

This meeting unites with the Womens meeting in Derrying Unit with Elizabeth Sheephead^{2nd}
The friends appointed to Inform Samuel Potter of his Denial report, that he's been informed thereof & produced a testimony of his Denial which being approved was signed by the Clerk and William Gifford is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner at Newtowm and report to next monthly meeting --

The Committee in the case of Nicholas Smith reports that they have labored with him both on the account of the complaint against him also for his being in the practice of Retailing Spiritous Liquors but he did not appear in a deposition of mind to condemn his outgoings, and after solid deliberation the matter is referred to next monthly meeting under the care of John Howland and Joseph Austin they then to report

Celion Wood and Lillie Gifford appear in this meeting and declare the continuation of their Intentions of marriage during our Inspect & no Obstruction appearing they are allowed to proceed & Jonathan Willbus and Timothy Howland are appointed to attend their marriage to see that it be orderly solemnized and report to next m^o meeting

Thomas Allen and Judith Keesby appear in this meeting and declare their Intentions of taking each other in marriage whereupon we appoint Timothy Gifford and Luthon Wood to inspect Tho: Clearys respecting marriage and report next m^o meeting

A testimony of Seth Potter Denial being presented by the friends appointed who have informed him of his Denial was read approved and signed by the Clerk & Wm Gifford is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner at Newtowm & was followed by

Seth Potter having a right as a member of our Society hath by not attending to the light of the spirit of truth placed in the heart of man so far departed from the testimony we profess as to attend an Entertainment where was much dancing & likewise a moring held out of our order we have labored with him to convince him of the bad inconveniency of such Credit but our labor of love not having the desired effect therefore for the we give this forth as a publick testm^o warning to him that Seth Potter from being any longer a member of our Society until he shall be found with a light of his outgoings & condemn the same to our satisfaction which is our desire

Given forth at our m^o meeting held in Dartmouth
the 19th November 1792 & signed in behalf of this meet by

Caleb Green Clerk

The Committee appointed report they have informed Stephen Howland of his Denial and produced a testimony of said Denials of Stephen Howland and Thomas Howland which being reprobated was signed by the Clerk and Thomas Hicks is appointed to read them in the usual publick usual manner at a convenient time previous to which the same Committee are requested to inform Thos Howland of his Denial

The Committee in the case of Philip Russell report they have taken an opportunity with him and think his case had best be refered it is accordingly refered under the same friends care to next monthly meeting

A Removal Certificate was presented by the friends appointed for that service in behalf of Peleg Gifford and Alice his wife directed to Saratoga m^o meeting which being approved was signed by the Clerk, and the same friends are continued to the care of preparing certificates for Abiel Gifford & Jno Barker and their families and to present when ready

The Committee in the case of William Smith inform they have made some progress of a visit to him & think best the matter be refered it is accordingly continued under their care to next m^o meeting

We are informed through the last Preparative meeting that Jno Barker requests a certificate for him self & family to Saratoga m^o meeting he being about to remove to Cambridge where upon we appoint Zephaniah Eddy and Thos. Hicks to inspect Johns character as respects his removal and if clear prepare a certificate and lay before next monthly meeting

The Queries were read with Answers from each Preparative meeting together with general Answers compiled therefrom one of the Committee to receive Subscriptions reported he has raised and paid the Treasurer (viz) for the Quarterly meeting Stock £ 17-5 and for the monthly meeting Stock £ 14-5 and our treasurer is directed to pay to the Quarterly meeting treasurer our proportion of that Stock

An account to accompany the Answers to the Queries was prepared which being approved was signed by the Clerk we appoint Joseph Tucker James & Wm Gifford to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting

4mo
1792

At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the
16th the 4^{mo} 1792

The Representatives from the Preparative meeting by the
accounts presented were from the South Lathan Wood and
W^m Anthony from the North Thos Rotch and W^r Wood who
being called were all present Except Thos Rotch whose absence
a satisfactory reason was given

The friends appointed report the acknowledgements of Blns
South & Samuel Gird were read as ordered - also that the testimony
of Denials of Samuel & Seth Potter and Stephen Howland and Tho:
Howland have all been read also that Tho: Howland was informed of
his Denial as ordered

Whereas Samuel Potter hath had a Right of membership amongst us the people
called Quakers but through Inattention to the spirit of truth in his own heart hath
so far departed from our wholeness & order as to attain a place of myself & Daniel & also
hath attended a house & a marriage held out of the order of friends & friends having
labored with him from time to time in order to convince him of the evil tendency
of such conduct but our labour hath not had the desired effect therefore we give this
forth as a publick testimony against all such conduct & can no longer bear him
a member of our society until he shall be favored to see the evil thereof and
make satisfaction by amendment of life which is our desire

Given forth by our no meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th of June 1792

Signed in & on behalf of said meeting by Caleb Green Clerk

Whereas Stephen Howland hath had a birthright among friends & under the care
of this meeting but hath so far departed from the rules of our Society as to many
out from among friends also attended a house & laid a wager all which being
Contrary to the principles we profess & friends having labored with him in love
to convince him of the inconstancy of his principles but our labour not ob-
taining its desired effect therefore for the clearing truth & friends from the reproach
therof we are desirous to give this forth as a publick testimony against such conduct
hereby denying unity with the said Stephen Howland until he shall be favored to
see the evil thereof & condemn the same to friends & labor which is our
desire Given forth & signed in & on behalf of our no meeting of friends in Dart-
mouth the 19th of June 1792 — — — — — by — — — — — Caleb Green Clerk

Whereas Thos Howland hath had a birthright among friends & under the care
of this meeting but hath so far departed from the rules of our Society as
to attend a house & laid a wager which being Contrary to the principles
we profess & friends having labored with him in love to convince him of the
evil tendency of such conduct but our labour not obtaining the desired effect
therefore for the clearing truth & friends from the reproach therof we are con-
cerned to give this forth as a publick testimony against such conduct
hereby denying unity with the said Thos Howland until he shall be
befavored to see the evil thereof & condemn the same to friends
satisfaction which is our desire

Given forth & signed in & on behalf of
our no meeting of friends held in Dart-
mouth the 19th of June 1792 — — — — — Caleb Green Clerk

This meeting is informed that John Howland son of Benjamin
has gone to sea wherefore his case is continued under the care of
John Howland and Joseph Ester two of the former Committee
in that case

The friends in the case of Nicholas Smith inform that they have had
a solid opportunity with him although their labours have not had the
desired effect yet we think best the care be continued under the care
of the same friends until next no meeting they to labour further
wherein as way may open

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Eliza Wood Report they
attended accordingly and that it was orderly conducted and the certificate
was delivered to the Clerk for recording

The friends appointed to inspect the cleaving of Thos Allen respecting
marriage Report they have discovered nothing to obstruct his proceeding
in marriage

Thomas Allen and Judith Kirby appear in this meeting & declare the
continuation of their intentions of marriage defining our answer the
necessary care having been taken they are allowed to proceed and
Elizabeth Wood & Joseph Ester is appointed to attend their marriage to see
that it be orderly solemnized and report next no meeting

Removal certificates were presented one from Pembroke no meeting
dated 4th the 3^{mo} in behalf of Mercy Shepherd wife of Barnabas
Shepherd and one from Swanzy no meeting 5th the 3^{mo} in behalf
of Deborah Smith daughter of Tho: Smith which were read & accepted

The Committee in the case of Philip Russell report they have had
several opportunities with him to some satisfaction and he having
presented a paper Expressing his sorrow for having attended a place
of myfick & Darnelling also at a house & friends to pay
by his offence it was read & after consideration is accepted for satisfaction
and Joseph Ester is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner
at a convenient time

The Committee in the case of William Smith report they have
visited him but they discovered but little disposition to make friend
satisfaction yet considering his youth the case is continued under
the care of the same friends the to bestow such labour as they may
think best & report at a future no meeting & if convenient
is appointed to unite with them

A Removal certificate from Sandwick no meeting dated 28-8th
in behalf of Cornelius Wong his wife Achitoba & daughter Sarah was
read & accepted

Also a Certificate from the same monthly meeting 3^d of 2^d mo
in behalf of Benja Gifford placed an apprentice to Ruben Swift which
was also read and accepted

A Removal certificate was presented from the Womew meeting in
behalf of Liza Wood wife of Eliion Wood Directed to the monthly meeting
at Saratoga which being approved was signed by the Clerk
Eliion Woods two children namely Charles and Eliion having
returned to live with their father a Certificate was presented on their
behalf directed to Saratoga no meeting which being approved was
signed by the Clerk

Removal certificates were presented by the friends appointed in behalf
of Abel Gifford his wife Swanner and five children namely Letis Peter
Jeremiah Abel and Joanna - also Wm Barker & his wife Deborah
and four children namely James Hannah Mary & Anna all which
being approved were signed by the Clerk

This Meeting is Informed that Job Lapsham has returned to
live at Providence wherefore we appoint Tho; Hazard and
Abraham Smith to Inspect the case and if clear prepare a
Certificate for him & Report next no meeting

The North Preparative meeting Inform that Tadock Maxfield
has fallen into the Reprouable sin of Fornication as appears
by his Wives having a child so soon after marriage whereupon
we Deny Unity with him & can no longer own him a member
of our Society until he shall be favour'd with a sense of his
misconduct and make Satisfaction to this meeting and
Abraham Smith & Joseph Austin are appointed to Inform
him hereof & prepare a testimony of his denial and
report to next no meeting

The time having Expired of the Overseers of the poor
therefore we appoint Edmund Maxfield Wm Wood Joseph Austin
Joshua Potter George Smith Lathan Wood Peleg Scourum and B: of
Allen to that Service for the year ensuing or until another
appointment --- an Endowment was made upon the Certif:
of Eliion Woods Certifying that he hath conducted in a good degree
orderly while here which was approved & signed by the Clerk

Gideon Howland informs that himself & Abel Gifford in consequence of their
appointment have had an opportunity with Nathaniel Howland but he discovered
no Disposition to make friends Satisfaction Wherefore we Deny Unity with him
and no longer consider him a member of our Society until he shall
be favour'd to return to the Satisfaction of friends and Gideon Howland and
Zophaniah Eddy are appointed to Inform him thereof and prepare a Testimony
of his Denial & report next no meeting

Leah Shearman Request the Assistance of friends in the Settlement
of her Affairs Abraham Smith and John Howland are appointed to give
her such advice and Assistance as may be necessary

One of the Representatives Inform they all attended the Quarterly
meeting

George Harris a member of Providence no meeting having prop-
osed to say his intention of marriage with Martha Green but hence
being present as he lives at a distance this meeting Adjourns to the
close of the meeting for Worship on 5th Day the third of next month
at Bedford

5th month of 3^d met by Adjournment at Bedford

George Harris and Martha Green Presented a Certificate from Providence
No Meeting dated 2⁵ last expressing his意图 to proceed in mat-
rimony with Martha Green and that he had Consent of parents therin
George Harris and Martha Green appear in this meeting and Declared
their Intentions of taking each other in marriage for our answer
they are refered to next no meeting

By Information from Swanner no meeting it appears that the Original
Certificate respecting Hannah Dowdick and Children was omitted
being sent to that meeting with our last Certificate & said Certificate
being now present the Clerk is Desired to forward them to Swanner
no meeting with a copy of this minute and report next no meeting

At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the
21st day of May 1772

The Representatives from the preparative meeting were from the
South Joseph Tucker and Timothy Gifford from the north Wm
Gifford and Ab: Smith all present

The friends appointed in the case of Nicholas Smith
Inform that they have not had an opportunity with him
since last no meeting and Desire to Defend another no
it is according to Continual till next no meeting under
their Care then to report

The friends appointed report that they attended the marriage of Tho' Ad^t
and Judith Kirby and that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered
to the Clerk for recording

Gideon Howland having been under appointment with Abiel Gifford to
inspect the sincerity of an Acknowledgment presented some time past
by Samuel Barker now Reports that they had a bold opportunity with
him together and he has visited him alone in which upto a good
degree of satisfaction has appeared whereupon Said acknowledgement
is accepted for satisfaction and Joseph Estes is appointed to read it
in the usual Publick manner at aponerofit meeting as followeth

Dartmouth 13 - 3rd 1792

Whereas I have so far been of my guard and Deviated from the
good Rules of our Society as to go to a horrace sometime ago
which I am sorry for and do Condemn Difining friends to profit by
my offence & let me remain under your care & I hope
to be Carefull in futur from your friend Samuel Barker

Joseph Estes Informe that Philip Buffett paper has been read avorded
and is as follows

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held 19th 3rd 1792.
Whereas I have Inconfiderately reported at an Entertainment where
was musick & Dancing all attended a horrace all which misconduct
I am sorry for and do Condemn Difining friends would profit by
and continue me under their care Difining to be more Carefull
in futur from your friend Philip Buffett
Dartm 19 - 3rd 1792

A Removal Certificate from Acocicot ^{the} meeting dated 19 this mo
was received recommending to our Christian care our friend Stephen
Buffinton as an aproved Minister likewise his two Sons Lapham
and Stephen lately removd here which was read & Accepted
The friends appointed in the case of Job Lapham Certificate not
being ready to report one are continued unt to report next meeting

A Removal Certificate in behalf of John Barker & his two Sons
Abraham & Scoum Directed to Saratoga ^{the} meeting was prebuted
by the Committee approvd & signed by the Clerk

