W^m Sisson Complained of ~~ The following information Respecting **William Sisson** was presented to the preparative meeting Dear friends This may inform that **W**^m **Sisson** has Married out of the order of society with a member, which we submitt to the meeting

Signed **Joseph Gifford** }

Daniel Howland } Overseer

James Tucker & Benjamin Potter are appoin
=ted to visit him therefor and endeavour to asser
=tain the State of his mind & fitness to be
retained a member of Our society making
Report hereon next month ———

Commu }
nication }
from
Providence
M° Mg &
E. H. Davis
Disowned -

We Rcd the following communication from **Providence** monthly meeting (viz) "at **Prov =idence** Monthly meeting of Friends held at **Smithfield** the 29th of 4th m^o 1840– (they say) we have Rcd the following Communication from **Dartmouth** monthly meeting, & with the unity of the womens meeting, we conclude to disown Eleny H. Davis as a member of our religious Society – & the Clerk is directed to inform **Dartmouth** monthly meeting of our conclusion, & request them to give the indi =vidual information of the decision in his Case— Extracted from the minutes of the meeting aforesaid, Samuel Boyd, Toby Clerk whereupon **Benjamin Tucker** was appointed to give the said **Elleny** the requested information informing us hereof when done ---

Seth Anthony informed of his --denial

George Smith informed this meeting that he had given **Seth Anthony** information of his denial, which service was done after the s^d **Seth** returned from the Country Same time Since - signed

Isaac R Gifford Clrk

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6 m° 1840

At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 24th of 6 mo 1840, accounts being Rc^d from each of the preparative meetings. The Repre=sentatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the South **Daniel Howland** and **George W. Frances** from the north **Thomas K. Wilbur** & **Job Eddy**, who are all Present

Queries answered The Queries with answers from each of the Preparative meetings have been read a sum =mary from which has been adapted and

Representatives to Q. Mg. Appointed directed to be forwarded (together with the necessary accounts from us) to our next Quarterly meeting by **James Tucker**, **Hump** =hrey Anthony & Freeman Lawrence whom we have appointed representatives thereto desireing them to Report their atten= =dence to our next meeting, & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the needful account & sign the same on our behalf.

The Committee in the case of **Allen Sisson** now made the following Report. (viz)

To **Dartmouth**

Allen Sisson Disowned monthly meeting of Friends, Dear Friends, the Committee in appointed in case of **Allen Sisson** report, that we have visited him & laboured in the ability afforded, but he did not manifest any disposition either to conde =mn his past deviations or to endeavour to be more consistant in future,, and believing our selves Clear of further labour we submit the case to the meeting (Signed **Seth Davis** 6 m° 1840~~ **Isaac Lawrence** }

Isaac R Gifford }

Which was read & accepted & having the unity of the womens meeting herein we do hereby disown the said **Allen** & no longer consider him a member of our religious society, and **Abram Russell** and **Osman Wood** are appointed to give him this in formation, making report hereon next month

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Committee for W^m Sisson

One of the committee in the case of **William Sisson** informed that they had not had an opportunity with him, they therefore are continued in charge thereof another month

H. Morton &
B. Anthony
Disowned

This meeting unites with the women in denying the right of membership to **Hannah Morton**Late **Slade**, as also that of **Barbary Anthony** wife of **Seth Anthony**.

Perry Gifford The friend appointed sometime since to give **Perry Gifford** information of his denial inform that he has done so – (see page 294-)

informed One of the committee in charge of the **Marv** M. Harts **Hart** Bequest informs that, they have Rc^d twelve Bequest Dollars 12.\$ one years annuity thereon which has 12,,Int been paid to our treasurer. - Rc^d -----We unite with the women in the consent that Consent to Westport Monthly meeting received Rebecca Westport Gifford into Membership with them -M. Meeting Signed Isaac R Gifford Clerk At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dart** 22^d of 7 m^o 1840- accounts being Rc^d from each of $7 m^o$ 1840 the preparative meetings, the representatives are from the south **Humphrey Anthony** & **Abner Pot[ter]** from the north George Almy & William Potter who are all present -One of the representatives appointed last month Report of to attend the Q. Meeting Reports that they all atte representatives The Committee in the case of **William** ^Sisson now made Q. Mg.the following report (viz) To the monthly meeting We have had an opportunity with William Sisson in which interview, he manifested no disposition to be retained a member of our society & therefor apprehend that further labour would not be easy 7 m° 1840- Signed – James Tucker & Benjamin Potter – which was read & accepted & after a time of consid eration thereon & having the womens concurence

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EXTRACTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 14th to the 19th, inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1840.

THE Annual Report of the Committee having the superintendence of the Boarding School, under the care of this Meeting, was produced and read, and being satisfactory to Friends, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. From the Minutes of said Meeting.

A. SHEARMAN. jun Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The School Committee Report, That they have endeavoured during the past year to attend to the service to which they were appointed by the Yearly Meeting. The average number of Scholars, for the year, has been eighty-six; for the past term, one hundred and eighteen. Meetings for divine worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the vacations; and harmony has prevailed.

Our friends **Allen** and **Olive Wing** continue to serve acceptably as Superintendents.

Samuel Austin and **Pliny Chase** are employed as Teachers in the male department, and **Emmeline Aldrich** and **Elizabeth Osborne**, in the female School. **Jonathan L. Slocum** has been engaged in the Institution as a Teacher during the past year, and **Charles F. Coffin, jun.** and **Sarah J. Brown** as assistant Teachers during the last term. **George F. Read** continues to give instruction in the Languages, and to have charge of the accounts.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School has exceeded its expenditures by \$3,444 51, by which we are enabled to liquidate the debt of the Institution reported last year, and leave in the Treasury a balance of \$1,136 84. We do not think it expedient, however, to propose to the Yearly Meeting any considerable reduction in the terms of the admission of scholars, as the situation of the house and premises is such that a pretty large expenditure will soon be required for repairs and improvements. For details of the receipts and expenses we refer to a copy of the Superintendent's account, herewith forwarded.

Ten scholars have enjoyed the privilege of the charitable fund the last term, and the same number may be received for the next winter term; and monthly meetings are requested to forward their applications for this privilege, by the time of the meeting of the Sub-Committee, on the 29th of 9th month next.

We would propose that the price per term, for admission of members of this Yearly Meeting, be \$30, commencing with the ensuing winter term: for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, (should any such by direction of the Yearly Meeting be received) be continued at \$45; and for members of other Yearly Meetings, \$50; and that \$10 per term additional charge should still be made for instruction in the Languages. Stationary and books, (except such as are required for the study of the

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higher branches of Mathematics and Languages) we would propose, should continue to be furnished at the expense of the Institution.

In the discharge of the duties that have devolved upon us in the direction of the concerns of the School, we have been desirous to keep steadily in view the original design of Friends in its establishment, viz. "the imparting to the youth of our Society a religious, guarded education, free from the contaminating influences of the world." While situated in this Institution we feel that parents have a right to expect that their children will be in good degree preserved from the hurtful things that abound in the world; that their tender minds will not receive impressions calculated to lessen their attachment either to the principles of our religious Society, or to the testimonies founded upon them. The press at the present day teems with publications, many of which are such as concerned parents would be unwilling should be placed within the reach of their children; and to maintain our Christian discipline, by restraining, so far as we are able, "from the reading of pernicious books," has appeared to us to be an important duty to be exercised by the Committee, and which we believe has rested with weight upon those who have been under this appointment, since the first establishment of the School. The time for which most of the pupils are placed in the Institution being limited, and necessarily mostly occupied in pursuing their regular studies, much opportunity is not afforded for general reading; and as the School is furnished with a valuable Library, consisting of not less than fourteen hundred volumes of well selected books, received principally from the bequests of

our late beloved friends **Moses** and **Obadiah Brown**, to which the children have free access, we thought it proper in the 11th month last, after carefully considering what books and publications it was best to use and receive in the School, to adopt the following regulation, viz. "Believing that the Library of this Institution, together with the books and periodicals that have already been approved by this Committee, will afford the means for as great a variety of reading as the time and best interests of the scholars will require, it is our judgment that it is not expedient to extend the number at the present time; but that any books or publications brought by the scholars, or sent to them, be laid aside and preserved for them until they leave the School; or, if deemed best by the Superintendents, forwarded to their parents or guardians." While by adhering to this rule, we are aware that many writings are excluded with which we have no controversy, yet with the exercise of a sufficient liberality on the part of the Committee in the admission of those that will be likely to be productive of usefulness, we apprehend its adoption will not be deemed oppressive; but we trust it will prove a relief and satisfaction to many parents in different sections of the Yearly Meeting, who wish to place their children in the School.

During the past year, with the exception of the latter part of the last term, when the measles prevailed extensively but mildly in the house, the various inmates of the family have been favored with the enjoyment of nearly uninterrupted good health; which mercy, among the many we have received, calls for gratitude to Him from whom cometh all our blessings.

On behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th mo. 8th, 1840.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day, 11th mo. 2d. The next Summer term, on Second-day, 5^{th} mo. 3d, 1841.]

[handwritten] notice of this sent in the a/c to **Sandwich** Q. Mg. in 10 m^o 1849 -

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William Sisson Disowned

Allen Sisson informed **Abram Russell** appointed last month to give **Allen Sisson** information of his denial reports that he gave the said **Allen** the requested information ~~

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Committee to select Overseers The time for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired, **Abram Russell James Tucker Warren Gifford. Isaac Lawrence** & **Seth Davis** are desired to bring forward to Our next monthly meeting the names of such friends as they may apprehend suitable for that service.

Ann P Shove Removed

In unison with the women we have signed a removal certificate directed to **Swansey** monthly meeting of friends on behalf of **Ann P. Shove**

	Late Potter — —		
B. Ricketson	The Committee having Charge of Benjⁿ Ricketson Bequest Report that they have Rc ^d the dividend from		
annuity <u>Rc^d – 3</u> 8\$	the institution for savings ————————————————————————————————————		
<u>κε –</u> 50φ	& also the Rent of the Marsh – — 18,		
	\$38,, -		
	which have been paid over to our Treasurer		
	Signed on behalf of the Committe Abram Russell.		
	Extracts from the minutes of our Last weedly. Meeting		
	Extracts from the minutes of our Last yearly ^Meeting held on R.I. embracing the report of the Boarding		
	school Committee, were now received & Read —		
Committee	And Seth Davis, Isaac R. Gifford Isaac Lawrence		
to grant	& Humphrey Anthony are appointed a committe		
certificates	to whom Parents & guardians are to make applica		
&c –	=tion for certificates for Children going to our		
	Boarding school at Providence , they are also direc		
	=ted to take the necessary care with reporst to the		
	Charity priviledge — ———		
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	At a monthly meeting of friends held at		
	Dartmouth 26 th of 8 m ^o - 1840 – Accounts being		
8 m <u>º</u>	$Rc^{\underline{d}}$ from each of the preparative meetings the		
1840	representatives - appointed to attend this meeting		
	are from the south Benjamin Gidley and		
	Howard Potter from the north Caleb Slade		
	& W ^m Potter who are all present ———		
W ^m Sisson	Job Eddy is continued in charge of		
<u>w Sisson</u>	W ^m Sissons case -		
	The Committee appointed last month to		
Overseers appointed	propose overseers of this meeting Report &		
	propose the Reappointment of Benjamin		
	Gidley, Joseph Gifford, Daniel Howland.		
	Humphrey Anthony, Job Eddy & Isaac		
	R. Gifford. which appears Satisfactory to the		
	meeting. and they are accordingly appointed		
	to that Service for the ensuing Year or		
	untill another appointment		
South	The South preparative meeting inform that		
meetings	they have paid their proportion of Stock		
<u>Stock paid</u>	to our Treasurer for 1839 ————		

Jabes Barker under Dealing The following information respecting **Jabes Barker** was Recieved from the north Preparative Meeting. which is –To the preparative meeting Dear friends, This may inform that **Jabes Barker** has for a considerable longth of time much neglected the attendence of Our religious meetings, & has kept Company and married out of the Order of our Society with one not in membership with us, on account of which Some Labour has been bestowed without its desired effect – 8 mo 19th 1840 – signed by—

Job Eddy & Isaac R Gifford. Overseers—

whereuppon we appoint **Seth Davis** & **Benjamin Tucker** a committee to extend Such further labour as they may apprehend they may be Called to in

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in [sic] this case and report hereon next month

Quarterly meetings Stock is 60\$ By a minute recieved from our last Quarterly Meeting it appears that our proportion of that meetings Stock is Sixty Dollars which our Treas =urer is directed to pay theirs when in funds.

E. H. Davis informed

The friend having charge Reports that he has given **Ellery H. Davis** information of his denial ~

Isaac R. Gifford Clk

9 m<u>º</u> 1840 At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartmouth** 23^d of 9 m^o 1840 accounts being recieved from each of the preparative Mgs—the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the South **Abner Potter** & **George Smith** from the north **James Tucker** & **George Almy**. who are all present

W^m Sisson informed

Job Eddy Reports that he has given **W**^m **Sisson** information of his denial —

Queries A^d & Representatives

esentatives to Q. Mg ap<u>pointed</u> The Queries with answers from each of the Pre-parative meetings have been read and a general answer adopted to each of the usual three Queries. which are directed to our next Q. Mg. By **Benjamin Potter Ebenezer Allen** and **Joseph Gifford** whom we have appointed our representatives there to. desireing them to report their attendence at our next meeting. And the Clerk is directed to

furnish them with the needful account from us & Sign the same on our behalf.

Jabes Barker
Committee
Continued

The Committee in the Case of **Jabes Barker** as per Minute of last month inform that they have not had an oppertunity with him__
& they are continued in charge thereof to report next month ______

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Abram Russell, Abner Potter Isaac R Gifford and **Benjamin Potter** are appointed a committee to Settle with our Treasurer, Propose one for the year to Come and also a Sum of money necessary to be collected; making report hereof next month —

10 т<u>°</u> 1840 At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 10 m^o 28th 1840- accounts being Rc^d from Each of the preparative meetings. the representatives therein appointed to attend this meeting are from the South **Joshua W. Gifford** & **Joseph Gifford** from the north **Job Eddy** & **Caleb Slade** who are all present—

Representatives
<u>Report of-</u>

One of the representaves appointed last month to attend the Quarterly meeting reports they all attended

Jabez Barker <u>disowned</u> The Committee in the case of Jabez Barker
now made the following Report (Viz) To Dartm² [Dartmouth]
monthly meeting of friends Dear friends. we have
attended to the object of our appointment in the
case of Jabez Barker. and he does not appear to be
disposed to make friends Satisfaction and apprehen
=ding ourselves clear of further labour we sub
=mit the case to the meeting Signd, Benjamin Tucker
Seth Davis—

10 mº 28th 1840 -

which being read & after a time of consideration hereon & having the womens concurrence herein we hereby deny the right of membership to him the Said Jabez not considering him any longer a member of our religious society & John Handy & Caleb Slade are appointed to give him this information making report hereof next month

The Committee appointed to Settle with our Treasur[er]

125\$ Stock to <u>Collect</u>

Treasurer appointed & Setled. with

&c. Report that have given attention thereto & find a ballance in his hands in favour of this meeting of one Dollar & 57/100 – they propose the Collection of One hundred & Twenty five Dollars for the use of this meeting to be collected in the Same proportion as last Year – & that **Osman Wood** be Treasurer – which being Satisfactory to us- he is hereby appointed to that Service for the ensuing year or untill

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another appointment and our preparative meetings are desired to Collect & pay in too our Treasurer the sum proposed

Signd Isaac R Gifford Clarke

1840 <u>11 m</u>º

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartmouth** the 25th of 11 m^o 1840 - accounts being Recieved from each of the preparative meetings the Representatives appointed to attend are from the South **Osman Wood & Humphrey Anthony** from the north **W**^m **Potter & Isaac R Gifford** who are all present

118 Coppies
London
Epistle
Rcd

We have Rc^d for distribution to our members 118 coppies of the **London** General Epistle in printed form . of the present Year one of which has been read at this time & its Contents are Comforting & Edifying to us

J. Barker in<u>formed</u> The friends having Charge of **Jabez Barkers** Case Report that they have given him information of his denial —————

Queries
Answered.
&
Representatives
appointed

Q. M.g_

The Queries have been Read together with Answers from each of Our preparative Meetings to the usu =al three from which a Summary was prepared to each & directed to our next Quarterly meeting by Warren Gifford Job Eddy & Benjamin Gidley whom we have appointed our Representatives thereto desireing them to Report their attendence at our next meeting, & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary account from our Minutes & Sign the same on our behalf

Committee to Attend funerals <u>&c —</u> The Subject of appointing a Committee to have the oversight & Care of our Burying grounds, meeting houses, & funerals coming before us. accordingly. Seth Davis. Joseph Gifford. Isaac R. Gifford. Abner Potter Humphrey Anthony, Isaac Lawrence. Job Eddy Daniel Howland. George Smith, & Abram Russell are appointed to those services for the Year to Conn [continue?] on untill another appointment. Signed Isaac R Gifford Clark

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Overseers

1840 12 m<u>º</u> At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 23^d of 12 m^o 1840 accounts being Rc^d from each of the pre= =parative Meetings. the Representatives appointed therein to attend this meeting are from the South **Abram Russell** & **Howard Potter** from the north **Benjamin Tucker** & **Othniel Tripp** who are all present —

Clerks appointed The times for which the Clerks of this meeting were appointed having expired & the Subject having been lift with the representatives of last month to bring forward names for this Service, they therefore propose **Isaac R. Gifford** for Clerk & **Joseph Gifford** for an assistant which being Satisfactory to the meeting. they are accordingly appointed to that Service for the year ensueing or untill another appointment.

