wood** and **Peleg Gifford** is appointed to See **Benja Sawdies** marriage Consomated orderly and they to make Report to next m^o meeting

*Tho Smith
Case
contin^d*

The Committee Appointed on Account of **Daniel Cornal [Cornell] & Thomas Smith** Report that S^d **Smith** Refuses to make answer thereto until he have a Copy of the Complaint Exhibeted against him which this meeting grants Provided S^d **Smith** Obligate him= =self that he make no other Use thereof but for his own Defence in the Society, And the afore S^d Committee are Continued in that Service and make Report to next monthly meeting

*Treasurer
paid out
money*

The treasurer Reports that he hath paid **Timothy Russell** 5 Dollars as Order^d Likewise **Joseph Tucker** 35/ as order^d

8 month
1773
C: Hoag
visited
this meeting

Comfort Hoag hat[h] Visited this meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at **Hamton** in the **Province** of **New** — **hamshier** [**New Hampshire**] in **New England** baring Date ye 17th ye 6^{mo} 1773 which kindly Accepted —————

A. Russell
Denied

The Committee appointed to have the Care of **Abner Russell** Some months past Report that one of them hath had an oppertunity of Conference with him and he gave him no Satisfaction on that account, and that he had fallen into the like Disorder again and is Obsconded So as friends hant Opertunity as with him, and this meeting Apprehending they are Clear hath Signed a paper of Denial against him and the Clerk is Ordered to Read S^d paper at the End of a first Days meeting & Return S^d papere to next monthly meeting

J:Howland Ju
Request

James Howland J^{ur} Desires to come under the Care of friends therefore we Appoint **Jonathan Hussey Barzillia Tucker** and **John Williams** to take an Oppertunity of Solid Conference with him in Order to Discover the motive of his Request and Report to next monthly meeting - —————

order to give
D:S Coppy of
denial

The Clerk is Ordered to gave **David Smith** a Coppy of the minute of his Denial made Against him Agreeable to his Request — - — - —

This meeting Collected £6 " 0^S " 4^d old tenor
Prince Allen Reports that he Informed **David Smith** that his Appeal is granted

Disorder in
Loitering round
the meeting
house

This meeting Discovers Disorders by People^s Companying Round the meeting house and talking in Companies before meeting and after the time of Day for meeting both for Worship and Disapline [Discipline] - Therefor do appoint our friend **Joseph Tucker Tho^s Hicks Joseph Barker Prince Allen & W^m Anthony J^u** and **W^m Mosher** to Inspect into the above Disorder and Advise as they Shall think proper in that Respect and they to be Continued in that Service one year and then make Report to this meeting

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9^{mo} 1773
meeting
adjourns by
request

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** ye 20th ye 9^{mo} 1773 **William Mosher** and **Samuel Smith** appear as Representatives from the Preparative meeting — — — — —

This meeting Conclud[e]s to adjourn to the 21 Instant by the Request of a Committee which was appointed by the Quarterly meeting to Viset the Monthly Meetings — — — — —

mett
9^{mo} 1773 This Meeting being meet by adjournment y^e 21 y^e 9^{mo} 1773
the Representatives being Called both present _____

Lu Wood
and
Ben Sawdy
marriage The friends appointed to See **Luthan Woods & Susanah Wing's**
marriage Consomated, Also the friends Appointed to See **Benja^a**
Sawdies [Sawdys] & Hannah Cook^s marriage Consomated All made report
to this meeting that they Discharged themselves according to
appointment on those Accounts and Saw nothing but S^d mar=
=riages was Consomated orderly — — _____

A: Russel
paper
Read The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the paper of Denial against
Abner Russell as order^d and Return^d S^d paper to this meeting
which is as followeth _____

Testimony
against
A: Russel From our Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth**
the 16th Day of y^e 8^{mo} 1773 — — —
Whereas **Abner Russell** having had his Education among
friends, But by not giving heed to the grace of God in his
own heart, a Measure whereof is given to Every man to
profit withall, has So far been lead away through the
Stratagem[s] and Tem[p]tations of the Enemy of mans felicity,
as to be Accused and Charged on Oath by **Mary Anthony** of
being the father of her Bastard Child, And friends having
Bestowed Some Labour with him in Order to bring him to a
and [*sic*] Sense of his Transgression that he by an Unfeigned Repe=
=ntance might be Restored to the way of truth again but his Conduct
& Behaviour Sense [Since?] S^d Labour was bestowed on him Seems to Demon=
=strate it had not its Desired Effect, Friends therefore thinking they
are Clear from Any further Labour with him think we can do no
less for the Clearing of truth, than to Testify against him & hereby do
Disown the S^d **Abner Russell** from being a member in Unity with our
Society, Nevertheless hoping & desiring that y^e Almighty by the Riches of
his grace & mercy may yet bring him to a Sight & Sense of y^e Evil of his ways
& by unfeigned Repentance witness his peace to be made with him and
Restored to y^e way of truth

Signed in and on behalf of our S^d meeting by **W^m Anthony J^r** Clerk

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9 month
1773
James Howlan^d
Case referd The friends Appointed to take an Opportunity of Solid Conferrance
with **James Howland junor** Report that they have had Some Confer[ence]
with him and he gave them Some Satisfaction and S^d **Howland**
is now gone to See [Sea?] and the matter is Refer^d under the Care of Said
Committee and they to make Report as Soon as the[y] Can with Conve=
=n[i]ency _____

D Smith Rec^d
a Coppy of
miniut. The Clerke Reports that he gave **David Smith** a Coppy of the
minute of his Denial as order^d _____

The Case of
Thom Smith
Continued The Committee appointed on Account of **Daniel Cornal [Cornell] &**
Thomas Smith, Reports that they are not Ready to make
full Return of their Appointment therefore the matter is
Referd under their Care, and Said Committee Desire Some addition
therefore this meeting adds **Giles Slocum W^m Wood Barzillia**
Tucker and **Joseph Howland** to the afore S^d Committee and they
to make Report to the next monthly meeting _____

money Collected **Gideon Howland** Reports that he hath Collected 29[£] " 7^s " 6^d O-Tenno^r by way of Subscription as appointed Some months past and has[^] paid Said money into the Treasurer _____

*Represent^a
to the
Q meeting* The Queries were read in this meeting and Answers thereto prepar^d, Likewise an Epistle prepar^d and Signed by the Clerk for the Quarterly meeting and Ordered forward to Said Quarterly by the Representatives, who are **Caleb Russell Barzillia Tucker William Anthony J^u W^m Barker Prince Allen and Samuel Smith** and they to make Report to next m^o meeting

*appointing
overseers
Refer^d* The appointing Overseers both of the meeting & of the Poor is Refer^d to next monthly meeting _____

10^{mo} 1773 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 18th 10^{mo} 1773 **Jonathan Hussey & Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks** Appears as Representatives from the Preparative meeting _____

*overseers for
yearly meeting* This meeting thinks proper to Appoint Some friends to have the Care and Oversight of the Lofts & Other Seats at our Ensuing yearly meeting to Prevent Indecencies among the youth & others and therefor Do Appoint our friends **W^m Barker W^m Sandford Jon^a Hussey Joseph Raker Tho^s Hicks Samuel Smith W^m Anthony J^{ur} Abraham Howland and Benj^a Chase**

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*10 month
1773* **272**
for that purpose and they to make Report to the next monthly meeting _____

adjourn This Meeting adjourns to the 25th Instant after y^e meeting for worship which is to begin at y^e Eleventh hour _____

*10^{mo} 1773
mett* This Meeting meet by Adjournment y^e 25th y^e 10^{mo} 1773 _____
*Tho Smith
Case Referd* the Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey and Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks** present The Committee appointed on account of **Daniel Cornal [Cornell]** and **Thomas Smith** Reports that they are not ready to make Return therefore the matter is Refer,d under their Care and they to make [report?] to next monthly meeting _____

*Epistle
Received
from ye
Q. meet* The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting being Called upon Report that they all attended S^d meeting and Produced An Epistle from the Same which was read in this meeting & Kindly Excepted [Accepted?] _____

*Overseers in
the Society* This Meeting appoints our friends **Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks W^m [Wiliam] Mosher William Anthony J^u Benj^a [Benjamin] Howland 2nd James Davice [Davis]** as

Overseers in the Society for the year Insewing [Ensuing]

*Overseers
of y^e
Poor*

This Meeting appoints our friends **Joseph Barker Caleb Russell Barzillia Tucker Abraham Howland David Shepherd John Williams & Gideon Howland** Overseers of the Poor for the year Ensuing _____

*meeting
at Bedford
Still
Requested*

The friends Appointed to have the Oversight of y^e meeting at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** made Report that they generally Attend S^d meeting which was kept in a Good Degree Orderly And S^d friends at **Bedford** Still Requests to hold their meeting on first Days & week Days as Uusal [Usual] untill y^e monthly meeting in y^e 3^d mo next, which is granted and **David Shepherd & James Davis** Are Appointed to have the Oversight of S^d meeting & make Report at y^e Expiration thereof.

*J: Wing
Intention
of marriage*

Jonathan Wing and **Ann Wood** Declared their Intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till next m^o Meeting for their Answer, The S^d **Wing** having Produced a Certificate from **Acoaxet [Acoaxet, Westport, MA]** M^o Meeting Respecting marriage This meeting Collected £14-7^s-2^[d] Old tennore [tenor]

*11th mo
1773*

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*overseers of
yearly meeting
Report*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 15th y^e 11^{mo} 1773 the Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey & Barzillia Tucker** _____

The friends appointed Last monthly meeting to have the Oversight of the Lofts and Other Seats at our yearly meeting made Report that they all attended S^d meetings ^{^Except J. Barker & B. Chase} and Measurable Discharg^d themselves in that Respect and that Said meeting was Conducted in Some good Degree orderly on that account

*Case of Tho
Smith referd*

The Committee appointed in the Case between **Daniel Cornel [Cornell]** and **Thomas Smith** not being Ready to make report, one of them being Sick, its therefore Referred to next monthly meeting

*Transcripts
read*

The Transcrip[t]s Received from the Quarterly meeting in y^e 7 month last hath now been Read and the Whol[e]som[e] Advice therein Contained is Earnestly Recommended to friends Observasion & notice

*B. L & wifs
paper*

Barker Little and **Elisabeth** his wife hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning their falling into the Sin of Fornication therefore we appoint **Prince Allen** and **Philip Allen** and **Jonathan Hussey** to have an Oppertunity of Conferrance with S^d **Little** also to Inquire into his life & Conversation in order to Discover his Sincerity and make report to next monthly meeting

*Complaint
against Eben
ezer Mosher*

This Meeting is Informed from the Preparative meeting that **Ebenezer Mosher** Neglects attending our meetings for which Disorder he hath been labour^d with and gave no Satisfaction on that

Account and Desires to be Disowned by friends, And we appoint
Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker to have the Care of that matter
and Labour as they may find freedom & make Report to next
m^o meeting _____

*Complaint
against
R: Peckham*

This Meeting is Inform^d that **Richard Peckham** hath
Married his first Cousen [Cousin] & Married out of the Unity of friends
and his wife hath had a Child Soon after Marriage and he
hath been Labour^d with and Declines making Satisfaction
and we appoint **Joseph Gifford David Sheaphard [Shepherd]** and
John Williams to have the Care of y^t [that] matter and Report to
next monthly meeting _____

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1773*

*W: Brigg
Certificate Return^d*

Wesson Briggs and family hath Return^d their Certificate
to this meeting Dated y^e 12^{mo} 1770 which this meeting Accepts

*J. Wing
Receiv^d
his answer*

Jonathan Wing and **Anna Wood** appear^d for their Answer
which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in
Marriage in Some Convenient time before next m^o meeting
Advising with the Overseers that this meeting Shall app=
=oint for that purpose, and **John Potter** and **William Mosher**
are appointed to See their marriage Consomated in good order
and make Report to next Monthly Meeting _____
This meeting Collected the Sum of £8-4^s-4^d old tennor [tenor]

*meetings
begin at y^e
12 hour*

This Meeting Concludes that all our meetings for Worship only
(Except at **Bedford**) [**New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA**] begin at the twelfth hour _____

*12 mo
1773*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 20th y^e 12^{mo} 1773
the Representatives are **Prince Allen** and **Samuel Smith** present

*Case of Barker
Little refer^d*

The Committee Appointed Last monthly meeting to confer with **Barker
Little** in order to Discover his Sincerity Report that they think
proper to wait a while Longer before we Accept his paper
therefore the matter is Refer^d under the Same friends Care as
heretofore and they to make report to next m^o meeting

*overseers of
yearly meet
ing report*

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

*Tho Smith
Case referd*

The Committee Appointed on Account of **Daniel Cornal [Cornell]** and
Tho^s [Thomas] Smith Inform that they are not Ready to make Report

therefore the matter is Refer^d one month longer under their
Care and then they make Report

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12 month

1773

*E: Mosher
Denied*

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

*friends
to Draw a
paper of Denial
against
R=Peckham*

The friends Appointed to have the Care of that matter Respecting **Richard Peckham** Report that they have had an Oppertunity with him and he Declines Condemning his Disorders to friends Satisfaction, and the Same friends are Appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against him and to Shew [Show] him the Same and labour with him as they may find freedom and make Report to next monthly meeting ———

*J: W & A. W
marriage
Consomated*

The friends Appointed to See **Jonathan Wings** and **Anne Woods** marriage Consomated Report that they Attended S^d marriage and Saw nothing but what it was Consomated in good Order ———

*W. Russell
gave in a
paper*

William Russell hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his marr[y]ing out of the Unity of friends and we Appoint **Samuel Smith** and **Abraham Howland** to have an Oppertunity of Conferrance with him in order to Discover his Sencerity on that Account and make Report to next monthly meeting ———

*Complainst
Francis Allen
and Son Tho^s*

This meeting is Inform^d that **Frances [Francis] Allen** and his Son **Thomas** hath taken the Oath in form before a Majestrate [Magistrate] they having been labour^d with on that account and S^d **Frances** hath Appeared in this meeting & Condemned the S^d Offence and Also his two [too] much Neglect in Attending meeting, which Seems to be Some Degree of Satisfaction, but it being the mind of his meeting that S^d Offence ought to be Condemned Publeckly therefore this meeting do Appoint our friends **Barzillia Tucker** and **John Williams** to assist the S^d **Frances** and to labour with his Son as they may find freedom & make Report to next mo meeting this meeting Collected 9[£]-5^s-6^d old theror [tenor] ———

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12 month

1773

meeting

This meeting Adjourns to the last forth day in this month

Adjourn^d after the meeting for worship which begins at y^e 11th hour

mett
12mo 1773 This meeting being meet by Adjournment y^e 29th y^e 12^{mo} 1773
the Representatives are **Prince Allen & Samull [Samuel] Smith** present

Representa
to y^e Q meeting

The Queries were read in this meeting and Answers thereto
prepair^d and an Epistle read and Singed [Signed] for the Quarterly
meeting and order^d forwar^d by our Representatives who are
Prince Allen William Anthony^{Ju} William Wood Nicholass
Howland and **Thomas Hicks** and they to make Report to next
monthly meeting _____

The young Couple that Appear^d at this meeting ~~for their~~
to Lay their Intentions of marriage being Consid[e]red and friends
not being Unanim[o]us in let[t]ing them pass by reason of their
being So nigh in kind therefore S^d matter is Refer^d to next
monthly meeting _____

R. Smith
under
Dealing This meeting being Inform^d from the Preparative meeting
that **Ruben Smith** hath been and Contracted marriage
with a young woman not of our Society that belong^d
to a Distant Land and brought her home with him
wherein his Conduct Appears Very Disagre[e]able to friends
principals and he being Labour^d with by one of the
Overseers and not giving Satisfaction for S^d misconduct
therefore we do appoint **Prince Allen & Jonathan Hussey**
to have the Care of that matter and Labour with him
as they may find freedom & make Report when they
have Discharged themselves

order on
Treasurer The treasurer is Ordered to pay **Timothy Russell** 5 Dollars
for half a years keeping the Meeting house and make
Report to next m^o meeting

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1^{mo} 1774 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 17th y^e 1^{mo} 1774
the Representatives are **W^m [William] Barker & Jonathan Hussey** present
Bark Little
case refer^d The friends appointed to have the Care of that matter Respecting
Barker Little, Report that they are not fully Satisfyed in
that matter therefore S^d matter is Refer^d Under their Care one
month Longer and then they to make Report _____

all but one of the Committee Appointed in that Care between
Daniel Cornal [Cornell] & Tho^s [Thomas] Smith Report that Said **Smith** Ought
Publickly to Condemn his Reporting that **Daniel Cornel** was
a fals[e] man, which Report being Ac[c]epted & is as followeth

Report of
y^e Committee
Respecting
D.C & T.S

Agreeable to the Appointment of the monthly meeting we have
heard the matter Depending Between **Daniel Cornal & Thomas**
Smith Respecting S^d **Smiths** Accusing S^d **Cornal** of Being a fals[e]
man and that he could prove it _____

We having hear^d Each parties pleas & Allegations Respecting Said affair and it is our Judgment that the affore S^d Accusation of **Thomas Smith** against **Daniel Cornal** is with out Sufficient grounds – And that therefore S^d **Smith** Ought publickly to Condemn his Accusing S^d **Cornall** of Being a fals[e] man — — —

given forth and Dated }
this 27 Day y^e 12^{mo} 1773 }

Joseph Barker Giles Slocum
Seth Russell W^m Wood
Joseph Howland Abraham Howland
James Davis Barzillia Tucker

*Tho Smith
offender*

Therefore Said **Thomas Smith** is now looked upon as an offender therefore we do Appoint our friends **Abraham Tucker W^m [William] Sandford Joseph Tucker & John Williams** to Labour with him in order that he may Condemn his Disorder and they to make Report to next m^o meeting

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*1 month
1774*

**Testimony
against
Richard
Peckam
is Recorded
in page
305*

The friends Appointed to have the Care of that matter Respecting **Richard Peckham** Report that they Discharg^d themselves on that Account and they have Draughted [Drafted] a paper of Denial * against S^d **Peckham** which was Signed by the Clerk & the Clerk is order^d to Read S^d paper at y^e Close of a first Days meeting for worship before next monthly meeting & then make Report *

*Eben Mosher
case*

Abraham Tucker Informs that he Desires to be Continued one month Longer in Discharging himself with **Ebenezer Mosher** as appointed ————

*Wm Russel
give in a
paper*

The friends Appointed to take an Oppertunity with **W^m Russell** Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction yet the Receiving [of] his paper is Refer^d to next Monthly Meeting

*Frac Allen
& Son Tho
give in a
paper*

Francis Allen & his Son **Thomas** hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning their taking the oath in form, which is Accepted provided they Cause S^d paper to be Read publickly at the Close of a first Days meeting before next monthly meeting & Return S^d paper and Report of its being Read ————

*Representa
Report*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all Attended Except **Tho^s Hicks**, and he Sent his Excuse which was Accepted – And they have Produced an Epistle from S^d Quarterly meeting which hath been Read and the Moving and Salutary advice therein Earnestly Recommended to friends Notice & Observation ————

Tim Russel
paid The treasurer reports that he hath paid **Timothy Russell** 5 Dollars
as order^d _____

G. H. &
C. S.
Published **Gideon Howland** and **Catheren [Catherine] Slocum** appear^d in this meeting
in order to Lay their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage
and the matter of their being nigh in kind hath been weightly
Consid[e]re^d and the Circumstances Relating thereto, And as they have
So far Contracted in that Relation before our yearly meeting minutes
of 1772 was made in Regard to marriage of nigh in kind, And
they were Ignorant / as they Say that it was Conterary to the order of
friends when they So Contracted and that they Cannot now willingly

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Gideon How
=land 2^d
proposal of
marriage Desist therefore this meeting doth permitt them to pass tho it is
not fully Satisfactory to this meeting neither is it me[a]nt to be a presedent [precedent]
but is at this time Suffer^d for the Reasons aforeS^d therefore
Gideon Howland ² and **Catherin Slocum** Declar^d their Intentions
of taking Each other in marriage and were Desir^d to wait till
next monthly meeting for their Answer and **Benjamin Slocum**
and **William Barker** are appointed to Enquire into the young mans
Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation & Report to next
monthly meeting

E. Russel
Complained
of **Deliverance Smith** hath Exhibeted a Complaint against **Elijah**
Russell for Refusing to Submit a Controvercy to men, therefore
we do Appoint **William Barker** and **Prince Allen** to labour
with him as they may find freedom & Report to next monthly
meeting

Report of y^e
Committee
about Negroes
masters The Committee Appointed to Viset those friends that possess
Slaves made Report to this meeting which is Accepted and is
as followeth — — — We the Subscribers Pursuant to Appointment
of the monthly meeting have Again Viseted those friends
that Possess Slaves and Labour^d with them to do Justice to their
fellow Creatures, by Disc[h]arging them from a State of bondage
and Slavery, And **William Sandford** hath Accordingly freed his
Negro. **Joseph Russell** yet Refusses to Comply with our advice
Peleg Slocum Keeps his Negroes yet in bondage, but Saith that
he Shall free them at the age of 26 years, they Providing afterwar^d
and Laying up a Certain Sum yearly to Secure his Estate,
John Russell thath [sic] one that is under age that is now in a
State of Slavery, but he gave Encourag[e]ment he Should free her at
a Suitable age & **Isaac Howland** hath given Good Encouragement
to free his Negro — — —
Given forth by your Committee this 17th y^e 1^{mo} 1774

Benj^a [Benjamin] Howland 2nd
Barzillia [Barzillai] Tucker
Samull [Samuel] Smith
James Davis

And those friends mentioned in the above Said Report that
Continue Slaves in bondage are Desir^d to Comply with the

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1 month
1774

Disowned, and we appoint our friends **Joseph Gifford William Sandford William Anthony j^u** and **Joseph Tucker ju^r** to let them know the mind of this meeting & make report to next m^o meeting
This meeting Collected 8[£] · 16^s · 0 Old tenor [tenor]

2^{mo} 1774
Barker Little
Case refer^d

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 21st y^e 2^{mo} 1774
the Representatives are **William Mosher & Samuel Smith** both present
the friends that had the Care of that matter Respecting **Barker Little** Report that they are not fully Satis[f]ied to Receive his paper yet therefore they are Still Continued in that Service and to make Report to next monthly meeting

R. Peckh
paper Read

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the paper of Denial against **Richard Peckham** as order^d

W^m Russell
case refer^d

The Receiving of **W^m [William] Russell** paper is Referred one month Longer in order to Discover his Sincerety & **Samu[e]l Smith** and **William Anthony Anthony j^{ur}** [sic] are Appointed to have the Care of that matter and make Report to next monthly meeting ———

Tho Smith
disowned

The Committee appointed to Labour with **Thomas Smith** Report that he gave them no Incouragment of Condemning his Disorder agre[e]able to the Judgment of this meeting therefore we do hereby Disown the Said **Tho^s Smith** from being a member of this meeting, and we do Appoint our friends **Thomas Hicks & Prince Allen** to Draught [Draft] a paper of Denial against S^d **Tho^s [Thomas] Smith** and bring it next m^o meeting and likewise Inform S^d **Smith** of his Denial & his Right of appeal and Report to next monthly meeting

Eben Mosher
inform^d
of denial

Abraham Tucker Reports that he fully answer^d his Appoint-ment by Informing **Ebenezer Mosher** of his Denial

Francis Allen & Thos
Case refer^d

Frances [Francis] Allen & Thomas Allen made no Report of their paper being Read as order^d therefore the matter is Refer^d one month Longer and **James Davice [Davis]** is appointed to Inform them of their Neglect on that Account and to Inform them that the meeting Expects them to make Report as order^d last m^o meeting

2 month
1774

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G: H & C. S: This Meeting not being Unanimous in letting **Gideon Howland** and **Catherin Slocum** have their Answer by reason of their being nigh in kind therefore we Conclude to Send the matter to the Quarterly meeting for advice _____
not to have their answer Sent to y^e Q: mee for Advice

E: R. Submits Controversy to men The Committee appointed to labour with **Elijah Russell** Reports that he Concludes to leave S^d Controversy to men and S^d Committee are Continued to See that it is Completed, and make Report to next monthly meeting

Com' on Slaves Continued The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that possess Slaves Desire to be Continued one month longer and thos[e] friends are looked upon as offenders that hath not Compli[e]d with y^e tenth Query

This meeting Collected 9[£] . 1^s . 0 old tenor [tenor]

3^{mo} 1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 21st 3^{mo} 1774

The Representatives are **W^m [William] Sandford & Benj^a [Benjamin] Howland 2nd** present The matters Respecting **Barker Little & William Russell** is Refer^d one month Longer under the Same friends Care as heretofore in order to Discover their Sincerity _____

*T: Smith Denied *Testimony Recorded in page 299*

The Committee Appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against **Thomas Smith** and Inform him of his Denial & Right of appeal Report that they Discharg^d themselves according to their appointment and this meeting hath Signed a paper* of Denial against **Tho^s [Thomas] Smith** and the Reading S^d paper publickly is Refer^d by Reason S^d **Smith** Requests an appeal to the Quarterly meeting, which this meeting grants, and **Tho^s Hicks** is appointed to Inform him that we grant him an Appeal to S^d Quarterly meeting and Report to next m^o meeting

Thos Smith Appeal

James Davis Reports that he Inform^d **Franiacs [Francis] Allen** as order^d and they have not made Report at this meeting therefore the matter is Refer^d one month longer under the Care of **James Davis** and then he to make report

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3 month 1774 The matter Respecting **Elijah Russell** being not fully Set[t]le^d therefore it is Refer^d as heretofore and the Committee to make Report when Ready _____

the matter Respecting those friends that Possess slaves is Refer^d one month longer under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report _____

4th Day meeting

This Meeting Concludes to Discontinue the meeting that was held on the fourth day Preceeding **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** yearly meeting

Discontinued when it happeneth in the Same week with the monthly meeting

meeting This meeting Concludes that all our meetings for Worship
begin at y^e begin at the Eleventh hour
11 hour this meeting Collected 5[£] . 8^s . 0^d _____

adjourn This meeting adjourns to the first Six Day in next m^o
after the meeting for Worship _____

mett This Meeting meet by Adjournment y^e 1st Day y^e 4^{mo} 1774
the Representatives being Called both Present
The friends appointed to have the Oversight of that meeting
at **Bedfor^d [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** made Report that they generally Attended
S^d meeting And that it was kept up in Some good Degree
Orderly, And the friends at **Bedford** Still Request to hold
a meeting for worship there which this meeting grants as followeth

meeting Said meetings to be held on Every first Day of the week
at Bedford and on Every Sixth day of the week, Except in those weeks
Still that our Monthly meeting Preparative & youths meetings
Continued are and to Continue till the third month next, and
David Sheepherd [Shepherd] and **James Davice [Davis]** are Appointed to have
the Care and Oversight of S^d meeting & make Report at the
Expiration thereof

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3 month **Jacob Chase** Requests a Removal Certificate for him Self and
1774 Children to the Monthly Meeting of **Acoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**, and we
J: Chase do appoint **Barzillia Tucker & Barnabus [Barnabas] Mosher** to make the Necessary Inquiry
Requests in that matter and Draw one for him if the[y] think proper and
Certificate bring it next monthly meeting

Charles Russel **Charles Russell** hath given a paper to this meeting Condemning
paper his falling into the Sin of fornication therefore we appoint
Samu^l [Samuel] Smith & Prince Allen to have the care of that matter
in order to Discover his Sencerity and Report to next m^o meeting

Ephraim Trip **Ephrim [Ephraim] Tripp** hath given in paper to this meeting Condemning
paper Some misconduct of his therefore we appoint **Barzillia Tucker**
and **Prince Allen** to have the Care of that matter in Regard
to the young mans Cencerity [Sincerity] in that matter & Report to next
monthly meeting

Gideon Gifford **Gideon Gifford** hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning
paper his marr[y]ing out of the Unity of friends and we Appoint our friends
Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker to take an Oppertunity of
Solid Conferrance with him in order to Discover his Sencerity
and Report to next monthly meeting _____

Jedediah Allen Informs that he hath thoughts of Sel[1]ing and

J: Allen Requests Advice Removing from hence and Desires the Advice of this meeting and we do Appoint our friends **Prince Allen & Nicholass Howland** to Advise with him as they may think proper

Representa^s to the Quarterly meeting The Queries were Read & Answers thereto prepar^d and an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was Read & Sign^d by the Clerk and Sent with S^d Answers to the Quarterly meeting by our Representa^{tives} who are **Jonathan Hussey Barzillia Tucker W^m [William] Anthony j^{ur} Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks W^m Sandford & Prince Allen** and they to make to next m^o meeting

To review Miniuts **Samuel Smith Tho^s Hicks Prince Allen & W^m Anthony j^{ur}** are appointed to Review & Correct the monthly meeting minutes in order that they may goe to Record and make Report to next m^o meeting — — —————

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4th mo 1774 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 18th y^e 4th mo 1774 the Representatives are **Thomas Hicks & Samuel Smith** both Present
Bar Little and Wm Russell case refer^d The matters Respecting **Barker Little & W^m [William] Russell** is Referred one month longer under the Same friends as heretofore in order to Discover their Cincerity & also to See if they dyly [duly] attend meetings and then they to make Report —————

Tho Smith informed **Thomas Hicks** Reports that he Informed **Tho^s [Thomas] Smith** as orderd last monthly meeting

F:Allen & Tho Allen paper return^d **Francis Allen** made Report of his paper & his Son **Tho^{ses} [Thomas's]** being Read and is Return^d

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Respecting Slaves The matter Respecting those friends that Possess Slaves is Refer^d one month Longer under the Same friends care as heretofore

Jacob Chase Certificate This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Jacob Chase** and Children to the monthly meeting of **Acoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**

Charles Russell case referd The matter Respecting **Charles Russell** is Refer^d to next m^o meeting under the care of the Same friends ^{as before they not having Discharged themselves} ~~care~~, for a further proof of his [sic] [carryover line] and they to make Report to next m^o meeting

Eph Tripp case referd The matter of Receiving **Ephrim [Ephraim] Tripps** paper is also Refer^d to next m^o meeting under the care of the Same friends for a further proof of his Sincerity and they to make a Report to S^d meeting

*Gid: Gifford
case referd*

The friends appointed to Confer with **Gideon Gifford** Report that he gave them Some Degree of Satisfaction but the Receiving his paper is Refer^d to next monthly meeting under the Same friends as heretofore & then they to make Report

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*4 month
1774
Representa
tives Report
from Q:
meeting*

the friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, Report that all attended Except **Jonathan Hussey** & he Sent his Excuse for his not Attending which was Accepted, And they have produced an Eppistle from S^d meeting which was Read & well accepted and the Salutary advice therein Carefully observed and Rec= commended to Each Individual

*minutes
Corected*

The friends appointed to Revise and Correct this meetings minutes in order to goe on Record Report, they have fulfilled their Appointment and left them with W^m [**William**] **Anthony J^u** to goe on Record

*Clerk
appointed*

This Meeting Appoints our friend **William Anthony J^u** Clerk of this meeting in the Room [place] of our Esteemed friend **Job Russell** Deceas^d, And we do hereby Rattify and Confirm what S^d **Anthony** hath done as Clerk Since the Deceas[e] of S^d **Job Russell** — — — — —

*P: Russell
Complain^d of*

The Overseers have Inform^d that **Paul Russell** hath been guilty of Abusive behaviour in the night Season at **Roger Moshers** also a being with an Unbecoming Company at **Prince Potters** and S^d Overseers have Laboured with him for Said misconduct and he hath given in a paper Condemning the Same and we do appoint our friends **Abraham Tucker Joseph Tucker Joseph Barker & Jonathan Hussey** to have the care of that matter and make Report to the next monthly meeting

*friends
Remov^d*

Whereas there hath Divin [Divine?] friends Removed and about to Remo^{ve} within the Compass of the **Nine=partners** [**Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY**] monthly meeting (Namely (carryover line) **Jonathan Smith** and **Phebe** his wife **Benj^a** [**Benjamin**] **Russell** famely [family] **Stephen Smith** & Children **David Anthony** & famely [family], and it appearing Necessary that they have Certificates therefore we do Appoint our friends **Jonathan Hussey Prince Allen Samu[e]l Smith William Anthony J^u Tho^s** [**Thomas**] **Hicks** to Join the women & make the Necessary Inquiry on that account and Draw Certificates if they find things Clear and bring them to next m^o meeting

*D. Cornel
wants
advice*

Daniel Cornal [**Cornell**] Informs that he Desires Some Advice in Regard to his Selling & Removing from home, And we do appoint our friends **Thomas Hicks William Sandford** and **Joseph Gifford** for that purpose

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1774

To Settle
with
Treasurer

We appoint **Prince Allen & William Anthony J^u** to Settle Accounts with the Treasurer & also with **Tho^s [Thomas] Smith** in behalf of this meeting & Report to next monthly meeting, they are also to Receive & Examine all accounts that Sands [Stands?] against this meeting and bring the Sum total to nex^t monthly meeting This meeting hath Collected ten pounds four Shillings & 7^d old tenor [tenor]

5 mo
1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 16th y^e 5^{mo} 1774 the Representatives are **Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks & Samuel Smith** both present

Case of
Bar Little
and
W^m Russell
refer^d

The matters Respecting **Barker Little & William Russell** is Refer^d to next monthly meeting under the Same friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report _____

Pero[?]
manimitted

Isaac Howland 2nd hath Signed a bill of Manimission [Manumission] for his Negro man **Pero[?]** and Deliver^d to this meeting which this meeting accepts — — — — —

Concerning
Pel: Slocum
and
John Russel
Slaves
and
J Russell

The matters Respecting **Peleg Slocum & John Russell** in Regard their freeing their Slaves is Refer^d by reason of Some Incouragment of Comply[ing] one month Longer under the Same friends case as heretofore — — and also the matter Respecting **Joseph Russell** in regard to his holding his Negro in Bondage is Refer^d by the Request of his Son & **Abraham Tucker & John Potter** and they to make Report ~~to next mo meeting~~ when Said Russell Returns home from his Journey

Case of
Cha Russel
refer^d

The matter Respecting **Charles Russell** is Refer^d under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and they to make report ~~next mo meeting~~ when Ready as S^d **Russell** is gone from home _____

Eph Tripp
Gid Gifford
And
Paul Russel
Cases referd

The matters Respecting Receiving **Ephrim [Ephraim] Tripp^s & Gideon Gifford** paper is Refer^d one month longer under the Same friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report The matter Respecting **Paul Russell** paper is Refer^d one month longer under the Same friends care as heretofore

5 month

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5 month
1774
Certificates
Sign^d **J. Smith**
D. Anthony
Wife & childreⁿ

This meeting hath Sign^d Certificates for **Jonathan Smith & Wife and David Anthony & Wife & Children** to the Monthly meeting of the **Nine=Partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** — —

Prince [Allen] & William Anthony J^u made Report to this meeting as followeth which is Accepted

According to Appointment we have Set[t]led Accoumpts [Accounts] with the
 Treasurer and Remain in the Stock — — — — — £8 " 0^s " 0^d old tenn^r
 Due to **Benj^a [Benjamin] Allen** — — — — — 11 " 14 " 4£ mo
 Due to **Benj^a [Benjamin] Smith J^{ur}** for keeping **Alice Smith**
 from the 25th y^e 10^{mo} 1773 to the 4th y^e 4^{mo} 1774 — — — — — } 5 – 7 – 4 £ mo
 Due to **Thomas Hicks** for Repa[i]ring meeting house 3 – 3 – 11 £ mo
 Due to **Timothy Russell** — — — — — 0 – 4 – 0
 and also we have Set[t]led with **Tho^s [Thomas] Smith** 20 – 9 – 7 £ mo
 and paid him in full of all his Demands
Dartmouth the 16th y^e 5^{mo} 1774 [fr?]

**William Anthony J^u
 Prince Allen**

*a few Lines
 Jonthan Hussey*

This meeting Signed a few lines for **Jonathan Hussey** by way of
 Certificate to the **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co, NY] & Nine partners [Millbrook,
 Dutchess Co. NY]** as he is abought [about] to travel to them parts

*To draw Certi^{te}
 for Ben Russel
 & Stephen
 Smith*

We Continue the Same friends as heretofore to Draw Certificates for
Benj^a [Benjamin] Russell & Stephen Smith and their Children and make Report
 when Ready — — — — —

This meeting Collected — — — — — £12 11- 4 O:T.

*order on
 Treasurer*

The Treasurer is Order^d to pay **Benj^a [Benjamin] Allen** £20 old tennor [tenor]
 and Report to next m^o meeting — — — — —

*6th mo
 1774*

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

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*6 month
 1774
 Barker
 Little and
 W^m Russel
 case refer^d*

The matter Respecting **Barker Little** and **William Russell** is
 refer^d to next monthly meeting for further Consideration under
 the Care of the Same friends as heretofore

*Ephra Tripp
 case refer^d*

The matter in Regard to **Ephrim [Ephraim] Tripp** is Refer^d to next monthly
 meeting for further proof of this Sincerity under the care of **Prince
 Allen & Barzillia Tucker** and then they to make Report

*Gid Gifford
 case refer^d*

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

*Case of John
 Russell &
 Peleg Slocum
 freeing Negros
 refer^d*

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

Ben Allen
paid the treasurer reports he hath paid **Benj^a [Benjamin] Allen** the money as ordered last m^o meeting

R: Walker
viset Our friend **Robert Walker** hath Visited this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Brighouse [Calderdale wet]** in the County of **York [England]**, Dated the 19th y^e 3^{mo} 1773 also one from y^e Quarterly meeting held at **York** the 24th & 25th y^e 3^{mo} 1773 with a Concur[r]ing one from the yearly meeting of ministers & Elders held in **London [England]** from the 29th y^e 5^{mo} to the 7th of y^e 6^{mo} 1773 all which were read to Satisfaction and his Viset Kind accepted — — — — —

Case of
Paul Russel
referd The matter in Regard to **Paul Russell** is Refer^d to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as heretofore for a further proof of his Sincerity and then they to make Report

H: Smith 2
Requests
Certificate **Humphry Smith 2nd** Informs that he is about to Remove with his fammily to **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** and Desires our Certificate therefore **Joseph Barker Prince Allen & Samuel Smith** are appointed to make the Necessary Inquiry and draw one for him if think proper and bring it to next monthly meeting — — — — —

Micajah
Wood
paper **Micajah Wood** hath given in a paper Condemning his marrying out of the Unity of friends & we do appoint our friends **Barzillai Tucker & W^m [William] Mosher** to Confer with him on that Account in order

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6 month
1774 order to Discover his Sincerity and make Report to next monthly meeting

E: Robert^{son}
Viset Our friend **Elisabeth Robinson** hath Viseted this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Richmond** in **Yorkshire [England]** bearing date y^e 4th y^e 3^{mo} 1773 with one of Concurrence from the Quarterly meeting held at **York** y^e 24 & 25 of the 3^{mo} 1773 with another of Concurrence from the Yearly meeting of ministers and Elders held at **London [England]** from y^e 29th y^e 5^{mo} to the 7th of y^e 6th mo 1773 all which were Read to Satisfaction and her Viset and Testimony well accepted —————

S: Ligh^{tfoot}
viset Likewise our friend **Susanah Lightfoot** hath viset us with her Certificate from the monthly meeting held at **Urchlou [Uwchlan Lionville] Chester County in Pensylvania** Dated the 9th of the 6^{mo} 1774 whose Visit was Kindly Accepted

Representa:
to y^e Q: meeting The Queries and Answers thereto were read and an Epistle Sing^d [signed] for the Quarterly meeting and Order^d forward to S^d meeting by our Representatives who are **Tho^s [Thomas] Hicks James Davice [Davis] Barzillai Tucker W^m Anthony^{Ju} & Joh [John] Williams** and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

The friends at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** Request to hold two meetings for

2 meetings
a Day at
Bedford
Worship on first days which is Granted untill the monthly
meeting in the tenth month next, Said meetings to begin
in the forenoon at the 10 hour and in the afternoon at
the 3rd hour _____

Giles Slocum
give in a
paper
Giles Slocum hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condem=
=ning his falling into the Reproachfull Sin of fornication
and we appoint our friends **Samuel Smith Joseph Gifford Joseph
Barker W^m [William] Barker Seth Russell** to take an Oppertunity of
Conference with Said **Slo[c]um** in order to Discover his Sincerity
and make Report to next monthly meeting

This meeting Collected £12 - 0^s - 9^d old tenor [tenor]

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7th mo
1774
At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 18th y^e 7^{mo} 1774
the Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey & Prince Allen** both present

*Case of
W^m Russell
referd*
The matters Respecting **William Russell** is Refer^d one month
Longer under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore & then they
to make Report

*Case of
Bar Little
refer^d*
The matter Respecting **Barker Little** is Refer^d to next m^o
meeting under the care of the Same friends as heretofore
and then they to make Report _____

*Case of
Eph Tripp
referd*
The matter Respecting **Ephrim [Ephraim] Tripp** is Refer^d to next
monthly meeting under the Care of **Prince Allen & Barzillai
Tucker John Potter & Caleb Russell** and they to Report next
monthly meeting

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

*Case of
John Russel
and
Peleg Slocum
freeing
Negroes
referd*
The matters Respecting **John Russell & Peleg Slocum**
freeing their Negroes, not being fully Completed
therefore its Refer^d to next monthly meeting under the
Care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to
make Report

*Case of
Paul Russel
referd*
The matter in Regard to **Paul Russell** is Refer^d to next
monthly meeting under the Same friends Care as heretofore
and then they to make Report _____

*Case of
Hum Smith*
The friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for **Humphry
Smith** Report that they hant [haven't] Completed S^d Business therefore

referd they are Still Continued for that purpose and to make Report to next monthly meeting

Case of Micajah Wood referd The matter Respecting **Micajah Wood** is Refer^d to next m^o meeting under the care of the Same friends as before and then they to make report —————

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7 month 1774 Return from Quarterly meeting The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that all attended and have Produced an Epistle from the Same which was Read & well Accepted —————

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

Transcip yearly meeting Epistle A Transcrip[t] of our Last yearly meeting Epistle was Read and Kindly Accepted S^d Transcrip[t] Informs the yearly meeting Confirm^d the Judgment of the Quarterly meeting against **David and Tho^s [Thomas] Smith** and as to the matter of **Gideon Howland & Katherine Slocum** marriage, it is Recommended that we Strictly adhear [adhere] to the Rules of the Society in that Respect

Transcrip of London Written Epistle Epistil from Philidel^a A Transcript of the **London** Written Epistle for the Last year was Likewise read in this meeting and the Salutary advice therein well Received Also a Transcript of the Epistle from the yearly meeting of **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** was read to good Satisfaction

Giles Slocum case referd The matter in Regard to **Giles Slocum** is Refer^d to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as heretofore and **Jonathan & Daniel Cornal [Cornell] & Joh [John] Williams** are ad[d]ed to them and they to make Report to next m^o — meeting —————

Sewel History paid for The Treasurer Reports he hath paid two Dollars it being the Remainder for one of [**Willem**] Sewels History

Denial to be draw^d against David Smith We appoint our friend **Samuel Smith & Prince Allen** to Inspect the minutes made against **David Smith** and Draught [Draft] a paper of Denial Against him if they think proper when S^d minutes is inspected and bring it to next monthly meeting

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**Clement
Beedle**
proposal
marriage

D: Conel
Requests
Certificate

Clement Biddle of Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA] and Rebecca Cornal

Declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage
and were Desir,^d to wait untill the next monthly meeting
for their Answer

Daniel Cornal Desire^d a Removal Certificate for him
Self and Children under age [^]to the mo meeting of the **Ninepartner** therefore we appoint **Thos
Hicks and William Anthomy Jur** to make the necessary and
to Draw one for him if they think proper and bring it
to next monthly meeting

Subscription
to Raise
money

This meeting hath Concluded to come to a Subscription
being in Debt nearly to the amount of twenty five pounds
Lawfull money, and our friends **Caleb Russell Prince
Allen William Wood Abraham Howland & Benj^a Slocum**
are appointed to Receive & to pay the Same into the
treasury of this meeting and make Report of their Doings
with the Sum total as Soon as they Convenient can
This meeting hath Collected £13["]1s["]3d old tennor

Three books
Receiv,^d

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

8^{mo}
1774

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

Wm Russell
case referd

The matter Respecting **William Russell** is Refer,^d to next
monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as here-
tofore, and they are Desir,^d to Inform him that friends are
not willing to Receiv his paper by reason of his Slackness
of attending meetings

B Little
case referd

The matter Respecting **Barker Little** is Refer,^d to next
mo meeting under the Care of **Jonathan Hussey & Seth Russell**
and then they make Report --

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1774

Ephraim Tripp
Case refer,^d
Gideon Gifford's
case refer,^d

The matter Respecting **Ephrim Tripp** is Refer,^d to
next monthly meeting under the Same friends care as here-
tofore and then to make Report --

The friends that had the Care of that matter in regard to
Gideon Gifford Desire the matter Refer,^d one month longer
therefore s^d matter is Refer,^d under s^d friends and then they to
make Report

**John Russell &
Peleg Slocum**
Case referd

The matter in Regard to **John Russell & Peleg Slocum** freeing
their Negroes not being yet fully Compleated therefore s^d
matter is Refer,^d one month Longer under the Same friends
Care as heretofore and then they to make report

H. Smith Certificate

This meeting hath Signed Removal Certificate for
Humphry Smith 2nd his Wife and Children to the monthly

meeting at the **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]**

Paul Russell
Case refer,^d The matter Respecting **Paul Russell** is Refer,^d to next monthly meeting under the Same friends Care as hereto= fore and then they to make Report

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

Giles Slocum
Case refer,^d The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting **Giles Slocum** Desire the matter to be Refer,^d which is Refer,^d to next monthly meeting & then they to make Report

Testimony
against D. Smith
Recorded in
page 299 This meeting hath Signed a paper of Denial against **David Smith** and the Clerk is order,^d to read sd paper Publickly at the Close of first days meeting for worship and make Report to next monthly meeting

Clement Biddle
Certificate **Clement Biddle** hath Produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** Certifying that he is a member of their meeting & Clear of marriage Entanglements Engagements as far as they know

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8 month
1774
C:B &
R: C Receiv,^d
their answer Therefore **Clement Biddle** and **Rebecca Cornal** appear,^d for their answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the Overseers this meeting Shall appoint for that purpose and **Caleb Russell** and **Jonathan Hussey** is appointed for to See their marriage Consomated in good order and make Report to next monthly meeting

D Cornel
Certificate
Sing,^d This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** for our friend **Daniel Cornal** and his Children under age

Certificat
to be given
all moved
in the Verge of
Ninepart-
ners month
ly meeting We appoint our friends **Thomas Hicks Prince Allen William Anthony J^u** and **Samuel Smith** to Draw Removal Certificates for all the friends that have Removed to **Sarhatoga** that they on Inquiry Shall think proper and make report to next monthly meeting and also to Draw one for **Jedidiah Allen** his wife and Children all to be Directed to the monthly meeting of **Ninepartners**

Order on Treasurer The Treasurer is order,^d to pay **Timothy Russell** five dollars for half years keeping the meeting house
This meeting hath Collected £11"10s"11d old tenor

1774
9th mo At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 19th the 9th mo 1774 the Representatives are **William Sandford & Tho^s Hicks** present

W^m Russell case referd The matter Respecting **W^m Russell** is Refer,^d to next monthly meeting under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

Bark Little case refer,d The matter Respecting **Barker Little** is Refer,^d to next monthly meeting under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

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1774

E: Tripp Denied

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

Gid Gifford's case referd

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

manimition from John Russell

John Russell hath Signed and Deliver,^d to this meeting Two Bills of Manumition [manumission] one for a Negro Woman Named **Luce** and one for a negro gall [girl] Named **Vilot** which this meeting

Peleg Slocum case referd

Accepts. And **Peleg Slocum** Not fully Complying with friends Request in Regard to freeing his Negroes, therefore the matter is Refer,^d under the Same friends care as heretofore, to next monthly meeting & then they to make Report

P: Russel Denied

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

Certificates Sing,^d for Several friends Zephaniah Anthony Wife & Children &c

This meeting hath Sign,^d Removal Certificates to the monthly meeting at the **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** for the following friend (viz) **Shadrae Dennice** his Wife and Children, **Zephania Anthony** with his Wife and Children

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9 month
1774

B Biddle Certificate Sign,^d

This meeting hath also Signed a Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** for **Rebeca Biddle** wife of **Clement Biddle**

Micaj Wood case referd

The matter Respecting **Micajah Wood** is Refer,^d to next monthly meeting under the Care of **Barzillia Tucker, Benja Rider Joseph Barker & Prince Allen** and then they to make Report

*Giles
Slocum
case referd*

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

*T: & D: Smith
Testimony
Read*

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimonies against **David** and **Thos Smith** as orderd

This meeting Collected ----- £11 00s 00d old tennor

This meeting adjourns to the Last first in this month after the meeting of worship

9^{mo} 1774

This meeting meet according to adjournment the 28th the 9^{mo} 1774 the Representatives being called both Present

*Clement
Biddle
marriage*

The friends appointed to See **Clement Biddle & Rebecca Cornel** marraige Consomated, Report that Said marraige was Consomated orderly Except the young womans appearing with her bonet on in time of marriage, which appears that She did it Inadvertantly therefore friends advise for the futer on Such Occations women take off their bonets

*manimitions
from J:R*

Joseph Russell hath free,d his Negro men from the State of Slavery, Namely **Quash** and **Pero**, and their Manu-missions hath been Read in this meeting & accepted

*Tim Russel
is paid*

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year as orderd

*F. Rider
Recommended
as a Minister*

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers thereto and approv,^d & Sent with the Epistle, which was Sign,^d in this meeting to the Quarterly meeting, and our friend **Freborn Rider** was Recommended as a member of the Quarterly meeting of ministers & Elders

*9 month
1774*

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*money sent
for the Y: M
Stock*

The Treasurer is order^d to hand three Dollars to the Representatives to the Quarterly for the yearly Stock and Report next mo meeting

*Representatives
to the Q: Meetig*

Our friends **Thomas Hicks Barzillia Tucker W^m Barker W^m An[thony]: ju** are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistle with the answers to the Queries and make report next mo Meeting.

*10th mo
1774*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of 10^{mo} 1774 the Representatives ar **Joseph Barker & Prince Allen** both present

*W^m Russell
case referd*

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

*Barker Little's case
referd*

One of the Committee appointed on account of **Barker Little** Reports that they hant had an oppertunity with him and Desire the matter Refer,^d therefore S^d matter is Refer,^d untill next mo meeting under their Care and then they to make Report

*Testimony
Signed against
E:T & P: R*

Prince Allen & Tho^s. Hicks hath answer,^d their appointment and brought Testimonies against **Ephrem Tripp & Paul Russell** which were Sign,^d by the Clerk and S^d Clerk is order,^d to read

S^d Testimonies at the Close of a first Days meeting at Some Convenient time after the time of appeal is out & then make Report

*Gideon Gifford
paper accepted*

The Committee appointed on account of **Gideon Gifford** Report that they have So much Satisfaction as they are willing to Receive his paper Therefore this meeting Concluds to accept S^d paper which is as followeth

*G: Giffrd
paper*

To the Preparative & Monthly meeting of friends Whereas I have Married Out of the Unity of friends & therein broack the good order Established among them, which broack of Disorder I am Sorrow for and do Condemn the Same and Desire friends So far to pass by mine offence as to let me Remain under their Care from your friend

Dartmouth the 3 the 3^{mo} 1774

Gideon Gifford

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*10 month
1774
P. Slocum
case referd*

The Committee appointed in the affair of **Peleg Slocum**, made no Report therefore the matter Respecting **Peleg Slocum**'s freeing his Negroes is Refer,^d untill next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as heretofore & **Joseph Tucker** & **Abraham Tucker** is aded to them and they to Report to next monthly meeting

*M: C
& E: T
Deni,^d*

The women Inform that they have Signed papers of Denial against **Mary Cornal** & **Elisabeth Tucker** which this meeting approveth of & the Clerk hath Signed S^d papers also ----

*M: W
Deni,^d*

Whereas **Micajah Wood** hath been under Dealing for marring out of the Unity of friends, and the matter been under the Consideration of a Committee for a long time, and they Report that Said **Woods** Conduct hath been Disagreeable, in Reporting a Scandeclos Story about **Edieth Smith** wife of **Humphry Smith** the 2^d and not Inclining to Condemn the Same to friends Satisfaction therefore we hereby Disown him the Said **Wood** from being a member of our Society and **Benj^a Rider** & **Prince Allen** are appointed to Draw a Testimony against him & bring it to next mo meeting also to Shew him a Cobby of this minute and Inform of his Right of appeal and make Report to next monthly meeting ---

*G Slocum
Case referd*

The Committee appointed on account of **Giles Slocum** Desire the matter Refer,d which is Refer,d under the Same friends Care as heretofore unto next monthly meeting & then they to make Report the Treasury Reports that he hath paid the money to the Representatives as order,^d last monthly meeting

*money
paid by
Treasurer*

*Return
from the
Q: meeting*

The Representative Report that they all attended the Quarterly meeting, also we Received an Epistle from S^d meeting with an Printed one from **Philidelpia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** which were read & kindly accepted **David Shepherd j^{ur}** Requests a few lines to the mo meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** Certifying his Clearness Respecting marriage and

*D Shephers
Ju^r desires
a Certifi*

Conversation & **Caleb Russell & John Williams** are appointed for that purpose & they to Report to next mo meeting. Likewise **Elias Slocum** Requests one of the like to the mo meeting of **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA] & Prince Allen & Thos Hicks** are appointed to take the necessary Care on that account & Report next monthly meeting
This meeting Collected 8£-5s-5d old Tennor

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*10 month
1774
Testimony
against
David Smith Should
have
been Recorded
in page 293*

(Whereas **David Smith** of **Dartmouth** in the **County of Bristol** in the Province of the **Massachusets Bay in New England** having Long made Profession with us & been a member of our monthly meeting of **Dartmouth**, But for want [^]of due watchfulness, and Giving way to a Contentious mind, has So far Deviated from our Profession as to Publicly Report that Some of the Overseers of our meeting were fals men, to the Defaming of them, and friends having Labour,^d with him in much Love in order to Retract & Condemn the same and Restore him to unity with his Brethren again, But he Refusing to Comply therewith therefore for the Clearing of truth and friends from the Reproach of Such a Con=
=tentious Person This meeting is Concerned to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him, and hereby Disown him the Said **David Smith** from being a member of our Society untill by Repentance he shall be Restor^d to the way of truth ---- Given forth at our s^d mo meeting held on the 15th day of the 8th month - 1774
Signed in and on behalf of S^d meeting by **W^m Anthony ju^r** Clerk)

*Testimony
against
T: Smith
Should have
been Recorded
in page 285*

(Whereas **Thomas Smith** Son of **David Smith** had his Education among friends & Disregarding the testimony of truth So for as to Publicly Declare that **Daniel Cornel** was a fals man & he could prove it, and he hath failed of his assertion, and friends hav=
=ing Repeatedly Labour,^d with him in Love in order to restore him to the way of truth, but our Labour of love not having the Desire,^d Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from the Reproch of Such practices this meeting is Concerned to Give this forth against him & do hereby Publicly Disown him the s^d **Tho^s Smith** from being one society and from under the care of friends Nevertheless Des=
=iring if it be agreeable with Divine pleasure that he may yet be Restor,^d from the Evil of his way & by unfeigned Repen=
=tance Return to the way of truth ----
Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21st Day of the 3^{mo} 1774. And Signed in & on behalf of S^d meeting by -----**Wm Anthony j^{u^r}** Clerk

11th mo
1774

300

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21st of the 11th mo 1774 the representatives are **Jonathan Hussey & W^m Mosher** both Present
W^m Russel case referd The matter Respecting **William Russell** is Refer,d to next mo meeting under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

Barker Little case referd Some of the Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting **Barker Little** report that they hant fully Disharg,^d themselves on that account therefore the matter is Still Refer,^d to next mo meeting under their care & then they to make Report

manimition from P.S Receiv,d **Peleg Slocum** hath Signed & Deliver,^d to this meeting two Bills of Manimission one for a Negro man named **Cesor** & one for a Negro man Named **London** which this meeting accepts

Testimony against M: Wood This meeting hath Signed a Testimony against **Micajah Wood** and the Clerk is orderd to read S^d paper at the Close of a first Days meeting for Worship at Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting & then make Report S^d Testimony is as followeth ----

Whereas **Micajah Wood** hath had his Education amongst friends and Disregarding the testimony of truth So far as to marry out from amongst friends and also Reporting a Scandalos Story about **Edieth Smith** wife of **Humphry Smith** all which friends having Laboured with him in love in order to Restore him to the way of truth, but our Labour of love not having its Desired Effect to friends Satisfaction there fore for the Clearing of truth and friends from the Reproach of Such Practices this meeting is Concern,^d to give this forth against him the Said **Micajah Wood** and do hereby Publicly Disown him from being one of our Society and from under the Care of friends Nevertheless Desiring if it be agreeable with Divine Pleasure that he yet may be Restored from the Evil of his ways and by unfeigned Repentance Return to the way of Truth ---

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 Day the 11th month 1774 and Signed in and on behalf of S^d meeting by

W^m Anthony j^{sr} Clerk

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1774

manimitted negroes informed We appoint our friends **Prince Allen Joseph Gifford** and **Caleb Russell** to Inform all the Negroes Manimitted [manumitted]by friends belonging to this meeting that they are Set at liberty and advise with them as they think proper

G Slocum's case referd The Committee appointed on that affair of **Giles Slocum** Desire that matter Refer,d one month longer as they are not fully ready to make Report therefore S^d matter is Refer,^d to next mo meeting under their Care & then they to make Report

D: Shepherd^{ju} Certificate This meeting hath Signed a Certificate for **David Shepherd** ^{ju} to the monthly meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** Certifying his Clearness Resp-
ecting marriage, Also one of the like kind for **Elihu Slocum** to the monthly meeting of **Acoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**

J: A Certificate This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Jededi-^{ah} Allen** his wife and Children to the Monthly meeting of the **Nine Partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** Likewise one for **Isaac Sandford** & Children to S^d mo meeting
and Likewise one for **Benj^a Russell** his wife & Children to S^d mo- meeting Likewise one for **Stephen Smith** & Children to S^d mo meeting ---

The year being Expired of the Service of the Overseers, Likewise the Overseers of the Poor yet the Same are Still Continued in that Service till next monthly meeting and the Choice of S^d Overseers is Refer,^d to next mo meeting

meetings begin at 12 hour This meeting Concludes that all our meetings for worship only Begin at the twelveth hour Except at **Bedford, [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** and to Continue
So untill the monthly meeting in the fourth month next, and then all our meetings to Begin at the Eleventh hour untill our yearly meeting in the faul ---

C: G & J: S under Dealing The Overseers Inform that **Caleb Green**, and **Joshua Sherman** = ^{ju} hath married out of the Unity of friends and that S^d Green hath married his first Cousin and the overseers having Labour,^d with them for the Same (altho they were not Previsously Cautioned to Desist) and they Decline to Condemn their Transgression therefore we do Refer,^d matter to next monthly meeting----

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11 month 1774 The Overseers Inform that **Isaac Smith** hath married out of the Unity of friends and he having been Precautioned to Desist, Therefore we do Disown him the said **Isaac Smith** from being in membership & from under the Care of this meeting
I. Smith Denied This meeting Collected £5"1s"11d O:T –

12th^{mo} 1774 overseers appointed At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th of the 12^{mo} 1774 The Representatives are **Tho^s Hicks** & **Barzillia Tucker** both present Our friends **William Mosher Thomas Hicks Benjamin Howland** and

James Davis William Anthony j^u are appointed Overseers for the year Ensuing and **John Williams** and **Prince Allen** is nominated and Desire to Consider of the matter one month---

Overseers of the poor

Our friends **Joseph Barker Gideon Howland Abraham Howland Caleb Bassell Barzillia Tucker David Shepherd Philip Allen Benjamin**

Rider are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year Ensuing

*E. B
admitted a member*

The Women friends Inform that they have Received **Elizabeth Briggs** a member of our Society which we Concur with --

The matter Respecting **W^m Russell** is Refer,^d to next mo meeting under the Care of **Samuel Smith & Prince Allen** and then they to make Report ---

*B: Little
paper
accepted*

This meeting hath Concluded to accept of **Barker Little** and Wifes paper Provided they Cause S^d paper to be Read publickly at the End of a first days meeting for Worship and Return Said paper to next mo meeting

*M: Wood
paper
Read*

The Clerk reports that he hath Read **Micajah Woods** paper as order,^d

*order on
Treasurer*

This meeting Collected ----- £8"14s"0 old Tennor the Treasurer is order,^d to pay **Timothy Russell** 5 Dollars for half years keping the meeting house This meeting adjourns to the 28th this Instant

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*12th mo
1774*

This meeting meet by adjournment the 28th the 12th mo 1774 --- the Representatives being Called **Barzillia Tucker** present and **Tho^s Hicks** Sent his Excuse for not being here which this meeting accepts

*case of Giles
Slocum continu^d*

The Committee appointed on account of **Giles Slocum** made Report to this meeting which Report this meeting being not willing to accepts by Reason the matter is not fully Setled then for the Same Committee is Still Continued and hereby Impower them to Settle the whole affair in behalf of this meeting and make Report to next monthly meeting ---

*Case of Caleb
Greene and Joshua
Shearman*

The matter Concerning **Caleb green** and **Jorshua Sherman ju** being Refer,^d Last monthly meeting to this meeting therefore we appoint our friends **John Williams Caleb Russell** and **Benjamin Rider** to Labour further with them and make Report to next monthly meeting Likewise to Inform **Isaac Smith** of his Denial and his right of appeal and Report to next monthly meeting

*D: Russell Requests
Certificate*

David Russell Desires a Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** and **William Mosher** and **Barzillia Tucker** are appointed to take the Necessary Care on that account and Draw one for him if they think proper and bring to next monthly meeting ---

*on Title of
meeting house
Lands*

This meeting Concludes it Necessary that there be an Inspection into the Title of our meeting house Lands but this meeting being Small therefore the Chusing a Committee on that

account is Refer'd to next monthly meeting ---

J: Wood under Dealing This meeting being Inform,^d that **John Wood** hath been found in the Reproachful Evil of Joining with other in Stealing of watermillions from **John Shepherd** also in Gatherin with a Tumultious Company by way of Riot very unbecoming the truth Likewise he is Published out of the Unity of friends and Likewise
W: Haden under Dealing the Overseers inform that **William Hoden [Hayden]** hath also been Considerate in Stealing Said Shepherds watermillion all which matters Said Overseers hath Labour,d with them for and we appoint our friends **Caleb Russell Prince Allen Barzillia Tucker** to Labour further with them on those accounts and Report next mo meeting

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1^{mo} 1775 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th of the 1st mo 1775 the Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey** and **John Williams** present
Prince Allen John W^{ms} proposed overseers **Prince Allen** and **John Williams**, not being fully willing to be appointed Overseers at present therefore they are Still Desir,^d to Consider of the matter one month Longer and then they to make Report ----
W: R paper accepted This meeting accepts of **William Russell**'s paper, the Committee on that account ~~on that account on that amount~~ making Somewhat a Satisfactory Report Concerning him -----
B Littles paper not read **Barker Little** and wives paper not being Read by Reason of Disappointment therefore the matter is Refer,^d and he is Desir,^d to Cause S^d paper to be read as order,^d before and Return it to next mo meeting
Tim Russ is paid **Timothy Russell** Informs that the Treasury has paid him the money as order,d Last mo meeting
Giles Slocu^m case referd The matter Respecting **Giles Slocum** is Refer,d to next mo meeting under the Care of the Same Committee as heretofore by their Request and then they to make Report
Caleb Green J Shearman case refer^d The Committee appointed on account of **Caleb Green** and **Jorshua Sherman** Desire the matter Refer,^d which is Referd to next mo meeting and **Caleb Russell** is Dismised from that Service by Reason of being nigh in kind & **Benj^a Taber** is aded in his Room and they to make Report next mo meeting
D: Russel Certificate Sign,d Removal Certificate for friends **David Russell** & his wife to **Acoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** monthly meeting were Signed at this meeting ---
J: H & M: A Received their answer **Jonathan Howland** and **Mary Allen** Declar,^d their Intentions of marriage and were Desired to wait till next monthly for their answer and **Joseph Barker** & **William Anthony ju** are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation and make Report to next monthly meeting ---

Our friends **Prince Allen W^m Anthony ju Samuel Smith**
Barzillia Tucker are appointed to Inspect into the Title of our
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meeting house land and where they find any defect to mend
and Strengthen the Same as they may think best and make
Report when they have Accomplished the Same ---

Committee
to Inspect
the title
of meeting^s
Land

Report from
Quar^r meeting

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

John Wood &
W^m Haden
case referd

The matters Respecting **John Wood** and **Wm Haden** are Referd
to next monthly meeting on the account the Committee have not
had opportunity to fulfill their appointment therefore they are
Continued in that Service & to make Report to next mo meeting

This meeting Collected 11£"0s"0d old tennor which is Sent to the
treasury by **Benjamin Smith jur** -----

(The following paper of **Richard Peckham^s** Should have been Recorded
in page 278 ---

Testimony
against
R: Peckham

Whereas **Richard Peckham** a member of this meeting, hath for
want of adhearing to the measure of Light and Grace in his
own Heart, So far Deviated from the good order Established
amongst us as to fall into the Sin of fornication as appears by
his wives having a Child Soon after marriage, and Likewise
hath married his first Cousin the which he Declines to Condemn
to friends Satisfaction, and after our Labour of love we think
we are Clear do disown the S^d **Richard peckham** from being a
member of our Society Untill it may please God to Shew him his
Error and by an unfeigned repentance he may Return, is our
hearty Desire, Given forth at our monthly meeting held in
Dartmouth --- the 17th Day of the first month ---1774 --
Signed in and on behalf of S^d meeting by –

William Anthony jur Clerk----)

2^{mo}
1775
John W^{ms}
overseer
B Littles
paper read

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th the 2nd mo 1775
the Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey & Barzillia Tucker** present
John Williams is appointed Overseer in order to Join the Rest
in that Service --- This meeting is Inform,^d that **Barker Little**
and wives paper hath been read as orderd & Returnd to this
meeting and is as followeth

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1775
to

The monthly meeting of friends to be holden at **Dartmouth** the 15th the 11th month 1773

*B: Little
and wifes
paper*

Friends whereas we through the Infirmation of the adversary have fallen into the gross Sin of fornication and brought a great Scandal upon our Profession for which we are Sorry for and do Condemn hoping God will forgive us and friends So for pass by this Offence with all other our offences as to lett us Still Remain under their Care -----

**Barker Little
Elisabeth Little**

*Case of
Caleb Green
J Sherman
& I Smith*

The Committee appointed on account of **Caleb Green & Joshua Sherman jur & Isaac Smith** Report that they Inform, d S^d **Smith** as order, d and that **Caleb Green** gave them Some Satisfaction and S^d **Green** & wife gave in a paper to the meeting Condemning their misconduct they likewise Report in Regard to **Joshua Sherman** that they had an oppertunity of Conferrance with him and he gave them no Satisfaction and this meeting Concluds to Refer the matters Respecting ^{^Sd} **green & P. Sherman** Under the Care of **Benj^a Taber John Williams & Benj^a Rider** and they to make Report next monthly meeting -----

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

*J. H &
MA
Receiv, d
their
answer*

Jonathan Howland and **Mary Allen** appear, d for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next mo meeting advising with the Overseers we Shall appoint for that purpose and **Joseph Barker & W^m Anthony jⁿ** to See their marriage Consoma in good order & make Report next monthly meeting ---

*T: M &
R: H
Publish, d*

Thomas Mott and **Rhoda Hathaway** Declar, d their Intention of taking Each other in marriage & were Desir, d to wait untill next monthly meeting for their Answer and **William Wood & Barzillia Tucker** are appointed to Inquire into S^d **Motts** Clearness in Regard to marriage & Conversation & make Report next monthly meeting

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1775

*John Wood &
W^m Haden
Case referd*

The friends appointed to Labour with **John Wood** and **W^m Haden** Report they have not fully Discharged themselves in that matter and Desire it to be Refer, d which is Refer, d to next monthly meeting and then they to make Report

J Davis Requests Certificate **James Davis** Desires a Certificate Signifying his Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation to the Monthly meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** therefore **David Sheeherd** and **Benjamin Taber** are appointed to take the Necessary Care on that account and bring one to the next monthly meeting if they find him Clear

David Hart gave in a paper **David Hart** hath given in a Paper to this meeting Condemning his marring out of the Unity of friends, and we appoint **Joseph Tucker William Mosher & William Wood** to take an Opportunity of Conferrance with him in order to Discover his Sincerity, and Report to next monthly meeting ---

Charles Russel case The Committee appointed Some months past on Account of **Charles Russell** Report that he gave them no Satisfaction and that S^d **Russell** is about to marry out of the Unity of friends and **Samuel Smith & Prince Allen** are appointed to Draught a Testimony against S^d **Russell** and bring it to next mo meeting also to Inform him of his Right of an Appeal ----

money paid to the treasury **Caleb Russell** Reports that he hath Reciv,^d by way of Subscription as order,^d Some months past the Sum of Eight pounds Eleven Shillings & four pence Lawfull money and paid into the Treasury This meeting Collected £13"7s"4d old tennor which is Sent to the treasury by **Prince Allen**

order on Treasur^{er} The Treasury is order,^d to pay **Benjamin Allen** his Demand on the meeting also those that have Demand for Repairing the meeting house and make Report next mo meeting

J: Hussey Requests a Certificate **Jonathan Hussey** Desires a Removal Certificate for him self his Wife & Children to the monthly meeting of **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** and we appoint **William Sandford W^m Anthony j^r** and **John Potter** to take the Necessary Care on that account and bring one to next mo meeting if they think proper ----

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2 month 1775 adjourn mett This meeting adjourns to the first Day of next month This meeting meet by Adjournment the 1st Day: 3 mo 1775 the Representatives are **Jonathan Hussey** and **Barzillia Tucker** present

P Russell denial read The Clerk Reports that he hath read the Testimony against **Paul Russell & Ephrim Tripp** as order,^d Some months past and Return,^d Said Testimonies to this meeting

W^m Barker W^m Sanford oversite of Bury =ing ground **William Barker** and **William Sandford** are Appointed to have the Oversight of the Burying Ground in the Room of **Jonathan Hussey** who is about to Remove from hence, and they to Join with **Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker** in that Service ---

Order on Treasurer The Treasury is order,^d to pay **Benjamin Smith j^{sr}** his bill against this meeting which was Inspected and allow,^d Some time past and Report to next monthly meeting

Testimony against P: Russell Whereas **Paul Russell** Son of **Paul Russell** having had his Education among friends and Disregarding the Testimony of Truth So far as to be found in Some abusive behaviour with **Roger Mosher** in the Night, and Likewise in Resorting with a Rude Company at **Prince Potters** house all which plainly appears by his own Confession and friends having Repeatedly with him in Love in order to Restore him to the way of Truth but our Labour of Love not having the Desir,^d Effect to friends Satisfaction, therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of Such practises this meeting is Concern,^d to give this forth against him and do hereby publickly Disown him the S^d **Paul Russell** from being one of our Society and from under the Care of friends yet Nevertheless Desiring if it be agreeable with Divine pleasure that he may yet be Restor^d from the Evil of his ways and by Unfeigned Repentance Return to the way of Truth Given forth at our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th the 10^{mo} 1774 ---

and Signed in & on behalf of S^d meeting by

Wm Anthony j^r Clerk
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Testimony against E: Tripp Whereas **Ephriam Tripp** Son of **W^m Tripp**, Having had his Education amongst friends and Disregarding the Testimony of Truth So far as to be found in Some abusive behaviour with **Roger Mosher** in the Night Season and Likewise in Resorting with a Rude Company at **Prince Potters** house all which appears by his one Confession, and friends having Repeated Laboured with him in love in order to Restore him to the way of Truth, but our labour of Love not having the Desir,^d Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of Such Practices this meeting is Concerned to give this forth against him & Do hereby Publickly Disown him the Said **Ephrim Tripp** from being one of our Society and from under the Care of friends yet Nevertheless Desiring if it be agreeable with Divine Pleasure that he may yet be Restored from the Evil of his ways and by unfeigned Return to the way of Truth ---

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th Day the 10^{mo} 1774 and Signed in & on behalf of S^d meeting by ---

William Anthony j^r Clerk

Bill for keeping Alice Smith The Overseers of the Poor hath handed in a bill from **Benjamin Smith J^u** for keeping **Alice Smith** to the amount of £4^s 6^s 8^d Lawfull money which is accepted ---

Case of James Howlands request **Caleb Russell & Seth Russell** are appointed in the room of **Jonathan Hussey** to **Jaine Barzillia Tucker** in having the Care of that matter Respecting **James Howland J^u** who

Requested to Come among friends and make Report
when ready

Content Tucker
Receiv,d the women Inform that they have minutes **Content Tucker**
under their Care which this meeting approveth

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2 month
1775 **Jonathan Hussey J^u & Content Tucker** Declar,^d their Intention
of marriage and were Desir,^d to wait till next monthly
J: H and meeting for their answer and **William Sandford** and **John**
C. T: **Potter** are appointed to See into the young mans Clearness
Publishrd Respecting marriage and Conversation and Report to next mo
Meeting ---

3 mo
1775 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th 3^{mo} 1775
the Representatives are **Benj^a Howland 2nd** & **Samuel Smith** present

Caleb Green
J Shearman
case referd The Committee appointed on Account of **Caleb Green & Joshua**
Sherman j^u Desires them matters Refer,^d as they have not
fully Discharged themselves on those Accounts therefore
S^d matters is Refer,^d under their Care of the Same Committee
and **W^m Mosher & Barzillia Tucker** are aded to them in that
Service and they to make Report next mo meeting

Case of
Giles Slocum referd The matter Respecting **Giles Slocum** not being fully
Setled to friends Satisfaction therfore S^d matter is Referd
under the Care of the Same Committee as heretofore and
the to make Report to next monthly meeting

Jona Howland
marriage One of the friends Appointed to See the marriage of
Jonathan Howland & Mary Allen Consomated, Report
that he attended S^d marriage and Saw nothing but what
it was Consomated in a Degree Orderly the other friend hath
Render,^d a Reasonable Excuse for his non Attendance

Tho Mott Clearness The friends appointed to Inspect into the Clearness of **Tho^s**
Mott Respecting marriage and Conversation Report that
they find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in marriage

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3 month
1775 The friends appointed to Inquire into **Jonathan Hussey Ju** Clearness
make the Like Report that they find nothing to hinder

Jona^t Howland
Clearness

*Tho^s Mott &
Jona^t Hussey
answer*

Thomas Mott and **Rhoda Hathaway**, and **Jonathan Hussey j^{ur}**
& **Content Tucker** Appear,^d for their Answer, which was that
Each Couple might Proceed to take Each other in marriage
in Some Convenient time between this & the next monthly
meeting advising with the Overseers this meeting Shall Appointe
for that purpose and **Adam Gifford** & **Barzillia Tucker** are Appointed
to See the marriage of **Tho^s Moot** & **Rhoda Hathaway** Solamnised
orderly, and **W^m Sandford** and **John Potter** are Appointed for the
Same Service with the Other Couples ----- and all to make
Report next mo meeting -----

*John Wood &
W^m Haden
case referd*

The matter Respecting **John Wood** and **William Haden** are
Refer,^d to next monthly meeting under the Care of the Same
friends as before, and they to make Report next monthly
meeting

*James Davis
Certificate*

A Certificate was Signed as this meeting for **James Davis** to the
Monthly meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** Signifying his Clearness
in regar^d
to marriage and Conversation ---

*F. Rider
Recommend
to the Select
meeting*

This meeting hath Signed and Sent to the Quarterly meeting
of Ministers and Elders a minitue Recommending **Freburn
Rider** as a minister and member of the Select meeting

*two meeting
a Day
at Bedford*

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of the meeting at
Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA] Report that they have Generally attended S^d
meeting
and that it was held and Conducted in a Good Degree orderly
and that they think it might be zsdvantagious to Continue
the Same, and the friends Living there do Generally Request
it to be Continued one year Longer which is granted according^{ly}
and they to hold Two meetings ^[for 5] Days untill the monthly meeting
in the tenth month then one meeting on first Day and one on
the Sixth day of the week and S^d meeting to begin on the 10th hour
and on the 3rd hour on the first day & at the 11th hour on 12th Day

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1775*

and our friends **David Shepherd James Davis** and **Caleb
Russell** are appointed to have the Oversight of S^d meeting &
and to make Report at the Expiration therof ---
This meeting Collected £6"11s"6d old tenor

adjourn

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

*3^{mo} mett
1775*

This meeting being meet by Adjournment the 29th the 3rd mo 1775
the Representatives are **Benjamin Howland** & **Samuel Smith** present

*David Hart
case referd*

Two of the friends appointed on account of **David Hart** Report that he gave them Some Satisfaction, yet they Desire the matter Refer,d which is also Refer,d under their Care and they to make Report next monthly meeting ---

*Treasurers
report*

The Treasury Reports that he hath not paid all the money as order,^d Last monthly meeting therefore he is Still Desir^d to accomplish that business and make Report to next mo meeting

*Testimony
against
C: Russel
Sign,^d*

This meeting hath Signed a Testimony against **Charles Russell** and the Clerk is order,^d to Read S^d Testimony at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship before next mo meeting and then make Report ---

S^d Testimony is as followeth ---

Whereas **Charles Russell** having had his Education among friend, but Thro, Unwatchfulness and Disregarding the Testimony of truth in his own heart hath So far departed therefrom as to be found Guilty of the Reproachful Sin of fornication and also hath married out of the unity of of friends and we having timely Labour'd with him in Love in order for his recovery but friends Labour not having the Desir,^d Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore this meeting is Concern'd for the maintaining of our Christian Testimony and the Preservation of the Professions thereof from the Reproach of Such Enormous practices Do hereby Publickly Disown him the S^d **Charles Russell** from being a member of our Religious Community and from under our the Care of this meeting Untill by Unfeigned Repentance he shall Return to the way of truth & find mercy with the Lord

Given forth & Sign,^d in & on behalf of our mo meeting held in **Dartmouth** by adjournment 29th the 9^{mo} 1775 by **W^m Anthony j^{ur}** Clerk

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*3 month
1775*

The Queries have been Read and Answer,^d in this meeting and an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting Read and Sign,^d & Sent with s^d answers to S^d Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are

*Answers
Epistle and
Representative
to the Q: meeting
adjourn*

Caleb Russell Barzillia Tucker James Davis John Williams W^m Mosher W^m Barker & W^m Anthony jur who are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and make Return next mo meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 7th Day of next month ---

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This meeting being meet by Adjournment the 7th Day of the 4^{mo} 1775 the Representatives are **Benj^a Howland 2nd & Samuel Smith** present **Job Howland** hath Exhibited a Complaint against **W^m Wood** wherein he Requests S^d **Wood** to Leave an affair to men Subsist=
ing between him & S^d **Wood** and the Overseers Inform that they have had them together and Advis,^d S^d **Wood** to submitt S^d matter to men but he Declines the Same and this meeting being Sma^{ll} therefore the Chusing a Committee is Refer,^d to next mo meeting

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate to the mo

*J: Hussey
Certificate*

Sign,d meeting at the **NinePartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** for our friend **Jonathan Hussey** and

Hepzibah his wife and **Sylvenus & Rachal** their Children and their Granddaughter **Elisabeth Hussey** ---

*Jonaⁿ Hussey Ju
request a Certificate*

Jonathan Hussey Jⁿ Requests a Removal Certificate to S^d meeting and **W^m Sandford & W^m Anthony Jⁿ** are appointed to Draw one for him if they on Inquiry Shall think Proper and bring it to next mo^o meeting ---

*4^{mo}
1775
no Representative
from preparitive
meeting*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th the 4^{mo} 1775 There not appearing any Representative from the Preparative meeting the Reason alledged being the Severity of the weather that day that there was no meeting held, yet this meeting Concluds to goe forward as Usual, yet fear the Coolness and want of True Zeal for the Cause of Truth was too much the Primary Cause of the afore S^d Neglect The Committee that had the Care of them matters Respect-
=ing **Caleb Green** and **Joshua Sherman J^m** Report that they have Received Some Satisfaction, yet this meeting

*Caleb Green &
J Shearman Ju'
case referd*

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*4 month
1775*

meeting thinks proper to Refer S^d matter under the Care of the Same Committee and they to make Report to next mo. meeting ---

*G. Slocum
paper
Accepted*

This meeting Concluds to accepts of **Giles Slocums** paper Condemning his falling into the Sin of Fornication with **Ruth Russell** provided he Cause S^d pape to be publickly Read at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship before next monthly he being present and Report to next monthly meeting and return S^d paper and **Prince Allen** is appointed to Serve S^d **Slocum** with a Copy of this minute

Said paper is as followeth -

To the Monthly meeting of friends in **Dartmouth**
Whereas I have Gave way to the Ensenuation of the adversary so far as to be guilty of the Sin of fornication with **Ruth Russell** Whereby She Charged me of being father of her bastart Child which Reproachful Sin I am Sorry for & do hereby Condemn Desiring forgiveness from the Almighty and that friends may do far pass by mine offence as to let me Remain under their Care from your friend
Giles Slocum

Dartmouth the 16th the 4^{mo} 1774

*Tho Mott
J Hussey Ju
marriage*

The friends appointed to See **Tho^s Mott** and **Rhody Hathaway** and **Jonathan Hussey jⁿ** and **Content Tucker** marriage Consomated all made Report that they attended S^d marriages and Saw nothing

but that they was Consomated orderly ---

John Wood
W^m Haden
case referd The Committee Appointed on account of **John Wood** and
William Haden Desire them matters Refer'd which is Refer'd
which is Refer,d under the Care of the Same Committee and they to make
to next monthly meeting ---

Treasurer
report The Treasurer Reports he hath not paid the money as order'd Last
monthly meeting Therefore he is yet Continued to pay S^d mony as
order'd and make Report next monthly meeting

C Russell Testimony
Read The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against
Charls Russell as order'd ---

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4 month
1775
Return
from the
Quarterly
meeting The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting being Called upon
Report that four of them attended but **Caleb Russell & James**
Davis did not attend the whole of s^d meeting bur renderd a reason
therefor which was Accepted
and they have Produced an Epistle from S^d Quarterly meeting which
hath read and well Accepted

Case of W^m Wood The appointing a Committee at the Last Adjournment on that
affair of **William Woods** being Omitted by reason of the Smallness
of the meeting therefore we now Appoint our friends **Adam Gifford**
Benj^a Slocum Benj^a Chase Philip Allen to Labour with S^d **Wood**
to submit S^d matter to men Agreeable to our Dissipline ---

J. H^jⁿ
Certificate
Signd This meeting Signed a Removal Certificate for **Jonathan Hussey**
Jⁿ and Content his wife to the monthly meeting of the **Ninepartners** [Millbrook, Dutchess
Co. NY]

Report W^m Smith
case The Committee appointed Some time past to Labour with **W^m Smith**
Report as followeth We the Subscribers being appointed Some
time past to Labour with **W^m Smith** for taking too much Spiritous
Liquor Soon after which Appointment he Removed up the
Country Nevertheless two of us had an Oppertunity to Speak
with him on that Account and Labour,^d with him According
to our Ability, but Receiv,^d no [^]real Satisfaction and after a long
time of Tryal we are Inform,^d by Credible Information and
undoubted Evidence that he yet Continues in the Same practice
of taking Spiritous Liquor therefore we think best that he be Denied
by friends - from your friends **Philip Trafford**

Samuel Smith

Dated the 19th the 3^{mo} 1775 --

John Potter

W: Smith
Deni,d Which is accepted therefore this meeting Doth Disown the S^d
Smith from under the Care of friends and **Samuel Smith** is appoint
ed to Draw a testimony against him and bring it to next mo
meeting also to Serve him with a Copy of this minute

Jemimah
Davis
Certificate This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Jemimah**
Davis to monthly meeting at the **Oblong** [**Pawling Dutchess Co. NY**]-

This meeting Collected ----- £8-8^s-5^d old tenor ---

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4 Month
1775

To Revise
Correct
& record
meetings
minutes

5 mo
1775

Case of
C Green &
J Shearman
refer^d

G S
paper
accepted

D.H.^s
paper
accepted

W^m Wood
case refer^d

J.W. and
W^m Haden
matter
Refer^d

5 month
1775

W^m Smith
paper
W^m Smith
denial

This Meeting appoints **William Anthony J^m Samuel Smith**
Thomas Hicks Barzillia Tucker to Revise Correct and Record this
meetings minutes and also to Settle Accounts with the Tresurer and
make Report next monthly meeting --

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of the 5^{mo} 1775
the Representatives are **Caleb Russell & Nicholass Howland**
present ---

The Committee that had the care of the matter Respecting
Caleb Green and **Joshua Sherman J^m** hath made Report
which is Somewhat Satisfactory yet they not being present
Said matters are Refer, d to next monthly meeting under the
Same friends and then they to make Report.

report that been made that **Giles Slocum** paper hath
been read and Returned to this meeting as orderd.