The friends appointed last ^{the} meeting report they have informed
Dabot Marshall ^{the} of his Denial and produced Testimony
therof

therof which being aproved was sign'd by the Clerk and William Gifford is
appointed to read it in the Publick usual manner at West Town ^{the} report
next ^{the} meeting

one of the Committee reports that Nathaniel Howland has been in
form'd of his Denial and they have prepared a Testimony thereof which
was aproved and War Anthony is appointed to read it in the usual publick
manner at Acocicot ^{the} report next ^{the} meeting

This meeting concurs with the women's meeting in Denying unity
with Rebecca Chase Wife of Benjamin Chase for moving out of the
Unity of friends

The Clerk Informe the certificates respecting Hannah Bowditch have
been forword to Swanzey ^{the} meeting as directed

George Harris & Martha Greene appear in this meeting Declar'd
the Continuation of their Intention of marriage and nothing
appearing to obstruct they are allowed to proceed to take Each
other in marriage according to good order and Benjamin Barber
and John Howland are appointed to attend their marriage to
see that it be orderly solemnized and report next meeting

The Committee in the Case of Thos Russell Requesting an
addition as one of the friends having since the appointment
removd and we appoint Philip Tafford and Joseph Estes to
Join them therin

The women's meeting inform they have Reciev'd & accepted a
removal certificate from Acocicot ^{the} meeting in behalf
of Sarah Buffinton wife of Stephen Buffinton & their Daughter
Sarah with which this meeting concurs

We Unite with the Women's meeting in Denying unity with
Patience Sisson wife of Stephen Bigson -

The Committee who had the care of the meeting in Alcons
Neck Report they attended them and of all the meetings were
kept up and attended in a good Degree orderly

The Committee to receive Collections report they have
reciev'd and paid to the Treasurers 4-13-9 the remainder
of the Quarters Stock

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George Smith 2nd Obediah Beard George Sandford Sam^l
Gifford Barnabus Taber & Settho Russell are appointed
to receive subscriptions for the ms meeting stock for
following six months and pay it to the treasury and report
the sum received & so paid each Quarter agreeable to our
former appointment

At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
th 18-6^{mo} the 18 the 6^{mo} 1792

1792 The Representatives from the Preparative meetings by
the amounts presented are from the South Parish Wood
and Caleb Barker from the North John Howland & Thos. Mott
all present

The Committee in the case of Nicholas Smith report that
he concludes to continue in the practice of retailing Liquor
Notwithstanding the Labour that has been bestowed upon
on that account yet this meeting feeling a concern that
our testimony may be supported in a uniform manner
the Case is referred to next ms meeting

This meeting is informed that the Acknowledgment of Lemuel
Barker and the Testimonies of Denial of Zadock Mayfield &
Nathaniel Howland have all been read according to
Direction & are as followeth

From our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth 25 of Jun 1792
Zadock Mayfield Jr. having had a birthright among friends and
under the care of this meeting but through unwatchfulness
and inattention to the dictates of truth has so far departed from
its charted principles as to fall into the reproach full Sin of fornication
as appear by his Wives having a Child so soon after
marriage therefore for the clearing of truth & friends from such
reproach we are concerned to give this forth as a publick testimony
against such misconduct hereby disowning him from being a member
of our religious Society until he may be favoured with a sight and
sense of his misconduct and make Satisfaction to this meeting which
is our desire

Signed in & by Direction of meet by ... Caleb Green Clark

Whereas Nathaniel Howland having had a birthright among
friends & under the care of this meeting but by not attending to
the dictates of truth in his own heart hath so far Departed from our
principals as to Neglect the attendance of Religious meetings
and attended a place where was music & Dancing also is
guilty of the Sin of fornication as appears by his wives having
a Child before marriage and friend having labored with him
to Convince him of the evil tendency of such conduct but
our labour not obtaining the desired Effect to friends satisfaction
therefore for the clearing truth & friends from the reproach there
of we are Concerned to give forth this as a Publick testimony
against such unchristian conduct hereby Denying Unity with
the said Nathaniel Howland until he shall be favoured with
a sight of his misconduct and by a contrite walking and
an amendment of life make friends Satisfaction and return to
the way of truth which is our desire
Signed in & on behalf of our ms meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
21 of Jun 1792 - Caleb Green Clark

To the ms meeting of Dartmouth - Whereas I some time past went to place where
there was music & Dancing & find therewithal also bad profane language & all which
I am sorry for & do condemn Desiring friends so far to pass it by & let me remain under
their care hoping I shall be more careful in future from your friend
Ezra T. Allen Jr.

To the ms meeting to be held 16 of Jun 1792
Dear friends this may inform you that I have given way to a loose and any mind
so far as to go to assemblies for which I am sorry for and do condemn having
I may be more watchful for the future & wish friends would pass it by & let me
remain under their care this from your friend Benj^a Howland Jr.

To the monthly meeting of Dartmouth
These are to Inform that I have so far deviated from the good order of
friends as to attend a how rare as a spectator and after more deliberate
consideration the nature and evil thereof all which I am sorry for and do
condemn the same and Desire friends to pass it by & let me remain under
their care

Dartmouth 11 of Jun 1792

Samuel Smith junr

A Removal Certificate in behalf of Job Lapham to Providence Monthly Meeting was presented by the friends appointed which being approved was signed by the Clerk

A removal certificate in behalf of Sarahah Barker wife of John Barker & their children namely Bentz, Isaac & Sylvanah to Saratoga no meeting was read approved and signed by Clerk

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of George Harris report they attended accordingly and Discoursed nothing but that said marriage was conducted orderly and the Certificate was delivered to the Clerk

We concur with the women's meeting in Denying Unity with Rebecca Carter late Haden for marrying a first Cousin and also out of the order of our Society

The Committee in the case of W^m Smith report they have taken a solid opportunity with him & did not find him in a disposition of mind to change his conduct and make friends satisfaction wherefore it is our Judgment that he be Disowned and no longer continue a member of our Society until he shall be found to return to friends Satisfaction as the same friends are appointed to inform him hereof prepare a testimony of his denial and lay before next no meeting

The Queries were read with answers from each preparative meeting together with answers comp'd therefrom which general answer being approved & signed by the Clerk and forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are James Davis Thos. Scott & W^m Anthony & John Howland they to report next no meeting

At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth
the 16th the 7^{mo} 1792

1792 The accounts from the preparative meetings being presented the Representatives named are from the South Thos. Hicks and Timothy Howland North Abraham Smith & John Davis are all present

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The case of Nicholas Smith being again brought under consideration and a friend informing that it is Nicholas before the matter should be referred a little longer and we being desirous that our testimony may be supported with clearness & uniformity do again continue it under the care of the Committee who are desired to visit him again and report next no meeting

The friends appointed to Inform W^m Smith of his denial report he is gone to sea & they have not informed him wherefore they are continued to that care and report when accomplished, and they having produced a Testimony of his denial which was approved & signed by the Clerk & W^m Anthony is appointed to read it in the usual publish manner at apponted

We are informed that the Representatives all attend the Quarterly meeting and they presented an extract from the minutes thereof requiring us to forward our proportion of the yearly meeting & Quarterly meeting stock to the Quarterly meeting Treasurer wth yearly meeting \$ 16-2 Quarterly meeting 3-17-6 Total - 8-18-8 wherefore we appoint W^m Gifford Cornelius Wing Stephen Gifford Gideon Howland to open subscriptions therefor and report when collected

A Removal Certificate from Swanzey no meeting there^t 5th 3^{mo} last in behalf of Deborah Smith was read and accepted

A Removal Certificate being presented from the room no meeting in behalf of Martha Harris directed to Providence no meeting was read approved & signed by the Clerk

Luthan Wood informed he has received on this meetings account six pounds eleven shillings & of Gideon Howland being part of a legacy due to Mary Wing

The Overseers Inform through the South Preparative meeting that Rich Smith hath been treated with an account of his attending a horserace but did not appear

appear in a state of mind to condemn the same wherupon we appoint Joseph East & Lubban Wood to labour further with him to endeavour to convince him of the Inconsistency of his misconduct and report to next no meeting

The North Preparative meeting inform a Certificate is required to the no. meeting of Swanzey in behalf of Edward Slade ^{as} he being gone there to reside with a friend wherefore we appoint Joseph Tucker and Stephaniah Eddy to inquire into the case and if clear to prepare one Certificate and lay before next no meeting

The Overseers Inform that John Rysell son of Jacob ^{has} has been treated with on account of his Deviation from the plainness of our profession in Drap & address also for his having at times partaken too freely of Spirituous Liquors and likewise on account of his being published in order for marriage out of the order of friends Wherefore we appoint Thos Howard ^{as} and Abraham Smith to labour further with him and Endeavour to convince him of the Inconsistency of misconduct and report to next no meeting

Our friend Theophilus Shove having attended this meeting produced a Copy of a minute of Swanzey no meeting ^{of the 3rd of June last} Expressing their Unity with him as a minister and with their Unity with his concern to visit the meetings within our Quarter which was read and his Company acceptable to us

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
8^{mo} the 20th 8^{mo} 1792

1792 The Representatives from the Preparative meetings by the accounts presented are from the South Jon^a Willard and Stephen Gifford North Thos Rotch & Thos Smith all present

Wm Anthony Inform that the Testimony of Wm Smith Denial has been read as Directed & is a followet^t

Whereas William Smith having had a right of membership with friends but has much departed from that simple

Simple plainness we profess both in Drap and Language ²³⁴ and has been to a horseman and friends having Labour with him in love in order to convince him of the Inconsistency of such conduct but our Labour of love not having the desired effect to friend Satisfaction therefore we give this forth as a Testimony against such Conduct hereby publishingly Discouraging him the said William Smith from being a member of our Society until he shall manifest a Return to the ways of truth which is our Desire Given forthand in our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16th 8^{mo} 1792
Signed in & by direction & on behalf of the meeting by

(Caleb Green Clerk)

The friends appointed in the case of Nicholas Smith report that he Discovers a disposition to desist retailing Spirituous Liquors & Desires the matter may be continued which also appearing necessary to the Committee the case is accordingly continued under their care to next no meeting

A Certificate was presented in behalf of Edward Slade ^{as} directed to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey was approved & signed by the Clerk

The Committee in the case of John Rysell inform they have had a solid opportunity with him but he did not appear in a suitable state of mind to condemn his misconduct and that he also informed them he expected to marry out of the order of friends Wherefore it is our judgment that he be Disown'd & no longer considered a member of our society until he shall be found to see the Inconsistency of his misconduct and make friends Satisfaction and the same friends are appointed to Inform him thereof and prepare a Testimony of his denial and lay before next no meeting

The Select meeting having through the South preparative meeting informed that they had solidly Considered the Publick appearance of Deborah Clark & Unimbully proposed for our deliberation her being Recommended as an approved minister the subject having been weightily before this meeting it is thought best to refer it for further Consideration to next no meeting

The Select meeting having through the South Preparative meeting inform'd that they had solidly consider'd of the publick appearance of Mort. Chase and Unanimously propos'd for the Consideration of this meeting for being Recommended as an approved minister the subject having been weightily before us is thought best to report for further Consideration to next no meeting

Elizabeth Howland wife of Thos Howland Jr^o Requests through the Preparative meeting that her Sons Asa and Daniel may be admitted as members of our Society Joseph Estes and Timothy Gifford are appointed to visit the family and Endeavour to find the Suitableness thereof & report next no meeting

A paper was presented to this meeting signed by Benj: Russell condemning his misconduct in neglecting the due attendance of Religious meetings and purchasing goods taken in war leaving his sorrow therefor & Desiring to be received again under friends care Whereupon we appoint Wm Anthony & Joseph Estes to visit him and Endeavour to find the state of his mind respecting those things & also such others as he has been in the practice of that are Inconstant with our profession & report to next no meeting

Part of the Committee to Receive Quarterly Subscription report they have rec'd and paid to the treasurer £14-10 George Sandford one of the Committee not having reported his report is refered to next no meeting

The Committee in the Case of Thos Russell report that they have rec'd satisfactory information that Thos son is consider'd a member of Saratoga no meeting and that having often treated with him they think it safe that his acknowledgment be accepted for satisfaction it is accordingly accept'd

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
the 15th of Sept^r 1792

By the accts presented from the preparative meeting the representatives from the South were Zephaniah Eddy & Benj: Allen North Joseph Weston & Jon: Hirt who being called were all present

It appearing clear to this meeting that Inconveniences and Embarrassments 236 may attend proposals from the Select meeting of friends under their Consideration for Recommendation as ministers when more than one is proposed at the same time Therefore after solid deliberation with much Unanimity the two cases brought forward to last no meeting are with the concurrence of the women's meeting referred back to the Select meeting for their further Consideration

The friends appointed report that they have had a solid opportunity in Thos Howlands family and its their sense & judgment that their children namely Asa & Daniel be admitted as members which being consider'd by this meeting they with the concurrence of the women are admitted accordingly

The friends appointed report that they have had a solid opportunity with Benj: Russell 2^d to good Degree of Satisfaction and that it may be safe to receive his paper for Satisfaction which being Consider'd by this meeting its Rec'd accordingly and the friends are appointed to see it read in the usual publick manner inform him thereof & report next no meeting said paper is as followeth

George Sandford reports he has rec'd and paid into the treasury twelve Shillings in consequence of his appointment

Asa Smith and Meribah Russell appear in this meeting & declare their Intentions of taking each other in marriage also produced Certif of parents Whereupon we appoint Jacob Austin & Thomas Hazard Jr to inspect their Clerks respecting marriage & Concurvation & report next no meeting