Representatives Report of One of the Representatives appointed last month to attend the Quarterly meeting reports that they all attend =ded — Signed Isaac R Gifford Clark —

1841 <u>1 m</u>° At a Monthly Meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 27th of 1 m^{o.} 1840- accounts being Recieved from each of the preparative meetings. the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the South **Freeman Lawrence & Edward Slade** from the north **George Almy**& **Daniel Wilbur** who are all present————

Ezra Wing Complaint against The following information respecting **Ezra Wing** was through the South Preparative meeting forwarded to the meeting; (Viz) To the preparative and monthly meetings Dear friends—this may inform that **Ezra Wing** has Married out of the order of Society with one not a member which we Submit to the meeting. Signed 1 m^o 20th 1841— **Joseph Gifford**

mº 20th 1841— **Joseph Gifford Benin Gidley**

Committe to Labor **Ezra Wing**

James Tucker Job Eddy & Abraham Russell are now appointed to Visit & Labour with him therefor in and to convince him of his transgression & make report hereof to this meeting next month —

N. Prepar meeting Stock paid

The north preparative meeting has paid to the Treasurer of this meeting their proportion of Stock for the year 1840 —

W. G. Slade Requests Certificate William G. Slade informed this meeting that he was now residing within the limits of Westport monthly Meeting. he also Requested a removal Certificate from us to that the monthly meeting of friends there. James Tucker & Seth Davis are appointed to prepare & produce one for him to our next meeting if nothing Should appear to hinder — Signed Isaac R Gifford Clark

1841-2 m°

At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 24th of 2 m^o 1841- accounts being Rc^d from each of the preparative meetings the Repres= entatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the South **Abner Potter** & **George Smith** from the north **Benjamin Potter** & **Benjⁿ Tucker** who are all present

Ezra Wings
Committee
Continued

W^m G. Slade Committe Co<u>ntinu</u>ed

The Committee appointed last month to prepare a certificate for **William G. Slade** inform, that they have given Some attention to the Subject, but are not in Readyness; they are Continued to take the neces= = sary Care & report next month —

Rebecca Howlands Certificate Recieved

We have in unison with the women accepted a removal Certificate from **New bedford** monthly meeting on behalf of **Rebecca Howland** dated. 12 m^o 24th 1840 - -

Thomas T
Potter
Complained
of—
informed off
1842- 5 m²

The following information from the Overseers respecting **Thomas T. Potter** was forwarded to this meeting (Viz) To the preparative & monthly meeting Dear friends, this may inform that **Thomas T. Potter** has for a considerable langth of time Verry much neglected the attendence of our Meetings. & is in the practice of attending meetings with those not of our Society. on which

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account labor has been bestowed. Signed by $2 \text{ m}^{\underline{o}} 18^{\underline{th}} 1841$ - Isaac R Gifford Job Eddy overseers

whereuppon we appoint **Warren Gifford** and **Isaac Lawrence** a Committee to labor further with him on account of his deviations & report next month

Committee on Births & <u>Deaths</u> The Committee appointed in 1^{te} m^o 1840 to give our Recorder information in regard to births & Deaths, now made report. & William Potter, George Smith, Isaac Lawrence; Abram Russell, & Humphrey — Anthony, are reappointed to the above Service for the ensueing year or untill another appointment —

Isaac R Gifford Clerk

3 m<u>º</u> 1841 At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 24^{th} of 3^{d} mº1841- accounts being Rcd from each of the preparative meetings. the friends appointed to attend this meeting are from the South **Joshua W. Gifford** & **Abner Potter**, from the north **Benjⁿ Tucker** and **George Almy**- who are all present

Queries answered & Representatives appointed The Queris with answers from each of the preparative meetings were read & Summary answers prepared which are directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Mg-by **Job Eddy**. **Joseph Gifford** & **Abner Potter** whom we have appointed representatives thereto. desireing them to report thier attendence to our next m^o meeting & the Cerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our Records & Sign the Same on behalf of this meeting —

Ezra Wings Acknowledg ment— <u>Rc^d</u> The Committee in the Case of **Ezra Wing** now made The following Report (Viz) To **Dartmouth** monthly m.g. Dear friends. your Committee in the Case of **Ezra Wing** Report. that they have had Several oppurtunities with him to a good degree of Satisfaction, & we feel willing on our part to accept his acknowledgement for his deviation from our the good order of our — Society; All which we Submit to the Judgment of the meeting. Dated 3 mo 24th 1841 - & Signed by **Job Eddy** &

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Abram Russell. And the said Ezra handed in writing to this meeting the following Acknowledgment (Viz) To the monthly meeting of Dartmouth Dear friends; having so far departed from the good order established among Friends as to perform my marriage Contrary to dicipline (with one not a member) for which I am sorry; I hope Friends will so far pass by my

Offence as to let me remain a member,, from your friend **Ezra Wing** dated 3 m^o 15th 1841- Both of which now being read & after a time of deliberation thereon & having the womens concurrence herein this meeting Concludes to accept the report of the Committee and his Acknowledgement to our Satisfaction, Retaining him a member of Our Society. & **Warren Gifford** is appeointed to give him this information—

Q. Meetings Stock paid Our Treasurer informs that our proportion of Quarterly meeting Stock has been paid to that meetings Treasurer

W^m G. Slade Removed-

Westport

The Committee appointed to prepare a Certificate for **William G. Slade** now produced one which was Read -approved, Signed by the Clerk and directed to the M^o meeting of Friends at **Westport**.

South P. M.g. Stock paid The South Preparative meeting Stock for 1840 has been paid to Our Treasurer as we are informed —

T. T. Potters Committee Continued The Committee in the Case of **Thomas T. Potter** inform that they have not had an opportunity with him they are Continued in Charge thereof to report next month—

Signed Isaac R Gifford

Clerk

At a monthly meeting of friends held at

Dartmouth the 28th of 4th mº 1841- accounts being

Recieved from each of the Preparative meetings

the representatives appointed as appears therein to attend this meeting are from the South Zebedee Gifford &

Joseph Gifford. from the north W^m Tucker & Thomas

K. Wilbur who are all present except one for whose absence a satisfactory Reson was assigned.

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One of the representativs appointed last month to attend the Q. Meeting reports that they all attended –

Thomas
T. Potter
disowned

The Committee in the Case of **Thomas T. Potter** now made the following report. (Viz) to the m^o meeting of friends at **Dartmouth**. We your committee to Visit **Thomas T. Potter** on account of his devia= =tions have attended to our appointment & have had an oppurtunity with him. he did not appear

to manifest any disposition to make friends Satisfaction or to remain a member, which we Submit to the meeting. Signd Warren Gifford Dated 4 m^o 27th 1841 — **Isaac Lawrence** which being read & after taking the Subject under Solid consideration & having the womens concurrence herein we do disown him the $S^{\underline{d}}$ **Thomas** from being any longer a member of our Society & Beniⁿ **Tucker** is appointed to give him this information making report hereof when Done-

Richard M. Wanzer

Joseph R. Parker. Certificates Recieved

This meeting now Recived Read & accepted a remov =al Certificate from **Scipio** monthly meeting of friends Dated 4 mº 15th 1841 on behalf of **Richard M. Wanzer** the women Concuring with us herein, And one from friends of Symons Creek monthly meeting **Perquimans** County **North carolina** Dated 17th of 4th m^o 1841 on behalf of **Joseph Robinson** -Parker the women also Concuring herein —

Job Eddy Requests

Certificate

New bedford

Job Eddy informed this meeting that he was about to remove with his family to live within the limits of **New bedford** monthly meeting & requested a certificate for that purpose **James** Tucker & Isaac R Gifford are appointed (to unite with those whom the women may appoint.) to prepare & produce one to our next meeting if there should nothing appear Signed Isaac R. Gifford to hinder— Clerk.

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At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 26th of 4 m 5th m^o 1841- accounts being Recieved from each of the preparative meetings the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the South Warren Gifford & Humphrey — Anthony from the north Caleb Slade & Rowland **Rider** who are all presint — –

Job Eddy Removed The committee having charge have prepared & produced a removal certificate on behalf of Job Eddy & wife. which was Read & approved, directed to **New bedford** monthly meeting of friends and Signed by the Clerk — -

Signed Isaac R. Gifford Clerk

6 m^o 1841

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartm^o** [**Dartmouth**] the 23^d of 6 m^o 1841- accounts being Rc^d from each of the preparative meetings the representatives appoin =ted to attend this meeting are from the South

Benjⁿ Gidley & Freeman Lawrence from the north Benjamin Potter & George Almy. all present-

T. Jones & J. Buffum attended

Our Beloved friend **Thomas Jones** having attended this meeting & all the meetings constituting it, a Satisfactory certificate from **Durham** monthly meeting held 25^{th} of last month expressive of thier unity with him in his present Religious Visit was now read. his company & gospel Labours have been acceptable to us,, As also the company & Solid dep =ortment of our beloved friend **John Buffum** companion to the afore said friend. a Satisfactory minute from **Durham** M^o Meeting of friends, on his behalf was also read. the Clerk is directed to notice the above information in our account to the Q. M.g-

Q^s Answered & Representatives appointed The Queries with Answers from each of the Preparative meetings to the $1-2^{\underline{d}} \& 10^{\underline{th}}$ have been Read from which Summary Answers were prepared & directed to our next Q. Meeting by **Seth Davis Benjamin Tucker** & **Benjamin Potter**.

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whom we have appointed Representatives thereto Desireing them to report their attendence to our next meeting & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary account from our minutes & sign the same on behalf of this m.g

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Lydia Breed in attendence Our Esteemed friend **Lydia Breed** attended this meeting with a Certificate from **Wear** monthly meeting of friends held 10 m° 1840- expressive of her being a minister in unity with them her com pany & gospel Labours have been acceptable to u[s] & the Clerk is directed to furnish her with the substance of this minute – signed **I. R. Gifford**

Clerk

7 m° <u>1841</u> At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dart** 28th of 7 m° 1841- accounts being Rc^d from each of the Preparative meetings, the representatives appointed to attend this meeting one from the south **Howard Potter & Osman Wood**– from the north **Thomas K. Wilbur & Caleb Slade** who are all present

Report of Representatives to <u>O. Meeting</u>	One of the representatives appointed last m° to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended —				
John W. Gifford complaind of –	the following information Respecting John W. Gifford was through the south Preparative mg. forwarded (viz) To the preparative meeting, Dea[r] friends, This may inform that John W. Gifford has married with one not a member contrary to the order of our society. Joseph Gifford } over 7 m° 21 1841— Daniel Howland } seers which after being Read we appoint Abram Russell & Warren Gifford a committee to visit him on account of his deviation & make report hereon				

to this meeting when ready -

Signed

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Isaac R Gifford Clk

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 13th to the 17th, inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1841.

THE Annual Report of the Committee having the superintendence of the Boarding School was produced and read, and being satisfactory to the Meeting, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings; and Friends were desired to give their attention to the suggestions of the Committee in regard to the admission of scholars. From the Minutes of said Meeting.

A. SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

THE Committee appointed to superintend the various concerns of the Boarding School, Report, That they have endeavoured during the past year, to attend to the important trust confided to them by the Yearly Meeting. The average number of scholars in the Institution has been eighty-five. Meetings for religious worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the vacations; and harmony, we believe, has prevailed.

Our friends **Allen** and **Olive Wing** continue to occupy the place of Superintendents, acceptably to us. **Samuel Austin** and **Joseph W. Aldrich** are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and **Emmeline Aldrich** and **Rebecca Chipman** in the Girls'. **George F. Read** continues to have charge of the Books, and to instruct in the Languages. **Pliny E. Chase** has been employed as a Teacher during the past year, and **Charles H. Nichols, Elizabeth H. Osborne** and **Lydia Earle,** each, one term.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School has exceeded its expenditures by \$1066, 31 cents, and that there is now a balance in the Treasury of \$2203, 15 cents. Twenty-two hundred and twenty dollars and 17 cents have been expended in various repairs on the

buildings and furniture for the house; and as many additional repairs and improvements are required about the house and farm, we do not consider it expedient to propose any change in the price of admission from that of last year, viz. \$30 per term for members of this Yearly Meeting; \$45, for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members; and \$50 for members of our Society, of other Yearly Meetings; Books and Stationary to continue to be furnished, as at present. We herewith forward a copy of the Superintendent's account, for the information of the Yearly Meeting.

While the Committee believe that manifest advantage has resulted from the division of the year into terms, they are sensible it has not been so fully realized as is desirable, from the circumstance that many scholars have entered for a less time than one term, and at different periods in it. While we are aware there may be cases in which parents may desire to place their children in the School for only three months, and we would not wish to deny this privi-

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lege when circumstances seem to forbid their remaining through a whole term, yet we hope these applications will not be frequent; and we believe the good of all requires that in future, in such cases, the scholars shall enter either at the commencement or the middle of the term.

Inconvenience has sometimes arisen from a neglect of the observance of the regulation adopted by the Yearly Meeting at the establishment of the School, that for all males over fourteen years of age, the consent of the Sub-Committee to their entrance must be obtained previously to their coming to the School, and for the future we would propose that this Rule should be strictly adhered to. It will be remembered that the Sub-Committee meets at the Institution on third day before the first fifth day in every month.

Ten scholars have enjoyed the benefit of the charitable fund during the past term; and the same number may receive the privilege the ensuing winter session; and Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their applications at or before the time of the meeting of the Sub-Committee on the fifth of the tenth month.

An examination of the School has taken place at the close of each term, in the presence of special Committees appointed for that purpose, and their reports of the proficiency of the pupils and the general condition of the School, have been satisfactory to us. In the one presented at this time, after referring to the satisfaction derived from the visit, the Committee proceed to state, that "the correctness of the recitations of the children, and the readiness and knowledge manifested in the various studies to which they have given their attention, evinced a commendable degree of industry and application on the part of the scholars, and of care and diligence on that of the Teachers; and the general appearance of the schools and the orderly deportment of the pupils while we were with them, received our approbation." We can but regret that the number of scholars is not larger than it has been for the past few years, believing as we do, that an opportunity is afforded in this Institution to obtain a useful education, in good measure guarded from the contaminating influences of the world; and we would desire that Friends might be encouraged to avail themselves of its benefits.