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting
David Hart, made Report that was so Satisfactory to this
meeting that we Conclude to accept **D. Harts** papers as Satisfac^{tin}

The Committe that had the Care of that matter Respecting
W^m Wood Report that Said **Wood** Still Declines to leave
Controvercy to men yet by his request the matter is Referd
to next monthly meeting for further Consideration and
then he to make report ---

The Committee that were appointed in the Case Respecting
John Wood and **W^m Haden** Report that they have been in a
Progress but have not fully Completed the Same to
their Satisfaction & Desire it Continued which is Cont=
inued Accordingly under the Same friends care as before
and they to make Report when they Shall accomplish s^d
matter

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A Testimony against **W^m Smith** was Signed in this
meeting by the Clerk and he is order, ^d to read it Publicly as
usual & make Report to next monthly meeting which is as followeth
Whereas **William Smith** Son of **Jonathan Smith & Phebe** his wife
Late of **Dartmouth**, but now a Resident in **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** in
the Province of the **Massachusets Bay** in **New England** having
been Educated and made profession with friends but hath
So far Departed there from as frequently to fall in to the Repro
achful Evil of taking too much Spiritous Liquor, to his own
Prejudice of his Family, and a Reproach to that holy pro=
fession and name that he hath Pretended to make Profession of
and friends having from time to time in Love Labour, ^d with

him for his Recovery in hopes he would Refrain from apra[?] So Obviously Destructive to mankind, but friends Labour of Love not Obtaining the Desired End, But he Continuing therein therefore for the Clearing of truth and the Testimony we bear from Such Reproachful Evils this meeting is Concerned to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him, and do hereby Disown him the Said **William Smith** from being a member of our Society untill by Repentance and Reformation he Shall Return from the Error of his way and be Restored to the way of Truth ---
Given forth & Signed in and by order of our monthly meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of 5^{mo} 1775
by **W^m Anthony J^u** Clerk

Committee to Correct the minutes
To Settle with Treasurer
The Friends to Revise Correct & Record this meetings minutes Report that they have Revised & Corrected S^d minutes and left them with **William Anthony J^u** to Record but they Report they have not Settled with the Treasurer by Reason Some Subscriptions that are gone out & not made up & Completed and **W^m Anthony J^u** and **Prince Allen** are appointed to Settle with Said Treasurer and make Report next monthly meeting

Ruben Smith case
One of the friends appointed Some time past to Labour with **Rubin Smith** being Removed from hence. This meeting appoints **Abraham Howland** to Join **Prince Allen** in that matter and to make Report next monthly meeting

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5 month 1775
J. Howland Recev^d under friend Care
Obediah Allen desire a Certificate
The Committee appointed Sometime past on account of **James Howland J^u** Request to come under friends made Report to this meeting that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction therefore we accept of Said **Howland** to be under the Care of this meeting
Obediah Allen Requests a Removal Certificate for him Self his wife and Children to the monthly meeting of the **Nine Partners**[**Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY**] and we
appoint **Thos Hicks & Philip Allen** to Join the women and take the necessary Care if they think proper
This meeting collected £9^{11s}0d old tenor ---
Certificate for Rhoda Allen & Meribah Allen
Removal Certificates for **Rhoda Allen & Meribah Arnold** Directed to the monthly meeting of the **Nine Partners** were Signed in this meeting
6 mo 1775
At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 19th of 6th mo 1775
The Representatives are **William Mosher & Samuel Smith** both present

*James Howland^d
proposal
of marriage*

James Howland and **Meribah Shepherd** Declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage and were Desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer, and **Seth Russell & John Williams** are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation & make Report to next monthly meeting

J.S. paper accepted

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting **Joshua Sherman J^m** made Report to this meeting which was So Satisfactory as we Conclude to Accept of S^d **Shermans** paper for Satisfaction but **Caleb Green** not being present by reason of his being Unwell therefor that matter Respecting **Caleb Green** is Refer.^d to next monthly meeting under the Same friends care as heretofore & then they to make Report

*matter between J:H
and
W^m W:*

William Wood made no Report to this meeting wheather he would Submit that matter to men Subsisting between himself and **Job Howland**, or not therefore the matter is Refer,^d under: the Care of **Adam Gifford Philip Allen Benj^a Chase Benj^a Slocum & Joseph Gifford** and they to Labour with Said **Wood** to leave the matter to men & make Report to next mo meeting

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against **W^m Smith** as order.^d

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*6 month
1775
S Slocum
Certificate from
Coakset*

The women Inform that they Received a Removal Certificate in behalf of **Sarah Slocum** from monthly meeting of **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**

*Certificate for
Obediah Allen
Wife & Children*

A Removal Certificate on behalf of **Obediah Allen** His Wife & Children Directed to the monthly meeting of the **Nine Partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** was Signed in this meeting

*R: Smith
Deni,^d*

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

*money
rais^d*

The Treasurer Reports that the Committee Appointed Some time past to Rais money by way of Subscription have rais,^d and paid to the Treasury the sum of £9-10^s-2^d Lawfull money

The Committee Appointed to Settle with the Treasurer mad[e] the following Report which is accepted

*Settlement
with the
Treasurer*

We the Subscribers having Settled accounts with the Treasurer according to Appointment as followeth --
The money Collected and into the Treasury by order of the monthly meeting Sinne the 16th the 5^{mo} 1774 amounts to in Lawfull money ----- 33[£] 16^s 0^d

Treasurer paid out ----- 24 15 11

Remains in the Stock ----- 9 0 1

Dartmouth the 17th the 6^{mo} 1775 for **Prince Allen**

W^m Anthony J^u

*Jos Trafford
Disown,^d*

We are informed that **Joseph Trafford** is Inlisted in to the war or militia and been Labour,^d with by one of the overseers and not Retracting therefrom and for the Clearing of truth we do Disown him from being under our care and we appoint **Abraham Howland** and **Benj^a Howland 2nd** to Serve Said **Trafford** with a Copy of this minute when they have and Opportunity, & the Clerk is order'd to Read this minute Publickly as Usual & Report to next mo meeting

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*6 month
1775*

*R: Russell
Disown,^d*

The Women Inform that they have Disowned **Rebeckah Russell** wife of **Jethrow Russell**, and **Mary Wing** wife of **Giles Wing** which this meeting Concurs with

*Queries
answer.^d*

The Queries were Read in this meeting and Answers thereto which were approved and Sent by our Representatives to the Quarterley meeting with our Epistle to S^d meeting which was

*Represen
tatives*

Sign.^d by the Clerk and Sent by our Representatives who are **Thomas Hicks Samuel Smith Benj.^a Howland 2nd Caleb Russell William Anthony J^m Barzillia Tucker**

Order on Treasurer

This meeting Collected ----- £10--2^s--3^d old Ten
The Treasurer is ordered to pay **Timothy Russell** 5 Dollers for half years keeping the meeting house

*7^{mo}
1775*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th 7^{mo} 1775 the Representatives are **W^m Mosher & Benj^a Smith J^u** present The friends appointed to Inquire into **Jones Howland** Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation Report that they dont find nothing to hinder their proceeding

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

James Howland J^u and **Meribah Sheapherd** appear^d at this meeting for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting. Advising with the Overseers that this meeting Shall appoint for that purpose and **Caleb Russell** and **Seth Russell** are appointed for ~~that purpose~~ to See their marriage Consumated orderly and make Report next mo meeting.

*7 month**1775**C:G & wivs
paper*

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting **Caleb green** made Report which was So Satisfactory to this meeting that we Conclude to accept of **Green & wives** paper provided They Cause Said paper to be publickly read at the Close of a first Days meeting and for worship they being present before next monthly meeting and then Return Said paper & Report of its being Read

*J:H: & W:W matter
Refer,^d*

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting **William Wood** Report that Said **Wood** hath Concluded to Submit the Controversy Insisting Sufisting between himself and **Job Howland** to men and the Same Committee are Continued to See that it be Completed.

Abraham Howland Report that he Inform.^d **Rubin Smith** of his Denial as order,^d -----

*Return from the Q.
meeting*

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting made Report that they all attended and have brought an Epistle from Said meeting with Divers transscrips(viz) one from the Last yearly meeting of **Rhodyland**, one from the yearly meeting in **Landon** [England] one from the yearly meeting a **Philadelphi^a** [**Philadelphia Co. PA**] one from the yearly meeting at **flushing** [**Queens Co, NY**] & a Number of Printed Epistles from **London** all which were read in this meeting and the Salutary Advice therein, is Recommended to Each Individuals Observation and notice

*Advis,^d y^t
Queries be answer.^d
in
y^e meeting*

It is Recommended in P.Quarterly meeting Epistle that the Queries be Answer,^d by & in the Open preparative meeting for the future, its also Recommended for this meeting to rais the Sum of five pounds ten Shillings Lawfull money to Supply out yearly meeting Treasury, and Convey it to the Treasurer of s^d meeting as Soon as may be which this meeting Complies with ---

Treasurer report

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid **Timothy Russell** five Dollars as order,^d S.^d Treasurer also Reporth that he hath paid **Benj^a Smith J^u** ten pounds Eight Shilling Lawfull money for the keeping **Alice Smith** which this meeting approveth ----

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*7 month**1775**Subscriptioⁿ
for Bar*

Thomas Hicks is appointed to take in Subscriptions for **Barkley^s** [**Barclay's**] Apology agreeable to the Directions of the Quarter[ly]

Apology Meeting

This meeting Collected ----- 11£ 6^s 80^d T

8^{mo} 1775 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 25th the 8^{mo} 1775 the Representatives are **William Mosher & Benj^a Howland 2nd** both present

Shubel Bunker Certificate **Shubel Banker [Bunker]** Brought a Certificate from the mo meeting on **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** Certifying his having a Birth right of membership there & Clearness Respecting marriage.

S:B & L:G publish.^d **Shubel Banker** and **Lydia Gardner** Declar.^d their Intentions Of taking Each other in marriage and were Desir.^d to wait till the next monthly meeting for their Answer

James Howland Ju marriage The friends appointed to See **James Howland Ju ^ & meribah: [?]:** marriage Consomated Report that they attended Said marriage and Saw nothing but that it was Consomated orderly. ---

Caleb Green paper read Report hath been made of **Caleb Green & Wives** paper being read and return,^d to this meeting as order,^d, Said ^ paper is Recorded in page 354.

Committee to rais money We appoint our friends **William Barker Gideon Howland Giles Slocum Isaac Howland J^m & John Allen** to rais money by way of Subscription to Supply our yearly meeting Stock and ^ pay the money into the treasury and make Report of their Doings with the Sum total to next mo meeting.

This meeting Collected 8£"7^s"7^d old tenor

J.H. had a Certific: to London This meeting Sign.^d a Certificate in favour of **Joh[n] Howland** to friends in **London** also one in favour of **John Williams** to friends in the **Westford [Somerset Co. ENG?]** Provinces as they were about to go there on account of business
Certifiat for John Williams

9^{mo} 1775- At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th the 9thmo 1775 ----

Shubel Bunkers answer The Representatives are **W^m Barker & Tho^s Hicks** both present **Shubel Bunker & Lydia Gardner** appear.^d for their answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage before next monthly meeting Advising with the Overseers that this meeting Shall appoint for that purpose and **Seth Russell & W^m Barker** are appointed to see their marriage Consomated orderly and make to next mo meeting

Money Rais,^d The Committee appointed Last monthly meeting to raise money by way of Subscription Report that they have rais.^d and paid into the treasury the Sum of Eight pounds three

money order to the y^y meetig Shillings & four penies Lawfull money and the Treasurer is Is order.^d to pay into the treasury of our yearly meeting the Sum of five pounds ten shillings Lawfull money & Report to the next mo meeting

J.Allen Disown.^d The Overseers Inform that **Jedediah Allen** hath married out of the Unity of friends, They Likewise Inform that they Precautioned him Therefore this meeting Doth Disown him the Said **Jedediah Allen** from under our Care, and **Irvine Allen** is appointed to Inform him of his Denial and Report next monthly meeting -----

Committee to fence the Land round y meet. house **Jonathan Russell** Gave in a paper to this meeting Condemnin^g his Reporting & Exercising with a Company of men in the military order which is Refer.^d to next mo meeting Friends Conclude it best to fence our Land around our and we appoint our friends **W^m Barker W^m Sandford Thomas Hicks W^m Anthony J^u Timothy Russell Benj^a Rider and Caleb Russell Elishap Smith & Samuel Smith** to Confer together and Cause S.^d Land to be fenced when and after what manner they shall think proper.----

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P Russell Disown.^d The Women Inform that they have Denied **Patience Russell** wife of **Stephen Russell** which this meeting Concurrs with ----

H: Hicks Receiv^d They also Inform that they have minuted **Hannah Hicks** Under their Care which this meeting Concurrs with --

Anna Wing Certificate We Likewise Sign,^d a Certificate to the mo meeting of **Acoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** for **Anna Wing** wife of **Jonathan Wing**

This meeting Collected -- L 8" 17^s" 10^d old tenor

meeting adjourns This meeting Adjourns to the 27 Instant after the meeting for worship

mett This meeting meet by Adjournment the 27th the 9^{m^o} 1775- the Representatives being Called both present

The Queries were Read in this meeting and Answers thereto prepar,^d and Likewise an Epistle Sign.^d by the Clerk and orderd forward to the Quarterly meeting by

*Representi
to the Quar
terly mee:* our Representatives who are **Joseph Tucker Thomas
Hicks Caleb Russell W^m Mosher W^m Anthony Jⁿ** and
William Sandford to attend S^d Quarterly meeting and they
to make Report to next monthly meeting.

*10^{mo}
1775* At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth**
the 16th the 10th mo 1775

The Representatives are **Wm Mosher & Thos Hicks** present
Samuel Smith Chosen Clerk for this time

*Shubel
Bunker
marriage* **W^m Barker & Seth Russell** Reports they attended the
the marriage of **Shubel Bunker & Lydia Gardner**
which was accomplished orderly

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*10 month
1775*
Report of Treasurer The Treasurer Reports he hath not paid the money
to the yearly meetings Treasurer therefore he is now order'd
to pay the Same with two pounds Lawfull money more
which is now aded by the Quarterly meeting, and make
Report next mo meeting

*Jedediah Allen
not inform of
his denial* **Prince Allen** Reports he hath not Inform,^d **Jedediah Allen**
of his Denial as order,^d

*J.Russell
paper
accepted* This meeting Doth Accept of **Jonathan Russells** paper
Condemning his Exercising with the militia, for satisfac^{tion}

*Return
from the Q. meeting* The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Reports
they all attended Agreeable to Appointment and have
Produc,d an Epistle from the Same which was Read & well
Accepted

*Epistle
Receiv,^d* Two Printed Epistles from the Last yearly meeting of our
friends in **London [England]** were read in this meeting and the
Salutory, Pirtenant & Necessary Advice therein Contain,^d
kindly Accepted and Recommended to Each members

*J:Wood
under
Dealing* The Overseers Inform that **Josiah Wood** hath been in the
Practice of firing up and mending Guns for the Use of war
and that they Labour,^d with him therefor but he still
persisteth therein. Therefore **Joseph Barker Abraham Howland**
and **Samuel Smith** and **Benj^a Howland 2nd Rider** are
appointed to Labour further with him and make Repot
next monthly meeting

*meetings
to begin at
the 12 Hour* This meeting Concluds thatall our meetings for worship
only Except at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** begin at the 12 hour & all the
others meetings at the 11 hour and this to Dontinue all
the mo meeting in the 4th month next

10 month

*O:Beard Recomme^d
from
Nantucket*

Obediah Beard hath Produced a Certificate from this monthly meeting at **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**, Informing us that he had a Birthright among them when he Removed from them which is Accepted

*Debo: Davic[e]
and
S. Shephard
Certificates*

Removal Certificates for **Deborah Davice [Davis]** wife of **James Davice**, And **Sarah Shepherd** wife of **David Shepherd J^u** from the monthly meeting at **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** was Read in this meeting and Accepted

*F.R.
going to
Sandwich*

Our friend **Freeborn Rider** Informs us of her Intention to Visit **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Quarterly meeting which this meeting taking into Consideration Concurs with and have Unity with her therein and the Clerk is order,d to Give her a Copy hereof ---

*C:Cassel
Disown,^d*

The women Informs they have Denied **Comfort Castle** wife of **Daniel Castle** which this meeting Concurs with this meeting Collected --- £9^s 13^s 9^d old tennor

*11 mo
1775*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th the 11^{mo} 1775.

the Representatives are **William Barker** and **Joseph Barke[r]** both present

*A.A. &
P.K
publis.^d*

Abraham Allen and **Phebe Kirby** Declard their Intention of taking Each other in marriage and were Desir,^d to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer. and **Prince Allen** and **Thos Hicks** are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness Respectin marriage & Conversa^{tion} and make report next monthly meeting ---

*Treasurer
Report*

The Treasurer Reports that he hath not paid the money into the yearly meeting treasury as order,d, therefore he is Continues to pay it as Soon as he can Conveniently and Report next mo meeting

11 month
1775

*J.W. matter
Refer,^d*

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting **Jessiah [Josiah] Wood** Report that they have Labour,^d with him and Desire the matter Refer,^d therefore Said matter is Refer,^d to next mo meeting under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

*S:Wilcox
Disown,^d*

The women Inform that they have Disown.^d **Sarah Wilcox** Wife of **William Wilcox** which this meeting Concurs with

*J. Anthony
Certificate
Return,^d*

Job Anthony hath Return.^d a Removal Certificate for him= =self and famely which was Given out from this meeting the 17th of the 8th mo 1761 which was Directed to the monthly meeting of **Rhodssland . [Newport, Newport Co. RI]**. And not Deliver.^d but now Return.^d

he as afore S.^d And now he Living in the Compass of the **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**

meeting which was then apart of this meeting therefore the Clerk is order.^d to Transmit a Coppy hereof to S.^d **Coakset** meeting

B.S. bill gives in **Benjamin Smith jur** hath brought a bill to this meeting fo keeping **Alice Smith** as pr Agreement with the Overseers of the poor to the amount of £4["]17^s"1 Lawfull mony which this meeting approveth and the Treasurer is order.^d to pay Said bill as Soon as he can ~~with~~ and make Report to this meeting

J.Cornal Disown.^d The Overseers Inform that **James Cornal** hath married out of the Unity of friends and was timely precautioned by the Overseers therefore friends Apprehending they are Clear and do hereby Disown the Said **James Cornal** from being under our Care and **Barnabas Mosher** is appointed to Inform him thereof and make Report to next mo meeting

To repair meeting house Stable This meeting Collected £4["]12^s"11^d old Tennor friends Concluds to Repair the meeting house Stable and **Tho^s Hicks** and **William Anthony j^u** to See it Copleated and make Report next mo meeting

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*12^{mo}
1775*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th the 12^{mo} 1775 the Representatives are **Caleb Russell** and **Samuel Smith** pres[ent]

Abra Allen Clearness The friends appointed to Inquire into **Abraham Allens** Clearness and Conversation Respecting marriage Report that they have taken the Necessary Care and find nothing to hinder their proceeting

A:A. & P K had their answer **Abraham Allen** and **Phebe Kirby** appear,^d for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next mo meeting advising with the Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and **Prince Allen** and **Thomas Hicks** are appoint[ed] to See S^d marriage Consomated orderly and make next mo meeting.

Treasurer Report The Treasurer Reports that he hath not paid the money into the yearly meeting treasury therefore he is Desired to pay Said money as Soon as he Conveniently can and Report to next mo meeting

Stable Repair.^d The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid £4["]17^s"1^d to **Benja^m Smith j^u** as order,^d last monthly meeting

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

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting

J.W. matter Refer.^d **Jesiah Wood** Report that Notwithstanding their Repeated Labour with him he Still Continues in the Same practice of mending & Repairing guns for the Use of war which is Inconsistent with the profession we make therefore this meeting doth Conclude to Disown him if he doth not Immediately Desist therefrom and the Same Committee are still Continued to Inform him hereof and Draw a paper of Denial against him if do not Comply with the Judgment of this meeting and they to make Report next mo meeting

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12 month
1775

Barnabus Mosher Reports that he hath Inform,^d **James Cornal** of his Denial as order,^d

A.V: and David Sands visited us

Our well Esteemed friends **Aaron Vail** and **David Sands** were at this meeting with their Certificates from the monthly meeting of the **Nine Partner [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** Dated the 17th of the 11^{mo} 1775 whos Visit Testimon and Labour of Love was Kindly Accepted among us

The Queries were Answer,^d ad an Epistle Signed in this meeting and orderd forwar.^d to the Quaterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Thomas Hicks W^m Mosher Barzillia Tucker Samuel Smith Abraham Howland & W^m Barker** and they to make Report next mo meeting

Representa^s to the Q: meeting order on Treasur^{er}

The Treasurer is orderd to pay **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for Keeping the meeting house half a year and make Report next mo meeting

This meeting Collected 8[£] 2^s 0^d old tenor ---

1^{mo}
1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th the 1^{mo} 1776 the Representatives are **Benj.^a Howland 2.nd & Joseph Tucker ju** both Present

A Allen married

one of the friends appointed to see **Abraham Allen** and **Phebe Kirby^s** marriage Consomated made Report that he attended Said marriage and Saw nothing but what it was Consomated orderly & the other friend Render,^d a Reasonable Excuse for his not attending S.^d marriage

Report of Treasur^{er}

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

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting

J.W. matter Referd

Jesiah Wood Report that he gave them Incouragment of Desisting from mending guns for the ~~we~~ of Sogers therefore the matter is Refer,^d under the Care of the Same

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1776*

Same Committee as heretofore and they to Inform Sd **Wood** that tis the mind of this meeting that he ought to Condemn his past misconduct in that matter and **Prince Allen** is aded to s^d Committee and they to Report to next monthly meeting

*Return
from the
Q meeting*

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attend agreeable to appointment and have Produced an Eppistle from the Same which hath been read to Satisfaction and therein Inform that **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** monthly meeting hath been at the Expençe of £294^{"6"} 1 Lawfull money in building a meeting house which is recommended for Contrebutiōn as they in their Freedom Shall see fit

*Report
from
Treasurer*

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid **Timothy Russell** five Dollars as order.d ----

*B.H. 3rd
under
Dealing*

We are Inform,^d from the Preparative meeting that **Benjamin Howland** the 3rd hath been Aiding or Assisting with a Company of men in taking away guns from from friends and others and hath been Labour,^d with by the Overseers and not Condemning it to friends Satisfaction therefore we appoint our friends **Joseph Barker & Samuel Smith** to Labour further with him and Report to next mo meeting

*Jos Trafford
informd of
denial*

Benjamin ^{^Howland} the 2nd Reports he hath Served **Joseph Trafford** with a Copy of his Denial Agreeable to Appointment

*Certificate
for Trave[l]
friends*

there was a Certificate Sign,^d in this meeting for our Traveling friends **Aaron Vail & David Sands** to the mo meeting of the **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]**

this meeting Collected 3^{£"}16^{s"}3^d old tenor

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*2 mo
1776*

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** 19th the 2^{mo} 1776 the Representatives are **John Potter & Gideon Howland** both present

*J.R and
Sarah M
publish.^d*

John Ricketson and **Sarah Morell** Declar,^d their Intention of taking Each other in marriage and were Desir,^d to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer and **Thomas Hicks** and **Philip Allen** are appointed to Inquire into Said **Ricketsons** Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and make Report next monthly meeting

*Josiah Wood
gave in a paper*

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting **Jesiah Wood** Report that they have Discharg,^d their trust in that matter & S.^d **wood** gave in a paper to this meeting as follow^{eth}

*J:Williams
Confession* **John William** appear,^d in this meeting and Confer,^d
that he Some time past Inconsiderately fixed and sold
Some Straps for the use of Solder in Corring [Carrying?]their warlike
Stoves [Stores?] but going uneasy therein Desisted from Suppling them
in any such matters also **P.Williams** verbilly Condemned
his misconduct therein which this meeting Accepts for Satisfaction

*Ben Howlands
Case referd* The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting
Benj^a Howland 3.rd Reports that they have made Some progress
in that matter and **B. Howland** gave in a paper to this meetg
Condemning S.^d misconduct but friend not Reseiving full Satisfaction

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1776*

Satisfaction on account of S^d **Howland^s** not going to the
parsons from which the guns was taken, therefore the matter
is Refer^d to next monthly meeting under the Care of the Same
Committee as heretofore and then they to make Report

*E.S.
Disownd*

We are informed by the Overseers that **Elijah Sandford**
hath married his first Cousin & out of the Unity of friends
and been Labour^d with by s^d Overseers & not Inclining to
to Condemn his misconduct in that matter therefore
this meeting concluds that for the Clearing of truth we
can do no less than Disown him therefore we hereby Disown
the S^d **Elijah Sandford** from under our Care and the Clerk
is orderd to read this minute at the Close of a first days
meeting before next monthly meeting and then make report
and **William Barker** is appointed to Inform S^d **Sandford** of his
Denial and report to next monthly meeting

*D.Smith
under
Dealing*

The Overseers inform that **Daniel Smith** Son of **Humphy**
hath been in the Practice of taking Spiritous Liquors
to access also neglects attending meetings for which they
have Labour^d with him and he not Condeming it to
Satisfaction therefore we appoint **John Potter** and
Abraham Howland to Labour further with him on that
account and Report to next mo meeting---

adjourn

This meeting Collected ----- £6["]8^{s"}11^d old T
This meeting Adjourns to the 28th Instant---

mett

Meeting met by Adjournment y^e 28th of 2nd mo 1776
The Representatives are **John Potter** & **Gideon Howland**

Present

*B. Sherman
under
Dealing* We are Inform^d by the Overseers from the preparative meeting that **Benjamin Shearman** hath been to a place of frallicking and measureably join^d with those that

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*2 month
1776* that were therein very unbecoming a friend also neglects attending meeting & the Overseers having Labour^d with him and he not Condemning it to Satisfaction Likewise the Overseers Inform that Divers of our young friends hath been in the practice of going to places Publick revort where very undue Liberty is taken Evin of musick and dancing and other Lacivious and unbecoming conduct to the Reproach of truth and a Grief to Solid friends. Some of which hath been Labour^d with by S^d Overseers and this meeting taking it into Consideration thinks proper that they be further Labour^d with, therefore do appoint **Joseph Tucker and William Sandford Barzillai Tucker Samuel Smith W^m Barker Benjamin Rider** for that purpose with the Assistance of the Overseers and make Report to next mo meeting

*3 mo
1776* At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of 3rd month 1776---
The Representatives are **William Mosher** and **Sam^l Smith** present Notwithstanding **Jesiah Wood** gave in a paper Last monthly meeting Condemning his misconduct in mending guns, yet this meeting as Inform^d by part of the former Committee that had the care of that matter that he Still Continues in the practice of mending guns in this time of publick Commotion which we apprehend brings a Reproach upon friends therefore this meeting Concludes that **P.Wood** Desist from mending or making any more guns at present and the former Committee is appointed to Inform **P.Wood** of the Conclusion of this meeting and S^d Committee to Draw a paper of Denial against him if he Dont Emadiately Desist and bring it to next mo Meeting

*Ann Gifford
Visit to Sandwich
Clerk to give
a cobby of this
minute* **Anne Gifford** Inform,^d this meeting that She has thoughts of attending **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]** Quarterly meeting and Desires our Concurrence therein and this meeting having Unity with her Intended Visit She being in unity with us and her

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Elij. Sanford
inform.^d of
denial

her Publick Testimony approv^d of among us and the Clerk is order.^d to gave her a Coppy of this minute

The Clerk Reports that he hath read the minute against **Elijah Sandford** as order.^d also **W^m Barker** Reports that he Inform.^d S^d **Sandford** of his Denial as order.^d---

L.S
Confession.

Leamuel Smith gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning his marrieng out of the Unity of friends which this meeting accepts

This meeting Collected £4^s2^s8^d old tenor

adjourn

this meeting adjourns to the Last forth Day in this month after the meeting for worship which is to begin at y^e 11 hour

Mett

This meeting meet by Adjournment the 27th y^e 3^{mo} 1776 the Representatives are **W^m Barker** & **Samuel Smith** present

D.Smith
Disown.^d

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting **Daniel Smith** Reports that they have Discharg.^d their trust in that matter and find no Satisfaction Therefore this meeting Apprehending we have Discharg.^d our Duty towards him Do Disown the Said **Daniel Smith** from under our Care and **Abraham Howland** & **Gideon** are appointed to Inform him of the Conclution of this meeting and Draw a testimony against him & bring it to next mo meeting

Case of
Benj
Shearman
referd

The Committee that was appointed to Join the Overseers in Labouring with **Benjamin Sherman** & Some of our young friends for going to places of frolicking Report that they havent Completed S^d business therefore they are still Continued in that Service & to make Report next mo meeting

Case of
B Howland
3rd refer^d

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting **Benj.^a Howland 3.rd** Report that that matter is not fully settled therefore S^d matter is Refer.^d to next mo meeting under their Care and then they to make Report---

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The friends that were appointed to Inquire into **John Rickertson**,^s Clearness Respecting marriage Reports that they find nothing So materal as to hinder their Proceeding in marriage

J.R. had
his Answer

John Ricketson and **Sarah Morell** appear.^d for their answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the friends that this meeting

appoints for that purpose and **Thomas Hicks & W^m Barker** are appointed to See their marriage Consomated orderly and make report next mo meeting

*M:Wing
under
Dealing*

A former minute of this meeting made in 8th mo 1753 Respecting **Mary Wing** was read in this meeting whereby it appears She had been Under Dealing and had not "Received her as a friend in full Unity but Suspended the matter for Some further Proof of her Sincerity" And this meeting taking the matter into Consideration do appoint **William Anthony^{ju} Gideon Howland Sam.^{el} Smith** to Inquire into her Life and Conversation where She hath Lived, for a further Proof of her Sincerity and make Report next mo meeting

H.Smith Confession

Henry Smith gave in a Paper this meeting Condemning Some Expressions he made in his Pation to Oder [?] which this meeting Accepts

*J.Slocum
Complain.^d
of*

Thomas Hicks hath Exhibited a Complaint against **Jonathan Slocum** for Refusing or Neglecting to pay his Rate for the year 1768 therefore this meeting doth Appoint **Benj.^a Smith^{ju} Benj^a Slocum & George Smith** to Enquire into the Reason of ^{ye} **Slocums** Refusing to pay S^d rate & Report next mo meeting

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1776*

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*G.H. &
wives
Confession*

Gideon Howland the 2nd with his wife **Catherin** Gave in a paper to the Preparative meeting Condemning their falling into the Sin of fornication and marrying Nigh of kind, but by Reason of S^d paper being mislaid & not brought to this meeting the matter is Refer,^d to next mo meeting and the Clerk is Desir,^d to Brouse[?] Said paper to S^d meeting

*Repre:
sentatives
to y^e Q.
meeting*

The Queries were answer,^d in this meeting and an Epistle Sign,^d for the Quarterly meeting and order,^d forward to S.^d Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Barzillia Tucker William Anthony^{ju} James Davis** & they to make Report next mo meeting

*4 mo
1776*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th y^e 4th month 1776 the Representatives are **Caleb Russell & Joseph Barker** present The Committee Appointed to Labour with **Jesiah Wood** Reports they have fulfilled their appointment therein and that he Refuses to Comply with the advice & Judgment of this meeting there: =fore the Clerk hath Sign,^d a paper of Denial against him

*Josiah
Wood
Disown,^d*

*Daniel
Smith
Disown,d*

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

*B.Shear=
=man & o
case refer,d*

The friends appointed to Join the Overseers in Labouring with **Benj^a Shearman** & Some young People for going to places of frolicking, Report that they have not fulfilled their appointment in that matter therefore they are Still Continued in that Service and to Report next mo meeting

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1776*

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*Ben Howland case
referd*

The Committee appointed on account of **Benj^a Howland 2nd** Report that they have made Some progress in that matter but finding things things not fully settled to friends Satisfaction therefore Said matter is Still Continued Under their Care and they to Report to next monthly meeting

J.Ricketson married

One of the friends appointed to See the marriage of **John Ricke=
=tson** and **Sarah Moral** consomated Report that he attended Said marriage and did not see but that it was Consomated in good order, the other friend Reports that he was Detain,^d by Sickness and did not attend S^d marriage

*Case Mary
Wing referd*

The Committee appointed on account of **Mary Wing** Reports that they ~~gave~~ have made Some progress and this meeting thinks proper that they Inform S,^d **Mary Wing** of their appoint=
=ment therefore S,^d matter is Refer,^d under their Care one month Longer and then they to make Report---

*Case of Jonathan
Slocum
Settled*

The Committee appointed on Account of **Jonathan Slocum** Reports that Said **Slocum** hath paid his Rate to **Tho.^s Hicks** and the the matter is Settled---

*Return
from y^e
Q. meeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended and have produced an Epistle from S.^d meeting which was read and well Accepted--- they Define in Said Epistle Some Assistance towards Defraying the Charge of building the meeting house at **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co. RI]** therefore this meeting Appoints **Caleb Russell Tho^s Hicks Russell Tho.^s Mott Giles Slocum & W^m Barker** to Draw Subscriptions & Sign them in behalf of this meeting and Receive the money of Each member as they in their freedom Shall See fit and **Caleb Russell** is order,^d to pay the Same to the Said **Smithfield** meeting and they to make Report of the Sum So Collected to next mo meeting

*Committee
to raise
money*

4 month
1776

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*Gideon
Howland
and wife
paper*

Gideon Howland 2.nd & Catherine his wife gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning their falling into the Sin of fornication and marring[marrying] nigh in kind, Therefore we appoint **Benj^a Taber John Williams** and **Joseph Barker** to Join the women and take an Oppertunity of Conferrence with them in order to Discover their Sincerity in that matter and make Report next mo meeting

*Committy
to Revise
y^e minut*

We appoint **W.^m Anthony ^l Samuel Smith Gideon Howland** and **Thomas Hicks** to Revise and Correct the monthly meeting minutes in order to goe on Record, Also to Settle Accounts with the Treasurer and make Report next monthly meeting---

*Chusing
overseer
referd*

The Chusing[Choosing] Overseers is Refer,^d to next monthly meeting and the former ones is continued untill there be a new Choice it.^s Concluded that all our meetings Except at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** begin at the Eleventh hour untill the monthly meeting in the tenth month next

*P.Giff
under
Dealing
Baptice*

The Overseers Inform that **Peleg Gifford j^{un}** hath been to a Baptice meeting and undertook to Emitate them in Singing which we thing very unbecoming one of our profession--- and tis the mind of this meeting that S.^d **Gifford** aught to publickly Condemn S.^d misconduct therefore we appoint **Abraham Howland Benj^a Smith j^u Philip Allen** to Labour with him on that account and make Report next monthly meeting---

*order to pay
Tim Russell
for hay*

The Treasurer is order,^d to pay **Timothy Russell** 9^s/£:m: to pay for hay which was Expended at our Quarterly meeting last faull---

*A.Rick
Disown,d*

The Committee appointed Some time past to have the care of that matter Respecting **Abraham Ricketson** Report that they have had S^d matter under Consideration and now Inform that they have no Satisfaction from S^d **Ricketson** therefore we hereby Disown the S^d **Abraham Ricketson** from under our Care and **Tho^s Hicks** is appointed to Inform Him thereof

T.R. paid

This meeting Collected £7["]3^s"4^d old tennor—The Treasurer reports that he paid **Timothy Russell** the above 9^s/ as order,^d

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*5^{mo}
1776*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th the 5th mo 1776 The Representatives are **Joseph Barker & Tho.^s Hicks** present

G. Handy Publish,^d **George Handy** and **Mary Potter** Declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage and were Desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer, and **Samuel Smith** and **Abraham Howland** are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and Report to next monthly meeting---

Choosing Overseers refer,^d The Choosing of Overseers is Refer,^d to next monthly meeting
The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against **Jesiah Wood** and **Daniel Smith** as order,^d. Said Testimonies are as followeth

J. Wood Denial Whereas **Jesiah Wood** having made Profession with us, and under the care of this meeting, yet hath so far Departed from the Principal of Truth and the Testimony thereof as to be found in the practice of mending or Repairing Guns, or fire arms (So called) for the use of war and friends having Labour,^d with him Repeatedly in much Love in order to Discover to him the Evil thereof, and to Reclaim him there from, but friends Avise and Admonision not having the Desired and he Continuing in the Said Practice to the Dishonour of Truth and Grief of faithfull friends, Therefore for the maintaining of our Testimony herein, This meeting is Concern,^d to Give this forth as a Publick Denial Against him, and do hereby disown him the S^d **Jesiah Wood** from being a member of our Society, and from under the care of this meeting. Desiring Nevertheless that he may Return from the Error of his way, and by an unfeigned Repentance and Acknowledgement of the Evil thereof, Return to the way of truth Given forth & Signed in & on behalf of our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th y^e 4th mo 1776 by – **W^m Anthony jur** Clerk

Dan Smith denial Whereas **Daniel Smith** Son of **Humphry Smith** of **Dartmouth** in the County of **Bristol** in the Province of the **Massachusetts** Bar in **New England**, having been Educated and made Profession with friends but hath so far Departed therefore as to frequently take too much Spiritous Liquors to the Reproach of that holy and name that he hath protended to make profession of also hath much neglected attending of meetings, and friends having Labour^d with him in Love for his Recovery but our Labour not having its Desir,^d Effect therefore for the Clearing of truth and the testimony we hear from such Practices this meeting is Concern.^d to give this forth as a Publick testimony against him & do hereby disown him the S.^d **Daniel Smith** from being a member of our Society untill by a Reformation he Shall Return from the Error of his ways & be Restored to the way of truth Given forth & Signed in and by order of our monthly meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** the 15th y^e 4th mo 1776 by **W^m Anthony ju** Clerk

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*5 month
1776
Benj
Howland 3
case referd*

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The Committee appointed on account of **Benjamin Howland 3rd** Report that the matter is not fully Setled therefore Said matter is Refer,^d to next monthly meeting under the Care of the Same Committee as heretofore and then they to make Report

*M. Wing
Disown, d*

The Committee appointed on account of **Mary Wing** Report that they have fulfilled their appointment therein and by Enquiry they do not find her Life and Conversation hath Manifested a Sincere Repen-
=tance in Respect to her Crimes for which She was under Dealing therefore this meeting Concludes to disown her from being a member of our Society and the Same Com,^{tee} are appointed to Draw up a paper against her and bring it to the next monthly meeting

*R. Case
Receiv, d*

The women Inform that **Rachel Case** wife of **John Case** is Receiv,^d as a member among them they also Inform they Receiv,^d a Removal Certificate for **Phebe Beard** Daughter of **John Beard** which is accepted

*Ben Sher=
=man case*

The Committee appointed to Laboure with **Benj^a Sherman** Reports They have fulfilled their appointment and he Acknowledges his Desit[Deceit] in not attending our meetings, but they do not find upon full Inquiry that he Join,^d with those in a frolick but hapened there on the account of Business which Report is accepted

*young pe=o
=pel case
refer^d*

The Committee appointed to Joine or assist the overseers in Labouring with the young people Reporte they have not gone through with S^d Service they are therefore Still Continued in that Service and to make Report next monthly meeting

*Report on
Collecting
money*

The Committee appointed to Draw Subscriptions & Collect money for the use of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** meeting Report they have made Some Progress therein but not finished it they are Continued for that Service and to Report next monthly meeting.

*P. Gifford jn'
gave in a
paper*

Peleg Gifford jⁿ gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning his misconduct which is Refer,^d to next mo meeting by reason the Committee appointed on that account are not fully Satisfied and they are Continued in that Service and to Report next monthly meeting

*C: Green
Paper
accepted*

Tho.^s Hicks Reports he hath Inform,^d **Abraham Ricketson** of his Denial as order,^d **Caleb Green** hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Procuring the Printing of a Small Pamphlet on the Subject of paying Taxes that was not Discovered by the yearly meetings Committee for Viewing manuscripts which paper is accepted for Satisfaction

*5 month
1776
Dan Wood
request a
Certificate*

Daniel Wood Requests a Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of the **Oblong[Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]**, and this meeting appoints **James Davis** and **Caleb Russell** to Enquire into his Circumstances and draw one for him if they think proper and bring it to next mo meeting

Gid Howland case referd The Committee Appointed to Confer with **Gideon Howland 2nd** Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction but the Receiving his paper is Refer,^d to next mo meeting under the care of the Same Committee & then they to make report

Settlement with y^e treasury The Committee appointed to Revise & Correct this meetings minuts Report they have fulfilled their Appointment also Setled Accounts with the treasurer and there Remains in the Stock £6["]5["]9^d Lawfull money---

C.Russell Request **Charles Russell** Gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the Sin of fornication for which transaction he wa Denie,^d and Requests to be Receiv,^d again under friends care Therefore this meeting appoints **Prince Allen & Benj^a Smith j^{ner}** to take an oppertunity of Solid Conference with him in order to Discover his Sincerity and to make Report next mo meeting

Report of y^e meeting at Bedford The friends Appointed to have the Oversight of the meeting at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** Report that S^d meeting hath been held & Kept as orderly as Usual and they Still Request S^d meeting may be Continued as heretofore untill the monthly meeting in the forth month next year which is granted and **Caleb Russell** and **Seth Russell & James Davis** are Appointed to have the oversight thereof and to make Report at the Expiration thereof---

B Smith bill **Benj^a Smith j^u** gave in a bill for doing for the poor to the amount of £6["]14["]8^d Lawfull money which is accepted and the treasurer is order^d to pay S^d money & Report next mo meeting---

This meeting Collected --- £6["]2["]11^d old tennor

6^{mo} 1776 At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th the 6^{mo} 1776 - **Thomas Hicks** is appointed Clerk for this Day the Representatives are **W^m Sandford & Nicholas Howland** present This meeting Adjourns to the 24th Instant after y^e meeting of worship---

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6 month 1776 This meeting meet by Adjournment y^e 24th 6^{mo} 1776 the Representatives being Called both Present The friends appointed to Inquire into **George Handy^s** Clearn[ess] Respecting marriage and Conversation Report that they have taken the Necessary care on that account and find

nothing to hinder their Proceeding

*G Handy
Answer*

George Handy and **Mary Potter** appear^d for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting Advising with the Overseers that this meeting Shall appoint for that purpose, and **Abraham Howland** and **Samuel Smith** are appointed to See their marriage Consomated orderly and Report next mo meeting

*Overseers
appointed*

Our friends **Joseph Barker Thomas Hicks W^m [William] Barker James Davis & W^m Anthony j^{ur}** are appointed Overseers for the year Ensuing

*appointing
overseers
of poor
referd*

The appointing Overseers of the poor is Refer^d to next monthly meeting

*Gid Benj
Howlands
case refer^d*

The Committee appointed on account of **Benj^a [Benjamin] Howland 3rd** made Somewhat a Satisfactory Report on that account yet the Receiving of S^d **Howland^s** paper is Refer^d to next monthly meeting under the Care of the former Committee and **Prince Allen & W^m Barker** are ad[d]ed to them and they to Report next mo meeting

*Mary Wing
case refer^d*

The Committee appointed on account of **Mary Wing** have Prepar^d a paper agreeable to Appointment, yet that mat[t]er is still Continued to next monthly meeting under Care of S^d Committee

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*6 month
Visit of
D F and
J - Perry*

Our Beloved friends **David Faris** and **John Pery [Perry]** have attended this meeting with their Certificates from the monthly meeting of **Willminton [Wilmington]** in the **County of New Cassell [New Castle]** on **Dillewar [Delaware]** [*originally written on one line*]

Dated the 15th of the 5th month 1776 – which were Read to Satisfact[ion] and their Visit well Accepted

*Visit of
R W and
P- Yarnall*

Also our Beloved friends **Phebe Yarnall** and **Rebecca Wright** were at this meeting with their Certificates, the former from the monthly meeting held at **Concord [Concordville Delaware Co. PA]** in **Chester County Pennsylv**

vania the 7th of the 2nd mo 1776 The Latter from the monthly meeting held at **Chesterfield [Burlington Co. NJ]** the 2nd day of y^e 5th mo 1776, which were read to Satisfaction & their Visit Kindly Accepted _____

*on account of
young people*

The Committee Appointed to Assist the Overseers in Labouring with Some of the young People, Report they have made Some further Progress therein and that they Beleive it to be of Service therefore they are Continued to Proceed further in that matter as they may find themselves Engaged therein and to make Report thereof to the next monthly meeting

*Queries
Answer^d*

The Queries have been Read and Answers thereto Read & approved . - This meeting is Informed that **Thomas Allen**

T -Allen
Disown^d (Son of **Francis**) hath married out of the Unity of Friends
Notwithstanding his being Previously Cautioned to desist
therefore this meeting doth Disown him the Said **Thomas Allen**
from being a member of our Religious Society & **Benj^a Taber**
is appointed to Inform Said **Allen** of his Denial & Report next
monthly meeting

Adjourn This meeting Collected — — — £10 " 5^s " 9^d old tenor
This meeting Adjourns to the 26 Instant after the meeting for
worship

mett

Peleg Gifford Ju
case referd This meeting meet by adjournment the 26th y^e 6th mo 1776
the Representatives both Present
The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting
Peleg Gifford J^u Report that they Satisfied on that [*next word is faded*]
but the Receiving S^d **Gifford^s** paper is Referd to next mo meeting
by Reason he is not [*smudged*] present

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6 month
1776
D-Wood
Certificate A Removal Certificate of **Daniel Wood** Directed to the monthly
meeting at the **Oblong [Dutchess Co NY]** was Signed in this meeting —

Case of Gid
Howland 2
referd The Matter Respecting **Gideon Howland 2nd** is Refer^d to next
monthly meeting under the Care of the former Committee who
are then to make Report

M Wing
Certificate
wife of Giles A Removal Certificate Directed to the monthly meeting
of the **Nine Partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** for **Mary Wing** wife of **Giles Wing** was
Signed in this meeting

Cha^r Russel
case referd The Committee Appointed to Confer with **Charles Russell**
Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction but his
not being present Said matter is Refer^d to next mo meeting
under the care of S^d Committee who are then to make Report

The treasurer Reports that he hath paid the money to **Benjamin**
Smith J^u as order^d last monthly meeting

Treasurer
report The Treasurer is order^d to pay **Timothy Russell** five Dollars
for half year^s keeping the meeting house and Report next
monthly meeting

mony
Rais^d
for Smith
-field The friends appointed to Collect money for the Use of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence**
Co, RI]
monthly meeting and pay to **Caleb Russell** for that purpose
Report (**Giles Slocum**) Excepted) [*sic*] that they have Collected and
paid Said **Russell** the Sum of -- £7 " 3^s " 7^d Lawfull money

A Wilcox Whereas **Amos Willcox** having a birthright among friends but we

under Dealing finding his Conduct & Conversation being very Inconsistent with our Profession (viz) going to frolicks [frolics?], bad Language and not attending meetings and he having been Labour^d with by the Overseers but he Continuing therein and we appoint **Benjamin Howland Prince Allen** [*sic*] to Labor with him as they find freedom and Report next mo meeting

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*Representa:
to y^e Q: meeting*

There was an Epistle Signed in this meeting to the Quarterly meeting we appoint our friends **Caleb Russell Thomas Hicks W^m Anthony J^u** to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistle and Answers to the Queries and Report next mo meeting —————

7^{mo}
1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 15th y^e 7^{mo} 1776
The Representatives are **W^m Barker & Prince Allen** present

*George Handy
marriage*

The friends appointed to See **George Handy** and **Mary Potter^s** marriage Consomated Report that they attended S^d marriage & Saw nothing but that it was Solemnised orderly

*overseers
of y^e Poor*

We appoint our friends **Abraham Howland Prince Allen Philip Allen Joseph Tucker J^{ur} Caleb Russell & Benj^a Rider** Overseers of the Poor for the year Ensuing. - - - - -

*E. Taber
Disownd*

One of the Overseers Inform that **Edward Taber** is married out of the Unity of friends after being precaution^d Therefore we do Disown him the Said **Edward Taber** from being one of our Society and **John Williams** is appointed to Inform him of his Denial and Report to next monthly meeting

*Case of Benja
Howland 3
referred*

The matter Respecting **Benjamin Howland 3^d**[?] is Refer^d to next mo meeting under the Same friends care as heretofore & then they to make Report. - -

*Case of young
people refer^d*

The Committee that was to Joine the Overseers in Labouring with Some young People, Report they have not Completed S^d business therefore they are Still Continued & **Prince Allen** is ad[d]ed to them and they to Report next mo meeting

*Mary Wing
case referd*

The Matter Respecting **Mary Wing** is Refer^d to next mo meeting ^{ration} under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore for further Consideration

*Peleg Gifford J^{ur}
case referd*

The matter Respecting **Peleg Gifford J^{ur}** is Refer^d to next mo meeting under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore they being not fully Satisfied[?] and then they to make Report

7 month

1776*C: Russel
accepted*

The Commit[t]ee that had the care of that matter Respecting **Charles Russell** made a Satisfactory Report on that account therefore this mee[ting?] Accepts of S^d **Russell** to be one under our care provided he cause the paper [he?] gave into the meeting to be Read publickly at the Close of a first day and he being present befor[e] next mo meeting & then Return S^d paper & Report its being read

*Treasurer
report*

The Treasurer Reports he paid **Timothy Russell** five Dollars as order[ed] last mo meeting

*A Wilcox
case refer^d*

The Committee appointed to Labour with **Amos Willcox** Report that they have not fulfilled their Appointment by reason when they went to [his?] place of abode he was not at home therefore they are Still Contin[ued?] in that Service & to make report next mo meeting —————

*Report
from y^e
Quarterly
meeting*

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all Attended S^d meeting And Produc^d an Epistle from the Same [which?] was Read and well Accepted, Together with a Transcript of Our last yearly meeting Epistle together with a number of Epistles from the yearly meeting & meeting of Sufferings in **London [England]** which Said Epistle[s] have been Reprinted and Distributed among most of friends famelies [families] of this meeting for their perusal [perusal]

*T Hicks
appointed
Elder*

This meeting appoints **Tho^s Hicks** an Elder and Refer the appointing more to next mo meeting

*Gid How=
=land 2
case refer^d*

The matter Respecting **Gideon Howland 2nd** is Refer^d to next mo meeting by reason the women have non [a]ccepted his wives paper This meeting Collected ————— — £8 1^s 8^d [old tenor?]

8 month

1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 19th the 8th mo 1776 the Representatives are **John Williams** present **Benj^a Smith J^u** not present by Reason of his attending funeral

*Edw Taber
not inform^d
of denial*

John Williams Reports that he hath not Inform^d **Edward Taber** of his Deniel as order^d therefore he is Continued to Compleat [Complete] S^d apointment And make Report next monthly meeting —————

*Tho Allen
inform^d*

Benjamine Taber Reports that he hath Informed **Thomas Allen** of his Deniel [Denial] as ordered

*Ben How=
=land 3
case refer^d*

Part of the Committy that had the car[e] of that matter Respecting **Benjamine Howland 3rd** Reports that have made Some progress but desire the matter [Referd?] therefore S^d matter is Referd under their Care and they to Report to next monthly meeting—— —————

8 month

1776*young people
case continued*

Some of the Committee that was to Join the Overseers in Labouring with Some of the young People Report that they have made Some progress and Desire S^d matter to be Continued therefore its Continue[d] to next mo meeting & then they to make Report

*M. Wing
Disownd*

This meeting Sign^d a paper of Deniel [Denial] against **Mary Wing** and the Clerk is order^d to Read S^d paper at the close of a first days meeting before next mo meeting & then they to make Report and **W^m Barker** is appointed to Inform her of her Denial & Report next mo meeting Said paper is as followeth

*her paper of
denial*

Whereas **Mary Wing** Some years past was under Dealing by this meeting (as appears by our Records) and altho She Gave in a paper Condemning her Misconduct, yet the meeting did not Receive her into full Unity but Suspended the matter for further Proof of her Sincerity. Now this meeting (of late) having made Enquiry into her Conduct and Conversation and Likewise have had Conference with her on that matter and doⁿot find a Sufficient Proof of a Sincere Repentan[ce?] but Rather the Contrary therefore this meeting doth deny her the Said **Mary Wing** from being a member of our Religious Society untill by a Sincere [sincere] Repentance and Return from the Evil of her ways as a Sure token thereof to the way of Truth & well doing Sign^d in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th y^e 8th month 1776 - by **W^m Anthony J^u** Clerk
Susana Smith C[lerk]

*report on Peleg
Gifford's case*

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting **Peleg Gifford J^{ur}** Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction therefore this meeting Accepts of S^d **Gifford** paper for Satisfaction provided he cause S^d paper to be publickly Read at the Close of a first Days meeting (he being present) before next mo meeting & then Return S^d paper & make Report S^d paper is as followeth

*P. Gifford
paper*

To the monthly meeting of friends to be held in **Dartmouth** on the 20 y^e 5^{mo} 1776 --- Dear friends being in A Sense of my misconduct when being at a meeting of another Society, in Singing Psalms with them, which I am Sorry for Considering it was not according to the Constitutional principles of our Profession So to do Desiring friends and all others therein Concern^d to pass it by that I may Remain under the care of this meeting is the Desire of your friend — — — — — - **Peleg Gifford J^{ur}**
Dartmouth 14 y^e 5^{mo} 1776

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*8 month
1776
Charles
Russell
paper not
read*

Report hath been made that **Charles Russell's** paper hath not been Read therefore he is Defer^d to Accomplish the Reading S^d paper as order[ed] and make report next mo meeting

*case of
Amos
Wilcox*

The matter Respecting **Amos Willcox** is Refer^d to next mo meeting by the Request of the Committee and then they to make Report . —

*Mary Spoo=
=ner deni^d*

The women Inform that they have Deni^{l[e]d} **Mary Sponer [Spooner]** wife to **Simson Spooner**

This meeting collected — — — — — - £9 8^s 3 old te[nor]

*adjourn
mett
8 mo
1776* This meeting Adjourns to next Second Day at y^e 11th hour - - -
Meet by Adjournment y^e 26 y^e 8th mo - 1776
The Representatives being called both present

*Case of
Gidi How
=land 2
referd* The matter Respecting **Gideon Howland 2nd** is Refer^d to next mo -
meeting by reason the women are not Ready to Receive his wifes paper
the Chusing [Choosing] of Elders is Refer^d to next mo meeting _____

*A G
Certificate* **Ann Gifford** Signified to this meeting that She hath a mind
to visit **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly meeting and Desir^d our Concurance
therein, And we approving of her Intended visit She being a
member of this meeting and her Publick Testimony well Accepted
among us And the Clerk is ordered to give her a Cobby of this
minute

*R. Hath
Disownd* This meeting is Inform^d that **Richard Hathaway** Son of **Caleb
Hathaway** hath Inlisted [Enlisted] & gone into the war very Conterary to our
profession therefore for the Clearing of truth friends thinks proper to
Disown him, hereby Denying the Said **Richard Hathaway** from under
our care and **John Williams** is appointed to [*smudge*] Inform him of his
Denial when he [has] an oppertunity and Report to this meeting

*D. Chase
acknow:
ledg^d* It appears that **David Chase** hath been under Dealing for [Some?]
Time for marr[y]ing out of the Unity of friends, And now part of the
Committee that had the care of that matter ~~Report~~ Making a
Satisfactory Report on that account and friend Concludes to accept
of his acknowlegment for Satisfaction

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*8 month
1776* We are Inform^d that **Abraham Smith** hath been Assisting
or fit[t]ing warlike Implements also paid money towards building
a fort and hath been Labour^d with by friends and Rather Jus-
*A:S and
E:Gifford
under
Dealing* -tifies S^d Conduct --- --- Likewise **Elihue Gifford** hath Join^d
with a Military Company in their Exercise by way of training &
hath been labour^d with also, and not Condemning S^d Conduct
therefore we appoint our friends **Caleb Russell John Williams
William Mosher & Joseph Tucker [J^{ur}?]** to Labour further with S^d
Smith and Gifford and make Report next mo meeting

*J. Case
Certificate* There was a Removal Certificate Sign^d in this meeting to the
monthly meeting of the **Oblong [Pawling Dutchess Co. NY]** for **Job Case** & his children

*List of those
Lately Removed
within the bounds
of Nine partners
monthly
meeting* This meeting hath Collected a List of the names of all the
persons who have Latterly Remov^d within the bounds of the
Nine partner[s] [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY] monthly meeting and inclos^d the Same in a letter
Directed to S^d mo meeting of y^e **Nine partners** ^the names of ye persons in Said List is as followeth
(Viz) **Jonathan Smith & Phebe** his wife, **Jonathan Hussey**
and **Hepzabeh** his wife & **Selvenus & Rachel** their Children &
their Granchild **Elisabeth Hussey Jonathan Hussey J^u & Content** his

wife, **Benj^a Russell** and **Anna** his wife and **Patience & John** Their Children; **Stephen Smith** and his Children namely **Jonathan Elihue** and **hannah, Elisabeth Smith** wife of **W^m Smith** & their Children namely **Gideon Zadock Judith Rebecca Catherin Caleb Noah ann & Elisabeth; David Anthony & Judith** his wife & their Children namely ^{Elihu} **Humphry Susana & hannah; Humphry Smith** and **Edieth** his wife and their Children namely **ann Neomy abigail Mary Mager Humphry & Peleg**, all the above at present & thereabouts, **Zephaniah Anthony & Wait** his wife and their Children namely **Ase[?]** and **Mary, Hannah Dennice[?]**, wife of **Tho^s Dennice, Lillis Baird** wife of **David Baird, Obediah Allen & Phebe** his wife & their Children **Ebenazar, Jonathan & James Daniel** Children **Tho^s Abigail Benj^a Elisabeth & John, Shadrick[?] Dennice[?]** & **abiel** their children **Hephzebah, Paul Noah & Jonathan, Rhoda Allen** wife & **Mary Wing** wife to **Giles wing**, there to **Saratoga, [Easton Washington Co. NY]** orter **Crick [or to Creek, NY?] [Clinton Cornors Dutchess Co. NY]** & [whit Cricks?] **Jedediah Allen & Eunice** his wife & their children **Matilda Sarah Polina wilson Pamela & Keziah, Isaac Sandford Oyman Kethrine[?], Neomy Sisson** wife to **John Sisson** at **Hoosack Bowdish** who hath Remov^d to **Saratoga** without Requesting one friends thereof

Cornal & his
his wife &
of **John Allen**
& thereabouts
walter Ruth
& Children
and **Gideon**
or Informing

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*9^{mo}
1776*

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** the 16th y^e 9th mo 1776 ——— The Representatives are **W^m Moshe[r]** and **Thomas Hicks** both present **John Williams** Reports that he hath Inform^d **Edward Taber** of his Denial as order^d - ———

*Edw Taber
informed
of denial*

*case of Ben
Howland 3
refer^d*

The matter Respecting **Benjamin Howland 3rd** is Refer^d to next mo^{ly} meeting under the care of the Same Committee as hereto[fore] and then they to make Report — — — — —

*Case of young
people refer^d*

The Committee appointed to Joine the Overseers in Labouring with Some young People Desires that matter Refer^d therefore its Refer^[d] to next mo meeting & then they to make Report — —

*Mary Wing
denial not
read*

The Clerk Reports that he hath not Read **Mary Wings** Deniel, and **W^m Barker** Reports that he Inform^d **mary wing** of her Denial [and?] Likewise Informs that S^d **mary Wing** Desires an appeal to the Quarterly meeting in the Winter Quarter ———

*P. G. &
C. R
papers been
Read*

Peleg Gifford J^u and **Charles Russell** having Caus^d Each of their papers to be Read as order^d or Requir^d by last mo meeting and have Return^d S^d papers to this meeting S^d papers as followeth To the Preparative and Monthly meetings of friends in **Dartmouth** Whereas I have gave way to the Ensenuations [Insinuations] of the Adversary So

far at [*sic*] to be guilty of the Sin of fornication with [**Jenisca?**]
Lumber whereby She Charg^d me on oath of being
father of her basterd Child which Reproachfull Sin
I am Sorrow for & do hereby Condemn Desiring
forgivness from the Almighty and that friends m^{ay} So
far pass by mine offence as to let me Remain under
their Care from your friend - - **Charles Russell**
Dartmouth y^e 15th [3?] ^{mo} 1774[?]

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A: **Wilcox**
paper

Amos Willcox hath given a paper to this meeting Condemning
his misconduct for which he hath been under Dealing but friends
not being fully Satisfied of his Sincerity the matter is therefore Continued
under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore for their Inspection
and a proof of his Sincerity & **W^m Sandford** is ad[d]ed to S^d Committee -

Gid. Howland 2
[&] wife paper
accepted

This meeting Conclud[e]s to Accept of **Gideon Howland 2^d** and wives paper
Condemning -their fal[l]ing into the Sin of fornication & marriing nigh[?]
in Kind for Satisfaction Provided they cause S^d paper to be publickly
Read at the Close of a first Days meeting he being present She being
unwell & Return it to next monthly meeting & Report of it being
Read

Committee to
raise money

There was Subscriptions Sign^d in this meeting to rais[e] money for
the yearly meeting Stock and we appoint our friends **Caleb Russell**
John Smith 2nd **Daniel Gifford** **George Handy** **Joseph Tucker J^u W^m**
Sandford to Receive the money of Each member and pay the Same
intotat the Treasury and Report to next monthly meeting of the Same
total So Collected & paid in
This meeting Collected — — — — — — — — — — -8 - 1 - 8 o.T. [old Tenor]

adjourn
mett

This meeting Adjourns to the 23 Day of this Instant at y^e 11th hour
Met by Adjournment the 23rd y^e 9^{mo} 1776 - - The Representatives
being Called both present — — — — — — — — — —

E: Russell
Complain^d of

The Overseers have Communicated a Complaint to this meeting
under the hand of **Sarah Davis** against **Elijah Russell** for
Refusing to Submitt a matter of Differance to men as the
Overseers Inform for which they Labour^d with him and he
Refuses as afores^d We appoint **Prince Allen W^m Mosher W^m Sandford**
to Inquire into the above S^d matter & Labour with S^d **Russell**
as they may find freedom and make Report next mo meeting

[Ch]useing Elders
refer^d

The Chusing [Choosing] of Elders is Referd to next mo meeting

Abra. Smith &
Elihu Giffords case
refer^d

The greater part of the Committee appointed to Labour with
Abraham Smith and **Elihu Gifford** Report that they
have Discharg^d themselves in that matter and S^d **Smith**
and **Gifford** Justifies their Conduct therein therefore **Sam^{ll}**

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Samuel Smith is appointed to Draw a Testimony against them & bring to next mo meeting and **Caleb Russell** is appoin[ted] to Inform them thereof & Report next mo meeting

Compl[a]int
against
Abra Wood

We are Inform^d that **Abraham Wood** is in practice of fit[t]ing guns for the use of war, And friends having Labour^d with him to Desist but he Still Continues therein - —

Complaint
against
Isaac Howland 2 & Jos Russel Ju

Also we are Inform^d that there is a Negro man held in a State of Slavery by **Isaac Howland 2nd & Joseph Russell J^u** and friend having Labour^d with them on that account therefore we appoint **Benjamin Smith J^u Benjamin Howland 2nd Joseph Tucker J^u Samuel Smith & William Sandford** to Labour further with S^d Wood [*word crossed out*] on that account Likewise with **Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell J^u** on that account & make Report next mo meeting

^{ives}
Representa
to Q meeting

The Queries were Answer^d in this meeting and an Epistle Signd to the Quarterly and order^d forward by our Representatives who are **Joseph Tucker Sam^l Smith W^m Barker** and they to Report next mo meeting

10^{mo}
1776

B Howlan^d
paper
Accepted

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 21st y^e 10^{mo} 1776 The Representatives are **W^m Barker & Joseph Barker** presen[t] this meeting Accepts of **Benjamin Howland 3rd** paper for Satisfac^{tion} Condem[n]ing his going in Company with men that took away guns for the Use of war, Provided he cause S^d paper to be Publickly read at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship he being present before next mo meeting & then Return S^d paper and Report of its being read

Gid Howland
paper read

Report hath been made of **Gideon Howland 2nd & wives** paper being Read as order^d & is Returned to this meeting
Said paper is as followeth

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G.H. & wives
paper

To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of [**A**]poneganset [**Dartmouth, Bristol Co. MA**] to be held the 13th & 18th Days of the 3^{mo} 1776

Dear friends Whereas we through unwatchfulness have fallen into the Sin of fornication as appears by our having a child So Soon after marriage for which we are Sorry Desiring the Lord may forgave us and friends pass it by together with our marr[y]ing nearer in kin than is allowable among friends hoping for the futer [future?] through Divine Assistance we may be Enabled to walk more Circumspect that friends would Still Continue us under

their Care
Dated this 13th y^e 3^{mo} 1776

Gideon Howland 2
Catherin Howland

*Case of Labouring
with youths Con=
tinued*

The Committee appointed to Join the Overseers in Labouring with Some of our youth Desire that matter Refer^d therefore S^d matter is Refer^d to next mo meeting & then they to make Report

*Raising money
for yearly meeting
referd*

The Committee appointed to rais[e] money for the yearly meeting Stock Desire S^d matter to be Continued therefore its Refer^d to next mo meeting and then they to make Report

*Elis^a Russell
case referd*

The Committee appointed to Labour with **Elisabeth Russell** Report that they have Inquir^d into S^d matter as order^d and Labour^d much with S^d **Russell** to Settle with **Sarah Davis** or leave the matter to men all w^hich S^d **Russell** Intisly [intensely?] Refuses to Comply with yet by the Request of **Benjamin Smith** it is Refer^d one month longer under the Care of the Same Committee and then they to make Report

*appointment
of Elders
Refer^d*

The Appointing of Elders is Refer^d to next mo meeting **Caleb Russell** Reports that he Inform^d **Abraham Smith** and **Elihu Gifford** of their Denial as order^d and there was a testimony Sign^d against S^d **Smith & Gifford** & the Clerk is order^d to read S^d Testimonies Publicly as usual -& Report next mo mee^{ting}

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*10 month
1776*

/To the Monthly Meeting of friends in **Dartmouth** to be [held?] the 20th day of 2nd month 1775

*C Green
and wives
paper*

Whereas we have gone Conterary to good order with friends in marrying near of kin, and [f...?] among friends And as we have offended in both these things which we are Sorry for and do Condemn an[d] as we are truly Desirous to remain under your care [we?] hope you can find it clear with yourselves on deliberat[e] thought and tenderness towards us to pass by this fault Praying the Allwise Director may So order our Steps for the future in the paths of truth that henceforth we may justly be called your Affectionnate friends

Caleb Green
Elisabeth Green

*[illegible words
written vertically
in this column]*

*Isa: Howlan^d
Jos Russel
Abra Wood
cases refer^d*

The friends appointed to Labour with **Isaac Howland 2nd** and **Joseph Russell J^{ur} & Abraham Wood**, not having not having [sic] Completed the matter It is therefore Refer^d to next mo meeting and Said friends Continued for that Service & then to make Report

Return from y^e Qu meeting The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report they all attended S^d meeting and have Produc^d an Epistle from the Said meeting which was read and well Accepted

Certificate for A:Allen This meeting Sign^d a Certificate for **Abraham Allen** to the monthly meeting of the **nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]**, as he is a going to viset [visit] his friends within the co^mpass of S^d meeting

Ben Smith Bill **Benjamin Smith J^u** gave in a bill for keeping **Else Smith** to the amount of £36 " 8^S old tennor which the Treasurer is order^d to pay & Report next mo meeting

This meeting Collected £1 " 4^S " [0?] Lawfull money

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11^{mo}
1776

Sam Howland Certificate At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth 18th 11^{mo} 1776** the Representatives are **W^m Barker & W^m Mosher** Present Receiv^d a Certificate from **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** monthly meeting Seting [forth?]

Sam Howland proposal of marriage **Samuel Howland^s** Clearness Respecting marriage — — ———— **Samuel Howland & Mary Smith** Declar^d their Intentions of marriage and were Desir^d to wait till next mo meeting for their Answer

Ben Howland 3 paper read [?]Report hath been made of **Benjamin Howland 3rd** paper being Read and is Return^d to this meeting S^d paper is as followeth

Dartmouth the 14th of the 2nd month 1776

To the Monthly Meeting of **Dartmouth**

Beloved friends

Ben Howland paper I hereby Condemn my Going in Company with those that took Guns in order to be used in the millitary Service with all my misconduct in that matter hoping thro^[?] Divine Assistance to be preserved from the Like behaviour in future and I Desire friends So far to pass by this mine [my] offence as to Let me Remain under their Care, freely Acknowledging friends Kindness Extended towards me in this matter and much Desir=
=ing that for time to come I may So walk as to be Justly Called your beloved friend — — — — — **Benjamin Howland 3rd**

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

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11 month

1776
Epistles
Receiv^d

This meeting Receiv^d Some Printed Epistles from the yearly meeting at **Philidelpia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** which is Destributed among friends also one from the yearly meeting of Ministers & Elders, both which were Read & Kindly Accepted —————

This meeting Collected £0 – 13^S – 2^d Lawfull money ———

adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to the 27th Instant after the meeting of worship which is to begin at the 11th hour

mett

This meeting meet by Adjournment the 27 of the 11^{mo} 1776 the Representatives being Called both Present —————

Raising money referd

The Committee appointed to rais[e] money for the yearly meeting Stock, not being Ready to make Report therefore the matter is Refer^d to next mo meeting and then they to Report

Case of Elijah Russell

The Committee appointed to Labour with **Elijah Russell** Report that they have had a nother Oppertunity with S^d **Russell (B: Smith Present)** and he Declines Submitting the matter to men agreeable to the Advice of S^d Committee, therefore this meeting taking S^d matter into Consideration, It is Our Sense & Judgment that he the S^d **Russe[II]** ought to Settle the Same with **Sarah Davis** before the next mo meeting or Submit S^d matter to men and the S^d Committee are Desir^d to Inform him hereof & to make Report next mo meeting

Chusing Elders referd

The matter of Chusing [Choosing] Elders is Refer^d to next mo meeting

denial of to be Sign^d & read

Whereas the Testimony against **Abraham Smith & Elihu Gifford** that was brought & Read at Last mo meeting not being Sign^d by an Omission [omission] of the Clerk he is therefore now order^d to Sign the Same & Read it as order^d before & make Report next mo meeting

Case of I:Howls J:Russ^{Ju} referd

The Committee Appointed to Labour with **Isaac Howland** and **Joseph Russell J^u** and **Abraham Wood** Report that they have fulfill^d their apointment therein & Said **Wood** Refuses to Comply with friends A[d]vice but Continues to mend guns for the Use of war therefore therefore [*sic*] this meeting doth Deny S^d **Wood** from being a member [of] our Society and S^d Committee is order^d to Draw a Testimony against him & bring it to next mo meeting

A Wood deny^d

they

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also Report that **Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell** have ~~of Late~~ not fully Compli^d with friends Advice in Regard to the Negro, the matter is therefore Refer^d to next month[ly] meeting under the care of S^d Committee

and then they to make Report — —————

J A
[case?]

Jedediah Allen gave in a paper Condem[n]ing his misconduct and Requests[?] to Come under friends Care again, And we appoint **Joseph Barker** and **W^m Barker** to have an Oppertunity of Conferrance with **S^d Allen** in order to Discover the Sencerity and motive of his Request and Report next monthly meeting

C Rus
paper
accept
ed

Caleb Russell Gave in a paper to this meeting Condem[n]ing his having a hand in Conveying Some Goods Called prise Goods and being with those that Sold Such Goods & Drinking with them; which this meeting Accepts^{for Satisfaction} Provided he Cause the Same to be Publicly Read at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship (he being Present) between this and next mo meeting and then Return **S^d** paper

[f]ence
round
meeting
house

The Committee appointed to fence the Land round the meeting house Report that they have Compleated **S^d** matter and Repa[i]r^d the meeting house and brought in their bill whis [which?] is – £5 " 4^s " 4^d L:[lawful] money Exclusive of those that gave work — —————

Little
House

This meeting Conclud[e]s to build a Little house for the Use of friends at our meeting house, And we appoint **William Sandford** to Comput[e] **S^d** business as Soon as he can with Convenency & bring in his account The Treasurer Reports he hath paid **Benj^a Smith J^u** £36 - 8^S old tennor as order^d

12^{mo}
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Sam^l
Howland
answer

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 16th 12th mo 1776 the Representatives are **W^m Sandford & Samuel Smith** present **Samuel Howland** and **Mary Smith** appear^d for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting [advising?] with the friends that Shall be appointed for that purpose and we appoint **W^m Mosher** and **Joseph Gifford** to See their marriage Consomated in good order and make Report next mo meeting the Committee

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1776
Case of
Elij Russ
Settled

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting **Elijah Russell** Reports that **S^d Russell** and **Sarah Davis** hath Set[t]led **S^d** matter or Contrevercy [Controversy]

Testimony
against
Abr Wood
Signd -

There was a Testimony Against **Abraham Wood** Sign^d in this meeting by the Clark [Clerk] and he is order^d to Read it Publicly at the Close of a firs[t] Days meeting for worship and make Report next mo meeting

Case of
I. Howland

The Committee appointed to have the Care of that matter Respect= =ing **Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell J^u** freeing his Negro Report that

J Russel Ju refer^d Said friends have not Completed S^d matter therefore the Same Committee are Still Continued in that Service & to make Report next mo meeting _____

Jede:Allen Receiv^d The Committee that had the Care of the matter Respecting **Jedediah Allen**^s Requesting to Come under friends Report that they have had an oppertunity of Conferrance with him and Receiv^d a Degree of Satisfaction therefore Said **Allen** is Received under friends Care _____

money Rais^d The Committee appointed to raise money by way of Subscription for the yearly meeting Stock Report that they have Rais^d and paid into the Treasurer · -£12 – 3^s - 6^d Lawfull Money the Clerk Reports he hath Read the testimony against **Abraha[m] Smith & Elihu Gifford** as order^d Last m_o meeting S^d paper is as followeth

Abra Smith Elihu Giff denial Whereas **Abraham Smith & Elihu Gifford** having ma[de] Profession with us & under the care of this meeting, But have So far Departed from the way of Truth and the Testimony thereof as to be found in joining with & measurably Supporting of war or preparation for the Same particularly the S^d **Smith** hath paid money towards the building a fort & also in fit[t]ing Some war like Impaments [Implements?] and they having been Tenderly Labour^d with by friends to Desist from & Condemn their S^d Conduct but our Labour therein not obtaining the Desir^d Effect, But they Still Justifying the Same this meet[in]g therefore being Concern^d for the maintaining our Testimony against all outward worst fighting and preparations for the Same do give this forth as a testimony against them hereby Disowning them the S^d **A:Smith & E:Gifford** from being members of our Society and from under the care of this meeting Untill by unfeigned Repentance & Return from the Error of their ways they Shall be Restor^d to y^e [the] way of truth Given forth and Signed on behalf of our mo meeting held in **Dartmouth** 21st 10^{mo} 1776 by
William Anthony J^{ur} Clerk

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12 month 1776 **Caleb Russell** hath Caus^d his paper to be read as order^d and Returnd is as followeth - -

To the Preparative and Monthly meetings of friends next to be held in **Dartmouth**

Dear friends

C Russell paper Being under a Sense of my Error in having a Concern or hand in those Goods Called Prize Goods [booty], So far as to assist in Carting or Conveying Some of them a Small distance & being with them that Sold Such goods & Drinking with them Some wine & water, and having found my self mind Troubled therewith am real[l]y and heartily Sorry for it not thinking it according to the principales of our profession to have any hand in Such Goods Desiring friends will pass this by and that I may be more watchfull for the future from your[^]affectionate friend
Dartmouth 12th of 11^{mo} 1776 **Caleb Russell** —

Caleb Rus Ju Davi Sheph & **Caleb Russell j^{ur}** and **David Shepherd J^{ur}** gave in papers to this meeting Condemning their misconduct, the first in Carting of

paper accepted Prise [prize] Goods the Latter for going as Pilot in a Prise Vessell [privateer] which this meeting Accepts for Satisfaction - - - _____

Divers friend^d [condemn?] their misconduct Also **Giles Slocum Elihu Slocum Timothy Howland & Jon^a [Jonathan] Tucker** have appear^d in this meeting and Verbally Confes[s]ed & Condem[n]^d their having been Concern^d in buying Carting or Conveying of prise [seized] Goods which this meeting also Accepts for Satisfaction - _____

Order on Treasurer The Treasurer is order^d to pay **Timothy Russell** five Dollars for half years keeping the meeting house and Report next mo meeting
adjourn This meeting Collected 17^S/5^d - Lawfull money - - - _____
This meeting adjourns to the 30th Day of this Instant at y^c 11 hour

mett Meet by Adjournment the 30th y^e 12^{mo} 1776
the Representatives being Called both present _____

Chusing Elder^s refer^d The Chusin[g] of Elders is Refer^d to next mo meeting _____

Complaint against Divers friends The Overseers Inform that **David Shepherd Briggs Jonathan howland Nicholass Lapham** hath purchased prise Goods and **Joseph Russ[ell] David Allen Elezer Allen Jonathan Allen & Tho^s Akin** hath been Carting prise goods [booty]

and

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and **Joseph Russell J^u** has taken Charge of Such goods when bid of at Vandue & Stord & Shipt them again all which S^d Overseers Report they have Labour^d with them but they have not Condemn^d S^d misconduct to friends Satisfaction therefore we appoint **W^m Mosher Samuel Smith Philip Allen Benj^a Howland 2nd John Williams** to Labour further with the above S^d friends and Report next monthly meeting

Queries Answer^d Representativ[e]s The Queries were Answer^d in this meeting and an Epistle Sign^d for the Quarterly meeting and order^d forward to S^d Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Tho^s Hicks Benj^a Howland 2nd W^m Anthony J^u W^m Mosher** and they to Report next mo meeting _____

Paper of denial to [draw^d?] against John Wood & W^m Haden The friends Appointed Some time past to Labour with **John Wood** and **W^m Haden** for their misconduct Report that they have fulfil[led] their Appointment therein but they Gave them no Real Satisfaction therefore S^d friends are Appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against them & bring it to next mo meeting

A Pass for Representa^tiv^es This meeting Sign^d a Certificate for our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Directed to the Commanding Offeser [Officer] of this Melitary [Military] Service Desiring their Leave for S^d Represen[ta]tives to pass on their way to S^d Quarterly meeting

1^{mo}
1777

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

Case of those
concern^d in
prize goods

The Committee appointed Last mo meeting to Labour
with those friends that Purchas^d prise [prize] goods Report that
they Lab[o]ur^d with S^d friends, and **Nicholass Lapham David Brigg[s]**
Jonathan Howland gave in papers to this meeting Condemning
S^d misconduct which is Accepted provided they Sign a Testimon[y]
against Such proceedure according to the Conclusion of this
meeting And this meeting Conclud[e]s / Notwithstanding the
minute of Last mo meeting, That all those friends that
hath Condemn^d S^d misconduct Sign a testimony against Such

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1777

Such proceedure to be publickly read as Usual in order to take
of the Report from the Society, and Said Committee are Desird
to Draw a Testimony for that purpose and Desire all those
friends that have ~~no~~ transgress^d as aforeS^d to Sign the Same
if they find freedom and bring to next mo meeting ———
and said Committee is Desir^d to Draw up Testimonies against
those friends that Decline making Satisfaction and bring
to next mo meeting —

Compl^{aint} a
gainst **Ralph
Allen**

Ralph Allen
disownd

We Understand that **Rhalf Allen** Son of **Benjamin Allen**
hath Inlisted & gone on bo[a]rd of a Vessell of war which being
Conterary to our profession therefore we hereby Disown the S^d
Rhalf Allen from being under our Care & the above Committee
is Desir^d to Draw a testimony against him & bring to next
mo meeting

W^m **Russell** Son
of **Tim** disownd

Likewise we Understand that **Wm [William] Russell** Son of **Timothy
Russell** hath Inlisted into the war & Cannot well be Spoake
with therefore we Disown the S^d **W^m Russell** from being
under our Care and the afore S^d Committee is order^d to
Draw a Testimoney against S^d **Russell** and bring it to
next mo meeting — — — —

Certificate for
Tho^s Allen

This meeting Sign^d a Certificate for **Tho^s Allen** to
the mo meeting of the **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** as he is a going there
to Visit his friends

This meeting Collected — . — — — — — — — £1 6^s 1^d
L. [lawful] money

adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to the 29th Instant after the
meeting for Worship which is to begin y^e 11th hour

Meet by Adjournment y^e 29th y^e 1^{mo} 1777 — —

mett The Representatives being Called both Present
The

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1777
Samuel
Howland
marriage

The friends appointed to See the Marriage of **Samuel Howland** and **Mary Smith** Report that they attended S.^d marriage and Saw nothing but that it was orderly Accomplished The Clerk Reports that he hath read the Testimony against **Abraham Wood** as order,^d Last mo meeting S.^d paper is as followet

Testimony
against
Abra Wood

Whereas **Abraham Wood** the Son of **Jesiah [Josiah] & Hannah Wood** Having had his Education Amongst friends, But by Departing from the Testimony of truth hath So far gone astray as to be found in the Practice of mending & Preparing of guns and Instruments of war and friends having Labour,^d with him in love in order to Reclaim him from a Practice So Inconsistant with the Profession he hath made but he Continuing in Said Practice. This meeting therefore doth Give this forth as a Testimony against him hereby Diso- wing him the Said **Abraham Wood** from being a Member of our Society untill by an Unfeigned Repentance & Acknowldgement of the Error of his way he Shall be Refer,^d to the way of Truth -- Given forth & Signd in & on behalf of our monthly meeting of friend. held in **Dartmouth** the 16th the 12^{mo} 1776 By ---

William Anthony J^u Clerk

Case of Isaac
Howland Ju
refer.d

Isaac Howland 2nd gave in a bill to this meeting Manimiting a Negro man named **Primus** but yet Some friends Doubting wheather S.^d Negro is fully free,^d therefore S.^d matter is Refer,^d under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore & they to Report next mo meeting

Treasurer
report

The Treasurer Reports that he paid 5 Dollars to **Timothy Russell** as order^d Last mo meeting

Return from
Q meeting

The Chusing of Elders is Refer,^d to next mo meeting The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended Except **Benj^a Howland 2nd** who Sent a Reasonable Excuse. They also brought an Epistle from S.^d meeting which was Read and well Accepted

Treasurer report

The Treasurer Reports that he hath Sent the money that was rais,^d to Supply the yearly meeting Stock according to the Direction of the yearly meeting which this meeting approves

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- 1777.* The friends Appointed to draw a paper of Denial against **John Wood** and **William Hayden** have brought S.^d paper which was Sign,^d by the Clerk, who is order,^d to read the Same as Usual & make Report next mo meeting S.^d friends also Inform that they have Inform,^d S.^d **Wood & Hayden** of their Denial
- paper of denial brought against J Wood & W^m Haden* **John Howland** being Return,^d from England hath Produc,^d a Certificate from the two weeks meeting held in **London [England]** the 25th the 3rd mo 1776 Certifying his Good Conversation while there and his Clearness from marriage Engagements which hath been Read & well accepted
- John Howland Certificate from London* The Overseers Inform that **Job Gifford Luthan Wood & Barker Little** have Purchas,^d Prize Goods, and they have Treated with them for their misconduct, and the matter is put under the Care of the Same Com,^{tt} that were appointed to Deal with the others under the Same Transgressions & to Report of them with the others
- Job Gifford Luthan Wood Barker Little purchase prize goods*
- Case of W^m Rus= =sell Tim Son referd* This meeting having Reconsider,^d the minute made at the first Seting of this meeting Respecting **W^m Russell** Son of **Timothy Russell** and do defer the denying of him untill a further Confirmation of his being inlisted into the war
- money to be raisd* **Joseph Gifford Philip Allen John Williams and Obediah Beird** are appointed to raise money by Subscriptions to pay the Cost of fencing in our Land Round the meeting house and make Report next mo meeting
- 2 month 1777* At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th the 2nd mo 1777
- Testimony Signd against Jos Russell Ju^r David Allen Ebenezer Allen Jonat Allen Ralph Allen* The Representatives are **Philip Allen & Joseph Tucker J^u** present The Testimonies against **Joseph Russells j^{ur} David Allen Elezer Allen Jonathan Allen And Rhalf Allen** were Sign,^d in this meeting by the Clerk who is order,^d to read the Same Publickly as Usual & report next mo meeting & **John Williams** is appointed to Inform them of their Denial & Report next mo meeting

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- 2 month 1777* A Manumition was Read in this meeting Signed by **John Akin** thereby manumiting an Indian boy Named **Hazzard** which is accepted for Satisfaction
- John Akin manimitt Indian boy named Hazzard^d*
- Papers accepted of Divers* The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that were transgressions in being Concern.^d with Prize goods brought Testimonies to this meeting Sign,^d by **Barker Little David Briggs Elihu Slocum Jonathan Howland & Timothy Howland David Shepherd J^u** and **Tho^s Akin** which Testimony

*friends
concerned
in prize
goods*

are Accepted for Satisfaction provided they Cause them to be Publicly read as Usual & Returnd & Report made to next mo meeting thereof – and Said Committee are Still Contin[ued?] to Labour with those Transgressors on them accounts who have not yet Complid with friends Advice, also to Draw testimony again[st] them that Decline making Satisfaction and Report next mo meeting.