This meeting Adjourns by the Request of the Quarterly meet Committed to second day, the first day of the 10^{mo} at the usual hour

so^{mo} of 1st Met by Adjournment the Representative all present - the Queries were read with the Answers from each preparative meeting together with the Responses Compiled therefrom for the no meeting an account thereof with them is directed forward to Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Benj: Taber Thos Hilt & Joseph Fisher they to report next no meeting

The friends in Sisck Smiths case report that they have had another opportunity with him to some Satisfaction and think it safe to receive his paper for Satisfaction having made the necessary addition which being read & Consider'd it is

received accordingly for satisfaction and Joseph Ester is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner & report next no meeting one of the Committee in Nicholas Smith's case report that they have had another opportunity with him attend thereto, tho' nothing being received from him, and as he is in the small pox the case is referred to next no meeting under the same friend's care

The friend appointed produced a testimony of the denial of John Russell (son of Jacob) which they informed him of and said testimony was read approved & signed by the Clerk and Wm Anthony is appointed to read the same in the usual publick manner & report next no meeting under the same friend's care

Whereas John Russell son of Jacob deceased having a birthright in our Society but by not adhering to the pure principles of light and truth in his own heart or mind hath departed from the purity of our profession by partaking at times too freely of spirituous Liquors and wilfully Departed from the Simplicity of our manners in dress and address Likewise Contracting to marry contrary to our wholom order for all which he has been labouring with in the spirit of meekness and Brotherly love, but without the desired effect wherefore for the clearing of truth & to testify our disapprobation of such conduct we disown him from any longer having a right in our Society until he may be found to express a reformation of heart & return in the way of truth to the satisfaction of friends which is our unsigh desire Given forth by our no meeting of friends held in Dartmouth by Adjournment the 5th day of June 1792 Signed in & by direction of said meeting by -- Caleb Green Clerk

10th At our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15th of Juny 1792

The Representatives from the preparative meetings by the accounts presented are from the South Zephaniah Eddy and Jonathan Willbur North Benj: Foster & Joshua Potter who being called are all present

The Committee in case of Benj: Russell acknowledged report that its been read and he informed according to appointment

The friends to inspect the Course of Mr Smith respecting marriage report they made the necessary Enquiry and find

nothing to obstruct his proceeding
Asa Smith and Miriah Russell appear in this meeting and declare the continuation of their intention of marriage and defining our answer the necessary care having been taken they are allowed to proceed to take each other in marriage according to our order and John Davis and Wm Rotch Jr are appointed to attend their marriage to see that it be orderly solemnized & report next no meeting

The Representative to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended and the following extracts from the minutes of that meeting was laid before this meeting viz -

The Committee appointed to visit Dartmouth no meeting report that they have weightily considered the subject of dividing that meeting and think it best that the friends of New Bedford particular meeting be set off & constitute a new no meeting which with the concurrence of the Womans meeting is accepted and the Division concluded upon to take place after our next Quarterly meeting & Paul King Russell Braly & John Mosher are appointed to confer with Dartmouth no meeting respecting the time of Division as also a suitable time for the holding said meeting and report to our next Quarterly meeting Extracted from the minutes of Sandwich Quarterly meeting held at Dartmouth the 5th day of Juny 1792

William Rotch Jr Clerk

And Wm Anthony Luther Wood Son of Hart, Caleb Green John Deodory Wm Rotch Jr are appointed to consider of a suitable time to hold New Bedford no meeting also respecting the time of Division between this & that meeting and report to next no meeting

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Joseph Etes not having read Pireh Smiths paper he is continued to that service & to report next me meeting

With the friends in Nicholas Smiths, not having had an opportunity with him they are continued in their appointment of to report next me meeting

Wm Anthony Inform he has read the testimony of John Russell Denial according to Direction

At our Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
11^{mo} the 19th A.D. 1792

The Representatives by the accounts presented from the preparative meetings are from the South Two Hicks and George Smith North John Tucker & Snow Harvard just all present

one of the friends appointed to attend the marriage of Asa Smith and Miriah Russell report that he attended it and that it was conducted in an orderly manner the certificate delivered to the Clerk for Recording the other friend gave a satisfactory reason for his not attending

Joseph Etes reports that Pireh Smiths paper of acknowledgment has been read & Directed & is followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth

Whereas I have so far Disregarded the good Rules of friends as to attend a Horse race some time ago, and being now sensible of the evil thereof I am sorry for so doing and do hereby condemn the same Desiring friends would pass by my offence and consider me under their care and before to be more Carefull in future

Dartmouth 17th 9^{mo} 1792

Nathaniel Smith

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The friends appointed to consider of a time for holding the monthly meeting of New Bedford and its bounds report as followeth

We the Committee of Dartmouth & New Bedford red meetings appointed to consider the convenience and time of holding New Bedford monthly meeting have met and attended to the subject and propose the following be the boundary line of said meeting (viz) beginning at the South East corner of the land formerly belonging to Jonathan Tucker on the West side of Clarkes orchard running thence in a straight line till it goes to the Southward of John Howland farm house including said house within the bounds hence in a straight line to the northward till it comes to the of Edmund Starke house including said house to the Eastward thence Northward to Gethnow Alens sawmill and from thence North to the town line of Fairhaven - And that time of holding said monthly meeting at New Bedford be the third Day after the 3^d Second day in each month at the close of a meeting for worship to begin at the 11th hour.

Dartmouth 11^{mo} 1792

Signed on behalf of the Committee by

Wm Rotch Jr
Rhoda Tucker

which is accepted and the Quarterly meetings Committee being present express their approbation & unity with the Report

The friends appointed in the case of Nicholas Smith report that they have visited him sundry times & discharged their duty toward him yet he doth not appear fully willing to condemn the whole of his Transig- sions and continues retailing spirituous Liquors where upon this meeting is constrained to deny unity with him and can no longer acknowledge him as member and John Howland & John Devol are appointed to inform him & prepare a testimony of his denial & report next me meeting

Gideon Howland report that Wm Smith has been informed of his Baral as trustee

The Queries were read with the Answer from the preparative meetings and Answer form^d from them for this meeting an account was made to the Quarterly meeting which with the Answer to the Queries was forwarded thereto by our Representatives Jonathan Hart Caleb Green & George Smith who are to report next no meeting.

Wm Gifford Inform^d he has received and paid to our treasurer $\frac{1}{16}$ balance Collected after paying this meeting proportion of the yearly meeting & Quarterly Stock

At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
12^{mo} the 17th of 12^{mo} 1792

1792 The Representatives named in the Accounts presented from the Preparative meetings are from the South Jonathan Willbur & Timothy Gifford North John Howland and Elihu Moyer all present

The friends appointed in the case of Nicholas Smiths Denial report they have Inform^d him thereof & presented a testimony of his Denial which being read & approved was signed by the Clerk and Wm Gifford is appointed to read it in the publick usual manner at Newtown & report next no meeting Said testimony is as followeth

Nicholas Smith of Dartmouth having had a birthright of membership among us but for want of more closely adhering to the dictates of truth in his own heart has departed from our well known & fixed principals in attending a place of military Exercise also a manage out of our order & a horseman as a spectator etc which we have labored to convince him of the inconsistency of but he not being sufficiently sensible of his transgressions to be able to condemn them to our satisfaction and he being also in the practice of dealing in spirituous liquors contrary to our Discipline which he inclines to continue in & we have bestowed much labour to reclaim him from that practice also but without the desired effect Therefore for the support of our Religious testimony and the clearing of truth we are under a necessity to deny Unity with him the P. Nicholas Smith and can no longer own him as a member amongst us but it is still our desire that he may yet be convinced of his bad going & return to the way of truth

Given forth at our no meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 17th the 12^{mo} 1792 and signed on behalf of the meeting by

Caleb Green Clerk

This meeting Concur with the women^m meeting in denying unity with Amy Slocum daughter of Peleg Slocum 2d

242 A Request was received through the South preparative meeting from friends in Allen neck for liberty to hold a meeting for Worship in that Neighbourhood under the care of a Committee from this meeting after said Consideration they are allowed to hold meetings for Worship on first & fifth days Except the fifth days of those weeks in which the monthly & preparative meetings may be held until our no meeting in the forth mo unless found necessary to be discontinued by our Committee at the following places (viz) one month at Elijah Gifford's one month at Susanah Allen one month at Peleg Slocum's and the remaining time at Timothy Gifford under the care of the following friends Timothy Gifford Joseph Tuckers Thos Hicks Peleg Slocum & Lukan Wood they to report when their service shall be accomplished

Deborah Howland having requested through the South preparative meeting that her son Peleg Slocum Howland should be received as a member of our Society which having been under Consideration of a Committee from the preparative meeting & who were well satisfied therein he is therefore received accordingly

Lukan Wood Inform^d he has received on this meetings acc^d of the Committee appointed to receive Subscriptions 2-7-1²

The Representatives inform they all attended the Quarterly meeting from which meeting the following Extracts was presented

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George Brownell Amy and Elisabeth Tucker appear'd in this meeting and Declard their intentions of taking each other in marriage having produc'd Confess of parents and Son'r Tucker and Zephaniah Eddy are appointed to inspect said Amy's Clearness respecting marriage & conversation and report next mo meeting

As the Monthly meeting of New Bedford is to begin or commence tomorrow we appoint Wm Gifford Wm Anthony Joshua Potter Joseph Tucker Thos. Mott & Joseph Estes to attend the establishment of that meeting and whenever that meeting may appoint a Committee to join them to consult together and agree upon the settlement of all accounts that may respect the last meeting the Division of outward property & also respecting the poor of Society belonging to this meeting and report to this meeting when accomplished

We Concur with the women's meeting in accepting the acknowledgement of Selanah Tripp for marrying out of the order of friends

1 mo At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
the 25th the 1^{mo} 1798
The Representatives are Timothy Gifford and Philip Trafford both present

Joseph Estes is appointed Clerk for the year insuring or till another appointment & Wm Gifford to assist him

Wm Gifford reports that the Testimony of Nichol Smith's Denial was read as directed and it is so done
(said Denial recorded page 241)

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The friends to inspect George B. Amy Clearness respecting marriage & conversation report they have attended thereto and find nothing to hinder them from proceeding

George B. Amy and Elisabeth Tucker appear'd in this meeting and Declard their continuation of intention of marriage & nothing appearing to hinder them from proceeding to take each other in marriage they advising with those that are appointed to see the marriage orderly solemnized who are Joseph Tucker & Zephaniah Eddy they to report next mo meeting

The Committee appointed to join with a Committee from New Bedford mo meeting to make an equitable settlement between the two meetings reported which is refer'd to next mo meeting for consideration

The Committee in the case of Benj: Howland's report they have had several solid opportunities with him to some satisfaction and with the women's concurrence do receive his acknowledgment for satisfaction & Joseph Estes is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner & report next mo meeting

A Request through the preparative meeting from friends at New Town to hold a preparative meeting there was ready consider'd we therefore appoint Joseph Tucker Joseph Barker Thos. Hicks Wm Anthony & Wm Smith Benj: Allen Jonathan Willbur & Timothy Gifford to visit that meeting set with them and Endeavour to find their strength & the constancy of their holding a preparative meeting and report their sense & judgment next mo meeting also to consider and agree upon a day of division and time of holding said meeting if they think best

Our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the
2nd 18th 2nd mo 1793
The Representatives from the preparative are Caleb Barker and
Timothy Howland both present

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of George C Almy
& Elisabeth Tucker report they attended thereto and did not
discover but that said marriage was orderly conducted

The Report of the Committee respecting the Settlement between
the two me meetings coming again under Consideration and
after being Considered we concluded again to defer the matter
to next me meeting

Joseph Eastes reports that Benj^t Howlands paper has not
been read he is continued to read it & report next me meeting

An Extract from the minutes of the meeting for suffering
was read respecting the publication of a Treatise wrote by
our friend Job Scott intitled the Baptism of Christ or
Gospel ordinances &c Requesting our Subscriptions
in freedom, We therefore appoint Luthon Wood and
Wm Gifford to receive such subscriptions as may be handed
to them who are to report next me meeting

The Committee appointed to attend the meeting of friends
at Newtown respecting holding a preparative meeting
there report as followeth

According to appointment of last me meeting several of us have attended
the meeting at Newtowm and had a Conference with the friend there on the
subject of their holding Request to have a preparative meeting had there
and they continuing of the same mind & we having taken the matter
into serious Consideration and the Circumstances attending it are of opinion
it may be best to grant their request for them to hold a preparative of
men & women friends and that it be held on their usual meeting
day on 15th day of next after our preparation & that it be denominated
the North preparative meeting & of course that ours be called the South
and that the boundaries between them be as usually heretofore and extend
eastward so far only as to meet the line of Bedford me meeting all which we
is submitted to me meeting

Thomas Hicks
the 18th the 2nd mo 1793 signed in behalf of Comr^y Martha Smith

Luthon Wood Reports that he has Received 2-10 of one of
former Committee

Elisabeth Russell Requests the assistance of friends in
order to recover her right of Dowry whereupon we appoint
Wm Wood Samuel Smith Wm Gifford to afford her such
assistance as may be necessary & report the Circumstances
thereof at next monthly meeting

it appearing Necessary that an audit of Accounts be
appointed Wherefore Thos Russell Jonathan Willbur
and George Smith are appointed accordingly for the
year ensuing or till others be appointed they to settle
with the Treasurer and report next me meeting

A new appointment of Overseers being Necessary but
the meeting being small it is Defered to next monthly
meeting