In conclusion we may state that the family and scholars have been favored with almost uninterrupted good health during the past year; which, with the many other mercies graciously extended to us by Him who condescends still to care for us, calls for the tribute of grateful hearts.

On behalf and by direction of the Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th mo. 7th, 1841.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day, 11^{th} mo. 1^{st} . The next Summer term, on Second-day, 5th mo. 2d, 1842.]

THE Meeting for Sufferings having published an edition of Memorials of deceased Friends of this Yearly Meeting, it was recommended to surbordinate Meetings to enter into subscriptions therefor, (at twenty-five cents each,) and the Clerks of Monthly Meetings were requested to forward to the Clerk of the Meeting for Sufferings, an account of the number of copies called for in each Meeting.

From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting.

A. SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.

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Committee

in =ount of his Deviation & make report hereon his case - to this meeting next month one of the committee in trust of the Mary Hart Bequest Report that 12 Dollars one years Interest Mary Hart } 12., Rc^d – has been Collected & paid our Treasurer –

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Committee to bring forward <u>oversee</u>rs

The time for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired, Warren Gifford James Tucker Abram Russell, Seth Davis, & **Isaac Lawrence** are appointed a committee to bring forward such names (to our next m^o Meeting) as they may apprehend suitable for that service

Committee

Abram Russell, Isaac R. Gifford, & Benjamin **Potter** are appointed a Committee to settle settle with with our Treasurer propose one for the **Treasurer** year to Come & also a sum of money which <u>&c</u>

they may think necessary to be Collected to meet our yearly expences & Report next m^o

1841-

Isaac R Gifford Clerk

1841 9 m°

At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 22^d of 9 m^o 1841- accounts being Rc^d from each of the preparative meetings the Representatives appointed to attend this mg are from the south **Zebedee Gifford** & **Abner Potter** from the north George Almy & James Tucker who are all present -

Q. answered

Representatives appointed

The Oueries with answers from each of the Prep =arative meetings to the 1 -2^d - & 10th were now Read from which summary answers were adopted & directed to our next Quarterly meeting by Joseph Gifford, Benjamin Tucker, & Abner Pott[er]

whom we have appointed Representatives thereo[n] desireing them to Report their attendance to our next meeting, & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary account from our minutes signing the same on behalf of this meeting

Saml G Smiths Committee

One of the Committee in the case of **Samuel G. Smith** informs that they have not had an

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Overseers appointed The committee appointed last month to bring forward names for overseers of this meeting Propose Joseph Gifford, Daniel Howland, Benjⁿ Tucker, Isaac R Gifford, Humphrey Anthony, Benjamin Gidley & Abram Russell & after a time of consideration hereon & it appearing satisfactory to the meeting they were accordingly appointed to that service for the year to come or untill another appointment.

Sarah H.
Howland
Disowned

This meeting unites with the women in denying the Right of membership to **Sarah H. Howland**

Late Potter -

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Treasurer
Settled with
&
Reappointed

The Committee appointed last month to settle with our Treasurer &c- made the following Report (viz) We your Committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer &c- have attended thereto & find a balance in his hands of Twenty one Dollars & ⁶⁹/₁₀₀ cents & propose to Collect one hundred Dollars to meet the expence of the present year, and propose **Osman Wood** for Treasurer on behalf of the Committee **Abram Russell** – —— which being Read & also satisfactory to the m.g.- **Osman Wood** is accordingly appointed Treasurer for the year to come, & our preparative meeting,

100\$ stock to <u>Collect</u> -

which being Read & also satisfactory to the m.g.-Osman Wood is accordingly appointed Treasurer for the year to come, & our preparative meeting, are desired to collect the sum of one hundred Dollars & pay the same to our Treasurer for the purposes aforesaid ~

George Handy Complained of —-- The following information Respecting **George Handy** was forwarded to this meeting. (viz) To the preparative & monthly meeting. Dear friends, This may inform that **George Handy** has for a considerable length of time verry much neglected the attendence of our meetings on which account Labour has been from time to time bestowes, and now of late has —

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one not a member— Signd Isaac R Gifford } overseers 9 m° 15th 1841– **Joseph Gifford** } Committee We appoint James Tucker & Benjamin Potter to for labour with him on account of his deviations G. Handy & Report hereon next month ~~-At a monthly meeting -- Our meeting for Sufferings having published an Edition of Memorials memorials of Deceased friends of this (or Neweng Friends **=land**) yearly meeting & it being recommended Subscribed to us to enter into subscription therefor we forhave accordingly given friends an opportunity say 58 & have obtaind subscribers for 58 coppies to be **Coppies** taken at twenty five cents each, & the Clerk is directed to furnish this information to the Clerk of the meeting for sufferings as advised. Isaac R. Gifford Clerk 10th } At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartmouth** 27th of 10 m^o 1841, by accounts Rc^d from each of the Preparative meetings, the Representatives are from the south Paul Fisher & Jos^WGifford from the North Caleb Slade & Thomas K. Wilbur who are all present -One of the Representatives appointed last month to attend the Quarterly meeting Reports that they all attended ~~-_____ One of the Committee in the case of Saml G. Smith Saml G informs that on account of his state of health they Smith have not been able to give any attention thereto Committee They are continued in care thereof another month Continued The Committee in the case of **George Handy** now made the following Report (viz) To the monthly George meeting. We have had an opportunity of conference Handy with George Handy in which he manifested no Disowned disposition to condemn his deviations of past conduct. Signed by -- James Tucker 24th of 10 m^o 1841 – **Beniⁿ Potter**

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Which being Read & after a time of consideration hereon and having the womens concurence herein we do disown him the s^d **George** & no longer consider him a member of our society and **Benjamin Tucker** & **Isaac R Gifford** are appointed to give him this information making Report hereof to this meeting next m^o———

Peter D Slade Requests certificate on account of marriage	We are informed that Peter D. Slade Requests a certificate to Smithfield M° meeting R. J. to enable him to proceed in marriage with Sarah Briggs a member of that meeting. Benjamin Tucker & W ^m Potter are appointed to take the necessary care in this case & produce one to our next m.g if nothing appears to hinder			
Overseers of Poor <u>appointe</u> d	We Reappointed Abraham Russell, Benj ⁿ Potter Daniel Howland, Jonathan Wilbur, Benj ⁿ Tucker & Jos Gifford Overseers of the Poor of this mee =ing for the ensuing year or untill another appointment Isaac R. Gifford Clerk			
11 m° <u>1841</u>	At a monthly meeting of friends held at Dartmouth 24 th of 11 m ^o 1841 accounts being Rc ^d from each of the Pre-parative meetings, the Representatives appointed to this meeting are from the south Edward Slade and Abner Potter from the North Benjⁿ Potter and Benjamin Tucker, who are all present except one for whose absence a satisfactory Reason was given			
Q. answered &c to Q. Meeting	The Queries with answers from each of the Prepar = ative meetings to the first second & Tenth were now Read from which summary answers were prepared & directed to be forwarded to our next Q. Meeting by Joshua W. Gifford, George Almy & Isaac R Gifford whom we have appointed Representatives thereto desi -reing them to Report their attendence to our next meeting, & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the needful account from our minutes & sign the same on behalf of this meeting —— The Committee in the case of Samuel G. Smith			
	inform that they have had an opportunity			
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S.G.Smith Committee Continued	with him but are not ready to make Report they are therefore Continued in charge thereof to report when ready ======== The Committee in the case of George Handy			

The Committee appointed to inquire into **Peter** P. D. Slade **D. Slade**s Clearness to proceed in marriage &c has a Produced a Certificate for him which was read certificate approved signed by the Clerk and directed to Smithfield Mo Meeting of Friends ~-Smithfield The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the womens meeting in signing a Coppy of a minute (for Marv our friend Mary Davis) granted her to attend the Davis has ensuing yearly meeting of friends at Philadelphia a minute & most of the meetings of friends of Newyork yearly meeting & to appoint a few meetings among those not of our society if way should open for it _____ At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 22^d of 12 m^o 1841= accounts were Rc^d from 12 m° <u> 1841</u> each of the Preparative meetings & the representatives to this meeting are from the south **Benjⁿ Gidley & Osman** Wood from the North Thomas K. Wilbur & Jonathan **Cowing** who are all present — _____ We have Rc^d through the Q. Meeting 110 Coppies of 110. Coppies the **London** General Epistle in printed form, for London distribution among our members, one of which **Epistle** was Read at this time, its contents were incouraging Rc^d & satisfactory to us - - - -One of the Representatives appointed last m^o to attend the Oarterly meeting Report they all attended _____ George

Handy informed 322

George Smith Jr complaind <u>off</u>—

W^m W. Allen

The following information from the overseers was through the s° Preparative meeting forwarded to this. (viz) Information to the Preparative & monthly meeting, **George Smith Ju** has so far transgressed the good order of friends as to keep Company & Marry with one not a member & has much neglected the attendance of our meetings

Dartm^o 15th of 12 m^o 1841 - **Abram Russell** } overseers **Benjⁿ Gidley** }

whereupon we appoint **Warren Gifford Abram Russell & Benjⁿ Tucker** a committee to treat with him on account of his deviations & make
Report to this meeting next month ~~——

We have with the womens Concurrance Rc^d a Removal certificate from **New Bedford** m^o Meeting Certificate on behalf of W^m W. Allen (a minor) dated 25th of 11 m^o 1841 – _____ **Abram Russell** in behalf of the Committee having Charge of the **Benjamin Ricketson** bequest report that Benj^m Ricketson forty two 42.\$ Dollars have been Rc^d for Rent of Marsh Dividend & from the institution for savings & that the same has Rc^d been paid to our Treasurer-42..00 Signed on behalf of the M^o Meeting Isaac R Gifford Clerk At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dart**^m 26th of 1 m^o 1842. By the accounts Recieved the 1 m° 26 Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the south Humphrey Anthony and Daniel Howland from the north Benjamin Tucker & Rowland Rider, who being called Book; Men 1822 - 1844, Section 5; pp 321, 322; DigitalDivide, V. Otieno 7/23/2020 Website Image; Block 31, PDF page 13 323 The time for which the Clerks of this meeting were appointed having expired, Isaac R. Gifford was proposed for Clerk & Joseph Gifford for Clerks an assistant. which appearing Satisfactory appointed to the meeting, they were accordingly appointed to that Service for the Year Ensuing or untill another appointment — The Committee in the case of George Smith Jur made the following Report. (to witt) To the M^o Meeting G. Smith now Sitting. We your committee in the case of George Smith Ju^r have attended to our appointment **Disowned** & have had an opportunity with him, He does not appear to manifest any disposition to make friends Satisfaction, or to Condemn his outgoings which we submitt to the meeting. Signed by **Dartmouth** 1 m^o 26th Warren Gifford Committee 1842 — **Abram Russell** Benjⁿ Tucker Which being Read & duly Considered and having the womens Concurrence herein, we do disown him

which being Read & duly Considered and having the womens Concurrence herein, we do disown him the S^d George Smith Ju^r & no longer consider him a member of our Society & Abraham Russell is appointed to give him this information making Report hereon next month

Ephraim Gifford 2^d
Complaint
of-

The following information was Rc^d Respecting **Ephr^m Gifford** the **2**^d (to wit) To the Preparative meeting, Dear Friends. **Ephraim Gifford 2**^d has Married out of the Order of Society with one not a member. which we Submitt to the meeting Signed **Joseph Gifford** over **Daniel Howland** Seer

whereupon we appoint **Isaac Lawrence**, **Seth Davis** & **Abner Potter** a Committee to labour with him on account of his Deviation & report next month –

The following information was also Rc^d Respecting William Gifford (Viz) To the preparative meeting Dear friends, William Gifford has married out of

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the order of Society. with one not a member which we Submit to the meeting. Signd- **Jas. Gifford** Overseers **Dan! Howland**

W^m Gifford Complaind <u>of</u>—

And Warren Gifford Benjⁿ Tucker & Benjⁿ Gidley are appointed a Committee to treat with him on account of his deviation & make Report hereon next month-

Jas Almy &
R. A. Potter
Publish
marriage

This Meeting is informed that **James Almy** & **Ruth A. Potter** propose publishing their intentions of marriage with each other at this time. They accord= =ingly appeared before the meeting and declared their intentions of taking each Other in Marriage; Thier communications was noticed by the meeting; & they desired to wait untill our next meeting for an answer

N. P. M.g-Stock paid The North preparative Meeting has paid its propotion of Stock for 1841 to our Treasurer, as we are informed

2 mº 1842

At a monthly Meeting of Friends held at **Dart-** [**Dartmouth**] 23^d of 2^d m^o 1842. By accounts Rc^d the Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the South **Zebedee Gifford** & **Freeman Lawrence** from the n^o **Caleb Slade** & **Benjamin Potter** who are all here

George Smith

Jur informed

Abraham Russell made Report that he had informed **George Smith Ju**^r of his denial —

E. Gifford 2^d
Committee
Continued

The Committee in the Case of **Ephraim Gifford 2**^d inform that they have attended to their appointment & have had an oppurtunity with him. but are not ready to make report, they are continued in charge thereof another month ———

W[™] Gifford Case Continued The Committee in the case of **William Gifford** also inform that they have had an oppertunity with him but are not ready to report. they are continued in care thereof to report to a future

meeting		
meeting		

having Rcd a Communication from **New Bedford** monthly meeting Setting forth **James**

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James Almy Ruth A. Potter Recieve Answer **Almys** clearness to procede in Marriage with Ruth A. Potter a member of our meeting. And Consent of Parents now being produced in writing, and nothing appearing to hinder. They are accordingly left at liberty to accomplish their Marriage at Some Suitable time be fore our next mo Meeting. They advising with Isaac R. Gifford & Benjⁿ Tucker who are appointed to attend & See S^d Marriage orderly conducted making report hereof to our next meeting –

Stock paid for 1841 **Abraham Russell** informs that the South Preparative meeting have paid in their propor =tion of stock for 1841 —

> Signd on behalf of the meeting Isaac R Gifford Clerk

 $_{3 m^2}$ At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartmouth** $3 \text{ m}^{\circ} 23^{\text{d}} 1842$. by the accounts Rc^d from the prepara =tive meetings the Representatives are from the South George Smith & Joseph Gifford from the north George Almy & Caleb Slade who are all present —

Oueris Answerd Representatives Q. M.g. The Queries with Answers from each of the prepara Meetings were read in this, from which summary Answers were prepared & adopted and directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly meeting by Warren Gifford. Benjamin Tucker, & Seth Davis, whom we have appointed representatives thereto desireing them to report their attendence to our next meeting, & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our minutes & Sign the Same on behalf of this meeting —

The Committee in the case of **Ephraim Gifford** $2^{\underline{d}}$ now made the following report. (to witt) To the M° meeting now Sitting. We a committee appointed to Visit Ephraim Gifford 2^d in regard to his marrying out of Society with one not a member

Ephraim
Gifford
Committee
Report of-

report. that we have had an oppertunity with him and he appeared Sincerely desirous that friends would pass by his offence & retain him a member; which afforded us a good degree of Satisfaction, with a belief that he would in future endeavour to Support our testimonies. all which we Submit to the meeting 23^d of 3^d mº 1842- Signed **Isaac Lawrence**

Isaac Lawrence Seth Davis Abner Potter

which being Read in connection with his acknowledg -ment (as follows) **Westport** 3 mº 19th 1842 To the monthly

E. Giffords acknowl edgment meeting of Friends of **Dartmouth**. Dear Friends ——
having so far deviated from the good Order established
by Friends as to keep Company & perform marriage
with one not a member. which practice I am
convinced is not consistant with the truth, & feeling
Sorrow for my transgression & willing to condemn
it, And desire that my friends will fell so far as
to pass it by. & let me remain a member; from
your friend - Signed **Ephraim Gifford the 2^d**And after a time of Solid Consideration hereon
we come to the Conclusion to Recieve the Report
of the Committee, & his acknowledgment. for