*Case of Isaac
Howland
Ju refr^d*

The Committee that had the case of that matter Respecting **Isaac Howland J^u** freeing his Negro, Desires s.^d matter Continued therefore its Refer.^d to next mo. meeting and then they to Report

*W^m Mosher
an Elder*

This meeting Appoints **William Mosher** an Elder

*John Wood
W^m Haden
denial*

The Clerk Reports he hath the Testimonies against **John Wood** and **W^m Haydon** as order^d S.^d Testimonies is as followeth –

[written across margins]

Whereas **John Wood** & **W^m Haydon** has had their Education amongst friends yet by Giving way to the Insinuations of the adversary – they have been found guilty of Stealing watermillions from **John Shepherd** likewise y^e s^d **wood** has appeard with a Tumultuous Company by way of Riot very unbeco= ming the truth which we profess. Likewise S^d **Wood** & **Haden** has Proceeded in Marriage out of the Unity of friends, all which they have been Labour,^d with for in order to Convince them of the Evil of their ways but our Labour of love not having the Desir^d Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the Clearing of truth and friends from Such Evil Practises do hereby Disown the S.^d **John Wood** & **W^m Haden** from being members of our Religious Society and from under the care of this meeting Desiring If it be Consistant with Divine goodness they may come to Sight & Sence of their outgoings and by unfeigned Repentance be [returned?] to the way of [truth?] Given forth at our mo meeting held in **Dartmouth** the [?]1st Day 1st mo 1777 and Signed in and on behalf S.^d meeting by – **W^m Anthony [Ju]** Clerk

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*W^m Russells
denial confirm^d*

This meeting being now Confirm^d of **W^m Russell** having been in the wars therefore Do confirm the Denial of S^d **Russell** and the Committee Continued to Draw a Testimony against him as ordered Last mo meeting and Inform him thereof & Report next mo meeting.

*Friends to raise
money not ready
to report*

The Committee appointed to rais money, not being fully Ready to make Return therefore they are Continued in that Service & to Report next mo meeting –

*Complaint a
gainst
Walter Wood
he is denid*

We are Inform,^d that **Walter Wood** hath married out of the Unity of friends after being Precautiond by one of the [?] Therefore we Deny him the Said **Walter Wood** from being under the care of friends and **Joseph Tucker J^u** is appointed to Inform him thereof & Report next mo meeting

This meeting being Inform,^d that **Benj^a Russell** Son of **Benj^a Russell** Son of **Benj^a** hath purchas,^d or partook of prise goods

*Complaint a
Gainst **Benj
Russell**son
of **Benj** refer^d*

and been Labour,^d with, but not appearing to make S^d [V?tion]
therefore S.^d matter is Refer,^d under the Care of the Committee
appointed to Labour with transgressors of that [kind?] ---

*Complint a
gainst **Stephen Mott**
refer^d*

This meeting is Inform^d that **Stephen Mott** hath Inlisted into
the war and we Appointed **Caleb Russell** and **John Williams**
to treat with him and Draw a paper of Denial aganst
him if he Declines to make Satisfaction and make Report
next mo meeting –

Jos Mott deny^d

This meeting is Informed that **Joseph Mott** hath Remov^d
away a far distance from hence and married out of the
Unity of friends and as he cannot will be Labour,^d with by
Reason of his being gone away as afore S^d. Therefore this meeting
doth deny him from being a member of our Society.

*Amos Wilcox
disown^d*

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Concerning
Amos Willcox made Report that he hath Given them no
Satisfaction but Still Continues in this Transgressions therefore
this meeting doth deny him from being in membership
with us & S^d Committee are order,^d to draw a paper of Denial
against him & bring to next mo meeting also to Inform him of his
Denial.

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1777*

*Case of
**Simeon
Gifford***

The Clerk hath Signed a Certificate or Recommendation to the
monthly Meeting of the **NinePartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** for **Simeon Gifford**,
who
hath Remov^d there & married out of the Unity of friend^s. Request-
-ing them to take the matter with him under their Care.

*To Inspect
into the
Right of Member-
-Ship*

It hath been moved in this meeting to Consider the matter in [respect?]
to our members who Stand as members & who hath a proper ^{^[Birth?]} Right
by the Rules of our Society & who not therefore **Prince Allen W^m
Anthony J^m Tho^s. Hicks Benjamin Smith J^m & Samuel Smith** are
appointed as a Committee to Consider thereof and if they think
there needs a further Explanation to our yearly meeting minutes
in that Respect they are Desir^d to Draw up what they think
needfull in writing and bring it to next mo meeting –

This meeting collected - - - - - 0^L 16^s 1^d

L_mony

*3 month
1777*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 17th 3^{mo} 1777
the Representatives are **Prince Allen & Benj^a Howland 2nd** present

Testimony

*against
Jos Russell Ju
& the Allens
not read*

The Clerk Reports he hath not Read the Testimony^s against **Josep Russell J^u** & the Sons of **Benj^a Allen** as order^d Last mo mee[tin]g therefore he is Still Continues for that Service & to Report next mo meeting

*Confession
of Several
Traders in
Prize goods*

The friends (viz) **Barker Little David Briggs Elihu Slocum Jonathan Howland, Timothy Howland David Shepherd J^u Thos Akin** hath Caus^d their Testimonies to be read Publickly as order^d Last mo meeting & Return^d them to this meeting S^d Testimony are as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of **Dartmouth**
Beloved Friends

or Corted[?]

We the Subscribers having Inconsiderately or unduly Purchased Some Small Quantity of those goods called Prize goods taken by war and Violence Which Said Conduct of ours after a Matter of Consideration thereof we do Utterly condemn and are Sorry for it hereby Testifying to friends, and Publickly Declaring

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1777*

Declaring to all People to whom these Presents may come that as our conduct herein is Inconsistant with the Religious Profession we make, So we would take the Reproach thereof to ourselves, and Clear the truth and the Professors thereof from the Same Desiring forgiveness from the Divine goodness and that friends would So far pass by this our misconduct as to let us Remain Under their care hopin in future through Divine Assistance to be Preferred from the Like misbehaviour --- from your friends Dated y^e 29th of the 1st month AD: 1777

Tho^s. Akin	Barker Little
Timothy Howland	David Briggs
	Elihu Slocum
David Shepherd J^u	Jonathan Howland

*Job Gifford
Nick Lapham
Luthon Wood
papers accepted*

Job Gifford Nicholass Lapham & Luthon Wood gave in Papers to this meeting Condemning their Purchasing Some Prize goods which is Accepted, Provided they Cause them to be Publickly Read as Usual & Report & Return S^d paper to next mo meeting – And the Same Committee are Still Continu^d to Labour with those that are transgressors on account of being Concern^d with Prize goods & to Report next mo meeting and Draw testimonies against those that Decline making Satisfaction if any there be & bring to next mo meeting –

*Isaac Howland Ju
case refer'd*

The Committee Appointed to Labour with **Isaac Howland J^u** on account of his freeing his Negro Report that they have not Discharg^d themselves on that account therefore they are Still Continued in that Service & to Report next mo meeting

Walter Wood

*not Inform'd
of denial*

Joseph Tucker Ju Reports that he hath not Inform,^d **Walter wood** of his Denial as order,^d therefore he is Continued for that Service & to Report next mo meeting

*Testimony a
gainst Stephen Mott
Signd*

There was a Testimony against **Stephen Mott** Sign,^d in this meeting by the Clerk who is order,^d to Read it Publicly as Usual & Report next mo meeting & **John Williams** is appointed to Inform S^d **Mott** of his Denial ^& Report next mo meeting

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1777*

The Committee appointed to rais money by way of Subsim ption Report that they have Rais,^d the Sum of 5[£] 17^s 6^d of which is paid to the Committee that fenced the land round the meeting house the Sum of – £5 4^s 4 1/2 and the remainder is Deliver,^d to the treasurer which is 12 /9

*Report of
money rais'd*

*Testimony
Signd a
gainst
Amos Wilcox*

There was a Testimony Sign,^d in this meeting by the Clerk against **Amos Willcox** & the Clerk is order,^d to read it publick[ly] as Usuel & Report next mo meeting

This meeting Collected ----- 1[£] 8^s 1^d £m

Adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to y^e 26th Instant after the meeting of worship which is to begin at y^e 11th hour

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Meet by Adjournment y^e 26th y^e 3rd mo 1777 ---
the Representatives being Caled both present

*Concerning
Birth right
of members*

The friends Appointed who hath a Proper Birthright by the Rules of Discipline &c Report that they have mett and and Consider,^d but are not ready for a Report in full therefore they are Still Continued for that Service & to make Report next mo meeting

*Jonathan
Willbor &
Wife desir
to come un
der friend
care*

Jonathan & Huldy Willbur gave in a paper Requesting to Come under friends Care with their Children and our friends **Philip Allen & Prince Allen** are appointed to Join the women and take an Oppertunity of Solid Conferrance with them in order to Discover the motive of their Request and Report next mo meeting –

*Abiel Gifford^d
reques to
come under
friends care*

Abiel Gifford Requests to come under friends Care and we appoint **W^m Mosher & W^m Baker** to take an oppertun[it]y of Solid Conferrance with him in order to Discover the motive of his Request & Report next mo meeting

Certificates
J Barker
J Howland J^m
J Hart

There was Certificates Sign,^d in this meeting for **James Bark[er]**
Job Howland J^m & Jonathan Hart the two first to the
mo meeting of y^e **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** the Latter to the mo meeting
o **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** they being a going there to make some [?]

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W^m Barkers
accomp^t

W^m Barker gave in an account to this meeting for hay-
which he Procur,^d at our Quarterly meeting in the 10th mo
Last which is Allowed & the treasurer is order,^d to pay
the Same with is £1 = 4^s £-12[?] and make Report next
mo meeting –

To Revise
miniutes

William Anthony Juⁿ Samuel Smith Prince Allen
and **John Williams** are appointed to Revise and Correct
this meeting minutes in order to goe on Record and
Report next mo meeting – also to Settle accounts with
the treasurer

Friend appoint
ted Elder

The Women Inform that they have Appointed **Sussanah**
Smith Deborah Haden & Deborah Hicks in the place of
Elders which this meeting Concurs with and they with
our friends **W^m Mosher & Tho^s Hicks** is Recommended
as Elders to the Quarterly meeting ----

Queries answer^d

The Queries was Answer,^d in the meeting and Said Answers
together with a Epistle which was Sign,^d in this meeting
was order,^d forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Repr-
esentatives who are **Caleb Russell W^m Mosher Tho^s Hicks**

Representativ^{es}

John Williams & William Anthony J^m and they to make
Report next monthly meeting

4 month
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At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 21st the
4th mo 1777

The Representatives are **Caleb Russell & James Davis**
Present

Testimony
red against
Jos Russell Ju^f
& Sons of
Benj Allen

The Clerk Reports he hath Read the Testimonies
against **Joseph Russell J^m & the Son^s of Benjamin**
Allen as order,d Last mo meeting S.^d testimonies are
as followeth

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Testimonies

Whereas **Joseph Russell** the Son of **Caleb Russell**
and **David Allen Jonathan Allen & Elezer Allen**
being the Sons of **Benj^a Allen** all having had their

against Education amongst friends, but by Departing from
J: R their Education and the Testimony of Truth have So far
D: A gone astray as to be Concern,d in Receiving buying [Cart?]
J: A or otherwise Concern,d in those goods taken in the w[ar]
E: A by fors of armes, being those good Called Prisse goods
and friends and friends having Labour,d with Each often
Testimony of in order to Discover to them the Evil of Such a pract[ice]
Ralph but friends Labour of Love not having its Desir,d Effect
Allan

Recorded
in page
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these are therefore Given forth as a Publick Testimony
against them the S.^d **Joseph Russell** [&?] **David Allen Jonatha[n]**
Allen & Elezer Allen hereby Denying & Disowning
them from being members of our Society & from under
the Care of this meeting untill by unfeigned Repentance
and Acknowledge of the Error of their ways. they shall
be Restor.^d to the way of Truth. Given forth and
Sign,^d in and on behalf of our S^d meeting of friends held
in **Dartmouth** y^e 17th the 2nd mo 1777 by
W^m Anthony J^m Clerk

Luthan Wood
Job Gifford
Nick Lap=
=ham Confessi
on

Luthan Wood Job Gifford Nicholass Lapham hath Cast
their papers to be Publickly Rea.d & Return^d to this mat[ter]
as order,^d last mo meeting S.^d papers is as followeth ---

To the Monthly Meeting held 17th Day 3 mo 1777

[written through margins]

Whereas Sometime past, We ^{^Inconsiderately} purchas.^d Some Goods Called Prise good
and upon a further Consideration find it is Conterary to the Principals of
truth which we are Sorry for and do Condemn and Desire friends
to pass it by and let us Remain under their Care from your friend.

Luthon Wood
Job Gifford
Nicholas Lapham

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Jos Russell
& Ben : Russell
Case Concerning
Prize goods

Part of the Committee appointed to Labour with those
friend that are transgressors on account of being Concern,^d with
Prise goods Report that **Joseph Russell** and **Benj^a Russell**
Declines Condeming their Conduct in that matter to friends
Satisfaction therefore the Same Committee are Continued to
Labour further with them & if they find no Satisfaction
to Draw testimonies against them & bring to next mo meeting

W^m Russell
Son of Tim
[Care?] disownd

There was a Testimony Sign.^d in this meeting by the Clerk
against **W^m Russell** Son of **Timothy Russell** & the Clerk
is order^d to Read it publickly as Usual & Report to
next mo meeting.

Treasurer

The Treasurer Reports that he has paid £1 - 4[?] £ mo
to **W^m Barker** as order,^d last mo meeting -

report

*Isaac Howland
case Sent to
Q: meeting
for advice*

This meeting not being fully satisfied on account of **Isaac Howland** freeing his Negro and being Somewhat Differently minded in that affair Conclude to ask the advice of the Quarterly meeting therein ---

*Walter Wood
inform d*

Joseph Tucker J^u Reports that he hath Inform,^d **Walter Wood** of his Deniel as order,^d Last mo meeting

*Testimony a
gainst Ste
pen mott*

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against **Stephen Mott** as order^d S^d Testimony is as followeth

[written through margins]

Whereas **Stephen Mott** Son of **Jacob Mott** having had a birth Right of Membership with us but hath So far Deviated from our princip[les] as to inlist himself a Solder & having been Labour^d with in love for his misconduct in order to Reclaim him from the Evil of his ways but friends Labour not having its Desir.^d Effect therefore for the Clearing of truth from Such practices we give this forth as a Publick testimony against him & do deny him from being a member of this meeting Nevertheless Desiring if it be Consistant with Divine Pleasure that he may Come to a Sight of his Outgoings & Returned, Signed in on behalf of our mo meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 17th 3rd m^o 1777 by W^m Anthony J^u Clerk

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1777*

*Stepheⁿ Mott
not inform^d
of de[n]ial*

John Williams not having Inform,^d **Stephen Mott** of his Denial as order,^d he is Still Continued for the Service & to make Report next mo meeting

*Mary How
=land Certi
=ficate*

There as a Removal Certificate Sign^d for **Mary Howland** wife of **Samuel Howland** to the mo meeting of **Coaxet [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**

*Letter to
Greenwich*

This meeting Signed and Directed a Letter to **greenwick [E. Greenwich Kent Co. RI]** mo meeting Desiring their Assistance to Labour with the family of **Charles Slocum** he being Deceas,^d ----

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against **Amos Willcox** as order,^d Last mo meeting S.^d testimony is as followeth

*Testimony
against
Amos Wilcox*

Whereas **Amos Willcox** Son of **W^m Willcox** Deceas^d and **Dorrity** his wife of **Dartmouth** in the **County of Bristol & Province of the Massac[h]usetts Bay** in **New England** having has a birthright with us the People Called Quakers, yet

through unwatchfulness and a Disregard to the testimony of truth in himself hath been found in the practice of Using bad Language, going to places of frolicking and Neglects attending of meetings, which conduct being Reproachfull and Scandalous to our Profession and friends having Labour^d with him in love in order to bring him to a Sight of his Errors but their Labour Proving Inafectual and he Continuing in S.^d Practices. therefore for the Clearing of truth and friends from the Reproach thereof this meeting is Concern^d to Give this as a Publick Testimony against him Disowning him the S.^d **Amos Willcox** from being under our care yet Desiring if it be Agreeable with Divine goodness that he may yet Come to a Sight of the Evil of his ways and through Unfeigned Repentance find mercy.

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21 Day of y^e 4^{mo} 1777 and Signed in and by order of S.^d meeting by **W^m Anthony** Clerk

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1777*

*Case of Birth=
=right of Chil
dren gone to
yearly meet
ing*

We understand the matter in Regard to what Children have Proper Birth Rights & who not by the rules of our Society is gone from the Quarterly meeting to the yearly meeting for an Explanation thereof therefore the Committee appointed in our meeting for that Service is Dismissed.

*Abiel Gifford
accepted*

The friends appointed to have an opportunity with **Abiel Gifford** Report that he gave them good Satisfaction therefore we accept of the S.^d **Gifford** to be under our Care –

*Case of
Jonat Wilbur
referd*

The Committee appointed to have an Oppertunity of Conference with **Jonathan Willbur** Report the S.^d Willbur gave them good Satisfaction but he not being present therefore S.^d matter is Refer,^d to next mo meeting under the care of the Same Committee as heretofore

*Martha Allen
Received*

The Women Inform that they Received into membership **Martha Allen** wife of **Jonathan Allen** & their two Daughters **Mary & Isbil** which this meeting Concurr with –

*Return from
Qar meeting*

The friends Appointed to Attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended S.^d meeting but have not Produc.^d their Epistle by Reason it was not Transcrib,^d Two Epistle from **London [England]** and one from the meeting of Sufferings in **Philadelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** were Read in this meeting to good Satisfaction & the Clerk is order'd to read them severally at his Deferassion [Deposition?] at the Close of some of our Publick meetings of worship –

This meeting is ⁱⁿformd that **Charles Slocum & Ebenezer Slocum** Sons of **Charles Slocum** Deceas.^d who Remov.^d from

*Charles Slocum &
Ebenezer Slocum
Sons of Charles
Slocum disowned*

hence Some years past, & having a right among friends but they having been lately visited & traded[traded?] with by two friends of this meeting who Report that S.^d **Slocum**^s owned themselves to have been Concern^d in military matters & not Discovering in them any Disposition of a Return on Reformation therefore we do Disown them from being member of our Society and **Benj^a Howland Sam^{ll} Smith**
to

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to Draw a Testimony against them & bring to next mo meeting and **Caleb Russell** is Appointed to Inform them of their s.^d Denial a Soon as he Convenient can & Report to this meetg.

*Miniuts
not revis^d*

The Committee appointed to Revise and Connect this meetg minutes not having Compleated it they are Still Continued for that Service & also to settle account with y^c treasurer & Report next mo meeting

*Giles Slocum
request a Certificate*

Giles Slocum Requests a Certificate to the mo meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Certifying his Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation therefore **Nicholas Howland & Sam^{ll} Smith** are Appointed to Inspect into S.^d matter and Draw one if they think proper & bring to next mo meeting –

*Meetings
Gra^Nted at **Bedford***

The friends appointed to Oversee the meeting at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** make Report that S.^d meeting hath been kept up as orderly as Usual heretofore and they Request the Same may be Continued as heretofore for the year Ensuing which is Granted and **Caleb Russell & Seth Russell & James Davis** is Appointed to Oversee the S.^d meeting to see it be kept up according to the Good order of truth & to make at the Expiration thereof –

*5 month
1777*

This meeting Collected £1 – ^s10 – ^d8 £. money

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19th the 5th mo 1777
The Representatives are **Benj^a Howland 2nd & Abraham [Howland?]**
Present

Received an Epistle from our Last Quarterly meeting which was read and the Advise therein well Accepted

5 month

1777

Case concerning
Prize good
Good refer'd

The Committee Appointed on the amount of those friends Concern^d in Prize Goods made Report that they have not fully gone through with the matter they are therefore Continued in the Same Service & to make report next monthly meeting

Stephen Mott
Informed of his
denial

John Williams Reports he hath Inform.^d **Stephen Mott** of his Denial as order^d

Testimony a
gainst **W^m**
Russell not read

The Clerk Reports he hath not Read the Testimony against **W^m Russell** According to Appointment he is therefore Continued for that Service & to make Report next mo meeting

Testimony
Signed
againsst
Eben Slocum
& **Charles**
Slocum

There was a Testimony Sign,^d in this meeting against **Ebenezer & Charles Slocum** Sons of **Charles Slocum** Deceas^t and the Clerk is order,^d to Read the Same Publickly as Usual and Report next mo meeting

Minutes revis^d

The Committee Appointed to Revise & Correct the meeting minutes & to Settle accounts with the Treasurer report that they have fulfilled their Appointment & Left the minutes with the Clerk to be Recorded and there remains in the Stock after Settlement the Sum of £5 Lawf. mony.

Settled with
Treasurer

Giles Slocum
Certificate

There was a Certificate Sign.^d in this meeting on the Account of **Giles Slocum** [Derected?] to the mo meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Certifying his Clearness Respecting marriage

Complaint a
gainst **Joshua**
Shearman

This meeting is Inform^d that **Jorshua Sherman** hath Remov,^d out of the [?ing] of this meeting Sometime past and not applying for a Certificate also Neglects attending meeting and hath been Labour,^d with by one of y^c Overseers & othe friends but they not finding Satisfaction therefore we appoint **Caleb Russell** and **John Williams** to Labour further with him for his misconduct and Report next mo meeting

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Jonathan Willbor
Wife &
Children

This Meeting in Concurrence with the womens meeting doth Accept of **Jonathan Wilbur** and **Haldah** his wife and all their Children to be members under the Care of this meeting

Reciev^d

*Prince Allen
Treasurer*

This meeting Appoints **Prince Allen** Treasurer in the room of **Tho.^s Hicks** who by his Request is Dismissed

This meeting Collected – £1 – ^s9 – 9 £. money

*6 month
1777*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th the 6th mo 1777

The Representatives are **William Sandford & Prince Allen** Present

The Queries were read and Answers prepar.^d in this meeting

adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to the 23rd Instant after the meeting Of worship which is to begin at y^e 11th hour, by reason if its now being the time of the yearly meeting

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Meet by Adjournment y^e 23rd 6 mo 1777
The Representatives being Called both present

*Report of
Com^{tee}
Conc^{er}ning
Prize
goods*

The Greater part of the Commitee appointed to Labour with those transgressors on account of prise goods Report that they have Discharged themselves in that matter and **Joseph Russell** and **Benjamin Russell** gave the Satisfaction on that account, and S.^d Committee hath Draughted and brought Testimonies against them to this meeting, yet the matter is Refer.^d one month Longer by the Request of **William Barker** and **Joseph Gifford** as they Express a Concern to treat further with them and they to Report next monthly meeting.

*Testimonys
Read*

The Clerk Reports he hath Read the Testimonies against **W^m Russell & Charles & Ebenezer Slocum** as order.^d Last mo meeting S.^d Testimonies are as followeth –

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1777*

*Testimony a
gainst W^m
Russell Tim
son*

Whereas **William Russell** Son of **Timothy Russell**, having had a Birthright among friends and been under the Care of this meeting but hath So far Departed from our Profession as to Inlist into the wars which being So Inconsistant with our profess^{ion} and Principals and Reproachfull to our Society that this meeting is Concern,^d to gave this forth as a publick testimony against the Said **William Russell** hereby Disowning him from being under our Care, yet Desiring if it be Agreeable with Divine Pleasure that he may Come to Sight and Sense of the Evil of Such practices and through unfeigned Repentance find mercy Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21st of y^e 4th mo 1777 and Sign.^d in and by order of S.^d meeting by –
William Anthony J^u Clerk

Whereas **Ebenezer Slocum** and **Charles Slocum**, Sons

*Testimony
Against Eben
& Charles
Slocum*

of **Charles Slocum** Deceas,^d and **Sarah** his wife, having had a Right of Membership amongst us, but they Departing So far from the Principals we Profess as to be Concern,^d in Military or War.like matters and friends having Treated with them on that Account, but they Discovering no Disposition of a Return or Reformation, therefore this meeting being Concern,^d to maintain our Testimony herein do hereby Publicly Disown and testifie against them the Said **Ebenezer** and **Charles Slocum** from being members of our Religious Society Untill by unfeign,^d Repen=tance & Reformation they shall be Restor.^d to the way of truth - - Given forth and Signed in & on behalf of our monthly meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** the 19th of the 5th mo 1777 by **William Anthony J^u** Clerk

*Judith Akin &
Abigail How=
land*

The Women Inform they have Denied **Judith Akin** and **Abigail Howland** which we Concur with

*Case of Joshua
Shearmen
refer'd*

The Committee appointed to Labour with **Joshua Shermaⁿ** Report that they have not fully accomplished S.^d matter therefore its Refer.^d under their Care and they to make Report next mo meeting

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1777*

*Elizabeth
Russell
disowned*

There was a Testimony of Denial against **Elizabeth Russell** wife of **Benjamin Russell** Sign.^d in this meeting by the Clerk –

*Bethiah
Eldredg
Receivd*

The women Inform they have Minuted **Bethah Eldridg** under their Care which we Concur with –

*Representat^{ive}
answers &
Epistle*

Our friends **Thomas Hicks** **William Anthony J^u** **Benjamin Howland 2.nd** and **Seth Russell** are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and report next mo meeting and present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries –

*Chusing
overseers
referd*

A New Choice of Overseers is Refer.^d to next mo meeting and the former Continued in that Service till a New Choice is made

This meeting Collected .. 2[£] .. 3^s .. 5^d £. money

*7th month
1777*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 21st 7^{mo} 1777 the Representative are **W^m Barker** & **Joseph Tucker J^u** present **John Williams** and **Martha Peabody** Declar.^d their Intents

John Williams proposal of marriage of taking Each other in marriage and were Desir.^d to wait till next monthly meeting for an Answer and **Joseph Gifford** and **W^m Barker** are appointed to Enquire into the Clearness of S.^d **William** Respecting Marriage & Conversation and make Report next mo meeting –

Choice of Overseers referd A new Choice of Overseers both of the meeting and of y^e Poor is Refer,^d to next mo meeting

Report from Quar^t meeting The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report they all Atten,^d Agreeable to appointment and have Produc,^d an Epistle from the Same with a Transcript[ion] of a written one from **London [England]** baring Date from y^e 27 the 5^{mo} 1776 to the 1st of y^e 6^{th mo} Enclusive with a Transcript from **Philadelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** with our Last yearly meeting Epistle with an Extract from Some of S.^d yearly meeting

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7 month 1777 minutes all of which have been Read in this meeting to Good Satisfaction and the S.^d Trascript from **London[England]** is order to be Publickly Read in Each of our meetings for worship –

[J and B?] Russell disownd **Joseph Gifford** and **William Barker** made Report that they have had Conference with **Joseph Russell** and **Benj^a Russell** agreeable to their appointment and that the Said **Benj^a** did not give them Satisfaction therefore he is hereby Denied from being a member of this meeting and the Clerk hath Sign,^d a paper of Denial against him and is order,^d to read it Public^{kly} as Usual & make Report next mo meeting - -

Case of Josep^h Russell referd And their Report Respecting **Joseph Russell** not being fully Satisfactory the matter is Refer,^d at y^e Request of **John Potter**, to next mo meeting & **Nicholass Howland** is appointed to Inform **Benj^a Russell** of hi Deniel & Report next mo meeting

Case of Joshua Shearman & son Joshua referd The Committee appointed on account of **Joshua Sherman** Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction for his Removing without the advice of friends & not Requesting a Certificate therefore we appoint our friends **James Davis** and **John Williams** to See if his outward affairs be Setled to Satisfaction and Draw a Certificate if they think proper. also to Draw one for **Jorshua Sherman J^{sr}** if they think proper and bring them to next monthly meeting

Elizabeth Howland disownd This meeting in Concurrence with the Women^s meeting have Sign,^d a Testimony Against **Elizabeth Howland** wife to **Benj^a Howland**

Jonathan Slocum disown,d This meeting is Inform.^d that **Jonathan Slocum** hath Married out of the Unity of friends after being Previously Caution,^d by the Overseers, and also hath been found Guilty of

fornication as appears by his wife^s having a Child before marriage as also by his own Confession therefore this meetig doth Disown him the Said **Jonathan Slocum** and **Philip Allen & Samuel Smith** are appointed to Draft a paper of Denial against him and Inform him thereof and to make Report next mo meeting ---

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*7 month
1777*

*Complaint
against
Tho.^s Wilcox
and W^m
Sanford Ju^r*

We are Inform,^d That **Thomas Willcox & William Sandford J^u** hath Purchas,^d Some Prise Goods and they have been Labour^d with by friends for their misconduct but did not Give them Satisfaction therefore our friends **John Potter & Benj^a Taber** are appointed to Labour further with them and to make rep[ort] next mo meeting

*To have
oversight
of meeting
house
yard*

We appoint our Friends **William Barker Prince Allen John Potter Benj^a Howland 2nd William Anthony J^u** to have the Oversight & Care of the yard fenced in Round our meeting ho[use] and Indeaviour to Preserve the feed for the Use of furr en[?] friends horses at the time of the Quarterly meeting and other times as they shall See Cause upon Application mad[e] to them

*Penelope
Trafford
denyd*

The women Inform that they have Denied **Penelope Trafford** which this meeting Concurs with

Collected - - - - - £1 .. 11^s ... 1^d £. Money

*Order on
Treasurer*

The Treasurer is order,^d to pay **W^m Barker** 4 Dollars for half year.^s keeping the meeting house and £1 – 3^s for other Charge which he paid for this meeting also S.^d Treasurer is order.^d to pay **Joseph Rotch** 2[£] – 8^s- 0 for **Peter Barney** for the hire of a vessell for friend to goe to **Nantucket**

*8th month
1777*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 18th 8^{mo} 1777 The Representatives are **Joseph Barker & Prince Allen** present

The Committee appointed to Inquire into **John Williams** Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation Report that they have found nothing to hinder his proceeding ---

*John Willia^m
answer*

John Williams and **Martha Pebody** appear,^d for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in marriage in Some Convenient time between this & next mo meeting Advising with the friends this meeting Shall appoint for that purpose and

Joseph Gifford & W^m Barker are Appointed to see their marriage Consuma-
-ted orderly & Report next mo meeting

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1777

Rec^d W^m
Penn Epistles

Receivm^d Several Reprinted Epistles of our worthy friend **William Penn** taken from his Select works page 497, one of which being Rea^d to Satisfaction and they are order,^d to be Destibuted among friends to be read in their forneties [families?] - -

*Overseers
of Meeting* We appoint our friends **Joseph Barker James Davis Prince Allen & William Anthony J^w** Overseers of the meeting for the year Ensuing and an Additional Choice is Refer^d to next mo meeting

*Overseers
of poor* **Caleb Russell Seth Russell Benj^a Reder Samuel Smith Gideon Howland** are Appointed overseers of the poor for the year Ensuing

The Clerk Report he hath Read the Testimony against **Benj^a Russell** and **Nicholas Howland** Reports he Inform^d **S.^d Russell** of his Denial as order,^d Last mo. meeting S.^d testimony is as followeth

*Testimony
against Benj
Russell*

Whereas **Benj^a Russell** (Son of **Benj^a Russell** Deceas,^d having been a Member of our Society but hath so far Depart^{ed} from our Religious Profession as to purchase Some of those Goods Called Prise Goods taken in the war, and this meeting having Labour,^d with him in Love in order to Discover to him the Evil of his S.^d Conduct but our Labour therein not being Effectual therefore for the Clearing of our testimony herein this meeting is Concern,^d to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him hereby Disowning him the S^d **Russell** from being a member of our Society untill by a Sinclear Reformation & Return he shall be Restor,^d to the way of Truth – Given forth & Sign.^d in & on behalf of our mo meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** the 21 Day of the 7th mo 1777 By –

W^m Anthony J^u Clerk

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*Step. Gifford
request a
Certificate*

Stephen Gifford Requests a Certificate to the mo meeting of **Acoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** Certifying his Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation therefore **Samuel Smith & Tho^s Hicks** are appointed to take the Necessary Care on that account & make Report next mo

meeting

*Aaron Lan=
=kestor and
David
Sands
Visit*

Our Beloved Friends **Aaron Lankestor** and **David Sands** were at this meeting on a Religious Visit whose Testimony and Visit hath been well Accepted And **Samuel Smith & W^m Anthony** are Appointed to Draw Certificates for S^d friends and bring them to next [?] the Adjournment of this meeting

Adjourn^d

This meeting adjourns to the 27th Instant after the meeting of worship

Mett

Met by Adjournment the 27th y^e 8^{mo} 1777

The Representatives Called both present –

*Jos Russell
Case referd*

John Potter made Report Respecting **Joseph Russell** and he the **Russell** gave in a paper to this meeting which were to pretty good Satisfaction yet the matter is Refer.^d to next mo meeting for Same alteration in S^d paper if he Shall See fit to alter the Same

*Joshua
Shearman
Certificate*

This Meeting Sign^d Removal Certificates for **Jorshua Sherman** and **Jorshua Sherman Jⁿ** to the mo meeting of **Sandwich[Barnstable Co MA]** who have Remov^d their then Some time ago

*Jona^t Slocum
denial*

a paper of Denial was Sign^d against **Jonathan Slocum** and the Clerk is order.^d to Read the Same Publickly as Usual and make Report next mo meeting but y^e Committee not having Inform.^d him of his Denial **Philip Allen** is order^d to Inform him of his S.^d Denial & Report next mo meeting

*Jona^t Green
Certificate*

Received a Removal Certificate from the Monthly meeting of **Greenwich[East Greenwich, Kent Co RI]** for **Jonathan Green** and **Martha Green** who have moved here & is Accepted

*Easter
Russell
denial*

A paper of Denial was Sign.^d in this meeting against **Easter Russell** wife of **Paul Russell** in Concurrence with the women meeting

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1777*

*Case of W^m
Sanford Ju^r &
Tho^s Wilcox*

The Committee Appointed to treat with **W.^m Sanford Jⁿ** and **Tho^s Willcox[Wilcox]** Report that they have had a Conference with them The former of which gave them a Degree of Satisfaction the Latter Apear.^d in a state of willfull blindness yet they have Each of them Given in a paper Condemning their misconduct but nither of them attended this meeting Said Committee are Still Continued to treat with them once more and to Draw a paper of Denial against S^d **Willcox** if he do not Give them Satisfaction and bring it & make Report next mo meeting

Treasurer report

The Treasurer not having paid the money to **Joseph Rotch** as orderd

he is Therefore Still Continued to pay the Same & Report next mo meeting

*The Time next
monthly meet
-ing to be held*

This meeting doth Conclude at y^e Request & by the Directions of our Quarterly meeting Committee to hold our next mo meeting on the next day following the preparative meeting being the fifth Day of the week and to begin at the Usual hour –

*Complaint against
Nat Kirby*

This meeting being inform.^d that **Nethaniel Kirby** hath appear.^d with the millitary Company as a Solger[Soldier], and been Labour.^d with by the Overseers, and Justifies S^d Conduct therefore we appoint **Peleg Slocum & Philip Allen** to Labour further with him and Draw a paper of Denial against him if they find no Satisfaction and bring to next mo meeting

*Certificate for
A Lankestor
& D. Sand*

Certificate for **Aaron Lankestor** and **David Sands** were Sign,^d in this meeting The former to y^e mo meeting at the **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]** the Latter to the mo meeting of y^e **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]**

*9 Month
1777*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 11th Day 9^{mo} 1777 the Representatives are **Benj.^a Howland 2nd & Benj.^a Taber** present

*Meeting to
be[?][purged]*

This meeting hath Concluded not to Indulge any [?] this meeting that are not members of the Society for the future Neither at the time of young people pasing in order for marriage nor other time **Jo.^s Gifford & W^m Barker** Reports they attended the marriage of of **John Williams & Martha Pebody** and that it was Consumated orderly.

*John Williams
Marriage*

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*9 month
1777*

an Additional Choice of Overseers Refer.^d to next mo meeting

*Step Gifford
Certificate*

A Certificate was Signed in this meeting for **Stephen Gifford** Respecting his Clearness of marriage and Conversation Directed to y^e mo meeting of **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**.

*Case of Jos
Russell
referred*

The matter Respecting **Joseph Russell** is Refer.^d to next mo meeting under the care of **John Potter** who is then to make Report

*Jona^t Slocums
denial
read*

The Clerk Reports he hath read the Testimony against **Jonathan Slocum** as order.^d Last mo meeting but **Philip Allen** not having Inform.^d him is Continued for that Service & to make Report next mo meeting –

*W^m Sanford &
Tho Wilcox*

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting **W^m Sandford J^{ur}** and **Tho.^s Willcox[Wilcox]** Report that they found

referred Some Satisfaction with both S^d friends yet by S.^d Committee Request it is Refer.^d to next mo meeting under their Care & then they to make Report

Treasurers report The Treasurer not having paid the money to **Joseph Rotch** as order.^d he is therefore order.^d to pay the Same & Report when it is done

Nat Kirby case referd The Committee appointed to treat with **Nathaniel Kirby** Report they have had a Conference with him and Receiv.^d a Degree of Satisfaction, therefore the matter is Refer.^d to next mo meeting under the Care of y^e Same Committee as before and **Benj^a Howland & Samuel Smith** is aded to them and they to Report if he do not give them Satisfaction.

To collect account of Sufering friends We appoint our friends **Samuel Smith Prince Allen John Williams Benj.^a Rider** A Committee to Collect the Account of the Sufferings of friend within the Compass of this meeting & bring them to this meeting

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*9 month
1777
Ben Howland's
proposal of
marriage*

Benjamin Howland 3rd and **Mary Slocum** Declar.^d their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage and were Desired to wait till next mo meeting for their answer and **W^m Barker & Joseph Gifford** are Appointed to Enquire into the young man's Clearness and to make Report next mo meeting

Collected ----- L9 – 6^s – 1^d L^{mo}

This meeting to the 24th Instant after the meeting for worship Meet by Adjournment y^e 24 Day y^e 9th mo 1777

The Representatives Called both present-

*Quar^t meeting
Com^{tee} on
Isaac Howland
case*

The Committee from the Quarterly meeting appointed to Advise this meeting in a matter Respecting **Isaac Howland** freeing his Negro or other matters as truth opens the way, have given in the following in writing as their advice which is well Accepted

Dartmouth y^e 11th y^e 9^{mo} 1777

*Their advice
& Judgment*

We the Committee appointed by our last Quarterly meeting to visit the mo meeting of friends at **Apponaganset** for the Support of our Christian Discipline and more Especially that part of it against Slavery Do give it as our Sense and Judgment in the first place that the Spirit and Intention of our Rule Discipline on that behalf be fully observ.^d and Attended unto, But Nevertheless when any friend moved by a Principal of Benevolence to Assist any in Bondage in order to Provide their freedom if time & oppertunity Admitt that Such friend before he Proceed therein lay the Same before the mo meeting to which he belong & take their Advice yet if he Should for

want of time or Oppertunity Proved therein without the advice of friends as afore S.^d we think it may be safe for the Monthly meeting where the Benevolent Intention is Evident by attending Circumstances to let Such fiends Escape the Censure of Society

John Collins
Joshua Devol[Davol]
Tho.^s Hazzard Son of Robert
Aziel Wilkenson

I Howland Case and the matter Respecting **Isaac Howland** is Refer^d to this meeting Committee that had the Care of that matter Last in Charge & they to Judge thereon and make Return to this meeting when they have fulfill.^d the Same

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*9 month
1777
Answers
Epistles &
Reprsenta
=tives
order on
Treasurer*

The Queries were Answer.^d and an Epistle Sign.^d in this meeting and order.^d forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Joseph Tucker Samuel Smith & Tho.^s Hicks** and they to Report next mo meeting – By Directions from Last Quarterly this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the yearly meeting, Treasurer the Sum of twelve pounds to Supply the yearly meeting Stock and make Report next mo meeting

*10 month
1777*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y^e 20th 10^{mo} 1777 the Representatives are **Caleb Russell** and **Philip Allen** Present

An Additional Choice of Overseers is Refer.^d to next mo meeting

*Jos. Russell
paper
accepted*

Joseph Russell give in a paper to this meeting Condeming his Suffering his Team to draw Some prise Shugar, which this meeting Accepts provided he he Cause the Same to be Publickly Read as Usual & Return S.^d paper to next mo meeting.

*W^m Sanford^{Ju}
& Tho
Wilcox
case referd*

The Committee Appointed on the Case of **W^m Sanford^{Ju}** and **Tho.^s Willcox** not having Accomplish.^d their Service Define it may be Refer.^d to next mo meeting which is accordingly and then they to make Report

*Nathaniel
Kirby
disownd*

Whereas **Nethaniel Kirby** hath Sometime past taken up arms in the military Service and the Committee appointed to Labour with him therefor, hath made Report that he Gave them no Satisfaction, Therefore for the Clearing of our Testimony herein this meeting doth Disownd him from being a member of our Society

and from under the care of friends, and the Clerk is order.^d
to read this minute Publicly at the Close of a first Days meeting
as Usual & Report next mo meeting

The friends appointed to Inspect into **Benj.^a Howland 3rd**
Clearness Respecting marriage Report that they Don't find
any thing to hinder his proceeding

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*10 month
1777
Return from
Q. meeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report
they all Attended and have Produc.^d an Epistle from the Same
which hath been Read to Good Satisfaction

*Treasurers
report*

The Treasurer Reports he hath Sent the money to the yearly
meeting ' Treasurer Agreeable to his Appointment

*Benj. Howland 3
Answer*

Benj.^a Howland 3rd and **Mary Slocum** Appear^d for their
answer which was that they might Proceed to take Each
other in marriage at Some Convenient time before next ^{mo} meeting
Advising with the Overseers this meeting shall appoint for that
purpose and **Joseph Gifford & W^m Sanford** are appointed to see S^d
marriage Consomated orderly and Report next mo monthly m-

*Mary Slocum
Certificate*

The Women Inform they have Receiv.^d a Removel Certificate
for **Mary Slocum** wife of **Giles Slocum** which this meeting Concurs
with

*Martha Sloc-
cum*

They also Inform they have Receiv.d a Removel Certificate
for **Martha Slocum** wife of **John Slocum** with all her Children
Except the youngest which being born Since they Remov.^d which is
Receiv.^d as a member at the Request of the mother of s^d Child

*John Smith
request a
Certificate*

John Smith Son of **Isaac Smith** Deceas.^d Requests a Removel
Certificate to y^e mo meeting at the **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** therefore we
Appoint **Nicholas Howland & Tho.^s Hicks** to take the necessary
Care therein and Draw one for him if they find things Clear
and bring it to next mo meeting

*Gilbert How
land request a
Certificate*

Gilbert Howland also Requests a Removel Certificate to
the mo meeting at the **Ninepartners** therefore we appoint
Joseph Barker and **Thos Hicks** to Draw one for him if they think
proper after Enquiry & bring to next mo meeting-

Collected ----- L4 - 5^s - 1^d - L. mo

11 month 1777

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the
17th y^e 11^{mo} 1777

The Representatives are **Benj^a Howland 2nd & Prince Allen**
present

Joseph Russell's paper having been read as order'^d and is Return^d
to this meeting S^d paper is as followeth

*Josep Russell
paper read*

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1777

To the Monthly Meeting of friends in **Dartmouth**
Respected Friends

Jos Russell
paper

Whereas Some time past I Suffer.^d my Team to draw
Some prise Shuger a Small Distance and thereby offended
my friends for which I am Sorry and Do Condemn keeping
you may So far pass it by as to Let me Remain under you
Care – from your friend - **Joseph Russell** –

Case of
W^m Sanford
and
Tho Wilcox
referd

This Meeting not being fully Satisfied to accept of **W^m**
Sandford^u & **Tho.**^s **Willcox** paper therefore the matter
Respecting them is Refer.^d to next mo meeting under the
Same friends Care as heretofore and then they to Report

Edw Taber
request

Edward Taber hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning
his marring[marrying] out of the Unity of friends and Requests to
be Receiv.^d into Unity again therefore **James Davis** and **John**
Williams are Appointed to tak an Oppertunity of Solid Conference
with him in order to Discover his Sincerity and make Report
next mo meeting

Nat Kirby
informd
of denial

Philip Allen Reports he hath Inform^d **Nathaniel Kirby**
of his Denial as order,^d but Clerk not having read his Denial
he is Continued for that Sevis[Service] and to Report next mo meeting

Ben How
land's
Marriage

Joseph Gifford and **W^m Barker** Report they attended the
marriage of **Benj^a Howland 3rd** & **Mary Slocum** and Said
nothing but that it was Consomated orderly

Mary
Howland
Certificate

This meeting Sign.^d a Certificate for **Mary Howland** to the
mo meeting at the **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]**

Lilis
Macomber
Received

The Women Inform they have Receiv.^d into membership
Lilis Maccombur[Macomber] which this meeting Concurs with

John Smith
Gilbert
Howland
Certificates
refer.^d

The friends Appointed to Draw Certificate for **John Smith**
and **Gilbert Howland** Report that things are not fully
Clear in Regard to S.^d **Smith** they are Still Continued and
to advise him as they think proper and Report next
mo meeting

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1777

and they have prepar^d a Certificate for **Gilbert Howland** and
brought which was Sign^d in this meeting

Testimony against

Philip Allen Reports he hath Inform^d **Jonathan Slocum**

J Slocum
Recorded
next page
Ben Howland 2nd
Bill for keep
ing A Smith

of his Denial as order.^d Some time past-

Ben^a Howland 2nd hath given in an Account to this meeting for helping [**Alice?**] to the amount of L4-14^s-8^d L money which is allowed and the Treasurer is order^d to pay the Same and Report next mo meeting

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid **Joseph Rotch** for **Peter Barney** – 2^L – 8^s agreeable to his appointed some time past - Collected - 1^L – 14^s – 9^d

12th month
1777

At s Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** 15th 12^{mo} 1777
The Representatives are **Benj^a Taber & Joseph Tucker J^u** present

The matter Respecting an additional Choice of Overseers is being Consider.^d in this meeting and not finding any willing to accept S^d matter is Dismissed

Tho^s Wilcox
disowned
W^m Sanford J^u
case referd

The Committee appointed on account of **Tho^s Willcox[Wilcox]** and **W^m Sanford J^u** Report that S^d **Willcox[Wilcox]** gave them no real Satisfaction therefore we hereby Disown the S^d **Tho^s Willcox[Wilcox]** from under our Care S^d **Sanford** gave the Committee Some Satisfaction therefore S^d Committee is Still Continued and **Abraham Howland** is aded to them in that matter & to Report next mo meeting also to Draw a Testimony against S^d **Willcox[Wilcox]** and bring to next mo meeting Likewise Inform him of his Denial

Edw Taber Rec^d

The Committee appointed on account of **Edward Taber** Report that they have received a degree of Satisfaction. Therefore we conclude to except[accept] of said **Taber** under our Care

Nat Kirby
Denial read

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony against **Nathaniel Kirby** as ordered: Said Testimony is as followeth

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Testimony
against
Jonathan
Slocum

Whereas **Jonathan Slocum** hath made profession with us as a member of our Society but hath so far departed there from as to marry out of Unity of friends after being previously Caution^d and also fallen into the Sin of fornication as appears by his wife's having a Child before marriage therefore their [?] being [?] to [?] over Testimony herein do Give this forth as a publick Testimony against him hereby Disowning the S.^d **Jonathan Slocum** from being a member of our Society untill by a Sinclear Repentance & Acknowledgement of the Evil of his Conduct he shall be Restor^d to the way of Truth Given forth at our mo meeting held in **Dartmouth** by adjournment the 27th the 8^{mo} 1777 & Signed in & by order of S^d meeting by –

W^m Anthony J^u Clerk

*Testimony
against
R A
should been
Recorded
in page 370* Whereas **Ralph Allen** Son of **Benjamin Allen & Allaphal** his wife having had a Birthright among friends but hath so far Departed from our Profession as to Inlist[Enlist] or Enter on bond of a Vessell of war Called a Privateer and against Such Proceedings do Give this forth as a publick denial against him & do hereby disown him the Said **Ralph Allen** from being [?] a member of our Society & from under the Care of this meeting Given forth & Signed in & on behalf of our mo meeting held in **Dartmouth** 17th 2^{mo} 1777 by **W^m Anthony J^u Clerk**

*Certificate
for J Smith
not accompli
shed* The Committy appointed to draw a Certificate for **John Russell Smith** Report that said matter is not accomplished. therefore said Committy are still continued for that Service and make report when ready.

*B Howland
paid* The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid **Benjamin Howland** the money as ordered the last Monthly meeting

*A Gifford's
Request
also J Devol
and Seth
Huddleston* We received a paper from **Abiel Gifford** requesting his Children to be taken under friends care. Also one from **John Devol** requesting to come under friends care and his Son also... Likewise one from **Seth Huddleston** requesting to come under friends care with his Children, Therefore we appoint **Joseph Barker, Thomas Hicks, Benjamin Rider** and **William Mosher** to take an opportunity of conference with Said Pertitioner in order to discover their Sencerity and wheather[whether] said request be from the bottom of true Convictions and make report when ready.

*Certificate
for N Howland
Received* We received a Certificate for **Nicholas Howland** from **Coakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** meeting which is accepted

*M Lapham
Received* The Women friends Inform they have received **Mary Lapham**, Wife of **Nicholas Lapham** under their care which we concur with

adjourned This Meeting Collected L3 – 13^s – 3^d
This meeting adjourns to the 24th Instant

mett This Meeting mett by adjournment the 24th of 12th month 1777
The Representatives being called, both present

*Queries answered
Friends appo
inted to
Quarterly
meeting* The Queries were answer'd in this meeting, And an Epistle Sign'd for the Quarterly meeting, and forwarded by our Representatives to Said Quarterly meeting; Who are **William Mosher William Anthony Ju^e Caleb Russell** and **Gideon Howland:** and they to make report to the next Monthly meeting

*W^m Anthony Ju
his Bill* **William Anthony Ju^e** gave in a bill for keeping **Alice Smith** from the 24th of the 4th month to the 28th of the 10th month 1777 which is Six months: as by agreement with the Overseers of the poor: To the amount of 5^L – 18^s – 6^d Which is approv'd, and the Treasurer is order'd to pay the Same, and report to next Monthly Meeting

Present

Report of a Committee on T. Wilcox & W. Sanford

The Comitty appointed on the case of **Thomas Wilcox** and **William Sanford Ju^r** make report that the matter not being fully settled in regard of **Sanford's** delinquent to be continued, therefore it is referred to next Monthly meeting under their care Who are then to make report; They also make report that they have fulfilled their appointment respecting said **Wilcox** and have drafted a paper of Denial against him, which after being read, and considered and Signed by the Clerk, who is ordered to read the Same as Usual, and make report to our next monthly Meeting

Return of Friends from Quarterly Meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, report that they all attended except **Caleb Russel** who gave a reasonable Excuse They also produced an Epistle from said meeting which was read and kindly accepted

W Anthony Bill not paid

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid the money to **William Anthony Ju^u** as ordered: therefore he is continued to pay the Same and report to the next Monthly meeting

Certificate for C. Howland

Cornelius Howland Informed this meeting that he had some expect =ation of going to Sea, and desired a Certificate, which was granted, and one being present was Signed by the Clerk

C Peckham Disowned

The Women friends Inform they have denyed **Katurah Peckham** which this meeting concurs with

Samuel Gifford declar'd his intention of marriage

Samuel Gifford and **Lillis Maccomber** declared their Intentions of Taking each other in Marriag : and were desired to waite till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer: and **Phil Prince Allen** and **Nicholas Howland** are appointed to Inquire into the young man's Clearness and to make report next Monthly Meeting

N Lapham request for his Children

Nicholas Lapham requests that his Children may be taken under the care of this Meeting: therefore **William Anthony Ju^r** and **Thomas Hicks** are appointed to take the needful care in that case and make report to next monthly meeting

This Meeting Collected 5^L – 15^s – 3^d

T Russell under dealing

Timothy Russel hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Purchasing Some Prize goods: But as he hath some time past Lett out his house for the use of an Hospatal to Inoculate the Small Pox in after being advised to the contrary; which hath given uneasiness to divers friends ... Therefore this meeting doth appoint **Benjamin Taber William Mosher** and **Samuel Smith** to have conference with him in those matters and give in their report and Judgment, there upon to the next Monthly Meeting

2^d month 1778

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th of 2nd month 1778 The Representative are **William Barker** and **Benjamin Taber** Present

Report of the Committee for J Devol, Seth Huddleston and A Gifford

The Comitty appointed to have a conference with **John Devol Seth Huddleston** and their Children and **Abiel Giffords** childrens Report that they have fulfilled their appointmen, and have found good Satisfaction. Therefore they are all accepted to be under friends Care the name of **John Devol's** child is **Job** **Seth Huddleston's** Children names are **Sarah** and **Lavinah** and **Abiel Giffords** childrens names are **Levi, Lilis, Gilbert, John, Jeremiah, Abiel** and **Joanna**.

The case of W^m Sanford Ju referd

The commity appointed on account of **William Sanford Ju^r** desire that matter refered, therefore it is refered under their and they to report next Monthly Meeting

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1778

T Wilcox

Denial not
read

W Anthony's
Bill paid

S G reported
Clear

N Lapham's
request refer'd

S Giffords
and **L Ma**
comber an
swer

J Roach
request a
Certificate

The case of
T Russell
refer'd

Quarterly
meeting
Com^{tee} - visit
J Howland

Their advice
to Monthly Meeting

The Clerk Reports he hath not read **Thomas Wilcox's** Denial as ordered therefore he is continued to accomplish the same and report to next Monthly Meeting

The Treasurer reports he has paid **William Anthony Ju^{er}** the money as order'd last Monthly Meeting

The friends appointed to Enquire into **Samuel Gifford's** clearness Respecting marriage report that they find nothing to hinder this proceeding in marriage

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting **Nicholas Laphams** children being taken under the care of friends desire it to be refered therefore said matter is refered to next Monthly meeting

Samuel Gifford and **Lillis Maccomber** appeared for their answers Which was, that they might Proceed ^{^ to take each other} in Marriage in Some Convenient time between now and next monthly meeting, advising with the friends, that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose, and **Nicholas Howland** and **Prince Allen** are appointed to see their said marriage Solemnized and to make report next monthly meeting

Joseph Rotch Requests a removal Certificate to the monthly Meeting at **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**. therefore this meeting appoints **James Davis** and **Seth Russel** to take the necessary care on that account, and bring one to next monthly meeting if they think proper.

The matter respecting **Timothy Russel** is refer'd to next monthly meeting for further consideration

This meeting collected 2^L - 8^s - 5^d

The Quarterly Meeting's Committy that was appointed to Visit and advise this meeting on account of **Isaac Howland's** freeing his Negroe; have given in ~~advise~~ the following advice: which is accepted, and that matter is dismissed, and this Meeting's Committy discharged there from

The advice of the Quarterly meeting's Commity is as followeth We whose names are hereto Subscribed. being a Commity to advise the Monthly Meeting of **Dartmouth** Respecting a matter of **Isaac Howland's** being concerned with a Negroe &c: Having had an oppertunity with him and said monthly meeting's Commity and coⁿsidered the case, Look upon it that there is at least an appearance of weakning our Testimony against Slavery in his Conduct: Therefore think well of the care of said meeting in the case: yet we have Learnt by Strict Inquiry he had no Such intent; But reather acted from a

Benevolent purpose, and has mannumitted said Negroe, therefore we advise said meeting to drop that matter

Dartmouth the 16th day of the 2nd month 1778

**T Hazard son of Robert
Joshua Davol
Moses Farnum
Benj^a Buffinton
David Steere
Oziel Wilkinson**

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3rd month
1778

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16th of 3rd month 1778

The Representatives are **Peleg Gifford** and **Benjamin Smith Ju^r** present

W Sanford's hath given them a degree of Satisfaction, therefore the Paper he gave in to
paper accept- this meeting, condemning his purchasing Prize goods is accepted
ed provided he cause the same publicly to be read as Usual and return
Said paper to next monthly meeting

The Clerk reports he hath read the paper of denial against **Thomas Wilcox** according to appointment – Which is as followeth

T Wilcox Testi
mony of denial

Whereas **Thomas Wilcox** hath, through unwachfulness so far deviated from the Principles of Truth: as to purchase goods, take by violence and War, And after due admonition his not condemning the Same ^ to the --- Satisfaction of this Meeting: Therefore we give this forth as a publick Testimony against him, denying him the right of membership with us: With desires that he may by Sinclear repentance be brought to a Sight and sense of his past life, and come to the fold of the Just, with a Sinclear heart

Given forth at our Monthly Meeing, held at **Aponaganset** in **Dartmouth** The 19th [29th?] day of the 1st month 1778
pr **William Anthony Ju^r** Clerk

N Lapham's
request refer'd

The matter in regard to **Nholas Lapham's** Children is refered to next Monthly meeting

Report of N [sic S]
Gif
ford marriage

The friends appointed to oversee the Marriag of **Samuel Gifford** and **Lillis Maccomber**, report that they attended the marriage and that it was orderly accomplished

The case respecting
J Roch's Certifi
cate refered

The friends appointed in respect of **Joseph Roch's** Certificate Signify they have not accomplished said appointment, therefore it is refered to next monthly meeting and they continued for that Service

T Russell con
demns his mis
conduct

Timothy Russel hath appeared in person in this Meetinging and hath so far condemned his Conduct in Letting out his house to Inoculate the Small Pox in, as this Meeting takes up with for Satisfaction... This meeting also Concludes to accept of his paper Condemning his purchasing Prize goods provided he cause the Same to be publicly read as Usual and return it to next Monthly meeting

D Shepherd &
Son request a
removal Certi
ficate

David Shepard and his Son **David** each request a removal Certifica^{te} to the Monthly meeting at **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]**, for themselves and Children under age they being about to remove theighther; therefore **Benjamin Taber James Davis, Caleb Russell, and William Sanford** are appointed to inquire into their

Certificates for
J Allen & P Cornel
Signed

Circumstances and to draw a Certificate for them if they think proper, after due inquiry is made, and make reports and bring them to next monthly meeting

Certificate for **John Allen** and **Paul Cornel** directed to the monthly meeting at the **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** were Signed in this meeting, they bring about

J Cornel request

to take their Jerney within the compass of said meeting

James Cornel hath given in a paper to this meeting Requesting to come into Unity with us agains being free to Condemn his misconduct in mariyng out of the Unity of Friends: and in paying money toward the Support of War: therefore **William Mosher** and **Abiel Gifford** are appointed to have a Sollid conference with him in order to know his Sincerity and to make Report next monthly meeting

adjourn
mett

This meeting Colected L2 – 17^s – 7^d

This meeting adjourns to the 25th Instant after the meeting of Worship which is to begin att the 11th hour

Complaint against
C Hathway

This meeting met by adjournment the 25th of the 3rd month 1778
The Representatives being called, both present

This Meeting is Informed that **Caleb Hathway** hath so far gone out from the Order of Truth and friends as to forsake our meetings and follow Seperate meetings that are held out of the true Unity of our Society
And

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And he having been Treated with on that acount, but Still persists in his said disorder, therefore this meeting appoints **William Barker** **Joseph Tucker** and **Benjamin Taber** to Labour further with him and make Report next Monthly meeting

Queries ans^d
Epistle sign^d
and friends
appointed to
Quarterly
meeting

The Queries have been Read and answer'd in this Meeting and on Epistle Sign'd and order'd forward to the Quarterly Meeting by our Represen tatives who are **Jame Davis Gideon Howland William Anthony Ju^r** and **Abiel Gifford** and they to report next Monthly meeting.

G Slocum
& **J Slocum**
Disowned

Whereas **George Slocum** and **Joshua Slocum** Sons of **Charles Slocum** deceased, having a Birthright amongst by Virtue of their Parents marriage among us, but they having long since removed out of the compass of this meeting without any recommendation to any other or request any, and this Meeting being Informed by the Monthly meeting of **Greenwich [East Greenwich, Kent Co. RI]** that they have Lived widly from the way of Truth and friends; perticurly being Remarable for a Light unsteady behavior, and not attending meetings therefore this meeting doth disown the Said **George** and **Joshua Slocum** from a right of membership among us

4th month

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of 4th month 1778

1778 The Representatives ^{^are} **Benjamin Taber** and **Abiel Gifford**, Present.
W Sanford's paper referred
that his wife not being well it is therefore referred to next monthly meeting on the Same condition as before.

N Lapham request referred
The matter Respecting **Nicholas Laphams** Children is refer'd to next monthly meeting, and the Same friends continued in that Service and then to make report

Certificate for **J Rotch**
A Removable Certificate for our friend **Joseph Rotch** and wife to the Monthly meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk

T Russell's paper read
Timothy Russell's ^{^paper} having been read and returned to this meeting is accepted ... Said paper is as Followeth

Timothy Russell's acknowledgment
To the Monthly Meeting of friends held in **Aponaganset [Dartmouth, Mass.]** on the 15th of 12th mo 1777

Respected friends I some time ago Purchased Some Prize goods which I am now Sorry for, and do condemn the Same, hoping for ^{^the} time to come may be more careful of meddling with Such goods: therefore I desire that friends may pass by this offence and let me remain under their care as before

From your well wishing friend - - - **Timothy Russell**

Certificate for **D Shephard Ju=hard Ju** Signed
A Removal Certificate for **David Shepard Ju'** his Wife and two Children the monthly meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** was Signed in this meeting

D Shephard Senior refer'd
J Cornel received
But the friends that were appointed; not having prepared a Certificate for **David Shepard Senior**, they are Still continued for that Service and to make report next monthly meeting

C Hathway case refer'd
The Committee appointed to confer with **James Cornel** on his request to Come under friends care, make a Satisfactory report, therefore he is accepted as a member of this Meeting.

The report of Quarterly meeting Com^{te}
The Committee appointed to Labour with **Caleb Hathway** make Report that they have Treated with him, but have not obtained the desired Effect to their Satisfaction, but yet they desire said matter Continued, which is accordingly refer'd to next monthly meeting and then they to make Report

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the Same which was read and well accepted, together with an Epistle from the Meeting of Sufferings which containing much Good Advice, was Recommended to Friends particularly Notice

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1778 4th month
B Tucker Disowned
This Meeting is informed that **Benjamⁱⁿ Tucker** hath Married out of the Unity of friends. after being previously cautioned. and advised to desist: therefore -- he is hereby disowned from being a Member of this meeting. And **William Mosher** is appointed to inform him thereof and

Report to next monthly meeting

M Davil
received
Time of meet
ings to begin

The Woman friends Inform that they have received into Unity
Mary Davil [Davoll] wife of **John Davil [Davoll]**, which this Meeting concurs with

This Meeting Concludes that all our Meetings Begin at the Eleventh
hour for the Ensuing Six months, Except at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]**
and there to begin as usually they have done

This Meeting Collected L2 – 4^s – 7^d ½

5th month
1778

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18th of the 5th month 1778

The Representatives are **Seth Russell** and **Samuel Smith** .. Present

William Sanford Ju^r his paper having been read ^{^and} returned, therefore he
is a^ccepted by this meeting

W Sanford reciv'd

Certificate for
D Shepherd
Senor

A Removal Certificate for **David Shepard** his Wife and Children
under age, dedicated to the Monthly Meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co,
RI]** was Signed in this Meeting

William Sanford Ju^r Paper which he gave in to the meeting is as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be holden in **Dartmouth** at **ponagan^{set}**
the 18th of the 8th month 1777

W Sanford Ju
his paper

Those Lines Comes to Inform you that I have Purchased Prize goods
So called: for which I am Sorry for the Same, and am free to Condemn
the Same: and desire friends would pass by my offence, and let me
Remain under their care, and I hope to be mor Carful for the futer
From your friend **William Sanford Ju^r**

C Hathway's
case refer'd

The Commttee appointed in the case of **Caleb Hathway** not being fuly
Satisfied in that matter do therefore request it Still continued. it is therefore
Refer^d to next Monthly Meeting, and said Committee yet Continu'd, and
desired to make return to Said next Monthly meeting.

B Tucker
not Inform'd

William Mosher not having informed **Benjamin Tucker** of his denial
he is therefore continued for that Service and to report to next Monthly
Meeting

Report of **Bed**
=**ford** meetings

The friends appointed to oversee the meeting at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]**
(not being called

upon last Monthly meeting) have now given in their report that they have
attended the Same with hath been kept up deacently and in as good
order as Useally they have been heretofore

Certificates
for **N. Howland**
& **R. Smith**
Signed

Removal Certificates for **Naomy Howland Rebecka** ^{^Howland} her Daughter
with **Rebecca Smith** wife of **Daniel Smith** with their Children except
the youngest; directed to the Monthly meeting of the **ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co.
NY]**
were Signed in this meeting

N. Lapham's
children recevd

This Meeting in Concurrence with the Womens Meeting doth Accept
of **Nicholus Lapham**'s Children as Members of this Meeting

R Allen & wife
Disowned

This meeting is Informed that **Robart Allen** hath married out of the
Unity of friends, after being precautioned by friends: this meeting
therefore doth ~~de~~ hereby deny him from haveing a right of membership
with us: And the Women friends Inform that they have denied
Easter Allen now wife of **Robart Allen** which this meeting concurs
with, and **Seth Russel** is appointed to inform said **Robart Allen** of his
Denial, and to make report next Monthly Meeting

H Woodman
Disowned

J Sowle's Inten
tion of marri=
age

The Women friends Likwise Inform they have denied **Hannah Woodman** wife of **Robart Woodman** . which this meeting doth also concur with **Jonathan Sowle Ju** and **Bersheba Russell** declared their Intentions of taking Each other in Marriage in this meting, and were desired to wait until the next Monthly meeting for their answer They haveing

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5th month
1778

They haveing first obtained Consent of Parents and produced the Same in Writting to this meeting

Friends ap
pointed to
settle with Treasurer

Our friends **Samuel Smith** and **Thomas Hicks** are appointed to Settle account with the Treasurer and make report next Monthly Meeting

This meeting Collected L2 – 19^s – 5^d ½

W Anthony's
Bill
order'd to
be paid

William Anthony Ju hath given in an account to this meeting for keeping **Alice Smith** 26 weeks Ending the 28th of the 4th month last att 4/8^d per week which amounts to L1 – 6^s – 4^d Silver money which is allow'd, and the Treasurer is Ordered to pay the Same In such manner and in Such currancy as the Overseers of the poor hath Contract and directed

6th month
1778

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15th of 6th mon 1778 **Seth Russell** and **Thomas Hicks** are Representatives, both Present

G Folger
and
Sylvanus
Folgers
proposals
of marriage
Adjourn'd

Prince Allen is appointed Clerk for this Day

George Folger proposed his Intention of Marriage with **Rebecca Slocum** and were desired to wait Till next Monthly meeting for their answer – Also, **Silvanus Folger**, and **Avis Slocum** proposed their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till next monthly Meeting for their Answer

Mett

This Meeting adjourns to next Second Day ^{end}

This Meeting mett by Adjournment the 22nd of the 6th month 1778

B Tucker
and
R. Allen
inform'd of
their deni
al

The Representatives being called both Present

William Mosher makes report he hath Informed **Benjamin Tucker** of his denial according to appointment; **Seth Russell** also Reports he hath Informed **Robert Allen** of his Denial, according to appointment of last Monthly meeting

C Hathways
case refer'd

The Commitee appointed to Treat with **Caleb Hathway**, Report that they have had a coferrance with him but he gave them but little Satisfaction, do request said matter yet continued which is accordingly and the Same Committee continued in that Service; And **Joseph Gifford** **Caleb Russell** and **Adam Gifford** are aded to them and to make report next monthly meeting ... And if in case said **Hathway** Still persists in his disorder, said Comittee is directed to draw up a Testimony against him and bring it to next Monthly meeting

J Sowle's
Certificate

Jonathan Sowl Ju hath produced a Certificate from **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** meeting
Certifying his Clearness respecting Marriage and Convesation

A Lancaster
the &
D Sands
Visit

Our Beloved Friends **Aaron Lancaster** and **David Sands** attended this meeting with their Certificates, the first from the monthly meeting held at the **Oblong [Pawling Dutchess Co. NY]** the 18th of the 2nd month 1778. The Latter from the Monthly meeting held at the **Nine Partners [Dutchess County, N.Y.]** the 22nd of 5th month 1778

Certificats
for Sd friends
appointed

Which being read to Satisfaction: Their Visit and Testimony in the Service of the Gospel was well accepted. And **William Anthony Ju^r** and **Samuel Smith** are appointe to draw Certificates for said friends and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting

J Sowles
answer

Jonathan Sowle and **Bersheba Russell** appeared for their answers Which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in marriage in some Convenient time, between this and next Monthly meeting adviseing with the Friends that this meeting Shall appoint for that purpose who are **Samuel Smith** and **Thomas Hicks** and they to See their marriage Solemnized orderly and make report to next monthly meeting

Settleing
accompte
Referred

The friends appointed at our Last Monthly meeting to Settle accompts with the Treasuerer not having fulfilled their appointm^{^ent} they are Continued for that Service and to make report next Monthly Meeting

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6th month
1778

The Women Friends Inform they Received into Membership **Elisabeth Johnson** Wife of **James Johnson**, with their two Daughters wich this Meeting Concur with

E Johnson rec^d

Joseph Roche having Returned the Certificate that this Meeting gave forth for himself and wife: But his removing at present being obstructed and his Said wife having already removed [tho?] This meeting Signed a Certificate for this Said Wife, and have omitted his own at Present

J Roch Certifi=
cate returnd

Elisabeth Hathway hath produced a removal Certificate for herself and four of her Children Namely **Jonah, Lydia, Mary,** and **George** which was Read and Accepted, together with a removal Certificate for **Elisabeth Hathway Ju^r** Which is also accepted

E Hatheways
Certificate accepted

This meeting Collected L4 – 15^s – 1^d – in Paper money

adjourn

And 0 - 16 - 0 - in Silver money

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This Meeting Adjourns to the 24th of this Instant after the meeting ^{of} worship

This Meeting mett by adjournment the 24th of the 6th month 1778

The Represtatives being Called both Present

Certificates
for **A Lancaster**
and **D Sands**
Signed

Certificates for our friends **Aaron Lancaster** and **David Sands** were Signed in this meeting and Directed to the Monthly meetings where they belong

Representative
appointed to
Quarterly meet=
=ing
Miniute for
Anna Gifford

The Queries were Answered and an Epistle ~~Signed~~ to the Quarterly meeting Signed and Ordered forward to said Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives, Who are **Caleb Russell, William Mosher, Seth Russe[ll]** and **Abiel Gifford**, and they to report next Monthly Meeting

Anna Gifford Inform'd this meeting that she hath thought of attending **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** [Mass.] Quarterly meeting next to be at **Falmouth [Barnstable Co. MA]** and this meeting, after Considering thereof do Concur therewith; Her publick

Testimony being approv'd off with us, And the Clerk is order'd to give her a Cobby of this minnute

7th month
1778

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of 7th month 1778
The Representative are **James Davis** and **Benjamin Taber**, Present
Received Certificates for **George Folger Ju^r** and **Sylvanus Folger**
Setting forth their clearness respectinge Marriage

**G Folgers &
S Folger's**
answers Given

S[smuged] **George Folger Ju^r** with **Rebecca Slocum**; And **Sylvanus Folger**
with **Avis Slocum** appeared for their Answers: Which was that each
Cupple might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some Covenant
time between this and next Monthly Meeting Adviseing with the friends
that this meeting Shall appoint who are **William Sanford, William Barker**
Prince Allen and **Joseph Barker**, and they to See said Marriage
Solemnized orderly and make report next Monthly meeting

Report of
J Sowle's
Marriage

One of the friends appointed Last Monthly meeting to oversee the marriage
of **Jonathan Sowle Ju^r** and **Bershaba Russell** make report that he attend^{ed}
Said Marriage which was as orderly as Usual the other friend did not
attend by Reason he was at the Quarterly Meeting. But **William Anthony Ju^r**
made report that he attended in the room of the other said friend: and that
it was accomplished orderly.

accounts Settled
with the Trea=
=surer

The committe appointed to Settle accounts With the treasure reports
they have answered there appointment and there remane in the Stok after all is
Paid that this meeting hath alredy Given order for

viz. in Silver money L1 – 8^s – 11^d
in Paper money L3 - 2 - 5

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7th month
1778

**Caleb
Hathway**
Disown'd

The Commitee that had the care of that matter Respecting **Caleb
Hathway** report that they have had an oppertunity of conference with him
and he gave them little or no Satisfaction: Therefore, We hereby Disown
the said **Hathway** from being under our Care: And a publick Testimony
being Signed in this meeting against him by the Clerk, who is to ordered
to Read the Same Publickly in our Usual manner and make report thereof
to next Monthly meeting; and **Seth Russell** is ordered to Inform him of
his Denial and report to next monthly meeting

Report
from Quar
terly Meet
-ing.
Epistles
Receiv'd

The Representatives ^ to the Quarterly meeting being Called upon, Report they all attended except
Caleb Russell, who hath rendered his reason for not attending which hath been
accepted. And they have produced an Epistle from the said Quarterly
meeting which was Read: together with Epistles from **London [England]** yearly
meeting, from the General Spring meeting of Ministers and Elders held
at **Philadelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]**, and one from our Last Yearly Meeting all of which
have been read: And as they contain, much good and wholesom advice

Friends are Earnestly desired to observe and deliberately consider the Same. And as there is a considerable number of those **London [England]** Epistles they are distributed among friends families.

Rules and orders Received & Boundries between monthly meetings.