At a Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
the 18th 3rd mo 1793
The Representatives from the preparative meetings are
from the South Deiphisiah Ladd & Luthon Wood from the
North Thos. Mott & Eliza Stogher all present

The matter respecting the Division between this and Bedford no meeting coming again before this meeting it is concluded that this meeting accept the report it is accepted accordingly and is as followeth

We the Committee of Dartmouth & New Bedford no meetings appointed for the purpose of settling & adjusting all accounts against & between P. meetings & dividing the said meetings poor - Agree that Bedford no meeting take and maintain Mary Wing as their proportion of that meetings poor & to have such Clothing and household furniture as she may have & that, that one meeting pay all moneys for building the meeting house at Bedford - and also agree that all the remaining poor be maintained by Dartmouth no meeting and that P. meeting pay all moneys for building the meeting house in Apone gaol & also pay all the meetings debts and to be entitled to all debts due to P. meeting together with all the money in the treasury and all the books belonging to P. meeting Except eight Barklays Testimony and one set of Pitty promoted which are to belong & be the property of New Bedford no meeting likewise likewise what money may be in Sarah Woods hand heretofore appropriated for building the meeting house at Bedford

Seth Russell

Wm Anthony

Joseph Turner

John Howland

Tho' Mott

Joshua Potter

Joseph Eates

Abraham Smith

Wm Gifford

Tho' Hazzard Jr

Dartmouth smo 19-1793

Our Esteemed friend Elisha Thornton attended this meeting and presented a copy of a minute from Smithfield monthly meeting dated 25th of April 1793 Expressing their Unity with him in his religious visit to friends in Sandusky Quarter whose company & service has been to our comfort and edification

Our Esteemed friend Benideck Arnold attended this meet with a copy of a minute from Uxbridge no meeting dated 1st day of 2nd mo 1793 Expressing their Unity with him in his accompanying our friend Elisha Thornton in his religious visit whose company & service has been truly acceptable to us

Joseph Eates reports the Acknowledgment of Benj^z Howland^{3rd}²³⁸ has been read as directed & is as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth

Beloved friends these are to Inform that some time past I do report from the profession I bear acts to fall into a bodily strife with Ebenezer Jucket & Thomas Brownell which Reproachfull conduct I do hereby condemn and am sorry for and desire to take the scandal thereof to my self & would hereby clear friends & the truth from the same Desiring through Divine assistance to be more worthfull in future from your friend
this 6th day of November 1792

Benj^z Howland 3rd

The friends appointed to collect Subscriptions for Job Scott's treatises upon Baptism &c report they have 27 and they are continued for further Subscriptions & to report next no meeting

The Committee appointed to assist Elisabeth Russell report they are not ready to make a conclusive report they are continued in that service & to report next no meeting

Our audit report they have not settled with the treasurer by reason the former minutes being at Bedford the are continued to settle with him & report next no meeting

In appointing Overseers coming under Consideration whereupon John Devol Thos Mott Timothy Gifford Wm Anthony Jon^a Hart Jonathan Willbur & Latten Wood are appointed for the year ensuing or until another appointment

The Inquiries were read and answers from the preparation from which general answers were compiled to be forward to the Quarterly meeting with an account from this meeting by our Representatives who are Wm Gifford Zephaniah Eddy & Stephen Buffinton they to report next no meeting

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The South Preparative meeting Inform that Benj: Howland Jr: Requests a removal Certificate for himself and family to the no meeting of Saratoga whereupon we appoint Stephen Gifford & Thos: Hicks to make the necessary inquiry and if nothing appears to hinder to prepare one and present to next no meeting

Noah Lapham and Rachel Ryppell appear in this meeting and declare their Intentions of taking each other in marriage having Consent of parents whereupon we appoint Jonathan Willbur and Luthon Wood to make the necessary inquiry into Noah Lapham respecting marriage and Conception & report next no meeting

we have information through the South preparative meeting that Joseph Shephard son of John has gone to live with a friend within the compass of Helford no meeting and requests a certificate Benj: Allen and Caleb Barker are appointed to prepare one & forward to to next no meeting

we are likewise informd that W^m Allen requests a removal Certificate to the no meeting of Saratoga Peter Stowm and Timothy are appointed to make the necessary inquiry & if clear to present one to next no meeting

a complaint thro the North preparative meeting in writing against Benj: Rider Jr: Expressing his being guilty of associating himself in unprofitable Company & gaming at Cards & using profane language which he has been laborious with by the Lawyer & not restraining therefrom therefore Joshua Potter Peter Stowm & Thos: Mott are appointed to treat further and Endeavour to convince him of his errors and report next no meeting

4mo At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
the 15th of April 1793

The Representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South Samuel Smith & Joseph Baker from the North W^m Wood and W^m Tripp all present

The Clerk being Absent by reason of sickness Am^t Anthony is appointed Clerk for the day

The Committee to collect Subscriptions for
receiving more since last month which makes 36 in all and
this meeting conclude to take 9 more which makes 45
and the Clerk is to forward an account to the meeting for
Suffrings as soon as may be

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the Committee in the case of Elisabeth Russell report they have attended thereto & think more care is needed therefore they are continued in that case and to report to a later meeting when they have accomplished their service

The audit of accounts report they have not settled with the treasurer therefore they are continued in that matter and to report next no meeting

The Represnt to the Quarterly meeting report they all attended

the Committee in the case of Benj: Howland Jr: Certificate report they have attended to that matter but are not ready to make a Conclusive report they are continued in that matter and to report next no meeting

a certificate from the women's meeting on behalf of Patience Shephard to the no meeting of Helford was signed by the Clerk likewise a certificate for Mary Howland wife of Benj: Howland Jr: and their children namely Silvia Humphry Martha Mary & Harmony to the no meeting at Saratoga was signed by the Clerk as they have gone thither to live

The friends to inquire into Noah Lapham's (earlier) respecting marriage report they find nothing to hinder their proceeding Noah Lapham & Rachel Ryppell appear in this meeting and Signified the continuation of their Intention of marriage with each other and Desir'd our Answer which was they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next no meeting advising with the friends appointed to see their marriage orderly solemnised who are Jonathan Willbur and Luthon Wood to see the marriage orderly solemnized and report next no meeting

Two of the Committee in the Case of Benj: Rider Jr: Inform that they had several opportunities with him but was not ready to make a Conclusive report they are therefore continued to labour further with him & report next no meeting

This meeting was informed that Job Chase son of Benj: was
one to live at Nantucket or make som stay therefore we appoint
Joseph Tucker & Zephaniah Eddy to take the necessary care & of the fine
young man to brought a certificate and present to next meeting

a Certificate in behalf of Joseph Sheephord Son of John to the noo
meeting of Plymouth signifying he was gone there to live with a
friend as an apprentice

5^{mo} At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth 20th June 1793
the Representatives named from the Preparative meetings are
from the South Lathan Woods Benjamin Allen North Anna Diller
and Joseph Gifford all present

The Committee appointed to collect Subscriptions for Job's
Sicknes on Dartmouth Report they have collected thirty six and
this meeting conclud to take nine more which makes 45 which
are directed to be forwarded to the meeting for offering together with
the money, by Joseph Tucker he to make report next no meeting

The Audit of accounts report they have settled with our recognizance
as followeth (is)

We the Committee to settle and balance accounts have settled
with the treasurer and after paying all orders that is allowed by
the audit, there remains a balance in the treasury of £1-6-3½
Dartmouth 15th the 5^{mo} 1793

Jonathan Walker
George Smith
Thos. Rysele

The Committee in the case of Benja Howland do report they have
had no opportunity with him by reason of his being gone away
they are therefore continued to make report when they have
accomplished the matter as called upon by this meeting

The friends appointed to have the care of Noah Laphams and
Rachel Pufell marriage reported that it was orderly conducted
and their Certificate forwarded to the Clerk for recording

Two of the Committee in the case of Benj: Rider Junior
Report they have had an opportunity with him but received no
satisfaction but as one of the Committee was absent & it appearing
that several friends were willing to have an opportunity with
him it is therefore deford to next no meeting when they to report

A complaint was received through the South preparative meeting 25th
against Jonathan Howland for his much neglected the attendance of Religious
meetings also for partaking too freely of spirituous liquors and the overseers
had located with him on those occasions but found no real satisfaction
we therefore appoint Peleg Storrm George Smith & Philip Tafford to take a
solid opportunity with him & Endeavour to convince him of the evil of such
conduct and report at next monthly meeting

A certificate in behalf of Job Chase directed to Nantucket no meeting
was signed by the Clerk

The friends appointed in the case of William Briggs report they hav had
an opportunity with him but found but little encouragement to wait longer
yet considering him very weak therefore continue it to a fater no meeting
under the same friends care with Stephen Gifford added to them

George Smith and Joseph Foster are appointed to have the care of John
Howlands case and make report at next no meeting

The North preparative meeting informs that their meeting house need
repairing and therefore appoint Thos. Rysele Wm Anthony Samuel Smith
John Dool Jonathan Hart & William Gifford to examine said house and
report next no meeting what they think necessary to be done to said house

6^{mo} At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth 17th June 1793
the Representatives named from the preparative meetings are from the
South Peleg Storrm & Timothy Gifford Howland, North Jonathan Howland
and John Tucker all present except Peleg Storrm

A Complaint was presented through the South Preparative meeting against
Ezra Allen for marrying but from among friends & Neglecting to
attend our religious meetings & the overseers inform they have treated
with him therefor but recd not much satisfaction. We therefore appoint
Benj: Allen & J: Tucker to take a solid opportunity with him and Endeavor
to convince him of his error and report next no meeting

A complaint against John Ladd for partaking too freely of spirituous liquor
the Overseers having treated with him but did not discover a disposition to
abandon it we therefore appoint Joseph Gifford and Timothy Howland to take
an opportunity with him in order to discover or convince him of the evil
of such conduct and make report next no meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 24th instant after a meeting for Worship
24th day mett by adjournment the representatives being called all
present
Joseph Tucker reports that the books subscribed for were not ready he is
he is continued to have the care thereof and report when ready

The Committee in the case of Benjamin Rider do report that they have all had an opportunity with him and Rec'd no Satisfaction therefore agreeing with him clear of any further Labour with him to disown him from being any longer a member of our Society and Jonathan Hart & John Fisher are appointed to Inform him thereof. Prepare a testimony of his Denial and bring to next no meeting.

Two of the Committee in the case of Jonathan Howland report they have taken an opportunity with him but did not find in him any Disposition to make Satisfaction but as one of the committee did not attend they are continued and William Gifford is added with them and they to report next no meeting.

The friends in the case of John Howland report that he was gone so far they are continued to the care thereof and report when ready or called upon by this meeting.

The Committee appointed to examine the meetinghouse at Newington report nothing has been done they are continued in their appointment and to report at next no meeting.

It appearing necessary that money be raised for the use of Society we therefore appoint William Gifford Jonathan Willow Jonathan Hart Caleb Parker John Dwoe John Tucker Gideon Howland & William Anthony to consider what way may be best for this meeting to adopt for that purpose and report the mode they shall think advisable at next no meeting.

The Queries and Answers were read and after some necessary remarks were made said Answers are forwarded together with an account from this meeting to the Quarterly by our Representatives who are George Smith William Anthony and Benjamin Chase they to report next no meeting.

Our esteemed friend Elias Hiss attended this meeting with his Certificate from the no meeting of Jersey on Long Island dated 13rd of June 1793 with a Concurring Certificate from the Quarterly meeting at New York 25th of June. These Company and Labours of love hath been to our Edification and comfort also our beloved friend James Mott attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from the Penrhay no meeting in the State of New York held 3rd of June 1793.

Also our beloved friend Stephen Mendinghall attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from Concord no meeting dated 5th of June 1793 expressing their unity with their religious visit to these parts who Company is truly Augustable to us.

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth 15th of July 1793
1790 The Representatives from the preparative meetings are from the south Jonathan Willbury & Luther Hood North Thos. Mott & Isaac Potter all present

The friends in the case of Ebenezer Allen do report they had a solid Conference with him and before said matter refered in order to discover his sincerity it is therfore continued under their care they to report next no meeting.

The Committee in the Case of John Eddy Report they had an opportunity with him to some degree of Satisfaction and produced a paper from him condemning his partaking of Spirituous Liquor to which Desiring friends to go up by his offence but not being to full Satisfaction the matter is continued under the care of Joseph Gifford & Thos. Hiss for a further proof of his sincerity they to report next no meeting.

The friends in the Case of Benj: Rider do report they have informed him of his Denial and produced a testimony of his Denial which was signed by the Clerk and Mr. Gifford is appointed to read it in Usual Publick manner & report next no meeting. Said Testimony is as followeth

Whereas Benj: Rider do hath had a birthright in our Society but hath so far departed from the truth as to be in the practice of gambling at cards also uses profane language at times and finds having labours with him from time to time to enrage him of the evil of such conduct but our labour hath not had the desired effect therefore we give this forth as a testimony against such conduct and do hereby disown him from being a member of our Society until he shall by true Repentance and amendment of life make Satisfaction to this meeting which is our desire Given forth by our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 1st mo 1793 — Joseph Eastes Clerk

The friends appointed to treat with Jonathan Howland report they have had an opportunity with him but found no satisfaction but one of the committee informed that he defin'd the matter continued a little longer therefore its continued to next no meeting under the same friends care then they to report.