He is again <u>Recieved</u>

James Almy

R.A. Potter
Marriage
Orderly
Conducted

The Committee appointed last month to attend & See the Marriage of **James Almy** & **Ruth A** — **Potter** orderly Conducted, Report that they attended thereto & discovered nothing but that S^d Marriage was accomplished in an Orderly & becoming manner —

Q. Meeting Stock paid

Our Treasurer informs that our proportion of Quarterly & Yearly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of the Q. Meeting —

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The following information Respecting **Richard S Gifford** was forwarded from the South P.tive Meeting
(Viz) To the Preparative meeting, This may inform that **Richard S. Gifford** has married contrary to

Richard

S. Gifford the Order of Our Society with one not a member, Compln^d which we Submitt to the meeting. Jas Gifford Over of— Signed Dan¹ Howland Seers Whereupon we appoint Abraham Russell, Joseph Gifford & Isaac Lawrence a Committee to Labour with him on account of his deviation. making Report hereon to this meeting next month -Our Treasurer informs that he has Rc^d Twelve Mary Hart Interest Dollars one years Interest on the Mary Hart <u>Rc^d 12_"00</u> bequest-- Isaac R Gifford Clerk At a Monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth**] $4 m^{\circ}$ 27th of 4^{th} m^o 1842. by the accounts Rc^d from <u>1842</u> Each of the preparative meetings the Representativs are from the South Zebedee Gifford & George Smith from the North Thomas K. Wilbur & W^m Tucker who are all present — Report of one of the Representativs appointed last mo to Rep<u>resenta</u>tives attend the Q. M.g. Reports that they all attended — One of the Committee appointed to treat with **Richard** Richard S **S. Gifford** informs that they have attended to that Service **Giffords** Committee but are not Ready to report; They are Continued in Continued Charge thereof to report to a future meeting – We are informed by the South P-ve Meeting that Otis Slocum felt it his duty to become a

Otis Slocum Requests Membership Otis Slocum felt it his duty to become a member of Our Society, which claimed the consideration of this meeting And Abner Potter, Isaac Lawrence, & George W. Frances are appointed to Visit him in order to discover the Sincerity of his mind and fitness

are appointed to Visit him in order to discover the Sincerity of his mind and fitness to become a member with us. making report hereon to this meeting next month

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John W Gifford Disowned The Committee in the case of **John W. Gifford** now Report, that they have attended to their appointment. & have had an opportunity with him, but he does not appear in a State of mind rightly to condemn his transgression nor did he manifest a disposition to make friends Satisfaction Signd by **Warren Gifford** Dated 4 m^o 27th 1842 **Abrm Russell** which being Read and after a time of consid = eration hereon & having the womens Concurrence herein we came to the Conclusion to Disown him the said **John W. Gifford** & no longer consider

was informed of his denial see page 356 him a member of Our Sosiety and **Daniel Howland** is appointed to give him this information. Making report report herof to a future meeting --

Isaac R. Potter & H. S. Allen Publish Marriage

This meeting is informed that Isaac R Potter & Hetty S. Allen propose publishing thire intentions of Marriage at this time. they accordingly appeared before the meeting and declared their intention of taking Each Other in marriage, which was noticed by us. and they desired to wait untill our next meeting for an answer, & George Almy & Benjamin Tucker are appointed to make the necessary inquiry into Isaac^s Clearness to procede herein. and report next month -

Jonathan Cowing Regusts Certificate

This Meeting is informed that **Jonathan Cowin** Ju^r Requests a removal Certificate for himself & family to **New bedford** monthly meeting, **Benjn** Potter & Isaac R Gifford are appointed to prepare & produce one (in conjunction with the women) to our next meeting if nothing should appear to hinder -

The Committee as now on Record date 11 m^o 1840 to have the oversight & Care of our Meetinghouses

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Committee Attend Funerals

Funerals &c, are now reappointed to the Same Services for the year to come or untill another appointment, with the exception of **Job Eddy** (Removed) and with the addition of **Benjamin**

&c Tucker & Benjamin Potter

Signed Isaac R Gifford

Clark

At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** $5 m^{\circ}$ 25th of 5 m^o 1842 by the accounts Rc^d The representatives appointed to this meeting are from the South Osman Wood & Jas. Gifford from the north Benin Potter & Daniel Wilbur who are all present -

The Committe in the case of **Otis Slocum** now made the following report. (Viz) To **Dartmouth** m^o meeting of Friends We the committee in the case of Otis Slocum <u>Rc</u>dOtis Slocum have attended to our appointment & have had an oppertunity with him; he appeared Sincere in his request, and we believe he is convinced of Friends Principles; also he manifested an engagement of mind for the Support of them which was Satisfactory to us, and which we now Submit to the meeting. Sign^d by the Committee — which being read & after a time of solid deliberation hereon & having the womens Concurrence herein. we conclude to accept the report of the Committe & also to Recieve him the S^d Otis into membership with us, & Isaac Lawrence is appointed to give him this information—

I. R. Potter &

H. S. Allen
Recieve their
Answer

The Committee having Charge with Respect to **Isaac R. Potters** Clearness to procede in marriage with **Hitty S. Allen**. Report. & they having consent of
Surviving Parents & nothing appearing to hinder
are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage
at Some Suitable time before our next M.g.
They advising with **Joseph Gifford** & **Thomas K. Wilbur**who are appointed to attend & see S^d Marriage orderly cond=
=ucted. making Report hereon next month

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Ruth Almy Removed In conjunction with the women we have signed a removal certificate directed to **NewBedf**^d [New Bedford] monthly meeting of Friends on behalf of **Ruth** –

Almy. Late Potter -

J. Cowins
Committee
Continued

The committe having charge of **Jonathan Cowings** Certificate report that they are not ready to produce one at this time. they are continued another month

S. Delino & P. Slade
Publish
Marriage.

This meeting is informed by the north accounts that **Silas Delino** [**Delano**] & **Patience Slade** propose publis.g their intentions of marriage at this time they accordingly appeared before the meeting and declared their intentions of Taking each other in marriage. which being noticed by us. they were desired to wait untill our next m^o Meeting for an answer—

Thomas T. Potter informed &c-

Benjamin Tucker Reports that he has given **Thomas T. Potter** information of his denial ———

Susan H-Smith In unison with the woman is now Received a Removal certificate from **New Bedford** monthly meeting of Friends on behalf of **Susan H. Smith**Signed – **Isaac R. Gifford** Clerk

At a Monthly meeting of Friends held at

Dartmouth 22^d of 6 m^o 1842- by the accounts

Rc^d from Each of the Preparative meetings the
Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the South Benjamin Gidley & Eph^m

Gifford from the North George Almy & James

Tucker who are all present —

I. R. Potter & H. S. Allens marriage Orderly Conducted The Committee appointed to attend the marriage of **Isaac R Potter** & **Hetty S. Allen** Report that they attended S^d marriage & discovered nothing but that it was Orderly Conducted—

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Committee for **J. Cowin** Certificate <u>Continued</u> The Friends having Charge of **Jonathan Cowin**^s request for a certificate report that they have attended thereto & find nothing on his part to prevent yet desired continuan[ce] which is granted another month~——

Representatives to O. Meeting

The Queries with answers from each of the preparative meetings to the first $2^{\underline{d}}$ & Tenth have been Read. from which Sumary answers were prepared & directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly meeting by William Potter, Isaac R. Gifford & Abram Russell — whom we have appointed representatives th[?] to desireing them to report their attendence To

to desireing them to report their attendence To our next mg.- & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our minutes & Sign the Same on our behalf.

Anna Thornburgh Our beloved friends **Anna Thornburgh** from **Rush County Indianna [Indiana]** & **Sybil Jones** from

Sybil Jones attended our M.g. China St- of Maine are now acceptably in attendence with us. (they having attended all the meetings constituting this) Satisfactory Cert =ificates from their respective meetings were now read. Their Company & Gospel Labours have been to our comfort & Satisfaction — as also that of ^our beloved friend Ann Jones Companion to Sybil

[written vertically] Notice given in a/c to Nantucket

Jones, & the Company (of Dinah Gardner & Thomas Hill an Elder both in unity as by their Respective minutes Companions to Anna Thornburgh), is also acceptable to us — the Clerk is directed to notice the above in our

a/c to the Quarterly meeting -This meeting unites with the women in Sarah Recieving Sarah Wing (wife of James) into Wing membership with us-Recieved 332 Having Recieved a communication from **New Bedford** monthly meeting Setting forth Silas Delano^s Consent of Parents & Clearness Silas to procede in marriage with Patience Slade a Delano & member of Our meeting & Consent of her Pa P. Slade =rents now being $Rc^{\underline{d}}$ - & nothing appearing to hin have thier =der, they are left at liberty to accomplish their answer marriage at Some Suitable time before our next m^o Meeting, they advising with **George Almy & Benjamin Tucker** who are now appoi =nted to attend & See $S^{\underline{d}}$ marriage orderly Conducted. making Report hereon next mo We have accepted a reMoval Certificate John on behalf of John Mitchel & family Mitchel & from Westport monthly meeting of Friends family Rc^d At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 7 m^o 27th 1842- accounts being 7 mº 1842 $Rc^{\underline{d}}$ from each of the preparative m.gs by which it appears the Representatives to this meeting are from the So Abner Potter & Seth Davis from the No Thomas K. Wilbur & W^m Potter who are all present— The Committee on the **Jonathan Cowing** [Cowin] Request inform that they have attended Committee to the Subject. & wish it Continued ^which is granted ^another month J. Cowins one of the Representatives appointed to attend Representatives the Q. Mg. Reports that they all attended-Report-The Committee appointed to attend the Report on marriage of Silas Delano & Patience Slade S. Delano Report their attention [sic] & discovered & P. Slade

nothing but that it was Orderly Orderly [sic] Conducted ——

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Extracts from Y. Mg.

Extracts from our last yearly meeting was now Rc^d & Read by which it appears that the charritable fund will give 14 Children 6 months schooling each, whose names are to be forwarded to the sub Committee by the 4th of 10 m^o next for admittance, **Humphrey Anthony, Isaac Lawrence, Seth Davis** & **Isaaac R, Gifford**

[written sideways] noticed in the a/c to Q. Mg. in 10 mº 1842

James Wing Request James Wing forwarded through the s° Preparative m.g. a Request to become a
member of our Religious society, Warren
Gifford Seth Davis, Benjamin Gidley & Benjamin Tucker, are appointed a
Committee to visit him in order to
discover the state of his mind & fitness to
become a member with us, & Report
hereon next month

Adrian Davis &c

We have in unison with the women Rc^d & accepted a Removal certificate from **Sandwich** monthly meeting of Friends on behalf of **Adrian Davis** & family Also one from **s**^o **Kingston** M^o Meeting of Friends on behalf of **Alice** & **Mary An Wilburs** the latter dated 27th of 5 m^o

Alice & Maryan Wilburs Rc^d

1842 – it having had the womens Consent also

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EXTRACTS
FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,
HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 12th to the 16th, inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1842.

The Annual Report of the Committee having the superintendence of the Boarding School under the care of this Meeting, was produced and read, and being satisfactory to Friends, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. From the Minutes of said Meeting.

A. SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

THE Committee appointed to superintend the various concerns of the Boarding School, again report, That they have endeavored during the past year to discharge the important

duties confided to them by the Yearly Meeting. The average number of scholars during the year, has been seventy-seven, and during the last term, one hundred. Meetings for divine worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the vacations; and harmony has been preserved.

Our friends **Allen** and **Olive Wing** continue acceptably to occupy the station of Superintendents. **Samuel Austin** and **Joseph W. Aldrich** are employed as Teachers in the Boy's School, and **Emmeline Aldrich**, **Elizabeth H. Pope** and **Elizabeth J. Aldrich** in the Girls'. In this arrangement provision is made for **Emmeline Aldrich** to be absent during most of the present term. **George F. Read** continues to act as book-keeper and teacher of Languages. **Charles F. Coffin, jun. Rebecca Chipman** and **Annabella King** have each been employed one term during the past year.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School has exceeded the expenditures by about 1,600 dollars. Some improvements have been made on the premises and buildings, and others are now in progress, and as much remains to be done which we deem important for the interests of the Institution, we have not thought it best at this time to propose any change in the prices of admission from those of last year, viz: \$30 per term for members of this Yearly Meeting; \$45 for those who are not members of Society, one or both of whose parents are members, and \$50 for members of other Yearly Meetings.—Books and Stationary to continue to be furnished as at present. We herewith forward a copy of the Superintendent's account for the information of the Yearly Meeting.

The charitable fund will support, for the present year, fourteen scholars, one term each, (there having been received since our last report, a balance of income heretofore due this fund,) and Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their applications for this privilege in season for the meeting of the Sub-Committee at **Providence**, the 4th of 10th month next.

Our late friend **Moses Brown** having in his will bequeathed to this Institution 5000 dollars, to be appropriated in whole or in part to the purchase of real estate adjoining the School premises, the Committee have in conformity therewith purchased two tracts of land, of about ten acres each, at a cost of about the sum above named; a part of which has been paid out of the income of the common fund, the special bequest not being available for this purpose, at the present time.

An examination of the scholars in the presence of a Committee of our number has taken place at the close of each term, and the evidence we have received of the fidelity of the Teachers and the general diligence and orderly deportment of the Scholars has been satisfactory and encouraging to us—and we feel that we have cause gratefully to acknowledge that He, from whom proceedeth all our blessings, has been pleased to regard this Institution, and to own the concern of Friends in its establishment and continued progress.

On behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th month 6th, 1842.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day, 10th mo. 31. The next Summer term, on Second-day, 5th mo. 1st, 1843.]

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By a minute from our last Q. Mg. it appears that our proportion of Q. & yearly

M.g. Stock meeting stock is 68 Dollars which our 68,,\$ Treasurer is desired to pay theirs when in funds -Epistle from We have Rc^d & Read an Epistolary Communica y. Mg. -=tion from our Last yearly meeting which was to Our satisfaction & the number [written sideways] Rc^d was directed to our preparative metgs noticed in for distribution among our members a/c in 10 mo Signed Isaac R. Gifford Q. Mg -Clerk

> 8 m° 1842

At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 8 m° 24th 1842 accounts being received from each of the preparative m.g.s the Representatives therein named are from the s° **Humphrey Anthony** & **Prince Allen** from the north **Benjamin Tucker** & **Abram Tucker** – who are all present –

The Clerk being absent **Joseph Gifford** is appointed Clerk for the day —

J. Wings Committee Continued

One of the Committee in the care of **James Wings** request informed that they had had an opportunity with him, but are not ready to report, they are continued in care thereof to report next month —

Committee on son Cowins Continued

The Committee to prepare a Certificate for son Cowing & family not being present on account of sickness & Death in their family, the case is defered untill next month —

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W^m Gifford Received <u>again</u> The Committee in the case of **William Gifford** made the following report. (viz) To the monthly meeting, We your committee to visit **W**^m **Gifford** have had several opportunities with him, & found a degree of satisfaction which we submit to the meeting. (signed by the Com And he also forwarded to this meeting a paper condemning his marrying out of society and after a time of deliberation and having the womens concurrence, it was

concluded & We do hereby receive him again into membership with us & **Isaac Lawrence** is appointed to inform him hereof Signed - **Joseph Gifford** Clerk

9 m° <u>1842</u> At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartm**^o 9 m^o 28th 1842, by the accounts from Each of the Preparative mgs the Representatives are from the South **Seth Davis** & **Barnet Beard** from the North **Caleb Slade** & **George Almy** who are all present except one for whose absence is acceptianed by sickness —

Anna & Edmand Cates & L & E. Gardner attended this m.g.