Our Said Quarterly Meeting hath Communicated to us Several Rules and Orders Concluded upon at our Last Yearly Meeting Respecting our discipline Also the Settlement of the bounderies between **Swanzy [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** Monthly meeting and this. And likewise, an alternation of the Boundaries between this Monthly meeting and **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** : all of which the Clerk is ordered to Record in their proper places

four dollars to be paid P. Gifford

The Treasurer is Order^d to pay **Peleg Gifford** four Silver Dollars for or its Equivelent in paper for keeping the Meeting house half a year

This Meeting Collected in Paper money ---	2 ^L - 16 ^s - 9 ^d
out of which was paid to Caleb Rusell for shoeing [^] friends horses	<u>2 - 3 - 6</u>
Remains in Paper ---	0 - 13 - 3
Collected in Silver money ---	0 - 9 - 4

The Paper respecting the Settlement of the Boundery Lines between the aforsaid Monthly meetings Is as followeth

To the Quarterly Meeting of Friends ^{^next} to be held at **East Greenwich [Kent Co. RI]** for **Rhod Island**

Settlement of the boundries Between the monthly meetings

We the Committee appointed to Revise and Settle the Bounderies Between **Rhod Island [Newport, Newport Co. RI]**, **Swanzy. [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]**,

Dartmouth [Bristol Co. MA], and **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** Monthly

monthly meetings, having received the Same; and that there is Some Inhabitants Live between **Swanzy** and **Dartmouth** Monthly meetings. That it is not easy to determine, to what monthly meeting they belong: Therefore, We have concluded that the dividing line

alteraton of bounds

Between said Monthly meetings run in the following manner (viz) That all those friends Living in **Freetown [Bristol Co. MA]** to the Northward of **Fall river [Bristol Co. MA]** and **Dartmouth** belonging to this Quarterly Meeting: Shall belong to **Swanzy** Monthly meeting

We also with the concurrence of **Dartmouth** and **Accoakset** Monthly Meetings make the following alteration in the boundries between said Meetings (viz) Beginning in the Old Line at the Northeast corner of **James Sowls** Land, from thence a North line till it comes to **F[r]eetown** Line. Nevertheless we Submitt it to the Quarterly meeting

2 month 14th day 1778

Philip Tripp
Thomas Ester
William Anthony Ju^r
Theofila Shove Ju^r

1778 The Representatives are **Abiel Gifford** and **John Devol [Davoll]** both Present

Report of **G F & S Folger's** marriage

The friends appointed to attend the marriages of **George Folger** and **Rebecca Slocum**, and **Sylvanus Folger** and **Avis Slocum**, have made report that they attended said marriages, and that they were orderly Solemnised

Testimony against **C Hatha** [way] hath been read

Report hath been made that the Testimony against **Caleb Hathway** hath been read as ordered and that **Seth Russell** hath Informed said **Hathway** of his Denial agreeable to appointment

Testimony of the Yearly meeting against a pamphlet on Taxation

Received a Copy of the Testimony Given forth by our Last Yearly meeti[ng] against a Pamphlet on Taxation: &c Which hath been Read in this meeting agreeable to the direction of Said yearly meeting Said Testimony is as followeth

A Testimony Given forth from our yearly Meeting held at **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]**

from the 12th in the 16th of the 6th month Inclusive 1778 for **New England**

Whereas a Peice in Manuscript upon the Subject of Taxation &c Was written by a Member of our ^{^Religious} Society, and came under Consideration of our meeting for Suffering, before the Author was known, and some matter contained therein being altogether dissatisfactory to friends, and Inconsistent with our Religious Testimony: Inquiry was made, an[d?] indeavers used to p^revent the publication, or Spreading thereof without the desired Effect but the Same with Some additions, and alteration, was published, under the Title of "A Letter from a friend, to Some of his Intimate friends." Contrary to the good Order of our Society, and the incouragement received from the author: - And the matter being laid before this meeting And wately [weightilly] Considered, We are constrained to give forth our Testimony against the Said Piece, and the Spirit if Coⁿveys to the reader, as tending to Leaven the minds of friends with the Spirit of the World, Lament =ably prevalent, and to bring those who pay attention to Religious Scruples under Suffering and Introducing Discord, and divisions amongst friends ^{^as well} as containing matter disagreeable to our Practice and testimony as a people And also against the manner in which it was published to the World. being inconsistant with a rule, Long since laid down and consented to by our Society

Signed in and by order of our said yearly Meeting By **Thomas Latham Jn^r** Clerk
~~~~~ this time

Order to pay **P. Gifford**