The Committee to examine the meetinghouse at Newington report they allow the staves and proposed to Shingle the house & glaze the windows &c the cost thereof they computed to be £15 0 therefore we appoint

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Joh Devel William Gifford Joshua Potter & Gideon Howland
to undertake the repairing of said house accordingly and take in
Subscriptions for the same and make report to this meeting when
accomplished

The Committee appointed to consider of some proper mode for
raising money by this meeting made report as follows &
according to appointment we have met and considered of
the matter respecting raising money for the benefit
of this meeting and think it would be beneficial for
a Committee to be appointed to make out each of our
propositions in their Judgment to a sum necessary to be
raised. Signed in behalf of Commit: Wm Gifford
11th yore 1793

Which is accepted - And Jonathan Wilbur Lathan Wood
Samuel Smith Benjamin Allen John Barker Caleb Barker
William Gifford John Potter & Thos. Nott are appointed
to make out an Estimate to every friend of his proportion
of money to be raised as near as they can in their Judg-
ment & to call upon each member to subscribe his name
to the sum proportioned by said Committee if the sum be
agreeable if not they are at liberty to refuse or raise the
same to their freedom

The Representatives report that two of them attended
the Quarterly meeting & George Smith recd an Excuse for
non attendance which is accepted by this meeting

Tho' Hooke Samuel Smith Gideon Howland who were appointed
in the 5th last to communicate a matter with a paper sign'd
by the Clerk to the Yearly meeting in behalf of this meeting
respecting the place of holding our Quarterly meeting in 1793
being called upon last no. how make report that they all
attended and presented said paper to the Committee which was
favorably accepted
the business being gone through we adjourn & conclude to meet
at the usual time next month

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
the 19th the 8th 1793

1793 The Representatives from the preparative meetings are
from the South Josiah Wood & Caleb Barker North John Hart and
Elijah Mather all present

256 The friends appointed to the care of Ebenezer Allen case reported that
they have had another opportunity with him & find the state of his mind
not much differing from the report last meeting, and after being considered
by this meeting we again defer care under the care of the same friends
with Benj: Smith added to them & they to report next no meeting

Tho' Hooke reports that he & Joseph Gifford had a bold opportunity with
John Eddy and endeavored to impress such labor as the case required and think
it best to defer the matter therefore it is (continued) Joseph further is added to
them they to report next no meeting

This meeting is directed in the Extracts from the 2^d meeting minutes to
have the alteration in the 3^d Query as contained in the Extracts from
the yearly meeting minutes entered in our book of Discipline we
therefore appoint Wm Gifford & Joseph Estes to see that it be done according
ly and report next no meeting

This meeting is also directed to forward £6 - 8 - 2 our proportion
of the yearly meeting stock to the treasurer which is accepted

Received Transcripts of Epistles from the yearly meeting of London
Philadelphia Longfellow and Rhode Island which were read to satisfaction.

In our last yearly meeting Epistle the following clause is
contained

Notwithstanding dear friends in our Epistle of 1791 we
earnestly recommended a due attention to that class of friends
who in the course of providence are not blessed with the outward
comforts of life. A renewed concern hath possessed the minds of
friends that an additional care may be extended in such meet-
ings where there has not been a full compliance with the Recom-
mendation respecting them, and particularly that they be all
supplied with the Holy Scriptures & such other books as may
be adapted to their peculiar circumstances. And as there were
ways pointed out for supplying the indigent with books
adapted to their promotion of piety & virtue among them (viz)
where no meetings might not be able to supply their want
without the expence of their being too sensibly felt by such
meetings applying to the meeting for sufficiency for their aid
& assistance to be supplied out of the meeting stock. Such
meeting as remains indigent to a report in this report will
be left without excuse & in order that this meeting may be clear
hereon we again advise to the appointing of Committees for this pur-
pose and request an account to the next yearly meeting of their
progress therein signed by direction & in behalf of Wm. Gifford
Wm. Roth Clark to witness

We therefore appoint William Anthony Lathan Wood John Tucker & Gideon Gifford to make the necessary inspection among the members of this meeting according to the contents of the foregoing laws and report to this meeting who accomplished

The friends appointed to have the care of the meeting in Allens neck Report as followeth in writing which was accepted
To the monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth
9th of Sept 1793

We your Committee appointed to have the care of the meeting held in Allens neck the preceding Winter report we have improved our appointment and as far as we have discovered said meetings were conducted in a good degree orderly to our satisfaction Peleg Sturz in behalf
Hannah Wood 1st Committee
Sarah has attended

Wm Gifford reports that the Testimony of Denial of Benj Rader Jr was read & Dismissed

The Committee in the case of Jonathan Howland report that have had another opportunity with him & found him a little different minded from what appear'd the month before therefore it is again continued to next mo meeting under the care of the same friend then they to report

The friends appointed to raise money report they have attended thekts but not gone throu they are continued to that service & to report next mo meeting

Sameel Smith Joseph Easte George Smith 2nd are appointed to settle with Gideon Howland Reporting the Estate of Mary Wing left in his hands and report next mo meeting the business being accomplish'd we conclude and adjourn to the usual time next mo

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
9th to the 10th of Sept 1793 The Representatives from the Preparative meetings are from the South Joseph Tucker & Gideon Howland North John Tucker & Nathaniel Ryall all present

The Queries and Answers were read & after some amendment
Said Answers are Directed to be forwarded by our Representative
the Quarterly Meeting Who are Jonathan Hart Lathan Wood
Joseph Tucker & Benjⁿ Smith they to report next mo meeting

The friend appointed in the case of Ebenezer Allen^r Report they have had another opportunity with him find him weak & desirous it refer it is refer accordingly under their care they to report next mo meeting

The Committee in the Case of John Eddy report they have a suitable opportunity with him to some satisfaction but he not being fully willing to reform in his diet it is refer to next mo meeting under their care there to report

The Committee to make the alteration in the 3^d Query Report its not fully accomplished they are continued to compleat it & report next mo meeting

The Committee in the Case of Jonathan Howland report they have had no opportunity with him they are continued in that case & to report next mo meeting

This meeting feeling a concern that an additional care was necessary in respect to labouring with the disorderly members amongst us, in order that the deviations may be removed, especially in attending our Religious meetings and on account of claims & after solid consideration we conclude to appoint a Committee to assist the overseers in this weighty Concern to do their endeavours as truth may direct to the removing of those defects from amongst us, but this meeting having so long it is Deferred to next mo meeting

The friends appointed to settle with Gideon Howland report as followeth which is accepted
Agreeable to appointment of yester meeting We have Inquired into the Settlement of Mary Wings Estate and find that Gideon Howland who Administrated on the same hath sold in the probate & find it in his hand on her Estate as allowed by the Judge of Probate of 2^d of Sept 1793 which we approve as final Settlement Samuel Smith Joseph Easte George Smith Dartmouth 12th 1793

our esteemed Friend Austin Hall with a Certificate from the meeting of Saratoga dated 18th 1793 of the 4th m^o 1793 also a Convincing one from the Quarterly meeting held at Nine Partners 15th 5^{mo} also Zebulon Howie with a Certificate from Saratoga meeting meeting dated 18th 17 days 7^{mo} 1793 attended this meeting whose Company and Service hath been very acceptable to us

This meeting is informed through the North preparative meeting that Abner Sheephed hath removed within the compass New Bedford no meeting of Deputies a Certificate to that meeting we therefore appoint John Ellsworth & Wm Gifford to take the necessary Care & if they find no obstruction to prepare one and bring to next no meeting

The Committee appointed to raise money Continued from last no report they had not fully accomplished it they are continued to Endeavor to accomplish it before & to report next no meeting it appearing necessary that some hay be provided for the use Quarterly meeting therefore we appoint Caleb Barker George Sandford & George Smith 2^d to take the necessary Care in that matter & Report next no meeting the business being accomplish'd we conclude & adjoint to the usual time next no.

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
10^{mo}
25th 10^{mo} 1793

The Representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South Josiah Wood & Philip Trafford North Thos. Mott and William Tripp being called all present

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they all attended Except Benj^a Smith whose Excuse was accepted by this meeting

The friends appointed in the case of Ebenezer Allen reported they have had a nearer opportunity with him therfore its referred next no meeting under their Care than they to report

The friends appointed in the case of John Eddy not being ready to report despite it continued therfore its Before to next no meeting they then to report

The Committee in the case of John Howland have been long delayed on account of his Absence now report they find nothing to hinder his acknowledgement being accepted and his being present it is accepted by this meeting and Joseph Tucke is appointed to see that it be read in the usual publick manner & report next no meeting

The friends appointed to make the alteration in the 3^d Dumb report it not compleated they are continued to accomplish it & report next no meeting

The friend in the Case of Jonathan Howland report they desire that that Continued its accordingly continued under their care they to report next no meeting

The appointing a Committee to assist the overseers defer from last month how coming again under consideration and after Considering the propriety or Unfulness of such a Committee do Conclude to appoint an additional number of Overseers to join in labour with the former to do their Endeavour to remove the Disorders from among us and Joseph Tucke & John Tucke & Wm Gifford are appointed accordingly till the year of the former appointment be Expired

A Removal Certificate on behalf of Abner Sheephed & wife & two Sons namely Wm David to the 1st meeting of New Bedford was signed by the Clerk

The Committee to rais money for this meeting report they have not fully accompls^{hd} this matter they are continued & to report next no meeting and George Smith & Gideon Anthony are added

George Smith & Caleb Barker report they provided hay for the use of the Quarterly meeting according its appointment

The South Preparative meeting inform that Weston Howland hath married out of the order of Friends & has married a member of our Society we therefore with the concurrence of the women do disown the said Weston Howland according to discipline until he make Satisfaction to this meeting and George Smith is appointed to Inform him thereof & report next no meeting

We are informed that David Sherman hath much departed from that simple plainness we profess both in language & habit particularly in tying his hair with a ribbon we therefore appoint Joseph Tucke & Thos Hicks to take an opportunity with him in order to convince him of his out goings & report when they have had an opportunity with him

David Sherman

Also John Howland and Gilbert Howland are complained of for being out of plained both in habit & language and the said John hath attended a marriage out of the order of friends whereupon this meeting appoints Stephen Gifford and Joseph Eastes to take an opportunity with them and Endeavour to reclaim them therefrom and report when ready or called upon by this meeting.

Noah Lapham having removed within the vige of Saratoga no meeting and Requested (by a friend) a removal Certificate to that meeting of William Anthony & Joseph Eastes are appoint to take the necessary care & if no obstruction bring one to next no meeting the business being accomplished we conclude & Adjourn to the usual time next no.

11^{mo}
1793 At a Monthly Meeting of friends in Dartmouth ^{the 7th of Nov 1793} the Representatives from the preparative are from the South Lathan Wood & Wm Anthony North John Devol & Thos. Hock all present

The friends in the case of Ebenezer Allen report they have had no opportunity with him & therefore continued to next no meeting under their care then they to report

The friend appointed in the case of John Eddy report they had a solid opportunity with him but deficit continued it is therefore continued to next no meeting under their care they then to report

Joseph Eastes reports that John Howlands paper has not been read by reason of his not attending meetings he is therefore continued in said service & report next no meeting

The friends appointed to make the alteration in the 3^d Query report that its accomplished

The matter respecting Jonathan Howland is again continued under the same friends care they to report next no meeting

The committee to raise money report they have raised and paid to treasurer £ 8-8-0 and they are continued in the service & to report next no meeting

George Smith reports he has Informⁿ upon Howland of his Denial as according to appointment

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate for Noah Lapham wife not being ready they are continued & to report next no meeting

The Queries with the Answers were read and after being considered together with an account from this meeting are forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Thos Mott Lathan Wood & Jos. Tucker they to report next no meeting

The treasurer is Directed to Deliver £ 4-2 our proportion of the yearly meeting stock to the Representatives to quarterly meeting they to forward the same to the treasurer & reported no meeting

A Request from friends in Allens Neck to hold meetings on first and fifth days of each week except the week in which our monthly preparations are held at the following times one month at Meg Scorn, two months at Elijah Gifford and the remainder of the time at Timothy Gifford until the meeting in the 4th month next which Request is granted by this meeting and the meeting to begin next week under the care of the following friends Timothy Gifford Philip Trafford Lathan Wood Joseph Eastes & Benj: Allen who are to Endeavour that the meetings are kept up in an orderly manner, and they to report when the time is expired

It being the mind of this meeting that a Committee be appointed to communicate our minds to the yearly meeting Committee in respect to the matter sent forward to their Committee last yearly meeting relating to the Quarterly held at Providence in the 10th being removed to New Bedford therefore Lathan Wood Timothy Gifford John Devol Thos. Hicks Hudson Howland Joseph Eastes are appointed according to report next no meeting

12^{mo}
1793 At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth ^{the 7th of Nov 1793} the Representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South Joseph Tucker & Celia Barker North John Tucker & Eliza Mather being called to present

The friends appointed to treat with Ebenezer Allen report they Endeavour for an opportunity to treat with him but he doth not comply therewith and its their mind that its not expedient to continue him and longer a member of this meeting therefore he is denied membership from this meeting Benj: Allen is to inform him that his deposit will be returned

The Committee to treat with John Eddy report they have attended thereto but are not ready to make a full detailed report & desire it. Continued it is therefore Defered under their care to next no meeting they then to report and Gideon Howland & John Gifford appointed to unite with them therin

Joseph Eades reports that John Howland's paper of acknowledgement has not been read by reason of his not attending meetings & the matter having been continued and he not appearing concern'd in his said acknowledgement this meeting think best to appoint to appoint a Committee to visit him and let him know the exercise of this meeting on his account with respect to his nonattendance of meeting whereupon Joseph Tucker & Ebenezer Moulton are appointed accordingly & to report next no meeting