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noticed in our
account to the
O. Meeting of 10 m°

1842

Our Esteemed friend Anna Cates from

Vassalborough mo Meeting attended this together
with all the m.gs constiticting it, producing a
satisfactory Certificate of unity — with her
friends in her present Religious prospect, her
Company & Gospel labours have been to our
Comfort & satisfaction, As also the Company
of our Esteemed friend Edmand Cates an
Elder in Unity, & Levi and Eliza Gardner
who accompanies Anna Cates on her present
Religious visit, whose Certificates from their
respective meetings were now read to our satisfaction
The Clerk is directed to notice the company of our friends now with us from
abroad in our account to the Ouarterly meeting

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Queries ansd &
Representatives
to the
Q. M.g. -

appointed

The Queries with answers from each of the P<u>re</u> meetings to the 1-2-&10th have been read in this meeting from which summary answers were prepared & directed to our next Q. Mg- by our friends Caleb Slade Joshua W. Gifford & Abram Russell

whom we have appointed Representatives thereto desireing them to report their attendence to our next meeting, & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the needful account from our minutes & sign the same on our behalf——

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J.Wings Committe continued One of the Committee having Charge of the **James Wing**s request informs that they are not ready to report at this time. they are contin =ued accordingly another month

J Cowings Committe continued The Committee in Charge of **Jonathan Cowings** request for a certificate inform that the sub=ject has been attended to but way has not yet opened to produce one, therefore they are continued in care thereof to produce one whenever way opens for it ~~

Signed Isaac R Gifford Clerk

10th m^o
1842

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartm** 26th of 10 m° 1842, by the accounts Rc^d from each of the Preparative meetings, the representatives to this meeting are from the s° **Adrian Davis** & **Daniel Howland** from the north **W**^m **Potter** & **Thomas K. Wilbur** who are all present –

One of the Representatives appointed last $m^{\rm o}$ to attend the Q. Meeting reports that they all attended

Committee to settle with Treasurer &c **Abram Russell Abner Potter** & **Benjⁿ Tucker** are appointed to settle with our Treasurer, propose one for the year to come, & also a sum of money neces -sary to be collected to meet our expences for the present year, making report hereon next month

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James Wings Committee Report <u>of</u> The Committee in the case of **James Wings** requ =est to become a member of our society now made the following Report. viz To the monthly meeting of Friends, The committee in case of **James Wing** have attended to the object of their appointment and he appears to be sincere in his request, & in good degree convinced of the principles of friends, & we think desirous of supporting our testimonies, which we submit to the meeting, (signed by the Committee – 10 m° 26th 1842 **Warren Gifford, Benjⁿ Tucker Seth Davis** & **Benjⁿ Gidley** 2^d

which being read & after a time of deliberation thereon & having the womens concurrence we conclude to receive him the s^d **James** as a member with us. If **Newbedford** m^o meeting of friends shall have no objection herein, he having been denied the right of membership by that Mg The clerk is directed to give that meeting the substance of the above information minute & report to this meeting their answer ~~

committee to propose Overseers

The time for which the Overseers of this mg. were appointed having expired, James Tucker Isaac Lawrence, Seth Davis Warren Gifford and Isaac R. Gifford are appointed to bring forward to our next meeting the names of such friends as they

may think suitable for that service -~~

Signed Isaac R Gifford

Clerk

11 m° 1842 At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dart** the 23^d of 11 month 1842- by the accounts Received the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the south **Osman Wood** & **Abraham Russell** from the north **Benjamin Tucker** & **W**^m **Potter** who being Called are Present ~

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Queries answerd & Representatives to the Q. Meeting appointed The Queries with answers to the 1st 2^d & 10 have been read from which summary answers were compiled and directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly meeting by **George Almy Benjamin Gidley** & **Otis Slocum**, whom we have appointed representatives thereto, desireing them to report their attendence to our next meeting, and the Clerk is also directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our Record & sign the same on behalf of this meeting—

Mary Barker Disowned

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We unite with the women in disowning from Membership **Mary Barker** (late **Slade**)

Treasurer appointed & 100\$ to be

collected

The committee appointed last month to propose a treasurer, a sum of money necessary to be Collected &c - now report that they found a ballance in the hands of our treasurer of twenty four cents, & propose to Collect one hundred Dollars to meet the present years expence, and **Osman Wood** for Treasurer which being satisfactory to us. **Osman Wood** is accordingly reappointed Treasurer for the year to come or untill another appointment & our several preparative meetings are are requested to collect the sum of one hundred Dollars in the usual proportion & pay the same to our Treasurer

Overseers app<u>ointed</u>

The committee appointed to bring forward names of overseers of this meeting propose the Reapoint =ment of **Jos Gifford, Daniel Howland, Benjamin Tucker, Isaac R. Gifford, Humphrey Anthony Benjⁿ Gidley & Abram Russell & after a time of consideration thereon & the proposition appear =ing satisfactory, they are accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing or**

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The following Communication Respecting William Barker \(^{Jur}\) was forwarded from the overseers by the north Preparative meeting. (viz) To the Preparative and monthly meeting, Dear friends, William Barker **Junior,** has performed marriage with one who was in membership with us, contrary to the

Order of Our society,

Beniⁿ Tucker } Overseers

Dartmouth 11 m° 17th 1842 **Isaac R. Gifford** } We appoint **Abram Russell & James Tucker** a committee to visit him on account of his ~~~ deviation & report hereon next month ~~~~

Anna Gidley Received

W^m Barker

Complained

<u>of—</u>

We unite with the women in Receiving **Anna**

Gidley (wife of **Benjamin**) into membership with u[s]

Signed Isaac R Gifford Clerk

1842 12 m° At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dart** 28th of 12th m^o 1842 by the accounts received. the repres =entatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the south Benj^m Gidley & Barnet Beard, from the nor[th] Caleb Slade & John Handy, who are all present.

James Wing Received a <u>member</u>

Having Rc^d the following Communication from New Bedford M^o Meeting. (viz) I am directed by N Bedfo monthly meeting to inform you that no objection appears on our part to prevent **James Wings** appli =cation to be received into membership, from being complied with, Dated 10 m° 27th 1842 & signed by William C. Taber Clerk– He the said James is accordingly received a member with us agreeable to a minute of 10th month last, the

women uniting with us herein and Benjamin

Gidley is appointed to give **James** this information

London **Epistle** Rc^d & Read -

We have Received a number of Coppies of the **London** friend Epistle of the present year in Printed form for distribution among our members, one of which has been read at this time, & its contents were comfortable & Edifying to us -~~~

THE EPISTLE FROM THE YEARLY MEETING HELD IN LONDON,

BY ADJOURNMENTS, FROM THE 18TH OF THE FIFTH MONTH, TO THE 27TH OF THE SAME, INCLUSIVE, 1842.

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

Dear Friends,

We have, through the favour of the Lord, been again permitted to meet, and to examine into the state of our religious Society. We acknowledge that unfaithfulness to the Divine law still exists amongst us, and that hence many deficiencies are found within our borders: we nevertheless rejoice in the belief that the Lord is still caring for us, and owning us by tokens of his care. Let us then be of good comfort, and trust that, as we abide humble and steadfast before Him, he will enable us increasingly to show forth his praise. In a renewed sense of his loving-kindness, of which we have been permitted sensibly to partake, we salute you, our beloved friends, desiring that grace and peace may be multiplied unto you, through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

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We turn in love and sympathy to our dear friends who are laboring under the infirmities of declining years. Some of you, we believe, feel your allotment to be very solitary: you have lost the companions of earlier days; those with whom you may have taken sweet counsel. May your faith be strengthened as you look towards the end of your pilgrimage. May the love of Christ our Saviour, cheer you in your lonely moments, in the remem brance of the mercy and faithfulness manifested towards you through the whole course of your lives. Be encouraged to lean upon the Lord your Redeemer: cast all your care upon Him; and believe that as faith and patience are maintained, you will be

finally admitted, clothed in the robe of his righteousness, to the blessed company in heaven who inherit the promises.

The circumstances of some of our small meetings for worship, have afresh awakened our warm and Christian interest for those who are members of them. We affectionately encourage you, dear friends, to be diligent and punctual in coming together; and to present yourselves in reverence of soul before the Lord. Many of you we doubt not, are at times comforted by his presence, and enabled to worship Him in spirit and in truth. You may have very few companions in religious fellowship to hold up your hands in a true Christian course of conduct; but let this be an additional call upon you to be very careful that you bring no reproach on your high profession, and to strive from day to day to act in uprightness and consistency in all things. Then will you happily partake of heavenly peace, and know the Lord through the riches of his grace to supply all your need.

It is our earnest concern that we may, every one of us, be brought deeply to feel the sinfulness of sin; and to see that as we are all, by nature, fallen creatures, and prone to evil, so we all need a tho-

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rough change of heart and affections, through the effectual working of the power of God in us. The Lord Jesus Christ died to save us from sin, and to restore us to the divine image in which man was originally created. O then that we all may come in faith unto Him! He has declared of himself "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." But if we would know him to raise us up to spiritual life, we must be willing that he should lay the axe to the root of the corrupt tree, baptize us with the Holy Ghost and with fire, and cleanse us from all impurity; crucifying us unto the world, and the world unto us. The progress of this work is often gradual; many are the conflicts of flesh and spirit, and repeated the assaults of the enemy of our souls' happiness before deliverance from sin is wrought; before we fully know all things to become new, and all things of God. Great, however, is the blessedness of that life which is hid with Christ in God. We therefore earnestly covet that every one may be willing patiently to submit to the turning of the Lord's hand upon him. Then shall we be brought to feel in our own experience, as we follow on to know the Lord, that Christ is indeed *our* light and *our* life; that, according to his own declaration, He is the bread which came down from heaven, and that if a man eat of this bread, he shall live forever:—words of consolation to the hungry soul. Thus feeding on him the living substance, we shall clearly see that all the types and ceremonies of a former dispensation were the shadow of those good things which are already come, and we shall truly feel that "the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power;" "not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."

These are heavenly truths given forth by our blessed Lord and his apostles; but at a very early period of the Christian church a gradual declension

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crept in, and the truth as it is in Jesus was obscured by the corrupt devices of men. Human wisdom and worldly power grievously interfered in spiritual things; a long and dark night of apostacy ensued: but in the mercy of God, light and truth again broke forth, and we believe that He gave to our predecessors a further insight into the corruptions that had so long reigned among the professors of the Christian name, than had been given to any who had gone before them in the great work of reformation. By the inshining of this light, they saw that the ministry of the Gospel of peace and salvation through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ is a gift from God himself; that the putting forth of the good Shepherd is to be waited for from one time to another in the exercise of this sacred office. and that it ought only to take place under the renewing of the Holy Ghost, and in the ability which God giveth. We thankfully believe that from the early rise of our Society, the Lord has been pleased to bestow this gift upon servants and upon handmaidens without respect of persons, and that it has been exercised in his fear, and to the honour of his name; and we would humbly acknowledge that He does not at this day withhold from us this living ministry. We pray that he may be pleased to grant us its continuance and increase, and to keep us from ever desiring any other. That which is uttered under the qualification already set forth, will be delivered in the humiliation of the creature; it

may sometimes be only in a few sentences: but as a holy care prevails to move only under the leadings of the Spirit of Truth, unexcited by the activity and affection of the natural man, it will contribute to the edification of the body in love. May we all, dear friends, when met to worship God, be found so bowed in spirit before Him, as to receive in simplicity and faith that which may be thus delivered, ever cherishing a tender feeling for those who are called to the ministry, and a sympathy for the exercises which all such, and es-

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pecially those who are naturally of diffident minds, may have to pass through.

It was, we believe, under a deep sense of the righteousness of the law of Christ, that our early friends were led to an open testimony against all deceit and flattery, to truth-speaking in their language, to honesty and sincerity in their dealings, and to that plainness in speech, in behaviour, and in apparel for which they were conspicuous: knowing that it was required of them, as a part of this law, not to imitate the changing fashions of a vain and inconstant world. And we believe that the more our testimony in these respects is thus received, the more it will be felt that it is our duty as a Christian body faithfully to uphold it.

A reverent filial fear of God, in deep self-abasement before Him, is a state of great safety. This fear not only subjects the will, and prepares the way to bear the cross, but produces a tenderness of conscience in which there is great caution not to violate the divine law, and a quickness of understanding to perceive what this law is, and to distinguish that which, although it may have the semblance of good, is at the same time contrary to its purity. The conscientious follower of Christ is especially careful in no way to compromise his principles. Whilst treated with respect and esteem by those around him, and in the full enjoyment of his civil rights, he is anxious to be prepared, if trials should come upon him, to act with fidelity and firmness. He is more solicitous not to violate this law than to escape from suffering. He knows that if he would reign with Christ, he must be willing to suffer with him; he feels that, if this should be his portion, he can take comfort in those words of the apostle, "Unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake."

We have each a duty to fulfil in the church; and we shall have each to give an account of the right occupation of the gifts entrusted to us. Many by shrinking from the use of these gifts have suffered loss Website Image; Block 31, PDF page 25

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themselves, and deprived the church of their services. We therefore in love exhort our friends to be watchful in this respect; all are not called to the same office, but every living member has a place of usefulness in the body: and he seeks for renewed qualifications from on high, as he is concerned to live not unto himself, but unto Him who died for us and rose again, he will experience that the service of Christ is blessed; and that in it there is a joy, and peace, and holy settlement, which the world can never bestow.

The accounts of the sufferings of our friends in the maintenance of our testimony against all ecclesiastical demands, including the costs and charges of distraint, is upwards of ten thousand eight hundred pounds. An unhallowed interference with sacred things by the exercise of human authority, and the usurpation of an unwarranted influence on the mind of man in these matters. preventing the full surrender of the heart to the rightful government of our holy Redeemer, have long impeded the progress of vital Christianity on the earth. These evils are at this time showing themselves under various and specious forms in this and in other lands. Hence we feel it additionally incumbent upon us to maintain, through holy help, in meekness and firmness, that testimony to the free teaching of the Spirit of Truth and to the undivided authority of Christ in his church, which our society has always borne. Were we to abandon these principles we could not expect to flourish or even to exist as a distinct religious body.

An Epistle from our dear friends in **Ireland**, and one from the several Yearly meetings of **North America**, have been received in this as in former years, to our comfort and instruction.

We have been deeply afflicted by the consideration of the continued existence and extent of slavery in the colonies and dependencies of several of the nations of **Europe**, as well as in **America**; and we have been led into feelings of warm sympathy with the suffering victims of this cruel and anti-Christian system. wherever

hastened when every yoke of oppression shall be broken.

War still prevails in the East: we mourn over the calamities and miseries which it is producing. We think with sorrow of heart on the lot of those of our countrymen who are sent forth, not on works of mercy, to distant lands where the inhabitants of this favoured isle ought to show forth the fruits of the mild and peaceable religion of Jesus; but on errands of revenge and bloodshed, from which they may never return. May it please the Almighty Parent of the universe so to influence the hearts of our rulers, as that peace may be speedily restored, and that they may maintain the bond of amity with every nation of the earth.

Whilst thus adverting to the distresses of the people of distant countries, we are not insensible to the sufferings of the poor at home. We turn with feelings of deep commiseration to the multitudes in this land who are pining from penury, and from an utter insufficiency of food and raiment. These privations are very hard to endure, but we may be instructed in observing the great patience with which they have been borne. Many of our members have taken an active part in alleviating the miseries by which they were surrounded; and we encourage all our friends liberally to perform this obvious Christian duty, of caring for and helping their distressed neighbours; ever remembering "the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Dear friends, we separate in love, and under a precious feeling of that harmony with which we have proceeded in various important deliberations. We cordially bid you farewell in the Lord.

Signed, in and on behalf of the Meeting, by **GEORGE STACEY,**Clerk to the Meeting this year.