~~~~~  
Copy
~~~~~

The Treasurer not havn<sup>i</sup>g paid **Peleg Gifford** the money as ordeed Last Monthly Meeting; he is therefore still directed to pay the Same and make report next monthly meeting

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8<sup>th</sup> month  
1778  
 Certificate  
 for **J Roch**  
 Signed

A Removal Certificate for **Joseph Rotch** directed to the Monthly meeting on **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** was Signed by the Clerk he having Removed thether.

**G Gifford**  
 paper acce<sup>d</sup>

**Gideon Gifford** hath given in a paper to this meeing Condemning his buying a Ticket in a Lottery, which this meeting accepts

This meeting hath Signed and Sent a few lines to the monthly Meeting of **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]**, Informing them that **Edward Thurston Ju<sup>or</sup>** his wife and their Children are deemed as Members of our Society and are within the bounds of that meeting as now Settled

Few lines  
 to **Swanzey**  
 in behalf of  
**E Thurs**  
 = **ton**

Chusing  
 overseers  
 refered

A new Choice of Overseers is Refer'd to next Monthly meeting and those that have Stood as Such the year past are Continued untill next monthly meeting

**R Thrasher**  
 & **A Wanton**  
 Disowned

The Women friends inform they have denied **Rebeckah Thrasher** Wife of **Samul Thrasher** and **Abigail Wanton** wife of **John Wanton** which this meeting Concurs with

Certificate for  
**N Howland**  
 & **R Smith**  
 Signed

A Removal Certificate for **Naomy Howland** wife of **Job Howland** with **Rebecca** her Daughter was Signed in this meeting directed to the Monthly Meeting at **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]**

This Meeting Collected L4 .. 1<sup>s</sup> .. 9<sup>d</sup> - in paper money  
 Collected 0 .. 9 .. 9 in Silver money

9<sup>th</sup> month  
1778

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1778 The Representatives being called **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** present **Abraham Howland** not present by reason of Sickness

**P Gifford**  
 paid

**Peleg Gifford** hath informed this meeting that the Treasurer hath paid him the mon<sup>c</sup>y as ordered, the Said Treasurer not being present at this time

Choosing  
 overseers  
 refered

A new choice of Overseers is refer'd to next monthly meeting and the former ones are still Continued in that Service... and **Abiel Gifford** is aded to them

meetings  
 omitted

This meeting doth Conclud to discontinue all our Weekday meetings on the Same Week our Quarterly Meetings is to be held in

**E Gifford's**  
 Request

**Elijah Gifford** hath given in a paper to this meeting Requesting for himself and Children to ~~come~~ be taken under the care of friends therefore this meeting appoints **Thomas Hicks Nicholas Howland** and **William Barker** to take an oppportunity of Sollid conferrnce with him and Endeavor to find the motive of his request, and make report next Monthly meeting

**J Allen's**  
 paper  
 accepted

**John Allen** hath given <sup>in</sup> a paper to this Meeting Condemning his being Concerned in a Lottery and Likewise hath verbaly Expressed himself in this Meeting. Signifying his Sorrow in regard to said matter

Which this meeting accepts for Satisfaction

Queries an



swer'd  
Epistle  
Signed &  
Representa'  
appointed

The Queries were answered in this meeting and an Epistle Sign'd for the Quarterly meeting and order'd forward to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **William Barker Caleb Russell** and **Joseph Barker** and they to report next Monthly Meeting

**E Mosher**  
Taken  
prisoner

This Meeting being inform'd that **Elihu Mosher** being carried away Prisoner by the Brittish Troops, therefore we appoint **Seth Russell James Davis** and **Abiel Gifford** to confer with the meeting of Sufferings in order to procure his relief as they shall think proper

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9<sup>th</sup> month  
1778

Complaint  
against  
**L Mosher**

ertificate  
for  
**E Mosher**

The overseer Inform that **Lamu<sup>e</sup>l Mosher** hath so far gon Contrary to our Profession, as to drop some bad Expressions in the manner of Swearing and other thretning Language, and said overseers hath Laboured with him therfor and he having Condemn'd Said expressions to those that heard them yet declines to Condemn them Publickly to the Satisfaction of this Meeting therefore we appoint **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>nd</sup> Benjamin Taber** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** to Labour with him as they may think proper and Report next Monthly meeting

A Certificate for **Elihu Mosher** who was carried away Prisoners was Signed in this meeting directed to the Meeting of Sufferings: Informing them of his being a member of our meeting and Clear in regard to Military matter

This Meeting Collected in Silver money .... L0 - 7<sup>s</sup> - 3<sup>d</sup>

Collected in Paper money ... 2 - 11 - 7

10<sup>th</sup> month  
1778  
Chusing Over-  
seers refered

**E Gifford's** request  
refered

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1778

The Representatives are **William Barker** and **John Williams** -- Present

A new Choices of Overseers is Still refer'd to next Monthly meeting and those that have been in that Service continued till a new choice

The friends appointed to confer with **Elijah Gifford** on his request, Repent that for want of a Conveanent oppertunity they have not fulfilled their appointment, they are therefore continued in said Service, and to make report next monthly meeting

**L Mosher's**  
case refered

The friends appointed to treat with **Lamul Mosher** report they have not fulfilled their appointment, one of them being Sick they are therefore continued In said Service, and **Joseph Gifford** is added to them and they to make report next Monthly meeting

Overseers  
of the poor  
continued

The time of the appointment of overseers of the poor being Expired they are now again continued in that Service untill a new Choice is made

Friends app-  
ointed to over  
see the bury  
ing ground

This meeting having Concluded to make a new choice of Friends to have the care of our burying Ground. Who Shall be Interred therein that are not members of the Society, and who not – Who are **William Sanford William Barker** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and also **William Mosher Benjamin Rider** and **John Devol** for **Newtown [N Dartmouth, MA]**

**N Howland &  
T Hicks** to over  
see the meet  
ing house

This meeting also appoints **Nicholas Howland** and **Thomas Hicks** to have the care of our old meeting house and Lands and to keep the fences in repair Round the Same

Trustees to the Deeds appointed  
 C Russell request Certificate  
 Certificate for J Smith Signed  
 W Anthony Ju his Bill  
 ordered to be paid

This Meeting appoint the following friends as Trustees to take Deeds of this meetings Land the former ones being Some of them Deceased (viz) **William Mosher, Samuel Smith William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup> and Joseph tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
**Charles Russell** requests a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]**, therefore **Benjamin Smith Ju<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Smith** are appointed to mak due inquiry into his Circumstances, and draw one for him if they find things clear and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting  
 A Removal Certificate for **John Smith** son of **Isaac** deceast was Signed in this Meeting directed to the Monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck** he having removed theither  
**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** hath given in an acount to this Meeting for keeping **Alice Smith** from the 28<sup>th</sup> of the fourth month Last to the 28<sup>th</sup> Instant including 26 weeks at Twenty eigh Shillings per week old Tennor Silver Money and to be paid in Silver or its Equivalent in Paper money which this meeting orders paid accordingly: The amout thereof is L36 – 8<sup>s</sup> in Silver old Tennor.

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10<sup>th</sup> month 1778  
 Time meetings begin

This Meeting concluds that all our meetings begin at the Eleventh Hour for the year ensuing except at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** and that

**B Taber** apointed Treasurer

to begin as usually they have done.

**S Smith** and **T Hicks** to settle <sup>^with</sup> heirs of former Treasurer

**Benjamin Taber** is appointed Treasurer in the Roome or S<sup>t</sup>ead of our Well beloved friend **Prince Allen** deceased: for the year Ensuing And **Samuel Smith** and **Thomas Hicks** are appointed to Settle accounts with the Heirs of the former Treasurer deceased, and make Report next Monthly Meeting

11<sup>th</sup> Mo 1778

This Meeting Collected in Silver -- 0<sup>L</sup> -- 5<sup>s</sup> -- 00<sup>d</sup>  
 Collected in Paper money 2 -- 13 -- 10

At A Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1778 The Representatives are **Caleb Russell** and **Joseph Barker** - - -Present  
 A New choice of Overseers is again refer'd to next Monthly meeting

**E Gifford** & children accepted

The Committee appointed to confer with **Elijah Gifford** and family Report, that most of them visited said family (one of said Commitee being detained by Sickness) and found a degree of Satisfaction and Sincerity among them. Therefore this meeting accepts of said **Elijah Gifford** and Children to be under the care of this meeting

Overseers of the poor apoin[t]ed

The Women friends also inform they have accepted **Deborah Gifford** the wife of the said **Elijah Gifford** which this meeting concurs with  
**Caleb Rusell Gi<sup>^d</sup>eon Howland Benjamin Howland 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel Smith** and

**George Smith** are Chosen Overseers of the poor for the year Ensuing

**L Mosher's**  
paper  
accepted

The friends appointed to Treat with **Lamuel Mosher**, gave in their Report, which was in degree Satisfactory, and he hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his misconduct, which this meeting accepts provided he cause the Same to be read Publickly as Usual, and return said paper to next Monthly meeting

Settling  
with the  
Treasury  
continued

Frinds to  
revise and  
correct the  
miniuts

The Friend appointed to Settle accounts with the Heirs of the former Treasurer report, that they have not fully accomplished the Same, they are therefore continued in said Service and to make report next monthly meeting

**Samuel Smith Thomas Hicks Benjamin Howland 2<sup>nd</sup> and William Anthony J<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to Revise and Correct this meetings Minutes in order for them to go on Re<sup>c</sup>cord and to make report next monthly meeting

**S Crow** mov  
=ed without  
Certificate

**Shearman Crow** having removed within the bounds of **accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** Meeting

Certificate  
for **B Rick  
etson** signed

Without giving notice thereof to this meeting, We therefore Signed and sent a few lines, to Inform the said meeting at **Accoaket** of his Removal

This meeting Sin<sup>g</sup>ed a Certificat for **Benjamin Ricketson** son of **William Ricksetson's** to the Monthly meeting of **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]**, as he is a going theither to settle his outward affaires.

**J Russell**  
request a  
Certificate

**John Russell** informes this meeting that he is about to Remove to **East Hoosuck** and desires a Certificate, therefore **Benjamin Smith Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Gideon Howland** are appointed to draw one for him if they think Proper, and bring it to next monthly meeting.

Certificate for  
**C Rusel**  
signed

This Meeting hath Signed a <sup>^Removal</sup> Certificate directed to the Monthly Meeting at **East Hoosuck** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** . For **Charles Russell** his wife **Rebecca** and Little daughter **Amie** they having Removed theither to dewell.

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11<sup>th</sup> month  
1778

**A Howland Ju**  
Disowned

This Meeting is Informed that **Abraham Howland Ju<sup>r</sup>** hath married out of the Unity of friends, after being precautioned by friends: therefore he is disowned from being a member of our Society and from under the care care of this meeting, and **Benjamin Smith Ju<sup>r</sup>** is appointed to Inform him thereof

Complaint a  
gainst **J Akin**

The Overseers Inform that **John Akin** hath appeared in bearing of Arms and hath been Treated with by friends but declines to Condemn the same therefore **John Williams** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** to Treat further with him on that account, and also on account of his Neglecting to attend our Meetings and to make report next Monthly meeting

This meeing Collected in Silver money 0<sup>L</sup> - 9<sup>s</sup> - 10<sup>d</sup>

Collected in paper money 4 - 5 - 0

12<sup>th</sup> month 1778

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1778  
The Representativ are **Caleb Russell** and **Seth R[smuged] Huddleston** - Present  
We appointed our friends **Abiel Gifford Benjamin Taber Benjamin Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Seth Huddleston Joseph Barker William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **William Barker**  
Overseers for the year Ensuing

Overseers  
appoi<sup>n</sup>ted

**L. Mosers** paper  
read & accepted

**Lamuel Moshers** Paper having been Red agreeable to the direction of  
last monthly meeting and returned the <sup>same</sup> to this meeting. Which is accepted  
and is as followeth

**L. Mosher** paper  
of acknowledg  
ment

To the Monthly meeting of Friends to be held at **Dartmouth** 16<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> month 1778  
Whereas, some time past I get into a Passion, so far as to drop Some bad  
Expression in the manner of Swearing: For which I am heartily Sorry and  
do Condemn, And desire Friends so far to pass it by as to let me  
Remain under their Care **Lamuel Mosher**

Settled with the  
Treasurry

Miniuts revis<sup>d</sup>  
and corrected

Certificate for  
**J Russell** referd

The Case of  
**John Akin**  
referred

**E Thurstons**  
Certificate  
Returned back

The Friends appointed to Settle accounts with Heirs of the former Treasurer  
Report they have fulfilled their appointment, And have settled accounts  
down to the 9<sup>th</sup> month last Inclusive; and remains in the Stock 5<sup>L</sup> – 15<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup>  
in paper money and 1<sup>L</sup> – 15<sup>s</sup> – 10<sup>d</sup> in Silver money  
The friends appointed to Revise and correct this meetings minutes, report  
they have fulfilled said appointment and left them with <sup>^y</sup>e Clerk to be recorded  
The friends Chosen to draw a Certificate for **John Russell** and to inspect into  
his Clearness Report, they have not fulfilled said appointmen in full, they are  
therefore Continued in Said Service, and **Abraham Howland** is added  
to them, and they to make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Labour with **John Akins** report they have  
not accomplished Said appointment for want of an oppertunity they are  
also continued in the Same Service and to make their report to next  
Monthly meeting

Our Cirtificate in favour of **Edward Thurston** and his family directed  
to **Swanzey [Swansea [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** monthly meeting being returned back to  
this meeting again  
therefore we appoint **Thomas Hicks Samuel Smith** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>n</sup>**  
to consider what be necessary for this meeting to act further, in that  
matter and make Report to next monthly meeting

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12<sup>th</sup> month  
1778  
Certificate

This meeting hath Signed and sent a Certificate to the monthly meeting  
at **Pembrock [Pembroke, Plymouth Co. MA]** for **Eliakim Mosher** a young son of **Joanna**  
**Mosher** he being

for **E Mosher** about to go as an apprentice there  
This meeting Collected 5<sup>L</sup> - 3<sup>s</sup> - 7<sup>d</sup> in paper money  
0 - 13 - 2 ½ in Silver money  
money de There was delivered to the Present Treasurer the Sum of 5<sup>L</sup> - 15<sup>s</sup> - 6<sup>d</sup> in  
liver'd to Paper money and 1 - 15 - 6<sup>d</sup> in Silver money By the Committee that Settled  
the Treasur<sup>r</sup>e accounts wh<sup>h</sup> with the heirs of the former Treasurer  
This meeting Adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> of this Instant after the meeting of  
Worship which is to begin at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour  
adjourn Met by adjournment the 30<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1778  
Mett The Representatives being called **Caleb Russell** present **Seth Huddleston** not present

**J Allen** **John Allen** informs that he is about to Remove with his family to  
request a Live within the bounds of **Saratoga**[**Easton Washington Co. NY**] or **Hoosuck** [**Adams**  
Certificate **Berkshire Co. MA**] Monthly meeting and  
Requests a removal Certificate for himself and Children therefore  
**Abiel Gifford** and **John Devol** are appointed to make due Inquiry  
into his Circumstances and draw one for them and bring it to next  
Monthly meeting if they find things Clear

**J Jonsons** **James Johnson** Request to come under the care of this meeting with his  
request Son **William**: And **William Mosher** and **Thomas Hicks** are appointed to  
Take an oppertunity of Solid Conference with him in order to know the  
reason of his Request, and make return to next Monthly meeting

Complaint The Overseers inform that **Stephen Wilcox Ju<sup>r</sup>** hath taken up Armes  
against in or for War: and hath neglected the due attendance of our Meetings  
**S Wilcox Ju** for which they have Treated with him but did not give them Satisfaction  
Therefore this meeting appoint **Caleb Russell** and **Benjamin Howland**  
to Treat further with him, and to make report to next Monthly meeting

Certificate There was Signed in this meeting a Certificate for **William Howland**  
**W Howland** Certifying his being under the care of this meeting, as he is about going  
a Voige to Sea

Chusing It hath been proposed in this meeting to chuse some friends to Joyn or assist  
Visitors the Overseers in Visiting and treating with disorderly members of this  
referred meeting, Peticurly those that Neglect the due attendece of our Religious  
Meeting; But this meeting being small by reason of the Severity of the  
Season the matter is refer'd to next Monthly meeting

Queries The Queries were Answered. And an Epistle Signed in this meeting to the  
answered Quarterly meeting and order'd forward by our Reprsentatives who are  
Represen **William Mosher Abiel Gifford Samu<sup>e</sup>l Smith** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
tatives and they to report next monthly meeting  
appointed

1779 At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo<sup>th</sup> 1779  
1<sup>st</sup> month The Representitives are **Benjamin Rider** and **Benjamin Taber** Present  
**J Akin's** **John Akin** being gone to Sea the Committee appointed to Labour with  
case refer'd him make report they have not fulfilled their appointment they are still  
Continued in the Same Service and to make report when they shall have

Certificate  
for **J Russell**  
referred

Opportunity to perform the Same  
The Committee appointed to draw a Certificate for **John Russell** not  
having fully accomplished the Same they are <sup>there</sup>fore still continued in Said  
Service and make report next monthly meeting

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[1<sup>st</sup>] month  
1779  
The case of  
[E] **Thurston**  
referred  
Certificate  
for  
**J Allen**  
referred

The Committee appointed to consider the matter in regard to **Edward Thurston J<sup>r</sup>**  
and family not Having fully accomplished the Same they are Still continued for  
for the Same Service and report next Monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to draw a Certificate for **John** <sup>Allen</sup> report they have  
made Some progress in the Said matter but not having accomplished the same  
they are also continued in said service and to make return next Monthly  
meeting

[J] **Jonsons** re  
quest refer'd

The friends appointed to confer with **James Jonson** in regard to his request  
to Come under friends care Report they have had an opportunity of conferren<sup>c</sup>  
with him: and that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction yet that  
matter is also continued and to Said friends in the Same Service untill next  
Monthly meeting

**S Wilcox Ju**  
case referred

The friends appointed to Labour with **Stephen Wilcox Ju<sup>r</sup>** Report  
they have <sup>not</sup> fulfilled the Same; they are also continued for the Same Service  
and to make report next Monthly meeting

Return from  
the Quarter  
ly meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all  
attended agreeable to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the  
Same together with a number of **London [England]** Printed <sup>General</sup> Epistles. One of which  
being Read, with the s<sup>d</sup> Quarterly meetings Epistle to good Satisfaction and  
the Said **London** Epistles distributed among friends and recommended to  
to be read in their families

Collections  
called for  
to Supply  
yearly meet  
ing Stock

It is Recommended by the Quarterly meeting, and also by Writing from  
the meeting for Sufferings to Send up as speedily as may be Collections to  
Sup<sup>p</sup>ly the yearly meeting Stock: And this meeting concludes to raise the  
Sum of Twenty pounds for that use

**J Sisson's**  
proposal of  
marriage

**Job Sisson** having Produced his Parents consent that he may proceed in  
marriage with **Ruth Sheppard**

**Job Sisson** and **Ruth Shepherd** declared their Intentions of taking each  
other in marriage: and were desired to wait till next Monthly meeting for  
answer

This meeting Collected in Silver money . . . 0<sup>L</sup> . . 15<sup>s</sup> .. 9<sup>d</sup>  
in paper money . . . 12 . . 1 .. 4

Order to pay  
**P Gifford**  
four Dollars

This meeting orders the Treasurer to pay **Peleg Gifford** four Silver Dollars  
or the Vallue thereof in Paper currency, it being for keeping the meeting  
house half a year ... Also to pay **William Anthony's** bill formerly given  
in and Accepted

Adjourn'd

This meeting Adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting of Worship  
Met by adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1779

Mett

The Representatives are **Benjamin Rider** and **Benjamin Taber** Present

Friends appoin  
ted Visitors

Our friends **Joseph Tucker Caleb Russell** and **Thomas Hicks** are  
appointed to Joyn and Assist the Overseers in Visiting and Labouring

with the disorderly members, as mentioned Last Monthly meeting and they are desired to visit and Labour with them in Love in order for their Restoration: and if after they have discharged themselves in that respect Such of said members that continue disorderly: They to bring their Names and their Crimes to the meeting in Order for them to be dealt further with as our discipline requires

W<sup>m</sup> Allen req<sup>est</sup>  
Certificate

**William Allen** Son of **Philip** deceased being about to remove within Compas of **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** Monthly meeting and desires a Certificates therefore **Abiel Gifford** and **John Devol** are appointed to take the needful care in that case and make Return to next monthly meeting

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1<sup>st</sup> month  
1779  
W **Hart**'s  
paper accept<sup>ed</sup>

**William Heart** hath given in a paper Signifying his Sorrow for being Concerned in a Lottery which is accepted

**O Beard**  
Disowned

The Overseers Inform that **Obediah Beard** hath married out of the unity of friends after being Precautioned. Therefore he is Deny'd and disown'd from being a member of our Society, and **Seth Huddelston** is appointed to inform <sup>him</sup> hereof and make report to next monthly meeting

Friends  
appointed  
to take in  
Subscripti  
ons

We appoint of our friends **Jonathan Wilbore John Williams William Hart Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Gideon Howland** to goe forth with Subscriptions that was Signed in this meeting to raise money: as expressed in Said Subscriptions and Pay the money to the Treasurer of this meeting, and make return to next Monthly meeting of the sum so raised

**C Russells**  
and  
**W Barkers**  
Bills

**Caleb Russell** hath xhibited an account to this meeting for keeping Some Traveling friends horses and Shoeing them to the amount of 8<sup>l</sup> – 2<sup>s</sup> – 0 which is allow'd: and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same: And also to pay **William Barker** four Dollars or the vallue thereof for keeping the meeting house half a year, Some time past: And also 18 shillings ~~for~~ paper for bringing Some Hay for the use of friends, and make return next monthly meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> Mo 1779

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives **Peleg Gifford** and **Samuel Smith** Present

Certificate  
for **J Russ**

A certificate for **John Russell** directed to <sup>^</sup> Monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** was Signed in this meeting by the Clerke.

**E Thurstone**  
case

The friends appointed in the case of **Edward Thurstone Ju<sup>r</sup>** have brought a few Lines – being an Indorsment on the former Certificate directed to the Monthly meeting of **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA] [Swansea/ Somerset, Mass.]**: Setting forth of their being members and

Recommending them to Sold Meeting

Certificate  
for **J Allen**  
referred

The friends appointed to draw a Certificate for **John Allen** report that things not being Settled by reason of Sickness they are therefore continued in Said Service and to report next monthly meeting

**J Jonson**  
Received

The friends appointed to Confer with **James Johnson** on his request to come under friends care have Made a Satisfactor report; therefore he the Said **James Johnson** and his Son **William** are received into Membership with us.

**S Wilcox Ju**  
Disowned

The friends appointed to Treat with **Stephen Wilcox Junor** Report they have fulfilled their appointment, but he gave them no Satisfaction therefore he is disowned from being a member of our Society, and the same friends are appointed to draw a Publick Testimony against him, and bring it to next Monthly meeting: And **William Ricketson** is order'd to Inform him of his Denial

**M Russel**  
Disowned

This meeting is Informed that **Michael Russell** hath married out of the unity of Friends and hath been Treated with on that account by friends both before and after Said Marriage and he gave them no Satisfaction. Therefore he is disowned from being <sup>in</sup> Membership with us: And **William Ricketson** is order'd to Inform him of his Denial and make report next monthly meeting

**S Crow**  
Disowned

The overseers inform that **Shearm<sup>an</sup> Crow** hath removed away in a disorderly manner, without the knowledge or concurrence of this meeting into the Compas of another, and neglects to attend meetings, and they having Treated with him on these accounts but he gave them <sup>no</sup> Satisfaction therefore he is denyed from being a Member of our Society, and **Seth Huddleston** is orderd to inform him of his denial and report next Monthly meeting

Report of  
the Treasur  
er

The Treasurer reports he has paid all the money as order'd last monthly meeting, Except that to **Peleg Gifford** and that he designed to pay and report next Monthly meeting

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2<sup>nd</sup> mo  
1779  
Certificate for  
**[W] Allen**

A removal Certificate was Signed in this meeting for **William Allen** Son of **Philip** deceased, dedicated to the monthly meeting of **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]**

**Berd** informed  
[?] Certificate

**Seth Huddleston** reports he hath informed **Obediah Beard** of his denial according to appointment

Friends to collect  
money  
continued

Received a Certificate from **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** Monthly Meeting for **Job Sisson** Signifying

he is a member of their Society and Clear from any marriage Entanglement

The friends appointed to Collect the money by Subscriptions not haveing fully accomplished, the Same, they are still continued in said Service and to make report to the adjournment of this meeting

**BS, JC : JA**  
Request  
Certificates

**Benjamin Sawdy, James Cornwell** and **James Allen** having informed this meetin that they perpose to take a Journey up the Countrey and desires Each of them a Certificate: Therefore, **Thomas Hicks, Elijah Gifford William Mosher** and **John Smith** are appointed to make inquiry into their



Clearness and draw Certificates for them if they find them clear and bring them to the adjournment of this meeting.

**J Sissons** answer  
[is?] given  
~~Job Sisson~~ **Job Sisson** and **Ruth Shepard** appear'd for their answer Which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in Some convenient time before next monthly meeting: adviseing with the Friends that this meeting Shall appoint to See the Said marriage accomplish'd who are **William Sanford** and **William Barker** and they to make report next Monthly meeting

**William Barker Junior** being about to go as apprentice: with his brother within the Compass of **East Hoosuck** or **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** monthly meeting and desires a Certificate, therefore **Joseph Tucker Jr** and **William Sanford** are appointed to take the needful care in that respect, and draw one for him if they think Proper and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting

**William Russell** having informed that he hath concluded to remove with in the Compass of **East Hoosuck** or **Saratoga** Monthly meeting, and requests a removal Certificate therefore **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>nd</sup>** and **Nicholas Lapham** are appointed to Treat with him on that account: And if they find – things clear then to draw one for him and bring it to next monthly meeting

[W] **Russell**  
[R]equest a  
[C]ertificate  
[C]ertificate for **Anne Smith**

A Removal Certificate for **Anne Smith** wife of **Thomas Smith** and their Children whose names are **Sarah, Lloyd, Paul** and **Barnabas** was Signed directed to the Monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck** and **Saratoga**

Collected ..... In paper money ..... 7 – 10 – 3  
In Silver money ..... 0 - 7 - 6

Adjourn  
mett  
This meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this Instant after the meeting of Worship  
Met by adjournment this 24<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1779

The Representatives being called both Present

[C]ertificates for  
[B]S, JC : JA  
A Certificate form **Benjamin Sawdy** was Signed in this meeting directed to the Monthly meeting at **Saratoga** he being about to Travel there

Certificate for  
[W] **Barker Ju**  
Certificates for **James Cornel** and **James Allen** were Signed in this meeting directed to the Monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck** and **Saratoga** they being about to go theither

Also A Removal Certificate for **William Barker Jr** was Signed in this meeting directed to the Same meetings as above he being a going there to dwell

A **Allen's** paper  
referred  
**Abraham Allen** hath given in to this meeting a Paper Condemning his Being concerned in a Lottery and the meeting not being fully clear to accept the Same  
Therefore

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Therefore **Elijah Gifford Thomas Hicks** and **Joseph Tucker Jr** are appointed to Examin into the Circumstance of the matter and make return next  
2<sup>d</sup> month  
1779

monthly meeting

Complaint  
against  
**P Gifford Ju**

The Overseers Inform that **Peleg Gifford Ju** hath appear'd in a War Like manner with his Gun in order to Stand Wach with others of the Militia and also been found with others Shoouting at a Turkey set up for that purpos for which disorderly conduct this meeting doth appoint our friends **William Mosher, Samu<sup>l</sup> Smith** and **Gid<sup>o</sup>n Howland** to Labour with him in order to Shew him his Error and make return next Monthly meeting

**W Mosher**  
appointed  
to draw  
money for  
yearly meet  
ing Stock

We appoint **William Mosher** to draw the Sum of Twenty Pounds out of the Treasury of this meeting, and pay the Same to the Yearly meeting Treasurer to Supply the yearly meeting Stock: Also take all the money that is Collected by this meetings Commity for the meeting of Sufferings; and pay the Same there, and make report <sup>^to</sup> the next monthly meeting.

Complaint  
against  
**J Gifford**

The overseers inform that **Job Gifford** hath Neglected to attend our Religious Meetings after he was Treated with on that account: And also hath set up Selling Spirituous Liqu<sup>o</sup>rs, and thereby Suffering unbec<sup>o</sup>ming company att his house Therefore this meeting doth appoint **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>nd</sup>**, **William Barker** and **Jonathan Willbor** to Labour further with him on these accounts and to make report next monthly meeting

3<sup>rd</sup> Mo 1779

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1779 The Representatives are **Elijah Gifford** and **Abiel Gifford**, present

A minuit  
from meet  
ing for Suf  
fering & Testimony  
from **Philadel**

Received a Ccopy of a minute from our meeting of Suffrings held the 8<sup>th</sup> Instant, directing that the Same, with a Testimony from the yearly meeting of **Philadelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** by adjournment from the 29<sup>th</sup> of the month to the

To be read

4<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1777 (which was Read in this meeting) be both Publickly Read in all our meetings, which this meeting concurs with and the Clerk is ordered to Read them accordingly

Certificate  
**J Allen**

A Removal Certificate for our friends **John Allen** his Wife and Children Directed to the monthly meeting of **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** or **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk

Testimony  
against  
**S Wilcox Ju**

A Testimony of Denial against **Stephen Wilcox Junor** was signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is ordered to Read it Publickly in the usual manner and make report next monthly meeting

also agai  
nst **M Rus**  
sel

And **William Ricketson** reports he hath informed said **Wilcox** of his denial and also **Michel Russell** of his Denial according to appointment Likewise **Seth Huddleston** informs that he hath informed **Shearman Crow** of his denial as order'd Last monthly meeting

Order to  
pay **P G**

Treasurer not having paid **Peleg Gifford** as order'd he is again desired to do the Same and make report to next monthly meeting

Report of  
**J Sisson**'s marriage

The Friends appointed to attend the marriage of **Job Sisson** and **Ruth Shepard**, report that they attended said marriage, and saw nothing but that it was orderly accomplished

Certificate  
for **W Rusel**

A Removal Certificate for **William Russell** directed to **East Hoosuck** or **Saratoga** monthly meeting was Signed in this meeting he having gone there to dwell

The case of  
**A Allen**  
referred

The friends appointed to Treat with **Abraham Allen** report they have Treated with him, but the matter not being Settled it is refered to

next monthly meeting and the Same friends continued in Said Service and they to make Report next monthly meeting

**P Gifford Ju**  
case re  
reffer'd

The Committee appointed to Treat with **Peleg Gifford Ju**r Report that they have had conference with him but did not give them full Satisfaction but request the matter may be continued Longer; Therefore they are continued to next monthly meeting in the Same Service and then they to make report

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3<sup>rd</sup> month  
1779

**William Mosher** reports he hath fulfilled his appointment in regard to carrying the money to the yearly meetings Treasurer: and also to the meeting of Sufferings and hath produced a copy of the minute from the Clerk of the meeting of Sufferings that they had Received the Sum of 17<sup>L</sup> – 17<sup>s</sup> – 4<sup>d</sup> in paper and 12 Shillings in hard money for the use of the poor come from **Rhoad Island [ Newport, Newport Co. RI]** that are not of our Society

**W Mosher**  
[?] he hath  
[?] the money  
The case of  
**[J] Gifford**  
referred

The Comittee appointed to Treat with **Job Gifford** report they have had a Conference with him and he gave them little or no Satisfaction Nevertheless the matter being Weightily co<sup>n</sup>sider'd it is refered to next monthly meeting and the Same Committee Still continued, and if he doth not give them some satisfaction they then to draw a paper if denial against him and bring it to next monthly meeting

Friends approin  
ted to attend  
**Swanzey**  
monthly  
meeting

The few lines of Indorsment directed **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** monthly meeting and Signed by the

Clerk at our monthly meeting in the first month last was now read, and do appoint our friends **Thomas Hicks William Anthony Ju**r and **Samuel Smith** to attend Said meeting at **Swanzey**, with said Indorsment in order to treat with them on that account: in behalf of this meeting and endeavor to show them the State of the Case, and make return to this meeting when they have accomplished the Same

**A Howland**  
**A Barke &**  
**[J] Ricketson**  
**[J] Howland**  
requesting  
Certificates

**Abraham Howland** son of **Job Howland** desires a removeable Certificate to the monthly meeting of **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]**--- And also **Asa Barker** a young Son of **David Barker** being about to <sup>^</sup>go an apprintice to live within the Compas of **Smithfield [ Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** monthly meeting – also **John Ricketson** informs he is about to

go to the **Oblong [ Pawling Dutchess Co. NY]**, or thereabout in order to purchase a place to live at

Requesting of us a few lines by way of Certificate – and likewise **Jethro Howland**

Son of **Benj<sup>n</sup> Howland** being about to go to **East Hoosuck** or therebout to make Some Stay and also desires a Certificate – Therefor this meeting appoints **Samuel Smith Elijah Gifford** and **Thomas Hicks** to draw Certificate for them and Sign them in behalf of this meeting if they shall think proper when they have duly enquired into their Circumstances and made return to next monthly meeting

L s d

Collected in paper Currency ..... 6 -- 10 -- 3

In Silver Currency ... 0 -- 13 -- 0

**A Devol** and  
**B Gifford Ju**  
Request

This meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting for Worship

Mett by adjournment this 24<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1779

**Abner Devol** and **Benjamin Gifford Ju**r Each gave in a paper to the Preparative meeting requesting to come under Friends Care: Therefore we appoint **William Mosher Abial Gifford** and **Samuel Smith** to take an Opportuni<sup>ty</sup>

**W Ricketson** of Solled Conference with them in order to desern the true motive of their bill for hay Request and make return next monthly meeting

Complaint a  
gainst **William Ricketson** gave in account to this meeting for c500 of Hay which is allowed it being 18 Shilling in hard money or its Equi<sup>ve</sup>lent in paper and y<sup>e</sup> Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same.

**J Shepard**  
**J Smith**  
**[H] Smith**  
**[E] Russell**  
**T Howland &**  
**I Howland**  
The Overseers Inform that **John Shepard, John Smith, Henry Smith Elijah Russell, Timothy Howland** and **Isaac Howland** son of **Benjamin** have Joyned with others in purchasing and Owning a Vessel that was Taken in the War, or by way of Violence: yet as it hath been Signified that Said owners were Ignorant that She was Such a Vessel this meeting therefore doth appoint **Caleb Russell William Mosher Elijah Gifford Samuel Smith** and **John Devol** to inquire into the true state of the case, and Circumstances attending the same and bring in their Judgm't thereupon to our next monthly meeting

Complaint  
against

**[I] Howland**

The overseers also Inform that **Isaac Howland** son of **Benjamin** is found Guilty of the Sin of fornication as appears by the accusation of **Merebah Smith** and hath also been neglecting in attending meetings and the above said Committee are appointed to Labour with on that account and draws a Testimony of denial against him if he do not give them satisfaction, and bring it to next monthly meeting

Friends appoint  
ed to attend the  
Quarterly  
Meeting

We appoint our friends **William Mosher Thomas Hicks Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup> William Barker** and **Gideon Howland** to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistle which was aproved and Signed in this meeting by the Clerk also the Answers to the Queries which was read and approved in this meeting and they to Make report next monthly meeting

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4<sup>th</sup> Mo 1779 At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are **Abiel Gifford** – Present

Testimony  
against  
**S W** not read  
The Clerk Informs he hath not read the Testimony against **Stephen Wilcox** as order'd he is therfore desired to perform the same and make Return next monthly meeting

**P Gifford**  
not paid  
The Treasurer reports he hath not paid **Peleg Gifford**, he is therefore ordered to pay and make report when it is paid

The case of  
**A Allen**  
referred  
The friends appointed in the case of **Abraham Allen** report they have been ingaged in the matter but it not being fully Settled to Satisfaction they are Continued in the same service and to make report next monthly meeting

a paper of  
denyal is  
ordered to  
be drawn  
against  
The Friends continued Last monthly meeting to treat with **Peleg Gifford Ju** Report they have fulfilled their appointment and he declines to make Satisfaction and that they think they are clear from any further Labour with him they are therefore appointed to draw a paper of denial against him the said **Peleg Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** And th<sup>e</sup>y with **Joseph Gifford** and **William Sanford**

**P Gifford Ju** to Inform him thereof and make report next monthly meeting  
The case of **J Gifford** referred  
The Committee Continued to Treat with **Job Gifford** report they have had some late Conference with him, wherein he gave some degree of Satisfaction they are therefore Still continued in the Said Service and make report next monthly meeting

Report of Friends appointed to Sign Certificates  
The Friends appointed to prepare and Sign Certificates in the behlf of this meeting report they have performed the same. Except that for **Abraham Howland** (Son of **Job**) and they are Still continued to draw one for him if they think proper, and bring it to next monthly meeting

The case of **A Devol & B Gifford** referred  
The friends appointed to Treat with **Abner Devol** and **Benjamin Gifford** Report they have had Some conference with them and that they gave them some degree of Satisfaction. the matter is therefor refered to next monthly meeting and they continued in said Service and then to make report

**W Ricketson** not paid  
The Treasurer reports he hath not paid **William Ricketson** as ordered he is therefore ordered to pay the Same and make report when he hath paid

The friends appointed to Enquire into and to Judge the matter of the owners of the Vessel said to be taken by War and Violence who have given in the following report which after being read and considered is accepted and is as followeth

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[4<sup>th</sup> month 1779]  
The case of **[I] Howland** referred  
The friend appointed to Treat with **Isaac Howland** son of **Benjamin** Report, they have had conference with him, but he did not give the full Satisfaction, yet they did not drauft a Testimony against him they are therefore continued in the Same Service and report next monthly meeting.

Report of friends appointed to attend Quarterly meeting  
The friends appoin<sup>te</sup>d to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended Except **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and he hath rendered an Excuse for his not attending which is accepted; and they have produced an apistle from the Quarterly meeting which was Read and well accepted.

[Certificate requested for **[D] Barker**]  
**David Barker** desires a Certificate for his young Son **Shove Barker** to the monthly meeting at **Swanzy [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** he being gone there to Live as an aprentice

**[J] Cornel** request a Certificate  
And also **James Cornwell** being about to Remove within the compass of **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** or **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** Monthly meeting: and Request a removal Certificate to Said meeting: Therefore **Jonathan Willbor Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Elijah Gifford** are appointed to make inquiry into above said matter and draw Certificates for them if they find things Clear and bring them to next monthly meeting

Report of the meeting at **Bedford**  
The Term for holding meetings granted to the friends at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** being Expiered the overseers thereof made report that it hath been kept up as Usual and request it continued which is Granted for one month only and **Benjamin Taber Caleb Russell** and **Seth Russell** are appointed to have the oversight thereof and to make report next monthly meeting

L s d  
Collected in paper Currency --- 5 - 4 - 9½  
Collected in Silver currency --- 0 - 9 - 8

5<sup>th</sup> Mo 1779

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are **Joseph Barker** and **Benj<sup>a</sup> Rider** Present  
The Clerk hath made Report the Testimony of Denial against **Stephen Wilcox Junior** hath been Read according to appointment which is as followeth

Testimony of  
[D]enial against  
[S] **Willcox Ju**

Whereas **Stephen Wilcox Ju<sup>r</sup>** having had a Right of membership among Friends, and under the Care of this meeting yet through unwachfulness and disregarding the Principal of Truth, he hath fallen into great Indiffer-  
=ency of mind, so as most wholly to Neglect attending our Religious ---- meetings: He hath also of Late appeared with his Gun in a Warlike poster: which Conduct of his being Inconsistant with our Peacable Princi-  
=ples that we make Profession of, and friends having Laboured with him in Love on these accounts, but he not adhearing to the advice of friends herein, We do therefore Give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the Said **Stephen Wilcox Ju<sup>r</sup>** disowning him from being a --- member of our Society, untill he by unfeigned Repentance and acknowle<sup>d</sup>gment of the Error of his ways, he shall be restored to the way of Truth

Given forth, and Signed in <sup>^</sup> & on behalf of our Monthly meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> month 1779 by **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

The case of  
**A Allen**  
referred

The Committee appointed in the Case of **Abraham Allen** make report that they have still been in the progress of that Service, but it being not yet fully settled to Satisfaction: It is therefore refered to next Monthly meeting, and the same friends continued and then they to make report

Complaint a  
gainst  
**W Bowdish Ju**

This meeting is Inform'd that **William Bowdish Ju<sup>r</sup>** hath fallen into the Sin of Fornication; therefore **William Mosher** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to Treat with him on that account, and to draw a paper of denial against him if he do not give them Satisfaction and bring it to the next monthly meeting

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5<sup>th</sup> month  
1779  
Received  
Certificates  
**E. Allen &**  
**M. Hoxcie**

The Women Friends Inform that they have received Removal Certificates for **Elizabeth Allen** Widdow and **Meriah Hoxcie** both from **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Monthly meeting, which this meeting concurs with

Certificate  
Signd for  
**J. Allen**

The Removal Certificates that were Signed in this meeting Some months past for **John Allen** and his wife and Children and Brother **William Allen** were now altered, and Signed being now directed to the **Nine partners [Millbrook, Washington, Dutchess Co NY]** Monthly meeting they being about to remove there

**Peleg Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>**

**Peleg Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** hath given in a paper to this meeting Signifying his Sorrow for his offences taken notice of by the meeting which

*paper  
referred* being considered; the matter is referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same Committee as before, and they to Visit him and Treat with him again and make report next Monthly meeting

*The case of  
J Gifford  
referred* The Committee continued in the case of **Job Gifford**, report that he hath dissisted from Selling Spirituous Liquors the matter is therefore referred to next monthly meeting for a further proof his Sincerity under the care of said Committy then to make report

*Certificate  
for A H* A Removal Certificate was Signed in this meeting for **Abraham Howland** (son of **Job**) directed to the monthly meeting of **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]**

*The case of  
A Devol &  
B Gifford  
referred* The Friends appointed to confer with **Abner Devol** and **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** on their request to come under friends care report that they desire it continued which is accordingly under the care of said Committee and they to make report next monthly meeting

*I Howland  
Disowned* A Testimony of Denial was Signed in this meeting against **Isaac Howland** (son of **Benja**) and the Clerk is ordered to Read the Same Publickly as Usual and make report next monthly meeting

*meetings  
granted at  
Bedford* The Overseers of the meeting att **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** report said meeting hath Been kept up orderly as Usual and they request it continued which is Granted So far as for them to hold their said meeting in the Usual manner untill the monthly meeting in the 10<sup>th</sup> month next and the Same friends to have the Oversight thereof, as had last before and then they to make report

*Certificate for  
S Barker* There was a Certificate Signed in this meeting for **Shove Barker** young Son of **David Barker** to the monthly meeting at **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co MA]** as he is gone there to live as an Apprentice

L s d  
Collected in paper Currency .... 7 – 6 – 2  
in Silver Currency .... 0 – 11 – 8

*A Howland  
and  
W Anthony Ju  
gave in their  
bills for keep  
ing A Smith  
adjourn* **Abraham Howland** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** have Each given in their account for keeping **Alice Smith** Each to the Amount of 3<sup>L</sup> – 18<sup>s</sup> – [?] in Silver money or the Vallue thereof in paper which is for keeping Said **Alice** for the Six months last past next preceeding the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month last which said accounts are allowed; and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same as far as he is Supply'd with money by the meeting

*mett* This Meeting Adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship

Mett by Adjournment his 26<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1779

The Representatives being called both Present

*P Cornel  
H Smith &  
J Potter  
request  
Certificates* **Paul Cornel [Cornell]** having removed within the compas of **East Hoosuck** and **Saratoga** Monthly meeting desires a removal Certificate; and **Hezekiah Smith** and **John Potter** having gone to make some Stay within the

Compass of the Monthly Meetings of the **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co MA]** and **Nine Partners [Millbrook, Washington, Dutchess Co MA]** and  
Likewise

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5<sup>th</sup> month  
1779

Likewise request Certificates. Therefore this meeting appoints **Benjamin Rider William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Samuel Smith** to make due inquiry into their Circumstances and clearness of the afore said young men and draw Certificates for them if they think proper and bring them to next Monthly meeting

**J Cornel**  
Certificate  
Referred

The Matter for Signing **James Cornel [Cornell]** and wife Certificate is referred to the next Monthly meeting for the Women friends Concurrence.

Receipt from  
Yearly meet=  
ing

Received a Receipt Signed by the yearly meetings Treasurer that he hath Received the Sum of 19<sup>l</sup> – 10<sup>s</sup> – in paper currency and 10 Shilling in hard money of this meeting for the yearly meeting Stock

Complaint a  
gainst  
**T Smith ( Son  
of Levi)**

The overseers Inform that ~~Levi~~ **Thomas Smith** Son of **Levi** (deceased) hath taken up Armes in order for War and doth reather Justify the Same when they Treated with him on that account: Therefore **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Benjamin Rider** are appointed to Treat further with him on that account and if he declines to condemn the Same then they to draw a Testimony of Denial against him and bring it to next monthly meeting

6<sup>th</sup> month  
1779

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1779 The Representatives are **Caleb Russell** and **Joseph Barker** Present

**S Underhill &  
J Walters** Visit

Our Beloved Friend **Solomon Underhill** hath attended this meeting in Company with our beloved friend **Joseph Walters** both of whom hath been Recommended to our Satisfaction from their respective places of aboad[abode] whose Visit and Services among us have been well accepted.

**A Allen's** paper  
accepted

The Committee continued in the case of **Abraham Allen** report that he hath given them Satisfaction in regard to his offence: Therefore the Paper he gave n to this meeting Some months past Condemning the Same is now accepted for Satisfaction which is as followeth

Such is as  
follows

Whereas Some time past I was so unwise as to be concerned in a Lottry which I find in my Self was wrong, which I do condem and desire that friends will so far pass it by as to let me remain under your Care  
**Abraham Allen**

The case of  
**W Bowdish Ju**  
referred

The friends appointed to Treat with **William Bowdish Ju<sup>r</sup>** not having fulfilled their appointment they are there Continued in said service and to make report next monthly meeting

**J Gifford** case  
Continu'd

The Committee appointed in the case of **Job Gifford** report that he yet continues to desist from Selling Spiritiuos Liquors: yet they request it Still continued. It is therefore according continued their Care and to report to the meeting when they shall be satisfied therein

The Committee appointed in the Case of **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** and



*A Devol recevd* **Abner Devol** report that he the S<sup>d</sup> **Abner Devol** hath given them Satisfaction, he is therefore received into Membership with us. But the receiving of **Benjamin Gifford** is refer'd under the care of the Same friends for a further proof of his Sincerity and they to report to this meeting when they shall see fit.

*B Gifford's case referd*

*I Howland's betrayal read* The Clerk reports that he hath Read the denial of **Isaac Howland** agreeable to the appointment of last Monthly meeting, and hath also informed him of Said Denial – Which is as followeth

*I Howland's Disowned Testimony of Denial* Whereas **Isaac Howland** Son of **Benjamin Howland** and **Elizabeth** his wife having his Education among friends under the care of this meeting, but by disregarding the Testimony of Truth in himself hath fallen into the Sin of fornication as appears by the accusation of **Meribah Smith** and he no wife clearing himself there from to friends Satisfaction, but upon Inquiry we have reason to believe the accusation to be Justly grounded, and friends having Extended Their

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Their Labour of Love with, with him in order for his Recovery But our Labour not being Effectual. This meeting being concerned for the Clearing of Truth and friends from the reproach of Such Evil Conduct do therefore give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the Said **Isaac Howland** disowning him from being a member of our Society until by unfeigned Repentance and return from the Error of his ways he shall be restored to the way of Truth.

Given forth and Signed in and behalf of our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th day of the 5th month A. D. 1779 by

**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Cle[rk]

*Certificate J, Cornel Wife & children*

A removal Certificate for **James Cornel [Cornell]** his Wife and Children Directed to the Monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** was signed in this meeting by the Clerk

*T Smith (son of Levi) Disowned*

A Testimony of denial against **Thomas Smith** (son of **Levi**) was Signed in this meeting and the Clerk is ordered to read the Same Publickly as Usual, and Make report thereof to our next Monthly meeting: and **Caleb Russell** is appointed to Inform said **Thomas** of his denial and make report next Monthly meeting

Collected in paper Currency - £10 – 9<sup>s</sup> – 10<sup>d</sup>

In Silver Currency – 1 – 1 – 8 1/2

*adjourned*

This meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship which is to begin at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour

*Mett*

Mett by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives being Called both present

*P. Gifford Ju case continued* The Committee appointed to confer with **Peleg Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** make report that they have meet and treated with on the account of his outgoings but he not giving them full Satisfaction the matter is Referred under the care of said Committee to next monthly meeting who are then to make report

*Certificate for H. Smith* Certificates were Signed in this meeting for **Hezekiah Smith** and **Paul Cornel [Cornell]**, the first directed to the Monthly meeting of Oblong [**Pawling, Dutchess Co NY**] or **Nine Partners [Millbrook, Washington, Dutchess Co NY]**, the Latter to the monthly meeting of **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** or **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]**

*J Potters case suspen=ded* The matter concerning **John Potters** is Suspended by reason things are not fully Clear therefore **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Samuel Smith** are desired to Inform him of his deficiencies as soon as opportunity will allow and they also are to proceed in such measures relative to to said matter as they may think best and make return to the meeting when they have accomplished the Same

*D. Shepherd request a Certificate* **Daniel Shppard [Shepherd]** desires [desires] a Certificate to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly meeting

Setting forth his right of membership and Clearness of Marriage Entanglement therefore **William Barker** and **William Sanford** are appointed to take the necessary care therein and report next Monthly meeting

*B. Sawdy request a Certificate* **Benjamin Sawdy** desires a removal Certificate to **East Hoosack [East Hoosick, Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** or **Saratoga** monthly meeting; therefore **William Mosher** and **Abiel Gifford** are appointed to take the necessary[necessary] care in that affair and make Report next monthly meeting.

*Complaint against P Slocum* The Overseers Inform that **Paul Slocum** is accused of the Sin of Fornication with **Rhoda Reed** who accuses him of being the father of her Bastard Child, and Said Overseers having Laboured with him on that account, he nowise Clearing himself from Said accusation  
Therefore

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*6th month 1779* Therefore this meeting doth appoint **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>nd</sup>** and **Thomas Hicks** to Treat further with him on that account and if he do not give them Satisfaction to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to next monthly meeting.

*Butts receiv<sup>d</sup>* The Women Friends inform that they have received **Anna Butts** under their Care: also they have disowned **Mary Wood** wife of **Abraham Wood** and **Abigail Howland** Wife of **Isaac Howland** all which this meeting Concur with

*Certificate for D. Sands & Underhill* This Meeting Sined [Signed] Certificates for our Friends **David Sands** **Solomon Underhill** and **Joseph Walter** directed to the monthly meeting they belong too Certifying our Unity with their publick Testimony and Labour whilst among us

*Queries answerd representatives appointed* The Queries were Answered and an Epistle signed in this meeting and Ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Samuel Smith** **Abiel Gifford** **Joseph Tucke [Tucker] Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and they to report next monthly meeting.

7th month 1779

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are **William Barke [Barker]** and **Abiel Gifford** present.

*The case of  
W Bowdish Ju  
referred*

The friends appointed to Treat with **William Bowdish Ju<sup>r</sup>**. Report that they have had Conference with him and that he hath given them a good degree of Satisfaction and he hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning his outgoing; Yet the matter is referred to next monthly meeting for a further proof of his Sencirity [Sincerity] and the Said friends to have the oversight of his conduct, and to report next Monthly meeting

*T Smiths  
denyal read*

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial against **Thomas Smith** as directed last monthly meeting, and **Caleb Russell** Reports he hath informed him thereof according to appointment which is followeth.

*Testimony of  
denyal against  
T Smith*

Whereas **Thomas Smith** (son of **Levi Smith** deceased) in the **Town of Dartmouth** and **Province of the Massachusets Bay**. Having had his Education among friends, but through unwachfulness and disregard-  
=ing the Testimony of Truth in his one heart; have so far deviated from the peaceable Principle we make profession of as to take up Armes in order for War, and friends having Laboured with him in Love to Show him the Error of his way but their Labour of Love not having the desired affect: Therefore this meeting is concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony, denying him the said **Thomas Smith** from being a Member of our Society, and from under the care of this meeting: Nevertheless desireing, if be consistant with Divine Wisdom that he might yet come to a Sight and Sence of the Error of his way and return to the way of Truth.

Given forth by friends at their Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** The 21<sup>st</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1779.

Signed in and by order of said meeting by

**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*Certificate for  
B Sawdy Wife  
and Children*

A Removal Certificate for **Benjamin Sawdy** his Wife and their Children directed to the monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** or **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]**

was Signed in this meeting they having gone there to dwell

*Certificate for  
D Shepherd*

A Certificate for **Daniel Shepard** directed to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]**, Setting forth his clearness in regard to marriage and conversation

was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk

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*7<sup>th</sup> month  
1779*

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*The case of  
W. Bowdn  
continu.d*

The friends continued in the case of **Peleg Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** mak report that that they not being fully Satisfied therein request it Still continued which is accordingly continued to next monthly meeting under the Care of the Same friends as heretofore and then they to make report

*P Slocum Disowned*

The friends appointed to Labour with **Paul Slocum [Slocum]** report that they have fulfilled the Same, and that he did not give them Satisfaction Therefore they have produced a Testimony of denial which was Signed against him the Said **Paul Slocum**, by the Clerk who is directed to read the same publickly as Usual and make report to our next monthly meeting: and **William Barker** is appointed to Inform him there of and Report next monthly meeting

*Report of Friends from Quarterly meeting*

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report they all attended according to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been read and well accepted; together with Transcripts of Epistles from **London [England]** and **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** which were also Read and the Seasonable advices therein Communicated to us well received

*J Akin Disowned*

The friends appointed Some months past to Labour with **John Akin** Report they have fulfilled their appointment and that he gave them no Satisfaction, Therefore He the said **John Akin** is disowned from being in Membership with us, and **John Williams** is appointed to Inform him of his denial also to draw a Testimony of his denial against him and bring it to next monthly meeting

*A Mott Disowned*

The Women Friends Inform that they have deny'd **Anna Mott** wife of **Jacob Mott** which this meeting concurs with

*Certificate for Lamu Smith*

This meeting hath Signed and Sent a Certificate or Information to the Committee appointed by the meeting for Suffering, agreeable to said meeting Requests concerning **Lamuel Smith** a member of this meeting who is Taken and carried into **New York** and there remained a Prisoner under distressed Circumstances by the last account we had from him the Said **Lamuel**

*Certificate for S Huddleston he being draughted as a soldier Friends to assist him*

This meeting being Informed that our Friend **Seth Huddleston** is Draughted [Drafted] as a Soldier and is required to appear at **Taunton [Taunton Bristol Co. MA]** within a few days for that purpose. Therefore this meeting thinks proper and hath given him a Certificate. Setting forth his being a member among us Also do appoint our friends **Abiel Gifford John Williams** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>**. To assist him in all things relative thereto in order for his release, and other things as they in the Wisdom of Truth Shall think best

This meeting Collected in paper – £7 – 7<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup>  
Collected in silver – 0 – 12 – 3

*8 month 1779*

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1779 The Representatives are **Abiel Gifford** and **John Devol** present

*The case of W, Bowdish Ju<sup>r</sup> referred*

The Committee who had the oversight of the conduct of **William Bowdish Ju<sup>r</sup>** report, they have seen nothing amiss in him since last Monthly meeting yet the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and the Same friends to have the oversight of him and report next

monthly meeting

*P Slocums  
denial read  
he informed*

The Clerk reports that the Testimony against **Paul Slocum** hath been Read as ordered, also **William Barker** reports he is informed as ordered which Testimony is as followeth

*The Testimony  
of denial  
against  
P Slocum*

Whereas **Paul Slocum** (son of **Benjamin Slocum** and **Phebe** his wife) Having had his Education among friends under the care of this meeting yet by departing from the Testimony of Truth in his own heart hath so far gone astray as to fall into the reproachful Sin of Fornication as appears by the accusation of **Rhoda Read**; and friends having Laboured with him in Love in order to discover to him the Evil thereof, and to restore him to the way of Truth, But our Labour of Love

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*[?] month  
1779*

But our Labour of Love not being Effectual to the Satisfaction of this meeting: Therefore for the Preservation of Truth, and friends from the Reprach of Such Enormous evils this meeting is concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him hereby disowning him the the said **Paul Slocum** from being one of our Society, and from under the Care of friends: Desiring nevertheless if it be agreeable to divine Pleasure that he may yet find a place of Repentance and by an unfeined acknowledgment of the Evil of his way return to the way of Truth

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in **Dartmout** the 19<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1779

by **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*J Akins case  
continued he  
being gone  
from home*

The Friends appointed to Inform **John Akin** of his Denial and draw a Testimony against him report that it is accomplished by reason Said **Akin** being gone from home: Therefore the said friends are desired to accomplish the same as soon as may be and mak report to this meeting

*J Clark request  
Certificate*

**Jonathan Clark** Informs he is about to Remove with his wife and children within the Compas of **Nine Partners** [**Millbrook, Dutchess Co, NY**] Monthly meeting and desires a

Certificate therefore **Benjamin Chase** and **Abiel Gifford** are appointed to Joyne the Women and take the necessary Care therein and draw a Certificate if they think proper and bring to next monthly meeting

*P Gifford Ju case  
continued by a  
[?] Com<sup>tee</sup>*

The Committee in regard to **Peleg Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** Report that they have fulfilled their appointment and things not appearing fully clear to accept him, and said Committee being dismiss [dismissed] by their request And **Joseph Tucker Josep** [**Joseph**] **Barker** and **Benjamin Rider** are now appointed to Treat with him the s<sup>d</sup> **Gifford** and report next monthly meeting.

*S Howland  
Disowned*

The Women Friends Inform they have Denied **Sarah Howland** now Wife of **Warren Howland**; And that they have Received into membership **Hannah Willbore** which this meeting concurs with

The Treasuerer Reports he hath paid **William Ricketson** Three dollars hard money as ordered and also paid **Peleg Gifford** four dollar as ordered Likewise in hard money

*C Howland returnd  
his  
Certificate to  
request another*

**Cornelus [Cornelius] Howland** having returned to this meeting a Certificate that he formerly had to goe to Sea: And now again request a Certificate also to goe to Sea: Therefore **Benjamin Smith Ju<sup>r</sup> Samuel Smith** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to inspect into the Circumstances of the Voige [Voyage] that he intends, and draw and Sign Such a Certificate for him in behalf of this meeting as they may think proper, and make report thereof to next monthly meeting

*order to pay  
T Howland*

The Treasurer is ordered to pay **Timothy Howland** five dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year: or the Vallue thereof in paper  
Collected in paper Currency – £4 – 4<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup>  
Collected in silver currency — 0 – 14 – 1

*9<sup>th</sup> month 1779*

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are **Joseph Barker** and **John Williams** Present

*W Bowdish Ju<sup>r</sup>  
[?]paper accep  
ted*

The friends appointed to have the oversight of **William Bowdish Ju** make report to Satisfaction, and his paper again Read this meeting doth conclude to accept of the Same, provided he cause the Same to be Read publickly at the Close of a publick meeting for Worship on first day, he being present and return the Same to next monthly meeting, Said paper is as followeth

*W Bowdish Ju<sup>r</sup>  
[?] paper of  
acknowlegment*

To a Monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1779 under a due Consideration of my misconduct in time past. I publish these lines in duty to a Society whome I have reproached, by being  
Seduced

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*9<sup>th</sup> month  
1779*

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Seduced by the Enemy to Fornication an<sup>d</sup> have Contracted marriage Contrary to the proper order of Friends, and must Confess I have not been attendant to the Several meetings of friends as becometh a member of the Society: which exorbetant behaviour I acknowleg as a dishonor to the worthy ~~Societ~~ profession of friends and with Sorrow unfeigned I condemn whereof I am guilty; and desire Friends to pass by my offence and yet to number me amongst them

From your unfeigned friend **William Bowdish Ju<sup>r</sup>**

*Benj. Gifford  
Junor received*

The Friends appointed to confer with **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** make a Satisfactory report in regard to his request: Therefore he is now Received under the care of this meeting as a member of our Society

*Certificate  
for J Clark  
referred*

The Friends appointed in regard to **Jonathan Clarks** Certificate Report they have been in a progress in that matter, but Some of his affairs, not being fully Settled, the Matter is refered to next monthly meeting, and the friends continued in said Service and then they to make report

*J Akins  
denial Sign<sup>d</sup>  
read & he  
Informd*

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of denial against **John Akin**, have accomplished the Same, which hath been Read and Signed in this meeting and the Clerk is ordered to read it publickly as usual and make report thereof to our next monthly meeting, they also report they have informed him of his denial agreeable to appointment; which is as followeth

*Testimony  
of denial  
against  
J Akin*

Whereas **John Akin** having had a Right of membership with us but hath so far deviated from our Christian profession as to appear withn Military Company under Armes in order for defence for which he hath been Laboured with in Love in order to reclame him, but it not having the desired Effect, and he continuing to Justify the Practice or reather not to retract it, we think it necessary, for the Clearing of Truth and friends to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him.

Nevertheless it is our desire that he may yet be convinced of the Impropriety of bearing armes under this Gosple Dispensation, and retur[ned]

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mon[th]

Signed in and on behalf of said meeting by

**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*Certificate for  
C, Howland*

The friends appoited to draw and sign a Certificate for **Cornelus Howland** report they have fulfilled the Same

*T Howland  
not paid*

The Treasurer not having paid **Timothy Howland** as ordered for want of mony as we understand he is ordered to pay the same when furnished with money, and make report next monthly meeting

*The case of  
P Gifford Ju  
Continu.d*

Two of the friends appointed to Treat with **Peleg Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** Report they have Treated with him, but that he did not fully comply to Condemn his conduct to friends Satisfaction: but in as mch[much] as one of Said friends was not there with the other two when they Treated with him by reason of disappointment, therefore they are Still continued to Treat with him and if he do not give them Satisfaction they are ordered to draw a paper of denial against him and bring to next monthly meeting

*A Committee  
appointed  
on account  
of Schools*

It being recommended to this meeting, by a Committee of the Quaterly meeting to appoint a Committee to Confer with them on the weighty Subject of Erecting Schools for the better Education of our youths This meeting doth appoint **Thomas Hicks Elijah Gifford Caleb Russell Caleb Green Joseph Barker William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup> John Devol and John Williams** for that Service

*J Russell  
B Ricketson  
Certificates  
returned*

Certificate that this meeting Some time a goe granted to **John Russell and Benjamin Ricketson** directed to **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]**

Monthly

Monthly meeting are now returned with Indorsement to Each Setting forth the orderly conduct of said friends while there, they being now Returned home

Collected in paper— £4 – 0<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup>  
Collected in Silver — 00 – 15 – 2

*Adjourn* This Meeting Adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant at the Eleventh Hour

*Mett* Mett by adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives being called both Present

*[Co]mplaint against  
[S] Russell and  
he disowned* This meeting being Informed by the Preparitive meeting and Overseers  
That **Stephen Russell** hath Married out of the Unity of Friends after  
being previously Cautioned to desist by the Overseers: Therefore the  
Said **Stephen Russell** is denied from membership in the Society and  
**Joseph Barker** is appointed to Inform him hereof and make report to  
next monthly meeting

*[G] Smiths request  
referred* **George Smith** having Requested at the Preparitive meeting that his  
Children might be Received into Membership with us: But he the Said  
~~not~~ **George** not apparing at this meeting to Continue his request it is  
therefore referred to next Monthly Meeting for further Consideration

*Complaint against  
H Howland* The Overseers Inform by way of preparative meeting that **Humphry Howand [Howland]**  
(son of **Benjamin**)  
hath been in the practice of going to horse races and Suffering his  
own beast to run: and he likewise doth very much depart from that  
plainness of apparrel, and otherwise, that Truth require: after being  
freequently [frequently] Spoken to on that acount by friends: Therefore this  
meeting doth appoint **Caleb Russell Elijah Gifford** and **John Devol**  
to Labour further with him on those accounts and make report next  
monthly meeting also to draw a paper of denial against him if he  
do not make them Satisfaction

*Meetings dis  
continued* This meeting doth hereby discontinue all our weekday meetings within  
the Compass of this meeting for next week only, they being so near the  
time of the Quarterly meeting

*Epistles  
Received* Received a Transcript of the Epistle of the last yearly meeting of  
Friends on **Long Island**, together with one from our last yearly  
meeting which were both Read and the Seasonable advices therein  
given well accepted

*Queries answerd* The Queries were answered and an Epistle Signed in this meeting  
and Ordered forward to the ~~to~~ Quarterly meeting by our Representatives

*Representatives  
appointed to  
Quarterly meet  
ing* Who are **Caleb Russell Joseph Barker William Mosher Samuel Smith**  
**Abiel Gifford** and **John Williams**, and they to report next monthly meeting

A Report of a Committee formerly appointed by this meeting to Inspect into  
the birthright of Children hath been now Read and Considered and being  
approved is a followeth

*Report of the  
Committee to  
Inspect Birth  
rights of Chil  
dren* Agreeable to appointment We have Considered the matter respecting our  
members, Who have a proper Birthright: and we find that in or about  
the year 1763 our monthly meeting came into the Same measure (or narly[nearly] so)  
in said matter as the yearly meeting did afterwards in the yer 1774  
which was then Established as a Rule in the Society: Wherefore we  
think the Same Rule with us ought to begin in the first month 1763 unto



which Rule we refer, as our Rule to be governd by; and we further think that the former Rules and customs of our meeting ought to remain and stand good down to Said dates of the first month 1763 which was as near as we can Collect as followeth (viz) that all Such Children whose parents or even a father only were members, Such Children were deemed members, whe[when] ther Such parent or parents requested for their children or not, or whether Such parents were members by Birthright or otherwise  
Given forth this 12<sup>th</sup> day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1777

**Prince Allen**  
**Thomas Hicks**  
**Benjamin Smith Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
**Samuel Smith**  
**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>**

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10<sup>th</sup> month  
1779

**420**

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are **William Mosher** and **William Gifford** present  
**William Bowdish Jus** Paper having been Read as directed last monthly meeting is now returned and accepted

*W. Bowdish Ju  
paper read  
and accepted*

*Certificate  
for J Clark  
Wwife and Children*

A Removal Certificate for **Jonathan Clark** and his wife **Susanna** and their Children was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk directed to the monthly meeting at the **Nine Partnethers [Nine Partners, Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** they being about to remove there: the names of theire Children being entered in Said Certificate are as followeth **Lydia Philip Elisabeth Jonathan and Ruth**

*T Howland  
paid*

Treasurer Reports he hath paid **Timothy Howland** as ordered

*J Akin de-  
nial read*

The Clerk reports he hath Read the paper of denial against **John Akin** according to appointment of last monthly meeting

*Report of  
the Com<sup>tee</sup>  
on the of  
Erecting  
Schools*

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly meeting to Confer with the Quarterly meetings Committee on the case of Errecting Schools make Report that they have had a Conference accordingly and that They have fallen in with the meashurers Recommended by our last yearly meeting: And said Quarterly meetings Committee have advised that Each monthly meeting chase a Solid Judicious Committee to have the Standing oversight of Such Schools, and to See that they be Erected accordingly: Therefore this meeting doth appoint **Abiel Gifford Caleb Russell William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup> John Williams Elijah Gifford Jonathan Willbour Caleb Green John Devol** and **Samuel Smith** for that purpose

*S Russell  
Informed*

**Joseph Barker** reports that he hath informed **Stephen Russell** of his denial agreeable to appointment

*Testimony  
of denial  
Signed a  
gainst  
P Gifford Ju* The Committee Continued to Treat with **Peleg Gifford Ju<sup>E</sup>** Reports that he did not give them full Satisfaction: Therefore they have produced a paper of denial against him which was Signed; and **Joseph Tucker Ju** is appointed to Inform him thereof, and that he hath a Right of an appeal, And Said paper to Lay on file untill the time of appeal is Exipir,<sup>d</sup> and then the Clerk to read the Same Publickly in the Usual manner and make report to this meeting when he hath performed the Same

*Return of  
Friends  
from Quar  
terly meet  
ing* The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting being Called upon make report that they all attended agreeable to appointment And have produced an Eppistle from the Same which hath been Read and well accepted: And as there is money requested to Suply the yearly meeting Stock, the matter for raising the Same is refered to the adjournment of this meeting

Collected in Silver money – 0£ – 10<sup>s</sup> – 7<sup>d</sup>

Collected in paper Curency – 11 – 7 – 0

*adjourn* This Meeting Adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeing of Worship

*mett* Mett by adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The representatives being Called both Present

*G Smiths  
request  
referd* The matter in Regard to **George Smiths** Request concerning his Children is refered to next monthly meeting

*Hum How  
case refer<sup>d</sup>* The Committee appointed to Labour with **Humphry Howland** having Proceeded in that Service buh not being fully Clear in the case request the matter refered which is refered to next monthly meeting and they continued in that Service, and then they to make report

*S. Gifford &  
S Rusell  
gave in  
papers  
of ackno  
=legment  
refered* **Stephen Gifford** and **Stephen Russell** Each gave in a paper to this meeting Condemnin their misconduct, and the day being now far Spent, Said matters are refered to next monthly meeting

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The Time Granted for holding meetings at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** being now Expierd

*[?] month  
1779  
[?] of the overseers  
of Bedford meet* The Friends that had the Oversight thereof being Called upon make report that it hath been kept up orderly as usually and Request it Continued as Usual which is Granted until the 4<sup>th</sup> month next year- And **Seth Russell John Williams** and **Benjamin Taber** are appointed to have the Oversight thereof and to make report at the Experton thereof

*Time of meeting  
begin* This Meeting concludes that all our meetings for the future begin at the Eleventh hour until otherwise ordered by this meeting Exepting only that at **Bedford** which is to be held as heretofore

*raising money  
referred* The matter of raising money to Supply the yearly meeting Treasury  
is Referred to next monthly meeting

*11<sup>th</sup> month  
1779* Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and **Thomas Mott** Present

*The report of Peleg  
Gifford being In  
formed of his de nial* **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>e</sup>** not being present to make report concerning his Informing  
**Peleg Gifford Ju<sup>e</sup>** of his denial therefore that matter is referred to next Monthly  
meeting and then he to make report

*Friends appointe<sup>d</sup> to  
Visit G. Smith on  
account of his  
request* **George Smith** having Requested for his Children to be Taken under ~~the~~  
Friends Care, Therefore this meeting doth appoint **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and  
**William Anthony Ju<sup>e</sup>** to Joyn with the Women friends and Visit the  
Family in Soled manner and acquaint themselves of the State thereof  
and make report to the next monthly meeting

*Report concern  
H Howland* The friends appointed to Treat with **Humphry Howland** make report that they  
have Confered with him on the account of his out goings and that he gave Incorag  
ment to refrain therefrom in futer and gave in a paper Condemning the Same  
Therefore the Same Committee are continued in Said Service and to make report  
next monthly meeting

*Friends appoin  
ted in case of  
Russell and Gifford* This meeting doth appoint **Thomas Hiks [Hicks] Joseph Barker** and **Benjamin Howland**  
**2<sup>d</sup>**  
to treat with **Stephen Russell** and **Stephen Gifford** in regard to their miscon-  
duct, which they and each of them gave in a paper to this meeting Signifying  
their Sorrow for the Same: and **Stephen Russell** Requesting therein to be Restored to  
Unity with friends again and the Committee to make report to next monthly meeting

*N Gifford gave  
in a paper* **Nathaniel Gifford** gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his being concern<sup>d</sup>  
in a horse race, Therefore this meeting doth appoint **Elijah Gifford** and **Samuel**  
**Smith** to confer with him on that account and to report to next monthly meeting

*advice from  
school Com<sup>tee</sup>* This meeting hath Received advice and direction from the Quarterly meetings  
School Committee in regard to Erecting Schools, which is well accepted & Concluded  
to be conformed to by this meeting

*Rules for requ  
esting Schools* Also received from said Committee Rules for Regulating of Such Schools which  
are recommended to this meetings, Schools Committee for their notice & observation  
Five of whom this meeting orders shall or may act in behalf of the whole  
of them, and they are advised to meet together to act and do what be needful in  
that matter as often as conveniently as they can or as need may require

*Friends appoin  
ted to take in  
subscriptions  
for yearly meeting  
stock* This meeting being directed by the Qarterly meeting to raise money by way of  
Subscription to Supply the yearly meeting Stock, Therefore this meeting doth appoint  
**Thomas Mott, Henry Smith, Seth Russell, Daniel Gifford, Timothy Howland,**  
and **Daniel Ricketson** to take in Subscriptions for that purpose and to pay on the  
money so Subscribed to this meetings Treasurer and make report of the Sum Total  
to this meeting as Soon as they have acomplished the Same

*J Howland  
proposal of  
marriage* **John Howland** and **Reliance Shepherd** declared their Intentions of  
Taking each other in Marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly  
meeting for their answer: and Our friends **Caleb Russell** and **John Williams**  
are appointed to inquire into **John Howlands** Clearness in regard to marriage

and make report next monthly meeting

*Certificate for  
A Shepherd*

This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for **Anne Shepherd** a young Daughter of **David Shepherd** directed to the monthly meeting of the **Oblong [ Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]** She being gone there to Live

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*11<sup>th</sup> month  
1779*

*R G Receivd  
Jean Smith  
Disown.d*

The Women Friends Inform they have Received a Removal Certificate for **Rhoda Gifford** Wife of **Stephen Gifford** from the monthly meeting of **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**

They also Inform they have disowned **Jean Smith** Wife of **David Smith** and this meeting hath Signed a Testimony against her in concurrence with the Womens meeting: and the Clerk of this meeting is directed to Read said Testimony Publickly in the Usual manner and make report to next monthly meeting

This meeting Collected in hand money – 0£ – 14<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup>  
in paper money – 16 – 15– 0

*Conclud to  
to mend the  
fences  
adjourn*

This meeting Concluds to meet in General to Erect and mend up the fence s Round this meeting house yard on the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant If fair weather if not the 29<sup>th</sup>

This meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship

*mett*

Mett by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1779

The Representatives being Called **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** Present **Thomas Mott** not present

*C Wood gave  
in a paper*

**Chilon Wood** gave in a paper Condemning his marrying out of the Unity of Friends therefore we appoint **Elijah Gifford** and **Jonathan Willbor** to have the care of that matter: and to Indeavour to discover the Sincerity of the young man in his condemning Said matter and make report next monthly meeting

*C Sherman &  
G Russell  
gave in  
papers*

**Caleb Shearman** and **Gilbart Russell** each gave in a paper Condemning their Joyning with companies in a Warlike and Stand Gard (as they call it) Therefore we appoint **William Sanford Joseph Tucker** and **John Williams** to have an oppertunity of soled [solid] conference with them in order to discover their Sincerity in that matter and make report next monthly meeting

*J Devol*

**John Devol** Informed that he hath thououghts of going to the

*and*

**Nine Partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** to Visit his friends and we concurring therewith as he is a

member of our meeting and under œ of our care - And

**Gedian Howland** he is going to **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** and **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** to

*G Howland  
going Joinest [?]  
Clerk orderd  
to give copy  
of minuts*

Visit his friends and he being a member of this meeting and under our Care therefore the Clerk is ordered to give each of them a Copy of this minute

*A Howland  
gave in a  
bill*

**Abraham Howland** gave in a bill for keeping **Alice Smith** to the amount of 1£ - 12<sup>s</sup> - 7<sup>d</sup> hard money and the Treasurer is ordered to said account and make report next monthly meeting

*Chusing over  
seers of y<sup>e</sup>  
poor referd  
Friends ap  
pointed to re  
vise y<sup>e</sup> minits*

The year being Expired of the Service of the Overseers of the Poor, but a new Choice is refered and Said Overseers continued until next monthly meeting

We appoint our Friends **Thomas Hicks Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup> John Williams** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** To revise and Correct this meetings minnuts in order to go on Record

Also to Settle account with the Treasurer and make report next monthly meeting

*W Barker Ju  
returnd his  
Certificate*

**William Barker Ju<sup>r</sup>** returned from **East Hoosuck** with his Certificate that went from this meeting which is now accepted

*J Barker re  
turnd his Certificate  
request a  
nother*

**James Barker** returned his Certificate from **East Hoosuck** with their Indorsment thereon to Satisfaction, and now request from us a removal one to **Hoosuck** monthly meeting: Therefore we appoint **William Sanford** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** to take the Necessary care therein; and draw and Sign one in behalf of this meeting if they think fit and make report next monthly meeting

*12<sup>th</sup> month  
1779*

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmout** the 20<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1779 The Representatives are **Samuel Smith** and **Nicholas Lapham** Present

*P G informd  
of denial*

**Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** reports he hath Informed **Peleg Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** of his Denial according to appointment

*G Smith & children  
accepted*

**Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Reports they have Visited **George Smiths** family on his request for his Children to be received under Friends Care, and that they found good Satisfaction therein, Therefore this meeting doth accept of said Children to be under the care of this meeting whose names are **Abner, Ruth, Rhobe** and **William**

Part

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*12<sup>th</sup> month  
1779  
Case of H Howland  
refer<sup>d</sup>*

Part of the Committee appointed to confer with **Humphry Howland** Report that they not having fully accomplished this matter and request it continued Therefore it is refered to next monthly meeting and the Same Committee Still Continued in Said Service and to report next Monthly meeting

*Giffords pa  
per accepted*

Part of the Committee appointed to Treat with **Nathaniel Gifford** in regard to his being concern,d in a horse race, make report that he gave them Satisfaction: Therefor this meeting doth Accept of his paper condemning his Said disorder for Satisfaction

*report on J Howl<sup>d</sup>  
clearness*

The friends appointed to Inquire into Clearness of **John Howland** Report they find nothing hinder to his proceeding in marriage with **Reliance Shepherd**

*Smiths denial  
read  
Certificate for  
Sisson*

The Clerk reports he hath Read the Testimon of denial against **Jane Smith** according to appointment

This meeting Signed a removal Certificate for **Ruth Sisson** wife of **Job Sisson** to the monthly meeting of **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**

*J Howlands  
answer given  
respecting marri  
age*

**John Howland** and **Reliance Shepherd** appeared for their Answer Which was that they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some Convenient times before next monthly meeting; advising with the friends this meeting Shall appoint to Oversee Said marriage who are **Caleb**

**Russell and Benjamin Taber**, and they to make report next monthly meeting

*N Giffords pro  
posal of marriage*

**Nathaniel Gifford** and **Mehettebel Trafford** declared their Intentions of Taking Each other in marriage, and were desired to waight till next monthly meeting for their answer: and **Jonathan Willbor** and **Thomas Hicks** are appointed to make inquiry into the young mans Clearness Respecting marriage; and to make report next monthly meeting

*A Howland  
not paid.*

The Treasurer not having paid **Abraham Howland** by reason he hath not called for it, he is Still ordered to pay the Same if called for and make report next monthly meeting

*J Barker bound  
in a Journey  
Clerk ordered to  
give a copy  
of the minute*

**John Barker** having Signified to this meeting of his Intention to take a Journey with his brother **James** into the Government of **New York** and expects to be at Some meetings in them parts, Which this meeting approves of he being a member of our Society and a member of this meeting and the Clerk is directed to give him a Coppy hereof

*The case of  
Caleb Sherman  
G Russell  
referred*

The Friends appointed to Treat with **Caleb Russell Shearman** and **Gilbart Russell** report they have not fully accomplished the Same (the made Some progress therein) therefore the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and the Same friends Continued in Said Service and then to report

*D Shepherd request a Certificate*

**Daniel Shepherd** request a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting at **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]**, Therefore **William Sanford** and **William Barker** are appoin

ted to make due inquirey into his Clearness and draw one for him if they find things clear and bring it to next monthly meeting

*Request of P Mac  
comber Wife  
Children*

**Philip Maccomber** his Wife and Children having requested to come under the care of Friends; Therefore this meeting appoint **Thomas Hicks** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** to have a Soled [Solid] Conference with them in Concurrence with the Women friends in order to discover the motive of their request and to make report to next monthly meeting

*Complaint against J Howland*

The Overseers Inform that **James Howland** hath been a Voiage to Sea as Master of a Vessel that Carried Armes for War, and they having Treated with him on that account, he reather Justified himself therein Therefore this meeting doth appoint **Caleb Russell** and **John Williams** to Treat further with him on that account and make report to next Monthly meeting

This meeting hath Collected In hard money – 0£ – 2<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup>

In paper money – 12 – 18 – 0

*adjourned*

This meeting Adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship mett

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*mett  
12<sup>th</sup> month  
1779*

Mett by Adjournment the 29<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives being called both Present

*The case of  
S Russell &  
S Gifford  
referred*

The matter Respecting **Stephen Russell** and **Stephen Gifford** not being accomplished are referred to next monthly meeting and the same friends continue<sup>d</sup> in that Service and then they to make report

*C Woods  
paper  
accepted*

The friends appointed to Treat with **Chilon Wood** make report that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction, and his paper condemning his marrying out of the Unity of friends; being again Read, is accepted for Satisfaction

*Chusing  
Overseers  
of poor  
referred*

The matter of a new Choice of overseers of the poor is referred to next monthly meeting and those of the former choice Continued until a new Coice is made

*Revising  
miniuts  
Settleing  
with Trea  
surer  
referred*

The Committee appointed to Revise and Correct this meetings minutes And to Settle account with the Treasurer not having accomplished the Same they are Still continued to performe the Same and to make report next monthly meeting

*Comtee  
appointed  
to Collect  
Friends  
Books to=  
=gether*

This meeting understanding that our Books have been much Scattered abroad; therefore this meeting appoints **Thomas Hicks Jonathan Willbor** an **Daniel Ricketson** to Collect said Books together and make out a fair List of them; and also to prepare a Sutible chest to put them in at this meeting house that they may be for the General Service of friends And Said Committee to make report of their Service herein, and also return Said List of the Books to next monthly meeting

*Chusing  
overseers  
referred*

The time of the former appointment of Overseers being Expired a New Choice is referred to next monthly meeting and they continued in that until then

This meeting Adjourns to the 5<sup>th</sup> day of next month

Mett by adjournment the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1780

The Representatives being called **Samuel Smith** present **Nicholas Lapham** not present

*Queries  
answer,d*

The Queries were answered in this meeting and an Epistle Signed and directed to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who

*Representatives  
appointed*

are **Samuel Smith, Abiel Gifford, William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Gideon Howland**; And they are directed to draw the Sum of 40£ paper money, and 30 Shillings Silver money out of our Treasury, and pay the Same to the yearly meetings Treasurer to Suply the yearly meetings Stock, and make report next monthly meeting

*to draw  
money for  
yearly meet  
ing  
1<sup>st</sup> month  
1780*

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1780

The Representatives are **William Barker** and **Abraham Howland** present

*Request of  
P Maccober  
referred*

The Committee appointed to Confer with **Philip Maccomber** and Family report that they have not fully accomplished Said appointment Therefore the Same friends are Still continued in Said Service and to make report to next monthly meeting

*Certificate  
for D Shep  
herd*

A Removal Certificate directed to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** was Signed in this meeting for **Daniel Shepherd**

*Report of  
J Howland  
marriage*

The friends appointed to Oversee the Marriage of **John Howland** and **Reliance Shepherd** report that they attended said marriage and that it orderly Solemnized

*The case of  
H Howland referred*

The Friends appointed to Treat with **Humphry Howland** report that they have Several times Treated with him on that account and altho in Some respects he gave a degree of Satisfaction, but for a further Proof of his Sincerity Said matter is referred to next monthly meeting and they are then to make report

*Cas of  
G Russel  
referred*

The friends appointed to Treat with **Gilbart Russell** report that that they have not fulfilled their appointment by reason of the difficulty of the weather they are Still continued to perform it & report next monthly meeting

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*1<sup>st</sup> month  
1780  
Caleb Shermans  
paper accepted*

But The Same Friends report they have Treated with **Caleb Shearman** who gave them Satisfaction; Therefore his paper Condemning his disorder is now accept =ted Provided he cause the Same to be Read publickly in the Usul maner and Return the Same to next monthly meeting

*Howland  
disown,d*

The Friends appointed to Treat with **James Howland** for his disorder make report, they have performed the Same, and that he did not give them Satisfaction; Therefore he is disowned from being a member of our Society, And **John Williams** is appointed to draw a Testimony of denial against him, and also to Inform him thereof and bring it to next Monthly meeting

*Huddleston  
Received*

The Women friends Inform that they Received into Membership **Lydia Hudleston [Huddleston]** Wife of **Seth Hudleston [Huddleston]**, which this meeting hath Unity with

*E Gifford and  
H Wilcox disowned*

This meeting hath Signed Testimonys of denials against **Elisabeth Gifford** and **Hannah Wilcox**, and the Clerk is ordered to read publickly in the Usual manner, and to make report next monthly meeting

*S Gifford pa=  
=per accepted*

The greater part of the Committee appointed to confer with **Stephen Gifford** report that they have performed the Same who gave a good degree of Satisfaction; Therefore his paper which he hath given Condemning his misconduct is accepted provided he cause the Same to be publickly Read as Usual and Return the Same to next monthly meeting

*This meeting is  
informed  
John Churchmans  
Journals are  
ready*

This Meeting is Informed by a miniut of the meeting for Sufferings That a Number of **John Churchmans** Journals which they had Engaged are now ready; and advise that Friends would Send up their Subscriptions with their money at two-thirds of a Silver dollar per Book to the next meeting for Sufferings – and our friends **Samuel Smith William Mosher** and **John Williams** to take in Subscriptions and make report to the adjournment of this meeting

This meeing Collected in hard money – 00£ – 15<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup>

In paper money – 11 – 12 – 0

*adjourn*

This Meeting adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship

*mett*

Mett by adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being called both Present

*Report on  
N Gifford  
clearness re=  
garding marri=  
age*

The friends appointed to inquire into the Clearness of **Nathaniel Gifford** Respecting clearness in regard to marriage make report, that they have made inquiry and do not find any thing Sufficient to hinder their proceeding in marriage



*The case of  
S Russell  
referred*

The friends appointed to Treat with **Stephen Russell** report they have been with him and had a Conference with him on the account of his disorder and think best the matter be continued, therefore the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and the Same friends continued in Said Service and then then they to make report

*N Gifford  
answer given*

**Nathaniel Gifford** and **Mehetabel Trafford** appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed take each other in marriage in Some Convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the friends this meeting Shall appoint to Oversee the Same who are **Elijah Gifford** and **Jonathan Willbor** and they to make report next monthly meeting

*Overseers of  
the poor appointed*

This Meeting appoints **Elijah Gifford, Gideon Howland, Caleb Green Abraham Howland, Giles Slocum, and Thomas Russell** Overseers of the Poor for the year Insuing

*Revising minuts and  
Settling with  
Treasurer  
referred*

The Friends appointed to Revise and Correct this meetings minuits and to Settle accounts with the Treasurer reports they have not accomplish the Same they are therefore continued in Said Service and make report next Monthly meeting

*Report of money  
raised*

The friend appointed to raise money by way of Subscription have now made report Return of the Sum total so Collected wich is 108£ – 10<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup> In paper and 2£ – 3<sup>s</sup> – 7<sup>d</sup> in hard money which they have delivered to the Treasurer of this meeting

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*1st month  
1780*

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*Overseers appointed*

This meeting appoints **Abiel Gifford, Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>, Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>, Seth Huddleston, Caleb Russell, and Benjamin Taber** Overseers for the insuing

*G Gifford  
received*

The Women friends Inform they have received **Grace Gifford** into unity which this meeting Concurs with

*Report of  
Friend that attended  
Quarterly  
meeting*

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all attended agreeable to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the Same which hath been Read and well accepted; The Said friends also report they have Sent the money to be conveyed to the yearly meetings Treasury, which was Sent by them

*The chusing  
a Com<sup>tee</sup>  
on account  
of attending  
Quarterly  
meeting is  
referred*

The Quarterly meetings by their Epistle have recommended to us to appoint a Committee to Joyne their Committee to confer the matter of Enlarging **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Quarterly meetings by Joining part of this Quarter there to; **which** which this meeting doth refer to next monthly meeting for further Consideration

*The report  
in regard  
of books*

The friends appointed in regard to this meetings Books and to procure a box to put them in report they have procured a box and produced the Same to this house, and they have Likewise been in a progress to Collect said Book, but have not fully accomplished the Same, they are therefore Continued in Said Service and make report next monthly meeting

The friend appointed to Treat with **Gilbart Russell** that they have fulfilled their appointment therein and that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction, therefore this meeting doth Except of his paper Condemning his disorder, provided he cause the Same to be read publickly in the usual maner and returne Same to next monthly meeting

The Friend Continued to have the care of **Humphry Howland** report that he hath given them a degree of Satisfaction yet there appearing Somthing in his Habit that friends are not fully with; therefore it is Referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as before

These two Last Paragraphs belong to the third month, but were Entered hear through mistake; Therefore they are Re Entered again In their proper place

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*2<sup>nd</sup> month  
1780*

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives are **Joseph Booker** and **Jonathan Willbor** present

*P Maccomber  
Received  
under  
friends care*

The friends Continued to confer with **Philip Maccomber** and Children Report that they have fulfilled the Same who gave them a good Degree of Satisfaction; Therefore this meeting doth accept of him the Said **Philip Maccomber** and his three Sons Namely, **Gardner, Barnabus** and **Abraham** to be under the care of this meeting

*The case of  
H Howland refered*

The matter respecting **Humphry Howland** is refered to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as before who are then to report

*Receiv,d a  
Certificate  
for J H*

Received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Swanzy [Somerset, Bristol Co MA]**  
for **John Howland** who has removed hear the Same Setting forth him to be a member of the Society which is accepted

*The case of  
G Russel  
refer,d*

The friends appointed to Treat with **Gilbart Russell** make report that they have not accomplished the Same by reason of Some Indisposition of body, and Some disappointment; Therefore they are Still continued in Said Service and to make report next monthly meeting

*C Shermans  
paper read  
& accepted*

**Caleb Shearman** having caused his paper to be read as Expressed last monthly meeting which is accepted for Satisfaction

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*2<sup>nd</sup> month  
1780*

*J Howland  
denial signd  
orderd to be read*

A paper of Denial against **James Howland** was Signed in this meeting and the Clerk is ordered to read the Same publickly at the Close of a meeting of Worship on first day of the week and to make report thereof next monthly meeting and **John Williams** reports he hath informed Said **Howland** as odered

*Testimony against  
EG & HW. read*

The Clerk reports that the Testimony against **Elisabeth Gifford** and **Hannah Wilcok** have been Read as ordered last monthly meeting

**Stephen Giffords** paper having been read as ordered is now acceted for Satisfaction – and is as followeth

*S Giffords paper*

To the monthly meeting next to be held at **Ponaganset** on the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1779. Dear friend – Whereas I Some time past have So far departed from the Principles of Truth as to fall into the Sin of Fornication as appears by my wifes having a Child So Son [Soon] after marriage, for which misconduct I and heartily

Sorry for and do condemn, desiring God may forgive me, and that friends would so far pass this mine offence by as to let me remain under their Care, From  
your unfeigned friend  
**Stephen Gifford**

*The case of  
S Russel referd*

The friends appointed in the case of **Stephen Russell** report they have taken the necessary care in that respect, but think best said matter be continued; theref [therefore] it is refered to next monthly meeting uder [under] the care of Said friends who are then to make report

*Report of SG  
marriage*

The Friends appointed to Oversee the marriag of **Nathaniel Gifford** and **Mehetibel Trafford** report they attended the same which was orderly accomplished as far as they could discover

*report of friends  
revise miniuts settle  
with Treasurer*

The friends appointed to Revise and Correct this meeting miniuts and to Settle account with the Treasurer make report they have fulled the Same and have Left Said miniuts with Clerk to go on record – They also report there remains in the Treasury £97 – 2<sup>s</sup> – 0 in paper money and 1£ – 2<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup> in Silver money

*Concerning Sand  
wich Quarterly  
meeting refered*

The matter in regard to Enlarging **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Quarterly meeting having been under Consideration of this meeting, and divers [diverse] friends Expressed their opinions. It is fered [referred] to next month meeting

*Certificate for  
B Sawdy Wife  
& Children*

A Removal Certificate for **Benjamin Sawdy** his Wife and Children was Signed in this meeting directed to the monthly meeting at **Saratog [Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]**, and **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** a former one having been Granted by this meeting which he hath not Received

*G Howlands  
account for keeping  
A Smith*

**Gideon Howland** hath given in an account for keeping **Alice Smith** from the 6<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month to the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1779 being 20 weeks and 5 days at a Silver Dollar pr week or the Vallue thereof, to be paid in Such money as the meetin Collects, amounting in Silver Lawfull money to £6 – 5<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup> which this meeting allows and the Treasurer is Ordered to pay the Same and make report next monthly meeting

*Hum Russells  
proposal of  
marriage*

**Humphr Russell** and **Bethiah Eldrech** (after obtain consent of parents) Declared their Intentions taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly meetin for their answer; and **Benjamin Taber** and **Joseph Gifford** are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearness and to make report next monthly meeting

*Information  
sent to Sandwich  
Respecting J Shearman  
& Son*

A few lines directed to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** was Signed in this meeting Informing them that **Joshua Shearman** and his Son **Joshua** had Sometime past removal Certificates from this meeting and by Informa= =tion had not delivered them

*Collecting books  
continued*

The friends appointed to Collect our Books report they have made Some progress therein; they are Still continued in Said Service and to report next monthly meeting

*Complaint against J  
Bowdish*

The Overseers Inform that **James Bowdish** hath married out of the Unity of Friends, and his wife hath had a Child Soon after marriage; Therefore this meeting doth appoint **John Williams** and **Seth Russell** to Treat with him therefor and to make report to next monthly meeting  
They also to draw a paper of denial against him if he do not make them Satisfaction

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2<sup>nd</sup> month  
1780  
*A Ricketson  
paper*

**Abraham Ricketson** hath given in a paper to this meeting Codemning his former misconduct Particularly Horseracing for which he was Denied; Therefore this meeting doth appoint **Thomas Hicks** and **Samuel Smith** Confer with him on that account and make report next monthly meting

*order to pay  
T Howland*

This meeting orders the Treasurer to pay **Timothy Howland** five dollars or the Vallue thereof in paper for keeping the meeting house half a year

This meeting Collected in paper – 13£ – 13<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup>

In Silver – 00 – 15 – 5

3<sup>rd</sup> month  
1780

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives are **Thomas Hicks** and **Benjamin Rider** present

*G Russell  
paper  
Excepted*

The Committee appointed to Treat with **Gilbart Russell** report that they have fulfilled their appointment therein, and that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction: Therefore this meeting doth except his paper Codemning his miscondacts Povided he Cause the Same to be read Publickly in the Usual manner and return the to next monthly meeting

*H Howland  
Case  
Continued*

The friends continued to have the care of **Humphry Howland** report That he hath given them a degree of Satisfaction; ~~Therefore this meeting~~ yet there appearing Something in his habit that friends are not fully Satisfiyd with therefore it is Referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as before in order for them to pevail upon him to disset from wearing such apperal as well as to convince him of the Evil thereof and to make report next monthly meeting

*S Russell  
Receiv.d*

The friends appointed to Treat with **Stephe Russell** report that they have had Several conferences with him on the account of his disorder for which he was disowned) who hath given a degree of Satisfaction; Thfore he is Received into membership again

*B Slocum  
receiv.d*

The Women friends Inform they have Received a Removel Certificate for **Bethiah Slocum** wife of **Jonathan Slocum**

*H Wilbor  
Certificate*

This meeting hath Signed a removal Certificate for **Hannah Willbor** directed to the monthly meeting at the **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** She being about to  
Remove thear

The Clerk reports the Testimony of Denial against **James Howland** hath been read as ordered at our Last monthly meeting; which is as followeth

*J Howlands  
Testimony  
of denial*

Whereas **James Howland** having made Profession with us the People called Quakers, But for want of adhearing to the dictats of best Wisdom, hath So far deviated from our Christian principles as to tak the Command of an Armed Vessel – for which he hath been Laboured with in Love to reclaim him from Such practices; But our endeavors not having the desired Effect, and he declineing to condemn the Same; We are there =fore Concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against Such Conduct Hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society untill he Shall come to a Sight and Sense of his out goings, and by unfeigned

Repentance return to the way of Truth, which is our Earnest desire

Signed in and on behalf our Monthly meeting held in

**Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1780

by **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*Report of  
H Russell  
Clearness*

The Friend appointed to Inquire into the clearness of **Humphry Russell** report they have made Inquiry and find nothing to hinder his proceeding

*Answer  
given to  
H Russell*

**Humphry Russell** and **Bethiah Eldrich** appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in Some convenient time before next monthly meeting adviseing with the friends that this meeting Shall appoint to Oversee the Same who are **Benjamin Taber** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and they to make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to collect this meetings books report they have been in a progres therein and they not being all collected they are still continued in Said Service and to make report when they find freedom

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*3<sup>rd</sup> month*

*1780*

*Bowdish  
disown.d*

The friends appointed to Treat with **James Bowdish** report they have fulfilled the Same, but that he did not incline to make friends any Satisfaction Therefore he is hereby disowned from being a member of our Society, and Said friends have drafted a Testimony of Denial against said **Bowdish** which hath been Read and Signed in this in this meeting and the Clerk is ordered to read the Same publickly as Usual, and report thereof next monthly meeting – And **John Williams** is appointed to inform said **Bowdish** of his deial [denial] and make report next monthly meeting

*Ricketsons  
case continu<sup>d</sup>*

The friends appointed to confer with **Abraham Ricketson** report that hath gone away and that they have not had opportunity to Treat with him therefore they are Sill continued in Said Service and make report when they have accomplished the Same

*T Howland  
not paid*

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid **Timothy Howland** as ordered he is therefore directed to do it and make report to next monthly meeting

*Certificate  
requested for  
A Barker*

**David Barker** Requested a Certificate for his Son **Asa Barker** to the month-ly meeting at **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** he being gone there to Live as an apprentice, Therefore

**Joseph Gifford** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to take the necessary care in that respect and to draw one for him and bring to next monthly meeting

*Certificate  
requested for  
E Hathaway*

We being Informed that the Widdow **Elisabeth Hathaway** and her family being about to remove from hence to **RhoadIsland [Rhode Island, Newport Co RI]** to Live; Therefore **Joseph Barker**

and **Samuel Smith** are appointed to take the needful care in that Respit and to draw a removal Certificate for them if they find things clear; (They to Join with the Women friends in Said case) and report to next monthly meeting

*Hez Smiths  
Certificate*

There was a Certificate Signed in this meeting by the Cerk for **Hezekiah Smith** directed to the monthly meeting at the **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]**, as he hath thoughts of going there to make Some Stay in his Labour

*Queries answer<sup>d</sup>* The Queries were Answered in this Meeting, and an Epistle Signed directed to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives **William Mosher, Samuel Smith.**

*Representative Quar<sup>ly</sup> meeting* **Thomas Hicks, William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Abiel Gifford** and they to report next monthly meeting

*G Howland not paid* The Treasurer having not paid **Gideon Howland** he is desired to accomplish It and make report to next monthly meeting

Collected in paper – 18<sup>l</sup> – 19<sup>s</sup> – 2<sup>d</sup>

Collected in Silver – 0 – 11 – 8

*4 month 1780* Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being caled **John Devol** present **Elijah Gifford** who was appointed at the Preparative meeting not present

*G Russells paper Read* **Gilbart Russell** caused his paper to be publickly Read and returned to this meeting as ordered Last monthly meeting – Which is as followeth

*Which is as follows* To the Preparative and Monthly meeting of Friends to be held at **Dartmouth** the 10<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1779

Whereas I Some time past did Inconsiderately go on a Military Gaurd which I now am Sorry for and do Condemn desireing friends to pass it by and let me remain under their Care from your friend **Gilbert Russell**

*H Howlands case refered* The matter of **Humphry Howland** is refered to next monthly meeting by reason but one of the Committee being present and the Said Committee then to make report

*Report of H Russells marriage* The Friends appointed to See **Humphry Russell** and **Bethiah Eldriedges** Marriage Solemnized report they attended said marriage and Saw nothing but that it was in a degree orderly

*J Bowdish paper read* The Clerk Reports that **James Bowdishes** paper of Denial hath been Read as ordered, and **John Williams** report he hath informed Said **Bowdish** of his denial – Which is as followeth

*Which is as follows* Whereas **James Bowdish** having had a Right of membership with us the People Called Quakers in **Dartmouth** – But for want of taken heed to the reproof of Instruction in his own heart hath so far gone a Stray as to fore  
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*4<sup>th</sup> month 1780* Be found guilty of the Sin of Fornication as appears by his wifes having a Child Soon after mariage and also neglects the attendance of our religious Meetings: For which offences he having been treated with, but declines to Condemn the Same, to friends Satisfaction. – We therefore give this forth as a Publick Testimony against Such conduct, hereby disowning him the Said **James Bowdish** from being a member of our Society and from under the Care of this meeting – Nevertheless desireing he may come to a Sence of his outgoings and return is our desire

Signed in and on behlf of oure afore Said meeting held in **Dartmouth**  
this 20<sup>th</sup> day of 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1780 By **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*G Howland paid* The Treasurer reports he hath paid **Gideon Howland** the money as Ordered Last monthly meeting but he not having paid **Timothy Howland**, therefore he is continued to accomplish the Sane, and to report next monthly meeting

*Report of Representatives from Quarterly meet<sup>s</sup>* The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended but **Thomas Hicks** who Sent a reasonable excuse and they produced an Epistle from Said Quarterly meeting which was read and well accepted

*B Mosher proposal of marriage* **Barnabus Mosher Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Ruth Anthony** appeared in this meeting and Declared their Intentions of Taking Each other in marriage; and were desired to waite till next monthly meeting for their answer: and **John Devol** and **Abiel Gifford** are appointed to inquire into the young mans clearness Respecting marriag and report next monthly meeting

*Advice to Collect Friends Sufferings* Received from the meeting for Suffering Some regulations for taking Friend Sufferings, which we desire the Comitty, appointed in our meeting Some time past for to collect friends Suferings – To aobserve & comply with

*adjourned* This meeting Adjourns till tomorrow after meeting: Which meeting being Called by reason of a Funeral

*mett* Mett by adjournment the 18<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being Called **John Devol** present **Elijah Gifford** not present

*Certificate for A Barker refered* The Committee appointed to draw a Certificate for the **Asa Barker** not being Present the matter is refered to next monthly meeting and Said friends Continued in the Same Service then they to make report

*E Hathaway Certificate not accom=  
=plished* The friends appointed last monthly meeting to Joine the women friends in Drawing a Removal Certificate for **Elisabeth Hathaway** and famamily not having accomplished the Same by reason the matter was not presented to the Womens meeting Said friends are therefore Still continued in Said Service and to make report to next monthly meeting

*The case of J Sherman & Son Inspected* Whereas **Joshua Shearman** and his Son **Joshua** having some years past Removed from hence into the Compass of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly meeting and having removal Certificates: but as we are informed of Late they have not delivered said Certificates to Said meeting: This meeting therefore appoints our friends **John Williams** and **Caleb Green** to Treat with them the Said **Joshua** and Son on the account of their great neglect, and to Inquire into their conduct Since removed and make report next monthly meeting

*A Devol request a Certificate* **Abner Devol** request a Certificate to the monthly meeting at **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]**  
Setting forth his clearness respecting marriage: Therefore **Joseph Barker** and **Thomas Hicks** are appointed to take the needful care in that case Respect and bring one to next monthly meeting

*L Sherman*  
*Disown,d* The Women friend Inform they have denied **Lois Shearman** now  
wife of **Andrew Sheaman [Shearman]** which this meeting Concurs with  
Collected in paper money – £19 – 17<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup>  
in Silver money – 00 – 5 – 2

*5<sup>th</sup> month*  
*1780* Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives are **Abiel Gifford** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>e</sup>** present

*H.Howland*  
*case conti=*  
*=nued* The Committee appointed to Treat with **Humphry Howland** not giving  
in a Satisfactory report from him, not yet fully clear in their ~~appoint~~  
Discharge

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Discharge of their appointment they are therefore Continued in Said Service  
and to make report when they find themselfe clear in that matter

*T Howland*  
*not paid* The Treasurer not having paid **Timothy Howland** as directed last monthly  
meeting: he is therefore continued for that Sevice and to make report next monthly  
meeting

*B Moshers*  
*clearness* The Friends appointed to Inquire into the clearness of **Barnabus Mosher Ju<sup>e</sup>**  
Report they have taken due care in that respect and find nothing to hinder his  
proceeding marriage:

*Answer to*  
*Barnabus*  
*Mosher* **Barnabus Mosher** and **Ruth Anthony** appeared for their answer  
which was, that they might proceed to take Each Other in marriage in Some Convenient  
time before next monthly meeting: adviseing with the friends this meeting Shall  
appoint to Oversee the Same, who are **Abiel Gifford** and **John Devol** and they  
to report next monthly meeting

*Friends added*  
*to collect Suf=*  
*ferings* One of the Committee that this meeting appointed to Collect friends Suffering  
being deceased: our friends **Thomas Hicks**, **Elijah Gifford** and **Caleb Green**  
are now added for that Service

*A Barkers*  
*certificate* A Certificate for **Asa Barker** Son of **David Barker** was Signed in this  
meeting directed to the monthly meeting at **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** being gone to live  
as an apprentice there

*The case of*  
*J Sherman Se<sup>e</sup>*  
*was continued* The friends appointed to Treat **Joshua Shearman** and his son **Joshua**  
make report tha they have fulfilled their appointment therein; and that  
**Joshua Shearman senior** doth condemn his not giving his Certificate to the  
meeting it was directed to and some other of his misconduct; but he being  
in the unwarrantable practice of the neglect of the due attendance of Religious  
meetings: Therefore said Committee are continued to treat further with him  
and to make report next monthly meeting

*J Sherman Ju<sup>e</sup>*  
*disowned* They also report that the young man hath attended Seperate meetings and  
that he gave them no Satisfaction therein; Therefore this meeting doth disown  
him from being a member of the Society: and the Said Committee are ordered  
to draw a Testimony of denial against him and Informe him thereof  
and bring Said Testimony to next monthly meeting



*Certificate for A Devol* A Certificate for **Abner Devol** directed to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly meeting Setting forth his clearness respecting marriage was Signed in this meeting

*Certificate for E Hathaway* A Removal Certificate for **Elisabeth Hathaway** and Such of her Children as were members of this meeting directed to the monthly meeting of **RhodIsland [Newport, Newport Co RI]** was Signed in this meeting they being gone there to Live