The Committee appointed to treat with Jonathan Howland report they have attended thereto and Labour'd in the ability afforded & find so much satisfaction as to desire it. Continued it is therefore Defer'd to next no meeting under their care then they to report

The Committee to raise money report they have collected some more and they are continuing to proceed therein & report next no meeting paying what they have collected to our treasurer

The friends appointed Report they find nothing to hinder Noah Lupton and wife having a Removal Certificate to Saratoga no meeting and presented one which being read & approved was sign'd by the Clerk

This meeting being inform'd that Leamuel Barker hath married a member of our Society out of the unity of friend we therefore Deem unity with him and consider him no longer a member of this meeting and Joshua Potter is appointed to inform him thereof & report upon me

The Representative report they all attended the Quarterly meeting and paid the money as directed to the Quarterly meeting treasurer

The Committee to communicate on minds to the yearly meeting Committee report they were not called upon they are continuing & to report when their Service is accomplished

This meeting by request of the Select members is adjourn'd to 25 instant 2^d Day met by Adjournment the representatives Joseph Tucker & John Gifford present John Tucker & Ebenezer Moulton not present are to Defer'd to render their report next no meeting

This meeting is inform'd that our friend Stephen Buffinton has had it on his mind for some time to import friend & others as truth open the way as far as Lectors & Clerks & their agents he being a minister in Unity and we unite with him in his concern & the Clerk is directed to take him a copy of this minute

The foregoing being accomplish'd we agoint to meet again at the same time next no

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
the 20th y^r m^o 1794

1794 The Representatives from the Preparative meetings are from the South Gideon Howland & Lathan Wood North Adam Nott John Walker who being called are all present

Received an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting in London held 28th of 5th mo 1793 which was read in this meeting to our satisfaction & comfort

A Removal Certificate in behalf of Elizabeth Sonpon to the no meeting at Saratoga was sign'd in Constance of the women's meeting

Deleg Slorum informed that Ebenezer Allen was inform'd of his denial & Disown'd

Joshua Potter reports that he inform'd Leamuel Barker of his denial & Disown'd

William Gifford reports that Jonathan Howland had not been visited since last no meeting Desiring it. Continued it is therefore Defer'd to next no meeting they then to report

The Committee in the case of John Howland report they have had an opportunity with him & desire it. Continued & as he is gone to sea they are directed to report when they have accomplished their service

The Committee to raise money report they have collected & paid to our Treasurer £ 6. 2 and desire to be continued there are continuing & to report next no meeting

The Committee in the case of John Eddy report they had an opportunity with him but received no full satisfaction whereupon we agree to app'renchard to be clear of any further labors with him do Disown him from being a member of this meeting and Joseph Tucker and William Gifford are appointed to inform him thereof to prepare a Testimony of his Denial & bring next no meeting

John Tucker & Wm Gifford render their report for nonattendance at the Meeting which is accepted & Ebenezer Moulton is Defer'd to render report to next no meeting

Zophaniah Eddy Requested a Certificate for his son Job to the meeting as provided as he is gone to print the news we appoint Caleb Barker & John Tucker to make the necessary Inquiry & report one to next no meeting if they find things (so far

a Certificate in behalf of Asa Moulton cleomey of marriage from no meeting of Decr 1st 1793 was record'd with signature of parents)

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Asa Mother and Soothiah Mother appear for this meeting
and declare their intention of taking each other in marriage &
were desired to assist till next no meeting for their papers

The Clerk informed that the year being Expire of his term they
the representatives are requested to have it in charge & nominate
one at next no meeting

2^{mo} At our Monthly Meeting of Friends at Dartmouth 17th of Feb 1794
1794 the representatives from the preparative meeting are from
the South Timothy Gifford and Josiah Wood from North Gander
and Allen Russell being called all present

The year of the service of our Clerk being Expire therefore we
appoint Joseph Eastes again to that service for the year
Ensuing or till another appointment in his stead and
Wm Anthony Abbotate.

The friends appointed in the case of John Eddy report they informed
him as directed & produced a testimony of his denial which was
approved & signed by the Clerk who is directed to read it in the
usual publick manner at a convenient meeting & report not
no meeting said testimony as follows: Said Committee Convened 17th
Jan when opportunity presents

John Eddy having had a right of membership with friends,
but through Disobedience & Indulgence to the manifestation
of truth in his own mind hath so far Deviated from our way &
of to partake of Spirituous Liquors to that degree as to be reduced to
a helpless state of body and friends having Labour and treated
with him in order to bring him to a right sense of his misconduct
but our labour of love not having the Desired Effect therefore
we are Concerned for the clearing of truth and friends to bear our
testimony against such reproachfull conduct hereby Disown
ing him the said John Eddy from being a member of our Society
until he shall manifest a sincere repentance & be restored
to the truth which is our Desire. Given forth & Signed at our
monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 17th 2^{mo} 1794

The Committee in the Case of Jonathan Howland Joseph Eastes Clerk
report they have had another opportunity with him & Labour
in the ability afforded and think further Labour will be Useless
and this meeting being like minded with the Committee do with
the concurrence of the Women's meet Disown him from being
a member of this meeting and said Committee are appointed
to inform him thereof prepare a testimony of his denial and
bring to next no meeting

The friends appointed produced a Certificate for Job Eddy as
directed which was approved & signed by the Clerk

a Certificate in behalf of Samuel Howland from the no meeting
of next 18th of Jan 1794 setting forth his right of membership
& Requesting our care of him was read & Accepted

Asa Mother & Bethiah Mother appear for their papers and nothing
occurring to hinder they were allowed to preside at some convenient
time between this & next no meeting and Wm Gifford & Jonathan Hart is
appointed to see & marriage orderly solemnized & report not the next

A removes Certificate on behalf of Benja Howland 3rd to the monthly
no meeting of Saratoga was read approved & signed by the Clerk
The Committee to raise money report they had not got them & they are
continued to next no meeting
Elizias Mother render a reason for non attendance which is accepted
the business being accomplished we conclude & adjourn to the next
time next no meeting

At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 17th 3^{mo} 1794
the Representatives from the Preparative meetings are South
Joseph Tucke & Timothy Howland North Joshua Potter and
Jonathan Hart being called all present
Joseph Eastes reports he has not read the testimony of John
Eddy Denial therefore he is continued to accomplish it and
Report next no meeting

The friends appointed Report they informed Jonathan Howland
of his Denial as directed and produced a testimony thereof
which was read & approved & signed by the Clerk
and Wm Anthony is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner
& report next no meeting Said testimony is as follows

Jonathan Howland a member of our Society hath much Neglected
the due attendance of our Religious meetings and been guilty of
the Evil practice of partaking spirituous Liquors to Excess for all
which we have Labour with him to show him the Inconveniences
and Evil of such Unwarrantable practices but our Labour
of love not having the Desired Effect therefore we give this both
as a publick Testimony against such conduct hereby Disown
ing him the said Jonathan Howland from being any longer
a member of our Society and from under the care of this meeting
until he shall be favoured to see the Evil of his ways and
return to the way of truth which is our Sincere Desire
Given forth at our no meeting held in Dartmouth
17 - 3^{mo} 1794 & signed by Joseph Eastes Clerk

A Removal Certificate in behalf of Sarahah Tapp's wife
of Uley Tapp Directed to the monthly meeting at Saratoga also
a Certificate in behalf of Mary Potter to the same meeting
was signed by the Clerk in Conurance of women me.

The friends report that they attended the marriage of As.
and Bethia Moshier that it orderly conducted & their Cert. was
forwarded to the Clerk for recording

The Queries and Answers were read from each preparative
from which general Answers were compiled and approved
by this meeting and forwarded with an account to the An-
nuary meeting by our Representatives who are Gideon Howland
Wm Gifford Wm Anthony & Joseph Tucker they to report next
mo meeting

A paper signed by Jonathan Faulman from the South
Preparative meeting condemning his taking too freely of
Spiritous Liquors an Expressing his sorrow therefor and
we appoint Benj: Smith Gideon Howland & Latham Wm
to take a solid opportunity with him in order to convince
him of his evil conduct also to his sincerity in condemning
the same they to report next mo meeting

This meeting is informed that Benj: Chase proposes to
move with his family to live within Vige of East Hoopk
mo meeting Requesting our Certificate whereupon we
appoint Thos Hanks & Joseph Tucker to take the necessary
and if they find things clear to report one at next mo meeting

The Committee to raise money report they have not
fully accomplished it they are still continued & to report
next mo meeting

The business being accomplish'd we conclude and adjourn
to the usual time next mo

4mo At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 25-4-1794
The Representative from the Preparative meetings are
South Jonathan Wilcox & Benj: Allen North Thomas
Mott & Thos: Smith being called all present

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Joseph Parker & William Anthony reports that the Testimonies of
John Eddy and Jonathan Howland have been read as directed

The Representatives to attend the Quarterly meeting report they
all attended according to appointment

The friends appointed to treat with Jonathan Faulman report
they attended thereto and desire it continued it is accordingly
Desired they to report next mo meeting

A Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of Brookline
on behalf of Benj: Chase his wife and children Namely
Patience Anna Martha Mary Benj: Joseph & William was
read approved & with the Conurance of the women's meeting
was signed by the Clerk

This meeting being informed that Benj: Howlands certi-
cate granted him some time past being mislaid and he
Desiring another therefore there was one proposed in this
meeting and signed by the Clerk and forwarded to Saratoga
mo meeting on his behalf

The Committee appointed to raise money report they
have collected and paid to the treasurer £ 8. 11. they are
still continued & to report next mo meeting

A Removal Certificate for Sarah Russel to the mo meeting
at Saratoga in Conurance of the women was signed by Clerk

There was a complaint handed through the South preparative
meeting by the Overseers against James Howland (long gone)
that he hath been guilty of taking property from Wm
Howland in a treacherous manner as appear by his own
Confession therefore we appoint Benj: Smith Benj: Allen
and Jonathan Hart to take a solid opportunity with him
and report their sense of the Circumstances of the matter
to next mo meeting

A New Choice of Overseers of the poor coming under Consideration
of this meeting we appoint Joshua Potter Stephen Gifford
Thos: Smith Timothy Howland & Gideon Anthony for that
year Beginning or till others are appointed in their
room
The business being accomplished we Adjourn to the usual
time next month

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5 mo 1794 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 19th of May 1794
The representatives from the preparative meetings are from the
South George Smith & Luther Wood North Allen Ryder and
Elijah Mather who being called all present

The Committee in the case of Jonathan Taulman report they
paid some attention thereto yet defer it continued which is
continued under their care they to report next me meeting

The Committee in the case of James Howland report that
they all attended thereto and think him somewhat in
excuse of his misconduct but the matter of his crime being
so reprobate that we think our selves constrain'd to
Deny Unity with him and no longer hold him a member
of our Society until a manifest reformation shall take
place on his mind and Benjamin Allen Joseph Estes are
appointed to prepare a testimony of his denial and bring
to next me meeting & inform him therof and report next
me meeting

Our friend Stephen Buffinton having returned from a
Religious visit to Lester Bottom & thereabouts with a
Copy of a minute from this meeting Dated 25-12-1793 cast

A Request was forwarded through the South preparative
on behalf of Cook Howland Desiring to become a member
of our Society therefore we appoint Wm Gifford and
Joseph Tucker to take a sole opportunity with him and
report their sense thereon at next me meeting

Our Aged friend Wm Barker Requested a Copy of
a minute setting forth his right of membership here
to the me meeting at Saratoga as he is going there
to visit his friends and Relation and the Clerk is
Directed to give him a Copy of this minute

The Committee to raise money report they have collected
and paid to the trustees 9¹/₂ and they are continued
and to report next me meeting

The business being accomplished we Adjourn
to meet at the usual time next mon

6 mo
1794

At a Monthly Meeting of friends had in Dartmouth 16th June 1794 270
the representatives from the preparative meetings are from both
Jonathan Willard & Gideon Howland North John Tucker & John Davis
all present except Gideon Howland who is gone to the yearly meet.
it appearing its not best to proceed to business by reason it is the
time of our yearly meeting therefore this meeting adjourns to
28 instant after the meeting for worship

this meeting met by adjournment 28th June 1794
the representatives being called all present

Our friend Joshua Evans attended this meeting with
with a certificate from the monthly meeting of Hadingfield
in New Jersey Dated 10th June 1794 setting forth their Unity
as a minister with an Indorsement thereon from the Quarterly
meeting held at Hadingfield 21st June 1794 concerning
therewith whose labours of gospel love has been truly
satisfactory to us

The matter respecting Jonathan Taulman is again deferred
to next me meeting the Committee to report

The Committee to inform James Howland of his denial report
it had been done and produced a testimony of his denial
which being approved & signed by the Clerk and Wm Anthony
is appointed to read it in the usual publick manner & report
next me meeting said Testimony is all followeth

James Howland (son of Jonathan) of Dartmouth having had a
Birthright among friends, but through unwatchful and disobe-
dience to the teachings of truth hath so fallen into the
reproachfull act of theft as evidently appears by his own
confession of taking property from Wm Howland without leave
for which friends have tenderly laboured with him in order
to convince him of the inconsistency of such conduct and
having discharged our duty, we are concerned for to give this
forth as a publick testimony against such vicious and
reproachfull conduct his self disowning him the said
Jonathan Howland from being any longer a member
of our Society until by unfeigned repentance to amendment
of life he shall be favoured to return to the way of truth
and make friends satisfaction which is our object despite
Given forth at our me meeting held at Dartmouth by
adjournment 23 day June 1794 Joseph Estes Clerk