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one of the Representatives appointed last – month to attend the Qarterly meeting reports that they all attended ~~

Representatives Report their attendence =======

The Committee in the case of **William Barker Jur** now made the following report (viz To the monthly meeting, Dear friends, We have had an opportunity of conference with **W**^m **Barker J^u**. But he did not appear disposed to make any reconciliation for his offence, which we submit to the meeting

William Barker Ju Disowned

signed by the Committee **James Tucker Abram Russell** 

which being read & after a time of deliberation hereon & having the womens Concurrencee herein we come to the conclusion to disown him the said William & no longer consider him a mem =ber of Our Religious Society & Benjamin Tucker & Benjamin Potter are appointed to give him this information & report hereon next month-

Isaac R Gifford Clerk

1843 <u>1 m</u>° At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dart**-1 m° 25th 1843, accounts being Rc^d from each of the Preparative meetings the friends appointed to attend this meeting are from the south **Osman Wood & Otis Slocum** from the n° **Rowland Rider & George Almy,** who are all present -

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W^m Barker Ju is informed

u is informed of his <u>Denial-</u> The Committee appointed to give  $W^m$  Barker Jun information of his denial report that they

have done so -

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The appointment of the Overseers of the poore coming before us & under consideration we there fore appoint Abraham Russell

Overseers Poor appointed

Benjamin Potter, Daniel Howland Jona =than Wilbur, Benjamin Tucker & Jos. Gifford

to that service for the year ensuing or untill another appointment

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Isaac P. Wilbur Certificate accepted In unison with the women we have Received Read & accepted a removal certificate from **South Kingston** Monthly meeting of friends dated 27th of 6 m° 1842, on behalf of **Isaac P. Wilbour** 

Jonathan

& also with the womens concurrence have approved and signed a removal Certificate on behalf of

Cowen Ju Jonathan Cowen Jur & Family, directed to Removed **New Bedford** M^o Meeting of Friends -~~ We are informed that the north Preparative meeting N.Preparative has paid its proportion of stock to the Treasurer meeting of this meeting for 1842 Stock paid We now Reappoint William Potter, George Smith Isaac Lawrence, Abram Russell & Humphrey Anthony to obtain information respecting the Births & Deaths Committee in their several neighbourhoods and give the same Births & to Our Recorder so that our records may show Deaths this import & for this Committe to make report hereon once a year-Signd Isaac R Gifford Clerk At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartm**^o 22^d of 2 m^o 1843, by the accounts Received the Rep 1843 =resentatives appointed to attend this meeting are <u>2 m</u>o from the south preparative meeting **Beni**in Gidly & Zebedee Gifford from the north Benjamin Potter & Caleb Slade who are all present – _____ The time for which the Clerks of this meeting were appointed having expired, & the subject having Clerks appointed been left under consideration with the representatives to our last m^o Meeting, they now propose **Isaac** R. Gifford for Clerk, & Joseph Gifford for an assistant, which appearing satisfactory to the meeting, they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year or untill another appointment 342 This meeting unites with the women in approving & signing a Removal certificate Hannah on behalf of Hannah Allen directed to Allen **NewBedford** monthly meeting of friends ~~~ Removed -The south Preparative meeting have paid their proportion of stock to our Treasurer as we S. Preparative are informed for 1842 ~~meeting stock Isaac R. Gifford Clerk Paid At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartm^o** 3 m° 22^d of 3 m^o 1843- accounts being Rc^d from each of the preparative meeting, the friends appointed to attend this meeting are from the south **Abner** 

**Potter & Barret Beard,** from the north W^m **Potter** & **Benjamin Tucker,** who are all present —

Representatives

Q. Meeting

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Richard M Wanzer Rqt <u>Certificate</u> We are informed that **Richard M. Wanzer** is desir =ous of a removal Certificate to **Scipio** M° meeting State of **Newyork, Seth Davis** & **Abram Russell** are appointed to prepare & produce one for him to our next meeting if nothing should appear to hinder

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Mary Hart annuity paid

& Q. Meeting stock paid

12,,00 Dollars one years Interest on the **Mary Hart** bequest has been realised to our Treasurer who also informs that Our proportion of Quarterly meeting stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that meeting –

Isaac R Gifford Clerk -

4 m° 1843 At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dart<sup>m</sup>** 26<sup>th</sup> of 4 m° 1843- accounts from Each of the Prepar =ative meetings are Rc<sup>d</sup> by which it appears that the Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are, from the South **Benjamin Gidley** & **Daniel howland** from the north **George** Almy & **Caleb Slade** who are all present ~-

Report of Representatives to Q. Mg. - One of the representatives appointed Last m<sup>o</sup> to attend the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended -~~~

Richard M. Wanzer Removed **Richard M. Wanzer** being desirous of a removal certificate to **Scipio** Monthly meeting of friends State of **Newyork.** we accordingly in unison with the women approved & signed one on his behalf directed to that meeting ~~—

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The Committee having Charge of the Benjin

Benjamin RicketsonsDividends Rc^d 49,,50

Ricketson bequest now made the following Report (viz) To the m<sup>o</sup> Meeting of Friends of **Dartmouth** now sitting. We your Committee who have the the care of the **Benjamin Ricketson** property have Rc^d the dividends for the year 1842 - sayfrom the Institution for Savings in the 10 m° 22,,00 & for the Rents of the Marsh on 24<sup>th</sup> of 11 m<sup>o</sup> 17,,50 also on the 17<sup>th</sup> of 4 m<sup>o</sup> 1843. A dividend from the Institution for Savings of Ten Dollars 10 --making in all up to this time ~~ - \$.49..50 which sum has been paid to our Treasurer Now all the dividends have been paid into the Treasury up to this present Monthly meeting of all the **B. Ricketson** property, signed on behalf of the Committee **Abram Russell**

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which Report being read was satisfactory to us & the Clerk is directed to record this Report in the Book kept for this & simalar purposes ~~

Committee for Mary Hart

<u>Bequest</u>

5 m° -1843 At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartm**<sup>o</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1843- by the accounts from each of preparative meetings now Received the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the S<sup>o</sup> **Joshua W. Gifford & George Smith** from the north **Benjamin Tucker & Adrian Davis** who are

all present ~~

16 Coppies
of
Memorials
of
Deceased
friends
Rcd

This meeting now having received Sixteen Coppies of the Memorials of deceased friends of this Our yearly meeting. The same having been furnished through the meeting for sufferings free from any charge or expence to us. we conclude to place four coppies of them in the Monthly meeting Library and appoint Abram Russell, Benjamin Tucker, Isaac Lawrence & Barret Beard to see that the others are distributed to friends where they may be most needed an desired ~~

Signd Isaac R Gifford

Clerk

 $6 m^o$ 1843 At a monthly meeting of friends held at Dartm<sup>o</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> of 6 m<sup>o</sup> 1843- by accounts Rc<sup>d</sup> from each of the preparative meetings, the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the south Abner Potter & Paul Fisher from the north Caleb Slade & George Almy who are all present -

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meetings to the 1<sup>t</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> were now read from which summary answers were compiled and adopted, which together with the necessary extracts Q. answered & Sent from our minutes are directed to be forwarded to the to our next Quarterly meeting by Adrian

Davis, James Tucker, Abram Russell & Otis

The Queries with answers from each of the Preparative

Q. M.g.-**Slocum** whom we have appointed our repres =entatives to that meeting desireing them to

report thier attendence to our next meeting, & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the needful account, signing the same on

behalf of this meeting ~~—

Sarah B **Slade** Rc^d Certificate We concur with the women in accepting a Removal Certificate from Smithfield monthly meeting of Friends dated 23<sup>d</sup> – of 2<sup>d</sup> mo last on behalf of Sarah B. Slade -~~

Patience Delano Removed We also unite with the women in approveing a Removal certificate on behalf of **Patience Delano** Directed to New Bedford mo M.g. of friends which was signed by the Clerk accordingly I. R. Gifford Ck

N Bedford -

 $7 m^o$

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartmouth** 1843 26<sup>th</sup> of 7 m<sup>o</sup> 1843. by accounts Received from each of the Preparative meetings, the representatives therein appointed to attend this meeting are from the south **Prince Allen & Josiah Shearman,** from the north Thomas K. Wilber & William Tucker, all present-

One of the representatives appointed Last month to attend the Quarterly meeting now report that they all attended -

Committee

Extracts from our last yearly Meeting imbracing an account from the Boarding school Committee

Grant certificates to schollars at **Providence** was now received & Read, (which the Clerk is desired to place on record.) by which it appears that the Charritable fund will

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EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND, HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 11th to the 17th, inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1843.

THE Annual Report of the Committee of this Meeting having the superintendence of the Boarding School at **Providence**, was produced and read; and the Committee were encouraged to persevere in their efforts for the right education of the children and youth of the Society, under a persuasion that a blessing will attend their faithful labours herein; and the Report being satisfactory to Friends, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said Meeting.

A. SHEARMAN. jun. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee Report, That they have endeavoured, during the past year, to discharge the duties confided to them in superintending the various concerns of the Institution. The average number of scholars during the year, has been eighty, and during the winter term, one hundred and nine. Meetings for divine worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the time of the vacations, and harmony has prevailed.

Our friends **Allen** and **Olive Wing** continue to fill acceptably the station of Superintendents. **Jonathan L. Slocum** and **Samuel Austin** are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and **Emmeline Aldrich** and **Elizabeth J. Aldrich** in the Girls'. **Charles F. Coffin, jun.** is engaged to take charge of the accounts, and to have the care of the Boys out of school hours. **George F. Read, Joseph W. Aldrich,** and **Elizabeth H. Pope** have severally been employed as Teachers during the past year.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been settled, by which it appears that the receipts of the School during the past year, have been \$11,280 $^{40}/_{100}$; its expenditures \$12,305 $^{51}/_{100}$, a part of which was derived from the funds on hand at the close of the last year. This amount includes the sum of \$3,116 $^{57}/_{100}$, that has been appropriated to repairs and improvements; especially in erecting a building for a wash-house, and in making a substantial wall around a part of the Farm. For details we refer to a copy of the Super-intendent's account, herewith presented.

We would propose that the price for board and tuition be continued the same as last year, viz. \$30 per term for members of this Yearly Meeting; \$45, for children who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members of society, and \$50 for those of other Yearly Meetings. Books and Stationary being furnished, as at present. Arrangements are made for giving instruction in the Latin and Greek Languages, to the Boys, and in the French, to the Girls, when their parents desire it, for which we propose, that the additional sum of \$5 per term, should be paid.

The income of the Charitable Fund for the next year, it is estimated, will support twelve scholars, one term each, and Monthly Meetings are particularly desired to forward their applications in season for the meeting of the sub-committee, at the School, 3d of

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10<sup>th</sup> month next. As this is the last meeting of the Committee previous to the commencement of the winter term, it is necessary that applications should be seasonably forwarded in order to avoid disappointment.

The original design of the Yearly Meeting in the establishment of the Boarding School being to provide for the religious, guarded education of the youth of our Society, it has ever been a prominent concern with the Committee to promote this truly desirable end; and they are encouraged and comforted in believing that there are many, in different parts of this Yearly Meeting, who have found in this Institution the means of obtaining a useful education, in good degree free from the contaminating influences of the world. In order to preserve it a select and safe School for our children, we feel it to be very important that the careful guards which from time to time have been adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in relation to the admission of scholars, should be faithfully maintained; and we think it right at this time to revive some of these regulations, and to solicit Friends strictly to observe them.

First. Every Monthly Meeting is desired to have a Committee especially appointed for the purpose of granting certificates to all children, both male and female, whom they may consider suitable to enter the School; and parents are requested in every case, when proposing to send a child to the school, to make seasonable application to such Committee, in order to obtain their certificate.

Second. No male scholar, over fourteen years of age, can enter the School without previously obtaining permission so to do, from the Sub-Committee, who meet on 3d day before the first 5th day, in every month; and a certificate from the Monthly Meeting's Committee must be produced in these as well as in other cases.

Third. It is particularly requested that Committees in granting certificates, will exercise a care that children should bring no clothing to the School unsuitable to be worn on account of plainness; and that they give evidence of a disposition to conform to the rules of the School, and to demean themselves in an orderly and consistent manner; which should be expressed in the certificate.

Fourth. No scholar can enter the School for a less time than one term, without the consent of the Sub-Committee; and when, under peculiar circumstances, it may be deemed proper to admit a child after the term has commenced, it is desired that he will continue in the School until the ensuing vacation.

The faithful observance in this Institution of our well known and important testimonies as to plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, continues to claim our unabated attention; and we earnestly desire that the importance thereof may be duly impressed upon the minds of the children, before leaving their homes, and that they may be encouraged in no respect to deviate therefrom, and thus wound themselves, and bring reproach upon our profession. In a Circular first issued in 1835, and revived in 1839, copies of which were transmitted to the different Monthly Meetings, some directions were proposed as to what constituted a suitable attire for scholars; to which we desire again to refer Friends who are intending to to send their children to the School.

On behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th mo. 5th, 1843.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day, 10th month 30th. The next Summer term, on Second-day, 4th month 29th, 1844.]

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defray the expence of Twelve Schollars one term each. **Seth Davis, Isaac Lawrence** & **Benjamin Tucker** are appointed a Committee to Extracts $\frac{Rc^d}{}$

forward the name of any applicant who may have a right to claim this Priviledge, and also to grant Certificates to Schollars wishing to go too the Boarding School at **Providence** the ensuing year

Alice A . Shearman <u>Disowne</u>d

Samuel

G. Smith

disowned

This meeting unites with the women in disowning from membership **Alice A. Shearman** (late **Anthony**)

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The Committee in the Case of **Samuel G. Smith** as appointed see page 316 this book - now make the Rep,t that they have attended to their appointment & he does not appear to be in a disposition of mind to try to make Friends satisfaction and apprehending themselves Clear of further labor, have submitted the case to the meeting. **Isaac Lawrence** & **Seth Davis** Committee dated 7 m° 26<sup>th</sup> 1843 – their Report being read & after a time of deliberation thereon & having the unity of the women herein We come to the conclusion & do hereby disown the said **Samuel G. Smith** & no longer consider him a member of Our religious society & **Benjamin Gidley** & **Otis Slocum** are appointed to give him

is Informed

By a minute from Our last Q. Meeting it appears that our proportion of Quarterly & Yearly meetin

this information & Report when done ~~~

Q. Meeting stock to be Raised is \$72,,00 that our proportion of Quarterly & Yearly meeting stock to be Raised is Seventy two 72 Dollars which our preparative meetings are desired to collect in the usual proportion & pay the same to our Treasurer, who is hereby directed to pay the above sum to the Treasurer of the Quarterly meeting when the state of the Treasury will admit of it

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Committee to Look up Deeds Isaac R. Gifford Daniel Howland Barret Beard & Seth Davis & Abram Russell are appointed to inquire & look after & obtain all the Deeds or Titles to & of Lands Lots & property belonging to Dartmouth monthly meeting of friends Reporting hereon, what they find when done ~~

Signed Isaac R Gifford

Clk

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dar[t]**

8 m°) 1843) 8 m<sup>o</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> 1843. accounts being Received from each of the preparative meetings the repre sentatives are from the south **Osman Wood** & **Zebedee Gifford** from the north **Benjamin Tucker** & **Othniel Tripp** who are all present

Clk is }
absent }

The Clerk being absent **Joseph Gifford** is appointed Clerk for the day ~~

S. G. Smith informed of his Denial

The Committee appointed last month to inform **Samuel G. Smith** of his denial report that they have attended thereto & gave him that information

Comittee to Settle with <u>Treasurer &c</u> Abram Russell, William Potter & Freeman Lawrence are appointed a committee to audit account with our Treasurer, propose one for the ensuing year & also a sum of money neces = ary to be eollected raised for the ensuing year & report next month. signed Jos Gifford

Clerk for the day~~-

9 m° } 1843 } At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dart** 27<sup>th</sup> of 9 m° 1843, by accounts Rc<sup>d</sup> the Represen =tatives to this meeting are from the s° **George Smith** & **Abner Potter** from the north **Benjamin Tucker** & **George Almy** who are all present ~~~~

The Queries with answers to the 1<sup>t</sup>-2<sup>d</sup>- & 10<sup>th</sup> from each of the Preparative meetings were read in

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Queries answered & Representatives

to our next Q. Meeting by William Potter, Joseph Gifford & Seth Davis whom we have appointed our representatives thereto desireing them to report their attendence to our next meeting, and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the neces =sary extracts from our minutes & sign the same

on behalf of this meeting -

at this time, from which summary answers were prepared & adopted & were also directed

to <u>Q. Mg. -</u>

Treasurer setled with

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100\$
to be
Collected

The Committee appointed last month to audit a/cs with our Treasurer propose one for the year to Come & also a sum of mony to be Collected now Report that they have attended to those services & find a ballance in the Treasurers hands of 31\$,,68 cents & propose that we collect the sum of - 100,,00 more & also propose **Osman Wood** for Treasurer which being acceptable to the meeting. **Osman Wood** is accordingly appointed Treasurer for

the ensuing year or untill another appointment & our preparative meetings are desired to Collect the sum of one hundred Dollars in the usual proportion & pay the same to our Treasurer-

T. Inman M.W. Allen publish <u>Marriage</u>

By the accounts from the s<sup>o</sup> preparative M.g. it appears that **Thomas Inman** proposes to publish his intention of Mariage with Mary W. Allen at this time accordingly they the said **Thomas** Inman & Mary W. Allen appeared before the meeting and declared their intention of Taking each other in Marriage which

being noticed they were desired to wait untill our next monthly meeting for an answer—

Isaac R Gifford

Clerk—

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<u>Page</u> At a monthly meeting of Friends held at

Dartmouth 25<sup>th</sup> of 10 m<sup>o</sup> 1843- by accounts Rc<sup>d</sup>

The representatives appointed to attend this m.g.