*Certificate for L Barker* Also a Removal Certificate for **Lydia Barker** and her four daughters Directed to the monthly meeting at the **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** was Signed in this meeting they being about to remove theither

*Certificate for M Greene* Also a Removal Certificate for **Martha Greene** directed to the monthly meeting at **East Greenwich [Kent Co RI]**, She having gone to reside there

*G Howland give in a bill* **Gideon Howland** hath given in a Bill for keeping **Alice Smith** from the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month last to the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month Including 26 weeks at a Silver Doller per week or its Value in Such money as the meeting Collects together with the addition of two dollars fo keeping her when Sick amounting to the Sum of £8 – 8<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup> hards money which this meeting allows and Orders the Treasurer to pay when Suplied with money

Collected in Silver – 1£ – 1<sup>s</sup> – 11<sup>d</sup>  
Collected in paper – 19£ – 10<sup>s</sup> – 10<sup>d</sup>

*W Mosher and S Smith was [?] two books* Out of which Collection Eight Shillings in Silver was paid to **William Mosher** and **Samuel Smith**. Who have Reimbursted Said Sum to pay for two of **John Churchmans** Journals for this meeting

*Request to enquire into said Conversation of D Wilbor* A Paper directed to the monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co NY]** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** Requesting them to Enquire into the Late Conversation of **Deborah Willbor** and make Some return to this meeting. Said paper was Signed in this Meeting, and the Clerk is ordered to take a Copsy thereof and To keep on file

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*6<sup>th</sup> month  
1780*

Att a M<sup>o</sup>nthly held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives are **Elijah Gifford Thomas Hicks and Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** all present

*John Lloyds Visit* Our Friend **John Lloyd** attended this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting held at **Gwynedd** in the County of **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** Dated the 25<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1780 which was Read to Satisfaction and his Visit and Labour in the Service of the Gospel well accepted

*Receivd a Certificate for Stephen Buffinton* Received a removal Certificate the monthly meeting of **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** Bearing date the 5<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1780 For **Stephen Buffinton** his wife **Sarah** and their Children, they having removed here to reside

*T Howland paid* The Treasurer reports he hath paid **Timothy Howland** as ordered

*Report of Bar<sup>n</sup> Mosher marriage* The Friends appointed to Oversee the marriage of **Barnabus<sup>Ju</sup> Mosher** and **Ruth Anthony** report they attended Said marriage and did no See but that it was accomplished orderly.

*The case of J. Sherman Continued* The friends who were appointed to Treat with **Joshua Shearman Junior** Saw and to draw a Testimony of Denial against **Joshua Shearman Junior** Request that matter may be refer,d to next monthly meeting as they have not had oppertunity to accomplish the Same

*Complaint against J Smith and Son John* The Overseers Inform by way of the Preparitive meeting that **Joseph Smith** and his Son **John** and **William Taber** and <sup>his</sup> son **Edward** have been in the practice of attending Such meetings as are held out of the Unity of Friends, and that he the Said **John Smith** hath allowed some of Said meetings <sup>^to be held</sup> in his owne house: and Said Overseers and other friends having Laboured with them for their <sup>^sd</sup> misconduct but they Still continue to persist in and Justify the Same, and much neglect the attending our meeting. Therefore we appoint our friends **Elijah Gifford, Seth Russell, Thomas Hicks, John Devol, Jonathan Willbor,** and **William Anthony Jur** To Labour further with them and to Endeaver in Love and meekness to convince them of the Evil tendency of Such a practice and to restore them to unity with friends againe: and to make report next monthly meeting

*E Hathaway Certificate returned another Sent* The Removal Certificate that was Signed at our Last monthly meeting for **Elizabeth Hathway** and her Children being now returned by reason of Some incorrect <sup>^l[?]</sup> therein and another was prpared and Signed in this meeting in the Liew thereof

*Queries an= swered* The Queries were Read and answers thereto prepared, approved and Signed, and the Epistle to the Quarterly meeting Read, Signed and sent

*Representativ<sup>es</sup> to the Quar terly meeting* to the Said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Abiel Gifford William Anthony Ju** and **Caleb Greene** and they to make report next monthly meeting

*The Treaty of attending Quarterly meetg referd* This meeting hath been Informed by one of the Committee appointed by our yearly meeting, that they are to Treat with this meeting respecting being aded to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Quarter: And Requesting our attention by a Committee, which is refer.d to next monthly meeting

*A Almys Certificate receiv.d* The Women friends informs they have received a removal Certificate for **Ann Almy** from the monthly meeting of **RhodIsland [ Newport, Newport Co. RI]** She having ~~here~~  
Removed here to Inhabit

*Coppy of the minit was Signd for J Lloyd* A Coppy of the minuit respecting the Visit and Service of our Friend **John Lloyd** was taken of and Signed in this meeting by the Clerk: and delivered to him for his use when he may return home to his friends  
This meeting Collected in Silver ... 0<sup>£</sup> .. 17<sup>s</sup> ..3 1/2<sup>d</sup>  
In – paper ... 23 ... 01 ... 0

*7<sup>th</sup> month 1780* Att a monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives are **Caleb Russell** and **William Mosher** – present

*Report from Quarterly meeting* The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all attended agreeable to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the Same  
Which

- [7<sup>th</sup>] month  
1780* Which was Read to good acceptance, wherein is Recommended a Subscription to Supply the yearly meeting Treasury with one handed pounds
- {Epi}stles receiv.d* Coppies of Epistles from our last yearly meeting, a written one from **London [England]** of the year 1779 and one from **Pensylvania** of the 9<sup>th</sup> month last were all read in this meeting to good Satisfaction
- J. Harts Certi  
[fi]cate receiv,d* A Removal Certificate for **Jonathan Heart** his wife Experiane and their child **Martha** was read in this meeting and accepted they being removed here to Inhabit
- The case of  
Shearman J  
referred* The matter continued respecting **Joshua Shearman** and **Joshua Shear**=**man Ju<sup>f</sup>** not being fully completed, they are Still refer,d to next monthly meeting, and the same friends as before are continued in that Service and to report to next monthly meeting
- J Smith and  
Son John and  
[W] Tabor & Son  
Edward are  
[denied] & each of  
them Disowned* The greater part of the friends appointed to Treat with **Joseph Smith** and Son **John**, and **William Taber** and Son **Edward** make report that they or the most of them, have accomplished Said Service, and that all and Each one of them in particular, persisted to Justify their misconduct in attending Saperate meetings without retracting the same; nor desiring Friends to wait further with them: Therefor this meeting taking the matter into Solled [solid?] consideration do conclud to disown the Said **Joseph Smith**, his son **John**, and **William Taber** and his son **Edward** and said Committee are appointed to draw a Testimony or Testimonies <sup>^of denial</sup> against them and Inform them thereof and bring it to next next monthly meeting
- Committee  
appointed on  
account of clar  
[ity?] Sandwich  
Quarterly  
meeting* The matter in regard to appointing a Committee to Treat with the yearly meetings Committee Respecting inlarging **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Quarter was Consi-  
=dered: and do appoint our Friends **Samuel Smith Abiels Gifford William Mosher, Caleb Russell, William Anthony Ju<sup>f</sup>, Thomas Hicks, Elijah Gifford, and John Williams**, for that Service and to make report when they have accomplished the Same
- Benj Smith Ju<sup>f</sup> give  
in a bill* **Benjamin Smith Ju<sup>f</sup>** hath given in an account to this meeting for keeping **Alice Smith** about 10 weeks in the year 1776, amounting to 18<sup>£</sup> old Tennor which is app<sup>^</sup>oved and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the Same When Supplied with money by this meeting
- [?] Mosher dis=  
owned* A Testimony of denial against **Appltin[?] Mosher** was Signed in this meeting
- Coppy of the <sup>minuit</sup>  
orderd for  
Allen* **James Allen** being about to take a Journey to **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** in order to make Some Stay there: and hath Informed this meeting there of: and as he is a member of out Societ the Clerk is ordered to give him a Coppy of this minuit
- Friends apoin  
ted on account  
of J Slocums  
circumstanco* The Women Friends Inform that **John Slocums** wife and Children having removed to **RhodIsland, [ Newport, Newport Co. RI]** and as there are Several Sons among the children: This meeting doth appoint **Joseph Tucker Ju Joseph Barker** and **Thomas Hicks** to assist and Joine with the Women in making inquir[y] into their Circumstances, and prepare a Certificate for them if they find things clear

*and also  
D Barker and  
sons Certificates  
if they think  
proper*

And also to draw a Certificate for **David Barker** and Sons who hath Removed into the Compass of the **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** monthly meeting, if on Inquiry they may think proper and <sup>^</sup>[bring?] to next monthly meeting.

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|                         | £  | s  | d |
| Collected in Silver ... | 5  | 10 | 2 |
| in paper ...            | 15 | 18 | 0 |

*8<sup>th</sup> month  
1780*

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> of 8 month 1780  
The Representatives are **Elijah Gifford** and **Caleb Green** present

*Testimony of  
denial against  
J. Shearman  
signed  
he informed  
thereof*

The friends appointed to D<sup>r</sup>aft a Testimony of denial against **Joshua Shearman Juner**, have performed the Same and brought it to this meeting; which was Signed by the Clerk who is ordered to read it publickly in the usual manner and make report next monthly meeting

They also report they have Informed him of <sup>^</sup>his Said denial as directed Last monthly meeting: The Said Committee also report they have  
Have

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*8<sup>th</sup> month  
1780*

*J Sherman  
Senor disown*

Have Treated with **Joshua Shearman Senor** and that he did notify them Satisfaction: Therefore he is disowned h<sup>r</sup>eby from being a member of our Religious Society; and Said Committee are appointed to Inform him hereof and to make report next monthly meeting

*Testimonies  
of den<sup>al</sup>  
Signed  
against  
J S: J S:  
WT: ET  
MT PT*

Testimonies of denial against **Joseph Smith** and his son **John** and **William Taber** and his wife **Mary**, and their Son **Edward**, and daughter **Patience**, were Signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is ordered to Read them publickly in the Usual manner and make report next monthly meeting; and the Committee who had the care of these matter[s] are desired <sup>^</sup>to inform them of their denial and make report next monthly meeting

*Certificate  
M Slocum  
referd*

The friends appointed to Joine and assist the women in regard to **Martha Slocum** (wife of **John Slocum**) and their Childrens Certificate reports the matter is not accomplished; they are therefore continued in said service and to report next monthly meeting

*The case of  
D Barker  
referd*

The Same Committee being appointed to draw a Certificate for **David Barker** and sons; who report that things are not fully clear, they are therefore Still continued in the Same Service and to make report next monthly meeting

*Complaint  
against  
E Smith*

The Overseers Inform by the way of the preparative meeting that **Eliassib Smith** hath been in practice of attending meetings that are held out of the Unity of our Societ, and hath been laboured with to desist but he still continues to Justify himself therein and hath no desire that friends Should wait any longer for him to Consider of said matter; yet this meeting doth appoint our friends **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **John Devol** to labour further with him the said **Eliassib Smith** and if they do not find any Satisfaction; to draft a Testimony of denial against him and inform him

thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

*Certificate  
requested  
for J Gifford*

**Abiel Gifford** desires Certificate for his Son **John Gifford** setting forth his Right of membership among us: to the monthly meeting of **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** he having gone to reside within the Verge of that meeting, with a friend - which is granted by these lines therefore the Clerk is ordered to give him a Copy of this minuit

*B Smith Ju  
is paid*

The Treasurer reports he hath paid **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** as orderd last monthly meeting

*a Certificate  
requested  
for J Smith*

This meeting hath been informed that **John Smith** (Son of **Peleg**) is removd to reside within the compass of **East Hoossuck and Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** monthly meeting

and as he hath a Birth right in the Society, this meeting doth appoint [**Samuel?**] **Smith** and **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>** to draw a paper to Inform the meeting where he resides, the Circumstances of him the said **John Smith** and make report next monthly meeting

*Friends  
Desired to  
Meet clear  
Some land*

Friends concluds to meet in general to clear up the land round our Meeting house. Therefore friends are desired to meet Generally the 28<sup>th</sup> [Insant?] for that purpose if the weather be Suitable if not the first fair day

Collected in Silver... 1<sup>£</sup> ... 1<sup>s</sup> ... 7<sup>d</sup>

Collected in paper... 23 ... 9 ... 0

*adjournd*

This meeting Adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> Insant after the meeting of Worship

*mett*

Mett by Adjournment this 30<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being called. both present

*Friends  
appointed  
to Collect  
money for  
yearly meet  
ing Stock*

As it is Recommended in the Last Epistle from the Quarterly meeting That one hundred pounds Lawful hard money be raised to Supply the yearly meeting Treasury: Therefore this meeting doth appoint our frie[n]d **Caleb Green, James Tucker, George Smith, Jonathan Willbor,** and **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>l</sup>** to Collect by Subscriptions, Such Somes as frie[n]ds may have freedom to give, and pay the same to this meetings Treasurer And make report to this meeting of the Sum total so Collected [when ready?]

*Friends appoi  
nted to pro  
=cure Hay*

As there will be Hay wanting at the Quarterly meeting **Nicholas Lapham, William Barker, and Jonathan Willbor** are appointed to procure same on that account.

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*[8<sup>th</sup>] Month  
1780  
Order to pay BH.*

The Treasurer is Orderd to pay **Benjamin Howland the 3<sup>d</sup>** five Silver Dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year

*[Ce]rtificate for  
Ann Gifford*

**Anne Gifford** having desired our Certificate to the Quarterly meeting at Salem. She having it on her mind to Visit that meeting: Therefore one was drafted and Signed in this meeting Setting forth her ~~un~~ unity and her acceptable publick Testimony

*Potter disor-  
derly Conduct*

Whereas **John Potter** Some time past went up to **the Ninepartners** [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY] to make some Stay there: and **William Anthony Ju** and **Samuel Smith** being appointed to inspect

into his Circumstances, and finding things not clear was directed by this meeting to inform him of his disorder and to take what other needful can they may think proper in that respect and make report when ready: accordingly they now report: That he the Sa[i]d **John** went away in a disorderly manner with= out the advice friends, or without the consent of his Gardian, he being under age and he not having yet returned, nor any late account been receiv<sup>d</sup> from him: Therefore this meeting doth Still continue said Committee to make further inspection into the conduct of the Said **John Potter** as oppertunity may offer and act therein as they in the leadings of Truth may See meet and make report when they may see fitt

*9<sup>th</sup> month  
1780* Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives **Benjamin Taber** and **Jonathan Willbor** present

*Shermans  
denial not recvd* The Clerk reports he have not read the denial of **Joshua Shearman Ju<sup>r</sup>** as directed last monthly meeting, he is therefore Still continued to perform it and make report next monthly meeting

and **John Williams** reports that **Joshua Shearman Senior** hath been Informed of his denial as ordered

*denial against Smith  
& Son read* The Clerk informs that the denial of **Joseph Smith** and **John Smith** hath been read as directed last monthly meeting and was informed of this denial ... Which is as folloeth

*The Testimony of  
denial against  
Smith & Son Jon* Whereas **Joseph Smith**, and his son **John**, having long made pro= fession with us the people called **Quaker** and been under the care of this meeting; but have so far departed from the principals we profess as to frequent meetings held out of the unity of our Society and Joine in publi<sup>ck</sup> Worship with them that are disowned by us the afore said people; also the Said **John Smith** frequently aloweth such meetings to beheld in his house and friends having bestoed much Labour in Love to reclame them from such practices that are so contrary to the principels we profess: But our Labour not not having[?] the desired effect to friends Satisfaction and they continue to Justify themselves therein; Therefore for the maintaing the princi= pals we profess are concerned to give forth this Testimony against them the said **Joseph Smith** and **John Smith**, hereby disown[n]ing them from being in unity with us, and from under our care, yet if it be agreeable to Divine goodness, that they may be resored to the way of Truth and find mercy, which is our sincer desire

Given forth and Signed <sup>^in</sup> and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1780 by **William Anthony Ju** Clerk

*Testimony against  
Tabor & family  
not recd* The Clerk reports he hath not <sup>^read</sup> the Testimony of denial against **William Tabor** his wife and their children, **Edward** and **Patience** he is desired to accomplish it and make report next monthly meeting

and the Committee who had the care thereof are desired to Inform them of their denial and make report next monthly meeting

*Certificates for  
Ba<sup>k</sup>e[r] and  
Slocum not  
accomplished* The friends appointed to draw a Certificate for **David Barker** and and also to Joine the Women in drawing a Certificate for **Martha Slocum** and <sup>^her</sup> Children report that neither of them are accomplished they are therefore continued in said Service and make report next monthly meeting

9<sup>th</sup> month  
1780

*E S case refer<sup>d</sup>*

The Friends appointed to Treat with **Elishib Smith** not havi[ng] accomplished the Same they are desired to fulfil Said Service and to report next monthly meeting

*a few lines  
for J Smith  
Sign,<sup>d</sup>*

**John Smith** son of **Peleg** deseased having removed to **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]**

a few Lines directed to that meeting, Setting forth his having a birth right in the Society was Signed in this meeting by the Crerk [Clerk]

*Treasurer  
not paid  
B Howland*

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid **Benjamin Howland 3<sup>d</sup>** for keeping the meeting house as ordered; he is now ordered to pay the said **Benjamin** six dollars and two thirds for keeping house 8 months last part and make report next monthly meeting

*Complaint  
against  
A Taber*

The Overseers Inform that **Ameziah Taber** (son of **William**) is in the Practice of attending meetings held out of the Unity of our Society and hath been Laboured with by said overseers and he reather Justifies himself therein Therefore we do appoint **John Williams** and **Stephen Buffinton** to Treat with him the Said **Ameziah**, and if they do not find Satisfaction they are to draft a Testimony of his denial and inform him thereof, and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

*Hump<sup>h</sup>ry  
Shearmans  
proposal of  
marriage*

**Humphry Shearman** and **Marcy Lapham** having declared th[e]ir Intentions of taking Each other in marriag, they are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer and our friends **Benj<sup>a</sup>min Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and **William Sanford** are appointed to Enquire into the young mans Clearness in Respect to marriag and they to make report to next monthly meeting

*Friends  
appointed  
to Sell Wood*

We appoint our friends **James Tucker**, **Nicholas Lapham** and **Philip Maccomber** to Joine the overseers of the poor, and Endeavor to Sell wood of the meetings <sup>^L</sup>and to pay the Expence of Supporting our poor, if they think pr<sup>o</sup>per when they Inspect the wood and to cut as much as they shall think best for the meeting, and no more; and make report to this meeting from time to time when it is accomplished, with account of the Wood so Cutt

*A Comm<sup>tee</sup> apointed  
to Joine the  
overseers  
in Visiting  
Friends*

Whereas sometime past this meeting did appoint a Committee of Friends to Joine the overseers in Visiting and Stiring up the neglect member thereof and now Some of Said friends with Some others having accomplis[hed] Said Service; have now made report of doings therein which is well accep[t]ed and ordered to be recorded, which is as followeth

*The report  
of Said  
Visiting  
Friend*

Whereas some time past Some Friends were appointed to assist the overseers in Treating with Some of our Neglegent members, and some thus appointed with Some other friends having had a concern on their minds to Joine and make General Visit to friends families throug our monthly meeting, for the revivael of our antient Discipline in Stirring up the Careless Lukwarm Indolent members to Love and good works: and having Drawings in our minds, not only to the disobedient but those that are Setting their faces Zionwards, in order to encourage and Strengthen one another with desires that the wast places may yet be rebuilt, and by being willing to be Obedient our weak minds <sup>^were</sup> Strengthned from time to time Through the many deep Exercies of mind in so weighty a Service and find Peace and Satisfaction therein: which is a Sufficient Reward

And now after having accomplished said Visit which in General was

well accepted: yet not without some Exceptions in some particular families  
It Remains to give so<sup>me</sup> account of the State of Friends in our meeting

*State of  
Friends*

We Trust there are some that are Labouring to do their days work in the  
Truth Seems to be Low so that it might be truly said as formerly by whom  
shall Jacob, or the true Seed arise, which is in our <sup>^[appearing?]</sup> but small and much pressed  
down with the many things that are hurtful, Especially by the Love of money  
Pride and forgetfulness of God

Dated 18<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1780

**Freborn Rider**  
**Susanna Smith**  
**Deborah Hicks**  
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**Thomas Hicks**  
**Abiel Gifford**

*[9<sup>th</sup>?] month  
1780*

*Gifford dis-  
[missed] from be=  
[ing] overseer*

**Abiel Gifford** Informed the preparitive meeting also this meeting that he  
desired to be dismist from the place of an overseer <sup>and</sup> friends having weightily  
considered thereof do dismiss him accor[d]ing to his request, his Service having  
been well accepted

Collected in pape[r] money ---3 -- s8 -- 0

Collected in Silver money ---1 -- 4 -- 7 ½

*Adjourn*

This meeting adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> Ins[t]ant after the meeting of Worship  
Mett by adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1780

*Mett*

The Representatives being called both present

*Cornel Sent  
paper to this  
[meeting] Which  
[re]ferred to  
[the?] Monthly  
[m]eeting at  
[E Hoosuk] or  
[Sara]toga*

**Zebulon Cornel** having given a paper to this meeting his falling into the Sin  
of Fornication, with all other of his misconduct and request to be restored under  
Friends care again and he is removed into the compass of **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire  
Co. MA]** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** monthly meeting and cannot  
conveniently be treated by us here, this

meeting doth appoint our friends **Samuel Smith** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** to  
Write to that meeting requesting them in our behalf to Endeavor to discover  
the Sincerity of him the said **Zebulon Cornel** and Inform us thereof

*[?] Hussey a<sup>d</sup>  
Woods Visit*

**Jonathan Hussey** and **Isaac Wood** attended this meeting and each produced  
a few lines from the meeting at **East Hoosuck** and **Saratoga** setting forth their  
concurrence with said friends Visits moring[?] us which said lines were Satisfactory  
and their Visit well accepted

*Allens request*

**John Allen** (Son of **Jonathan**) hath given in a paper to this meeting requesting  
to be taken under friends care therefore our friends **William Mosher** and  
**Abiel Gifford** are appointed to take an oppertunity of Sollid conferrece with  
the perticioner in order to discover the motive of his request and make report  
thereof next monthly meeting

*[Ap]point Overseer  
[seer]s refered*

An additional Choice of Overseers hath been proposed and referred to next  
monthly meeting for further Consideration

*[Qu]eries answerd  
[Epistle] signd &  
[rep]resentatives  
[appo]inted*

The Queries were answered and an Epistle Signed in this meeting for the  
Quarterly meeting and Said answers with said Epistle forwarded to said Quarter<sup>ly</sup>  
meeting by our Representatives who are **Thomas Hicks, Abiel Gifford, Elijah  
Gifford** and **Caleb Russell** and they to make report next monthly meeting

*Friends appoint  
[ted] to Collect the  
[?] Testi  
[?] of pub*

As there have been Several Publick friends latly rem<sup>o</sup>ved by death from among  
us, and our discipline requiring that Some Testimony or particular account of  
such friends be transmitted to the Quarterly and yearly meeting; this meeting



[?] Friends  
[?] in order  
[?] who  
[?]sury

doth appoint our Friends **Thomas Hicks, Caleb Russell, William Mosher** and **Abiel Gifford**, to collect the necessary particulrlyrs in order; and to d<sup>r</sup>awft such Testimony or Testimonies, if they ~~think~~ shall think it necessary and make report when they have accomplished the same they to Joine herein with **Samuel Smith** who was formerly appointed for that Service with **Humphry Smith** but the said **Humphry** being dece<sup>a</sup>ssed the above friends are appointed in his Stead Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being **Caleb Russell** and **Abiel Gifford** both present

[10<sup>th</sup>] month  
1780

[Choo]sing  
overseers  
[cont]inued

The matter of an additional ch<sup>o</sup>ice of overseers being considered and Several nominated, but said matter is Still continued to next monthly meeting

report of Testi  
[moni]es of denials

The Clerk reports he hath Read the Testimonies of denials of **Joshua Shearman Ju<sup>e</sup> William Taber** and his Wife and their Son **Edward** and Daughter **Patience** agreeable to appointment, but they not being informed of their denials as we hear off, therefore **Samuel Smith** is desired to Inform them the Said **Tabers** of their denials and make report next monthly meeting - Their Said denials are as Followeth

Testimony of  
Against  
**Sherman Ju<sup>e</sup>**

Whereas **Joshua Shearman** (Son of **Joshua**) hath had his Education among Friends, but hath so far departed from the principels profess of Truth and Unity of Friends as frequently attend meetings held out of

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Out of Unity of our Society neglecting the attendance of our meetings of Worship and discipline and he not inclining to condemn the same after of our Labours of Love <sup>^with him</sup> therein - Therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends, we are concerned to give forth this as a Testimony against him the Said **Joshua Shearman Ju<sup>e</sup>** as not being a member of our Society, yet desireing he may be favoured with a Sight of his errors and out going, and that he may find a return to the way of Truth

Given forth and Signed <sup>^in</sup> and on behalf of our monthly meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1780

By **William Anthony Ju<sup>e</sup>** Clerk

Testimony  
against  
**W Taber**  
his Wife  
**Mary** and  
Son & daug  
hter

Whreas **William Taber** and his wife **Mary Taber**, and **Edward Taber** thir Son, and **Patience Taber** their daughter having all maid profession with us the people called Quakers and been under the care of this meeting But hath so far departed from the principles we profess, so as to frequent meetings held out of the Unity of our Society and Joine in publick Worship with them who are disowned by us the people afore said, and the said **Patience** also app<sup>e</sup>aring disagreeable in some of her dress and friends having Laboured much in love to reclame them from such practices but our labour not having its desired effect to friends Satisfaction, and they continue to Justify themselves therein: therefore for the maintaining the principles we profess we are concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against them the said **William**

**Taber** and **Mary** his wife, and **Edward Taber** and **Patience Taber** their Children hereby disowning them from being in unity with us and from under the care of this meeting: yet if it be agreeable to divine goodness, that they may be restored to the way of Truth and find mercy is our Sincere desires

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting  
held in **Dartmout[h]** the 21<sup>st</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1780

By **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
**Susanna Smith** Clerk

*D Barkers  
Certificate  
referred*

The friends appointed to draw a Certificate for **David Barker** not finding things clear, are still continued in said service and to make report when it is fulfilled

*E Smith  
Disowned*

The friends appointed to Treat with **Elisabeth Smith** report they have performed their appointment but that he did not give them any satisfaction in regard to his misconduct: Therefore they have drafted a Testimony against him; which after being read and considered was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is directed to read it in the Usual <sup>^</sup>maner and make report next monthly meeting

*The case of  
A Taber  
Continued*

The friends appointed to Treat with **Amaziah Taber** (Son of **William**) not having accomplished the same, they are still continued in said service and to make report next monthly meeting

*B Howland  
not paid*

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid **Benjamin Howland 3<sup>d</sup>** as ordered there not being a sufficiency in stock he is nevertheless ordered to pay the same when he is supplied with money by this meeting and to make report

*The case of  
J Allen  
referred*

The Friends appointed to discover the motive of the request of **John Allen** desires that matter referred to next monthly meeting which is referred under their case they are then to make report

*report of  
the Representatives*

The Representative to the last Quarterly meeting report that they all attended and produced an Epistle from that meeting which was read in this meeting and well accepted

*Complaint  
against  
C Briggs*

The Overseers Inform by the way of the preparative meeting that **Caleb Brigg** has married out of the unity of friends after being precaution by said overseers; therefore the said **David Briggs** <sup>hereof</sup> is disowned as a member of our Society and from under our care and **Jonathan Willber** [**Wilbur**] is appointed to Inform him of the same and report thereof next monthly meeting

*I Kelly  
J Sowl  
S Barton  
S Hamond  
Visited this  
meeting*

Our Friends **Isaac Kelley** from **East Hoosuck** [**Adams Berkshire Co. MA**]: **James Sowl Solomon Barton** and **Samuel Hammond** from **Ninepartners** [**Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY**] hath attended this meeting with Certificates from the respective monthly meetings they [?]  
[?]

*[9 or 10?] month  
1780*

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Which were read in this meeting to Satisfaction, and their Visitt well accepted all which were Indorsed with a few lines and Signed by the Clerke

*[?]te of H  
[Shear]man Clear  
[?] marriage  
answer to Sherman*

The Friends appointed to inquire into clearness of **Humphry Shearman** Report they find nothing material to hinder his proceeding in marriage

**Humphry Shearman** and **Mercy Lapham** appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting adviseing with the friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee the same who are **William Sanford** and **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and they to make report next monthly meeting

*Smith re-  
[queste]d his  
[Cer]tificate  
[Certi]ficate for  
Slocum &  
[Chi]ldren*

**Hezekiah Smith** returned a Certificate which was granted him by this meeting some months past; it being Endorsed at the month meeting of **Nine= partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]**

A Removal Certificate for **Martha Slocum** and several of her Children whose names are **Benjamin, Martha, John, Pardon, William, Sarah, Thomas, Christopher Elizabeth** and **Mary**; was Signed in this meeting directed to the monthly meeting of **Rhode Island [ Newport, Newport Co. RI]**

*Smith disown*

A Testimony of denial against **Mary Smith** daughter of **Jonathan Smith** was Signed in this meeting and the Clerk is directed to read the Same publickly at the close of the meeting of Worship before next monthly meeting and then to make report of the same

*Russell  
[dis]owned*

The Women friends Inform they have denied **Mehetable Russell**, now **Akin** Daughter of **Jacob Russell** deceased which this meeting concurs with

*[Free]born  
Rider  
[receiv]es a Certi  
ficate the Clerk  
[desi]r,d to  
[give] a copy  
to minuit*

Our Friend **Freeborn Rider** Informs us that she has a desire to attend the Quarterly meeting next to be held at the **Long Plain [Acushnet, Bristol Co. MA]** for **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** and at the old meeting house at **Cushnet [Acushnet, Bristol Co. MA]** and desired our Certificate; these may inform that she is a Friend in Unity and her Publick Testimony well accepted And the Clerk is desired to give her a Copy of this minuit

*Mosher to  
[?] a copy of  
minuit*

Our friend **William Mosher** hath Informed this meeting of his Intention to goe to the **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** upon business, and hath thought of attending the Quarterly meeting at **Oblong [ Pawling Dutchess Co. NY]** which this meeting approves, he being a Friend in Unity, and a member of the Select meeting; and the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy of this minuit to Inform Friends thereof

*[E.] Allen & T  
Allen to have  
[c]opy of this  
[m]inuit*

Our friends **Ebenezer Allen** and **Thomas Allen** informes this meting that they intend to go to Visit their friends and Relatives at the **Ninepartners** And at **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]**; which this meeting approves and the Clerk is desired to give them a Copy hereof

*[Clerk] to give a  
[co]ppy of this  
[min]uit to  
Greenes*

Our Friend **Caleb Greene** informs this meeting of his Intention to go to the **Oblong** and **Ninepartners** and hath thoughts of attending the Quarterly meeting at **Oblong** on business which this meeting approves, he being in Unity and a member of this meeting and the Clerk is directed to give him a copy hereof

Collected in Silver money --- 1<sup>£</sup> --- 5<sup>s</sup> --- 1<sup>d</sup>

Collected in paper money --- 10 --- 10 --- 0

*[11<sup>th</sup>] month  
1780*

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1780 The representatives are **Jonathan Willbor** and **Seth Huddleston** Present

*[Chu]sing overseers  
[def]ered*

The matter of Chusing Overseers having again been under consideration and Same is Suspended untill the expiration of the time of these that now Stand as Overseers

*Taber his  
[wi]fe & Children  
[inf]orm of their  
[denial]*

**Samuel Smith** informs he hath Informed **Edward** <sup>^William</sup> **Tabor**, his wife **Mary** and **Edward Taber** and **Patience Taber** their Son and daughter of their Denial

*denial read* The Clerk reports he hath read the Testamony of denial against **Eliashib Smith** according to appointment which is as followeth

*[Te]stimony a  
[gai]nst  
Smith* Whereas **Eliashib Smith** Son of **Joseph Smith** having made Profession with us the People called Quakers; But hath so far departed from the principles we make Profession of as to attend Seperat meetings that are held out of the Unity of our Society, and Join in publick Worship with them <sup>^that</sup> have been Disowned

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*11<sup>th</sup> month  
1780*

Disowned by us and Friends having Laboured with him in Love to Show him his misconduct therein: but their labour of Love not having the desired Effect, Friends are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the Said **Eliashib Smith**, hereby disowning him ~~the~~ from being a member of our Society and from under the care of this meeting; yet we Sincearly desire if it be consistent with divine wisdom that he may be favoured with a sense of his misconduct and find mercy

Given forth by friends at their monthly meeting held in **Dartmout[h]** the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1780 and Signed in and by order of said meeting  
By **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*A Taber  
Disowned*

The friends appointed to Treat with **Amaziah Taber** report they have fulfilled the Same, but that he did not give them any Satisfaction therein but Justified his practice; therefore drafted and brught a Testimony of denial against him, and have Informed him thereof: which was Signed by the Clerk who is directed to read it publickly at the Close of a first day meeting for Worship and report the Same to next monthly meeting

*The case of  
J Allen  
Continu-d*

The friends appointed to confer with **John Allen** on his request have made a Satisfactory report, nevertheless said matter is still continued under their care untill next monthly meeting and then they to make report  
The Friends appointed attend

*report of  
H Shermans  
marriage*

The Marriage of **Humpry Shearman** and **Mercy Lapham** report they attended the same and that it was accomplisht in a becoming manner

*C Brigg in  
form,d of  
his denial*

**Jonathan Willbor** reports he hath Informed **Caleb Briggs** of his denial according to appointment

*M Smith de  
nial read*

The Clerk reports he hath Read the Testimony of denial of **Mary Smith** daughter of **Jonathan Smith** as appointed

*J Potters  
request*

**Joshua Potter** hath given in a paper to this meeting Requesting for himself and several young children Namly **Esther, Zilpha, Gardner Phebe Patience** and **Apphia** to be taken under the care of Friends Therefore this meeting doth appoint **William Mosher Thomas Hicks** and **Thomas Mott**: to Joine the women friends, and to take an oppertunity of a Solled conference with him in order to discover the motive of his request, also to Inspect the Circumstances and make report next monthly meeting

*Benj Hath= way Ju request*

And **Benjamin Hathaway Ju<sup>r</sup>** making the like request and **Seth Russell Stephen Buffinton** and **James Davis** appointed for the same purposes as above and they to make report to next monthly meeting

*G Howland request to be dismissed overseer*

**Gideon Howland** request to be dismissed from Standing in the plan of Overseer of the poor which is granted and he dismissed accordingly

*G. Howland<sup>d</sup> bound a Journey Clerk to give Coppy of minuit*

**Gideon Howland** Informs this meeting of his Intention to go to **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** and **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]**, to do some business and to see his friends which this meeting approves; he being a member of our Society and under the care of this meeting and the Clerk is directed to give him a Coppy of this minuit

*Friends appointed to take in Subscriptions Griffiths books*

Proposals for Reprinting of **John Griffiths** Journals &c was Received from our meeting for Sufferings, Therefore **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup> Abiel Gifford**, and **John Williams** are appointed to take in Subscriptions for said Journals and make report when they have accomplished the Same

*R Barker proposal of marriage*

**Robert Barker** and **Ruth Tucker** declared their Intentions of Taking Each other in marriage, and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer and **Bannabus Mosher** and **John Devol** are appointed to Enquire into the young mans clearness and make report next monthly meeting

*Bills given in*

The Several following accounts were given in to this meeting which were examind and allowed [in?] To **Thomas Wilcox** ----- 3<sup>£</sup> -- 15<sup>s</sup> - 6<sup>d</sup>  
To **Seth Russell** to the glaiser for mend glass 1 -- 13 - 3  
To **Philip Macomber** for Hay ----- 2 - 6 - 6  
To **William Barker** ----- 2 - 15 - 10  
All in Lawful hard money ----- and the Treasure

*[11<sup>th</sup>] month 1780*

And the Treasurer is Ordered to pay the Same he is Supplied with money and make report to this meeting

*[Repo]rt and [requ]est of [Bedf]ord meet*

The Friends that were appointed to have the oversight of the meeing at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]**, Report that it hath been kept up in a good degree Orderly

and s[t]ill request same continued as usual as here<sup>^</sup>tofore; which is granted and the same to continue untill some Inconvend<sup>i</sup>encey attend the same and our friends **Caleb Russell, Benjamin Taber John Williams William Mosher Thomas Hicks Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup> Abiel Gifford** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to Visit Said meeting when Convenency will slow and to make report to this meeting as frequently as they may see occation

Collected in Silver money ----- 1<sup>£</sup> - 6<sup>s</sup> - 8d  
Collected in paper money ----- 1 - 10 - 0

*[12<sup>th</sup>] month 1780*

Att a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives are **Elijah Gifford** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** both present

*Tabers dnial [re]ad*

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial of **Amaziah Taber**, persuant to appointment Which is as followeth

*[Testi]mony agains<sup>t</sup> Tabor*

Whereas **Ammeziah Taber** (son of **William**) having made Profession with us the people called Quakers but hath found in the practice of frequenting and Joining with Sepperate meeting hel<sup>^</sup>d out of the Unity of our Societ and we having discharged ourselves in Labours of Love to reclaim him

the Said **Ammeziah** but he still continues to Justify the practice; Therefore for the clearing of Truth, we give this forth as a Testimony against him hereby disowning him from being one in Unity with us. Nevertheless it is our desire that he may come to a sence of his outgoing and return to the way of Truth

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1780

Signed in and by order of said meeting By **William Anthony Ju<sup>e</sup>** Clerk

*Allen receiv  
[ed un]der our case*

The Comittee appointed in the case of **John Allens** Request make the Like report as at the Last monthly meeting which is Satisfactory Therefore he the Said **John Allen** is Received under our Care

*case of  
Potter refer,d*

The Friends appointed in the case of **Joshua Potters** Request report that they have had a Conference with him in his family and received a degree of Satisfaction, and the matter is refered to next monthly meeting and Said friends still continued in said service and to make report next monthly meeting

*case of  
Hathaway [re]ferred*

And likewise the Committee appointed in the like case with **Benjamin Hathway Ju<sup>e</sup>** Report that he gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, which matter is also referred to next monthly meeting and the same friends Conti=  
=nued in said service, and then they to make report

*[repo]rt of R  
Barker  
[clear]ness respect  
[to m]arriage  
[Comp]laint against  
Ricketson &  
Howland*

The Friends appointed to inquire into the Clearness of **Robart Barker** Report they have made inquiry <sup>^therein</sup>, and find nothing Sufficient to hinder his proseedng in marriage, agreeable to his proposal

The Overseers Informed by way of the Preparitive meeting that **John Barker Benjamin Ricketson** and **William Howland** have Joyned with a considerable Large Company of young people, and went together under pretence of roast=  
=ing and eating of Quawhoggs, and after providing and pertaking of a considerable Entertainment at the Shore, both of provision and Spiritous Lickquors, Several of them went to a house and there took very undue Liberty Even to musick and Dancing: And said Overseers having Treated with them on that account, but they not giving them Satisfaction therefore this meeting doth appoint our friends **William Anthony Ju<sup>e</sup> Thomas Hicks** and **Joseph Gifford** to treat farther with them therein and make report next monthly meeting

*[Re]port of  
money  
[colle]cted for  
[supp]ly meet*

The Friends appointed to Collect mon<sup>e</sup>y by way of Subscription to Supply the yearly meeting Treasury make report that they have fulfilled their appointments and have Collected the Sum of 10<sup>£</sup> - 7<sup>s</sup> - 3 1/2<sup>d</sup> LM and Delivered. to this meetings Treasury for the use above said

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1780*

*Answer  
to R Barkers  
proposal of  
marriage*

**Robart Barker** and **Ruth Tucker** appeared for their answer in regard to their proceeding in marriage; Which was, that they might proceed to take Eac[h] other in marriage, in some convenient time before next monthly meeting a[d]-  
=vising with the friends this meeting Shall appoint to see their said marria[ge] orderly accomplished, who are our friends **Barnabus Mosher** and **John Devol**; and they to make report next monthly meeting

*E Smith*      The Women Friends inform they have disowned **Elisabet Smith** wife of  
*Disown,d*      **Joseph Smith**, which this meeting concurs with and the Clerk hath signed a  
Testimony of denial against her

Collected in hand money 1<sup>£</sup> -- 18<sup>s</sup> -- 3 ½<sup>d</sup>  
In Paper ----- 3 ---- 6 ---00

*adjourn'd*      This Meeting Adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship

*meet*      Mett By adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being called are both Present

*Queries*      The Queries were read and answers prepar,d in this meeting and an Epist[le]  
*answer,d*

*Representa<sup>tives</sup>*      Signed by the Clerkes which were ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by  
*appointed*      our Representatives, who are **Abiel Gifford William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup> Caleb Green**  
**John William**, and they to Report to the next monthly meeting

*Subscripti*      Our friends **Samuel Smith, Caleb Green, Jonathan Willbor** and [?] **William**  
*ons for*      **Mosher** are appointed to procure and take in Subscriptions for Schools agr[ee?]  
*Schools*      to a direction from the meeting for Sufferings of the ninth month Last three[?]  
said friends to make report when ready

*B Rider*      **Benjamin Rider** appear,d in this meeting and Virblely condemned his oppe[?]  
*condemnd*      at the sitting of this meeting and dropt some Expressions by way of reflections  
*his reflect*      on **Benjamin Gifford** which gave friends some uneasiness, But he appearing [as?]  
*=ing Speach*      above said and condemning the same, friends concluds to accept of his ackn[ow]-  
=ledgment for Satisfaction

*Testimony*      A Copy of a manuscrip Wrote by our beloved Friend **Elisabeth Gidley** d[?]  
*of E Gidley*      withe Testimony that this meeting formerly gave concerning her was read  
*& her manu*      in this meeting, and Sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives  
*scrip Sent*

*up to 2 m*  
*1<sup>st</sup> month*  
*1781*

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1781

The representatives <sup>^are</sup> **John Devol** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** Present

*The case of*      The friends appointed to confer with **Joshua Potter** and his young Children  
*J Potter*      being called upon, report nothing different from that of Last monthly meeting  
*referred*      the matter is therefore referred to next monthly meeting under the same care  
as before and Said friends then to report

*B. Hathway*      Likewise the friends appointed in the Like case with **Benjamin Hathway Ju**  
*Received*      make a Satisfactory report, therefore this meeting doth receive him the said  
*in unity*      **Benjamon Hathway** under our care

*Report of*      The Friends appointed to oversee the Marriage of **Robert Barker** and **Ru[th]**  
*R Barkers marriage*      **Tucker** report that they attended the same: and saw nothing but that it was  
accomplished orderly

*Overseers*      Our Friends **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>, Caleb Russell, Caleb Green, Elijah Giffo[rd]**  
*appointed*      **Seth Huddleston** and **Joseph Barker**, are appointed Overseers for the year  
Ensuing, or till others are chosen, Who are desired diligently to attend to the  
Leadings of Truth, therein Endeavour to See that the Testimony thereof be  
kept to in the several members thereof according to the discipline of the Church

*overseer of*      Our Friends **John Devol, Jonathan Willbor, Philip Maccomber,**  
*the poor*      **Thomas Mott, Nicholas Lapham, Seth Russell** and **Abraham**  
*appointed*      **Howland**, are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year Ensuing

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*[1<sup>st</sup>] month*  
*1781*

A Certificate for **Nathaniel Sisson** was produced and read in this Meeting

from the monthly meeting at the **Nine Partners** [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]

*Sissons*  
[cer]tificate

Setting forth his Clearness respectin[g]  
marriage; He hath also produced his mothers Consent for him to proceed in marri-  
=age with **Graces Gifford** --- Therefore

*Sissons*  
[prop]osal of  
[MA]rriage

**Nathaniel Sisson** and **Grace Gifford** declared their Intentions of taking Each  
other in marriage: and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their  
answer

This meeting collected in Silver 7<sup>£</sup> --- 11<sup>s</sup> -- 10<sup>d</sup>

In Paper 30 --- 2 -- 00

*adjourn* This Meeting adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting for Worship

*mett* Met By adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1781

The Representatives being called **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** Present **John Devol** not  
Present by reason of indisposition of body

*[mo]ney paid to*  
*[year]ly meeting*

The Representatives from the Quarterly meeting report that the money for the  
yearly meetings Treasury was forwarded to the yearly meetings Treasury and  
a Receipt produced for the Same

*Gifford & Wife*  
*[gave] in a paper*

**Nathaniel Gifford** and Wife gave in a paper to the Preparitive meeting Condem-  
=ning their falling into the Sin of Fornication, but said paper being mislaid it is  
Referred to next monthly meeting

*case of*  
*[WH] BR TB*  
*[re]ferred*

The friends appointed to Treat with **William Howland, John Barker** and  
**Benjamin Ricketson**, Request that matter refered to next monthly meeting which  
is accordingly

*[re]port from*  
*[Qua]rterly*  
*[mee]ting*

The Representative to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended, and  
have produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which was read in this meet=  
=ing to good satisfaction

*[C]ertificate*  
*B Shepherd*  
*[req]uested*

**John Shepherd** having requested (by way of the Preparitive meeting)  
a removal Certificate to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** monthly meeting, for his Son  
**Barnabus**

**Shepherd**, therefore our friends **William Barker** and **Thomas Russell** are  
appointed to Enquire into the young mans conduct, and Clearness in respect  
to marriage: and if they find things clear to draw a Certificate and bring  
to next monthly meeting

*[Jo]nas Slocum*  
*[acu]sed of*  
*[f]ornication*

One of the Overseers Inform (with another Friend) that **Jonas Slocum** hath  
fallen into the Sin of Fornication, as charged upon him by **Elisabeth**  
**Akin**: Therefore, our friends **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** **Samuel Smith** and  
**Stephen Buffinton** are appointed to Treat with said **Jonas Slocum** on that  
matter and make report to next monthly meeting

*[A]ltering the*  
*[Qua]rterly*  
*[mee]ting referd*  
*[to] this meet*  
*[ing]*

Proposals for altering or dividing the Quarterly meeting was Read and  
Signed in this meeting by the Clerk, in order for a concurrence of the other ---  
Monthly meetings therein

*[cer]tificate*  
*D Barker*  
*[and] sons to be [?]*  
*till af-*  
*[-fairs?] settled*

A Removal Certificate for **David Barker** and Three Sons Namely **Edward**  
**David** and **James**, directed to the **Nine Partners** [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]  
monthly meeting, was signed  
in this meeting by the Clerk: and as there are some of his outward affares  
not fully Settled: the Committee is ordered to keep the same, and not deliver  
it until his said affairs are settled to satisfaction

*[2<sup>nd</sup>] month*  
*1781*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> of 2 month 1781  
The Representatives are **Abiel Gifford** and **Barnabus Mosher** --- Present  
The Friends appointed to consider and confer with **Joshua Potter** and



*[Joshua] Porter  
[&] Children  
[re]ceived  
[u]nder Friend  
[car]e  
Potter and  
[?] receiv,d*

his young Children, on their request to come under friends care: Report that they had an opportunity of Solid conference with them, to Satisfaction Therefore, the said **Joshua Potter** and children, namely **Esther, Zilphah Gardner, Phebe, Patience and Apphia** are received under our Care  
The Women Friends Inform they have received **Mary Potter** and **Rhoda Potter** under their Care which this meeting concurs with

*[ans]wer to N  
[Siss]ons prosal [?] marriage*

**Nathaniel Sisson** and **Grace Gifford** appeared for their answer in regard to proceeding in marriage: Which was, that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage, in Some convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the Friends this meeting Shall appoint

To [?]

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To See Said Marriage orderly accomplished; who are **William Moshe[r]** and **Abiel Gifford** and they to make report next monthly meeting

*Friends  
appointed  
in the case  
of N Gifford  
& wife*

**Nathaniel Gifford** and his Wife,s Paper being produced, and Read in this meeting - therefore, Our Friends **Abiel Gifford** and **William Anthony Ju'** are appointed to Joyn the Women friends to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with them the Said **Nathaniel** and wife in order to discover their Sincerity and Sorrow; and make report next monthly meeting

*Certificate  
fr B Shep=  
=herd*

A Removal Certificate for **Barnabus Shepherd** directed to the monthly mee[ting] of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** setting forth his right of membership, and clearness of marriage

*The Case of  
J Slocum  
referred*

Entanglements - Were Signed in this meeting

The matter respecting **Jonas Slocum** is referred to next monthly meeting under the care of those friends who were appointed to treat with him they having made Some progress and desires it refer,d which is accordingly referred and they then to make report

*Certificate  
for H B  
wife of  
R Bennet*

A Certificate was Signed in this meeting directed <sup>^to</sup> the monthly meeting **Rhod Island [Newport, Newport Co. RI]** in behalf of **Hannah Bennet** Wife of **Robert Bennet** Setting

*The case of  
W H: JB.  
B R. referd*

forth her right of membership and Recommending her to the care of that meeting  
The Committee having the care of that matter Respecting **William Howlan[d]** **John Barker** and **Benjamin Ricketson** desires it refer,d which is referred under their care, and they to make report next monthly meeting

*D Barkers  
Certificate Deliver,d*

The Committee which had the care of **David Barkers** Removal Certificate Report that his affairs were Settled to Satisfaction and the said Certificate deliver,d to him --

*D Wood wife  
of J W  
disown,d*

The Women Friends Inform that they have denied **Deborah Wood** wife of **Stephen Wood** which this meeting concurs with

*Phebe Sis=  
=sons  
request*

**Phebe Sisson** having Requested for her Children to be taken under the care of this meeting, Therefore our Friends **William Mosher** and **Seth Huddleston** are appointed to Joyn the Women friends in their care and Enquiry in that matter and make report next monthly meeting

*Letter in  
behalf of  
D Wilbor*

This Meeting Received a Letter from the monthly meeting of **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]**

Dated 11<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1781 Informing that **Deborah Willbor** hath married  
Out of the Order of friends

*W. Gifford  
desires a  
Certificate*

**William Gifford** desires a Certificate to the Monthly meeting of **Accokset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**

Setting forth his Right of membership and clearness respecting marriage  
Therefore this meeting doth appoint our friends **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>e</sup>** and  
**William Wood** to inquire into the young mans Clearness and if they find  
things Clear to draw a Certificate and bring with them next monthly  
meeting

*J Russell  
C Barker  
J Howland  
G Smith  
gave in pa  
pers Conde  
mning their  
misconduct*

**Jonathan Russell, Caleb Barker, Joseph Howland 2<sup>d</sup> and George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>**  
Having given in paper Condemning their misconduct in going to an Entertain-  
ment Some time past and taking undue Liberty thereat; Therefore our Friends  
**Thomas Hicks, Joseph Gifford, William Anthony Ju<sup>e</sup> Stephen Buffinton Jonathan  
Willbor** and **Seth Huddleston**, are appointed to take an oppertunity of Solled  
Conference with these young men to discover their Sincerity and make report  
next monthly meeting

*Complaint  
against  
W Taber*

This Meeting is inform,d by the way of Preparitive meeting that  
**Nicholas Taber** is in the practice of freequenting and Joyning with meetings  
held out of the Unity of our Society, and after being Laboured with:  
Declines to Condemn it to friends Satisfaction: Therefore our friends **Benjam[in]  
Taber Ju<sup>e</sup>** and **Joseph Gifford** are appointed to treat with said **Nicholas**  
and if he doth not give them Satisfaction, to draw a paper of denial and  
bring to next monthly meeting

*H Smiths  
Bill*

**Henry Smith** gave in a bill to this meeting for Hay and Carting  
to the amount of 3<sup>£</sup> -- 12<sup>s</sup> - 0<sup>d</sup> Which the Treasurer is ordered to pay  
Collected in Silver money -- 5<sup>£</sup> -- 6<sup>s</sup> -- 11<sup>d</sup>  
Collected in paper money -- 8 -- 16 -- 0

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*[3<sup>rd</sup>] month  
1781*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1781  
The Representatives are **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and **Chilon Wood** . Present

*[repo]rt of  
[Sis]sons  
marriage*

The Friends appointed to see the marriage of **Nathaniel Sisson** and  
**Grace Gifford** accomplished, report that they attended said marriag and  
did not see but that it was orderly Consumated

*[Ru]th Sowl &  
daughters  
[r]eceived under  
[our] care*

This Meeting is inform,d by the Women friends that they have <sup>^received</sup> **Ruth  
Sowl** wife of **Joseph Sowl** with her Daughters whose names are **Susanna  
Mary** and **Thankful** which this meeting concurs with

*[Dav]id Brooks  
[Ru]th Coffins  
[visi]t*

Our Esteemed Friends **David Brooks** and **Seth Coffin** attended this  
meeting Producing Certificates, Dated 2<sup>nd</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1780 at **Deep River [High Point]  
Gilford County North Cor<sup>o</sup>lina**; which was Read in this meeting with Satis=  
=faction, and their Visit and Labours of Love, acceptable, Comfortable and  
Edifying

*[John] Forman  
[atte]nded this  
[mee]ting*

Our Esteemed Friend **John Forman** also attended this meeting and produce<sup>d</sup>  
a Certificate, Dated at the Monthly meeting at **Gwyneed** in the Cou<sup>n</sup>ty of  
**Philidelphia in Pennsylvania** the 30<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1781 which was read  
in this meeting; and his Visit, and Labour of Love, acceptable Comforta<sup>ble</sup>  
and Eddifying to us

*[Th]omas Scatter  
[good] also  
[att]ended this  
[me]eting  
The case of  
[N] Gifford &  
wife refered*

Our <sup>esteemed</sup> Friend **Thomas Scattergood** Likewise attended this meeting in Company with our above said friends and his visit and Labour in love were acceptable and Eddifying to us

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women friends in conferring with **Nathaniel Gifford** and Wife report that they had an oppertunity with them and that they gave them a degree of Satisfaction, but request the matter may be continued another month which accoringly refered under the same friends as before, together with **Jonathan Willbor** who is added to them and they to make report to next monthly meeting

*[The] case of  
[S]locum refer<sup>d</sup>*

The friends appointed to treat with **Jonas Slocum** desires it continued another month, which is accordingly and they to make report to next monthly meeting

*[Ce]rtificate for  
[W]illiam Gifford*

A Certificate was Signed in this meeting for **William Gifford** directed to the Monthly meeting of **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** Setting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage

*Taber dis=  
[ow]ned*

The Friends appointed to Treat With **Nicholas Taber** <sup>^report</sup> that they had an Oppertunity of Sollid conference with him but that he did not <sup>^seem</sup> disposed to give them any Satisfaction they therefore according to appointment produced a Testimony against him which was Signed <sup>^in</sup> this meeting by the Clerk who is desired to read the Same, at a close of a first day meeting of Worship Some time between this and next monthly meeting and make report to next Monthly monthly meeting

*Hathway to  
[inform] N Taber  
[of] denial*

And **Benjamin Hathway** is appointed to Inform said **Nicholas** thereof giving him a Coppy of the Testimony if he desires it, and make report to next Monthly meeting

*Jonson desires  
Certificate*

**James Jonson** desires a Certificate to **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** Setting forth his Right of membership, therefore our friends **Samuel Smith** and **Abraham Howland** are appointed to draw one and bring with them to the adjournment of this meeting

*Hart & A A  
[certifi]cate of  
[mar]riage*

**Seth Hart** and **Abigail Anthony** declared their Intentions of Taking Each other in Marriage, and they were desired to waite till next monthly meeting for their answer and our friends **William Mosher**, and **Benjamin Rider** are appointed to inquire into the young mans Clearness Respecting marriage and make report to next monthly meeting

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3 month  
1781  
Certificate  
for Freeborn Rider*

A Certificate in behalf of **Freeborn Rider** directed to Friends within the Verge of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Quarterly meeting was Signed in this Meeting by the Clerk Setting forth her Right of membership and servi[ce] in the Ministry

*Certificate  
Grace Sisson*

A Certificate was Signed in this Meeting by the Clerk in behalf of **Grace Sisson** setting forth <sup>^her</sup> right of membership; directed to the monthly meeting at the **Nine Partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]**

*Certificate  
receiv,d  
for H B  
wife of WB*

The Women friends Inform that they have Received a removal Certificate from **Swanzy [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** directed to this meeting for **Hannah Bowdish** Wife of **William Bowdish Junior**

*Certificate  
receivd for  
Abigail Devol*

Also one from **Sandwich** monthly meeting to this meeting, For **Abigail[] Devol** wife of **Abner Devol**, Setting forth their Right of membership

*Certificate  
for D<sup>a</sup>vid  
Brooks and  
J Forman*

A Few lines by way of Endorsment were Signed by the Clerk on the Certificates of our Esteemed Friends **David B<sup>r</sup>ooks** and **John Forman** Expressing their attending this meeting, and that their Visit and Labours in Gospel Love with us was Eddifying and, Satisfactory

*also S Coffin  
Visit*

also that of **Seth Coffins** acceptable visit in Company with the other Friends

*Certificate  
for Thomas  
Scattergood*

A Few Lines by way of Certificate directed to the monthly meeting of **Philadelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** northan district was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk expres =sing **Thomas Scattergoods** attending this meeting, and his acceptable Visit and Labour in Gospel Love

Collected in Silver money - 1<sup>£</sup> -- 15<sup>s</sup> -- 2<sup>d</sup>

*adjourned*

This meeting is adjourned to the 28<sup>th</sup> insant, after the meeting of Worship

*mett*

This Meeting Mett by adjournment the 28<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1781  
The Representatives being called both Present

*The case of  
J Russell  
& company refered*

The Friends appointed to ~~attend~~ Confer with **Jonathan Russell, Caleb Bar[ker] Joseph Howland 2<sup>nd</sup>**, and **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>**, and other report, that Some of the Committee had an Oppertunity of conference with the young men and s[aid] Committee Desires the matter may be refered to another month, which is accord =ingly refered under their care and they to make report to next monthly mee[ting]

*Certificate  
for J Jonson*

A Certificate in behlf of **James Jonson** Setting forth his right of Membership directed to the Monthly meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk --

*Joseph Wing  
desires to  
come under  
care of friends*

**Joseph Wing** having requested to come under the care of <sup>^</sup>Friends of this meeting Therefore this Meeting appoints our Friends **William Anthony Ju<sup>e</sup>** and **Elijah Gifford** to take an Oppertunity of Solled conference with Said **Joseph** in order to discover the motive of his request, and make report thereof to next monthly meeting

*Prince Potter  
request for  
himself &  
children  
Friends Care*

**Prince Potter** having requested for himself and children to come und[er] Friend Care this meeting therefore appoints our friends **William Mosher, Jonathan Hart, and Benjamin Chase** to Joyn with the Women Friend, and take an oportunity of Solid conference, with Said **Prince**, and family, in order to discover the motive of the request, and they also to make report thereof to next monthly meeting

*Testimonies  
of deceased Friends  
Sent to Quar  
terly meet  
ing*

Testimonies concerning our Beloved friends who are deceased viz **Adam Mott, Paul Russell** and **Susanna Gifford**, all whom were Publick Friends, were read in this meeting and Signed by the Clerk Coppie[s] of which were ordered to be maid out and sent to the Quarterly meeting

*The follow=  
ing report  
made of  
E Thurston  
& Wife*

Two of the Friends appointed to confer with **Swanzy [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]** monthly meeting, respecting **Edward Thurston Ju<sup>e</sup>** his Wife and Children have made the following Report

Whereas **Edward Thurston** <sup>^Ju</sup> and his wife **Parnal** having a Right of membership among friends at **Dartmouth** Some year past, and hath ~~and~~ Lived within the bounds of **Swanzey** monthly meeting a number of

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Of years and not requesting a Certificate from **Dartmouth**: and of late Said Monthly meeting taking the matter under Consideration; and by a Committee from Each Monthly meeting, whose names are hereunto Subscribed, Enquiry have been made into their Lives and Conversations, and it not only appears that they neglect the attendance of Meetings, but fall so much Short of living up to the Principles of Truth in bringing up their Children and many other respects: that we think it mo<sup>^</sup>t for the honnour of Truth to disown him the Said **Edward Thurston** his wife **Parnal**, and their Children from having any right of membership among us

the 5<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1781

|                                       |                           |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>William Anthony Ju<sup>l</sup></b> | <b>Eber Chase</b>         |
| <b>Robert Slade</b>                   | <b>Thomas Hicks</b>       |
| <b>Azariah Shove</b>                  | <b>Benjamin Buffinton</b> |

[?] report accept,d

Said report is so far Accepted as to appoint our Friends **Thomas Hicks** and **Thomas Russell** to Treat with them for the afore said disorder; and to make report to next Monthly Meeting

Friends appoint [?] revise & [repo]rt the minui<sup>ts</sup> [a]nd Settle with Treasurer

Our Friends **Thomas Hicks**, **Caleb Green**, **William Anthony Ju<sup>l</sup>** and **Samuel Smith** are appointed to Revise and Correct this Meetings minutes in order that they may be Recorded - as to well as to record those things to be Recorded from the yearly meeting in Book of Discipline: as also to settle Accounts with the Treasurer, and make report next monthly meeting

[rep]ort of Bills [p]aid

The Treasurer reports he hath paid the following Bills as Ordered (viz)  
To **Henry Smith** for Hay ----- 3<sup>£</sup> -- 12<sup>s</sup> - 0<sup>d</sup>  
To **Philip Macomber** for Hay ----- 2 -- 6 -- 6  
To **Gideon Howland** for keeping **Alice Smith**--- 8 -- 8 -- 0

[G]ideon Howland [gave] in a Bill for [k]eeping **A Smith** [H]enry Howland [gave] in a bill for [the] same

**Gideon Howland** gave in a Bill to this meeting for keeping **Alice Smith** 30 weeks and three days amounting to the Sum of - 9<sup>£</sup> -- 14<sup>s</sup> -- 6<sup>d</sup>

Also **Henry Howland** gave in a bill for keeping the Same woman 16 weeks at 9<sup>s</sup>/ per week amounting to the Sum of Twenty four Dollers

Both which Bills the Treasurer is ordered to pay when he is Supplied with money for the Same

[Quer]ies answer,d

The Queries have been Read and answers thereto prear,d, Read and approv<sup>ed</sup> with an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting, all of which were Signed and Sent by

[re]presentatives [app]ointed

our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting who are our friends **William Mosher**, **Thomas Hicks**, **Samuel Smith** and **Thomas Russell**

4 month  
1781

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16<sup>th</sup> of 4 month 1781 The Representatives are **Stephen Buffinton** and **Philip Macomber** - Present

case of [N] Gifford and [wif]e refered

The Friends appointed to Joyn the Women friends in a Conference with **Nathaniel Gifford** and Wife report, that as they have not had an Oppertunity of Such a conference Since Last monthly meeting, therefore desires that matter refered, which is accordingly refer,d under their care and they to make report next monthly meeting

[T]he case of [J] Slocum refered

The friends appointed to Treat with **Jonas Slocum** desiers it refer,d another month, which is accordingly refered under the care of the Same

Friends, who are to report next monthly meeting

*Taber inform,d  
his denial*

**Benjamin Hathway** reports that he hath informed **Nicholas Taber** of his denial

*denial not  
[?] Read*

The Clerk reports, that he hath not read the Testimony of Said **Nicholas**,s denial as ordered, he is desired therefore to read the Same at the close of a first days meeting for Worship, between this and next monthly meeting, and then make report thereof

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1781*

*Report of S  
Harts clearness*

The Friends appointed to Inquire into **Seth Harts** clearness refering marriage report that they find nothing Sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage

*Answer to  
Seth Hart,s  
proposal  
of marriage*

**Seth Hart** and **Abigail Anthony** appearing for their answer Which was that they proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Som[e] convenient time between this and next monthly meeting adviseing with the Friends this meeting shall appoint to See Said marriage accompli[shed] who are **William Mosher** and **Benjamin Rider**; and they to report to the nex[t] Monthly meeting

*Receiv,d  
Freborn Ri  
ders Certifi  
cate with  
Endorment  
from Sandwich*

A few lines, by way of Endorsment on the Certificate of our esteemed Frie[nd] **Freeborn Rider**, (Expressing her attending the Several Settings of the Quarter[ly] and monthly meetings of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** to Satisfaction) was read in this Meeting --

*Maria Smith  
Wife of John  
Smith dis=  
=owned*

A testimony <sup>^</sup>against **Maria Smith** Wife of **John Smith**, was Signed in this meeting, in concurrence of with the Women friends therein, And the Clerk is directed to read the Same at the Close of a first days meeting of worship between this and next monthly meeting, and make report next monthly m[ee]ting]

*The case of  
J Wing  
referred*

The Friends appointed to take an oportunity of Solid conference with **Joseph Wing**; reported that they had an oportunity with him and that he gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, but that they desire the matter refered another month, which is accordingly refered to next Monthly meeting, under the Same Friends care, and they then to make rep[ort]

*W Howlands  
paper  
accepted*

This meeting accepts of **William Howlands** paper (which he gave in Some time past, Condemning his misconduct in Joining with a young company in mirth and merriment at an Entertainment of roasting and eating Quahawks) for Satisfaction

*The case of  
P. Potter  
referred*

The Friends appointed to Joine Women friends in a Solid conference with **Prince Potter** and family report, that they have not had an opper =tunity with him; and desires the matter refered, which is accordingly referd to next Monthly meeting under their care, and they then to make report

*The case of  
E Thurston  
referred*

The Committee appointed to confer with **Edward Thurston** and family desires the matter refered, which is according refered under their care to next monthly meeting and they then to make report

*Revising  
minutes &  
Settling  
with Treasur*

The Friends appointed to Revise the Minutes and Settle with the Treasurer desires it Referred another month which is accordingly referred under their care and they to make report next monthly meeting

*Report from  
Quarterly  
meeting*

The Representatives to the last Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended, and produced an Epistle from Said meeting, which was Read in this meeting to Satisfaction

*Report of the Comtee  
on account  
of Bibles*

The Committee appointed to take in Subscriptions for Bibles agreeable to the Recommendation of the Meeting for Sufferings, now report that the Several members of this meeting with Some of their Friendly neighbours have Subscribed for 7 folio, 45 large Quarto: 39 large Octavo and 29 Small Octavo Bibles, which are to be Sent for an account and Risk of the Subscribers who are to pay whatever the Cost and charge of the Bibles may be: amounting to the number of 120 in the whole

*Number of  
Bibles Subscri  
=bed for*

*report accep  
=ted*

The above report is accepted and a Copy thereof is ordered to be Sent up to the meeting for Sufferings.

*The paper  
B Ricketson  
and Compa  
ny Sent in is  
accepted*

The Paper of **Benjamin Ricketson, Caleb Barker, William Barker Ju John Barker, Joseph Howland 2<sup>d</sup>, Jonathan Russell, and George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** given in Some time past, Condemning their misconduct in going to an Entertainment, where undue Liberty was taken: which paper is accepted for Satisfaction; Provided the above said young men

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1781*

Cause it to be read Publickly at the close of a first day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting, they being present: and to make return and and report thereof next monthly meeting

*[H] Howland  
[reque]st a  
[certi]ficate*

**Henry Howland** Request a Removal Certificate for himself a Children, to the Monthly meeting at **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**, therefore our friends **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>e</sup>** are appointed to take the necessary care therein and bring one to next monthly meeting if they think proper

Collected in Silver ---- 1<sup>£</sup> -- 10<sup>s</sup> -- 1<sup>d</sup>

*[5<sup>th</sup>] month  
1781*

At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> of 5 month 1781 The Representatives are **William Barker** and **William Wood** - Present

*[c]ase of  
[N] Gifford &  
[wi]fe refered*

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women Friends in a Conference with **Nathaniel Gifford** and Wife, report, that they have not had oppertunity as desired, therefore desiers it refer,d which is accordingly referred, under the Same friends care; and they to make report next Monthly meeting

*case of  
Slocum  
referred*

The Friends appointed to Treat with **Jonas Slocum** desires that matter refer,d another month, which is accordingly referred under the Care of the Same friends who are to report to the next monthly meeting

*[N] Tabers [de]nial  
read*

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial against **Nicholas Taber**: as also that against **Mariah Smith** wife of **John Smith** as ordered Last Monthly meeting. That against **Nicholas Taber** is as followeth

*Denial of  
[M] Smith read  
Testimony of  
denial against  
[Ni]cholas Taber*

Whereas **Nicholas Taber** hath had his Education amoung us the People called Quakers, but hath so far departed from our Religious Principles as

to freequent meetings of Worship which are held out of the Unity of our Society and he being Laboured with to desist there from, and it not having the desired Effect: We are therefore confrained to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the Said **Nicholas Taber**, Disowning him from being a member of our <sup>^religious</sup> Society, and from under our care: but with fervent desires that he may be favoured with a Sight and Sense of the Error of his out going and Experience the incom of Divine regaurd

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19 of 3 month 1781

Signed in and on behalf of s<sup>d</sup> meeting by **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*[The] report of Seth  
[Harts] marriage*

The Friends appointed to see the Marriage of **Seth Hart** and **Abigail Anthony** accomplished, report, that they both attend and did not see but that it was orderly Consumated

*[T]he case of  
[Joseph] Wing  
referred*

The friends appointed to confer with **Joseph Wing**, reports that they had not the desired oppertunity with him, therefore desire it referd another month, which is accordingly referred under the Same friends Care and they to make report next monthly meeting

*[P] Potter his Wife  
and Children  
[re]ceived into  
[u]nity with Friends*

The Friends appointed to Joyne the Women friends in a Solid conference with **Prince Potter** and Family report, that they had an Oppertunity of conference wherein they had a good degree of Satisfaction, Therefore this meeting (on their request, and in concurence with the Women friends meeting) Accepts of the Said **Prince Potter** his Wife **Hannah** and all their Children now born, to be under our Care

*[Ed]ward Thurston  
[his] Wife & Chil-  
dren disowned*

*[?] to desired  
Transmit a  
[?]herof to  
Family*

The Friends appointed to Treat with **Edward Thurston** and family wherein they were Joined by the women friends report that they had an oppertunit of conference with Said **Edward** and family, and that they therein had no Satisfaction; Therefore this meeting doth disown said **Edward** his wife **Parnel**, and their Children, from having any right of membership among us, and from under our care

And

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*5 month  
1781  
The paper  
of Ben<sup>r</sup> Rick  
itson & Comp=  
=ny hath been  
read*

And the Clerk is Desired to Transmitt a Copsy of this Minniute to Said Family, and make report next monthly meeting

The Clerk Informs that **Benjamin Ricketson, Caleb Barker William Bark[er] John Barker Joseph Howland 2<sup>d</sup> Jonathan Russell and George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** have cased [caused]

their Paper to be read as directed last monthly meeting and returned said paper which is as Followeth

*The paper of  
acknowledg  
ment of  
Benjamin  
Ricketson  
and Compa  
=ny*

To the Monthly meeting of Friends to be held the 19th of Second month 1781 Whereas We Some time past Joined a considerable large company in an Entertainment with roasting and eating Quawhoks [Quahogs], whereat were also provided victuals and Spiritous Licquor, and after pertaking of the Same with Mirth and merriment we (with said company) repaired to a house where was musick and dancing, and so far Joined with them, as to remain at the house till the Company disperssed: For which misconduct we are Sorry, and do condemn, desireing Friends may so far pass it By as



to let us remain under their care – From your real Friends

**Joseph Howland 2<sup>d</sup>**    **Benjamin Ricketson**  
**Jonathan Russell**    **Caleb Barker**  
**George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>**    **William Barker Jun<sup>r</sup>**  
**John Barker**

*Certificate  
for Henry Howland  
referred*

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting a Certificate for **Henry Howland** and Children to the Monthly meeting of **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** report that they have not accomplished one by reason of an objection: therefore it is referred another month under the Same friends care they to make Report next Monthly meeting

*W Russell  
gave in a  
paper  
referred to a  
Comtee*

**William Russell** gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his making a Gameing Instrument – yet in Order to discover his Sincerity in condemning it, This meeting doth appoint Our Friends **Seth Russell, Stephen Buffinton** and **John Williams**, to take an opportunity of Solid conference with him to Said **William** and make report next monthly meeting

*H Howlands  
paper accepted*

**Humphry Howland** gave in a paper Some considerable time past condemning his misconduct, in horse: racing and other things – Which is now Accepted for Satisfaction, provided he causes it to be read publickly at the close of a day meeting of Worship, he being present at the reading thereof, returning and making report of the Same to next monthly meeting

*W Howland desires  
a copy  
of his membership*

**William Howland** Informs this meeting by the way of the Preparitive Meeting, that he intends to go to **Nantucket** [Nantucket Co. MA] in order to go to Sea from thence if he Should find a voiage agreeable to his mind: he desireing a copy of a minniute thereon he having a righ of membership among us

This meeting desires he may be under the care of **Nantucket** monthly meeting while there, and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy thereof

*Correcting the  
minniuts & Set  
with Treasurer  
referred*

The Friends appointed to Settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise the Monthly meeting minutes request it refer,d another month wich is accordingly under their care and they to report next monthly meeting

*Report of  
Wood Sold*

The Committee appointed to have the care of Selling Wood report that they have Sold Seven Cords at two dollars p<sup>t</sup> Cord, which is Fourteen Dollars and paid the Same to the Treasurer

Collected in Silver money 1£ – 6<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup>

*adjourn*

This Meeting is Adjourned to the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship

*mett*

Mett by adjournment the 30<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1781

*5th month  
1781*

The Representatives are **William Barker** and **William Wood** – Present

*Complaint  
against  
C Sherman*

This meeting is inform,d by the way of Preparitive meeting that **Caleb Sherman** hath married out of the Unity of friends, & Friends having Treated with him thereon, but it is Refer,d to next monthly meeting for Consideration

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*5 month  
1781  
J Gifford Jun<sup>r</sup>  
desires a*

**Joseph Gifford Jun<sup>r</sup>** desires (by the way of Preparitive meeting) a Removal

*certificate  
send to a Com<sup>tee</sup>*

Certificate, for himself and Children, to the Monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** as

he hath removed within the Verge of that meeting to Live, therefore this Meeting doth appoint **William Barker** and **Stephen Buffinton** to take the necessary care therein; and if they find things clear to bring one to next Monthly meeting

*S Smith desires  
copy of miniut  
[?] member  
[?]*

**Stephen Smith** son of **Benjamin Smith Ju<sup>r</sup>** desireing a copy of a Miniute of this Meeting Setting forth his Right of Membership here directed to the Monthly meeting of **Falmoth ]Falmouth, Barnstable Co. MA]** in **Salem Quarter** as he

has gone to do some business there, and the Clerk is directed to give a copy hereof; He having a right of membership among us

And this meeting desireing he may be under friends care while there

*complaint against  
David Hart  
referd to a Com<sup>tee</sup>*

This meeting is Inform,d by way of the preparative meeting that **David Hart** hath removed out of the Verge of this Meeting and not requested our Certificate, which not being according to good order among us therefore our friends **John Devoal [Devol]** and **Abiel Gifford** are appointed to treat with him thereon and make report when ready

*Jonathan Greene  
desires a  
certificate*

**Jonathan Greene** desireing a removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting of **Greenwich [E Greenwich, Kent Co RI]**, Setting forth his right of membership and clearness

*[?]mited*

respecting marriage he having gone there to reside therefore our friends **Benjamin Tabor** and **William Wood** are appointed to take the necessary care therein, and if they find things clear to bring one to next monthly Meeting

*B Shepherds  
Certificate  
returned for a  
amendment: an  
[?]tament was made  
forwarded back*

**Barnabus Shepherds** Certificate being returned from the Monthly Meeting of **Sandwich** with Endorsment, informing that Said Certificate did not metion [mention] his outward afaires being Settled: Enquiry being made therein and finding things clear therein, an Endorsment was made thereof on said Certificate and forwarded

*M Maxfield  
received under  
Friends care*

The Women Friends Inform that they have received **Mehitable Maxfield** Wife of **John Maxfield**, under their care; which this meeting concurs with.

*B Allen(son of  
Philip) requests  
some advice*

The Overseers Inform that **Benjamin Allen** (son of **Philip Allen** deceas<sup>d</sup>) desires the advice of Friends, respecting Some of his Outward affairs therefore our Friends **Henry Smith**, **Stephen Buffinton**, **Caleb Russell**, and **Ebenezer Allen**, are appointed to Visit Said **Benjamin** and advise and assist on those affairs, as Truth may Direct and make report next Monthly Meeting

*6 month  
1781*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 13<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1781 The Representatives are **Caleb Russell Joseph Barker Elijah Gifford** and **Henry Smith** Present

*Thornton  
and Smith  
Carrington  
Visit*

Our Esteem Friends **James Thornton** from **Abington & Samuel Smith** of **Philadelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** both of the **Province of Pennsylvania** and **Thomas Carrington** of **New Garden [Greensboro Guilford Co. NC]** attended the meeting, Producing Certificates from the meetings they belong to: and their Visits and Labours in Gospel Love acceptable Also

*J Mufflin  
D Cooper &  
G Churchman Visit*

Our Esteemed Friends **Warner Mifflin** of **Duce Creek [Smyrna, Kent Co. DE] Kent County in Delaware, David Cooper** of **field [Haddonfield, Camden Co. NJ] in New Jersey**, and **George Churchman** of **Nottingham [Nottinghamshire Co. ENG] , England** producing Certificates from the Monthly meetings they belong to, and their Visits here well accepted

*N Gifford  
[?] wife*

The friends appointed to Confer with **Nathaniel Gifford Ju<sup>e</sup>** & wife report that they before that matter continued another month that is according defer.d till next monthly meeting under their care then they to make Report

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*6 month  
1781  
J. Slocum  
case*

The Friends appointed to Treat with and inspect into the Conduct of **Jonas Slocum**, report that they desire that matter continued another month under their care they then to make Report

*Joseph Wing case*

The friends appointed to confer with **Joseph Wing** report that they had an oppertunity of conferrence with him, and that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction, yet desire y<sup>e</sup> matter continued another month [?] is accordingly under the Same friends care and they to make report next monthly meeting

*E Thurston informd*

The Clerk informed he hath Transmitted a Copsy of the minnuite of Last monthly meeting, to **Edward Thurston** and family respecting their denial, as ordered

*objection against  
Hen. Howland  
Certificate*

The friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting a Removal Certificate for **Henry Howland** and children report that the Same Objections remains as was last monthly meeting therefore the matter is continued under the Same friends care and they to make report When ready

*W. Russell  
case refer,<sup>d</sup>*

The friends appointed to have a Soled conference and inspection into the conduct of **William Russell** in order to discover his Sencerity in condemning his misconduct in making a Gaming Instrument Report: They have had Some conference with him but desires the matter refered another month with an addition of friends therein, Who are **William Mosher** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>e</sup>** and they together to take the necessary care therein and make report to next monthly meeting

*Certificate to  
be appinted  
for forreign friends*

Our Friends **William Anthony Ju<sup>e</sup>** and **Samuel Smith** are appointed to draw Certificates for our Friends **James Thornton, Samuel Smith Thomas Carrington Warner Mufftin** and **George Churchman** who Attended this meeting. – bringing with them Said Certificates to the adjournment of this meeting

*adjourn,d*

This Meeting is adjourned to the 27<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting of Worship of that day

*mett*

The 27<sup>th</sup> mett by adjournment The Representatives all present Except **Caleb Russell** who is gone to the yearly meeting at **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** **Caleb Greene** is appointed Clerk for this time

*H Howland paper  
not read*

**Humphry Howlands** paper not being Read as directed last monthly meeting he not being informed thereof he is now inform,d and dire[cted] to cause the Same to be read and Returned as mentioned last monthly meeting

*To Settle  
with Trea  
surer*

The Friends appointed to Settle accounts with the Treasurer and Revise the monthly meeting minutes Report that they have revised the minutes but have not accomplish,d the rest, therefore the finishing the Same is defered under their care till next monthly meeting and then to make report

*C Shearman  
disorder*

Our Friends **William Barker** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to make Enquiry and Treat with **Caleb Shearman** on his marrying out of the Unity of friends: and make report thereof next monthly meeting

*J Greene certificate*

A Removal Certificate was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk for **Jonathan Greene** directed to the monthly meeting at **Greenwich [E Greenwich, Kent Co RI]** Setting forth his Right of membership Clearness respecting marriage and Outward affairs being Settled, he having gone to Said place to reside

*B Allen  
Case*

Part of the Committee appointed to Visit **Benjamin Allen** (Son of **Philip** deceased) and advise and assist him in Some of his outward affaires report, that they Visited him and gave him Such advice as they thought necessary but the matter not being fully accomplished

His

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His Brother **Jedidiah** being concerned in the matter with him hereto=  
=fore the Same friends are continued in that Service who are to advise Said **Benjamin** and **Jedidiah** and others of that family concerned therein as they may find necessary and make report next monthly meeting

*J Gifford  
case*

The Friends appointed Some considerable time past to treat with **Job Gifford** report that they have Confer,d with him Several times and he hath desisted from his misconduct, and gave Said Friends a good degree of Satisfaction; Therefore Said report is accepted as Satisfactory

**Silvia Smith** Requesting for her young Son **Benjamin Howland Smith** to be received under Friends care: therefore our friends **Thomas Hicks** and **Philip Maccomber** are appointed to take necessary care in the matter and make report next monthly meeting

*Certificates  
for Traveling  
Friends*

Certificates were Signed in this Meeting by the Clerk for our Esteemed Friends **James Thornton** and **Samuel Smith** directed to the Several monthly meetings they belong to: Setting forth their acceptable Visit and Service in the Ministry, and Soled and waitty [weighty] conversation: Certificates were also Signed as above Said for our Friends **Warner Mufflin**, **Thomas Carrington** and **George Churchman** directed to the Several monthly meetings they belong to Setting forth their acceptable Visit and Service in the Love of the Truth

*Queries ans  
answer.d*

The Queries have been Read and answers answers thereto prepared, and after Some amendment, approved and Sent by our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, with the Epistle, which was Read, approved, And Sign,d by the Clerk

*Representatives  
Quarly meeting*

The Our Friends **William Barker, Caleb Greene, Abner Devoal [Devol], Seth Huddleston, and Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to attend our next Quarterly meeting, and make report to our next monthly meeting

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1781*

*Representatives  
report*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 16<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1781 The Representatives are **John Williams** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** Present

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report, that they all attended that meeting, and have produced an Epistle from the Same which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction: And the weighty advice therein Respecting Friends Settling their outward Estates, and making their Wills whilst in helth, is Recommended to the Solid attention of Each member of this meeting

A Transcrip of the Epistle of the yearly meeting from **London [England]** last year was also produced by the sd Representatives and read in this meeting to Satisfaction

*N Gifford & Wife  
Case*

The Friends appointed to Confer with **Nathaniel Gifford** and Wife report, that they had an oppertunity with them and that they gave them Some degree of Satisfaction; yet as they are Slack in attending Religious meetings, and for a further discovery of the Sincerity of Said **Nathaniel** and Wife, in the Condemning their misconduct, the matter is continued under the care and inspection of the Same friends who are to report when ready

*J Slocums  
Case*

The Friends appointed to Treat with **Jonas Slocum** and inspect into his conduct report they do not find his fruits Sufficiently ~~demonstrate~~ to demonstrate a State of Sincear Repentance: yet not being out of hopes he may yet return; therefore Said matter is refer.d under the Same friends care and they to make report next monthly meeting

*J Wings Case*

The Friends appointed to confer with **Joseph Wing** report that they had an oppertunity of Solid conference with him and that he gave them Some degree of Satisfaction: yet this meeting concluds to continue that matter one month longer, and it is accordingly refer.d to next monthly meeting under the Same friends care and they then to make Report

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1781*

The Friends appointed to have a Solid conference with and inspection into

*W Russell Case* the conduct of **William Russell**, in order to discover his Sincerity in condemning his misconduct in making a Gameing Instrument, report that they had an opportunity with him and that he gave them so much Satisfaction that this meeting concludes to accept of his paper for Satisfaction, provided he cause Said paper to be read, at the close of one of our publick meetings for Worship on a first day between this and next monthly meeting and make return and report of the Same

*H Holand paper not Read* The Clerk informs by desire of **Humphry Howland** that his paper hath not been read as directed at last monthly meeting therefore the Clerk is desired to direct him to cause it to be read as directed last monthly meeting

*P. Sissons Children Received.* This meeting in concurence with the Womens meeting do conclude to receive **Phebe Sissons Children** whose names are **Stephen, Ruth, and Judith**, under our care

*Settled with Treasurer* The Committee appointed to Settle accompts with the Treasurer report that they have accomplish.d the same, and find in Stock four Shillings and Eight pence Lawful hard money 0 – 4 – 8 not paid out which **Benjamin Taber** is ordered to pay to **Jonathan Willbor**: And the Meeting: ~~and the~~ in debt for order 9£ – 11<sup>s</sup> – 4<sup>d</sup> not yet paid Thereby the meeting in debt 9£ – 6<sup>s</sup> – 8<sup>d</sup> Lawful hard money

*A Ricketson Request thro.d out* The Committee appointed in 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1780 to treat and Confer with **Abraham Ricketson** on his request to be restored among Friends and he not appearing to continue his request, this meeting Concludes to discharge that matter and Said Committee from that Service

*Respecting the books* Part of the Committee appointed in 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1780 to Collect this meetings Books report that they have made Some progress therein and they are therefore continued in that Service and to make report next monthly meeting

*J Potter Case* The Committee appointed in 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1780 to take the necessary care in the matter respecting **John Potter** going away in a disorderly manner Report that they have made Some progress therein and they are yet continued in that Service and to make report when ready

*D Hart Case* The Friends appointed to treat with **David Hart** on his removing out of the Verge of this meeting without requesting a Certificate Report that they have treated with him and that he did not give any Satisfaction: Said Committee also inform that Said **David** is in the practice of attending meetings held out of the Unity of our Society and that they had Treated with him on that account, and that Justified himself, therefore, **Seth Russell** and **John Williams** are appointed to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with him thereon and if he doth not give them Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of denial against him and inform him thereof and bring said Testimony with them to next monthly meeting

*B. Taber Dismisd* **Benjamin Taber** having Served this meeting as Tresurer for Some time to Satisfaction, and requesting to be dismist there from, he is therefore dismissed

*J Willbor Treasu =rer* and **Jonathan Willbor** is appointed to that Service for the year Ensuing  
Collected 2£ – 17<sup>s</sup> – 4<sup>d</sup>

*A Nichols miniute* This meeting Received a Copsy of a miniute from **South Kingstown [Kingston] [Perryville, South Kingstown, Washington Co RI]** in behalf of **Andrew Nichols 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Son of **Andrew Nichols Ju<sup>r</sup>** informing of his Right of membership and of his removing from that meeting to **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** to Live with a friend

*adjourn.d* This Meeting is adjourned to the 25<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship of that day

*mett* Mett by adjournment the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 7 month 1781  
The Representatives being called **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** present  
**John Williams** not present for which no Excuse was rendered

*C Sherman Case* The Friends appointed to make Enquiry and Treat with **Caleb Sherman** on his marrying out of the Unity of friends Report that they had an opportunity with him and that he gave them no Satisfaction

They

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They also Inform that Said **Caleb** is guilty of fornication as appears by his wife having a Child Soon after marriage therefore the Same friends are continued: to Joyn the Women friends in treating with Said **Caleb** and Wife, if they do not find Sufficient Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of denial and bring to next monthly meeting

*[?] Allen [?] refer,d*

**Caleb Russell** in behalf of the Committee appointed to Visit **Benjamin Allen** (Son of **Phillip** deceased) and the rest of family, report that they appointed a time and place to meet them, but they not meeting them as appointed the Committee desires the matter defer,d another month which is accordingly Referred Under their care till next monthly meeting they then to make report

*Smiths request*

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting the request of **Silvia Smith** for her young Son **Benjamin Howland Smith** to be taken under Friends care, report that they have taken the necessary care therein by taking an opportunity of Solid conference with Said **Silvia** thereon, who gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, Respecting the Religious Education of her Child therefore this meeting in a Solid consideration thereon concludes to receive Said **Benjamin Howland Smith** under our care

*minuit for  
B Howland  
Smith*

**Silvia Smith** Requests a Copy of a minute of this meetings to the monthly meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**, Signifying the right of membership of her Son **Benjamin Howland Smith** (he being this day received into membership with us) he being gone to **Nantucket** to School: therefore the Clerk is desired to forward to Said monthly meeting of **Nantucket**, a Copy of this minniute

*J Jonson Cer=  
tificate returnd*

**James Johnson** hath returned a Certificate which he received from this meeting of the 17<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> month 1781 Last directed to the monthly meeting of **Nantucket**; he not making any Stay there

*8 month  
1781*

Att a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 20th of 8th month 1781  
The Representatives **Abiel Gifford** and **Jonathan Hart** - Present

*Com<sup>tee</sup> in being  
joyn.d to Sand=  
Sandwich Quarter*

There being a Committee appointed by the Quarterly meeting to Confer with this meeting on account of **Dartmouth** monthly meeting, being Joyn.d to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Quarter: therefore we appoint our Friends **William Anthony Ju Thomas Hicks Samuel Smith Abiel Gifford William Mosher Seth Russell and Henry Smith**, to Confer with Said Committee, with all other friends that hath a desire to meet on that Conference and they to report next monthly meeting

*adjourn'd* This Meeting Adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship

*mett* Mett by Adjournment the 29<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1781

*J Slocums Case  
referred* The Friends continued in the Case of **Jonas Slocum** report that they had another conference with him and not being fully Satisfied it is refer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as before and then they to report

*J Wings Case  
Refer,d* Likewise the Friends appointed in the case of **Joseph Wings** report Still gives a degree of Satisfaction therefore it is refer,d to next monthly meeting and the Same friends to take the care thereof and then to report

*W Russells  
paper read is as  
Follows* **William Russells** Paper having been Read according to direction and is returned to this meeting.– and is as followeth

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>st</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1781  
Dear friends, Whereas I Some time past through unwatchfullness did so far depart from the principle of Truth and friends as to make a Gaiming Instru =  
=ment or Table for the purpose of playing a Sort of Game called Bacgammon  
Since doing which I have been favoured to See my great error there th with  
with its concequences, for which Error I am Sincearly Sorry for and do Condemn  
desireing Friends may pass it by so far as to let me remain under their  
Care and that I may be so far favoured to dwell So near the divine princi=  
=ple for the futuer as not to fall into any since Such inormity for the future  
**William Russell**

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*8 month  
1781  
Consening  
Books*

The Friends appointed to Collect this meetings Books report that they made Some further progress therein but it not being fully accomplished they are continued therein and desired to make report to this meeting when they have fulfilled the Same

*David Hart  
disown,d*

The friends appointed to confer with **David Hart** Report they have fulfilled their appointment and that he did not give them any Satisfaction therefore this meeting disown him from being a member of this meeting and hath Given forth a Testimony of denial against him and the Clerk is [?] to Read the Same publicly or procure it Read in the usal manner and make return next monthly meeting, And **Seth Russell** is desired to inform Said **David Hart** thereof and that he hath a right of an appeal and he to report next monthly meeting

*J Williams  
excuse rec,d*

**John Williams** hath Render,d a Satisfactory reason for his not attending the adjournment of our Last monthly meeting when being a Representative of the Preparitive meeting



*C Shearmans  
Case refer,<sup>d</sup>* The friends appointed in the case of **Caleb Shearman** make report, they have not accomplished their appointment (tho they made Some progress there) they are therefore Continued in that Service as before to make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to advise and assist **Benjamin Allen** and his [?] **Jedidiah** & Report that they have had a conference with the Said parties [?] yet the Committee request Said matter continued, It is therefore Continued to next monthly meeting under the care of Said Committee who are then to make Report

*H Howland  
paper read*

This meeting is Informed that **Humphry Howlands** Paper hath been Read agreeable to the direction of the Monthly meeting: and is as followeth

To the Monthly meeting of friends in **Dartmouth**  
Whereas I have inconsiderately resorted to places of horse racing, and co[?] to my mares running runing Several times: I also, with others went and partook of the Entertain of Quaghaugs at the Shoar after which we went to a house and took undue Liberty, even to musick and dancing a[?] misconduct of mine, I am Sorry for, and do hereby Condemn the Same together with the wearing Such apparel as is not approved among friends and I desire friends so far to pass it by my Unwarrantable behavior in these and all other respects as to Suffer me Still to remain under Their Care  
From your friend **Humphry Howland**  
Dated in **Dartmouth**  
the 14<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1781

*P Beards  
deial* The Women Friends Inform they have denied **Phebe Beard** Daughter of **John Beard** which this meeting Concurs with

*Trustees for meeting  
house lands*

It hath been proposed to make a additional Choice of Trustees to [?] the Title of the meeting house land at **New Town**; therefore **Joseph Tucker Junor Jonathan Hart, Barnabus Mosher Ju and William Gifford** are appointed for that Service unto whom a Deed or Deeds are [?] to be made: and to hold Said land for the Use of Friends till others be appointed in their Stead for that Service

*G. Howlands  
Bill* **Gideon Howland** hath given a bill for nursing and tending **Alice Smith** during her Sickness the last Seven months he keep her, over and above the Usal allowence allow,d by the Oveseers of the poor 8 dollars [?]

*P Maccomber* **Phillip Maccomber** also gave in an account as allow,d by Said Oversears, for a pair of Shoes 0£ – 9<sup>s</sup> – 0 which accounts the Treasurer is ordered to pay when Suplyd with money by this meeting

*Wood Sold* The friends to Sell our wood report they have Sold 2 1/2 Cords for Five dollars which money Deliverd to the Treasurer

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1781*

*adjourn*

This Meeting Collected \_\_\_\_\_ 1£ – 4<sup>s</sup> – 7 1/2<sup>d</sup>  
This meeting adjourns to the 5<sup>th</sup> day of next month after meeting of

Worship on Said day

*mett* Mett by adjournment the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1781  
The Representatives being called both present

*A Russells  
prosel of  
marriage* **Allen Russell** and **Abigail Allen** Declared their Intentions of taking  
Each other into Marriage (after having Consent of parents) and were desired  
to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer  
And **William Mosher** and ~~Wood~~ **William Wood** are appointed to make  
the necessary inspection into the said **Allen Russells** clearness respecting  
marriag and conversation and make return to next monthly meeting

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

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

*Com<sup>tee</sup> report  
on Joining to  
Sandwich  
Quarter and* The Committee appointed to confer with a Comittee from the Quarterly meeting  
on account of this meeting being Joyned to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Quarter: Report  
that  
they have fulfil,d their appointment, and think it not best for us to be annexed  
There to at present which report this meeting accept

*Sent to Qurly  
meeting Com<sup>tee</sup>* A Report from this meeting was Signed by the Clerk directed to  
the Quarterly meetings Committee on the Subject of this meetings being annexed to  
**Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Quarter, Signifying, that we think it not best under present  
Circumstances to be So annexed

*J Slocums Case  
Continu,d* The Friends continued in the case of **Jonas Slocum** desires it continu,d  
another month, it is accordingly continued under their: and if on their  
having another opportunity of Solid conference with him, they do not find  
Satisfaction, that they draw a Testimony of his denial, inform him thereof  
and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

*J Wing Recevd* The friends appointed in the case of **Joseph Wing** report that he Still gave  
them a degree of Satisfaction, and that they think it may now be Safe for  
the meeting to receive him under our Care, Wherefore this meeting received  
the Said **Joseph Wing** into membership with us and under our Care

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

*D Harts Tes=  
=timony of  
denial* Whereas **David Hart** having had his Education among us the People  
Called Quakers, but hath lately removed out of the Verge of this monthly meeting  
in disorderly manner; and freequents meetings held out of the Unity  
of our Society, and Friends having laboured with him in much love  
but it not having the desired Effect

Therefore for the clearing of Truth we are concerned to give this forth as a  
Publick Testimony against him the Said **David Hart**, hereby disowning  
him from being any longer a member of our Societ. Neverthe it is our  
desire that he may come to a Sense of his out going and return to the way  
of Truth – Given forth and Signed in our monthly meeting held in

Dartmouth the by adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1781 By  
**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*D Hart not inform.d*

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

*Caleb Sherman  
disowned*

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

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*9 month  
1781*

at the close of a first day meeting of Worship between this and next monthly meeting, And **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** is desired to inform Said **Shearman** of his denial and Right of appeal and report to next monthly meeting

*A Russells  
Clearness*

The Friends appointed to inspect into **Allen Russells** Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation, report that they do not find any thing Sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage

*A Russells  
Answer*

**Allen Russell** and **Abigail Allen** appearing in this meeting for their answer: Which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage at Some convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the Friends this meeting Shall appoint to See Said marriage orderly Solemnized; And **William Mosher** and **William Wood** are appointed to see Said marriage orderly Solemnized and make report next monthly meeting

*J Williams  
request a  
Certificate*

**John Williams** requested (By the way of the Preparitive meeting) a Certificate to the monthly meeting of **RhodIsland [Newport, Newport Co MA]** Setting forth his clearness respecting marriage, and Conversation, Wherefore our friends **Benjamin Taber** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to take the Necessary care in that matter; and if they find things clear, to draw one and bring with them to next monthly meeting

*P Maccober request  
a  
removal  
Certificat*

**Philip Maccomber** Informing by the way of the Preparitive meeting) That he hath thoughts of moving to the **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** with his family to Live desireing Friends advice therein, and a removal Certificate for himself and family if Friends think proper Wherefore **Elijah Gifford** **Thomas Hicks** and **Samuel Smith** are appointed to take the necessary Care in that matter and if they things clear to bring a Removal Certificate with them to next monthly meeting

*B Allens Case Continued* The fiends appointed in the case of **Benjamin Allen Jedidiah Allen** and others of their family, Report, that they have had a further Oppertunity with them, and that as the matter is difficalt they request it continued another month which accordingly continued and **Joseph Barker** is added to them in that case and they are to act therein as they in the Wisdom of Truth may be directed, and make report to next monthly meeting

*meetings discontinued* This meeting concluds to discontinue all our Week day meetings in the the week of the next Quarterly meeting be held here this yeare And that our next Preparitive meeting beheld the 26<sup>th</sup> of this instant

*Receiv,d S Crisps & M Brooks Epistles* This meeting having receiv,d from the meeting for Sufferings Forty of **Stephen Crisps** Epistles and Forty of **Mary Brooks** on Silent waiting at pence Lawfull money per Set: To be paid for by those members who chuse to have them, therefore our Friends **William Mosher Danniell Ricketson, Henry Smith, Caleb Greene** and **Timothy Russell Howland** are appointed to dispose of sd Books as they See proper and bring the money if ready to the adjournment of this meeting

*Wood Sold* The Committee appointed to Sell wood, report, that they have Sold five Cords and one Eight at two dollars per Cord is Ten dollars and a Quarter Which is paid or Sent to the Treasurer ———— 3£ – 1 – 6

Collected — 2 – 11 – 3

*adjourned* This Meeting adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship

*mett* Mett by adjournmet the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1781  
The Representatives being called both Present

*Queries answerd* The Queries have been read and answers thereto ~~prepared and~~ read and approv,d, also an Epistle Signed by the Clerk all which is order,d

*The Representatives* forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Elijah Gifford John Devol Samuel Smith** and **Stephen Buffinton** and they To make report next monthly meeting

Samuel

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*9 month 1781 S Butters minute* **Samuel Butter** attended this meeting with a Copy of a minuite from the monthly meeting of the **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** Seting forth his being a

Member in unity, which was Indorsed in this meeting

*R. Smiths minuite indors,d* In concurrence with the Women Friends **Robe Smiths** Certificate from **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** monthly meeting was Indorsed in this meeting

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

*10 month 1781* At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1781 The Representatives are **Henry Smith** and **Joshua Potter** present

*Report of ye Com<sup>tee</sup> from Quarterly* The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended and produced an Epistle to this meeting: as also a Copy of an

*meeting* Epistle from the Yearly meeting held in **Philadelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** for **Pensylvany** and **New Jersey & c:** which Epistles were Read to Satisfaction

*Jonas Slocum disowed* The friends continued in the Case of **Jonas Slocum** report that they have had a Soled Conference with him but he gave them no Satisfaction they they thereupon produc,d a Testimony of his denial which was Signed by the Clerk who is desired to Read the Same at the Close of of a first day meeting for Worship between this and next monthly meeting Said friends also report that they have Informed said **Slocum** that Friends would proceed to disown him

*D Hart informd of his denial* **Seth Russell** reports that he hath inform,d **David Hart** of his Denial According to appointment and his right to an appeal

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

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

Signed in and on behalf of men and womens By **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
monthly meeing held in **Dartmouth** the 17<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1781 **Susanna Smith** Clerk

*report of A Russells marriage* The Friends appointed to See the marriage of **Allen Russell** and **Abigail Allen** orderly Solemniz,d, report that they attended Said marriage and that they did not discover but that it was Solemniz,d in a good degree Orderly

*John Williams Certificate not accompli=  
=shed* The Friends to take the necessary care in inquiring into **John Williams** Clearness and Certificate in **Rhod Island [Newport, Newport Co RI]** monthly meeting  
~~Setting~~ Setting forth the Same, Report, that they have not accom=  
=plished it by reason of Some Obstacle and that therefore they desire another month with an addition to the Committee it is accordly deferd and **William Mosher John Devol** and **Joseph Gifford** are added to them and They to make report to next monthly meeting

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10 month  
1781  
 Certificate  
 for **P. Mac**  
**comber** his  
 Wife & Chil  
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A Removal Certificate was provided to this meeting for **Philip Maccomber** his Wife **Susanna** and their Children Whose names are **Edith Gardner, Barnabus Abraham, and Hannah**, directed to the monthly meeting of **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** Setting forth that Said **Maccomber** affairs were Settled to Satisfaction as far as appears, and that he and his Wife are Members in Unity as also the Childrens right of membership which Certificate was Signed by the Clerk

The Case  
**Ben Allen**  
 Settled  
**W Sanford**  
 request  
 a Certificate

The friends that had the care of that matter between **Jedidiah and Benjamin Allen** report that matter is mutually Settled between the parties concerned

**William Sanford** Inform.d (by the way of the preparitive meeting) that has Thoughts going to the **Ninepartners** to See his Relations, also to make Some Stay there and desireing a few lines from this meeting which this meeting Concurs with, He being a member in Unity, and the Clerk is desir,d to give him a Copsy of this Minniute

**S Russell**  
 request a Certificate

**Seth Russell** Informing this meeting that he intends a Visit to **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]**

and **Ninepartners** to See his Relations, and to attend the Quarterly meeting at **Oblong** – Requesting a few lines thereon – He being a member in Vnity and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copsy of this ~~meeting~~ a minuiute And this meeting approves of the Same

Concerning another  
 preparitive  
 meeting

This Meeting taking into Consideration the advice of the Quarlerty meetings Committee for Visiting the monthly meetings: The Expedency of Setting off another Preparitive meeting in this monthly meeting – wherefore we appoint **Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, William Mosher, Benjamin Taber, william Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>, Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks Stephen Buffinton, Joseph Barker, Joseph Gifford, Seth Huddleston, Henry Smith and Abiel Gifford** a Committee and to Joine the Women friends and to Take the Same into Solid Consideration and if they find it proper that there Should be one, that they describe its Bounderies and make report thereon to next monthly meeting and any other Concerned friends may Joine the Said Committee therein if they See proper

Collected – 1£ – 19<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup>

11 month  
1781

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

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

Testimony of  
 denial of  
**J Slocum**

Whereas **Jonas Slocum** having had his Education among Friends but through unwachfulness hath So far departed from his Education and our Religious Profession as to fall into the Sin of Fornication as appears by the accusation of **Elisabeth Akin** (that he was the father of her Child) and friends having frequently Treated with him on account of his Crime in order to discover to him the evil thereof But our Labour therein not obtaining the desired end or effect to friends Satisfaction; Therefore, for the clearing our Name, and Truth from

the reproch therof, this meeting doth give this forth as a publick  
Testimony against him and do hereby disown him the Said **Jonas  
Slocum** from being in membership with us untill by Sinclear Repentance  
he Shall be restored to the way of Truth

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of  
Friends held in **Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1781

By **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*Report on  
dividing preparitive  
meeting*

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

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[?]nth

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

[?] **Joseph Wing** request a few lines from this to **Accoxet [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co  
MA]** monthly meeting

Setting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage and  
Conversation; therefore we appoint **Elijah Gifford** and **Chilion Wood**  
to to take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things  
Clear to draught a Certificate and bring one to the next monthly meeting

*J Allen request  
[?]  
Certificate*

**John Allen** (Son of **Jonathan**) Request a removal Certificate to the monthly  
meeting of **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]**, as he expects to Remove there with  
his Parents

to reside therefore **William Gifford** and **Jonathan Hart** are appointed to  
take take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear  
to draught and bring one to next monthly meeting

*Howland  
[Illegible 3 words]*

**Gideon Howland** desires a copy of a Miniut Setting forth his right of mem=  
=bership here; directed to the monthly meeting of **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]**  
he being

about to take a Journey there on business, which this meeing approves  
he being a member of this meeting, and the Clerk is directed to give him  
a Copy hereof

*[illegible 4 words]*

R[?] Received a Removal Certificate for **David Shepherd** and **David  
Shepherd Ju<sup>r</sup>** from the monthly meeing **Smithfield [ Woonsocket, Providence Co, RI]** their  
wives and Children

which Childrens names are **Caleb, deborah, Gideon, Allen, Elisabeth** and  
**Lydia David Shepherd Junor** his Childrens names are **Thomas Reliance**  
and **John**

*Barker produce  
Certificate*

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

[?]tin Recd The Women friends Inform they have admitted **Patient Austin** Wife of **Joseph Austin**, into membership: which this meeing Conkurs with

[?]ficate The Committee appointed to ~~the case~~ take the necessary care in the Case of **John Williams** request for a Certificate to **RhodIsland [Newport, Newport Co RI]** monthly meeting, Setting forth his Clearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation, Report, That they find things ~~so far~~ clear in that case; provided Said **John** would acknowledg his misconduct (in this meeting) toward a young Woman he formerly kept Company with: And he appearing in this meeting and acknowledging and condemning the Same, desiring Friends to pass it by – And this Meeting accepts the Same for Satisfaction Whereupon a Certificate was prepared and Signed by the Clerk - directed to the Monthly meeting of **RhodIsland [Newport, Newport Co MA]** in his behalf Setting forth his clearness respecting marriag and Conversation

Collected 2£ – 1<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup>

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

A Certificate in behalf of **Joseph Wing** directed to the monthly meeting at **Accoaxet [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**, Setting forth his clearness respecting marriag and Conversa=  
=tion was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk

*Allen Certificate* A Certificate in behalf of **John Allen** (son of **Jonathan**) directed to the monthly meeting of **Ninepartners** Setting forth his being a member of this meeting, Clearness respecting marriage and Settlement of his out=  
ward affaiers was produced in this meeting and Signed by the Clerk

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12 month  
1781  
*Queries Answer.d Represent' apointed*

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers thereto Read and approved and an Epistle to the next Quarterly meeting prepared and Signed by the Clerk; all which is forwarded to Said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives; Who are **Stephen Buffinton, Benjamin Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel Smith William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup> and Barnabus Russell** And they to report next monthly meeting

*M Wilcox desires a few lines* **Micajah Wilcox** Informing this meeting he intends a Visit to **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]** to see his Relations, and make Some Stay there; desiring a

few lines thereon: this meeting approving of the Same he having a Right of membership amoung us, and the Clerk is directed to give a Copy of this minuite

Collected —1£ – 1<sup>s</sup> – 10<sup>d</sup>



*adjorn.d* This meeting adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant, after the meeting for Worship  
*Mett* Mett by Adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1781  
The Representatives being called both present

*dividing preparative* The Committee appointed to inspect into the expediency of dividing  
*meeting* our Preparative meeting and to Remove Some defects among us  
*refer.d* Report that they have made some progress therein and desires said  
matter continued; it is therefore defer.d to next monthly meeting under  
their care and then they to make report

*Complaint* The Overseers inform.d in writing that **James Johnson** had conducted  
*against* very unbecoming in his Conversation as Set forth in said writing: There  
*J Johnson* fore we appoint **William Barker, David Shepherd & Henry Smith** to enquire  
into the case and Labour with said **Johnson** for the above matters as Truth  
may open the way and report next monthly meeting

This Meeting adjourns to the 6<sup>th</sup> day of next month after the meeting for Worship

Mett by adjournment the 6<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1782  
The Representatives being called neither of them Present

*Com<sup>tee</sup> col* The Committee appointed Some time [?] to Collect Friends Sufferings made  
*lect friend* Report. That they have made Such progress therein as to Collect most of  
*Sufferings* them to this time, and the account of them being read in this meeting and  
*report* approved was directed to be sign'd by the Clerk and sent up to the  
meeting for Sufferings and a Copy thereof Left on file

*1<sup>st</sup> month* At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 21<sup>st</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1782  
*1782* The Representatives are **Luthan Wood** and **William Gifford** present  
*Report from* The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, Report, that they all  
*Quarterly* attended that meeting, and now produce an Epistle from the Quarterly  
*meeting* meeting – a Transcript of last Yearly meetings: Epistles Copies of two  
miniuts of the meeting for Sufferings, and an Epistle from **New York**  
all which were read to in this meeting & well accepted: and by the  
Epistle from the Quarterly meeting and **New York**, and one of the miniuts  
from the meeting for Sufferings we have a discription of the Sorrowful  