The Committee in the case of Cook Howland report that they had a Satisfactory opportunity with him to a good Degree of Satisfaction and after being duly Considered in this meeting we Conclude to Defer the matter by reason of his absence to next mo meeting

The Inquiries and answers from each preparative meeting together general Answers Complied therfrom and after several usefull remarks made thereon are Directed together with a account to the Quarterly meeting by our Represen who are Thos. Mott Jonathan Willbur Gideon Howland Wm Anthony & Joseph Eastes they to report next mo meet.

the friend appointed reports that he informed John Eddy of his Denial as directed some time past the business being accomplished we adjourn to make at usual time next mo

7mo
1794

At our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 21-7^{mo} 1794

The Representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South Benj^a Rider Jonathan Hart North Timothy Howland and Joseph Wood who being called all present

The friends in the case of Jonathan Paulman report they have attended thereto & think best to Continue it a month or longer if occasion require it therefore to Defer under their care they to report when ready or called upon by this meeting

The Testimony of James Howland has been read as ordered one of the friends to visit Cook Howland upon his request report he continues his request and with the concurrence of the women P. report is Acquiesced but he being again absent to again Defer to next mo meeting under the same friends care

The Representative to the Quarterly report they all attend and brought several Extracts of Epistles & Extracts from our yearly Meeting at Rhodifield the Contents of which are to be as business of this meeting and Wm Gifford Thos Hicks & Joseph Eastes are appointed to make the alteration in the books of Discipline as Directed in said Extracts & report next mo meeting or when done

Joseph Eastes Giles Smith Timothy Howland Prince Peter Nathaniel Gifford & George White John Davis Jonathan Maynard are appointed to collect the sum of fifteen pounds it

being the sum agreed to by this meeting in the month last for the year ending and pay the money into the treasury once in three months and report to this meeting when it will be paid in

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The North preparative meeting Informe that Abraham Tucker Son of Jonathan Tucker was gone to live with a friend at Bedford for whom his mother requested a Certificate to that meeting therefore Joshua Potter & Jonathan Hart are appointed to prepare one and bring to next mo meeting the business being among laid we conclude and Adjourn to the usual time next mo

8mo
1794

At our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 18th 8^{mo} 1794

the Representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South Caleb Barker Timothy Gifford North Amos Maynard & Joshua Potter who being called are all present

The matter respecting Cook Howland coming again under consideration the Committee having nothing Differen to report and he now being present Concluded to accept his request and receive him into membership he is therefore received into membership accordingly

The friends appointed prepared a Certificate for Abraham Tucker which being approved was signed by the Clerk one of the friends in the case of Gilbert Howland report they have had an opportunity with him & both Concluded to report that he appears to have no Disposition to condemn his Deception from friends rules and having since moved out whereupon with the concurrence of the women's meeting we Disown the said Gilbert Howland from being a member of our Society and Wm Anthony is appointed to inform him thereof and report to this meeting when done

Samuel Gidley gave in a paper condeming his moving out of the Unity of friends & Desiring to be taken under friends care again therefore Thos Hicks & Jonathan Wood are appointed to take a solid opportunity with him in order to Discover his sincerity and report next mo meeting

The overseers Inform that Giles Russell much neglects attendance of meetings and partakes of spirituous Liquors to Excess and having labored with them but to little Extent we therefore appoint Joseph Barker Gideon Howland & Wm Gifford to Labor further with him & report next mo meeting

The Preparative meeting Inform's that Selyah Wood Jr. Requests a certificate to the ^{mo} meeting of Rhod Island setting forth his clearenes & Repecting marriage here & right of membership and Tho' Hicks & Jonathan Wilson are appointed to take their necessary care in this matter and report one to next monthly meeting if they find things clear

The business being accomplished we Adjourn to the usual time next month -

9^{mo}
1794

At our Monthly Meeting of friends in Dartmouth 15th 1794
the Representatives from the Preparative meetings are
from the South Benj: Smith & George Smith North Jonathan
Hart and John Tucker being called all present

the friends in the case of Samuel Gidley report they had
an opportunity with him and found a good degree of
satisfaction and having the concurrence of the workers
we admitt him into membership with us

The Committee in the case of Giles Russell report they have
taken an opportunity with him and find some encouragement
to wait longer they are continued to a watchful care over him
& to report next ^{mo} meeting

one of the Committee to inquire into Selyah Woods George
the other being unable report they find nothing sufficient
to hinder and presented the same to the ^{mo} meeting of Rhod
Island as directed which was approved & signed by the Clerk

The Queries were read with answers from each preparative
meeting from which general Answers were compiled and
an Account to the Quarterly meeting signed by the Clerk both
forwarded to the P. mee: by our Representative who are
William Anthony George Smith Joseph Easton & Jonathan
Hart they to report next ^{mo} meeting

This meeting Adjourns to the 24th instant after of meeting
for Worship

24th day met by Adjournment Representatives all present

The friends to make the addition in the book of Discipline
report that its accomplished according to agreement

The Committee appointed in the case of William Briggs report as
followeth which is accepted

We have several times taken opportunities with W^m Briggs
and Endeavoured to find his scarcity in condeming his attending
a horrae, and add to convince him of his inconsistency of dress &
address and not attending meetings in all which we find so little
encouragement that we do not think it usefull to him nor the
meeting to connue him any longer a member of our Society which we
submit to the meetings

Stephen Pifford
Joseph Letters
Benj: Allen

And this meeting with the concurrence of the members doth disown
him the Mr^r Briggs from being any longer a member of our
Society and Ethan Wood is appointed to inform him thereof and
report next ^{mo} meeting

it is Concluded that all our midweek meetings be dispended
these weeks in which our Quarterly meeting is held at Bedford
or at this place - this meeting concluded & Adjourns to the
usual time next ^{mo}

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At our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 20th of Oct 1794

The Representatives from the Preparative meetings are from
the South Ethan Wood & Caleb Barker North Tho' Mott and
Benj: Rider who being called all present

one of the friends appointed in the case of Giles Russell
report that have attended to that mattry and still desire
continued its therefore desired to next ^{mo} meeting under
their care they then to report

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all
attended

The Committee to Inform William Briggs of his Denial
report he is informed and presented a testimony therof which
was approved & signed by the Clerk who is directed to read it in our
usual manner and report next ^{mo} meeting P. T. is as followeth
William Briggs having had a right of membership among friends but for
want of a faithful attention to the dictates of truth as our professed
require hath attended at a place of worship for which we have labored
with him from time to time Inglister to Concur the same as also his
neglecting of attending our Religious meetings & being out of place
but our labor not having the Bedford & Believing overtake him so
desirous the P. M^r Briggs from a right of membership of our Society on the
1st of Nov^r 1794 he shall live a more humbly life & return to our satisfaction he
given forth & signed at our ^{mo} meeting in Nov^r 20th 1794 by
Joseph Estes Clerk

In concurrence with the women a certificate on behalf of Catharine Briggs wife of Cornelius Briggs to the one meeting of Saratoga also one on behalf of Theodore Jonson to the same no meeting also one on behalf of Ruth Moyer to the one meeting Newbury all which was signed by the Clerk

Benjamin Howland Smith and Silvia Storum declare their intentions of taking each other in marriage before this meet and were Directed to wait till next no meeting for their answer and Jonathan Willbur and Lathan Wood are appointed to inquire in his clearness respecting marriage engagements & report next no meeting

The Committee appointed to the care of the meeting in Allen Neck report in writing as followeth which is Accepted

We your Committee appointed to have the care of meetings in Allen Neck have to report have all of us attended them (Except Philip Gofford who has not been able thro indisposition of Body) and we think all the meetings were held in a tolerable good degree orderly Except two or three meetings wherein some lightness & inattention appeared among some of the youth for which care was taken to prevent

William Anthony a member of this meeting informed that he proposes to travel to Saratoga to visit his friends and relations and Desires our approbation we concurring therewith the Clerk is Directed to give him a copy of this minute

The Committee to collect money for this meeting use reports they have collected and paid our treasurer Seven pounds thirteen shillings & 9 pence

The business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time next no

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 17th June 1794
The representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South Timothy Howland & Jonathan Willbur North John Devol and John Tucker who being called all present

Joseph Easter reports the testimony of Wm Briggs Denial has been read as
Directed

The matter respecting Giles is again referred by the request of the Committee to next no meeting then they to report

The friends to inquire into Benj H Smith's clearness report they find nothing to hinder him from proceeding

The Queries were answered from each preparative meeting from which general answers were compiled which together with an account to the Quarterly meeting was forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our representatives who are Joseph Tucker Lathan Wood and Jonathan Hart they to report next no meeting — and our treasur is Directed to Deliverd £-9-2 to the representatives to forward to Quarterly meetings treasurer it being our proportion of the yearly & Quarterly meetings stock

Benj H Smith and Silvia Storum appear for their answer and nothing appearing to hinder they are allowed to proceed in marriage at some convenient time between this & next no meeting Adjoining with the friends appointed to see the marriage orderly solemnized and Jonathan Willbur Gideon Howland are appointed accordingly & to report next no meeting

Revrom Kirby presented a paper condemning his insipr quiet in being guilty of fornication apparent by his wives having a child soon after marriage and we appoint Benj H Smith & Joseph Easter to take a solid opportunity with him in order to discover his sinfulness therein & report next no meeting

A Request from friends in Smith's Neck to hold a meeting there the ensuing winter was read & Considered and after full deliberation thereon we appoint Wm Gillock Stephen Buffinton Joseph Tucker Jonathan Hart Thos Hicks & Joseph Easter to carefully visit the persons in order to discover the propriety & usefulness thereof & report their same thereto next no meeting

A Request from friends in Allen's Neck to hold meetings there the ensuing winter was read Considered & granted they to hold them in the manner therin proposed (viz) one month at Timothy Gifford one month at Sam'l Gifford one month at Peleg Storum and the remainder of the time at Elijah Gifford until the no meeting in the 4th under the care of Lathan Wood Timothy Pipp John Tucker & Peleg Storum they to report at the preparation of said time had Preaching were kept & attended the business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time next no

At our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 19th June 1794
the Representatives from the Preparative meetings are from
the South William Anthony & Caleb Barker from North
Joshua Potter & Joshua Russell who being called all present

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report the
all attended and the money paid to Quarterly meeting
treasurer as directed

The friends appointed to oversee the marriage of Benj: the
Smith and Anna Strown reported they attended and see
nothing but it was orderly conducted and their Certificate
Delivered to the Clerk to record

The matter respecting Reuben Kirby is referred to next mo
meeting under the care of the former Committee then they to
report

The Committee appointed in the 12^{mo} 1793 to visit
John Howland on account of his non attendance of our
Religious meetings & his paper of Acknowledgment in
attending a conference; now make report that they have taken
opportunities with him and found but little satisfaction on
those accounts and but little encouragement of being more
carefull in future yet as several friends express a desire
to have it continued it is desired to next mo meeting under
the former friends care & Wm Gifford is added with them &
to report next mo meeting

The friends in the case of Giles Russell report that they
still receive some Satisfaction or Encouragement & despite
Reform therefore to continue under their care to next mo
meeting then they to report

The Committee in consequence of a request in Smith
 Neck to hold meeting there report that a full report
be made to next mo meeting and think safe to grant
meetings one month in the following manner viz
the first 5th day after the mo meeting & the 3^d fifth day
and the fifth day preceding the preparative meeting
under the care of Committee they to report next mo
meeting

Our Esteemed friend Robea Wright attended this meeting with 78
a certificate from the meeting of Upper Springfield in New Jersey
Dated June the 5th 1794 where Company and Scroffle was truly Acquitted
to us

Our friend Stephen Buffinton presented a certificate from the mo
meeting at Richmond Dated 19th June 1794 Expressing of his attend
Said meeting also several others hereabouts to their Comfort and
satisfaction

A Complaint through the South pre^{nt} meeting against Ephraim
Gifford for keeping Company and married out of friend Rules
Orders and that his wife had a Child soon after marriage was
received in this meeting and after full Deliberation thereon and
having the women's Concurrence hereby Disown him from being
a member of our Society and Stephen Gifford & Joseph Estes is appointed
to inform him thereof and prepare a testimony of his denial &
bring to next mo meeting

An Information that Tho: Russell had married out from friend
orders and was precautioned by the overseers wherupon we
hereby Disown him with the women's Concurrence from being
a member of our Society & Joseph Tucker & Jonathan Willbur
are appointed to inform him thereof & report next mo meeting
The business being ended we Adjourn to the usual time and the

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth 19th June 1795
the Representatives from the Preparative meetings are from
the South Joseph Tucker & Jonathan Willbur North William
Tripp and William Hood all present Except Wm Wood who sent
his Excuse which is accepted

The Clerks place being vacant William Gifford is appointed
Clerk for this Day

This meeting was informed that the friend in the case of Reuben
Kirby had not done anything by reason of Interposition of body
some other Disappointment therefore they are Dismissed and
do appoint Hephzibah Smith & Gideon Howland to labour with
the said Reuben Kirby as truth may open the way & report
to next mo meeting

The Committee in the case of John Howland report they had
an opportunity with him to partly good satisfaction you think
it best to continue to next mo meeting under the same
friend care they then to report