 $10 m^o$ are from the south Benjamin Gidley and 1843

Freeman Lawrence from the north Adrian

Davis, & William Tucker who are all present –

Representatives to Q. M.g. -

Report -

one of the representatives appointed last month to attend the Q. Meeting Reports that they all attended.

By a Communication Recieved from Smithfield monthly meeting held 9 m° 28th 1843- setting forth

T. Inman & M. W. Allen have

answer

Clearness to procede in Marriage with Marv W. Allen, & consent of Parents now being produced

Thomas Inman Right of membership and

& nothing appearing to hinder, they are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage at some suitable time before our next Mo Meeting, they advising with

Daniel Howland & Freeman Lawrence who are appointed to attend & see s<sup>d</sup> marriage orderly conducted, handing thier certificate to the recorder

& to make report hereon to our next meeting —

It appears by the north accounts that **Jesse Tucker** proposes to publish his intention of Marriage with Jesse Tucker Mary an Wilbur at this time. They the said Jesse

M.an Wilbur

Tucker & Maryan Wilbur accordingly appeard

Publish <u>Marriage</u> before the meeting & declared their intentions of Taking each other in marriage. which being noticed by us, they were desired to wait untill Our next mo meeting for their answer — and **Benjamin Potter** & **William Potter** are appointed to make the necessary inquiry as to **Jesse**s Clearness in this respect & report next month —

Committee on Deeds &c

Continued

The committee appointed in 7 m° last to look after the Titles of lands &c. belonging to this meeting now report that they have found all the deeds & conveyances belonging to us, and the same friends are continued and

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directed to have them to correspond with a lawful Title & also to have our personal property vested & represented in a Lawful manner, make -ing report hereon when done ~~—

Isaac R. Gifford Clerk

11 m° 1843 - At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 11 m° 22<sup>d</sup> 1843. by accounts Received the Representatives to this meeting are from the south **Barret Beard** & **Edward Slade** from the north **George Almy** & **James Tucker** who are all present

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which Summary answers have been prepared & adopted & are directed to our next Quarterly Mg. by Warren Gifford Thomas K. Wilbur and Benjamin Gidley whom we have appointed our Representatives thereto, desiring them to Report their attendance to our next meeting, & the Clerk is directed to fur= = nish them with the needful account & sign

The Oueries with answers from each of the Preparative

meetings to the usual three have been Read from

the same on behalf of this meeting ~~—

T. Inmans
Marriage
Orderly
Conducted

Representatives

Q. Meeting

The Committee appointed last month to attend the Marriage of **T. Inman & Mary an W. Allen** Report that they attended to that service & discovered nothing but that said Marriage was orderly conducted & the Certificate handed to the recorder—

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The Committee having Charge of **Jesse Tuckers** clearn<sup>ess</sup> to procede in marriage with **Mary an Wilbur**Report that they have given attention thereto & he appear =ing Clear & Consent of surviving Parents now being produced & nothing appearing to hinder they are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage

at some suitable time before our next mo

& **M.A Wilbur**<u>marriage</u>

Committee

J. Tuckers

to attend

meeting, they advising with **Seth Davis** and **William Potter** who are appointed to attend & see said marriage orderly conducted handing the Certificate to the recorder making Report hereon next month ~~

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Committee to bring forward names for Overseers The time for which the Overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired, Isaac Lawrence, Warren Gifford James Tucker Isaac R. Gifford, Abram Russell & Abner Potter are appointed a committee to bring forward to our next monthly meeting such names as they may apprehend suitable for that service -

Isaac R. Gifford

Clerk

12 m° 1843 -

At a Monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartmouth** 27<sup>th</sup> of 12 m° 1843. by the accounts Rc<sup>d</sup> the Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the s° **Prince Allen & Holder Shearman** from the north **Benjamin Potter & Caleb Slade,** all present but two for one of whom a satisfactory reason was Recievd.

One of the Representatives appointed Last month to attend the Q. Meeting Reports that they all attended

Jesse Tuckers marriage orderly Conducted **Seth Davis** on behalf of the Committee appointed last month to have the oversight of **Jesse Tuckers** & **Maryan Wilburs** Marriage Reports that they attended to that service & discovered nothing but that it was orderly conducted & that the certificate is now here Ready for the recorder ~

appointing
Overseers
<u>Refered</u>
[written sideways]
24 is

The subject of appointing overseers is Refered untill our next monthly meeting as our number is unusually small at this time, owing to the inclemency of the weather as we apprehend.

Isaac R Gifford Clerk

24 is the whole number present

We Received in 9 m° last through our meeting for sufferings a number of Coppies (in printed form) of an Essay on some of the Prominent doctrine & Testamonies of Friends. prepared by that meeting and adopted by our Last yearly meeting, for the perusal & benefit of our society, which have been distributed to our members

Essay on Doctrines Rc<sup>d</sup>

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at 1 m° **Dartmouth** 24<sup>th</sup> of 1 m° 1844– by accounts Rc<sup>d</sup> from <u>1844</u> each of the preparative meetings, the Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the s<sup>o</sup> **Humphrey Anthony & Holder Shearman** from the north Jesse Tucker & William Potter who are all present –

The Committee appointed in 11m° last to bring

Over Seers appointed

forward names for overseers of this meeting now made the following Report (viz) The survivors of the committee appointed last month to bring forward names for overseers have attended to that subject and are united in preparing the Reappointment of Abraham Russell, Benj<sup>n</sup> Gidley, Humphrey Anthony, Benj<sup>n</sup> Tucker -Isaac R. Gifford, & Daniel Howland, and Barret Beard in addition. & also Joshua W. Gifford in the Place of Joseph Gifford he having requested to be released, on behalf of the Committee, Warren Gifford

Dated 12 mº 24, 1843-

And after a time of Solid consideration there =on the proposition was united with, & the friends therein named are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year or untill another appointment

Overseers Poor appointed

The Time for which the overseers of the Poor were appointed having expired, this meeting are united in the Reappointment to that service for the year to Come or untill another appointm =tment of Abraham Russell, Benjamin Potter, Daniel Howland, Jonathan Wilbur, Benjamin **Tucker & Joseph Gifford**

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J. R. Parker requests **Certificate**

It appears that **Joseph R. Parker** Requests a removal Certificate to Milford monthly meeting Wayne County Indiana, George W. Frances and **Thomas K. Wilbur** are appointed to prepare & produce one for him to our next meeting if no obstruction appears ~~~—

This meeting unites with the womens Mg.-Sylvia A in Receiving an acknowledgment from Sylvia A. Allens -**Allen** to satisfaction, She is now the wife of **Thomas** acknowled **D. Allen, & was formerly S. D. Gifford** ~ Rc^d \_\_\_\_\_ We also unite with the women in denying the Elizabeth right of membership to Elizabeth Maxfield Maxfield late Barker, is now the wife of W<sup>m</sup> Maxfield -Disowned Isaac R. Gifford Clerk At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartmouth** 28<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1844- By accounts recieved, the friend appointed to attend this meeting are from the 1844 south Abner Potter & Osman Wood from the north preparative m.g. Adrian Davis and George Almy, who are all present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given~~ Jas R. Parker The committee having Charge of Jas R. Parkers Removed Certificate now produced one which was read approved & signed by the Clerk, who was directed & Certificate to forward the same (after Recording) to **Aaron** mailed by White Milton P. O. Way, ne Co Indiana, he being th J. R. Gifford the Corrispondent of **Milford** monthly Meeting as we are informed~ We are ^also informed that the so Preparative meeting has paid its proportion of stock for 1843 – M.g. Stock

s<sup>o</sup> Paparative paid for 1843

to our Treasurer ~-

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Mary Hart Bequest in keeping by B. Tucker

The Obligation for Two hundred Dollars – heretofore held by Our Dear friend James-Tucker for the Mary Hart bequest now being in the hands of his Executor. It is hereby the Sence of this meeting, that the said Obligation be placed in the hands of the Overseers of this M.g -The income of which to be subject to the disposition of the Trustees who are appointed or may hereafter be appointed by this meeting for them to dispose of or hand out the same income in conformity with the will of the Donor, And Benjamin Tucker is appointed to hold the aforesaid obligation on soci-=eity Both as an Overseer & Trustee on our behalf

Committee

on Births

Deaths -

The Committee appointed to give our recorder inform =ation as to Births & Deaths now made a satisfactory Report, & the same friends (viz) William Potter George Smith, Isaac Lawrence, Abram Russell

& **Humphrey Anthony** are now reappointed to the same service for the year to Come or untill another appointment ~—

Isaac R. Gifford

Clerk

1844 3^d m^o

At a monthly meeting of Friends held at **Dartm<sup>o</sup>** 27<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1844 - By accounts received, the Repre =sentatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the south **Joseph Gifford & Zebedee Gifford** from the North **Thomas K. Wilbur & Benj<sup>n</sup> Potter** who are all present ~~

Clerks <u>appointed</u> The appointment of Clerks coming before us and that subject having been left with the Representatives to our last monthly meeting. They now propose **Isaac R. Gifford** for Clerk & **George Almy** for an assistant which being united with, and appearing satis = factory to the meeting, They are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year or untill another appointment ~~~

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Q. answered & Representaves

> to Q. Mg. appointed

meeting were now read & General Answers prepared & adopted, which are directed to be forwarded to Our next Quarterly meeting by **Benj<sup>n</sup> Tucker**, -- **Isaac Lawrence**, & **Seth Davis**, whom we have appointed Our representatives thereto, desireing them them to report their attendance to our next m.g. And the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the necessary extracts from our record & sign the same on behalf of this meeting~~

The Queries with answers from each of our Preparat

Q. M,g.stock paid Our Treasurer informs that our proportion of Q. -meeting stock has been paid to the Treasurer of That meeting ~~~ say 72 Dollars ——

N. P. M.g.

Stock is

Paid

We are also informed that the North Preparative meeting has paid its proportion of stock for 1843- to the Treasurer of this meeting ~~—

T. InmanCertificate
Received

This meeting now received, Read & accepted a Removal Certificate from **Smithfield** monthly meeting of Friends dated 25<sup>th</sup> of 1 m<sup>o</sup> 1844 on behalf of **Thomas Inman**, the women uniting with [us]

118 Coppies of London **Epistle** Rc^d

We have now Rc<sup>d</sup> 118 Coppies of the **London** General Printed Epistle of last year one of which has been read at this time to our comfort and we also believe to our edification & friends were furnished & desired to distribute them

Isaac R. Gifford

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At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartm** 24<sup>th</sup> of 4 m<sup>o</sup> 1844- by accounts Received from <u>1844</u> each of the Preparative meetings, the Represen =tatives to this meeting are from the south – Otis Slocum, & John Wing from the north William Tucker & Thomas K. Wilbur who are all present- One of the Representatives appoin =ted last month to attend the Q. Meeting informs that they all attended

> [inset, right side over p 356] THE **EPISTLE** FROM THE YEARLY MEETING. **HELD IN** LONDON,

BY THE ADJOURNMENT, FROM THE 24TH OF THE FIFTH MONTH, TO THE 2D OF THE SIXTH MONTH, INCLUSIVE, 1843.

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

DEAR FRIENDS.

We have again been permitted to meet, and in harmony to deliberate upon many subjects which immediately relate to the welfare of our religious Society; but which, at the same time, we believe to have a close bearing upon the interests of the church universal. Whilst, as a Christian body, we have much cause for humiliation, we are reverently thankful for the evidence now afforded us, that the Lord is near to do us good. Our faith is confirmed in the reality of that foundation on which as a church, we have been concerned to rest; and we invite our brethren and sisters everywhere to build on this unchangeable foundation—"Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and to-day, and forever."

Beloved friends, come unto him in faith. Wait from time to time for the renewings of the Holy Ghost. Then will you see in the light of truth that you are called to separate yourselves from the world and all its defilements; and constantly to remember,

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his steps. Truly our calling as Christians is a high and holy calling; but it is that at which we are to aim. What close searchings of hears, what humiliations, and what baptisms are needed, before we are brought to the blessed experience of those who are wholly given up to live unto Him who died for them; but great are their joy and peace; feeling themselves as strangers and pilgrims upon earth, walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, it is at times given them to feel the consolation of the words of the apostle, "Truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ."

Let us, dear friends, be encouraged to press after this blessed experience. In so doing we shall be greatly helped by minding the gentlest intimations of the Spirit of Truth. Let us seek to know our Lord's will, even in the regulation of our outward concerns. May our wants be few, and may we set a high value on true contentment; taking heed that we live above the world, and are not buried in its cares. If through the Divine blessing upon our honest industry, riches increase, we should be very watchful not to set our hearts upon them; and, whilst exercising due economy, should be liberal to the poor and distressed. In the discharge of our parental duties, it should be our concern that our beloved offspring do not acquire habits and notions which are at variance with true Christian simplicity, and which may prove a burthen to them. Then, if adversity come upon us, how much bitterness and self-condemnation shall we be spared, and how will our nearest connexions in life escape that suffering which has been experienced in many families, in which a contrary course has been pursued!

As the mind is alive to the value of a removal of spiritual strength, the duty is strongly felt of withdrawing from the lawful pursuits of business to wait upon God in our week-day meetings. Many amongst

us can bear testimony to the comfort and strength which they have derived from the performance of this service. We entreat all, whether members of large or small meetings, to assemble regularly and punctually to partake of this privilege,—the united worship of the Father of all our mercies, in spirit and in truth. He is still nigh unto all that call up Him; and as an exercise of spirit is maintained, He causes his living presence at times to be felt to the refreshment of the hungry soul, and renewed ability is received to perform the duties of life to his honour. As the heads of families are thus concerned for the good of their own souls, their care extends to all who are connected with them, whether their children or servants, their clerks or other assistants, that they also may partake of the benefit of attending our religious meetings in the course of the week. Some difficulties may present themselves in making the needful arrangements for this purpose; but as there is steady perseverance to accomplish the object, we believe that these difficulties will often be found to lessen, and even to disappear.