Dangers which some members of Society have expos.d them Selves and the  
Reproach the Truth may be brought under by them in the pursuite of such  
Voyages and business as is therein pointed out – This meeting feeling a  
concern to make enquiry and gaurd & preserve our fellow members from  
the Consequences of these things: do appoint **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
*Com<sup>tee</sup> appoin* **William Wood, John Devol, William Gifford** and **James Davis** a Committee  
*ted on ad* to make the necessary enquiry in the compass of this monthly meeting  
*=voice from* Respecting these things and to Labour therein as they in True Wisdom  
*New York* may be directed and to make report next monthly meeting  
*& on Clan*  
*=destine Trade*

*on dividing* The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative  
*preparative* meeting and to Labour to remove some defects among us report that they  
*meeting* have made Some further progress therein & desire said matter Continud it is  
refer.d to next monthly meeting under their care they then to make report

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*1<sup>st</sup> month* The Friends appointed to enquire into and Labour with **James**  
*1782*

[?] case of  
**J Johnson**  
continued

**Johnson** on his unbecoming Conversation, Report, that they have taken the necessary care in that matter; And that he acknowledges his mis=  
=conduct, and is willing to make Friends Satisfaction, and that they think it best to be continued under the care of a Committee to see it fully accomplished; therefore this meeting doth continue the Same under the care of the Same Friends who are to make report of their progress therein to next monthly meeting

Collected – £1 – 18<sup>s</sup> – 4<sup>d</sup>

*adjourn* This meeting Adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship

*Mett* Mett by adjournment the 30th of the 1st month 1782  
The Representatives being called both present

*matters refer.d*  
*next month*  
*ly meeting*

There being Several matters advised and recommended from the Yearly and Quarterly meetings, they are defer.d to the Consideration of next monthly meeting, on account of the small number of meembers at this adjournment

*Friends Suffer*  
*ings Collected*

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

*2<sup>nd</sup> month*  
*1782*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18<sup>th</sup> day of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1782  
The Representatives are **William Barker** and **Abner Devoal [Devol]** both present

*William Jack*  
*son attended*  
*this meeting*

Our Esteemed Friend **William Jackson** attended this meeting with a Certificate from **New Garden [Toughkenamon, New Garden Chester Co. PA]** Monthly meeting in **Chester County in Pensylvania** dated the 10<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1781. also a few lines from the Same monthly meeting dated ~~the 2<sup>nd</sup> month~~ 3<sup>d</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1782 Which were Read in this meeting to Satisfaction and his Visit and Labour of Love acceptable to us

*Com<sup>tee</sup> report on*  
*Clandestine*  
*Trade*

The Committee appointed Last monthly meeting to make inquiry and inspection if there be any Such Conduct in any of our members as describ.d in the Epistle from **New York** to the Quarterly meeting and in a minuite of the meeting for Sufferings Report – as here annexed  
,, To the Monthly meeting to be held the 18<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1782  
According to apointment; we have met and taken into Cosideration  
,, the Contents of the Epistle from **New York** made inquiry among our  
,, members and where Suspicion arose have cautiond and advised endea=  
,, =voring to Set forth the bad tendency of Such proceedings accordings  
,, according to our ability: and as nothing appears openly, conclude  
,, best to let the matter rest for the present under friends weighty Conside=  
,, ration and inspection

From your friends **James Davis** **William Wood**  
**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** **John Devoal [Devol]**  
**William Gifford**

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

Report on divid  
ing preparative  
meeting

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

J Johnsons  
case refer.d

The friends appointed to Labour with **James Johnson** on his unbecoming Conversation and his acknowledging his misconduct therein, Report that they wait to receive an answer from **William Hassey** at **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**], whom **James** Said had wronged him and on that account desires the matter defer.d. This meeting ~~this~~ defers s<sup>d</sup> matter under the same friends, who are desired to Labor to discover the Sincerity of **James** condemning his misconduct and they to make report of their progress thereof next monthly meeting

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2 month  
1782  
B Wings  
Certificate

**Bennet Wing** Informs this meeting that he intends Marriage with **Rhoda Ricketson** Daughter of **William Ricketson** & the said **Bennet** produceing a Certificate from **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly meeting Setting forth his Clearness ~~Setting forth~~ respecting marriage he also hath consent of Parents in Writeing

Letter from  
Nantucket  
behaf G Folger

**George Folger** informes this meeting he intends marriage with **Rebeckah Shove**. And produced a few lines from two Friends of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** monthly meeting Setting forth that they find nothing to hinder his his having a Certificate on that account, at their next monthly meeting and that they were appointed by the meeting for that purpose. Said **George** also produced consent of Parents in writeing

B Wings  
proposal of  
marriage  
G Folgers  
proposal of  
marriage  
Respecting  
the Bibles

**Bennet Wing** and **Rhoda Ricketson** appeared in this meeting and declared their intentions of taking Each other in marriage as also **George Folger** and **Rebeckah Shove** who were desired to wate till next monthly meeting for their answer

Collected – £2 – 3<sup>s</sup> – 10<sup>d</sup>

This Meeting Receiv<sup>d</sup> a Cobby of a minuite of the meeting for Sufferings containing an extract from an Epistle from **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** respecting the Bibles, Which Friends Subscribed for: Expressing that there is no way yet opened for procuring them to Satisfaction and this mnniute and extract were Read in this meeting

adjourned

This Meeting is adjurn.d till tomorrow at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour

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Met by adjournment the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1782  
The Representatives being called both Present.

Respecting  
being Joind

The matter refer.d from last Quarterly meeting to us in regard to our Endeavouring to remove the Obstacles that renders the unfitness of our being

to *Sandwich* Annexed to **Sanwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Quarter: was taken into weighty consideration in  
*Quarter* this  
meeting: and we are very desirous to be in Labour to remove the above  
Difficiencies as Truth opens the way: and as there is a large Committee under  
appointment by this meeting, in order to remove those defects Complained of  
This matter is referd to next monthly meeting under their care

*The women Friends* The Women Friends Inform that there is a Difficalt matter Subsisting among  
*desires* them and desire the assistance of this meeting: therefore we appoint our  
*assistance* Friends **William Wood, James Davis, Benjamin Slocum, Stephen Buffinton**  
**Seth Russell, Peleg Gifford, Giles Slocum, Benjamin Chase and Abiel**  
**Gifford** to advise and assist the Women Friends as Truth opens the way

*Concerning* The Committee appointed Some time past to Collect this meetings books  
*frinds books* report, that they want some addition as there is one assent Therefore we  
appoint **Joseph Tucker Junor Elijah Gifford and Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>**  
to Joine with the former Committee and accomplish that matter and  
to Settle with **Caleb Russell** in behalf of this meeting as said **Caleb** took  
Some books to dispose of for this meeting

*Hannah* The Overseers of the poor handed in an account to this meeting from  
*Smith* **Hannah Smith** for keeping **Alice Smith** 35 weeks to the amount of  
*Bill* £10 – 10<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup> Lawful money which being accepted, The Treasurer is  
ordered to pay the Same when he is suplied with money from this meeting

*Certificate* This meeting sign.d a Removal Certificate for **Henry Howland** and  
*for Henry* **Abigail** his Wife and **Prince** and **Beriah Howland** their young Children  
*Howland* directed to the monthly meeting of **Accokset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** they being  
remov.d there to Live

*Jeremiah* **Jeremiah Smith** attended this meeting with a Coppy of a miniute of the  
*Smith* Monthly meeting held at **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** the 11<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1782  
*[?]* which was to Satis  
=faction, The Said miniut being Endorssed in this meeting to the Same purpose  
and Signed

*3 month* At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** 18<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1782  
*1782* The Representatives are **William Wood** and **Thomas Russell** both present

*Report on* The Committee to make Enquiry if there be any Such Conduct in  
*Clandes=* any of our members as describd in the Epistle from **New York** to the  
*=tine Trade* Quarterly meeting and miniute from the meeting for Sufferings  
Report

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*3 month* Report, that they have made Some further inspection and find nothing  
*1782* different from their report last monthly meeting that matter is therefore conti=  
=nued under the care of the Same Friends who are to report of their progress  
therin to next monthly meeting

*[?] on di=* The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our preparative  
*viding ppri=* meeting and to Labour in removing Such defect as they find among us  
*ative[?] meeting* Report: that they hve been in a further progress in those things and that it

their Judgment that they be continued under of a Committee for a yet further Progress in those weighty matters

The same Committee having that matter in charge respecting this meeting being annexed to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Quarter as recommended from last Quarterly

meeting, Report, – as Follows ~~Which~~ Which is accepted

*report respecting being Joind [?] Sandwich Quarter*

„We of the Committee unto whom the matter was Refer.d respecting „ being annexed to **Sandwich** Quarter, having taken Said matter under „ Consideration, and find those obstacles Still reaining [remaining] which we have „ been in a Labour to remove, But as that is a work of time, we as a „ Committee have been unde deep Engagement of mind that this good work may be affected in its proper Season in which exersise we had measurably „ to witness the owning hand and arm of Divine goodness to be with us „ to our encouragement; but as yet we do not find the way open to be „ Joined to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Quarter as those Obstacles are remaining which is „ cause of pain and Sorrow of heart

Signed by Order and in behalf of said Committee By

**Samuel Smith  
Deborah Hicks**

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> of 3 month 1782

The above said Committee are Continued in Said Service and to report next monthly meeting

*J Johnsons Case defer.d*

The Friends appointed to Labour with **James Johnson** on his misconduct; and to discover his Sincerity in condemning the Same report That ~~that~~ they have made further progress therein, yet they desire the matter deferd to next monthly meeting, which is accordingly under their care they then to make report

*Received a Certificate for G Folger*

Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** in behalf of **George Folger** Setting forth that he is a member of Society and Clear of marriage Entangelments thare

*Stephen Barker request a Certificate*

**Stephen Barker** requests a Certificate to the Monthly meeting of **Sandwich**, Setting forth his Right of membership and Clearness Respecting marriage: therefore **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **John Devoal [Devol]** are appointed to take the necessary care of that matter and if they find things clear to bring a Certificate to next monthly meeting

*T Russell desires advice in disposing Estate*

At the Request of **Timothy Russell** for advice from this meeting respecting his disposing his outward Estate; we appoint our Friends **Giles Slocum** and **Joseph Barker**, to advise said **Timothy** therein, and Report to next monthly meeting

*George Folger & [Bennet] Wing [Received] their answers respecting marriage*

**George Folger** and **Rebeckah Shove** appearing in this meeting for their answer; as also **Bennet Wing** and **Rhoda Ricketson** which were Each Cupple might proceed to take Each other in Marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting: adviseing with the Friends therein which this meeting Shall appoint to See Said marriages Orderly Solemnized and our Friends **Thomas Russell** and **Jonathan Willbor** are appointed to see the first cupple and **Joseph Gifford** the last cupples amrriages orderly Solemnized; and to make report next monthly meeting

*adjourns  
mett*

This meeting is adjourned to the 27<sup>th</sup> instant after meeting for Worship  
Mett by adjournment the 27 of the 3<sup>d</sup> month 1782  
The Representatives being called both present

The Friend appointed

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*3 month  
1782  
addition to  
the Com<sup>tee</sup> for  
S Barker*

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

*Queries an  
swered*

The Queries were answered in this meeting, and an Epistle  
Signd to the Quarterly meeting all which are forwarded to the Said  
Quarterly meeting by our Representatives **James Davis, Caleb Greene**  
Representatives (**in margin**)  
**William Mosher, Chilon Wood** and **Benjamin Chase** and they to report to  
~~and they to report~~ next monthly meeting

*Orderd to  
Draw mo  
ney for year  
=ly meeting  
Com<sup>tee</sup> to assist  
Women fri<sup>d</sup>  
report the  
matter Se=t  
=tled*

This meeting directs that the Representatives to the Quaterly meeting  
Draw the sum of £3 – 12<sup>s</sup> – 0 Out of our Treasury and pay the Same  
to the yearly meeting Treasurer in order to Supply the yearly meeting  
Stock and report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed last monthly meeting to assist the  
Women Friends in a difficult matter Subsisting in their meeting Report  
therein, and that matter is Settled as will appear by the records of  
of the Womens meeting

*4 month  
1782*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 15<sup>th</sup> of 4 month 1782  
The Representatives are **John Devol** and **Seth Huddelston** both Present

*Return from  
Q meeting*

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

*Copies of  
Epistles  
Receivd*

This meeting Receiv.d 160 Epistles Coppys of the last Epistles from the  
yearly meeting in **London[England]** : also 160 Coppies of the Representation on behalf  
of Friends, to the President of Council, and the Assembly of **Pensylvania**  
One of Each of which were read in this meeting to good Satisfaction

*Chusing  
overseers  
refer<sup>d</sup>*

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

*Report on  
Clandstine  
Trade*

The Committee to make inquiry, If there be any Such conduct in any  
of our members, as discribed in an Epistle from **New York** to the Quartly  
meeting, Report that they have had that matter under ~~ean~~ Inspection  
but do not find any thing different from last report; they are therefore

Continued in that Service, and are desired to make diligent and Impartial Inquiry in those things, and make report next monthly meeting

*Report on  
elandestine  
Trade  
dividing preparitive  
meeting*

The Committee to inspect into the expedency of dividing our Preparitive meeting and Indeavor to remove the obstacles which hinders such a division make report that they have been Still further in a labour therein and think it best deferd another month for further progress; it is accordingly defer.d under their care who are then to report

*On being  
annexed to  
Sandwich  
Quarter*

The same Committee had the matter in charge respecting the Meeting being annexed to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Quarter: and made report of their sence therein

*Case of James  
Johnson*

Last monthly meeting: which is all that appears needful therein at present

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

*Certificate  
for Stephen Barker*

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care in the request of **Stephen Barker** for a Certificate to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly meeting Seting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage Report that they have taken the necessary care therein and brought a Certificate with them which was read in this meeting and sign.<sup>d</sup> by Clerk

~~The friends appointed last~~

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*4 month  
1782  
T Russell  
case*

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

*George Folger  
and  
Bennett Wing  
marriage*

The friends appointed to see **George Folger** and **Rebecca Shoves** and also **Bennett Wing** and **Rhoda Ricketsons** marriages orderly Solemnized make Report that they all attended said marriages and that they were Solemniz<sup>d</sup> in Some degree Orderly

*money paid to  
Quarly meeting*

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting inform, that they Receiv<sup>d</sup> the money, ordered last monthly meeting, for our monthly meetings Treasurer, to be paid to the yearly meeings Treasurer, and that it was paid to him as directed

*Judith Hathaway  
disown.d*

The Women friends inform.d last monthly meeting, that they deny.d **Judith Hathaway** Wife of **Jethro hathaway 2<sup>d</sup>**, which tho then omitted being minitted, yet this meeting concurs there with

*J Moshers  
proposal of  
marriage*

**Joseph Mosher** and **Elisabeth Briggs** Declared their Intentions of marri=  
=age, and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer Said **Mosher** having produced a Certificate from **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co RI]** monthly meeting also parents consent

**Andrew Nicols the 3<sup>d</sup>** being about to return to live with his father

*Andrew Nicols Certificate Endors.d* again within **South Kingston [Perryville, S Kingstown, Washington Co RI]** monthly meeting, this meeting Endorst a few lines on the back of his Certificate which he brought from said monthly meeting

*Meetings Books Collected* The Committy appointed Some time past to collect this meetings Books Now make report, that they have collected them, as by the list on file, And that they have Settled with **William Mosher** and Rece<sup>d</sup> – 0 – 17 – 5 of of him and £0 – 12<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup> of **Caleb Russel [Russell]** for Books which they Sold belong= ing to this meeting Said money is paid to the Treasurer

*Jon<sup>a</sup> Wilber & Thos Russell to take care of sd Books* **Jonathan Wilbor** and **Thom<sup>a</sup> Russell** are appointed to have the care of this meetings Books as a fore said and to lend them out to whom they may see proper, and to see them return.d, and they to remining that Service till others are appointed when they are to make Report.

*[?] make fence* Friend concluded to to meat tomorrow generally to mend up the Fence round our meeting house

*Adjourns mett* This Meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship Mett by adjournment the 24 of 4 month 1782  
Collected – £1 – 4<sup>s</sup> – 4<sup>d</sup>  
The Representatives being called both Present

*Collecting Suffering* The Committee appointed sometime past to Collect friends Suffering have not accomplish that part of the business in compleating their account of Friends Sufferings as to present it to this meeting and desire the meeting to adjourn

*Jos Rotch Certificate* Received a Removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**, in behalf of **Joseph Rotch**, who hath removed in the Compass of this meeting to Live

*Adjourned* This Meeting adjourns to the 8<sup>th</sup> of next month after the meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> of the 5 month 1782. The Repre= sentatives are **Seth Huddleston** present and **John Devall [Devol]** not Present. For which he hath rendered no excuse

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

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*5 month  
1782*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20th of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1782  
The Representatives are **Jonathan Willbor** and **Prince Potter** present

*Overseers refe.rd*

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



*To assist  
Women  
friends*

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

*John Barker  
request a Certificate*

**John Barker** requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of **Rhod Island [Newport, Newport Co RI]**: Setting forth his clearness respecting marriage and conversation: Therefore **Stephen Buffinton** and **Peleg Gifford** are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear to draw a Certificate and bring to next monthly meeting

*on Ellicit  
Trade*

The Comitty to make enquiry if there be any Such unwar-rantable conduct in any of our members as described, in an Epistle form **New York** to the meeting for Sufferings, – Report, that they have laboured and advised where they have Suspected Such conduct – they are continued in that Service and **Benjamin Taber** is added to them; and they are desired to make further Inspection and labour in those things; and make report next monthly meeting

*dividing preparitive  
meeting*

The Committee to Inspect into the Expediency of dividing our Preparitive meeting, and to endeavour to remove Such obstacles as hinders Such a division: Report that they have continued their labour therein, and that it be refer.d another month; which is accordingly under their care, and they then to make report

*James Jon=  
=son case*

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

*Jos Mosher answer*

**Joseph Mosher** and **Elisabeth Brigg** appeared in this meeting for their Answer; and their answer was; We do not find any thing to hinder their proceeding in marriage and that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting – advising with the Friend this meeting Shall appoint to see said marriage Orderly Solemnized Said friends are **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** who are to report next monthly meeting

*W<sup>m</sup> Sanford  
minite  
returnd*

**William Sanford** returned the Copy of the minuite of this meeting of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> month last: with an Endorsment from the monthly meeting of **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]**, that he attended that meeting to Satisfaction

*W<sup>m</sup> Barker  
Hay*

**William Barker** gave in an account of Hay and carting for this meeting amounting to £1 – 7<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup>. Which the Treasurer Is directed to pay

Collected – £1 – 3<sup>s</sup> – 11<sup>d</sup>

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*6 Month  
1782*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1782  
**Jonathan Willbor** is appointed Clerk for this day

Representatives are **Peleg Gifford Joseph Barker Seth Huddleston** and **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>** all present

*John Barker  
Certificate*

A Certificate for **John Barker**, to the Monthly meeting at **Rhod Island [Newport, Newport Co RI]**

Setting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk

*L Smith  
request a  
Certificate*

**Lamuel Smith** informs this meeting that he is about to take a Voyage to Sea, and he requesting our Certificate, Setting forth his right of membership: therefore we appoint our friend **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup> Peleg Gifford Thomas Russell** and **Jonathan Willbor** to inspect the Circumstances of of the Vessel and Voiage, and if they find things clear, to prepare a Certificate and bring it to the Adjournment of this meeting if **Lamuel** doth not want it before, if he doth the Committee may Sign in behalf of Said meeting

*adjourn.d  
Mett*

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

The Representatives are **Peleg Gifford, Joseph Barker, Seth Huddleston** and **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>** all present

*Chusing over=  
=seers refer'd*

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

*Women  
Visited*

The Friends appointed to assist the Women by their request last monthly meeting; Report, that they have assisted in the ability afforde<sup>d</sup>

*report on  
unwarrantable  
Trading*

The Committee to make further enquiry, if there be any Such unwarantable conduct in any of our members as discribed in an Epistle from **New York** to the meeting for Sufferings: Report that they have made further enquiry, and where such conduct was Suspected, have given Such advice as they wear [were] enabled to: Yet that matter continued under their futher care who are to report to next monthly meeting

*[?]dividing  
preparitive  
meeting*

The committee to inspect into the expedency of dividing our Preparitive meeting, and labour to remove such Obstacles as hinder such a division, Report that they have continued their labour therein; yet desire the matter continued another month; it is accordingly defer'd under the care of the Same Committee to next monthly meeting they then to report

*Case of James  
Johnson*

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

*Joseph Mosher's  
marriage*

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

*Women's  
request*

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

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A Committee, to Joine the Women in that Service in removing those defects so prevelent amoung the youth and others and make Report to next monthly meeting

*Elis Mosher  
Certificate  
Signed*

A Removal Certificate in behalf of **Elisabeth Mosher** was Wife of **Joseph Mosher** Setting forth her right of membership directly to the monthly meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co RI]** was Signed in this meeting  
by the Clerk Collected – £1 – 9<sup>s</sup> – 10 1/2<sup>d</sup>

*Adjornnd  
Mett*

This meeting adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant after meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1782

The Representatives being called are **Peleg Gifford, Joseph Barker Seth Huddleston,** and **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>** all present

*Clerk for  
this day*

**Caleb Greene,** being assistant is appointed Clerk for this day.

*Laml Smith  
Certificate  
Sign 'd*

A Certificate was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk, in behalf of **Lamuel Smith,** Setting forth his right of membership directed to whom it may concern; he being about to take Voyage to Sea.

*Complaint  
against  
Giels Slocum  
& Caleb  
Anthony*

The Overseers Inform (by way of Preparitive meeting) that **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Caleb Anthony** did some time past fall into a bodily Strife, so far that Some blows were given for which they have been laboured with by said Overseers, but they did not find them dispos'd to give friends Satisfaction: Therefore **Daniel Ricketson Prince Potter** and **Jonathan Willbor** are appointed to take an opper=  
=tunity of Solid conference with the young men, and if they do not find Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of their denial and bring to the next monthly meeting, and if otherwise to make report accordingly

*Request  
from Sand=  
=wich*

This meeting receiving the following request from **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly meeting

From our Monthly meeting of Friends held at **Rochester [ Mattapoisett Plymouth Co. MA]**for **Sandwich** the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the 6 month 1782

To the monthly meeting of **Dartmouth**

**Philip Howland,** Having had a right of membership with us and Served an apprintiship in the verge of your meeting, Since which we have been informed, he has deviated from our religious principles perticully in Sailing in a Vessel Armed in a warlike manner – which misconduct we now desire you will labour with him for, as Truth and our discipline may direct – with our Salutation of love we conclude your Friends and Brethren

Signed in and on behalf of Said meeting by **Rich<sup>d</sup> Delano** Clerk

*Committee  
on Philip  
Howlands  
case*

Whereupon our Friends **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **James Davis** are appointed to labour with the Said **Philip Howland** on his said misconduct and if he doth not give them Satisfaction, to prepare a Testimony of his denial and bring with them to next monthly meeting

*Sent up to Quarterly  
meeting*

The Queries were read and answers thereto read, and after some amendment, were approved, and sent up to the Quarterly meeting with our Epistle which was also read and Signed by the Clerk and Sent up by our Representatives, who are **Samuel Smith, Barnabus Mosher Ju<sup>r</sup>, Micajah Wilcox** and **Thomas Russell**, and they to make report next monthly meeting.

*7 month  
1782*

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1782 The Representatives are **John Devol & Chilon Wood** both present

*Overseers  
appointed*

The Choice of Overseers being refer'd from last monthly meeting to this where upon **James Davis, Joseph Barker, Caleb Greene, Seth Hudson** & **Caleb Russell** are appointed, and a further choice refer'd to next monthly meeting

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*7 month  
1782*

*Overseers of  
Poor*

The Choice of Overseers of the Poor being also refer'd to this meeting **Seth Russell, Jonathan Willbor, John Devoal [Devol], Thomas Russell, Barnabus Russell** and **Chilon [Chilon] Wood** for that Service the year ensuing

*dividing preparitive  
meeting*

The Committe to inspect into the expedency of dividing our Preparitive meeting, and to labour to remove such obstacles which hinder Such a division Report, that they have continued their labour therein, yet desire the matter refer'd another month; it is accordingly defer'd under the care of the Same Committee to next monthly meeting they then to make report

*[?]ortion  
unwarrantable  
[Trading]*

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

*James Johnsons  
case*

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

*Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>  
and Caleb Anthony  
Case*

The Friends appointed to treat with **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Caleb Anthony** on their falling into a bodily Strife in which blows were given Report, that they have had a Soled conference with the young men who gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, with a paper condemning their said misconduct; Which accepted for Satisfaction, provided they cause said paper to be read in a publick manner at the close of a first day meeting of Worship before next monthly meeting they being present and make report thereof to that meeting

*Adjorn'd  
Mett* This meeting adjourns to y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> Instant  
after the meting of Worship

*Testimony a=  
against Philip  
Howland  
Sign'd &  
inform.d* Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1782 Represent<sup>es</sup> both present  
The Friends appointed to labour with **Philip Howland** on his mis=  
=conduct and if he did not give them Satisfaction to draw a Testimony  
of his denial, Report, that they had an oppertunity with him and  
that he did not give them Satisfaction they therefore produced a  
Testimony of his denial, which was read and after a little alte=  
=ration Sign'd by the Clerk, who is directed to read the Same publick  
=ly in our usual manner, and make report to next monthly meeting  
Said Committee also report that they informed Said **Howland** of the  
conclusion of this meeting

*Return from  
Quarterly  
meeting  
Epistles Rec<sup>d</sup>* The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they  
all attended said meeting to Satisfaction. and produced an Epistle  
from the Quarterly meeting, also Transcrips of the following  
Epistles Viz One from our Yearly meeting this year  
one from the Yearly meeting in **London [England]** last year  
one from **Pensylvania** last year  
one from **Westbury [N Hempsted Nassau Co. NY]** on **Long Island** last this year  
also Copy of the Extract from our last yearly meetings minutes  
all which were read in thi meet to good Satisfaction

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*7 month  
1782  
Report of  
Comittee on  
Plainness* The Committee to Joine the Women in labouring to remove Some  
defects respecting Plainness, and other defects among us Report, that  
they have maid Some progress therein, as way hath opened, and that  
they yet feel the weight of that Service: They are therefore continued  
therein, and to make report thereof when ready

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

*8 month  
1782* At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1782  
The Representaives are **Luthan Wood** and **Thomas Mott** both present

*chusing  
overseers  
refer.<sup>d</sup>* An additional choice of Overseers being refer'd from Last  
monthly meeting to this; and some friends being named thereto  
yet it is refer'd to next monthly meeting

*Preparitive meeting* The Committee Inspect into the expedency of dividing our  
Preparitive meeting and to labour to remove Such Obstacles as hinder  
Such a division Report, that they have continued their Labour and  
desires the matter defer'd another month under the caare of the Same  
Committee; it is accordingly defer'd under their care to next monthly

meeting they then make report

*Contraband  
Trading*

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

*James  
Johnson*

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

*Giles Slocum Caleb  
Anthony*

The Clerk Informs that **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Caleb Anthony** have not caused their paper to be read as directed last monthly meeting by reason of disappointment they are therefore directed to take necessary care in that matter and report to next monthly meeting

*Philip  
Howland  
denied*

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

Whereas **Philip Howland** of **Dartmouth** having had his Education among Friends, and under our care, but hath so far departed from the peacable profession we make, as to go Several voyages to Sea on board of Vessels Arm'd in a warlike manner, for which condition he hath been laboured with, but he continuing to Justifie the Same Friends are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society and from a[-] our care – Nevertheless it is our desire that he may com-to a Sight and Sense of his outgoing, and a return to the way of Truth

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth**  
by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 7 month 1782

Signed in and on bhalf of said meeting by **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

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*8 month  
1782  
report on Chilon  
Woods request*

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women and take the necessary care in **Chilon Woods** request, make a Satisfactory report; yet that matter is refer'd to next monthly meeting under their care they then to make Report

*Russells  
Bill*

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

*[?] Gifford  
returned*

This meeting received a copy of a minute from **Accoaxset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**

Monthly meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month last: Signifying that **John Gifford** son of **Abiel Gifford** has returned to this meeting

*friends to rec=  
eive Subscrip=  
tions*

Our Friends **Micajah Wilcox, Barnabus Mosher Ju<sup>r</sup>, Barnabus Russell, Gideon Anthony, Caleb Barker, and Elijah Gifford**, are appointed to receive such Sums as friends may Subscrib in their

freedom, toward supplying the yearly meeting Stock of £50 and report of the Sum total so Subscribed to next Monthly Meeting

Collected £1 6s 11d

*9 month*  
*1782* At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1782  
The Representatives are **Benjamin Taber & Thomas Russell, Benjamin Taber** present; **Thomas Russell** not present, for which no excuse or Reason being offered

*Benj Smith*  
*overseer* The additional choice of Overseers being refer'd to this meeting **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** is appointed to that place, in addition to those appointed in the 7<sup>th</sup> month last, and a further choice is refer'd to next monthly meeting

*dividing*  
*Preparitive*  
*meeting* The Committee to Inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparitive meeting, and to labour to remove such obstacles which hinders such a division Report, that they have been in a labour therein; but that they have not got through it to Satisfaction, therefor desires the matter Continued, they accordingly continued in that Service and to report when ready

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

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

*Giles Slocum Caleb*  
*Anthony* Report hath been made that **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Caleb Anthony's** paper was read as directed last monthly meeting

*Chilon Woods*  
*children Rec<sup>d</sup>* The friends appointed to Joine the women friends and take the necessary in **Chilon Woods** request for his Children make a Satisfactory report: therefore this meeting concluds to admitt his Children whose names are **Charles** and **Ruth**, into membership with us and under our care

*Mary Wing*  
*Certificate* The women inform that they have received a removal Certificate from **Accoaxet [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** monthly meeting in behalf of **Mary Wing** wife of **Joseph Wing**

*Lydia Bowdish*  
*Certificate* This meeting hath Signed a Certificate or Information to the monthly meeting of the **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]**, respecting **Lydia Bowdish**, daughter of **William Bowdish**, who hath gon there some years past to live

Collected

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9 month  
1782  
 adjourn  
 Mett

This meeting Collected – 1£ – 13<sup>s</sup> – 8 1/2<sup>d</sup>

This meeting adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> of this Instant after meeting of worship  
 Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1782

*Tho Russell*

The Representatives being called both present

**Thomas Russell** render'd Sufficien reason for his not attending  
 at the first sitting of this meeting which is accepted

*Ben Smith[?]*

The Overseers inform by the way of the Preparitive meeting that  
**Benjmin Smith** son of **Eleazer** hath taken an oath in common form  
 before a Majestrate: it is also reported of him that he partakes  
 of Spiritous Lickquors to excess, that he uses Vulger and profain  
 Language at times: he also much neglects the attendance of our  
 Religious meetings, for which misconduct labour hath been bestow=  
 =ed for his recover, yet we appoint our friends **William Anthony Jr**  
 and **Thomas Russell** to labour further with him the said **Benjamin**  
 and if he doth not give them Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his  
 denial and bring to next monthly meeting

*Freeborn  
 Rider  
 Testimony*

This meeting gave forth a Testimony sign.d by the Clerk concerning  
 our Friend **Freeborn Rider** deceased in order to be sent up to  
 the Quarterly meeting a Copsy thereof ordered to be kept on file

*yearly meet=  
 =ing Stock*

The Committee appointed to to raise money by way of Subscription  
 to Supply the Yearly meeting Stock report that they raised the Sum  
 of Eight pounds, which is ordered forward to the Yearly meeting  
 Treasurer by our Representatives

*Sent to Qrtly  
 meeting*

The queries were answer'd and said answers ordered forward  
 to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Benjmin  
 Taber, Jonathan Hart, Caleb Green** and **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and  
 they to make report to next monthly meeting

*Adjornnd  
 mett*

This meeting Adjornnes to y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> day of next month after meeting of worship  
 Mett by Adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> month 1782

The Representatives being called **Thomas Russell** present **Benjamin  
 Taber** not present; and Sufficient reason being renderd for his absence

*meeting  
 discontinued*

This meeting takeing under consideration the disadvantage of  
 holding our week day meeting on that week the Quarterly meeting is  
 held here: Therefore do discontinue all our week day meetings in that  
 week which the Quarterly meeting is held the present year: within  
 within the compass of this monthly meeting

*account to  
 Qar<sup>ly</sup> meet  
 ing*

There was an account Sign'd in this meeting, to the Quarterly meet=  
 =ing and Ordered forward by our Representatives above named

*10 month  
1782*

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1782  
 The Representatives are **Abraham Howland & Prince Potter** both present

*Overseers  
 appointed*

The additional Choice of Overseers being refer.d to this meeting  
**Benjamin Taber** and **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** were appointed to that place in  
 addition to those who were lately appointed for the year ensuing or till  
 others are appointed in their Stead: And they together are desir.d to Seek  
 for Wisdom to Labour and deal Impartially with all offenders in order  
 that our Testimony may be kept up in the Several braches thereof



*On contraband  
Trade*

The Committee to make inquiry if there are Such unwarrentable and in any of our members, as discribed in an Epistle from **New York** to the Quarterly meeting with a Cobby of the meeting for Sufferings there on Report that they have been in a further labour therein: yet they are continued in that Service; and are desired to attend closely to that which will enable them to labour effectually with those in Such practises; and Report to next monthly meeting

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*10 Month  
1782  
[?] Smith 3<sup>d</sup>  
referd*

The Friends appointed to labour further with **Benjamin Smith** son of **Eleazer**, on his taking an Oath in common form before a Magestrate and some misconduct, Report that they have had an oppertunity with him, yet desire the matter defer,d for further opportunity: it is accordingly deferd under their care to next monthly meeting they then to make report

*return from  
Quarterly  
meeting*

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting that they all attended that meeting, and produced a cobby of an Epistle from that meeting which was read in this meeting to good Satisfaction: they also return.d the Testimony concerning **Freeborn Rider**, and account concerning **Samuel Chase** for Some amendment

*Freeborn Rider  
Testimony*

The Committee appointed to draw Testimonys concerning deceased friends are desired to make necessary amendment and addition in the Testimony concerning **Freeborn Rider** that was returned from the Quarterly meeting for that purpos: and make report to this meeting

*[?]vice of Qurly  
Meeting on Wills  
Com<sup>tee</sup>  
appointed*

The Quarterly meeting (in their last Epistles) among other advices advise, that friends be careful to make their Wills without delay as Time waits for none: and some late affecting instances of Sundry Re=  
=movals death; and others incapiciated to make them, are fresh motives for renewed care and attentions in this part of our Discipline. And That each Monthly meeting appoint a Committee, to call upon friend and excite them to a Speedy and active compliance therein: Upon which our Friends **Joseph Gifford, Samuel Smith, William Anthony Ju William Mosher, Giles Slocum, and Thomas Hicks** are appointed for that Service, and also to attend to that where friends have little or no Estate, but have children under age, Either provoid Suitable Gardians that the Children may be brought up and Educated among Friends – Said Committee to make report at our monthly meeting next preceeding next Quarterly meeting

*James Johnson  
denial*

The friends appointed in the case of **James Johnson** Report that they have taken the necessary care in that matter and have draughted and produced a Testimony against him: as follows

Wheareas **James Johnson** hath had a right of Membership amongst us the People called Quakers, but by his departing from the Testimony of Truth, has been assisting in fitting of Vessels concerned in War: Likewise in using of thretning Language against the People of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**, and asserting that **William Hussey** had wronged him and when called upon he could not make it out: he hath also been too neglectful in attending of our Religious meetings: all which misconduct said **James** hath been La=  
boured with for, but our labour of love not having the desired effect Therefore, for the clearing of Truth and Friends from Such Scandalus

conduct, we give this forth as a publick Testimony again said **James Johnson**, denying of him from being one in Unity and from being in membership with us the afore Said people: But with desire he may be so far favoured as to have a Sight and Sence of his mis=conduct, and return to the way of well doing, and find for forgiveness with the Almighty

Signed in and on behalf of our Said Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of the 10<sup>th</sup> month AD 1782  
By **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

Which was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is directed to cause the Same to be read publickly at the close of a first day Meeting

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1782*

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

*meeting  
discontinuu  
=ed*

This meeting concluds to discontinue all our week day meetings within the compass of our monthly meeting, in that week the Quar=terly meeting may be held here in futer, and that whenever our Preparitive meeting happens to fall in that week that the same be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of the next week before

*W<sup>m</sup> Barker Ju  
published*

**William Barker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Deborah Shearman** Informed this meeting of their Intentions to take each other in marriage they are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer where upon **Peleg Gifford**, and **William Sanford** are desired to take the nessary care and Enquiry into the said **Williams** clearness respect=ing marriage, as also his Conversation, and make report next Monthly meeting

*John Shep=  
=herd Ju<sup>r</sup>  
request*

**John Shepherd Ju<sup>r</sup>** being about to go to **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]** to make some

tarry there, desires this meetings concurrence therein, this meeting takeing it into consideration approves thereof, he having a right of membership among us: and the clerk is directed to give him a copy of this minute

Collected £1 – 8<sup>s</sup> – 8<sup>d</sup>

*Order on Treasurer*

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

*adjourned  
mett*

This meeting Adjorns to the 30<sup>th</sup> of this Instant after meeting for worship Meet by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1782

The Representatives being called; **Prince Potter** present, **Abraham Howland** not present for which some Excuse being rendered

*11 month  
1782*

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1782 The Representatives are **John Devol** and **Benjamin Rider** both present

*Jos Austin  
certificate*

This meeting Received a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of **South Kingstown [Perryville, Washington Co. RI]**, in behalf of **Joseph Austin**, Son of **Jeremiah Austin**, Signifying his right of Membership, and recommending to the care of this meeting; which is accepted

*On contraband  
Trade*

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

*James Johnson  
denial read*

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

*denials  
drawd*

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

*John Ho=w  
=lands den=i  
=al*

Whereas **John Howland** son of **John Howland** deceased having had his a right of Membership among us the people called Quakers But through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth and his own heart have so far deviated there from

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1782*

as to fall into the Sin of Fornication, which is evident by his Wives having a child soon after marriage, also married out of the unity of Friends: and friends having Treated with him in love in order to shew him the evil thereof, but not receiving any real Satisfaction; therefore friends are concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against him, the said **John Howland** hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly Sensible of his Transgression and be Restored to the way of Truth

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1782 by **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Jn<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*Allens  
Denial*

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

Given forth and Signed in, and on behalf of our Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** this 18<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1782 by **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

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

*Abraham Anthony's proposal of marriage* **Abraham Anthony** son of **Philip** deceased and **Latitia Smith** Daughter of **Benjamin Smith**, Informed this meeting, of their Intenti= =ons to take Each other in Marriage, said **Abraham** having produced a Certificate from **RhodIsland [Newport, Newport Co RI]** monthly meeting, Setting forth that he is a member of that meeting, and clear of marriage intanglement he also produced consent of parent in writeing; upon which they were desir'd to waite till next monthly meeting for their Answer

*Anne Gifford certificate* A Certificate was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk, in behalf of our frind **Anne Gifford**, Setting forth that she is a member in Unity with us, and that her publick Testimony is acceptable among us: Which was directed to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** monthly meeting, She being about to make a Visit within the Limmits of that meeting

*John Williams request advice* **John Williams** Informs that he hath thoughts of removing to **RhodIsland**, desireing Friends advice therein; whereupon we appoint **Caleb Russell**, **Benjamin Taber**, and **Caleb Greene** to advise with him therein, and Report to next monthly meeting

*adjon.d mett* This meeting adjorns to y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> of next month at y<sup>e</sup> close of meeting for woshipp mett by Adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1782  
The Representatives being called both present

Collected £1 – 11<sup>s</sup> – 3<sup>d</sup>

The Committee

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*11 month 1782 Ben Smith 3<sup>d</sup> denial sign'd* The Committee appointed in the case of **Benjamin Smith 3<sup>d</sup>** Reports they have had a conference with him but he giving them no Satisfaction; therefore they have produced a draft of a Testi= =mony of denial against him which was Sign'd by the Clerk who is desired to read it publickly at the End of a first day meeting for Worship and make report next montly meeting; and **Thomas Russell** is appointed to Inform him thereof and make report next monthly meeting – Said Testimony is as followeth

*Ben Smith denial* Wheras **Benjamin Smith** son of **Eleazer**, having had a right of membership among us the people called Quaker, but through unwatchfulness, and disregarding the Testimony of Tuth [Truth] in his own heart have so far deviated ~~there~~ from our Religious princiles

as to take an Oath in common Form, before a Majestrate, and much neglects the attendance of our Religious meeting, and friends Having Treated with him in love, in order to Shew him the Evil thereof: but not receiving any real Satisfaction, are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the Said **Benjamin Smith** hereby disowning from being a member of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly Sencible of his misconduct and be restored to the way of Truth: and by a Sencear acknowledgment return to the Unity of his Friends again

Given forth and Signed in and on behlf of our monthly meeting of Friends hld in **Dartmouth** by adjornment y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1782

By **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

**William Sanford** and **Peleg Gifford** report they have made the Necessary enquiry in regard to **William Barker Junior** and find nothin Sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage: Therefore

*Wm Barkers  
Answer*

**William Barker** and **Deborah Shearman** appeard for their Answer; Which was, they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in Some convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the friends that this meeting Shall appoint to oversee Same, who are our friends **William Sanford** and **Peleg Gifford**, and they to make report next monthly meeting

*George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>  
proposal  
of marriage*

**George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and **Mary Smith** (daughter of **Humphy**) declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage, and wear desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer And our Friends **Chilion Wood** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to Enquire into the young mans clearness in respect to marriage, and conversation, and make report next monthly meeting

*Rachel Weaver  
Receiv'd*

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

*Ben Shearman  
Bill*

**Benjamin Shearman** hath given in an accompt for carting Hay for this meeting amounting to the Sum 18 Shillings which is accepted, and the Treasuer is ordered to pay the Same, and make Report next monthly meeting

*12 month  
1782  
On contraband  
Trade*

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1782 The Representatives are **Stephen Buffinton** & **Seth Huddleston** both present

The Committee to make enquiry, if there are any of our Members acting or concern'd in any contraband Trade &c

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1782*

Report, That they have maide further enquiry and that further Care therein is necessary, they are therefore continu'd, and desir'd to have renewed attention to that matter and make report to next Monthly meeting

*Testimonies of  
denials read*

The Clerk Informs that the Testimonies of denials against **John Howland** son of **John** deceas'd, **Benjamin Allen** son of **Philip** deceas'd and **Benjamin Smith 3<sup>d</sup>**, have all been read as directed last monthly meeting

*Report on John  
Williams  
request*

The Friends appointed to advise with **John Williams**, on his intend =ed removal to **RhodIsland [Newport, Newport Co RI]**, Report that they had taken a Soled oppertunity with him, and after giving him such advice as appeared necessary

gave it as their Sense; That as he had made considerable Step towards a Removal by disposing part of his possessions before he asked friends advice he must now proceed as he could conveniently, with his ingage= and the Truth

*B Smith 3d  
not informed*

**Thomas Russell** Informs he hath not inform'd **Benjamin Smith 3<sup>d</sup>** of his denial, as directed, by reason said **Benjamin** was gone to Sea he is therefore desir'd to do the Same as soon as he has an oppertunyty and make report thereof

*W<sup>m</sup> Allens  
Certificate*

This meeting received, and excepted a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Nine=Partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]**, in behalf **William Allen** son of **Philip** deces<sup>d</sup> Signifying his right of membership, and that he is clear of marriage Engagements

*W<sup>m</sup> Barker married*

The Friends appointed to Oversee the marriage of **William Barker** and **Deborah Shearmans** report, that they attended said marriage and did not discover but that it was In a degree orderly Solmnized

*George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>  
proposal disap=  
=proved*

The friends appointed to inspect into the clearness of **George Smith** respecting marriage Report that things are not clear for such a prossodur [procedure?] according to the order establishe among us

*James Davis dismiss  
from Overseer*

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

*[A]braham  
Anthony  
Answer*

**Abraham Anthony** and **Latitia Smith** appearing for their Answer which was, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in Some convenient time before next monthly meeting, advising with the friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee the same who are **Jonathan Willbor** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>e</sup>** and they to make report next monthly meeting

*Abiel Gifford  
dismiss from  
Committee*

**Abiel Gifford** requesting to be dismissed from the Committee for dividing the preparitive meeting on account of other Servises this meeting taking the Same into consideration doth dismiss him from that Committee

*Treasurer's  
report*

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid **Benjamin Shearman 18** Shillings for carting Hay, as ordered last monthly meeting

Collected – £5 – 8<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup>

*Adjorned  
mett*

This meeting adjorns to y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Instant at y<sup>e</sup> conclusion of meeting of worship Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> 1782

The Representatives being called both prefect

*Committee on  
Account of Wills  
report*

The Committee appointed to call on Friends and excite them to a steady active compliance in making their Wills

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and that they find a great deficiency among us on that account  
The Committee is therefore continued in that Service; and to make  
Report to the monthly meeting next proceeding the Quarterly  
meeting in 4<sup>th</sup> month next

*Esther Potters  
Certificate*

A certificate in behalf of **Esther Potter** daughter of **Joshua Potter**  
directed to the monthly meeting of **Accoxset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**,  
Signifying her right  
of membership was Signed by the Clerk in concurrence with the  
Women friends

*Freeborn  
Riders  
Certificate*

Our Testimony concerning **Freeborn Rider** deceas'd, being returned  
to this meeting, by the Quarterly meeting, for a Small amendment  
the same was done and is again Sent up to the Quarterly meeting

*Sent to Quar=  
=terly meet  
ing*

The Queries were answer'd in this meeting, and an Epistle Sign'd by  
the Clerk, and ordered forward to our next Quarterly meeting by our  
Representatives, who are **Stephen Buffinton, William Mosher, Caleb  
Greene, Chilon Wood, and Joseph Tucker**, they to make report  
next monthly meeting

*Report  
concern=  
=ing John  
Potter*

The Friends appointed in the case of **John Potter** some time past to  
make inspection into his conduct &c. Now make report that they have  
Answer,d their appointment therein: and that he the said **John Potter**  
hath fallen into other misconduct particularly, in proceeding in mar=  
=riage out of the Unity of Friends, and his wife having a Child son [soon] after  
marriage, and they having Treated with him for his Said misconduct  
and he did not give them Satisfaction, therefore said Committee are conti=  
=nued in said Service and to treat further with him, and if her [he] do not  
give them Satisfaction to draw a paper of denial against him and bring  
it to next monthly meeting

*1 month  
1783*

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1783  
The Representatives are **Seth Huddleston & Stephen Gifford** both present

*on  
Contraband  
Trade*

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

*Ben Smith 3  
inform.d*

**Thomas Russell** informs he hath inform.d **Benjamin Smith 3<sup>d</sup>** of his  
Denial as desir'd last monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to oversee the marriage of **Abraham Anthony**  
and **Latitia Smith** reports that he with the other friend attended  
the marriage – and that it was in Some good degree orderly Solemniz.d

*Return from  
Quar meet  
=ing  
Epistles Rec<sup>d</sup>*

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

*1 month  
1783  
Committee to be  
appointed*

The Quarterly meeting directs in a copy of Said minute to appoint Some sutible friends to assist the Quarterly meetings Committee in assisting those who have held Slaves, as well as those that have been so held: We defer appointing then to next monthly meeting that the matter may be further considered

*John Potter  
case*

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

*John Williams  
request*

**John Williams** request a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting of **RhodIsland [Newport, Newport Co RI]** for himself and Children; Therefore this meeting appoints **Benjamin Taber** and **Seth Russell** to take the necessary care in that respect, and to Joine the women friends therein; and report their doings in said matter to next monthly meeting

*Stephen Barker  
request*

**Stephen Barker** Request a removal Certificate to the monthly meeting at **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** he being about to move there to dwell if friends concur therein: Therefore this meeting appoints **William Wood** **Stephen Buffinton** and **Barnabus Mosher Ju<sup>r</sup>** to draw a Cirtificate for him if on enquiry they find things clear and make report next monthly meeting

*Robert Nisbet  
visit*

Our Friend **Robert Nesbit** attended this meeting with his Certifi=  
=cate dated **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1782 read to Satisfaction and his Visit and Labours of Love of the Gospel were Satisfactory to us and a few Lines Endorsed on his Certificate Signifying the same

*Friend Anthony  
visit*

Our Friend **David Anthony** attended this meeting also in compa=  
=ny with our afore said friend, with a few lines from the said monthly meeting of **East Hoosuck**, which was read, and his Visit was to Satis=  
=faction and an Enorsment made Signifying the Same

*Adjourd  
mett*

This Meeting Adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> of this Instant at the close of meeting for Worship

Mett by Adjournment the 29<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> month 1783

*Complint against  
Abraham Gifford*

The Overseers inform that **Abraham Gifford** hath kept company somewhat in a private manner

and married with one out of the Unity of Friends and that they have Treated with him on that account but he did not give them any real Satisfaction: therefore, we appoint **Thomas Hicks** and **Chilion Wood** to labour with said **Abraham** and if he doth not give them Satisfaction, they are to draw a Testimony of Denial against him and bring to next monthly meeting; Or report accord=  
=ingly when ready

*The case of  
George Smith 2*

Whereas, upon the report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the clearness of **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** Respecting marriage it appear<sup>d</sup> things were not clear: and since which this meeting is inform,<sup>d</sup> he hath proceeding in marriage out of the Order of Friends: therefore this meeting appoints **Stephen Gifford** and **Nicholas Lapham** to



Inquire into the State of the matter, and Labour with him as they may see fit; and if they do not find Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of Denial against him: and they to make reports as soon as the nature of the case will admitt

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- 1 month  
1783  
Complaint  
against  
Caleb Gifford  
he disown,d* The overseers inform that **Caleb Gifford** hath kept company with a woman not of our Society, and married out of the Unity of Friends, after being precaused by said Overseers: therefore this meeting disowne the said **Caleb Gifford** as a member among us, and from under our care as a member of our meeting and **William Barker** is desired to inform him therefore and report to next monthly meeting
- miniute for  
Gideon  
Anthony* **Gideon Anthony** Informs this meeting that he proposes going to **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** and expect to tarry Some time there on a visit among his relation, with a prospect of doing Some business there, which this meeting concurs with, he being a member and the Clerk is desired to give him a ccopy of this minute
- Address meet  
from meet  
Sufferings* This meeting Received Seventeen Coppies of an address from the Meeting for Sufferings on the Subject of the Yearly meeting School one of which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction, and they are delivered to those friends who have the care of this meetings Both to be distributed a mounng friend as they may find proper
- account from  
Isaac Russel  
on Alice  
Smith* The Overseers of the Poor have render,d an account of agreement with **Isaac Russell** for keeping **Alice Smith** one of the por of the meeting for one year the amount being fifty Silver dollars, is directed by the meeting to be paid to the said **Isaac Russell** by the Treasurer whenever there is a Sufficiency in Stock for that purpose
- To Settle  
with Treasur=  
=er* We appoint **Samuel Smith Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** to Settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise this meetings minutes in order for their being placed on Record and make Report to next monthly meeting
- 2 month  
1783* At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1783 The Representatives are **John Devoal [Devol]** & **Benja<sup>n</sup> Taber** both present
- John Lawton  
Certificate* Received a Certificate from **RhodIsland [Newport, Newport Co RI]** mo meeting in behalf of **John Lawton** son of **Isaac** Signifying his residence in this monthly meeting and his being a member; and clear of marriage Ingagements Was read in this meeting to Satisfaction
- Contraband  
Trade* The Committee to make enquiry if there are any of our members acting or concerned in any contraband Trade, etc: Report, that they have attended somewhat to that matter and made further inquiry therein: Yet they are continued ~~there~~ in that Service and are desired to give more attention thereto, and make report to next monthly meeting

*Case of  
John Potter*

The friends appointed to have the care of the matter respecting **John Potter**'s misconduct, in marrying out of the Unity of friends etc desires the matter may be continued another month; it is accordingly defered under their care till next monthly meeting, and **Stephen Buffinton** is added to them they then to make reports

*Com<sup>tee</sup> on ac=  
count of  
Slaves*

According to the minute from the Quarterly meeting to appoint Some Suitable friends to assist their Committee in visiting those who have heretofore held Slaves among us, and those that have been so held we appoint **Thomas Hicks** and **William Mosher** for that Service and to make report to this meeting as soon as the Circumstance of the matter will admitt

*Stephen Bark  
certificate*

The friends appointed to take the nessesary care respecting a Re-  
moval Cirtificate for **Stephen Barker** Report that they have  
Taken

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*2 month  
1783*

Taken the necessary care therein and have presented a Certificate to this meeting, directed to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]** Signifying his right of membership and that his outward affairs was settled to to Satisfaction as far as appears; which was Signed by the Clerk

*Eben Bakers  
proposal of  
marriage*

**Ebenezer Baker** and **Susana Mosher** appeared in this meeting and declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage; and they were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer said **Ebenezer** having produced a Certificate from **Accoxset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]** monthly meeting

Signifying he was a member and clear of marriage engagements; and consent of parents in writeing. Collected 2 – 10 – 1

*adjourd  
mett*

This meeting Adjourns to the 11<sup>th</sup> hour to morrow  
Mett by Adjournment the 18<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1783

The Representatives being call,d are **John Devol** & **Benj<sup>a</sup> Taber** both present

*case of John  
Williams certificate*

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting a removal Certificate for **John Williams**, having not fully accomplished that matter, they are therefore continue<sup>d</sup> to have the care of the Same and report to next monthly meeting

*Abraham Giffords  
case*

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting **Abraham Gifford**,s misconduct in keeping company and marrying out of the Unity of Friends Report, that they have taken proper care therein and that it appears he is guilty of the sin of Fornication, from his wifes having a child Soon after marriage; Therefore the same friends are directed to draw a Testimony of denial against him the said **Abraham** and inform him thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

*George Smith 2  
case*

The Committee appointed to labour with **George Smith** on account of his disorderly marriage being called upon; inform that they had not accomplished the Same; and it appearing necessary that there be an addition to the Committee, we therefore appoint **William Anthony Junor** to assist said Committee, who are to Joine the Women friends therein and make report to next monthly meeting

*Caleb Gifford  
Informed*

**William Barker** reports he hath informed **Caleb Gifford** of his denial as directed last Monthly meeting

*Subscriptions to  
[?] forth*

It appearing that there are Several accounts due from this meeting to a much larger amount than there is money in Stock to discharge the Same Therefore our friends **Daniel Ricketson Seth Russell Thomas Mott Stephen Gifford** and **Jonathan Willbor** are appointed to apply to friends without delay and take in Subscriptions for that purpose and return the Sum so Collected to the Treasurer and make report of the Sum to next monthly meeting

*Treasury Settled  
State there of*

The Committee appointed to Settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise the meetings minutes in order for their being recorded, Report as followeth We the Subscribers have Settled accounts with the Treasurer this 9<sup>th</sup> day of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1783 and remains in stock 4£ – 4<sup>s</sup> – 9<sup>d</sup> Lawful money and the meetings debts (as by accounts allowed) are 14 – 5 – 0 **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>**

*report of Visitors*

The Committee appointed in the 6<sup>th</sup> month last to Joine the Women Friends to remove some defects among our youths and others respecting plainness and other defects; make report as followeth

To the Monthly meeting of Men & Women Friends to be held in **Dartmouth** The 20<sup>th</sup> of the first month of 1783

We your Committee of Men and women Friends appointed to unite in our indeavors to remove some defects among our youths and others respecting Plainness and other defects as Truth might open the way have Sollidly  
Considered

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*2 month  
1783  
Report of  
visitors*

Considered, and confer,d on that weighty work and service, and in that [?] which is in the bond of peace; way was opened for a general visit of our mem=  
=bers and therein we have endeavored to proceed and labour, and have in deep wadeings and heavy exercises under A sense of the many weaknesses and defects among us as a meeting which hinder the groth and spreading of the pure Seed of Life: and we have to remark with Sorrow, that it was [?] with Some few: to the almost forsakeing their assembling themselves together and that also a departure in some of the youths and others from that Simplicity Truth requires, and which leads to plainness in Conversation &c. if kept to would be as a call and invitation , not only to those among us but even to those that are without. There were however, some prospects which were encourageing, and even Some also among the youth with such we were nearly United, greatly desireing their growth and establish ment in the Truth: and that none may Sit down and be contented in a State of ‘ease’ and indiffrency, in a concern of the utmost importance, but all may come up more and more in a lively Zeal for the cause and Testimony of Truth

We have also to remark, that tho our Service was weighty and labourious yet our Visits Seemed generaly kindly recieved

And as divers [diverse] others who were not members often happened in families we visited Such we informed of our freedom to Sit with us if they were desirous (as was also the case of divers black people) in which we often felt the gathering Arme to be near; and a measure of that compulsive love extended which calls even from the high ways and hedges that his house may be filled

For further encouragement we may say that we had to experience that Unity still continued among us throughout the visiting, with that Peace and Satisfaction which is the Sure Reward of Obedience Tho' we had many provings and Trials, under an experience and Sense of our own weakness, and inability to performe any thing to the Honnour of the great Master, Or Satisfaction to ourselves, Without his emediate assistance

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Abiel Gifford</b> | <b>Martha Gifford</b> |
| <b>James Davis</b>   | <b>Sussana Smith</b>  |
| <b>Caleb Greene</b>  | <b>Joanna Gifford</b> |
|                      | <b>Martha Chase</b>   |

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

*On setting up Publications at our meeting house*

The increasing concern of this meeting on account of the disagreeableness of having Publications Sett up at our Meeting house which some times disturbs our meeting; reviveing on our minds: We appoint **Thomas Hicks, William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Stephen Buffinton** to apply to those who have and do Sett up those things so contrary to the tender Scruples of us therein, and inform them of the mind of this meeting on that account, and Report to next monthly meeting

*Concerning appointing Elders*

This Meeting is Inform'd from the Select meeting of Ministers and Elders that there is a want of an adition of Elders, and **Caleb Greene** being nominated for that Service: and this Meeting nominates a Committee to Joine the women friends, who have nominated **Mercy Slocum** to that Service Committees names are **Joseph Barker Benjamin Taber Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and **Caleb Russell**, they to Join the Elders in that matter and they to report to next monthly meeting

*Isaac Kellys Visit*

Our friend **Isaac Killey** attended this meeting with a Certificate from y<sup>e</sup> monthly meeting at **East Hoosuck [Adams, Berkshire Co MA]** held y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> month 1782

Setting forth their Unity with his accompanying **Robert Nesbit** on a Religious visit in those parts, whose visit and labour of love being Satisfactory to us, we having Endorsed thereon Setting forth the same

*month 1783[?] Intrad Trade*

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At the monthly meetng held in **Dartmouth** the 17<sup>th</sup> of 3rd month 1783 The Representatives are **Joseph Tucker Jur & Wm Gifford** both present The committee to make inquiry if there are any of our memebers acting or concerned in any contraband Trade & c. Report they have attended to and made further inquiry into that matter yet it appearing nessecery that friends have deligent attention to it there fore the said committee are continued in that Service, and to make report next monthly meeting

*[?] Potter*

The friends appointed to have the care of the matter respecting **John Potter** misconduct in marrying out the Unity of Friends & C Resport that they have had an oppertunity with him which was Somewhat Satisfactory yet they are continued in that services and further care of that matter

and to make report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of **Abraham Gifford**,s Denial and inform him thereof produced one as follows

*Abraham Gifford denial*

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

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 17th of 3rd mo 1783 and Signed by order and in behalf of said meeting By **Wm Anthony Jur Clerk** who is directed also to read the same publickly at the close of a first day meeting for worship between this and next monthly meeting and report thereto

*in Setting up Publication*

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

*In Deviding Preparitive Meeting*

The committee appointed some time past to consider the expendency of dividing our preparitive meeting, make the following report together with the minutes of Said committee; which was read in this meeting to satisfaction: and the appointing a Committee to Succeed those to Inspect further into these matters is refered to next monthly meeting

*Benj Gidly Minute*

**Benjamin Giddley** Informs that he proposes to go to **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** to make Some tarry there to do some hand labour this meeting concurring therewith he having a right of membership, the Clerk is desir'd to give him a Copy of his minutes

*Eben Baker answer*

**Ebenezer Baker** and **Susanna Mosher** appeared for their answer Which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage between this and next monthly meeting, they adviseing with the Friends this meeting shall appoint, who are **Jonathan Host Benjamin Rider** to see said marriage orderly Solemnized said friends to make report thereof next monthly meeing

*Chilion Wood request a Certificate*

**Chilion Wood** informed that he hath an intention of going to **East Hoosuck** and **Saratoga** to make Some Stay, desireing our concurrence: and Certificate, therefore this meeting appoints **William Barker & Stephen Buffinton** To

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find things clear and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting

Collected £2 – 1 – 9½

*adjourned  
mett* This meeting is adjourned to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant at the close of the meeting for Worship  
Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1783

*Clerk appointed=  
pointed* Representatives are **Joseph Tucker Jnr** and **William Gifford** both present  
The Clerk being absent by reason of Sickness **Caleb Greene** is appointed  
Clerk for this time

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

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

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

*Chilion Wood  
Certificate* The friends appointed in the case of **Chilion Wood**'s Certificate have presented a draft, which hath been read, approved and Signed by y<sup>e</sup> Clerk

*Susan Barker  
Certificate* The women friends informe that they have received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of **RhodIsland [Newport, Newport Co RI]**, for **Susanna Barker** wife of **John Barker**, which this meeting concurs with

*Alice Woods  
Case* The Women friends requesting our assistance in respect to answering a request to them from the womens monthly meeting of **RhodIsland [ Newport, Newport Co. RI]** concerning **Alice Wood**, therefore this meeting appoints **William Barker Joseph Barker** and **Caleb Russell** to Joyn the women therein and they to report to our next monthly meeting

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

*money Collected=  
lected* The Committee appointed to Collect money by Subscriptions report that they have Collected the Sum of Nine pounds foure Shillings £9-4-0 and delivered the Same to the Treasurer of this meeting

*4 month  
1783* At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1783  
The Representatives are **Thomas Mott** and **William Gifford** both present

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

*Abra<sup>m</sup> Gifford*    The Clerk responds hath the Testimony of denial against **Abraham Gifford** hath been read as directed last monthly meeting  
*denial*  
*read*

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*4 month*  
*1783*  
*Eben Baker*    The friends appointed to attend the marriage of **Ebenezer Baker** and **Susanna Mosher**, Report that they attended Said marriage; and that they did not discover but that it was orderly  
*married*    Solemnized

*John Potters*    The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respect=  
*Case*    ing **John Potter**,s misconduct in marrying out of the Unity of Friends &c: Report, that they have had another oppertunity with him in which he gave them some Satisfaction; yet they are continued in that Service for a further oppertuny with him and to make report to next monthly meeting

*Preparitive meeting*    The appointing a Committee to succeed thy former which reported last monthly meeting – to inspect into the Expediency of dividing our Preparitive meeting &c; is refered to next monthly meeting

*John Williams*    The friends appointed to have the care respecting **John William**'s Removal Cer=  
*Case*    =tificate, report that they have not accomplished the matter; they are therefore continued to have the care of it; and if they find things clear to accomplish the Same and report to next monthly meeting

*George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>*    The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** Report that they have taken some care therein but request the matter continued; it is accordingly defered under the Same friends care who are to report next monthly meeting

*Alice Woods*    The friends appointed to assist the Women friends in answering a  
*Case*    request from **RhodIsland [ Newport, Newport Co. RI]** monthly meeting concerning **Alice Wood**

Report they have attended to that matter, but have not accomplished it they are therefore continued in that Service & to report when Ready

*Return from*    The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all  
*Quarterly*    attended excep **Abiel Gifford**, who rendered a Sufficient Reason for  
*meeting*    for his not attending; also they produced an Epistle from said meet=  
=ing which was read to Satisfaction

*Report of Visitors*    The friends appointed to Joyn the Quarterly meeting Committee  
*on account of Slaves*    for Visiting those who have held Slaves: and those who have been so held, made report in writeing as follows; We the Committee appoint in the case of Slaves, have to report, that we Joined the Quarterly meetings Committee, and have Visited those who have held Slaves and those who have been held in Said State; and have Endeavoured In Love and tenderness to Impress their minds with a Sense of Religious duty, and laboured for a proper & Suitable Adjustment of the matter  
The 21<sup>st</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1783

**Thomas Hicks**

Said Report is accepted & said friends are dismissed **William Mosher**  
from that Service

*Weston Smiths*    The Oversears inform, that **Wesson Smith**, (after being precaussioned)  
*Case*    hath Sailed in an Armed Vessel or Letter of Marque, which took a Vessel by force of Armes: and has Since been laboured with on that account; but did not Seem in any disposition to give Friends Satisfaction and has now gone to Sea; therefore this meeting appoints **Benjamin Taber** and **Caleb Greene** to draw a Testimony of his denial and report to next

monthly meeting

*Freelove Gifford  
Certificate*

The Women friends inform that they have received a Certificate from **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co MA]**, in behalf of **Freelove Gifford** wife of **William Gifford** which this meeting concurs with

*Latitia Anthony  
Certificate*

In concurrence with the Women friends a removal Certificate was Signed by the Clerk in behalf of **Latitia Anthony** wife of **Abraham Anthony** directed to **RhodIsland** monthly meeting

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*4Month  
1783  
Complaint  
against  
Barker  
Little &  
Henry How-  
land Ju'*

The overseers inform that **Barker Little** hath removed in the compas of **Accoa-  
=set [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** monthly meeting, without Certificate or advice of Friends: and also that **Henry Howland** Son of **Henry** hath removed in the compass of the Same monthly meeting: without Certificates – and that both of them use profane and corrupt Language at times, and much neglect the attendance of our Religious meetings: Which said Overseers laboured with them for but they did not give them Satisfaction: We therefore appoint **Jonathan Hart, John Devaul [Devol]** and **Thomas Mott** to take a Solled oppertunity, and labour further with ~~with~~ Said **Barker** and **Henry** on them accounts; and if they or either of them do not give them Satisfac-  
tion to bring a Testimony or Testimonies of their denial, and inform them thereof & Report to next monthly meeting

*David Chase  
misconduct*

The Overseers inform that **David Chase** have countenanced and allowed the consumating a marriage in his house, contrary to the order of Friends and that they treated with him and he Justifies the Same therefore we appoint **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>, William Wood** and **William Mosher**, to Labour with him further on that account, and report to next monthly meeting

*minute for  
Seth Russell*

**Seth Russell** informs he intends a Journey to **New Jersey** on business if friends concur therewith; and this meeting concurring he being a member in Unity; & the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minuit

Collected £1 – 2 – 6

*Adjourns  
mett*

This meeting adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> of this instant at the close of meeting of worship Mett by adjournment the 30<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1783

The Representatives being called are **Thomas Mott & Caleb Barker** present

*advice from meeting  
of  
Suffrings  
on School*

The meeting for Sufferings having recommended a renewed engage=  
=ment to Friends to be in the way of their duty, in Subscribing for the establishing the yearly meetings Schools and in order therefore that the monthly meetings Should appoint Committees to take in Subscriptions the meeting for Sufferings having furnished us with Printed blanks for Subscriptions for them accordingly – Therefore we appoint **Joseph Tacker Ju  
Thomas Mott** and **Caleb Greene** for that purpose, who are to make Return to the Treasurer of the Yearly meetings School when they have accomplished receiving Subscriptions, and also make report to this



meeting of the Sum Total so Subscribed

*Ben Gifford  
Confession*

**Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning his keeping company with a young woman sometime disorderly & Resorting Some times at places unbecoming those under our profession And Several of the overseers who inform that they have treated with **Benjamin** thereon, who gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, and this meeting taking the Same into consideration doth accept of the Same for Satisfaction

*Lydia Devaul  
denied*

The Women friends inform that they have received a Letter from the monthly meeting of **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]**, Signifying they had taken the necessary ~~had taken the~~ necessary care respecting **Lydia Devaul**, formerly **Lydia Bowdish** and had denied her, which this meeting concurs with

*John Lawton  
Certificate  
Endorst*

A few Lines was Endorsed on **John Lawton** (son of **Isaac**) Certificate from **RhodIsland [Newport, Newport Co RI]**: and Signed by the Clerk Signifying his attending our meeting with his Certificate, and of his conduct being ~~orderly~~ in Some degree Orderly while among us he having returned to **RhodIsland**

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*5 Month  
1783  
[?] Potters  
Case*

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1783 The Representatives are **Jonathan Willbor** and **Prince Potter** both present

The Friends appointed to have the care of the matter respecting **John Potters** misconduct in marrying out of the Unity of friends &c report that they have attended to it, and that **John** gave them a degree of Satisfaction: But that there is some obstruction to the accomplish=  
=ing the matter, and in order that it may be removed desires it may be defered, it is accordingly defered under their care till next month=  
=ly meeting they then to make report

*[?] Preparative  
meeting*

The appointing a Committee to Succeed the former in the inspection of the expedency of dividind our preparitive meeting &c coming again consideration; is thought best to be omitted for the present

*John Williams Case*

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

*Bersheba Wood  
Received*

The Women friends Inform that they have admitted **Bershaba Wood** Wife of **Chilion Wood** into membership which this meeting concurs with

*[?] Smith 2<sup>d</sup>  
Case*

The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** report that they have not accomplished that matter and therefore desires it continued it is accordingly defered under their care, who are to report to next monthly meeting

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

*Weston Smith  
denial*

Whereas **Weston Smith** Son of **Levi Smith** deceased hath had his education among us the people called Quakers but hath so far departed from the religious and Peacable Principle which we profess as to Sail a Voiage in an

Armed Vessel or Letter of Marque which took a Vessel by force of Armes; previous to going Said Voiage he was precaused by Friends, and hath since been laboured with on that account. but did not Seem disposed to give friends Satisfaction; Therefore for the clearing Truth and Friends from Such unwarrantable conduct; we are concerned to give forth this as a publick Testimony against the same, hereby disowning the Said **Weston Smith** from having a right of membership among us the people afore said, untill it shall please God to favor him with a Sight and Sense of his Error, that he may return with Repentance unfeigned, which that he may is our desire

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of the Monthly meeting of the people afore said held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1783

By **Wm Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

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

*Barker little  
and Henry  
Howlands  
Case*

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

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Henry How=  
land Ju<sup>r</sup>  
denial*

Whereas **Henry Howland Ju<sup>r</sup>** Having had his education amongst Friends, but by unwatchfulness and disregarding the Principle of Truth in his own heart hath removed out of the Compass of our meeting without requesting our Certificate; also uses corrupt langu[age?] and much neglects the attendance <sup>^</sup>of our Religious meetings all which misconduct friends have laboured with him for, in order to convin[ce?] him of his Errors, but our Labours of love not having the desired effect to our Satisfaction: Therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the Said **Henry Howland**, disowning him from being a member of our Society. Nevertheless it is oure desire that he may have a Sight and Sense of his outgoings and return to the ways of Truth

Given forth and Signed by order and in behalf of our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 19<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> month 1783 By **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

Which was Signed by the Clerk who is directed to cause the Same to be red [read] at the close of a first day meeting between this and next monthly meeting and [sic] make report to the Same ~ and the Committee are continued to have the necessary care of that of **Barker Little** and report to monthly meeting

**Benjamin Gifford** and **Rhoda Potter** declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer ~ and **William Wood** and **William Mosher** are appointed

*Ben Giffords  
proposal  
of marriag*

to make Enquiry into the mans Clearness respecting marriage and conversation and report to next monthly meeting

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

*Gid<sup>ln?</sup> Sanfords*  
*minute* This meeting is inform'd that **Gideon Sanford** has gone to the **Nine=**  
**=partners** [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]  
to make Some Stay with a Friend there, and requests a few lines from this meeting Signifying his right of membership; this meeting concurring he having, he having [*sic*] a right of membership, and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this minute

6<sup>th</sup> month  
1783 Collected £1 - 0 - 5<sup>d</sup>

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1783  
The Representatives are **Peleg Gifford Jonathan Willbor [Wilbur]** and **Abiel Gifford**, Present - And **Caleb Russell** not present as he attends the yearly meeting

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

*Chilon Wood*  
*request a*  
*Certificate* **Ch'lion Wood** requesting (in writing) a removal certificate for himself and Children, to **Saratogua [Saratoga, Easton Washington Co. NY]** monthly meeting, as he is

*adjourned* now gone, and about to remove his family and Settle there. We therefore appoint our friends **Abraham Howland** and **Jonathan Willbor** to Joyn the Women friends and take the necessary and tim<sup>ly</sup> care of that matter and if they find things clear to draw a Certificate and bring to the adjournment of this meeting

*mett* The minutes of last monthly meeting not not [*sic*] being[?] present this meeting adjourns to the 23<sup>d</sup> instant, at the close of a meeting for Worship on Said day

The 23<sup>d</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month Mett by adjournment; The Representatives Being called, **Peleg Gifford, Jonathan Willbor, Abiel Gifford** and **Caleb Russell**, all present

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*[Weston?] Smith*  
*[denial?] read* The Clerk informs that the Testimonies of the denials of **Weston Smith** and **Henry Howland** (son of **Henry**) have been read as directed last monthly meeting

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

*Ben Giffords*  
*answer* The friends appointed to inspect into the Clearness of **Benjamin Giffords** clearness respecting marriage and conversation report that they find nothing to hinder his proceeding

**Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Rhoda Potter** appeared in this meeting

for their Answer which is they may proceed to take each other in marriage, at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting, adviseing with the friends this meeting appoints to See the marriag orderly Solemnized who are **William Mosher** and **William Wood** and they to make report to next monthly meeting

[?]annexing  
this meeting  
[to?]Sandwich  
Quarter

A Committe from the yearly meeting attended this meeting at this time, and among other advices advised that this meeting appoint a Solid Committee to confer with the yearly meetings Committee on the Subject of annexing this meeting to **Sadwich [Sandwich, Barnstable Co, MA]**

adjourns  
mett

Quarter which is Referred to next monthly meeting Collected £1 – 16<sup>s</sup> – 2<sup>d</sup>

**John Potters**  
Case

This meeting adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> Instant at the close of the meeting of Worship 25<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month Mett by adjournment ~ The Representatives are **Peleg Gifford, Jonathan Willbor, Caleb Russell** and **Abiel Gifford** all present

**George Smiths**  
Case

The friends who had the care of the matter respecting **John Potters** misconduct in marrying out of the unity of Friends report that it is not accomplished and desires y<sup>e</sup> matter defered another month; it is accordingly defer'd under the same friends care who are desired to accomplish the same before next monthly meeting and and [sic] make report to the Same

**Barker Little**  
Case

One of the Committee (the other not being presen[t] nor reasons sent for his absence) appointe<sup>d</sup> to have the care of the respecting **George Smith the Second** Report it is not accomplished therefore it is defered till next monthly meeting under the Same Friends care they then to make report

**David Chase**  
Case

The Friends appointed to have th[e] care, and treat with **Barker Little** on account of removing with a Certificate and other misconduct, report that they had an oppertunity with him, tho not fully to Satisfaction, as desired they are therefore continued to have the care of that matter, and make report to next monthly meeting

**Phebe Bowdish**  
denied

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

**Isaac Smith**  
bad conduct

The Women friends inform they have denied **Phebe Bowdish** daughter of **William Bowdish** which this meetin[g] concurs with

The Women friends inform they have admitted into membership **Mary Wood** wife of **Abraham Wood** which this meeting concurs with

The overseers inform that **Isaac Smith** son of **Gershem** hath sometimes resort =ed to places whare undue liberty is taken, Such as gameing, musick and Dancing, and Joining therein, and using profain and unbecomeing language, also keeps company with a young woman not of our Society, and much Neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings

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For which misconduct, and disorders the said Overseers have labou[red] with him for, but he did not Condemn the Same to Satisfaction; therefore

We appoint **Elijah Gifford** and **John Devaul [Daval]** to take a Solid oppertunity and treat with him further thereon, and report to next monthly meeting

*Abraham Wood request west*

**Abraham Wood** hath given in a paper to this meeting condeming his misconduct in preparing instruments for War; and request to come und[er?] Friends care; and he has now removed within compass of **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** monthly

*overseers of poor*

meeting; therefore we appoint **Benjamin Taber Caleb Green** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** to take the nessecery care of that matter; and prepare a drau[ght?] of the State of the Same to Send to that monthly meeting, and bring it to next monthly meeting

*on account of Elders*

The Overseers of the poor desires an addition to their number, therefore We appoint **Jonathan Hart** and **William Gifford** to that Service as an ad=dition to the former under appointment some time past, and they together are desired to attend to the Service as Truth may require

*Sent up to Quarly meeting*

The Committee to Joine the Elders; in <sup>respect of</sup> an additional choice of Elders make report, that they have had further attention, and ~~fur~~the Solid conference on the Subject, and that it is their united opinion, that the said choice be defered Some time longer ~ It is therefore continued under their care and Solid attention and to make report to our monthly meeting next pro=ceeding [sic] the Quarterly meeting in the 10<sup>th</sup> month next

*David Smith request a Coppy*

The Queries were read and answers thereto prepared, and an account to the Quarterly meeting also prepared and Signed by the Clerk which was sent up to said meeting by our friends **William Mosher, Caleb Green** and **Thom[as?] Mott** and **Abiel Gifford** who are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting

*Chilion Wood case*

**David Smith** formerly a member of this meeting, requesting a copy of the Testimony of his denial, this meeting taking the Same into consideration doth commit the [sic] to the care of our Representatives to request the advice of the Quarterly mee[t]ing therein Said Representatives to mak[e] report to next monthly meeting

*Concerning Posting up publications*

One of the friends appointed to have the care of **Chilion Woods** Certificate report that it is not accomplished, they are therefore continued in care of that matter and to accomplish the Same and report to next monthly meeting

*adjours mett*

The Committee appointed some time past to request of those who are in authority in the Town in respect of Posting up Publications at our meeting houses: having informed some of them thereof; and the Town having Sent a papper to this meeting, by the sa<sup>d</sup> Committee: which was read in this meeting, wherein they desired this meeting would give Some reasons for the objections: for their so posting up publications – this meeting taking the Same under consideration, do appoint our friends **Stephen Buffinton, Thomas Hicks, William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>, Samu[e]l Smith, Joseph Gifford, Giles Slocum Elijah Gifford, Jonathan Willbor, William Mosher, and Caleb Greene** to prepare a draught [draft] an answer to Said Towns request, and bring it to the adjurment [adjournment] of this meeting

*A draught prepar'd & Sent to the Town*

This meeting adjourns to the 4<sup>th</sup> of next month at the 9<sup>th</sup> hour in the morning Met by adjournment the 4<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> month 1783 The Representatives called are **Caleb Russell, Peleg Gifford, Abiel Gifford** and **Jonathan Willbor [Wilbur]** all present

The Committee appointed to prepar[e] a draught to the Selectmen &c [etc.] as an answer to their Request, prepared one and presented to this meeting which was Sighned [signed] by the Clerke and we appoint **Samuel Smith, Joseph Barke[r]** and **William Mosher**, to present the Same to the Town, and they to keep a coppy on file and report to next monthly meeting

[7?] month

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1783  
The Representatives are **Joseph Austin, William Wood** and **Timothy Howland** all present

[R?]eturn from  
[Qu]arterly met  
[ing]  
[Ep]istles: &c.  
Received

The Representatives appointed last monthly meeting to attend the Quarterly meeting Report, that they all attended, and produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting, together with extracts from the Last yearly meeting minutes: as also Transcrip[t]s of our last yearly meetings Epistle, and one from the yearly meeting of **London [England]** last

year, one from the y<sup>e</sup>arly meeting of **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** this year, and one from the yearly meeting held at **Westberry [N Hempsted Nassau Co. NY]** for **New York** ~ all which was read

in this meeting to Satisfaction

**John Williams**  
Case

And our Representatives to next Quarterly meeting are to give information to said meeting, of the Circumstances of recording the yearly meetings Extracts which are to be Recorded in our book of Discipline

The Friends appoin[t]ed to have the care of the matter Respecting **John Williams** Certificate, Report that it is not accomplish, as the obstructions thereto are not removed, and desire it continued, which is accordingly deferd under their care, and they are desire<sup>d</sup> to accomplish the Same and report to the adjour[n]ment of this meeting

on account of  
annexing this  
meeting to  
**Sandwich**  
Quarter

The Friends appointed to see the marriage of **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>f</sup>** and **Rhoda Potter** orderly Solemniz'd report that they attended said mar=  
=riage, and that it was as far as they discover'd orderly Solemniz'd

The appointing a Committee to confer with <sup>^</sup>that of the yearly meeting, on the Subject of annexing this meeting to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Quarter; coming again under

**George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>**  
Case

before this meeting; We appoint **William Mosher, Stephen Buffin<sup>^ton</sup>, Thomas Hicks, William Anthony Ju<sup>f</sup>, Benjamin Taber, Caleb Russell Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>f</sup>** and **Samuel Smith** to that Service who are to report when ready

**Barker Little**  
Case

Two of the Comittee (the other being absent) to have the care of the matter respecting **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** report that they have made some progress therein, but the Womens Committee request it continue<sup>d</sup> it is accordingly defered under the Same Friends care who are to report to next monthly meeting

**John Potter**

The friends appointed to Treat further with **Barker Little** respecting his removing without a Certificate and other misconduct report that they have had an oppertunity with him and that he gave them so much encouragement that they desire the matter continued another month, it is accordingly d[e]fer'd under their care till nex<sup>t</sup> monthly meeting they then to make report

**David Chase**

The friends appointed to take necessary care of the matter respecting **John Potters** misconduct in marring out of the unity of Friends and other miscon=  
=duct Report that they have laboured with him in order to convince him of error, but have not Received Satisfaction; therefore we disown the said **John Potter** from haveing a right of membership among us; and the Same friends are desired to draw a Testimon[y] of his denial and inform him thereof, and Report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to labour further with **David Chase** on account of his allowing the accomplishing a marriage in his house out of the order of Friends Report that they have laboured further with him in order to convi[n]ce him of his Error: but that he did not give them Satisfaction yet the matter is defered under the Same friends care

who are desired to labour with him, not only on that account, but on that of his neglecting the attendance of our Religious meetings and report to next monthly meeting

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1783  
Eunice Mars  
Certificate  
Sarah Wever  
Recived  
to give  
David Smit  
a copy  
Adjourned  
Mett  
Certificate  
for Chilion  
Wood  
Isaac  
Smith  
disown'd  
Respecting  
Abra Woods request  
John Williams  
Certificate  
David Smith  
To preserve  
meetings  
Epistles &  
papers  
Report of*

The Women friends inform they have Received a Certificate from **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** [in?] behalf **Eunice Marshel**, who lives in the compass of this meeting which Certifi[cate?] was read in this meeting to Satisfaction

The women Friends Inform, that they with the concura[n]ce of this meeting com[ply?] to admit **Sarah Weaver** into membership; which we concur with

This meeting concluds to give **David Smith** a copy of the Testimony of his denial and the Clerk is desir'd to give him a Copy thereof and report to the adjournment of this meeting

Collected £1 - - 0 - - 6 [1/2?]

This meeting adjourns to the firs[t] 4<sup>th</sup> day in next month at the close of the meeting for Worship

Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1783

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

The Friends appointed to have the care of a Removal Certificate for **Chil[ion?] Wood**, and his wife **Barsheba**, and their Children, who are **Charles** and **Ruth** to the monthly me[e]ting at **Sarratoga [Saratoga Easton Washington Co. NY]**, have produced one, Set[t]ing forth their being [*carryover line*] members, and in a degree of orderly lives and Conversations, which after some amendment was Signed by the Clerk

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

The Friends appointed to prepare a draught [draft] of a request to the monthly meeting of **Saratoga** respecting **Abraham Woods** reque<sup>t</sup> produced one; which after some amendment, was Signed by the Clerk who is desired to forward the same

A Removal Certificate in behalf of **John Williams**, and his Children **Obediah**, **Jonathan**, and **Nicholas** Signifying their being members, and that **Johns** outward affares was Settled to general Satisfaction directed to **Rhod[e] Island [Newport, Newport Co. RI]**

monthly meeting was Signed by the Clerk

The Clerk informes he hath given given [*sic*] **David Smith** a copy of the Testimony of his denial as directed

It appearing necessary to this meeting that all the former Epistles and Trans=  
=scrip[t]s of Epistles be collected, and they, as well as those which may come in future be preserved on File. We therefore appoint **Thomas Hicks**, **Jonathan Willbor [Wilbur]**

Com<sup>tee</sup> Sent  
to y<sup>e</sup> Town

**Elijah Gifford** and **Samuel** <sup>^Smith</sup> to take the necessary care of them; and also of all the papers respecting Schools; and where to be recorded, and make report when ready

Visitors  
apointed

The Friends appointed to present an answer to the Town, respecting our reasons of objecting publications being Set up at our meeting houses, Report they all attended and presented the Same in consequence of which the Town Voted that all publications Should be hereafter Set up elsew[h]ere

**Obediah Allen**  
Certificate  
Endorsed

The case of Some negligent members who have and do much neglect the at=  
=tendence of our Religious meetings, as well as other defects in them and others being renewedly noticd by the meeting, with desire for their Reformation and better attention to these important matters and to clear our Selves toward them as a meeting: therefore we do appoint our friends **Abiel Gifford, Thomas Hicks & James Davis**, to Joine the Women and Visit all Such, <sup>^neglect ones</sup> and others, as they may find freedom, and as Truth may open the way, and to labour in Love and tenderness to reclaim Such from such unwarrantable practices, and report when ready

[8?] month  
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Endorsment on the Certificate of **Obediah Allen**, and his wife **Phebe** were Signed by the Clerk; Setting forth their conduct, while their last abode here, ~~direct~~ directed to the monthly meeting of **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]**

[Ge?]org **Smith 2<sup>d</sup>**

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month 1783  
The Representatives being called are **John Devaul [Daval], Caleb Greene & Caleb Barker** all present

[B?]arker **Little**

The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** report that they have had Some furthe[r] care therein but have not accomplished the Same, and request it defer'd it is dfer'd accord=  
=ingly till next monthly meeting they then to make report

**John Potter**  
Testimony of  
denial

The Friends appointed to treat further with **Barker Little** respect=  
=ing his removing without a Certificate and other misconduct report that they have attended Somewhat to that matter, but have received no Satisfaction from **Barker**, yet the matter is deferred for their accom=  
=plishing as by former minute and to make report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to draw a Testimony of denial of **John Potter** and Inform him thereof Produced a draught [draft] as follows

Whereas **John Potter** son of **John Potter** late of **Dartmouth** deceased and **Margret** his wife, Having had a right of membership among Friends, but by departing from the Simplicity of truth, and the dictates therof in his own mind, have fallen into Several disorders, particulrly, whilst he was u<sup>n</sup>der Gaurdianship he absented himself from his Gaurdian, and fell into Loose company, and kept company with a young woman not of our Society, and fell into the Sin of Fornication, and contracted marriage with the said young woman, who had a child soon after said marriage And friends having laboured with him therefor, but not receiving satisfaction: Therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from the Imputation of such reproachful conduct this meeting is concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against the same hereby disown=  
=ing him the said **John Potter** from being a member of our Religious Society until by <sup>^an</sup> unfeigned repentance he shall be restored to the way of Truth

Given forth, and Signed in and behalf our monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** the 18<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> month 1783 ~

**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk for this day

which was read and with the concurrence of the womens meeting was Signed



*Isaac Smiths  
Testimony  
of denial*

by the Clerk who is directed to cause the Same to be read publicly at the close of a first day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting and report to the Same; The Same friends report that they informed **John** of his denial

The Friends appointed to draw a Testimony of the denial of **Isaac Smith** (son of **Gershem**) and inform him thereof report that they have accomp[li]shed the Same, said Testimon[y] is as follows

From our Monthly meeting held <sup>at</sup> **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1783 Whereas **Isaac Smith** (son of **Gershem Smith**) Having had his Education among Friends, but through unwatchfulness, hath so far departed from the Truth, and good order of Friends, as to Resort to a place where was Singing and Dancing, and Joined himself therein, and useing profain and unbecomeing Language, and neglects the attendance of our meetings: and also keeps company with a young woman not a member of our society; all which misconduct he hath been Laboured with for, and it not havin the desired effect; therefore Friends for the clearing of Truth, do give this forth as a publick Testimony against Such Conduct, and disown him from being a member any longer of our Society, Nevertheless it is our desire that he may be favoured to come to a Sight and sense of his outgoings and return to the way of Truth. Signed in and on behalf said meeting By  
**W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk this day

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Which with the concurence of the womens meeting was Signed in Each meet[ing?] by the Clerks, and the Clerk is desired to cause the same to be read publicly [at?] the close of a meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting, and report be mad<sup>e</sup> to the Same

*David Chase*

The Friends appoint to labour further with **David Chase** on account of his allowing the accomplishment of a marriage in his house out of the order of [friends?] and on account of neglecting the attendance of our Religous meetings Report that they have laboured further with him therefor but he gave them no Satis=  
=faction: <sup>therefore for</sup> the clearing of Truth, and Friends from such disorderly conduct We with the Concurrence of the womens meeting do disown the said **David Chase** from having any Right of membership among us: and **John Devaul [Davol]** is desired to informe him thereof and report to next monthly meeting

*Complint  
against  
Gilbert  
Russell*

The Overseers inform that **Gilbert Russell** is in the practice of keeping com=  
=pany with young woman not a member of our Society also appears in apparel far from that Simple plainness that becomes our profession for which they have lab[oured?] with him but have not received any Satisfaction, therefore we appoint **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup> Joseph Tucker Jun[i]or, and Josep[h] Austin**, to labour further with him on account of his misconduct, and report to next monthly meeting

*Report of  
School Com=  
=mittee*

The School Committee laid the following report before this meeting We of the Committee appointed to advise and assist in the Erecting friends Schools, and in the maintainance of the Rules <sup>orders</sup> established by friends for the Virtuous Education of the youth in Such Sc<sup>h</sup>ools, have now to report that we

have attended in some measure to that Service; But as these things are but new among us our progress herein hath been but small; Friends not all being fully acquainted, in every respect of the method proposed for the Establishing such Schools and some that are acquainted therewith do not Submit themselves thereto divers Schools having been set up without our advice or consent, and several School Teachers have been Implied [employed] by Friends, who are not members of our Society: Yet notwithstanding these painf[ul?] obstructions we hope and beleive as friends dwell under a Sense of the weight of this Excel=

lent work it will gradually go on from step to step<sup>l</sup> as Truth shall lead the way, and by degrees open our eyes to see more clearly the many advantages arising from a Reformation in this Important brach [branch?] of our Discipline We would therefore return this our Report to the monthly meeting, desireing to be dismissed from our appointment, that a new appointment may be made; all which is Submitted to your Consideration

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> month 1783

Which is refered to next monthly meeting

**Caleb Russell**

**Abiel Gifford Samuel Smith**

**Jonathan Wilbur Wm Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>**

For further consideration

*William Russell proposal of marriag*

**William Russell** (son of **Abr<sup>a</sup>ham** dece<sup>d</sup>) and **Hepzabah Mosher**, declared their Intentions of takeing each other in marriage, he having consent in writeing of his Parent: and they are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer and **Benjamin Chase** and **William Gifford** are appointed to make the necessary enquiry into the young mans clearness in respect to marriage and his conversation; and report to next monthly meeting

*money pro= cured for y<sup>e</sup> School*

The Committee to receive Subscriptions for the yearly meetings School report that they have procured the Subscription of £13-13-0 yet they are con=

*feed to be preserved*

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

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*[9?] month 1783*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1783 The Representatives are **Elijah Gifford John Devaul [Davol] & Benj<sup>a</sup> Taber** all present

*Ebenezer Chase Ju<sup>r</sup> Certificate*

Received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Swanzey [Somerset, Bristol Co, MA]**

in behalf of **Ebenezer Chase Ju<sup>r</sup>** Signifying he was a member of that meet=

ing, and that he had Settled his outward affairs to Satisfaction: and **Abial [Abiel?] Gifford, Benjamin Chase, and William Gifford** are appointed to Visit said **Ebenezer**, and inspect into his circumstances, and report when ready

*Gideon Anthony minute return<sup>d</sup>*

**Gideon Anthony** returned a ccopy of a minute of this meeting in the first month last, with an Endorsment thereon from **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]**

*Answer to Queries*

Signifying he appeared in a good degree of an orderly life and conversa=

tion and a diligent attender of meetings while there

*George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>*

Answers to the Queries were prepared and read in this meeting and some Sutiabie remarks made thereon

The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter respecting **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and wife report that they have had several oppertunities of Solid

*John Potter &  
Isaac Smiths  
denial been read  
David Chase in=  
formd  
Gilbart Russel  
denied*

conferences with them, and received some degree of Satisfaction yet the matter is defered under the same friend care for further proof of their Sincerity and they to report to nex[t] monthly meeting

The Clerk informs that the Testimonies of Denials of **John Potter** and **Isaac Smith** son of **Gershem** have been read as directed last mon<sup>ly</sup> meeting  
**John Devaul [Daval]** informs that he hath informed **David Chase** of his denial as directed last monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to treat further with **Gilbart [Gilbert?] Russell** on account of his keeping company with a young woman not a member of our Society and other misconduct Report that they have taken an oportunity of Solid conference with him; and he did not object against anything alleig'd [alleged?] against him by our minutes; nor Shew any disposition to Retract therefrom Therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from such disorderly conduct, we with the concurence of the womans meeting do disown the said **Gilbart [Gilbert?] Russell** from haveing any right of Membership among us and **Joseph Gifford** is appointed to inform him thereof, and report next monthly meeting

*W<sup>m</sup> Russell  
clearness*

The Friends appointed to make the necessary enquiry into the Clearness of **William Russell** (son of **Abraham**) respecting marriage and conversation Report that they had taken the necessary care an<sup>d</sup> that they find nothing Sufficent to hinder his proceeding in marriage

*W<sup>m</sup> Russells  
proposal of  
marriage*

**William Russell** and **Hepzabah Mosher** appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting, adviseing with the Friend this meeting shall appoint to see said marriage Solemniz'd Who are **Benjamin Chase** and **William Gifford**, and the[y] to report next monthly meeting

*Barker Littles  
Testimony  
of denial*

The Friends apointed to treat further with **Barker Little** respecting his misconduct, report that they have discharg'd themselves in that matter, and have provided <sup>a</sup> draught of a Testimony of his denial as follows

Whereas **Barker Little** having had his Education amongst Friends, but through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Prin=ciple of Truth in his own heart have much neglected the attenden<sup>ce</sup> of our Religious meetings, also uses profane language at times, and hath removed out of the Verge of this meeting without a Certificate or advice of Friends and friends having laboured with him

The said

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The Said **Barker** in order to convince him of his outgoings, But our Labours of Love not having the desired effect to Satisfaction therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said **Barker Little**, disowning him from being member of meeting, Nevertheless, it is our Sinclear desire that he may have a Sigh[t?] and Sence of his outgoings, and with unfeigned Repentance turn to the ways of Truth

Given forth and Signed <sup>in</sup> and <sup>by</sup> Order of <sup>our</sup> said meeting y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1783

By

which with the concurrence of the Women was Signed in each meeting by the Clerks; and the Clerk of this meeting is desir'd to cause the same to be read in the usual, the same friends informed **Barker** of his denial ~

*Ruth Sowl & daughters Certificate* A Removal Certificate for **Ruth Sowl** [**Sowle?**], and her daughters **Susanna Mary & Thankful**, directed to the monthly meeting of **Accoaksett** [**Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA**] Signifying their right

*Ephraim Mosher pro=* of membership; was Signed by the Clerk

*p<sup>o</sup>sal of-marriage* **Ephraim Mosher** and **Joanna Mosher** declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer: he having produced a Certificate from **Ninepartners** [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY] -he

*Adam Mott desires advice* Signifying his clearness respecting marriage

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

*To inspect y<sup>e</sup> rights of Joanna Mosher Children*

**Joanna Mosher** widdow being about to marry we app[o]int **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Thomas Russell** to inspect into the circumstances of her children that their rights by former marriages be not neglected; and report to next monthly meeting

*adjournd mett*

Collected £1 – 8<sup>s</sup> – – 9<sup>d</sup>

*appointing School Com<sup>tee</sup> refer<sup>d</sup>*

This meeting is adjournd to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of worship mett [erasure] by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1783 Representatives all present

The appointing a School Com<sup>m</sup>ittee coming again under consideration and is Refer'd to next monthly mee[t]ing by reason this meeting is so Small

*Jane Mosher & daughter under dealing*

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

*Concerning Elders*

The Committee appointed to inspect into the matter of chusing an addition of Elders, have reported their approbation of **Caleb Greene** and **Mercy Slocum** for that Service; Therefore this meeting doth approve of them, and do appoint <sup>^</sup>S<sup>d</sup> **Caleb Green** and **Mercy Slocum** to the place of Elders accordingly, having the Unity and concurrence of the womens meeting therein

*Representatives to Quar<sup>ly</sup> meeting*

We appoint our friends **Caleb Russel, Jonathan Wilbor, Abiel Gifford, Caleb Green, and Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** to attend our next Quarterly meeting, as Representatives, and present the answers to the Queries, and also the Epistle, which was Signed in this meeting and report next monthly meeting

*Complaint against Ben Gifford and wife*

The Overseers Inform that **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Rhoda** his Wife are guilty of the Sin of Fornication, as by their own Confesion

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Said Overseers hath Laboured with them therefor bu [but?] received no Satisfaction; and said **Benjamin** and wife hath absented themselves and cannot

reasonably be spoke with <sup>^</sup>therefore with the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown them the said **Benjamin** and <sup>wife</sup> **Rhoda** from membership among us; and **Samuel Smith** is appointed to draw <sup>^</sup> a Testimony of their denial and bring to nex monthly meeting, and inform them thereof in writing when way is open

*W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>  
atends a Jor=  
[ney?] to Hoosuck  
&c*

**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk of this meeting informs that he intends a Journey to **Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** and **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** to Visit his relations in them parts as also to attend the Quarterly meetings at **Oblong [ Pawling Dutchess Co. NY]** and **Ninepartners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** and this meeting concurring with the same, he being a member of this meeting & **Thomas Hicks** to give him a cobby of this minute and Sign the same in behalf of this meeting

*money to be raisd  
for yearly meet  
ing Stock*

It having been recommended by the yearly meeting that £150 be raised for the yearly meeting Stock: Therefore we appoint our friend **Gideon Howland, John Devaul, Joseph Austin** and **Elijah Gifford** to receive in Subscriptions made in freedom for that purpos[e], and they to make report as soon as they have discharg<sup>d</sup> themselves therein

*Joanna Mosher  
request a  
Certificate*

The Women friends inform that **Joanna Mosher** reque[s]t a removal Certificate to **Ninepartners**: and desires the assistance of men friends therein, therefore We appoint **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** to Join the Women, and take the necessary care therein and report to next monthly meeting At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> month 1783

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1783*

*Giden Sanfords  
minute returnd*

The Representatives being called are **Joseph Barker Benjamin Rider** and **Barnabus Russell**, all present

*George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>*

**Gideon Sanford** returned the cobby of a minute of this meeting in : 5<sup>th</sup> month last; with an Endorsment from **Creek [Stanford, Dutchess Co NY]** meeting Signifying he attended their monthly meeting to Satisfaction

*Rights of Joan=  
=na Mosher  
Settled*

The Committe appointed to have the care of that matt<sup>er</sup> respecting **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and wife, report that they have made some progress therein but desires it may be deferred another month, it is accord=  
=ingly deferred under the same friends care till next monthly meeting they then to make report

*Gilbart Russell  
inform<sup>d</sup> of  
denial*

The friends appointed to inspect into the Circumst<sup>ances</sup> of the Rights of **Joanna Mosher**s children, by former marriage, report that they have taken the necessary care therein and find thing Settled to mutual Satisfaction

*W<sup>m</sup> Russell  
married*

**Joseph Gifford** informs that he hath inform'd **Gilbert Russell** of his denial as directed last monthly meeting

*Barker Little  
denial read*

The Friends app[o]inted to see **William Russell** and **Hepzibah Mosher**s Marriage orderly Solemniz'd Report that the<sup>y</sup> attended thereto and did not find but that it was orderly Solemnized

*Report to  
Adam Motts  
request*

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

The friend appointed to have the care of the matter respecting **Adam Motts** request last monthly meeting, Report, that they have taken the necessary care therein, and gave Such advice as they tho<sup>ught</sup> best; yet they are continued in that Service of advice and care as they shall find necessary and report when Ready

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Case of **Jane  
Mosher**  
deferd

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women friends, in inspecting [?] and treating with **Jane Mosher** and her daughter **Delilah** Report that they have not accomplished the same and desire it deferd it is according [ly?] defer under the Same friends care and attention till next monthly meeting, they then to make Report

School Com<sup>tee</sup>  
appointed

The School Committee made Report in writing in the 8<sup>th</sup> month last and is Recorded in page 496 which is accepted and they dismissed from that Service : And we now appoint **Samuel Smith, Jonathan Wilbur William Gifford, Caleb Green, Joseph Austin, Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>** and **Thomas Mott**, a School Committee for the year ensuing who are to proceed in that appointment agreeable to the direction of the yearly me[eting?] [smudge] [any?] four of which Committee to Set as a Comm[i]ttee and not less

**Elisa: Little**  
Certificate  
& children

A Removal Certificates fo<sup>r</sup> **Elizabeth Little** wife of **Barker Little** and their Children ~ **Lydia Nathan, Charles, Rebeckah, Zerriah & Sylvester** and **Susannah Barker** wife of **Ebenezer Barker**; directed to the Monthly meeting at **Accoakset [Westport, MA]** Setting forth their being members In corrence [sic] with the womens meeting were Signed by the Clerk

**Rhoda Wing**  
Certificate

A Removal Certificate directed to the monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** in

**Ephraim  
Mosher**  
answer

behalf of **Rhoda** wife <sup>of</sup> **Ben<sup>n</sup>et Wing**, setting forth her being a member in concurrence with the women friends was Signed by the Clerk

**Ephraim Mosher** and **Joanna Mosher** appeared in this meeting for their Answer : Which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time, between this and next monthly meeting, advising with the friends this meeting shall appoint to see the marriage orderly Solemnized ~ who are **John Devaul [Davol]** a [and?] **Abiel Gifford**, and they are to make report to next monthly meeting

adjourned  