We take comfort in the persuasion that many of you, beloved young friends, are not only permitted to see and to approve things that are excellent, but that, by following the leadings of Christ the good Shepherd, you have been strengthened to take some steps in the path of self-denial. In this awakened state, you have, we believe, been brought to see the value and the excellency of our Christian principles and practices. Warm are our desires that you may be faithful to the requirings of your Lord; endeavouring to walk before Him in the path of individual duty. May you be kept in a humble, contrite spirit; it is with such that the Lord graciously condescends to dwell. In the exercise of continual watchfulness, be very careful, in the succeeding steps of your Christian progress, that you enter upon nothing which interferes with your bearing the yoke of Christ,

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or which renders its restraints irksome. Remember that ye are not your own, that ye are bought with a

price; and be concerned so to occupy the time and talents entrusted to you, that you may thereby glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. The watchword of the day, not only to our younger members, but to those more advanced in life, is—Mind your calling, brethren!

We believe it to have been given to us to uphold Christianity in its primitive purity. The Gospel is that mighty power which is appointed to destroy the works of the devil by setting up the kingdom of Christ in the heart of man; Christ died for our sins, and rose again for our justification—blessed and heart-cheering truths! But the application of that blood which sprinkles the heart from an evil conscience is a spiritual work, to be known only by those whom the Lord hath quickened by his grace to see their need of a Saviour, and to accept Him as their deliverer from the chains of guilt and the power of sin.

The religion of Jesus, in its full development, abrogates all the symbols and rituals of the Jewish church, and destroys those works of the carnal mind, by which, in the time of the apostacy, the priesthood of man was substituted for that of Christ, and outward forms took the place of the unchanging power and holiness of the Gospel. It is but too obvious that there is a great tendency, in the present day, to have recourse to sensible objects and outward observances in the service and worship of God; by which the mind is in imminent danger of resting in forms, rather than coming to the substance of the Gospel. Warm are our desires that our ancient testimony to the spiritual nature of the Christian religion and against all ceremonial usages, may be preserved inviolate; and we strongly recommend our dear friends to be very watchful, that nothing be allowed to estrange them from a full appreciation of its value and importance. May we all be concerned,

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both in word and deed, to exemplify before our fellow-professors of the Christian name, the great truth, that "the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost." We have need to be humbled under a sense of our unfruitfulness, in not showing forth unto others more fully the excellency and the power of these principles; but may we never seek to lower the standard of divine truth to suit our languor and cold-heartedness. If we have not the Spirit of Christ we are none of his; and if Christ be in us, the body

is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. May we become dead to sin, and alive unto righteousness, then we believe would his gifts be more abundantly showered down upon us, for our own consolation and the edification of the church.

"Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." The freedom of gospel ministry, and the liberty of all the living members of the Christian church, to exercise the gifts bestowed upon them by its Holy Head, have been among the most prominent testimonies of our religious Society. In the fear of God, our early friends protested against the exercise of authority over conscience in matters between man and his Creator; and against the assumption, by any one individual, to act as the sole agent for the people in their assemblies for divine worship. We believe that this arrangement, by which the conducting of services in a Christian congregation rests with the minister, and the hearers are precluded from the exercise of spiritual gifts in the public worship of God, is a departure from primitive Christianity. In regard to these things, beloved friends, accept the word of earnest exhortatation:—Stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free.

But, dear brethren, let your stedfastness in these and in all other things, be in the meekness of wisdom. The truth leads into gentleness as well as firmness. Let us remember that "the wrath of man

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worketh not the righteousness of God." The ways of the Lord are not our ways, nor his thoughts our thoughts: He is wonderful in counsel and excellent in working: be patient therefore, brethren. There is great power as well as safety in meekness and patience. Much of an agitated spirit prevails in our beloved country. May the Lord, who, notwithstanding its manifold sins, has eminently blessed it, still extend his merciful care over it. We have ever maintained that it is our duty to obey all the enactments of civil government, except those by which our allegiance to God is interfered with. We owe much to its blessings; through it we enjoy liberty and protection in connexion with law and order; and whilst bound by our sense of religious conviction not to

comply with those requisitions which violate our Christian principles, we desire ever to be found of those who are quiet in the land; a condition favourable to true Christian patriotism, and in which, services highly valuable and useful may be rendered to the community.

Various objects of a popular nature engage the public attention at the present time. We believe that many amongst us have, from philanthropic motives, taken an active part in promoting them. Some of these things are calculated to bring with them great excitement. We tenderly invite our brethren to consider, whether in any of the associations for those objects, there is a tendency to lead away from that patient exercise of spirit and that quiet self-examination, which are not only conductive but necessary to a growth in grace, which constitutes the healthy state of the Christian; and to be on their guard, lest such associations should gradually draw them into that assimilation with the world which is unlawful to a follower of Christ.

Since we last met together, multitudes of our fellow-countrymen have been in great distress. It affords us much satisfaction that many of our members

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have, by pecuniary aid, manifested their feeling for the sufferers, and others have also diligently visited the wretched abodes of poverty and want. We encourage the continued active exercise of that sympathy which searches out the sorrows and alleviates the sufferings of the poor, the widow, and the fatherless. May none of us deprive ourselves of the privilege of exercising this Christian duty, or withdraw from its judicious performance.

The enormous sin and the wide-spread existence of the slave-trade and of slavery have afresh come before us. Whilst no active measure has been at this time adopted to hasten the termination of this system of iniquity, we believe that there is still a part to be taken by our religious Society collectively, and by its members individually, on behalf of our oppressed and enslaved fellow-men. The character of this sin, so offensive in the sight of our merciful Creator, and the miseries and injustice which are inseparable from it, are now so well known and understood that we have no excuse for not yielding our minds to the subject. May the day be near when every nation shall be free from participating in this complicated

guilt. We are glad to observe that out dear friends in America, from those several Yearly Meetings we have received acceptable Epistles, (as well as one from that of **Ireland**,) are alive to this cause, and that they do, from time to time, avail themselves of suitable opportunities to plead for the oppressed, before their rulers. The circumstances of the North American Indians are annually brought under our notice through this correspondence. Our sympathy is afresh excited for these deeply-injured people: we are glad to know that our dear brethren on the other side of the Atlantic continue their endeavours to do them good. The injustice with which they have been treated, and the cruel and arbitrary way in which the power of conquest has been and is still exercised by those who call themselves Christian, in countries

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where the religion of our holy Redeemer is not professed, is a reproach to the nations which bear his name. May we all be so imbued with a sense of the benign, the peaceable, and the merciful character of his law, as to maintain a just and true sense of the wrongs which have been thus inflicted.

We are still subjected to suffering in the support of our conscientious scruple against the payment of ecclesiastical claims. The amount reported under that head, including the charges of distraint, is upwards of ten thousand three hundred pounds. We commend this our ancient testimony, to the close consideration of all our members. We regard the altered circumstances in which we are placed by the recent change in the laws respecting tithe, and the tendency, which is but too obvious, to various acts of ecclesiastical domination, as calling upon us to ask counsel of the Lord, and, by the help of his grace and the exercise of a tender conscience, to uphold our spiritual views of Christian truth with integrity and faithfulness.

Beloved friends! Short is the period of our mortal existence. May we all be established in a living faith in Christ. May we be found diligently occupying the talent entrusted to us, with a single eye to the service of our Lord. And may we every one, when we appear at the judgment-seat of Christ, be

counted worthy to stand before the Son of man.

Signed, in and on behalf of the Meeting, by

GEORGE STACEY,

Clerk to the Meeting this year.

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Charles <u>Taber</u> And David C Knowles Our Esteemed friends **Charles Taber** & **David E. Knowles** from **Farnham** Monthly meeting (in Lower **Canada**) are now in attendence with us Certificates of Concurrence from said m° Meeting with Indorsements from **Ferrisburgh** Q<sup>er</sup> Meeting Dated 8 m° 9<sup>th</sup> 1843- were now read their Company & Gospel labors have been acceptable to us the Clerk is directed to furnish our friends Respectively with the substance of the above minute

P. Southwick

The Company of our friend **Paul Southwick** companion to **Charles Taber** is also acceptable to us.

B. Ricketson annuity

The committee having Charge of the **B. Ricketson** bequest now Report attention having been given to the subject & for the last year there has been Rc<sup>d</sup> for the Rent of Marsh Sixteen Dollars – 16,,00 from the Institution for savings - - -----20,,17 making ~ \$36,,17

signed by Abram Russell on behalf of the Commite

John W. Gifford informed

Daniel Howland informed that he had given **John W. Gifford** information of his Denial ~
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Peter D. Slade Requests a Certificate We are informed that **Peter D. Slade** Requests a Removal Certificate for himself & wife **Sarah B**-to **NewBedford** monthly meeting. **Isaac R Gifford** & **Thomas K. Wilbur** are appointed to join the womens Committee in this case to prepare & produce one to our next meeting if nothing should appear to hinder ~~

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Adrian
Davis Requests
Certificate

We are also informed that **Adrian Davis** requests a removal certificate to the monthly meeting of Friends at **Westport** for himself his wife **Martha** & minor son **Stephen G.** we appoint **Benjamin Tucker** & **Benjimin Potter**

to take the necessary care herein and make Report next month ———

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Benjamin Tucker on behalf of the Committee having Charge of the Mary Hart Bequest now Mary reports that 12 Dollars one years annuity has been **Harts** Rcd ~~~~ Isaac R Gifford Clerk $12,Rc^{d}$ At a monthly meeting of friends held at $5 m^o$ **Dartmouth** 22<sup>d</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1844- by accounts 1844 Rc<sup>d</sup> from our preparative meetings, the Repres= =entatives to this meeting are from the south Freeman Lawrence & Josiah Shearman from the north George Almy & Jesse Tucker who are all present ~~— \_\_\_\_\_ The Committee having Charge of **Peter D. Slades** P. D. Slade Request have prepared a Removal Certificate Removed for himself. wfe Sarah B. & their infant Daughter Sarah Loisa which being Read and **Nbedford** was approved, signed & Directed to NewBedford monthly meeting of friends ~~-The Committee appointed last month to prepare Committee a Certificate for **Adrian Davis** & family Report Continued attention having been given, but are not ready to furnish an essay at this time- they are Continued to report next month ~-\_\_\_\_\_ Benjamin Tucker one of the trustees of the Mary 10..84 **Hart** bequest Reports that during the past year p^d out of there has been drawn out of our treasury M. Hart for particular purposes (corresponding with the <u>income</u> will of the Donor) & expended accordingly the sum of Ten Dollars & Eighty four Cents- 10,,84 -Signed Isaac R Gifford Clerk~— 358 At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 26<sup>th</sup> of 6m<sup>o</sup> 1844 by accounts Rc<sup>d</sup> the Representatives appointed to this meeting are 1844 from the south Freeman Lawrence & Barret Beard from the north Caleb Slade & Benjamin Potter who are all present ~~-The Oueries with answers from each of the prepar =ative meetings (to the usual three) have been read Queries ans<sup>d</sup> from which summary answers have been proposed-& adopted and are directed to our Quarterly Representatives meeting by Isaac Lawrence Barret Beard and Benjamin Tucker whom we have appointed Q Meeting

our representatives to that meeting desiring them

<u>appointed</u>

to report their attendence to our next meeting & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with the needful accounts from our records, signing the same on behalf of this meeting ~~~~

Adrian Davis Removed The Committee having Charge of **Adrian Davis** request have produced a removal Certificate for him & his family which being Read was approv<sup>ed</sup> signed by the Clerk & directed to the monthly meeting of friends at **Westport** the women Concuring with us herein ~~~

Isaac R Gifford ~~ Clerk

7 m° 1844 At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 24<sup>th</sup> of 7 m° 1844= by accounts Rc<sup>d</sup> from Each of the preparative meetings the Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the south **Benjamin Gidley** & **Humphrey Anthony** from the North <u>Benjamin</u> William **Potter** & **George Almy** who are all present

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One of the Representatives appointed last month to attend the Quarterly meeting Reports that they all attended———

Q. Meeting stock to be Raised 81,,00 By a minute from our last Quarterly m.g. it appears that our proportion of Qy & yearly Meetings stock is Eighty one \$81,,00 Dollars which is acceptable to us. & our treasurer is directed to pay the same to the Treasurer of the Q. M.g. whenever he shall be in funds~~

Extracts from y. M.g -<u>Rc<sup>d</sup></u>

[written sideways] notice to 10 m $^{\circ}$ Q.Mg .

Committee to grant certificates

We have Rc<sup>d</sup> several Coppies of an Extract from our last yearly Meeting embracing an account of the Boarding School at **Prov**==idence.. one of which has been read at this time, by which it appears that our monthly meeting has the priviledge of sending one schollar the next winder term free of expence, we appoint Abner Potter J<sup>n</sup>, George Almy, Isaac Lawrence and -Barret Beard a Committe to Join the women in making the selection of a schollar & also to Grant Certificates to others of our

Children who may go to the bording School <u>Schollars</u> the ensuing year~-Isaac R. Gifford Clerk At a monthly Meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** 28<sup>th</sup> of 8 m<sup>o</sup> 1844 accounts being month Rc<sup>d</sup> from each of the preparative meetings 1844 the Representatives appointed therein to attend this meeting are from the south Osman Wood & Josiah Shearman from the north. Jesse Tucker & Rowland Rider, who are all present -360 Abraham Russell, George Almy, Barret Committee Beard & Joseph Gifford are appointed a to settle Committee to settle with our Treasurer, propose with our one for the year to Come & also a sum of Treasurer money necessary for this meeting to Collect to &c meet our annual expences & make Report to this meeting next month~ This meeting aprehending that a new appointment Committee in regard to our collections, & stock to be Raised to make is needful at this time, we appoint **Abner Potter** out a new Freeman Lawrence, William Tucker, Ebenezer percentage Allen, Barret Beard, & Benjamin Potter to take the necessary care herein, & make out a new percentage for Each preparative meeting, report =ing hereon next month~ yearly M.gs Our Esteemed friends Jonathan & Hannah Committee **Dennis, Edward & Elizabeth Wing** All members of attended our yearly meeting<sup>s</sup> Committee except J. Dennis are now this in attendence with us, their company and meeting services are acceptable to us~~-Signed Isaac R. Gifford Clerk~~— At a monthly meeting of friends held at **Dartmouth** <u> 1844</u> 25<sup>th</sup> of 9 m<sup>o</sup> 1844- by a/c<sup>ts</sup> Rc<sup>d</sup> the Representatives appointed to attend this meeting are from the south **Daniel** Howland & John Mitchell, from the north George Almy & Benj<sup>n</sup> Tucker who are all present~ The Oueries with answers from Each of the preparative Queries meetings to the 1st-2d-& 10th have been read from which Answerd summary answers have been prepared & adopted which together with the necessary extracts from our Representatives

Records are directed to our next Q. Meeting by

Isaac Lawrence, Thomas K. Wilbur, Seth Davis and

Q. M.g

appointed William Tucker whom we have appointed our Representatives thereto desiring them to Report their attendence to our next meeting and the

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Clark is directed to furnish them with the needful a/c from our minutes signing the same on behalf of this meeting

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Treasurer

The committee appointed last month to audit accounts with our Treasurer &c. now report that they have attended to those services & find a ballance in his hands of Six =teen <sup>9</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars & propose to Raise one hundred Dollars for the ensuing year & also propose Osman Wood for Treasurer, which being Read, the propo-=sitions are accepted by this meeting & Osman -**Wood** is accordingly appointed Treasurer for the ensuing year., & Each preparative meeting is desired

100\$ to Raise -

> to collect their respective proportions of one hun dred Dollars & pay the same to our Treasurer

percntage

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The committee appointed last month to regulate the percentage for each preparative meeting to pay. stock Report, that they have attended to that service & have come to the conclusion that the south preparative meeting had ought to pay fifty nine per cent & the north Preparative meeting pay forty one percent, 59 & 41 make 100~~~ which is satisfactory to this meeting $\sim \sim \sim \sim$ Signed

Isaac R Gifford

Clerk ~~

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