met

A few Lines was endorsed on the copy of a minute **Obediah Gifford** prod[uced?] from the **Crie<sup>e</sup>k [Creek]** monthly meeting Signifying he attended this meeting to Satisfacti<sup>on</sup>  
Collected £1 - - 9<sup>s</sup> - - 3 ½

**Caleb Green**  
Clerk

This meeting is adjourned to the 29<sup>th</sup> instant at the usual time of day 29<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> month, 1783 Mett by adjournment; The Representatives called are **Joseph Barker, Benjamin Rider, and Barnabus Russell** all present

The Clerk not being present haveing gone his intended Journey therefore **Caleb Greene** is appointed Clerk for this time

Return from  
Quarterly  
meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, report that they all attended that meeting, and produced an Epistle from the same, which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction; and their <sup>request</sup> to make some alter=  
=ation in the Womens apartment, in order to accomidate it for Holding the Quarterly meeting is refer'd to next monthly meeting

A Testimo=  
=ny of de[n]ial  
of **Ben Gifford**  
and wife

A Testimony of Den<sup>ial</sup> of **Benjamin Gifford** and wife **Rhoda** was prepared as Follows

Wh<sup>e</sup>reas **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Rhoda** his wife, Having stood as members of our Society, under the care of this meeting, but throug[h] in attention to the dictates Truth, they have fallen into the sin of Fornication as appears by their own Confession and friends having Laboured with em

them on that account in order for their restoration and recovery  
But it not having the desired effect, and instead there of the said  
**Benjamin** and **Rhoda** suddenly moved themselves away to a  
distant land where they could not conveniently be further Treated  
with on that account: Therefore this meeting being concerned for  
the clearing of Truth s Testimony herein, do disown them the  
Said **Benjamin Gifford** and **Rhoda** his wife from being members  
of our Society

until

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until by a Sencere Repentance and amendment of Life they may be  
restored to the way of Truth

Given forth, and Signed in and on behalf of our [*smudge*] monthly meeting  
of men and women friends held in **Dartmouth** by adjournment  
the 29<sup>th</sup> day of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1783 By ~ **Caleb Greene** Clerk this tim[e?]  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk this time

which was read and after some alteration was Signed by the Clerks  
of Each Meeting; and **Benjamin Chase** is desired to cause the same  
to be read in the usual manner at **Newtown [N Dartmouth, MA]** and report to next monthly  
meeting

*Chusing over  
seers refered*

The choice and appointment of Overseers for the year ensuing  
is proposed, as the time agreed on since last appointment is expired  
yet a new choice is deferred till next monthly meeting for further  
consideration

*Joanna Mosher  
Certificate  
defer<sup>d</sup>*

The Women Friends inform that the matter respecting **Joanna  
Mosher's** Certificate is deferred till next monthly under the friends  
care who was appointed therefor

*Giles Russell  
request ~~at~~  
advice*

**Giles Russell** request the advice friends respecting disposing or  
Selling his outward Estate, therefore we appoint **Elijah Gifford**,  
and **Nicholas Lapham**, and **Timothy Gifford** to advise him therein  
as way may open, and report when Ready

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At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1783

The Representatives are **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>**, **Joseph Austin**, and  
**Seth Huddleston**, being called are all present

*George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>*

The Clerk yet being absent **Caleb Greene** is appointed Clerk for  
this time

The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respect=  
=ing **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and wife Report, that they have had some  
encouragement of Satisfaction, yet desire the matter defer'd, it  
is accordingly defer'd till next monthly meeting under the same  
friends care they then to report

*Case of Jane  
Mosher and  
her daughter  
Delilah refer<sup>d</sup>*

The Committee in the case of **Jane Mosher** and her daughter  
**Delilah** not having accomplished the same, and request it  
continued, it is therefore continued till next monthly meeting  
under the care who are to report next monthly meeting

*Ephraim Mosher  
married*

The Friend to oversee the marriage of **Ephraim Mosher** and  
**Joanna Mosher** report that they attended the Same, and Saw  
nothing but that it was orderly Solemnized

*Respecting  
altering  
meeting house*

The matter respecting alteration of our meeting house for the  
better accommodating it for the Quarterly meeting as by their  
request; coming under consideration; We appoint **Peleg Gifford**

**Giles Slocum, Gideon Howland, Caleb Russell, James Tucker, John Tucker Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks, and Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** a

Committee to consider of said alteration, and accomedation and  
^what is necessary to be done therein; and report to next monthly meeting

*John Shepherd Ju  
minute re=  
=turnd*

**John Shepherd Ju<sup>r</sup>** having returned to this meeting with the  
Coppo of a minute of this meeting in the 10<sup>th</sup> month last year Indorsed  
by the monthly meeting of the **Oblong [ Pawling Dutchess Co. NY]**  
the 13<sup>th</sup> of last month, Signifying  
his orderly behaviour while among them which is accepted to Satisfaction

**Benjamin Chase** Reports that the Testimony of denial of **Benjamin Gifford Ju<sup>r</sup>** and his wife **Rhoda** had been read according to appoint=  
=ment

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*Overseers refer<sup>d</sup>*

The matter of Chuseing overseers, coming again under consideration  
is refered to next monthly

*Josiah Wood*

*acknow=*

*=ledgment*

**Josiah Wood** gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his mi[s?] conduct for which he was denied, therefore this meeting appoints **Elijah Gifford** and **Thomas Hicks** to have an oppertunity of Solid conference with him on that Subject in order to discover his Sincerity and to report next monthly meeting

*Joanna Mo=*

*sher*

*Certificate*

A Removal Certificate for **Joanna Mosher** directed to the monthly meeting at the **Ninepartners** [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY], Setting forth her being a member of our Society, and that she had Settled her outward affairs to Satis=  
=faction; was Signed in this meeting in concurence with the Women's meeting

*advice from*

*meeting for*

*Sufferings*

*of coppies*

*given*

Received the following advice from the meeting for Sufferings Viz  
It appearing necessary that some General advice be given respecting what coppies from our Records Such who have hearetofore been members of our Societ[y] may reasonably exspect to be furnished with ~ This meeting gives it as their Sence and Judgment, that it may be adviseable for any monthly meeting to direct their Clerks, on application of any Person heretofore, a member of our Society, or their Survice in friends relations, or others; to give coppies of their denials, marriage Certifi=  
=cates; of their Births and Deaths, of their Children and Friends, and of any other minute necessary for asserting their Rights on the Same reasonable Terms, as the like coppies are or would be grant<sup>ed</sup> to members of our Society

Coppo of a minute of the meeting for Sufferings held at **Dartmouth** the 6<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1783 Extxttracted by **Thomas Arnold** Clerk  
Which was read and accepted and is to the Satisfaction of this meeting

*Daniel &*

*Alice Wing*

*Certificate*

Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** in behalf of **Daniel Wing** a minor, living at **Peleg Slocum**'s, which is accepted: Also in behalf of **Alice Wing** a Girl, which



as she is placed out from among Friends; We return the care of her to them; which was Signified by an Endorsment returned on Said Certificate, which was Signed by the Clerk

*Abigail  
Briggs  
request*

The Women inform that **Abigail Briggs** hath requested to be admitted under Friends care; We therefore appoint **Jonathan Wilbur** and **Samuel Smith**, to Joine the women friends to take the necessary care therein, and make report to next monthly meeting

*Jethro Russell  
request*

**Jethro Russell** having requested at the Preparitive and this meeting to be admitted under friends care, we therefore appoint **William Wood** and **Seth Huddleston** to take a Solid oppertunity with him and family in order he may be rightly Initiated, and make Report to next monthly meeting

*Ruth Mott  
under  
dealing*

The Women Inform they have taken **Ruth Mott** under dealing for her misconduct, and have appointed a Comittee to treat with her, which this meeting concurs with; and appoints **William Gifford**, and **Stephen Buffinton** to Joine the women friends therein, and report to next monthly meeting

*order on  
Treasurer*

Collected £1 -- 16<sup>s</sup> -- 7 ½<sup>d</sup>  
Treasurer is ordered to pay to **Giles Slocum** One pound Ten Shillings for half a Load of Hay he Supplied this <sup>meeting</sup> with last, and report to this meeting

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid **Giles Slocum**, as ordered

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At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> month 1783 The Representatives from the Preparitive meeting are **Benjamin Taber**, **Thomas Mott** and **Stephen Gifford** all Present

*Queries approv'd*

The Queries were read and Answers thereto read and after Some amendment were approved by this meeting

*Overseers appoint*

The matter of Chusing Overseers coming again under consideration, We therefore appoint **Benjamin Taber**, **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** **Joseph Austin**, **Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>**, **Josep[h] Barker** and **Caleb Russell** to the place of Overseers for the year Ensuing and from that time <sup>till</sup> others shall be appointed in their Room; who are desired to attend to their own Gifts therein to see that the cause of Truth be keep to in the Several members of our meeting

*W<sup>m</sup> Giffords  
Certificate*

Received a Certificate on account of **William Gifford** (son of **Ephraim** deceased) Setting forth his clearness in regard to ~ marriage, and that he is a member of Society, directed to this meeting, from **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**; also he hath produced consent of his mother therefore

*W<sup>m</sup> Giffords  
proposal of  
marriage*

**William Gifford** and **Hannah Smith** declared their Intentions [of] taking Each other in marriage and were desired to wait till [sic] next monthly meeting for their Answer

*Gideon Anthony's  
minute*

**Gideon Anthony** Informed this meeting that he intends to go to **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** or **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** in order to make some Stay with which meeting doth concur he being a member hereof and the Clerk is desired [desired] to give him a copy of this minute

*W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>  
return from  
Hoosuck*

**William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** having returned from his Journey at **East**

*Report on altering meeting house* **Hoosuck and Saratoga**, produced a few lines from the monthly meeting there Setting forth his attendance with them to Satisfaction  
 The Committee appointed to alter or Repair our Meeting House make Report as follows  
 We the Committee appointed to alter or Repair our meeting house, and after meeting Several times, have agreed to move the Partition as far Eastward as the Great doore: and to have a passage out the Little Room up Stairs: And that the Same be Effectuated as Soon as may be; and also that the Womens Chamber be repaired to make it warm, and that the Roof be mended ~ Signed by direction of the Committee by  
 Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1783 **Samuel Smith**  
 Which is accepted, and in consequence thereof our Friends **Peleg Gifford, Philip Trafford, and William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** are [sic] appointed to See said meeting house altered and repaired accordingly and report next monthly meeting  
 Collected -- £1 - - 19<sup>s</sup> - - 3<sup>d</sup>  
*Com<sup>tee</sup> to alter meeting house* The Friends appointed <sup>to</sup> Collect money by way <sup>of</sup> Subscription have made Report, that they have Collected the sum of Collected £8 - - 13<sup>s</sup> - - 3<sup>d</sup> to Supply the yearly meeting Stock  
*money for yearly meeting Stock* This meeting adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this Instant, after meeting of Worsh<sup>ip</sup> Mett by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1783  
*adjourned Mett* The Representatives being called, are **Benjamin Taber Thomas Mott and Stephen Gifford** all present  
 The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter Respecting **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and wife Report that they have taken  
 Further

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*Jethro Russell* The Friends appointed to have the care of **Jethro Russells** request Report that they have visited him to some Satisfaction: yet Judge it best to defer the matter some time longer for futher Satisfaction It is accordingly defer'd under the same friends care till next monthly meeting, then to report  
*Jane Mosher & daughter* The Committee in the care of **Jane Mosher** and daughter **Delilah** desires the matter continued; it is accordingly defer'd till next ~~mon~~ monthly meeting, they then to Report  
*Josiah Wood* One of the Committee in the case of **Josiah Woods** Paper Con=  
 =demning his misconduct, for which he was denied, request that matter continued ~ it is accordingly defer<sup>d</sup> till next monthly meet[ing?]  
 The committee then to Report  
*Ruth Mott* The Friends appointed to Joine the Women friends, in treating with **Ruth Mott** ~ Report that the matter is not accomplished it is therefore continued under the same friends care till next monthly

meeting they then to make report

*Complaint  
against  
Francis  
Allen Ju<sup>r</sup>* The Overseers inform that **Francis Allen Jun[i]or** much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings: and hath attended a marriage out of the Unity of friends, and appears far from that plainness which we profess: for which defects, the said Overseers hath laboured with him, but he did not give them Satisfaction: therefore we appoint our Friends **William Barker** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** to labour further with him thereon, and make report to next monthly meeting

*Jonathan  
Tallman  
request* **Jonathan Tallman** requests by way Preparitive meetings to be ad=  
=mitted under our Our [*sic*] Care, We therefore appoint our Friends **Seth Hud=  
=dleston** and **Stephen Buffinton** to take a Solid oppertunity with said **Jonathan** in order to discover his motive therein and make report to next monthly meeting

*overseers  
of poor  
referd* The Choice of Overseers of poor (the year being expired since last choice) is refer<sup>d</sup>  
to next monthly meeting

*W<sup>m</sup> Russell  
disorder* Received a request and Information by some Friends appointed by **Saratoga [Easton  
Washington Co. NY]** monthly meetings of the 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> of last month; Signifying that **William  
Russell** removed from thence to **Dartmouth** without Certificate leaving his outward affairs unsettled to the Satisfaction of Friends: We therefore appoint **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>** & **Nicholas Lapham** to treat with said **William** there<sup>on</sup> and Report to next monthly meeting

*Sent to  
Quarterly  
meeting* An Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was prepared, and Signed by the Clerk, and directed to be forwarded by our Representatives, who are **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>**, **James Davis**, **Caleb Barker**, and **Joseph Austin**, and they to make report to next monthly meeting

*order on  
Treasurer  
for Noah  
Russell* The Committee to provide Hay for th[e] last Quarterly me<sup>c</sup>ting past; have brought **Noah Russell**'s account for one Tun the amount being ~~Twelve~~ Twelve Dollars which the Treasurer is directed to pay, when he hath money from the meeting and make report to this meeting

*To review  
minutes  
and Settle  
with Trea=  
=surey* **Samuel Smith**, **Jonnathan Wilbur Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>** and **George Smith** are appointed to review and Inspect this meetings minutes of the year past in order that they may be Recorded, and Settle accounts with the Treasurer, and make Report to next monthly meeting

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*[1<sup>st</sup>?] Month  
1784*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1784 The Representatives from the Preparitive meeting are **John Howland Joseph** <sup>^Barker</sup> and **Prince Potter**, all present.

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

*Alice Wood* This meeting in concurence with the Women friends, hath Signed an information to **RhodIsland [ Newport, Newport Co. RI]** monthly meeting respecting **Alice Wood**

*meeting house* informing them that we have made enquiry into her conversation and find nothing <sup>^Sufficient</sup> to hinder her being receiv'd into membership

The Friends appointed to repair the Meeting house: &c: [etc.] Report that

they have made some progress therein, but <sup>not</sup> accomplis[h]'d fully, they are therefore continued in said Service, and <sup>to</sup> report to next monthly meeting

*Georg Smith 2*  
*[&?] wife*

The friends appointed in the case of **George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>** and wife Report that they have had another opportunity of Solid conference with them, and that they gave them so much Satisfaction as that Friends may receive their acknowledgment; and this meeting Sol= [id?] weighing the matter and having the concurrence of Women friends, do conclude to accept of their said acknowledgment for Satisfaction Provided they cause Said paper of acknowledgment to be publickly Read at the Close of a first day worship, and they both present and return the Same to next monthly meeting

*Francis Allen*  
*Ju<sup>r</sup>*

The Committee appointed to Treat with **Francis Allen Ju<sup>r</sup>** Report that they treated with said offender, and that he gave them no Sa= =tisfaction; therefore this meeting doth Disown him the said **Francis Allen Ju<sup>r</sup>** from being any longer a member of our Society

*W<sup>m</sup> Gifford*  
*proposal*  
*Answer*

**William Gifford** and **Hannah Smith** appeared for their answer Which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in Some convenient tim[e] before next monthly meeting, adviseing with the friends that this meeting Shall appoint to oversee the same who are **Willam Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Jonathan Wilbur** and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

*Jon<sup>a</sup>than*  
*Talman*

The Friends appointed to have a conference with **Jonathan Talman [Tallman]**

*Benj<sup>a</sup> Gidley*

on his request Report, that they have had a Solid Satisfactory opportunity with him, and think he is in Some degree Sincere in his request

**Benjamin Gidley** having returned home hath produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]**, Setting forth his orderly conduct

*Joshua*  
*Maccomber*

while there, which is to our Satisfaction

*adjourned*  
*mett*

**Joshua Macumber** attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from the monthly meeting at **Saratoga** which was read to Satisfaction and an Indorsement wrote thereon Signifying the Same

Collected ~ ~ ~ £1 - -5<sup>s</sup> -- 9<sup>d</sup>

This meeting adjourns to y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting for worship

Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> month 1784

The Representatives being called are all present

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*1<sup>st</sup> Month*  
*1784*

**John Howland** is appointed to Inform **Francis Allen Ju** of his denial make report next monthly meeting

*Jonathan*  
*Talman*

The matter in regard to **Jonathan Talman [Tallman]** request coming again under consideration, and Solidly considering thereof, do conclude to grant his request, and do receive him into membership with us, We haveing the concurrence of women friends hearin [herein]

*Jethro*  
*Russell*

The Friends appointed to confer with **Jethro Russell** on his request to be taken under friends care, make Report, that they have had a Solid opportunity of Conference with him, which was in degree Satis

=factory, and this meeting taking it under consideration do accept of him into Membership with us having the womens concurrence herein ~

*Overseers  
of poor*

The matter of chusing Overseers of the poore is referd to the next Monthly meeting, and the former ones are contin[u]ed to that time

*W<sup>m</sup> Russell  
Saratoga*

The friends appointed in regard to ~~Sara~~ the request of **Saratog [Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]]** month

=ly meeting concerning **William Russell**, Report, they have Treat[ed?] with him for his mis conduct, and that he gave them some encourage=ment to endeavour to Satisfy friends at that meeting; but it is not yet don, therefore said Committee are Still continued to See that he doth perform according to encouragement given and to make Report when it Shall be done, or otherwise, when they shall think friends have waited a Sufficient time therefor ~

*Quarterly  
meeting*

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

*Jane Mosher  
& daugh  
=ter*

The Committee appointed (in conjunction with the womens meet=ing) in the case of **Jane Mosher** and her daughter **Delila [Delilah]** make Report, that they have had Several Solid oppertunities with them and that the said **Jane** gave them So much Satisfaction they think it may [be?] Safe to Let the matter drop in regard to her the said **Jane Mosher** but as to her daught<sup>er</sup> **Delila** She did not give them Satisfaction, ther=fore they have drafted a Testimonial against said **Delila** which hath been read, and the said report and denial hath been accepted [a?] accepted [*sic*], and said Testimony Signed by the Clerk who is directed to read the Same publickly at the close of a meeting of Worship on a first <sup>day</sup> and make report to next monthly meeting

*Receipt  
from year  
=ly meeting*

Our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting have produced a Rece[i]pt from the Yearly meetings Treasurer tha[t] he Rec<sup>d</sup> £8 – 13<sup>s</sup> – 3<sup>d</sup> to Supply the yearly meeting Stock

*Seats for  
Blacks*

This meeting being informed that the Black people that attended Our meeting for Worship have at sometimes <sup>not</sup> been <sup>^</sup>Sutiably provided with Seats Therefore this meeting appoints **Thomas Hicks John Devaul [Davol] Phlip [Philip] Trafford William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup> Caleb Russell Joseph Austin** and **Abiel Gifford** to inspect into that matter and provide Such Seats as they may think best and inform them thereof and make report when accomplished

*Revise  
minutes*

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

And

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And that ther[e] remained in Stock before the date hereof after all Orders are paid that are alowed the Sum of £9 -- 4 – 2 which Sum was then in Stock which was y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of first mo 1784 which was before our last Collection

*Phebe Lap=  
ham*

The women inform that **Phebe Lapham** keeps company with a man not of our Society, and request our assistance therein there

fore we appoint **Georg [George] Smith** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** for that purpose and they to report next monthly meeting

*Abraham  
Allen request*

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

*Deborah  
Howland*

The women request the assistance of this meeting in regard to **Deborah Howland** who hath removed within **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** monthly

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1784*

meeting without a Certificate therefore we appoint **John Devaul** and **Seth Huddlestone** for that purpose and to report their doing therein next monthly meeting

*Josiah Wood*

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16 of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1784

The Representatives from Preparitive meeting being called are

**Barnabus Russell Thomas Mott** and **Daniel Ricketson** all present

*Meeting house*

The Clerk informes that **Josiah Woods** paper hath been read as directed last monthly meeting and the paper returned to this meeting, and said **Josiah** receiv'd accordingly

*Georg Smith 2  
[&?] wife*

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

The Clerk informs that **George Smith 2** and wife may? have caused their paper of acknowl<sup>e</sup>dg<sup>[?]</sup>ments to be read as directed last monthly meeting, and the said **George Smith** and wife are readmitted into membership accordingly

*W<sup>m</sup> Gifford married*

*Francis  
Allen*

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

*Quarterly  
meetings  
advice*

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

The advices of the Quarterly meeting coming again under the consideration of this meeting, viz, the Treating weightily and tenderly which [with?] Such as may be in the practice of Sleeping in meet=  
ing, as also the tenderly advising those who pray unguardedly incline to the practice of dealing in Spiritous Licquor; and that dealing in them may be discouraged amoung Friends, Therefore mee[t] ing appoints **Abial Gifford, Caleb Greene, Thomas Hicks, William Gifford, Joseph Austin, Jonathan Wilbor, John Devaul** and **Seth Huddleston** to Treat with the former and advise the latter agreeable to the Quarterly meetings advice, and the mind of Truth therein; and make report from time to time as may be necessary

*Deborah  
Howland*

The friends appointed to asist the women in regard to **Deborah Howland** who hath removed within **Accoakset**

Monthly

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1784

Monthly meeting without a Certificate and too much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings, Report <sup>there on</sup> that they with the women have taken a Solid opportunity with her the said **Deborah** but that She did not give them any Satisfaction therefore this meeting doth concur with the women in disowning her

mary  
Wood  
Certifi=  
=cate

A Removal Certificate was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk on concuren [concurrence] of women friends, for **Mary Wood** wife of **Abraham Wood** directed to the monthly meeting at **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** signifying her right of membership

Chusing  
Clerk

The further advice of the Quarterly meeting respecting the chusing Clerks for our meeting Annually is refered to next monthly meeting

Overseers  
of poor

The choice of overseers of the poor being refered to this meeting **Gideon Howland, John Devaul, Caleb Barker Jonathan Wilbor, John Howland George Smith** and **William Gifford** are appointed for that Service the year Ensuing

Mary  
Bowdish

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

Adjorn<sup>d</sup>  
Mett

Collected — £1 – [smudge] 18<sup>s</sup> – 5<sup>d</sup> ~

This meeting adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting for worship Mett by adjournment the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1784

Delila  
Mosher

The Representatives being called were all present

The Clerk reports that the Testimony <sup>of</sup> denial of against **Delila [Delilah] Mosher** hath been read as directed last monthly meeting

Abraham  
Allen

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

Anna  
Marshal

The Women inform they have Received a removal Certificate for **Anna Marshall** from the monthly meeting of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** which this meeting concurs with

Dividing  
Prepariti  
=ve meeting

It is proposed wheither it may not be best to divide our Preparitive meeting into two distinkt Preparitives meetings, Therefore we appoint our friends **James Davis, Thomas Hicks, Abiel Gifford, Stephen Buffinton, Elijah Gifford** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>**, to Joine the Women friends and take that mat<sup>r</sup>er under Consideration; and if they think best to divid[e] said meeting they to prepare Boundris [Boundaries] between Said m<sup>e</sup>etings and report to next monthly meeting

Barnabas  
Russell

**Barnabas Russell** Informs this meeting that he hath thoughts of going to **Philadelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** on buisness, and request a minute from this meeting; We concurring with His request; He being a member of this meeting the

Bedford  
meeting  
House

Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minute

The friends at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** hand<sup>ed</sup> in a Petition for to hav<sup>e</sup> a meeting ho<sup>u</sup>se built

Phebe Lap  
[=ham]

there and friends taking the matter under consideration do appoint **Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup> William Gifford Peleg Gifford, Benj Smith 2 & Nichlas Lapham** to take that matter under consideration, & report their Sense & Judgment thereon next monthly meeting

The Comm<sup>tee</sup> appointed to assist the women in that matter respecting **Phebe Lap**

=ham desire it Refer'd and it is defer'd to next monthly meeting they then to report

Part of the Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed in the matter respecting **Ruth Mott** report they made some progress there<sup>n</sup> and Rec<sup>d</sup> no Satisfaction and She hath proceeded in marriage out of the unity of friends & the women inform they have disowned her the S<sup>d</sup> **Ruth Mott** which this meeting doth concur with

[3?] Month  
1784

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 3 month 1784

[repa?]ir meeting  
house

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

[Sam'?] **Gidley**

The friend<sup>s</sup> appointed to repair the meeting house report that they have proceeded Somewhat further therein, but not having accomplish'd the Same they are continued in that Service and report next monthly meeting

Two of the Overseers inform that **Samuel Gidley** hath proceed<sup>ed</sup> to keep company, and contract marriage with a woman not of our Society, after being precautioned and treated with on that account Therefore this meeting (with with [sic] the concure<sup>nce</sup> of the womens meeting) do disown him the said **Samuel Gidley** from being a member of our Society and **Josiah Wood** is desir'd to inform him thereof and to make report next monthly meeting ~

**Mary Bowdish**

The fr<sup>i</sup>ends appointed to Joine the women in Treating with **Mary Bowdish**, not having accomplis[h]ed it they are Still continued in said Service and to report next monthly meeting

**Abraham Allen**

The friend appointed to advise with **Abraham Allen** in regard to his disposing of his Estate, report that they have performed said Service and it was their advice for him so to dispose of his <sup>s</sup>d Estate if a suitable oppertunit[y] Should present which report is accepted by this meeting

**Bedford meet**  
[ing?] house

The friends appointed in the matter respecting the petition of **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** friends building a Meeting house thear make the follow=

Com<sup>tee</sup> rept  
[?] on

=ing Report; which is accepted by this meeting and this meeting doth conclude to refer it to our next Quarterly meeting for their a<sup>p</sup>probation and assistance if they may think proper

To the monthly meeting of **Dartmouth** to be held 15<sup>th</sup> of [?] <sup>th</sup> month 1784 according to appointment Some of us attended with a Committee from the Quarterly meeting Respecting friends request at **Bedford** to build a meeting house there: and after concluding <sup>upon</sup> house the bigness[?] of said house; to be 48 by 36 feet Computeing the cost of 400. We think propper for Friends to come to Subscriptions in order to accom= plish said matter

Meeting in  
**Allens neck**

**Joseph Howland Benjamin Smith Jur**  
**Giles Slocum W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
**Wm Gifford**

Collected ~~~ £1 - 5<sup>s</sup> - 11<sup>d</sup>~

Some friends in **Allens neck [S Dartmouth, MA]** and other Friends requesting the priviledge of one meeting or more in that neck; this meeting taking the Same under Consideration conclude with the womens <sup>meeting</sup> concurence to grant said request, and direct that one meeting for Worship be held at **Susanna Allens** in said **Allens neck** and that on the Sixth -day of this week to begin at the eleventh hour, and our friends **Elijah Gifford, Giles Slocum, and Thomas Hicks** are appointed to

Adjourn'd  
Mett



Clerk appoint  
[?jed]

attend and have the care thereof and report to next monthly meeting  
This meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for worship  
Met by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 3 month 1784  
The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are **William  
Barker Seth Russell and William Gifford** all present

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

**William ~**

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**William Anthony Junor** is therefore appointed to continue in that  
Service the years Ensuing.

**Phebe  
Lapham**

The friends appointed to assist the Women in respect to **Phebe  
Lapham** Report that it is not accomplished they are therefore con-  
=nued in that Service and to report next monthly meeting

**Rebecca  
Rotch**

The Women inform they have received a removal Certificate from  
**Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** monthly meeting in behalf of **Rebecca Rotch** which [this]  
meeting concur with

on dividing  
Prepari  
=tive  
meeting  
& boundar-  
ies

The Committee appointed to Join the Women friends, to consider  
matter of dividing the Preparative meeting into two distinct Prepar[-]  
tive[s?] meetings, and propose Boundaries between them Report as  
Follows— We the Committee of men and women Friends appointed  
by the Monthly meeting for considering the dividing the Preparative  
meeting, have Solidly considered and conferred on with Several  
other friends on that matter, and it is our Sense and Judgment  
that it is best it should be divided and called north & South preparative meeting and that Line  
of division be thus viz

Beginning at the Southeast corner of **Jonathan Tuckers** land on the  
**West Side** of **Clarks** or **Shearmans** Cove, from thence till it goes to  
the Southward of **John Howlands** house, including said house to  
the Northward of said line, from thence to the Southeast corner of  
**James Tuckers** homstead farm, from thence in a direct line to the  
brook called the half mile Brook where said brook [s appears crossed out] crosses the  
Road Northward of **Stephen Buffintons**, from thence to the South  
=east corner of the land formerly belonging to **James Shearman** on  
the West side of the Highway and from thence to the Southeast  
corner of **Zephaniah Eddys** land in **Accoakset [Acoaxet, Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** East  
line

**Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]**

3 mo 5th 1784

**Judith Russell      William Anthony Junor  
Mary Smith          Abiel Gifford  
Sarah Howland      James Davis  
Sarah Anthony      Stephen Buffinton**

*Report  
accepted  
Time &  
place  
fixed*

Which Report is accepted and with the concurrence of the Women said Preparitive meeting is divided accordingly, and the denomination of them approved of; and that the **South preparitive** meeting be held as usual at our **South** old meeting house in **Ponaganset** and the **North Preparitive** meeting be held on fifth day at **Newtown [N Dartmouth, MA]**, and at **Bedford** on Sixth day next proceeding our Monthly meeting, and the time for holding it at Each place be concluded by a Committee for that purpose who are **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup> Joseph Tucker Junor** and **Stephen Buffinton** they to Join the Women and to make report next monthly meeting and that first North Preparative meeting beheld at **Newtown** next month

*Hannah  
Tucker  
request*

And notwithstanding the boundaries are as above said, yet by the request of **Hannah Tucker** and her two daughters **Rebeckea** and **Joanna** they are to Preparitive members of the South Preparitive meeting

*To Qurly  
meeting*

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

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*[?] month  
1784*

At a Monthly meeting of Friends in **Dartmouth** ye 19<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1784 The Representatives being called were from the **South Preparitive** meeting **Elijah Gifford** and **Nicholas Lapham**, from the **North Preparitive** meeting **Caleb Russell** and **Seth Huddleston** all present

*[Ca]leb] Condon*

Received a removal Certificate on behalf of **Caleb Congdon** from the monthly meeting of **Providence [Providence Co. RI]** Setting forth his right of membership and that he is come to learn a Trade within the Compass of this meeting which this meeting accepts

*[?] meeting  
house*

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

*[?]Gidley*

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

*[R]eport from  
quarterly  
meeting*

Report was made of the Representatives all attended the Quarterly meeting except **Caleb Greene**, who sent a reasonable excuse which was accepted and they produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which was read and the contents thereof recommended to individles to observe; and as the Quarterly meeting hath Concluded upon the Sum of £5-16<sup>s</sup>-9<sup>d</sup> more from **Dartmouth** to Supply the yearly meeting Stock, therefore those friends that had the last Subscriptions for the Supply of the yearly meeting take said Subscriptions and endeavour to raise Said money by Friends Subscribing thereto again and they to report next monthly meeting **Joseph Austin** being dismissed by reason of his of his absence **John Howland** is aded in his room

*[Re]port of meeting  
[A]llens neck*

The friends appointed to have the care and Oversight of the meeting that was appointed in **Allens neck [S Dartmouth, MA]**, report, that they attended said meeting which was conducted orderly and pritty good Satisfaction which report the meeting accepts of

*Preparitive [m]eeting* The Committee appointed to consider of the holding of the North Preparitive meeting report that said meeting be held one half the time at **Newtown[N Dartmouth, MA]** : and the other half the time at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** which report this meeting accepts of

*Amie Proud Certificate* The Women friends inform they have received a remo=  
=val certificate from the monthly meeting of **Greenwich [E. Greenwich, Kent Co. RI]** on behalf of **Amie Proud**. Which meeting concurs with

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

*Bedford meet ing house* As the Quarterly meeting hath appointed a Committee to attend this meeting and Confer with us and friends at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** in request to Building a meeting house att **Bedford** therefore we appoint our friends **Joseph Howland Benjamin Smith 2 William Anthony Jur Giles Slocum and William Gifford** as a committee to Join the quarterly meetings

Committee

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Committee in that matter to consider on the bigness of said [?] and compute the Cost, and to Consider all other matters necess[ary] therein and make report when ready

*Giles Slocum  
Ju'*

Some of the Oversears inform by way of the Preparive meeting [?] **Giles Slocum Ju'** too much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings and appears at times far from that plainness in habbit [?] becomes our Profession – Also hath attened one mariage and the Entertainment of another, which marriages were out of the Unity of [?] Society and that they Laboured with him for the above offence[s?] but Received no Satisfaction therefore we appoint **Seth Huddleston William Barker and Thomas Mott** to Labour further with him for the above said offences and make report to the next monthly meeting

*Isaac  
Russell  
account*

The Oversears of the poor handed in an account from **Isaac Russell** for keeping **Alice Smith** Eleven months, together with her Funeral charges to the amount of £16 – s10 – d0 which this meeting approves of and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same when he is supply'd with mony and report to this meeting.

*Timothy  
Howland  
account*

The Oversears of the poor handed in an accmpt from **Timothy Howland**, for keeping **Hannah Barker** 13 weeks to the amount of £4 – [?] which this meeting accepts and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same when Supplied with money and report to this meeting

*Giles*

The Friends appointed some time [prep ?] to advise with **Giles Russell** respect[=?]

*Russell* =ing Selling his Interest, report, that they advised with him therein accord [=?]  
=ing to their ability, which report is accepted

Collected £1 – 13<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup>

*5 month*  
*1784*  
At a Monthly meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** 19<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
The Representatives from the **South Preparitve** meeting are **Peleg Gifford**  
and **Jonathan Willbor [Wilbor, Wilbour, Wilbur]**: from the **North Preparitive** meeting  
**Joseph**

**Austin** and **Seth Huddleston** all Present

*On our meet=*  
*ing house*  
The Committee appointed to repair the meeting house report that they  
have accomplished said buisness as far as appears nessesary at present

*Sam Gidley* **Josiah Wood** reports that he inform'd **Samuel Gidley** of his  
denial as ordered

*Giles Slo*  
*=cum Ju'*  
The friends appointed to Treat with **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** on account  
of his disorderly conduct, &c, Report that they have had a Solid  
oppertunity, and Labour'd with him but did not receive their desir[']d  
Satisfaction, but request that it may be continued for further Labour  
they are therefore continued in that Service to Treat further with him  
and to make report next monthly meeting —

*Barnabas*  
*B [illegible]*  
*[r?]=ssell*  
**Barnbas Russell** having returned from his Jorney to **Philidelphia [Philadelphia**  
**Philadelphia Co. PA]**  
have returned the Cobby of this meetings minute which was made for the  
Purpose, to Satisfaction

*Philip*  
*Allen*  
*Jos Hart*

**Philip Allen** And **Joseph Hart** hath given in each of them a paper confes [=?]  
=sing and condemning their being in the practice of Gameing therefore  
this meeting do appoint **Jonathan Willbore [Wilbor, Wilbour, Wilbur]**, **William Anthony**  
**Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
and **Caleb Barker**, to inspect into the matter and treat with  
them on that account and report next monthly meeting

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[5] month  
*1784*

*Mary Bowdish*  
*[di]sownd*  
The W<sup>o</sup>men friends inform that they have concluded to disown **Mary**  
**Bowdish [Bowditch]** wife of **William Bowdish [Bowditch]** with the concurence of this  
meeting, which we do concur therewith, and have Signed a Testimony  
of denial against her the Said **Mary**, Jointly with the women friends  
and the Clerk is directed to read the same publicly at the Close of  
a first day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting, and  
then to make report

*[N]at Gifford*  
*wife disownd*  
The Committe appointed some time past to Treat with **Natha=**  
**=niel Gifford** & wife report that they have had Several Solid Confer=  
=ences with them, but their Labore not having the desired effect  
but that they still continue much remiss in the due attendance of  
our meetings and Friends having waited long for their return  
and not finding in them that Satisfaction which we desire, do  
disown them from being members of our Societ[y], and **William**

**Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Jonathan Willbor [Wilbor, Wilbour, Wilbur]**, are appointed to draw a Testimo=  
=ny of denial against them and bring it to next monthly meeting, and also to inform them of their denial, and make report thereof to next monthly meeting

Collected £1 – 4<sup>s</sup> – 10<sup>d</sup>

[A]djourn'd

This meeting adjourns to the Second day of next month after the meeting for Worship

Mett

Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> day of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
The Representatives from the Preparitives meetings being called are all present

In Joining  
**Sandwich**  
Quarter

Most of the Committee of men and women friends appointed to consi=  
=der and confer with the yearly meetings Committee on annexing this meeting to **Sandwich [Barnstable Co. MA]** Quarter not having an oppertunity with said yearly meetings Committee, as they did not attend the meeting as Expected; yet our said Committee have given in the following report

Report of said  
Committee

We of the Committee appointed the monthly meeting of **Dartmouth** to consider of the matter[.?] in regarerd to our being set off to **Sandwich** Quarter, have mett and Solidly considered there up on, our minds being measurably disposed to act therein as best Wisdom shall direct – but we have not as yet discovered any prospect of any ad=  
=vantage either toward promoting the cause of Truth or General good in Society, Sufficent in our opinion to make the proposed Alteration.

Given forth by your Committee y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784

|                                             |                               |                         |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Stephen Buffinton</b>                    | <b>Caleb Russell</b>          | <b>Elisabeth Slocum</b> |
| <b>W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup></b> | <b>Benj<sup>a</sup> Taber</b> | <b>Mary Smith</b>       |
| <b>Jospeh Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup></b>         | <b>Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks</b>  | <b>Mercy Slocum</b>     |
|                                             | <b>Sam[?] Smith</b>           |                         |

which report is accepted & said Committee is directed to lay the same with a copy of this minute before said yearly meetings Committee & report to next monthly meeting

Money for  
yearly meet=  
=ing Stock

The Friends appointed to receive Subscriptions for the Supplying the yearly meeting [s?] Stock Report they have collected £5 – 10<sup>s</sup> – [11?]<sup>d</sup> and this meeting added thereto making the sum £5-s16-d9 as directed by the Quar=  
=terly meeting which is directed to be forwarded to the yearly meetings Treasurer by **John Howland** and to report next monthly meeting

Account for  
repareing  
meeting house

The friends that repaired the meeting house gave in their account of the same to the amount of three pounds Eleven Shillings which the Treasurer is directed to pay when Supplied with money

6 month  
1784 At a monthly meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
The Representatives from the **South Preparative** meeting are **Joseph** [Ta?] and **Nicholas Lapham**; from the **North Preparative** meeting **John De**[?] and **Benjamin Taber** all present

**Alice Wood**  
Certifi<sup>e</sup> The Women inform they have received a removal Certificate from **RhodIsland** [ Newport Co. RI] monthly meeting in behalf of **Alice Wood** which was

**Lydia Artez**  
Rec-  
**Samuel Hopkins** read to Satisfaction  
The Women also inform that they with the concurrence of this meeti[ng] have admitted **Lydia Artez** into Membership which this meeting units [?]  
Our Friend **Samuel Hopkins** attended this meeting with a Copy

**John Willis** of a Minute of a monthly meeting of **Philidelpia** [**Philadelphia Co. PA**], att the **Bark**[?] meeting house for Northen districks the 25<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784

**Tiddeman Hull** Also our Friend **John Willis** attended this meeting with his C[erti=] =ficate, dated at **Westbury** [**N Hempsted Nassau Co. NY**] on **Long Island** y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784

**Jos-Willits** Also our friend **Tiddeman Hull** attended this meeting with a Copy of a minute from **Creek** monthly meeting held at **Nine partners** [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY] the 21<sup>st</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784

**Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** Also our friend **Joseph Willits** [**Willis**?] attended this meeting a Companion to **John Willis** and produced a Copy of a minute of **Westbury** monthly meeting of the 26<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784

All which Certificates and minutes were read in this meeting to [Sa?]  
The friends appointed to Treat with **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** desires that matter defer[?]d another month for a further oppertunity with him it is accordingly deferd under the same friends care who are to repo[rt] next monthly meeting

**Philip Allen**  
**JosHart** The friends appointed to Inspect into the matter and treat with **Philip Allen** and **Joseph Harts** condemning their being their being in the practice of gameing with Cards report that they have taken a Solid oppertunity with the young men which was Somewhat Satis= =factory, yet the matter is continued under the Same Friends care in order to discover their Sincerity in condemning that practice and the friends to make report next monthly meeting

The Women inform they have concluded to disown **Mary Bowdish** [**Bowditch**] wife of **William Bowdish** [**Bowditch**] (with this meetings concurrence) which we do concur with, and Signed a Testimony of denial against her the said **Mary** Jointly with the women friends, and the Clerk is directed to read the Same publickly at the close of a first day meet= =ing for Worship before next monthly meeting and then to report  
The Clerk Informs s<sup>d</sup> Testimony hath been Read . is as Follows

**Mary Bowdi**  
=sh  
Tetimony  
of denial Whereas **Mary Bowdish** [**Bowditch**], wife of **William Bowdish** [**Bowditch**] having made profession <sup>with</sup> us, and under the care of this meeting but through unwatchfulness. hath so far departed from the principles Princi[=?] ples we profess, as to attend meetings held out of the Unity of Friends for which misconduct She hath been Laboured with in love, but our

Labour not having the desired Effect; therefore thinking ourselves  
Clear from any further Labour with her do disown her the said **Mary  
Bowdish [Bowditch]** from any right of membership with us, and from under  
the care of this meeting; Nevertheless hopein She may come to a  
sence of her outgoings and return to the way of peace

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** 17<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo  
1784

Signed in and on behalf of said meeting

By **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

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[6] month  
[1]1784

**George Smith** and wifes paper of Confession and acknowledgment not  
being recorded in the proper place it is Recorde here and is as  
Followeth

**George Smith 2**  
[an]d wife  
[ac]knowledg  
ment

To the Monthly meting of Friends next to be held at **Dartmouth**  
Beloved Friends

With concern and Sorrow of mind, we have to acquaint you that  
by departing from the dic[t?]ates and Testimony of Truth in our own  
minds, and giving way to the Temtation of the enemy have fall=  
=en into the reprachful Sin of Fornication as appears by our  
having a Child soon after marriage which occationed us to mar=  
=ry out of the Order of Truth: Now these are to Testify to Friends  
and publickly to declare to a~~ll~~ the world that we are Sencearly Sor=  
=ry for our <sup>so</sup>Transgression and do hereby condemn the Same desire=  
forgiveness from the Almighty against whose righteous Law  
we have sinned, taking the Shame and reproach to ourselves  
desireing hereby to [c]ear Friends and the Testimony they bear  
from the Same. and desire friends so far to pass by our offence  
that if the occation of the reprach hereby given shall be removed  
they would continue us under their care. desireing in future this  
Divine protection to be preserved from the Like Transgression

From you Friends ~~~  
Dated y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1783

**George Smith**  
**Mary Smith**

**Nat' Gifford**  
[a]nd wife  
  
Their testi  
mony of denial

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of denial of **Nathaniel  
Gifford** and wife and inform they thereof report that they have  
given them a Cobby of the minute of their denial and produced a  
Testimony as follows

Whereas **Nathaniel Gifford** and **Mehitable** his wife having  
had a Birthright amongst Friends and under[?] the care of this  
Meeting, but by ~~departing~~ not adhering to the dictates of Truth in  
their own hearts, and giving way To the Temtations of the Enemy  
hath fallen into the reproachful sin of Fornication as appears by  
their haveing a Child soon after marriage also they appearing  
Slack in attending Rel'igious meetings, altho Friends bestowing  
much Labour in love to convince them of the Evil thereof, and  
the Incumbent duty of attending Religious meetings but our  
Labours not haveing the desired Effect to friend Satisfaction  
and they remaining much remiss in attending meetings; therefore

we are concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against such conduct, hereby disowning them the said **Nathaniel Gifford** and **Mehitable** his wife from being in membership with us; yet that they may come to a Sight and Sence of their outgoings and return to the way of truth is our Sencear desire

Given forth and Signed in on behalf of our monthly meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth** this 21<sup>st</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1784

By **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

Which is to Satisfaction, and Signed by the Clerk who is desir'd to cause the Same to be read at the Close of a first day meeting before next monthly me<sup>e</sup>ting, and report to the Same

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**516**

*6 month  
1784  
yearly meet  
ing Com<sup>tee</sup>  
Informed  
Receipt  
from year  
=ly meeting  
  
Queries &  
answers to  
be compild*

The Committee appointed to Confer with[e?] the yearly meetings Committee and lay a Copy of a minute of this meeting before the[m] Report that they accomplished the Same

**John Howland** produced a Rece[i]pt from the Yearly meeting Treasurer for five pounds Sixteen Shillings and nine pence on account of this meeting for the Yearly mee[t]ings Stock

The Queries with answers to them from the Preparitive meetings were read in this meeting, and our friends **Abiel Gifford Samuel Smit[h]** **Jonathan Willbor [Wilbur]** and **William Gifford** are appointed to Comp[?] Said answers. into general ones from this meeting to the Quarterly meeting, and prepare an account to the Quarterly meeting, and and bring to the adjournment of this meeting

Collected £2 – 1<sup>s</sup> – 5<sup>d</sup>

[two words erased]

*adjourn<sup>d</sup>* This meeting is adjourn'd to the 2<sup>d</sup> day of next month at the close of the meeting for Worship

*mett* Mett by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> month 1784

The Representatives being called are all present

*answers  
compild  
Sent to  
Quarterly  
meeting* The friends appointed to compile the answers to the Queries have accomplished said buisness, and this meeting approving of the general Answers, also have Signed an Epistle to the Quarter[ly] meeting all which are forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **James Davis Caleb Greene** and<sup>d</sup>

**Joseph Austin** and they to report next monthly meeting

*Abigail  
Briggs  
Rec<sup>d</sup>* The women inform they have admitted **Abigail Briggs** wife of **D[?]** **Briggs** into membership which this meeting concurs with

*John Tuck  
ers bill* **John Tucker** handed in a bill to the amount of £2 – 8<sup>s</sup> – 0<sup>d</sup> for one Tun of hay for the use of the Quarterly meeting 1782 which this meeting approves of and the Treasurer is directed to pay the Same when Supplied with money

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> month 1784



7 month  
1784 The Representatives from the **South Preparitive** meeting are **William Barker** and **Stephen Russell**: from the **North Preparitive** meeting **Joseph Austin** and **John Devaul [Daval]**, all present

[Hudgh]  
**Hugh Judge** Our Friend **Hugh Judge** attended this meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of **Wilmington [Wilmington]** in the **County of New Castle** upon **Deleware [Delaware]** dated y<sup>e</sup> [of *erased*] 17<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> month 1784

**Joseph Tatnal** Also our Friend **Joseph Tatnale** attended this meeting meeting [*sic*] as a Companion to the above mentioned friend having the concur=  
=rence of said monthly meeting at **Wilminton [Wilmington]** as expressed in said Certificate whose company and Certificate were to Satisfaction

**Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** The friends appointed to treat with **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** report that they have had further oppertunity with him and he request the matter may be continued another month, it is accordingly con=  
=tinued under the Same friends care who are to report to next monthly meeting

**Jos Hart Philip Allen** The friend appointed to Treat and discover the Sencerity of **Philip Allen** and **Joseph hart** in their condemning their misconduct  
Report

## 517

[7<sup>th</sup>?] month  
1784 Report they have taken a further oppertunity with the young men which was some what Satisfactory, yet the matter is defered under those and **William Gifford** and **Elijah Gifford** who ar<sup>e</sup> desired to make a more Conclusionary report to next monthly meeting.

**Nat Gifford & [wifes] denial [not] read** The Clerk informs that the Testimony of denial of **Nathani =el Gifford** and wife has not yet been read as directed he is there desired to cause the Same to be read as heretofore directed and make report to Next monthly meeting

**Gideon Anthony** **Gideon Anthony** returned a Copsy of a minute of this meet=  
=ing in 15<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month last with a few line endorssed there =on from **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** monthly meeting Signifying he made Some

[Re]port from [Qu]arterly [m]eeting Stay and Stidily attended meetings there  
The Friends appointed ~ Report they all attended the Quarterly meeting, and prod[u]ced an Epistle therefrom and Transcripts of the following ~ One from **London [England]** last year; One from **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]** last year;& One from **Westbury [N Hempsted Nassau Co. NY]** on **Long Island** this

Report of Visitors year; and that from the Yearly meeting this year, together with the Extracts from the minutes from Said yearly meeting all which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction

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

We your Co<sup>m</sup>mittee appointed to unite in labour in order to Stir up those who are neglegent in the attendance of our Religious meet=  
to a Solid consideration of the dangerous Situation they are in,

that So an amendment herein may be discovered to our Satisfaction and Comfort. ~ We have vis<sup>i</sup>ted divers families, and in the ability we~~k~~ received have endeavour to discharge our Selves in which we find peace and Satisfaction And hope it may prove useful to those visited. ~ from your friends **Thomas Hicks**

[T]heodate Jonson

To the Monthly meeting to be **Martha Gifford** **Abiel Gifford**  
=held in **Dartmouth** by ad= **Sarah Gifford** **James Davis**  
Journment – 2<sup>d</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1784 **Joanna Gifford**

[E]pistle refer'd

A certificate was Signed by the Clerk directed to the Monthly meeting of **Rhod[e] Island [Newport, Newport Co. RI]** in behalf of **Theodate Jonson [Johnson]** daughter of **James Johnson** and **Elisabeth** his wife, Signifying she is placed to to live with a friend there; That she was a member of our Society

Benj<sup>e</sup> Ricketson

The Epistle from the Quarterly meeting being againe read and weighty advices therein noticed; yet a furthe<sup>r</sup> consideration there=  
=of is refer'd to next monthly meeting .

The overseers inform by way of the Preparitive meeting that **Benjamin Ricketson** have attended a marriag or at an entertain=  
=ment for a marriage, that was held out of the Unity of Friends for which the said Overseers Laboured with him but receiv'd no Satisfaction, w[h]ere upon we appoint **Peleg Gifford** <sup>^John Howland</sup> and **Stephen Buffinton** to labour further with said **Benj<sup>a</sup>** and report to next monthly meeting

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## 518

7 month  
1784  
Jonathan  
Slocum

**Jonathan Slocum** gave in a paper condemning his misconduct for which he was disowned, therefore **Elijah Gifford** and and [sic] **Timothy Howland** are appointed to take a Solid oppertunity with said in order to discover his Sencerity, and make report to next monthly meeting

Collected £1 – 6<sup>s</sup> – 1<sup>d</sup>

money paid  
for Book

Out of which the Treasurer has paid **Caleb Green** 13 – 6  
For a Blank Book for Records by direction of this meeting ~

8 month  
1784

At a Monthly Meeting of Fr<sup>i</sup>ends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
The Representatives from the <sup>South</sup> **Preparit[i]ve** meeting are **Stephen Buffinton**  
~~Jonathan~~ **Jonathan<sup>Jr</sup> Caleb Barker**: from the **North Preparitive** meeting are  
**Caleb Greene** and **Jonathan Hart** all Present

Nat<sup>d</sup> Gifford  
request

**Nathaniel Gifford** requests a Copsy of the Testamony of his denia[1]  
which the Clerk is directed to furnish him with and make report [to]  
next monthly meeting

Deb Potter  
Rece<sup>d</sup>

The Women inform they have concluded to accept of **Deborah Potters** paper condemning her misconduct provided She chusethe it to be read publickly in the usual manner which this mee[t]ing concur wi[th]

Ruth Bow=  
=dish

**Ruth Bowdish [Bowditch]** hath returned her Certificate with an Endorsme[nt]

from **Oblong [Pawling, Dutchess Co NY]** Monthly meeting Signifying She had attended with it [*carryover from prior line*]

*Giles Slocum  
Ju'*

The friends appointed in the case of **Giles Slocum Ju'** desires the matter continued another month, it is therefore continued under the same friends care then to report to next monthly meeting

*Nat' Gif=  
ford deni=  
=al read*

The Clerk informs that the Testimon<sup>y</sup> of denial of **Nathanial Gifford** and wife, hath been read as directed

*Ben Rick=  
=etson*

The friend appointed to treat with **Benjamin Ricketson** repor[t] that they had an oppertunity with him which was in degree Satisfac[=] =tory and said **Benj<sup>a</sup>** gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his misconduct in attending an Entertainment for a marriage out of the unity of friends which is excepted [accepted?] for Satisfaction

*Jonathan  
Slocum*

The friends appointed report they having taken a Solid oppertun[ity] with **Jonathan Slocum** which was in degree Satisfactory; yet the matter is defer'd under the same friends care to next monthly meeting they then to make report

*advice from  
Quarterly  
meeting*

The weighty advice from the Quarterly meeting by Epistle being again Considered is recommended to the Solid attention and practice observence of Friends accordingly

*Philip Allen  
Jos Hart*

The friends appoin[t]ed in the case of **Philip Allen** and **Joseph Hart** desires the matter defer'd another month, it is accordingly continued under the Same friends care till next monthly meeting they then to make report

*Jonathan  
Tucker  
disorder*

The Overseers inform that **Jonathan Tucker** hath so far departed from the Principles of Truth as to utter or diliver Some vile and profane expres[=] =sions, for which he hath been with but did not condemn it to Satisfaction therefore we appoint **John Howland William Wood John Devaul [Davol]** and **William Gifford** to take a Solid oppertunity with said **Jonathan** intreating with him for that and other misconduct and Report to next monthly meeting

## 519

*[8<sup>th</sup>?] month  
[1]784*

**Caleb Greene** informs this meeting he intends a Journey to **Ninepart =ners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]**, and as far as **East Hoosuck [Adams Berkshire Co. MA]** in order to Settle Some buisness and [*carryover line*] to Visit his relations and expects to visit Some meetings of friends and desires our concurence with a few lines Signif[y]ing the Same we therefore approve of his proceeding he being a friend in unity and an Elder, and the Clerk is desired to Vest him with a Cobby of this minute

*[Ca]leb Green  
and a Jour  
[n]ey*

*[A]braham  
Russell*

**Abraham Russell** gave in a paper condemning his misconduct in Joining in an Entertainment for a marriage out of the order of friends we therefor appoint **David Shepher [Shepherd]** and **Jonathan Hart** to take a Solid oppertunity with him <sup>in order</sup> to discover his Sencerity therein and report to next monthly meeting

Collected £1 – 9<sup>s</sup> – 7½<sup>d</sup>

*Thomas Russell*

**Thomas Russell** presented an ac<sup>c</sup>ompt against this meeting  $\frac{1}{1} - 2 \frac{1}{2}$  for Schooling some poor children of this meeting  $1 - 10 - 10$  amounting to £ 0[?] – 11<sup>s</sup> – 4<sup>d</sup> which the Treasurer is directed to pay

[9<sup>th</sup>] month when in Stock

1784

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1784

The Representatives from the **South Preparitive** meeting are

**William Barker** and **Jonathan Willbore** [Wilbur] from the **North Preparitive**

[St]ephen **Barker**

meeting are **David Shepherd** and **Benjamin Chase** all present

[Ce]rtificate

Received

Received a Removal Certificate from **Sandwich** [Barnstable Co. MA] Monthly meet=

=ing recomending **Stephen Barker**, his wife **Margret** and his Son

**Samuel** to this meeting as members of Society, and in degree of

Orderly Lives

[Co]ppy of Nat

[Gi]fford denial

sent

The Clerk informs he hath Signed and Sent forward (by the han<sup>d</sup>

of **Samuel Gifford**) a copy of the Testimony of denial of

**Nathaniel Gifford** which he requested

**Jonathan**

**Slocum**

The Committee appointed in the case of **Jonathan Slocum**

Report they have made some procedure therein, and request the

matter continued with an a<sup>d</sup>dition to the Committee; therefore

**Jonathan Willbor** [Wilbur] is added to them for that service, and

they to report next monthly meeting

**Philip Allen**

**Jos hart**

Four of the Committy in the case of **Philip Allen** and **Joseph**

**Hart** make Report that they have measurably discharg'd them=

=selves with them and are free friend should receive their paper

of acknowledgment, which this meeting accordingly accepts

for Satisfaction provided they cause said paper to be read

publickly at the Close of a first day meeting for Worship and return

said paper to next monthly meeting

**Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>**

The friends appointed in the case of **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** Report that

they have had another Solid oppertunity with him, and labour'd

to convince him of the hurtful tendency of those practices laid

to his charg, but that he did not give them Satisfaction; yet

Several friends expressing their concern for the continuence

of that matter it is accordingly defer'd under the Same Com=

=mittees care: and concerned friend with the Committee as

they Shall find freedom to take another oppertunity with

**Giles** and report to next monthly meeting

**Elisabeth**

**Sanford**

Rec<sup>d</sup> -

The Women inform they have a<sup>d</sup>mitted **Elisabeth Sanford**

wife of **Elisha Sanford** into membership with us; which we con=

=cur with

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9 month

1784

**Jonathan**

**Tucker**

The friends appointed to Treat with **Jonathan Tucker** [o?]

his misconduct Report that they have <sup>^not</sup> accomplished said

matter for want of oppertunity and desires the matter defer'd

it is <sup>^accordingly</sup> defer'd under their care who are to report to next

monthly meeting

**Abraham**

**Russell**

The Friends appointed <sup>^to</sup> have a Solid oppertunity with **Abraham**

**Russell** in order to discover his Sencerity in condemning his mis[=]

=conduct Report that they have not had Such an oppertunity as

he is gone some distance from home they are continued in that Service and to report to next Monthly meeting

*W<sup>m</sup> How=  
=lands pro=  
=posal of  
marriage*

**William Howland** and **Abigail Willbor** [Wilbur] declared their intention of Marriage with Each other and were desir'd to wait untill next monthly meeting for their answer, and **Benjamin Smith 2** and **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to inquire into the young ma[ns] clearness respecting <sup>^</sup>marriag and Conversation and make report to next monthly meeting

*W<sup>m</sup> Sanford  
Ju<sup>r</sup>*

**William Sanford Ju<sup>r</sup>** gave in a paper condemning his misconduct in neglecting the attendance of meetings and Sueing **Benjamin Allen** at the Law; where upon **William Wood Peleg Gifford** and **John Howland** are to take a Solid oppertunity with him and inspect into the matter in order to discover his Sencerity and report to next monthly meeting

Collected £1 – 2<sup>s</sup> – 1<sup>d</sup>

*adjourd  
mett*

This meeting adjourns to the first day of next month after meeting of worship 10<sup>th</sup> month 1<sup>st</sup> mett by adjournment

*answer to  
Queries  
& Epist  
=le sent  
to Qur<sup>t</sup>  
meeting*

Representatives being called are all present

The Queries with the answers from Each Preparitive meeting were read in this meeting from which general answers were made out and forwarded together with an Epistle to (which was Signed by the Clerk) to the Quaterly meeting by our Representatives who[?] **John Devaul**, [Daval] **Joseph Barker**, **Benjamin Smith 2** and **John Howland** and they to report next Monthly meeting

*James Davis  
Martha  
Gifford  
recomm  
ended*

This Meeting being inform'd that the Select meeting approves of the Publick appearence in the Ministry of **James Davis** and **Martha Gifford**, – And Friends taking the Same into Solid consideration, do conclude with the con[cu]rrence of Womens Meeting to Recommend Said **James Davis** and **Martha Gifford** to the Select Quarterly meeting as Ministers – and the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to said meeting

*Thomas  
Hicks  
paper*

**Thomas Hicks** gave in a paper condemning his not axpressing himself so Cl<sup>e</sup>arly as might have been ~~for~~ best respecting <sup>^</sup>a reference with **Humphry Smith**, which paper was read, but not being Satisfactory <sup>^</sup>we apnt **Peleg Gifford Seth Huddleston** and **John Howland** to inspect into the matter and Treat with **Thomas** thereon and make report to next Monthly meeting

*John  
Howland  
Son of  
Benj<sup>a</sup>*

The Overseers gave in a complaint against **John Howland** (son of **Benj<sup>a</sup>**) for using unbecoming and profane Language to **Zebedee Mac=Daniel**, for which they laboured with him but he did not give them Satisfaction. we therefore appoint **George Smith** and **William Wood** to treat further with him the s<sup>d</sup> **John** and report to next Monthly meeting

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*[10?] Month  
1784  
W<sup>m</sup> Russell  
Bedford  
disorder*

The Overseers inform by way of Preparit[i]ve meeting that **William Russell** of **Bedford** [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA] have fallen into the repr[o]achful Sin of Fornication as appears by his own confession to them and they

having discharged themselves towards him therefore we appoint  
**William Barker** and **John Devaul** [Davol] to Joine the women friends  
and Treate further with him and if he doth not give them Satis=  
=faction to draw a Testimony of his denial and make report of  
the Same to next monthly meeting

*W<sup>m</sup> Russell*  
*[?ter] Creek*  
*Certificate*

Received a removal Certificate from the Monthly meeting of  
**Saratoga** [Easton Washington Co. NY] dated y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month last in behalf of **William**  
**Russell** Signifying he is <sup>a</sup> member of our Society and Settled his  
outward affairs to Satisfaction; which was read to Satisfaction  
and is accepted in lieu of our Committees report in that case

*[10]<sup>th</sup> month*  
*1784*

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
The Representatives from the **South Preparitve** meeting are **Peleg Gifford**  
and **George Smith** from the **North preparitive** meeting are  
**Caleb Russell** and **William Gifford** all Present

*[R]eport from*  
*[Q]uarterly meeting*

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all at=  
=tended except **Benjamin Smith 2** who being not well sent his  
reason for his non attendance which was accepted and said Re=  
=presentatives have produced an Epistle fr[om] said Quarterly meeting  
which hath been read to Satisfaction

*[P]hilip Allen*  
*[J]oseph Hart*

This meeting hath been inform'd that the papers of **Ph'lip**  
**Allen** and **Joseph Hart** hath been <sup>read</sup> according to direction of  
-last monthly meeting and said papers returned to the meeting  
which are as follows

*[Ac]knowledg=*  
*ments*

**Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784

To the Monthly meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth**  
Whereas I have practiced at times playing at Cards, which  
being contrary to the good Order of Friend; and being in Some  
measure convinced of the evil thereof, do hereby heartily con=  
=demn my misconduct therein, and desire Friends to pass  
by and let me remain under their care, desireing in future  
to be preserved from Such practices. from your friend

**Philip Allen**

**Dartmouth** 15<sup>th</sup> of 5 mo 1784

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held in **Dartmouth**

Whereas I have practiced at times <sup>at</sup> playing cards which  
being contrary to the good Order of friends, and being in  
Some measure convinc'd of the evil thereof do hereby heartily  
Condemn my misconduct therein ~~there~~ and desire friends  
to pass it by Let me remain under their care, desireing in  
future to be preserved from Such practices

*Abraham*  
*Russell*

From your friend **Joseph Hart**

The Friends appointed to Treat with **Abraham Russell**  
Report that they have fulfild their appointment and that he  
gave them a good degree of Satisfaction; therefore said **Abraham's**  
paper condemning his misconduct is accepted for Satisfaction

10 month  
1784  
Jonathan  
Slocum

The friends appointed in the case of **Jonathan Slocum** having made some progress therein, but not haveing accomplish'd it desir[e] it continu'd, it therefore is referd to next monthly meeting and said committee are accordingly continued in said Service and then they to make report

Jonathan  
Tucker

The friends appointed to treat with **Jonathan Tucker** report that he being gone from home they have not fulfil'd their ap=  
=pointment, they are therefore continued in that Service and to report to next monthly meeting

W<sup>m</sup> How  
=lands  
Clereness

The friends appointed to enquire into the clearness of **William Howland** report they have made inquirey and do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in marriage

William  
Sanford Ju'

The friends appointed in the case of **William Sanford Ju'** report that they have made some progress therein, and have had him and **Benjamin Allen** together who have put themselves in some way of Settlement But they not knowing ≠ that it is fully Settled said friends are continued in that Service and they to make report to next monthly meeting

Giles  
Slocum  
Ju'

The friends concerned in the case of **Giles Slocum Ju'** report that some of them have paid him a Visit, but not being able to make a conclusive report therein, it is continued to next month=  
=ly meeting then they to make report

John How  
=land son  
of Benj<sup>a</sup>

The Committee in the case of **John Howland** (son of **Benjamin**) Report that have not accomplished that matter by reason he was gone from home they are therefore continued in in [*sic*] that Service and to make report when accomplished

William  
Russell  
Bedford

The Committee in the case of **William Russell** of **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** report that they have not had an oppertunity to fulfil their appointment they are therefore continued in that Service and they to make Report next monthly meeting

Thomas  
Hicks

The Friends appointed <sup>^to</sup> inspect into the case of **Thomas Hick** Report that he hath Signed a paper which they think may be accepted for Satisfaction, which said paper having been read [~~it~~] is accepted accordingly; provided he cause the Same to be publick=  
=ly read in the us[u]al manner and returne the same to our next Monthly meeting

Ezra  
Russell

Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of **Smithfield [Woonsocket, Providence Co RI]** [*carryover line*] Recommending **Ezra Russell** a young man under age to the care of this meeting as a member thereof

**William Howland** and **Abigail Willbore [Wilbur]** appear'd for their answer; which was, that they may proceed to take Each other in marriage Some convenient time time [*sic*] before next monthly meeting adviseing with the friends that shall be appointed to oversee the same, who are **William Anthony Ju'** and **Samuel Smith** and they to make report next monthly meeting

Abraham  
Wood

We are informd by a letter from **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]** monthly meeting that they [*carryover line*] have taken the Necessary care in regard to **Abraham Wood**'s acknow=  
=ledgment, and that they think well of accepting the same

10[?] Month  
1784

Provided it be publish'd where the disorders were comitted and have for that purpose Sent us said paper of acknowledgment and the Clerk is desired to read the Same publickly as usual and make Report to next monthly meeting; and said **Wood** a ~~Cert~~ Removal Certificate, if after enquiry they shall find that his outward affairs are Settled to Satisfaction; and **Seth Russell** is added for the Service

Joseph Willbor  
[and?] wife

**Joseph Willbore** [**Wilbur**] and **Abigail** his wife gave in a paper to this meeting desireing to come under friends care, therefore **Stephen Buffinton** and **Abiel Gifford** are appointed to take an oppertunity of Sollid Conference with the Petitions in order to discover the motive of their request they to Join the women herein, and to report to next monthly meeting

Elizann  
Shelden  
disown'd

The Women inform that **Elizann** now wife of **Jonathan Shelden** hath married out of the unity of Friends, and that they have disowned her, which this meeting concurs with

Joseph Austin  
[b?]ound a Jor=  
ney

**Joseph Austin** informes that he intends to take a Journey to the **Nine=partners** [**Millbrook, Duches Co NY**] on buisness, and requested our concurence [*carryover line*]

which this meeting taking under consideration do concur there with he being a member of our Society and the Clerk is desired to give him a Coppy of this minute

Raisd  
money to be  
[for?] meeting  
Stock

Our Quarterly meeting having Proportioned to this meeting to raise the Sum of Sixteen pounds Lawful money to Supply the Quarterly and yearly meetings Stock; therefore **Caleb Russell** **Samuel Smith**, **William Gifford**, **John Howland**, **Gideon Howland**, and **Jonathan Willbore** [**Wilbur**] are appointed to pro=  
=portion said sum to each Prepari[ti]ve meeting and draw Sub=  
=scriptions for that purpose, and make report next monthly meeting

Collected £1 – 10<sup>s</sup> – 4<sup>d</sup>

11 month  
1784

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1784 The Representatives from the S [**South**] **Preparitve** meeting are **Elijah Gifford** and **Philip Traford**; and those from the **North Prepa=  
=ritive** meeting are **Benjamin Taber** and **Thomas Mott** all present

Jonathan  
Slocum

The friends appointed in the case of **Jonathan Slocum** report that they have been in a progress in that Service but not having accomplished it to Satisfaction they are therefore continued in that service and to make report next monthly meeting

Thomas Hicks  
acknowledg  
ment

**Thomas Hicks** haveing ret[u]r<sup>n</sup>ed his paper and report of its being read agreeable to the direction of last monthly meeting and is as follow To the Monthly meet<sup>ing</sup> held 18<sup>th</sup> : 10<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1784

Whereas I did not express my mind so fully and intention so fully to **Humphry Smith** in respect to leaveing a matter to Reference, in so clear a means as I might have don[e], ~~which~~ and I beleive would have been best, which <sup>^</sup>[give?] occasion for our Religious Society to be reproachfully Spoken of which condu<sup>t</sup> of mine I am Sorry for and as hereby condemn

**Thomas Hicks**



*11 Month  
1784*

*Jonathan  
Tucker*

The friends appointed in the case of **Jonathan Tucker** make Some what a favorable report in regard to him, he giving encourage=ment of reforming from the evil of his ways, and request said matter should be continued for Trial of his Sencerity it is accordingly con=tinued, and said friends to have the inspection over him and to Report next monthly meeting

*Joseph  
Willbor*

The friends appointed to confer with **Joseph Willbore** and Wife, respecting his pertition make a Satisfactory report Report and that they think it may be safe for to receive them into mem=bership, we do therefore with the Joint concurence of the Women Receive said **Joseph Willbore** and Wife into membership with us

*William  
Sanford Ju<sup>r</sup>*

The friends appointed in the case of **William Sanford Ju<sup>r</sup>** report that the matter is not fully Settled to satisfaction, they are therefore continued to see Endeavour to see that it be accomplish,d agree=able to good Order and to make report next monthly meeting

*Giles  
Slocum  
Ju<sup>r</sup>*

The Friends having the care of the matter in regard to **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** not making a full and conclusive report in regard to said matter: it is therefore continued to next monthly meeting under the same care as heretofore and then they to make report

*William  
Russell*

The friends appointed in the case of **William Russell** make Report that the matter is not accomplished by reason that one of them was unwell, they are therefore continued in the same service and **Seth Russell** is added in the room of **William Bar=ker** who is unwell and is dismist and they to report to next monthly meeting

*Elizabeth  
Wing*

The women inform that they have concluded to deny **Elizabeth Wing** widdow for attending Seperate meeting not of our Society and continues therein; which this meeting concurs with

*William  
Howland  
married*

The Friends appointed to oversee the marriage of **William Howland** and **Abigail Willbore** report that they attended the Same and Saw nothing but that it was accomplished in a degree Orderly

*Eaquel pro=  
portion be=  
tween Pre  
paritives  
meeting*

The friends appointed to proportion the money to each Prepariture meeting Report that they have divided the Sum Equally between them and have drafted Subscriptions in order to Collect the Same; therefore **Prince Potter, Jethro Russell David Shepherd Ju<sup>r</sup> Hezekiah Smith Caleb Barker**

and **Timothy Howland** are appointed to take said subscription and receive the Collections and to pay the same to the Treasurer and to make return to this meeting of the Sum total so Collected when they have Collected the Same who are desired to accom=  
=plish it as soon as they conveaniently can

*Samuel Smith*  
*Clerk*

**Samuel Smith** is chosen Clerk for this day  
Collected – £1 – 7<sup>s</sup> – 8<sup>d</sup>

*adjourn'd*  
*mett*

This meeting adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this Instant after meeting of worship  
Mett by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1784

The Representatives being called all present except **Benj<sup>a</sup>**  
**Taber**, who hath Sent an excuse for his absence & is accepted

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*11 month*  
*1784*

*Abraham*  
*Wood*

The friends appointed in the case of **Abraham Wood**, not having accomplished that matter, one of them being not well, Request it continued, which is accordingly ~~to~~ defer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of the Same friends as before and then they to make Report

*Amie*  
*Howland*  
*Rec'd*

The women friends inform that they have received **Amie**  
**Howland** into membership with us which this meeting concurs with

*Tittle of*  
*meeting*  
*House &*  
*Lands*

This meeting taking under consideration the mater in regard to the Tittle of our Meeing House and Lands, do appoint **Caleb Barker John Howland** and **Elijah Gifford** or either three of them with and in addition to the former Trustees to hold said Lands, and do also appoint our friends **Caleb Russell, Joseph Barker** and **Jonathan Willbor** to see that Tittles be made Secure in the manner and form that the meeting for Sufferings have agreed and concluded upon and they to make Report next monthly meeting

*Hanna*  
*Barker*

**Jonathan Willbore** hath handed in an account to this meeting for keeping **Hannah Barker** & for a pair of shoes the amount £5 – 17<sup>s</sup> – 6<sup>d</sup> which being alwed by the Overseers of the poor this meeting approves thereof and orders the Treasurer to pay the Same when Supplied with money

*Meetings in*  
*Allens Neck*

The friends in **Allens Neck [ S Dartmouth, MA]** and there aways have proposed to have some meetings for Worship held at the wdd<sup>o</sup>w **Susannah Allens** for the Ensuing Winter Season, which this meeting take =ing under consideration; Our friends **James Davis, Abiel Gifford** and **Stephen Buffinton** are appointed to Visit those friends in Said **Neck** either Collectively or Individlily as they think best, and make Report their Sense to next monthly meeting wheither it may be for the prohiotion of the Cause of Truth or not, and if granted, how many meetings shall think best and they to Join the women herein

*Benjamin Howland*  
**3**  
*Comprained*  
*of*

The Committee appointed some time past to advise with those who may uguardedly incline to the practice of dealing in Spiritous Licqurs; made Report that **Benjamin Howland 3** is in that Practice, and altho' they have treated with him thereon, an advised him to desist yet he continues therein in Such a manner as is reproch=  
=ful to our Society: therefore this meeting appoints **John Howland** **Elijah Gifford**, **Philip Trafford** and **Samuel Smith** to labour further with him the said **Benjamin** in order for his restoration from such a practice, and they to report to next monthly meeting

*School Com<sup>tee</sup>*

The time of the School Committees appointment being Expired the same are continued for one month Longer And **George Smith** and **William Wood** are added to them

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*12 month*  
*1784*

At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in **Dartmouth** 20<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1784 The Representatives from the **South Preparitive** are **Giles Slocum** and **Peleg Gifford** from the **North Preparitive** meeting are **Joshua Potter** and **Joseph Austin**, all Present

*Report*  
*concerning*  
*those that*  
*have held*  
*& those that*  
*have been*  
*held Slaves*

One of the Committee appointed to Joine the Quarterly meeting Committee in Visiting those that have held and those that have been held as Slaves, Report that they proceeded therein and find Two cases that remain in an unsettled way which need further care and Labour, which report being accepted, the s<sup>d</sup> friend of the Committee is directed to lay the said case before the Overseers who are directed to inspect therein, and the Committee is dismissed from that Service

*Jonathan*  
*Slocum*

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

*Giles*  
*Jonathan*  
*Slocum*

Two of the friends appointed in the case of **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** Report that they have had another oppertunity with to discover the State of his mind but reced no further Satisfaction; and Friends haveing discharged themselves towards him, do here=  
=by disown him from membership with us, and **Elijah Gifford** is directed to to inform him thereof and report to next monthly meeting

*William Russell disown'd* The Friends appointed in the case of **William Russell** of **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]**

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

*Annis Gidley denied*

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

*Elisabeth Wing disown'd*

The Women produced a Testimony of the denial of **Elisabeth Wing** which being read, was concur'd with and Signd by the Clerk who is directed to cause the Same to be read publickly in the usual manner before next monthly meeting and report to the Same

*Abraham Wood*

The Clerk reports that **Abraham Woods** paper of acknowledgment hath been read as directed

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*12 month 1784*

A Removal Certificate was Signed by the Clerk in behalf of **Abraham Wood**, directed to the monthly meeting of **Saratoga [Easton Washington Co. NY]**

*Abraham Wood Certificate*

Signifying his acknowledgment was accepted and outward affairs Settled to Satisfaction he having moved and Settled there

*On Title of Lands*

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

*School Committee*

The [?] School Committee with the addition of those last month are continued in that Service till others are appoint in their Steed

*Benjamin Howland 3*

The friends appointed to Treat with **Benjamin Howland 3** respecting his keeping a Tavern &c Report that they have treated with him accordingly; but he not giving them the desired Satisfaction; yet think it best it be continued and he further treated with; it is accordingly continued under the same friends care who are to report next monthly meeting

*on meetings in allen's neck*

The friends appointed to Visit Friends in **Allen's neck [S Dartmouth, MA]** and consider of their request for holding meetings there, Report that they have Visited Friends there according to appointment and think it best for them to have Some meetings ~~there~~ granted to be held there this meeting taking the matter under Consideration do with the concurrence of the women grant said request so far as for them to hold meeting as follows; Two first days meeting in each month, that is One on the first day next before, and one on the first day after our Monthly meeting – and midweek meeting on

Third days, in each week our mid week meetings are usually held for Worship; Only to be continued till the monthly meeting in the 4<sup>th</sup> month next; under the care of **Elijah Gifford Timothy Gifford** and **Jonathan Willbore** who are to report to this meeting at the Expiration of said Time

*John Howland Son of Benjamin*

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

*On Building Bedford meeting House*

The Committee appointed in the case of Building meeting House at **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** report that they had attended to the matter, and concluded on the Size ~~of~~ to be 48 feet by 36 – and compected the Cost to about £400 and think proper that Friends come to a Subscription for that purpose, Therefore we appoint **Seth Russell, John Howland, Barnabas Howland Russell Edmond Maxfield** and **Caleb Russell** Collect by way of Subscriptions such Sums as Friends may give for the Building said house, which said Committee are also to see built accomedated and accomplished as soon as conveaniency & Circumstances will admit and report from time to time of their progress therein

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*12 month 1784*

This meeting is adjourned to the 20<sup>th</sup> of this instant after meeing of worship Mett by adjournment

The Representatives being called are all present

*Jonathan Tucker*

The friends appointed in the case of **Jonathan Tucker**, Report that they have had another oppertunity with him which was not much to Satisfaction: yet desire the matter continued; it is accordingly defer'd till next monthly meeting they then to make report

*William Sanford Ju'*

The Friends appointed in the case of **William Sanford Ju'** Report that it not Settled to Satisfaction they are therefore continued to use further endeavours that it be accomplished and **Barnabas Russell** are added to them in that Service, and they to make report next monthly meeting

*Collections*

The **South Preparitive** meeting in their account inform they have Collected and Sent to the Treasurer of this meeting £0 – 12<sup>s</sup> – 5<sup>d</sup>  
And the **North Preparative** meeting ~~~~~~ 0 – 15 – 8  
1 – 8 – 1

*Ebenezer Mosher*

The Overseers inform that **Samuel Mosher** (son of **Ebenezer**) walks so far from the good Order established among Friends as to attend a marriage accomplished out of the Order of Friend and appears far from that Simple plainness we profess, much neglecting the

attendance of our Religious meetings for all which he hath been Labour'd with but did not give Satisfaction therein therefore we appoint **Benjamin Howland 2** and **Caleb Green** to treat further with him thereon and Report to next monthly meeting

*Sent to Quarterly meeting* The Queries being answer'd in each Preparitive meeting, from which general Answers were prepared and read in this meeting – Also an Epistle prepared for the Quarterly meeting, all which are forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are **Abiel Gifford, James Davis, Stephen Buffinton** and **Caleb Greene** and they to report next Monthly meeting

*Abiel Gifford bill for Hay* **Abiel Gifford** gave in an account for Hay, and Carting, expended at our last Quarterly meeting to the amount of £3 – 6<sup>s</sup> – 0 an account whereof was handed to the Quarterly meeting and the Treasurer is Ordered to pay **Abiel Gifford** when Supplied with money

*Subscripti= ons* The Friends appointed to raise money by Subscriptions Report that they have collected in the **South preparitive** meeting £5 – 5<sup>s</sup> – 11<sup>d</sup>  
**North Preparitive** meeting 6 – 15 – 3

*To be con= tinued* Total 12 – 1 – 2  
Which they have paid to the Treasurer: and the **Prepartives meetings** are desired to continue their Subscription till the Sum of 16 pounds be rais,<sup>d</sup>

*Hannah Gifford* In concurence of women Friend a removal Certificate was Signed by the Clerk in behalf of **Hannah Gifford** wife of **W<sup>m</sup> Gifford** to y<sup>e</sup> m<sup>o</sup> meeting of **acoaxset [Westport, Bristol Co, MA]**

*Revise minuets*

*Order on Treasurer* **Samuel Smith Hezekiah Smith W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup> & Caleb Russell** are ap=  
=pointed to Settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise the minutes of this meeting in order they may be recorded & report next monthly meeting

The Treasurer is directed to pay the above s<sup>d</sup> Sum of £12 – 1<sup>s</sup> – 2<sup>d</sup> and add 12/30 out of the Treasurry there, to the Representative to the Quarterly meeing & report to next monthly meeting: The said Representatives are to Send it to the Quarterly meeting Treasurer and Report of the Same to this meeting

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*1<sup>st</sup> month 1785*

At a Monthly Meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1785 The meeting being conveaned ,The Representatives named from the Preparitives meetings are from the **South Joseph Tucker Ju<sup>r</sup>** and **Timothy Howland: North Joseph Austin** and **Thomas Mott**, who being called are all Present

*Jonathan Slocum*

The Friends appointed in the case of **Jonathan Slocum** report that they have not accomplished the same, and desired it continued; it is accordingly continued under the Same friends care who are desired to accomplish the same and report next monthly meeting

**Elijah Gifford** informs that he hath not acquainted **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** of his denial as directed, he is therefore continued in that Service and Report to next monthly meeting

*Elizabeth Wings*

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of denial of **Elizabeth Wing** hath been read as directed which is as follows

*Testimony of denial*

Whereas **Elisabeth Wing** widdow to **Samuel Wing** deeeased Late of **Dartmouth** deceased; Having had her Education and lived in Profession with friends untill now of Late she hath

so far departed from our Profession as to attend such meetings as are held out of the Unity of Friends and we having treated with her in love in order for her restoration and return, but She not adhearing to our advice and Counsel given, but still continues and persist therein and to Justify her said Practice; Therefore we do publickly disown her the said **Elizabeth Wing** from being a member of our Religious Society, until by a Sincear return and and Reformation she Shall be restored to the way of Truth

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of men and women friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 12 months 1784

By **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk  
**Mercy Slocum** Clerk

*On Tittle of  
meeting house  
and Lands*

The Committee to inspect and see the Tittles of our meeting Houses and Lands made Secure &c. Report, that they have made Some Progress therein, but as it will take some time to compleat it desires it continued; the Same friends are therefore continued in that Service and to report when ready

*Benjamin How  
land 3*

Part of the Committee in the case of **Benjamin Howland 3<sup>d</sup>** Report that they have had further oppertuny with him, But not receive much Satisfaction; Yet the matter is continued under the same friends care who are to report next monthly meeting

*John Howland  
son of Benj<sup>a</sup>  
paper read*

The Clerk Informs that **John Howland** (son of **Benjamin** hath caused his paper condemning his misconduct to be read as directed

*Jonathan  
Tucker*

The Friends appointed in the case of **Jonathan Tucker** report that they have not accomplished that matter tho' they have mad some Inspection therein, and desires it refer'd, it is accordingly continued under the Same Friends care who are directed to take a Solid oppertunity with said **Jonathan** and Report to next monthly meeting

*William  
Sanford*

The Friends appointed in the case of **William Sanford Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
Report

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Report they have made further progress therein, but not being accomplished it is continued under their care who are to report to next monthly meeting

*Return  
from  
Quarterly  
meeting*

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended except **Abiel Gifford**, who Sent a Satisfactory reason of his non attendance, said Representatives produced an an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction, and the further consideration of it is refer'd to next monthly meeting, They also produced a Receipt from the Quarterly meetings Treasurer for £12 – 14<sup>s</sup> – 0 the money Sent from this meeting, and that the account of £3 – 6<sup>s</sup> – 0 was accepted by the Quarterly meeting expended for Hay

*Caleb Greene returned* **Caleb Greene** returned a copy of a minute of this meeting in the 8<sup>th</sup> mo Last, he having returned from his Journey and Visit

*Revising minuit not ac compli shed* The Friends appointed to Revise this meeting minutes &c not having accomplished it they are continued in that Service and to Report to next monthly meeting

Collected at the **South Preparative** meeting the sum of 0 – 7 – 3½  
at the **North** the sum of — 0 – 14 – 4  
Total - 1 – 1 – 1½

*Samuel Mosher disown'd* The Committee appointed to Treat with **Samuel Mosher** respect= ing his disorder Report that they had a Solid opportunity with him, but he gave them no Satisfaction nor no encouragement to Satisfy Friends: therefore with the concurrence of the Women friends we hereby disown the said **Samuel Mosher** from being a member of our Society – and **Caleb Greene** is desired to inform him

*William Russell Testimony of denial* **Caleb Greene** Informs that the Testimony of the denial of **William Russell** of **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** hath been read, as directed, **William** being pre= sent at the reading thereof – Which is as follows

Whereas **William Russell** (son of **Jonathan Russell** of **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]**) having made profession with us the People called **Quakers**; But through inattention to the dictate of Truth, hath so far departed from its chaste Principles which we profess; as to fall into the gross Sin of Fornication, as appears by his own Confession; and Friends having labour'd with him on that account, and he not rendering the desired Satisfaction; – Therefore for the clearing Truth and Friends, from such reproach we are concerned to give forth this as a Public Testimony against him the said **William Russell** conduct hereby disowning, and disallowing him from being a member of our Religious Society, untill he may be favour'd with a Sight and a Sense way of Truth; which is Our Sincere desire

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of a Monthly meeting of the People afore Said held in **Dartmouth** the 20<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
By – **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

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*2 month 1785* At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1785 The Representatives from the **South Preparative** meeting are **Giles Slocum** and **Stephen Gifford**: From the **North**, **Seth Russell** and **Seth Huddleston**, who being called are all present

*Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup> informed* **Elijah Gifford** reports that he hath informed **Giles Slocum Ju<sup>r</sup>** of his denial as directed

*Eliakim Mosher's Certificate* Received a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of **Pembrock [Pembroke, Plymouth Co MA]** in behalf of **Eliakim Mosher** signifying that he hath Served out his apprentiship there, and behaved in a good degree Orderly; and clear of marriage Engagements ~ Which is accepted

*Jonathan Slocum case* The Friends appointed in the case of **Jonathan Slocum** report that they have had Several opportunities with him; and that he gave them some Satisfaction: yet for further proof of sencerity; the same



Friends are continued for that Service; and take such further Steps therein as may appear best; and report to next Monthly meeting

*Joseph Austin  
return'd* **Joseph Austin** returned a Copy of a minute of this meeting he have=  
=ing returned from his Journey to the **Nine Partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]**  
*Rebecca Rotch  
Certificate* A Removal Certificate in behalf of **Rebecca Rotch** Widdow of  
**Joseph Rotch**, directed to the Northern district of **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]**  
was

read and Signed by the Clerk expressing that she is a member of our Society; and hath Settled her affairs to Satisfaction

*W<sup>m</sup> Sanford Ju<sup>r</sup>  
case* The Friends appointed in the case of **William Sanford Ju<sup>r</sup>** desires that matter continued it is accoringly defer'd under their care till next Monthly meeting they then to report

*Benj<sup>a</sup> Howland 3  
case* The Commy in the case of **Benjamin Howland 3<sup>d</sup>** report that they have had another Solid oppertunity with him; but not to Satisfaction; yet the same friends are continued to treat further with him thereon and make report to next monthly meeting

*Reviseing Minutes  
Settling with  
Treasurer* The Friends appointed to revise the minutes and settle accounts with the Treasurer Report that they have accomplished the last minutes and left them with **William Anthony** to Record, and have Settled accmpts with the Treasurer, up to the 18<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1785 and find this Meeting hath given him order to pay out to the amount of £10 – 5 – 8½ more than he is supplied with money to pay as yet; consequently this meeting is in Debt that Sum

*Unice Russell  
disown'd* The Women inform that they have concluded to deny **Unice = Russel** wife of **William Russell** of **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]** which this meeting concurs with

*Sam<sup>l</sup> Mosher  
informed* **Caleb Greene** reports he hath informed **Samuel Mosher** of his denial as directed  
*Overseers deferd* The year being expir'd of the Service of the overseors, yet a new Choice is defer'd till next monthly meeting at the opening of the buisness therein

*Abra Mosher  
minute* **Abraham Mosher** informs he intends a Journey to **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co. NY]** with a view of doing some buisness there, which this meeting concurs with, he being a member of this Meeting, and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this Minute

*Abra<sup>m</sup> Russell  
Certificate  
requested* **Abraham Russell** requestin Certificate from this meeting to the Monthly meeting of the Northern districts of **Philidelphia [Philadelphia Co. PA]**

Expressive of his being a member and, clearness respecting marriage  
*And*

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no Obstacle, they to Report a Certificate to the adjournment of this meeting

*Eben Chase  
request*

**Ebenezer Chase** desiring a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting of **Swanzy**[**Somerset, Bristol Co MA**], he being about to remove there, **Abiel Gifford** and **William Gifford** are therefore appointed to take the necessary care therein, and report to next Monthly meeting

*Jonathan  
Tucker's  
Case*

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

*Jonathan  
Tucker's  
Testimony  
of denial*

Whereas **Jonathan Tucker** having had his Birth and Education among us the people called Quakers; but for want of more clostly adhearing to the dictates of his own Conscience has been guilty of Useing profain and unbecoming Language; as also frequently, and unnecessarily resorts at Taverns & too frequently pertakes of Spiritous Licquors; all which being inconsistant with our Religious Profession: We having Laboured with him for the above offences but do not find Satisfaction; therefore we give this forth as a publick Testimony against his conduct hereby disowning him the Said **Jonathan Tucker** from being a member of our ~~Society~~ Religious Society untill through unfeigned Repentance he shall return to the ways of Truth which is our Sencear desire.

Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly meeting of friends held in **Dartmouth** y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1785

By **William Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>** Clerk

*Money raisd  
for Stock*

The **North Preparitive** meeting informs that they have raised the Remainder of their propotion of money for Yearly meeting and Quarterly meeting; and paid the Same to the Treasurer of this meeting

*To sell wood*

This meeting concludes to make Sale of some of the wood standing on this meetings Land; at the discession of **Samuel Smith, Giles Slocum Thomas Hicks, and Gideon Howland**, who are appointed for that Service and they to make report of their proceedings therein from time to time

*money  
collected*

The Preparitive meetings in their account inform they have Collected and Sent up to the Treasurer viz from the South ~~~~~ 0 – 15<sup>s</sup> – 0  
from the North ~~~~~ 0 – 18 – 11

*Adjourn'd  
Mett*

This meeting is adjourn'd to the 9<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship 3 month 9 mett by adjournment ~ The Representatives being called **Giles Slocum** and **Stephen Gifford** present; **Seth Huddlestone** and **Seth Russell** not present, nor any reason sent of their absence

*Abraham  
Russell's  
Certificate*

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

*Report  
concerning  
Wood  
sold*

Part of the Committee to make Sale of wood report that it is their opinion that a considerable Quantity may yet be disposed of, tho they have Sold one hundred Cords to **Josiah Wood** at four Shillings & Six pence per Cord Handing

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And that if Friends would assist in getting a Quantity to the Land=ing it may be Sold to more advantage, therefore said Committee are desired to draught & Promote Subscriptions for Friends to cut and Cart as much as they Shall be free to; in order to defray the charge of this meeting and bring said Subscriptions to next monthly meeting

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1785

At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth** 21<sup>st</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1785 The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings are from the **South ~ Philip Trafford & Elijah Gifford**  
**North ~ Benj<sup>a</sup> Butter & Jonathan Hart**  
who being called are all present

choice of  
overseers

The choice of overseers being refer'd from last M<sup>o</sup> meeting to this: **Benjamin Taber Joseph Austin Joseph Tucker jun<sup>r</sup> Elijah Gifford William Gifford Jonathan Hart**

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

*Jon<sup>a</sup> Slocum's*  
*case defer'd*

The friends appointed in the case of **Jonathan Slocum** report; that they have not all had oppertunity so as to accomplish that matter & desire it continued, it is accordingly deferd under their care & they to make report ~~aeeræd~~ to next monthly meeting.

*Eben. Chace's*  
*certific<sup>e</sup> defer'd*

The committee appointed in the case of **Ebenezer Chase** report that they have not accomplished s<sup>d</sup> business therefore they are continued in S<sup>d</sup> service & to report the next Monthly meeting

*Jon<sup>a</sup> Tucker's*  
*Denial read*

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of the Denial of **Jonathan Tucker** hath been read as directed & the committee report that **Jonathan** hath been inform'd thereof.

*Benj. Howland's*  
*case defer'd*

The comittee in the case of **Benjamin Howland** 3<sup>d</sup> report that he hath given them so much encouragement that they desire the matter continued, which is accordingly defer'd under the same Friends care who are to report to next Monthly meeting

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*Denial*  
*W. Russell's*  
*Wife*

In concurrence with the Women's meeting, a Testimony of the denial of **Eunice Russell**, wife of **William Russell** of **Bedford [New Bedford, Bristol Co. MA]**, was sign'd by our Clerk

*Ann Jessop*

Our Friend **Ann Jessop** attended this Meeting with her Certificates from **New Garden** Monthly

*visit* meeting and Quarterly meeting of the 8<sup>th</sup> month last which were read in this Meeting to satisfaction & her visit and labours of Love were also to satisfaction

*S. Huddleston's excuse* **Seth Huddleston** gave the reasons of his nonattendance of the Adjournment of last Monthly meeting of the 8<sup>th</sup> month last, which were satisfactory.

The **South Prepar.**<sup>e</sup> meeting in their account inform they have collected and handed to the Treasurer of this Meeting

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The **North Preparative** Meeting 13 – 5

Total 1 – 9 – 7

*Queries answer'd* The Queries were read with the Answers from the Preparative Meetings, and **Samuel Smith & Jonathan Wilbur**, are appointed to compile s<sup>d</sup> answers into general ones and bring to the Adjournment of this Meeting, with an account to this Meeting, with an Account to the Quarterly meeting –

*E Mosher's Certificate sign'd* A Removal Certificate was sign'd by the Clerk in behalf of **Eliakim Mosher**, to the Monthly meeting of **Nine partners [Millbrook, Dutchess Co NY]** expressing his right of membership and membership and clearness respecting marriage.

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*J & Rebecca Russell's children rec.<sup>d</sup>* With the Concurrence of the Women, this Meeting admits into Friend's care, **Jethro and Rebecca Russell's** Children by their request of their Parents, the Children's names are **Martha, Mary and Howland.**

*Adjourn'd* This Meeting is adjourn'd to the 2<sup>d</sup> of next month at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour

*Met* 4<sup>th</sup> month 2<sup>d</sup> Met by adjourment

The Overseers being called are all present

*Caleb Greene app.<sup>d</sup> Clerk* The Year of the service of the Clerk being expired and **William Anthony jun<sup>r</sup>** having serv'd this Meeting as Clerk for some years to satisfaction: therefore **Caleb Greene** is appointed Clerk for the year ensuing, or 'till another be appointed in his place.

*W<sup>m</sup> Sandford jun<sup>r</sup> Case continu'd* The Friends appointed in the Case of **William Sandford jun<sup>r</sup>** report, that it is not accomplish'd and desire it continu'd, it is accordingly defer'd under the same Friends care, 'till next Monthly meeting, they then to report.

A Proposal from this Meeting in concurrence with the Women, was forwarded to the Quarterly meeting: that it be recommended to the Yearly meeting, whether the answering the

*A Propos.<sup>l</sup>  
to Q.<sup>y</sup> meeting  
respecting  
answer<sup>s</sup> Queries*

Queries once a year only, would not be more use-  
ful, than every Quarter, or at least, that some  
of the Principal ones only be answer'd at each Quarter  
One

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*Repres<sup>tivs</sup>  
to Q<sup>y</sup> meet<sup>s</sup>*

One of the Friends appointed to compile the  
Answers to the Queries and prepare an Account  
to the Quarterly meeting reports, that he with  
the other Friend, took the necessary care therein and  
produc'd said Answers, which were read in this  
Meeting together with the Account or Epistle to  
the Quarterly meeting, after adding what appear'd  
to be necessary, were sign'd by the Clerk and for-  
warded by the Representatives appointed to attend  
the Quarterly meeting who are **James Davis,**  
**Caleb Greene & Elijah Gifford**, who are to make re-  
port to next Monthly meeting.

*An addi  
tional mi  
nute point  
ing out the  
service of  
the overseers*

As the service of the Overseers is not  
pointed out to them, in any manner particular  
in the Minute of their appointment, the follow-  
ing is concluded to be a necessary addition for  
that purpose, viz, They are desired to meet to-  
gether frequently by themselves, in as retired a man-  
ner as may be, and endeavour to center down to their  
own Gifts and Measures in order to get under a due  
Sense of the Weight of the Work assigned them; and  
under this Engagement of mind to keep up a careful  
Watch and Inspection over themselves and the several  
Members of this Meeting to see that the Cause  
and Testimony of Truth be kept up and maintain-  
ed and where any shall appear faulty or defective  
or walk disorderly, tenderly to treat and Labour with  
them, in order to discover to them the Evil of their

ways  
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ways; but if such cannot be reclaimed and  
they appear manifestly Guilty of the Matter in  
charge, that then Information in Writing be  
brought to the Meeting of the State of the  
Fact and Circumstances attending it and they  
are particularly desired to watch and guard  
against, and discourage, that backbiting,  
slandering spirit so prevalent among us, ma-

king report to this Meeting of the progress of their Service from Time to Time.

*Subscrip<sup>n</sup>  
for cutting  
& carting  
Wood*

The Committee to sell Wood, produc'd a Draught of Subscriptions for Cutting and Carting which was read and sign'd by the Clerk, and they are to proceed therein when it may appear best.

*R Lapham  
disorder*

The Overseers inform that **Rich.<sup>d</sup> Lapham** son of **Nicholas**, hath far departed from that simple Plainness that we profess in several respects, particularly in tying his hair with a Riband [ribbon], for which he hath been labour'd with by said Overseers but he not giving them satisfaction – therefore **Philip Trafford** and **William Anthony jun<sup>r</sup>** are appointed to take a solid opportunity and treat with him further thereon, and report to next Monthly meeting

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At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartm<sup>t</sup>** the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 5 month 1785  
The Representatives from the **South Prepar.<sup>e</sup>** Meeting are **Benjamin Howland 2<sup>d</sup>** and **George Smith**, from the **North, Prince Potter** and **Seth Russell**, who being called are all present.

*Jon<sup>a</sup> Slo  
cum's  
case dis  
miss'd*

The Committee in the Case of **Jonathan Slocum**, report, that they have made further progress therein; yet the obstacles for the accomplishment thereof are not remov'd to satisfaction, & that it is their judgment it should be dismiss'd from this Meeting and Friends taking the same into Consideration do dismiss the same accordingly and the same Friends are desir'd to inform him of the reasons thereof.

*Certificate  
sign'd for  
Eben Chace*

A Removal Certificate was sign'd by the Clerk directed to the Monthly meeting of **Swansey [Somerset, Bristol Co MA]** in behalf of **Ebenezer Chace**, signifying he is a member and settled his outward affairs to satisfaction

*R.Lapham*

The Friends appointed to treat with **Rich<sup>d</sup> Lapham** on his Misconduct, report that they have not both had opportunity with him, it is therefore defer'd under their Care, with **Caleb Greene** 'till next Monthly meeting, they then to make report.

*Testim  
Denial of  
Abig. Cor-  
nel sign'd*

In Concurrence with the Women, a Testimony of  
the Denial of **Abigail Cornel [Cornell]** wife of **Elihu Cornel**  
was read and sign'd by the Clerk, and **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Ju<sup>r</sup>**  
is

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is appointed to read the same, in the usual  
public manner and report to next monthly meet-  
ing.

*W<sup>m</sup> Sandford  
case defer'd*

The Friends appointed in the Case of **W<sup>m</sup>  
Sandford jun<sup>r</sup>** report that they have attended there-  
to, but not accomplish'd it to satisfaction; it is  
therefore continued under the same Friends  
Care, who are to report to next M<sup>o</sup> meeting.

*B. Howland  
3<sup>d</sup> case  
defer'd*

The Committee in the Case of **Benj<sup>a</sup> Howland  
3<sup>d</sup>** report, that some further opportunity with him  
and that he signified he should continue in his  
Practice, yet at the Desire of some Friends, the  
matter is continu'd under the same friends care, as  
heretofore, who are desir'd to labour further with him  
and report to next M<sup>o</sup> meeting.

*Report  
James Allen's  
clearness respecting  
Marriage*

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

*S. Buffinton's  
Certific<sup>e</sup>  
defer'd*

The Friends appointed to take the necessa-  
ry Care for a removal Certificate for **Stephen  
Buffinton** and Family, report, that they have  
not yet accomplish'd it, they are therefore continued  
to accomplish it and report to next M<sup>o</sup> meeting

**James Allen** and **Sarah Howland jun<sup>r</sup>** appear'd  
for their answer, which is, that we find nothing  
sufficient to prevent their proceeding to take each  
other in Marriage, at some convenient time be-

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between this and next monthly meeting, advising  
with the Friends this Meeting appoints to see said  
Marriage orderly solemniz'd, who are **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony J<sup>r</sup>**  
and **Elijah Gifford**, who are to report to next M<sup>o</sup>  
meeting.

The Friends appointed to take a solid opportu-

*O. Beard  
readmitted*

nity with **Obadiah Beard**, report, that they had such an opportunity, in which they found a good Degree of satisfaction: - he is therefore, with the concurrence of the Women, readmitted into Membership with us, and **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup>** is appointed to inform him thereof.

*C. Barker  
Treasurer*

*Com<sup>tee</sup>  
to settle  
acco<sup>t</sup> with  
former  
Treas<sup>r</sup>*

The Treasurer having remov'd some distance, **Caleb Barker** is appointed for that service, for the year ensuing, or 'till some other may be appointed in his Stead, and **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup>** and **Samuel Smith** are appointed to settle Accounts with the former Treasurer and report to next M<sup>o</sup> meeting.

*Compl<sup>t</sup>  
ag<sup>st</sup> Job  
Deval*

The Overseers inform that **Job Deval** son of **John**, thro' unwatchfulness and giving way to a vain and Wanton mind, getting into loose and unprofitable Company, by which he hath so far departed from our chaste Principles, as to fall into or come under the scandalous Report of being guilty of the reproachful Sin of Fornication, by the Declaration of **Sarah Russell** daughter of **Elisha**, he the said **Job** having been labour'd with thereon, but he denying said Crime, therefore **Joseph Gifford**, **Samuel Smith**

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**Smith & Caleb Russell** are appointed to enquire into the State of the Case and labour there in as way may open and Report to next M<sup>o</sup> Meeting.

Received a removal Certificate from the Monthly meeting of **Acoaxet [Westport, Bristol Co, MA]** in behalf of

**Zephaniah Edy** his Wife **Anna** and their Children Namely **John, Job, Mary & Sarah** signifying they are Members, and that their outward affairs are settled to pretty good satisfaction which is accepted, they have removed and settled among us.

*Philip Allen  
&  
Jos. Hart*

The Overseers inform that it appears to them that **Philip Allen** and **Joseph Hart**, are guilty of the unwarrantable practice of gaming at Cards, for which they labour'd with them, but they condemning it not – therefore **W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup>** **W<sup>m</sup> Gifford** & **John Deval** are appointed to treat further with them thereon, and report to next M<sup>o</sup> meeting

*Addition  
to Trustees  
for holding  
Titles to*

**James Davis Joseph Austin & Caleb Greene** are appointed as an Addition to the Trustees for receiving & holding our Tittles to



Meeting house

our Meeting house Lands.

Collection

The **S<sup>o</sup> Prepar<sup>a</sup>** Meeting in their account  
they have Collected & paid to the former Treas<sup>r</sup> 10

The **North** [?] collected and handed to  
the Present Treas<sup>r</sup> 1 - - 3  
Total £1 - 10 - 3

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At a Monthly meeting held in **Dartmouth**  
the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1785

The Representatives from the **South Prepar<sup>a</sup>** meeting are **Tho<sup>s</sup>**  
**Russell** and **Joseph Wilbur** from the **North**, **Bar-**  
**nabas Russell** and **Seth Huddleston** all present.

*W<sup>m</sup> Tripp  
Certificate  
from 'Coaxet*

Received a removal Certificate from the month  
ly Meeting of **Acoaxet [Westport, Bristol Co MA]**, recommending **W<sup>m</sup> Tripp**  
and Wife **Elizabeth** to our Care, with their Chil-  
dren, namely **Othniel, Maria, Lydia & Elizabeth**,  
they having removed within the Compass of this Meet-  
ing to Live, which is accepted.

*R. Lapham  
case defer'd*

The Friends appointed to treat further with  
**Rich<sup>d</sup> Lapham**, report that he going to Sea  
depriv'd them of an Opportunity of treating with  
him thereon, it is therefore defer'd under the same  
Friends Care 'till next m<sup>o</sup> Meeting, they then to report.

*Testi<sup>v</sup>  
Ab. Cornel's  
Denial  
read*

**W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup>** reports that he hath  
read the Testimony of Denial of **Abig<sup>l</sup> Cornel [Cornell]**  
Wife of **Elihu Cornel** according to the Direction  
of last M<sup>o</sup> Meeting.

*Conclusion  
of W<sup>m</sup> Sand-  
ford jun<sup>r</sup>  
Case*

The Friends appointed in the Case of **W<sup>m</sup>**  
**Sandford Jun<sup>r</sup>** report that the Matter between him  
and **Benjamin Allen** is settled by Arbitration  
this Meeting therefore concludes to accept of his Pa-  
per condemning his Misconduct, for Satisfaction

*B Howlands  
case contin.<sup>d</sup>*

Part of the Committee in the Case of **Benj**  
**Howland 3<sup>d</sup>**, report, they have had with other  
friends

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friends a solid Opportunity with him, and  
that he desir'd it may be continu'd, it is accord-  
ingly defer'd under the same Friends care 'till  
next M<sup>o</sup> meeting – they then to make report

*W. Anthony  
j<sup>r</sup> Report*

**Will<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup>** reported that he in-  
form'd **Obadiah Beard** of his readmittance

into Membership as desir'd last M<sup>o</sup> meeting

*Report of  
Committee  
J Allen's Mar-  
riage*

One of the Friends appointed in the oversight of the Marriage of **James Allen** and **Sarah Howland**, reports that he attended said Marriage and according to his sense, it was solemnized in a degree orderly – and that **Elijah Gifford**, the other Friend, could not attend by reason of sickness.

*Hart & Allen*

The Committee in the Case of **Joseph Hart** and **Philip Allen**, desire that matter continu'd 'till next M<sup>o</sup> meeting; which is according defer'd under their Care, they then to report

*Nanny  
Gifford's  
proposal  
to visit  
Q<sup>y</sup> Meeting  
Sandwich*

**Nanny Gifford** informs that she has it on her Mind to attend the Quarterly meeting of **Sandwich [Barnstable Co MA]**, next to be held at **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** desiring Friends Concurrence therewith, and this Meeting taking it under Consideration, do approve thereof, she being a Member in Unity and her Publick Testimony approv'd among us, and the Clerk is desir'd to furnish her with a Copy of this Minute.

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*T. Akin  
gives in  
paper*

**Thomas Akin** gave in a Paper condemning misconduct in going into Company, where were music and Dancing and there drinking so as to unfi[?] him for business: – whereupon we appoint our friends **David Shepherd, Caleb Greene** and **Jn<sup>o</sup> Howland**, to take a solid Opportunity with him, and make inspection, in order to discover his Sincerity, and report to next M<sup>o</sup> meeting

*B. Allen  
(son of Philip)  
gives in  
Paper*

**Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen** (Son of **Philip** deceas'd) gave in a Paper condemning his falling into the reproachful Sin of Fornication and Marrying out of the Unity of Friends, **Thomas Russell & Thomas Hicks** are appointed to take a solid Opportunity with said **Benj<sup>a</sup>** in order to discover his Sincerity & report to next M<sup>o</sup> meeting

*Queries  
answerd*

The Queries were read with the Answers from each Prepara<sup>e</sup> Meeting, and **James Davis, W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup>**, & **Samuel Smith**, are appointed to compile said Answers from this Meeting, prepare an Account to the Quarterly meeting, and bring to the Adjournment of this Meeting

The **South Prepar<sup>a</sup>** in their Acct inform, that they have collected & sent

to the Treasurer.

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**North Prepar<sup>a</sup> Meeting**

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L1 4 [?]

*Adj<sup>d</sup>* This Meeting adjourns to the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of [?] month at the close of the meeting of Worship.

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*1785  
Met*

7<sup>th</sup> month 1<sup>st</sup> Met according to Adjournment. The Representatives being called are all present except **Seth Huddleston**, who sent a satisfactory reason in Writing of his Absence.

*S. Buffintun's  
Certificate  
refer'd*

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

*Comt<sup>ee</sup>  
report  
settling  
with former  
Treasurer*

One of the Comt<sup>ee</sup> to settle accounts with the former Treasurer, made report in writing; "hath he settled s<sup>d</sup> acct<sup>s</sup> to the 23<sup>d</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month last, and that it appears, that the former Accounts allowed by this Meeting, amount to L3-10<sup>s</sup>-9 1/2<sup>d</sup> more, than he was supplied with Mony to pay", and the present Treasurer is desir'd to pay the same, as soon as supplied with sufficiency of money.

*Job Deval's  
case  
defer'd*

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

*Advice  
from Meet<sup>s</sup>  
for Sufferings*

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

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they desire, that one of the first Class of Poor, ([?] any in the Monthly meeting) may be sent to the yearly meetings School: this Meeting taking it into consideration, do commit the care and oversight thereof to the Overseers of the Poor and School

Committee, who are to Report next M<sup>o</sup> meeting

*F. Rotch  
remov'd  
without  
Certificate*

It appearing to this Meeting, that **Francis Rotch** remov'd from this Meeting without Certificate, and resides or is often within the Compass of **Providence [Providence Co. RI]** M<sup>o</sup> meeting, **Caleb Greene & Joseph Austin**, are therefore appointed, to write to said Meeting; what may appear to them necessary and report to next Monthly meeting.

*Representatives  
Acco't  
to the  
Quarterly  
Meeting*

The Friends appointed to compile the Answers to the Queries, have presented them, with an Account to the Quarterly meeting, which after being read are appeared and signed by the Clerk and sent forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are our friends **Thomas Hicks, Jonathan Hart, & Benj<sup>a</sup> Chace**, and they to make report to next Monthly meeting.

*Information  
from  
Nantucket  
m<sup>o</sup> meeting  
respecting  
Shub<sup>l</sup>  
Bunker J*

This Meeting is informed by writing from **Nantucket [Nantucket Co. MA]** M<sup>o</sup> meeting that **Shubael Bunker Junior** hath resided for sometime, within the Compass of this Meeting, and hath had no Certificate, desiring us to take some care in that respect, and if it appears best, that he have one, that we acquaint them thereof, we thereof appoint **Caleb Russell**  
and

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

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