The Committee in the Case of Giles Rupell case Requested that matter continued it is Defer accordingly till next mo meeting they then to report

Joseph Easter & Stephen Gifford was appointed last mo meeting to inform Ephraim Gifford of his Denial & prepare a testimony but they not being present nor any reason why its not done therefore therefore Joseph Easter is Dismissed and Saphah Wood is appointed in his room to unite with Stephen Gifford in that matter of report to next mo meeting

The friend Report they informed Thos Rupell of his Denial as Directed

The Committee in the matter Respecting holding meetings in Smiths Neck Request it Continued one month longer and for them to hold meeting in the same manner as last month at the house of Hannah Smiths it is accordingly Continued under their care then they to report

Our Esteemed friend John Wiggin attended this meeting with a Certificate from the mo meeting of friends held at Aberdeen North Britton of ^{1st} of the ^{4mo} 1794 with a Concurring certificate from the half years meeting of friends at Edinborow of ²⁸ of the ^{4mo} 1794 also one from the yearly meeting of ministers & Elders held in London by Adjournment from the ¹⁵ of ^{4mo} 1794 to the ¹⁹ of the same whose Company and Labours of love is been truly acceptable to us

Joseph Easter presented a paper to this meeting (Indorsing his partaking of Spirituous Liquors to Recuse so as to be Drunkard therewith and Expressing his sorrow therefor and this meeting taking the matter into Consideration do appoint Jonathan Weston Kirby & Joseph Tucker to take a Sole opp^r with him and report their sense of the matter to next mo meeting

the business being being Accomplished we adjourn to the usual time next mo

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth ²⁸⁰
the 16th of 2nd mo 1795

The Representatives from the Preparative meetings are from the South Zephaniah Eddy and Lathan Wood from the North Thomas Smith and Adam Mott all present except Zephaniah Eddy

The year of the service of the Clerk being Expid we appoint William Anthony to that Service for the year Insuring or until another may be appointed in his stead and Wm Gifford is likewise appointed to assist him

The friends appointed in the Case of Rupen Kirby report they visited him and found a Degree of Satisfaction and Desire it Continued it is therefore Defer to next mo meeting under D Committee (are they then to report)

The Committee in the Case of John Howland report they visited him and found a Degree of Satisfaction therefore this meeting Continued to refer D matter under said Committee (are the next monthly meeting then they to report)

The friends appointed in the Case of Ephraim Gifford report they have not fully accomplished their appointment they are therefore Continued in that matter to report next mo meeting

The Committee that had the Care of the meeting in Smiths Neck Report that they attended said meeting and think well of holding said meeting one month longer in the same manner as heretofor at the house of Mary Smith under the care of the same Committee they to report next mo meeting

The friends appointed in the Case of Giles Rupell report they visited him to a Degree of Satisfaction they are Continued to have further Care of that matter and to report next mo meeting

William Anthony Reported to this meeting that he has informed Gilbert Howland of his Denial as directed some months past

The Committee in the Case of Joseph Eastes report that they had a solid opportunity with him and found good satisfaction but think best to continue it one month longer till therefore defer under their care till next no meeting then they to report

This meeting is informed through the South preparative meeting that Doctor Sloman ^{is} is maimed out of the unity of friends therefore we appoint Gideon Howland and George Sandis to inquire into the circumstance of the matter and visit him and report the situation of his misconduct and the state of his mind & report next no meeting

This meeting is informed that Devol and family begin a Removal certificate to the monthly of Acushnet as they are going to live within the compass of that meeting and Jonathan Hart and Thos. Mott & Thos. Smith are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter and report next no meeting

There was a concern arose both in the preparative meeting & this respecting the great slackness of some of our members in attending our Religious meetings and other defects and think it to be the duty of this meeting to appoint a Committee to visit and endeavor to stir up the minds of such to a more faithfull discharge & performance of their Religious Duties therefore we appoint Joseph Fisher Jonathan Hart William Gifford and Lutan Wood to joine the women in that service & to visit and receipt such of the members of this meeting as they in the wisdom of truth shall think proper and report their service therin when they have accomplished the matter

The Committee appointed to raise money report they have collected and paid to the treasurer £15 0/- and they are continued in that service & to report when ready the business being accomplish'd we adjourn to the next time next mo.

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 16th the 3rd mo 1795

the Representatives from the Preparative meetings are from the South ^{Joseph Wood} George Smith ^{George Smith} North ^{Lutan Wood} North Mott & Seth Rowell all present

Our Esteemed friend Joseph Cloud attended this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Cone Creek in North Carolina dated 2nd day of 8th mo 1794 also a concurring one from the Quarterly meeting at Center the 11th of 8th mo 1794 whose company and labour of gospel love has been edifying and truly acceptable to us

The friends in the case of Rizom Kirby desire said matter ^{to be} continued by reason they have not fully discharged their appointment therefore it is referred under their care to next no meeting they then to report

The friends appointed in the case of John Howland report they found a degree of satisfaction from him therefore this meeting accepts his parsonal acknowledgement and Wm Anthony is appointed to read it at the close of a first days meeting for worships and report next no meeting

The friends in the case of Ephraim Gifford report they inform him of his Denial and a Testimony thereof is referred to next no meeting

The friends appointed to have the care of the meeting in in Smiths Neck Report that some of them attended and think it was ^{had} orderly & to pretty good satisfaction

The friends appointed in the case of Giles Russell report they did receive Satisfaction & from his Dejrie its continued to next no meeting under a friends care they then to report

The friends in the case of Joseph Lefter report they have visited him and Received a good Degree of Satisfaction therefore this meeting accepts his paper for Satisfaction and Jonathan Wilbur is appointed to see the same publicly read at the Close of a first days meeting for worship & report next no meeting

The friends in the case of Holdor Mowen & report they stand to their appointment yet this meeting thinks best to refer the matter under the care of a Committee to next no meeting then they to report

The friends appointed in the Case of Abner Devol's Removal Certificate inform they are not ready to report one, they are continued in that Service & to report next no meeting

This meeting is informed from the Select meeting that Jonathan Hart is proposed by them to be in the election of an Elder therefore we appoint Thos. Mott John Tucker & Benj: Smith to take the matter under Consideration and Report their prospect and sense of the matter at next no meeting

Zephaniah Buffinton and Lydia Tucker appear in this meeting having Consent of Parents Declaring their Intention of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next no meeting for their Answe, and Wm Gifford & Jonathan Hart are appointed to Inquire into D. Buffinton's Claims respecting marriage and Conversation & report next no meeting

The Duties were Read and Answers thereto proposed and an Account signed by the Clerk and forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representative who are Stephen Buffinton Joseph Tucker & William Gifford they to report next no meeting

This meeting Adjourns to the 8th Day Sept: one after the meeting for worship

Mott by Adjournment the 8th of the 4th mo 1795
the Representatives being called all present

This meeting being informed from the preparative meeting that Jonathan Allen is married out of the order of friends after being precautioned by the Overseers therefore this meeting with the concurrence of the women's meeting Dennis Unity with him as a member and Sultan Wood is directed to inform him thereof & report to next no meeting

This meeting is informed from the Preparative meeting that Abner Shephard is married out of the order of friend and we appoint George Smith Joseph Tucker & Gideon Howland Anthony to treat with him for his misconduct and Report next no meeting

This meeting is informed that Stephen Smith has been gone several years to Europe and while there married out of the Order of friends therefore we appoint Jonathan Wilbur & Gideon Howland to take a bold opportunity and treat with him for his outgoings and report next no meeting

Seth Hart informs that he has a prospect of removing within the compass of Saratoga monthly meeting held at Eastown and Requests our Certificate for himself and family therefore we appoint Joshua Potter & Thos. Mott to give the women and take the necessary care therein & Report one to next no meeting if they think proper

The Overseers of the poor Inform they desire some assistance respecting some Difficulties that comes under their consideration therefore we appoint Wm Anthony ~~Jonathan Wilbur~~ & Gideon Howland to lend them such Assistance as they may think proper

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ^{the 7th mo 1795}
the Representatives from the preparative meetings are from South Benj: Smith Joseph Tucker North John Tucker and Allen Russell who being called all Present

William Gifford is appointed Clerk for the day

The Committee in the Case of Reuben Kirby report they had an opportunity with him to good Satisfaction therefore this meeting Accepts his paper of Acknowledgment for Satisfaction and Jonathan Wilbur is appointed to read it at the Close of a first days meeting for worship and Report next me meeting

Jonathan Wilbur reports that Joseph Estes paper has been read as Directed said paper is as followeth

To the monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth

Forasmuch as I being of my watch and have given way to the temptation of the Enemy so far as to goe to a place where spirituous Liquors was sold and buying Company with others did purchase and partake thereof to such so as to be Intoxicated therewith whereby truth & friend may be evil spoken of but being desirous to clear friend and truth from that approach thereof Desirous to take it to myself therefore am Concerned this Publickly to condemn my said misconduct and am very farr Desirous forw^dards from the father of man & friends so far to pay it by as to suffer me to remain under their watchfull eye which is my sincere Desir

Joseph Estes

Dartmouth, 2 the 3rd 1795

The friends appointed in the Case of Gile Russell not being ready to make a Conclusive Report therefore they are continued in that matter and to report next me meeting

The Committee in the Case of Holder Sloman^{2nd} report that they Discharged themselves in that Case and found no Satisfaction likewise Labouring with him for being guilty of the Sin of Fornication which he acknowledged therefore this meeting Denies Unity with the said Holder Sloman and Benjamin Smith & Thos Hicks is appointed to inform him thereof and draught a testimony of his denial and Report to next me meeting

A Removal Certificate was signed in concurrence of the women to the monthly meeting at East Town for Ruth Hart

Also one signed in concurrence of the women for Bethiah Moyer to East Town monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the Case of Jonathan Hart being appointed to the station of an Elder report they had agreed to his appointment and had good satisfaction in the matter therefore with the concurrence of the concens meeting he is appointed to the station of an Elder

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all attended

Lathan Wood Reported that he informed Jonathan Allen of his ^{to} Denial as Directed

The Committee in the Case of Abner Shephard report they had an opportunity with him to some Satisfaction and handed a paper from him condemning his misconduct and said matter is continued under said friends care till next me meeting they then to report

Zephaniah Buffinton and Lydia Tucker appear for their answer which was they might proceed nothing appearing to hinder to take each other in marriage at some convenient time between this & next me meeting advising with the friends this meeting appoints to see said marriage orderly solemnized and Jonathan Hart & Wm Gifford are appointed to that service & to report next me meeting

The Committee in the Case of Stephen Smith report they had ~~no~~ suitable opportunity with him therefore they are continued in that matter & to report next me meeting

A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk in behalf of Abner Deo of his wife ^{and their children Namely} Elizabeth Mary, Bandon Wm, Sarah, Rose to the me meeting of Hoakset expressing their right of membership here

A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk for Seth Hart his wife Abigail and their children namely Humphry, Caleb, Philip & William Anthony to the next meeting at East Town Expressing their right of membership her

Received a Certificate in behalf of Salomon Tabor from the no meeting of Sandwich he being come as an apprentice to Jonathan Hart

James Allen Requests a Removal Certificate to the no meeting of N. Bedford for him self and family therfore we appoint Nathan Wood & Thos. Atkis to take the necessary care in that matter and Report one to next no meeting if the find things clear

Jonathan Scrum gave in a paper condemning his outgoing and Requesting to come under friends care again therfore we appoint Timothy Gifford & Benj: Smith to take an sold opportunity with him in order to Dissever his Sincerity in that matter and Report next no meeting

The Friends Inform that Deliverance Smith has married out of the order of friends with a woman a member of our Society therfore with the concurrence of the women we Dab unity with him the Dr. Smith untille he may come to a sense of his outgoings and Benj: Smith is appointed to Inform him therof Report next no meeting

Elihu Moshier Requests a Removal Certificate to the no meeting of N. Bedford for himself and family therfore we appoint Thos. Smith & Jonathan Hart to take the necessary care therein & Report one to next no meeting if they find things clear

This meeting was informed that John Howland's paper of Abi: has been read as dictated at the meeting said paper as followt
To the no meeting of Dartmouth they may inform that I have so far departed from the order of truth as to be prept as Speculator at a horse race and having duly confid the Creditor of such a sum as forwar the same & desirous to pay it off let me remain here their care Dartmouth 16 of Jany 1795

John Howland

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth <sup>13th of Jan: 1795
the Representatives from the Preparative meetings are from the South Timothy Gifford and Joseph Tucker from the North John Dowd and Benj: Atkis all present</sup>

Jonathan Willbur Reports that Recom Kirby Acknowledgment has been read as directed - Said acknowledgment as followeth

To the monthly meeting at Dartmouth the 15th the gme 1794
Beloved friends I some time past so far departed from the truth as to fall into the Reproachfull sin of fornication which evidently appear'd by my wives having a child soon after marriage for which Evil Conduct I am very sorry & condemn it Deafing friends would say by my offence and receive me again as a member of your Society from your friend Jonathan Kirby

The Committee in the case of Giles Russell report they still receive Satisfaction in waiting & visiting him and desire said matter refered its therefore continued under their care they to report next no meeting

the friends appointed Reported a Testimony of Hodder Scrum Denial which was sign'd by the Clerk and Thomas Hiles is appointed to read it at the close of a firstdays meeting and report next no meeting and said friends not having informed him of his Denial by reason he is gone to sea they are continuall to inform him therof & report when done

The friends in the case of Abner Shepherd report they had no opportunity with him since last no meeting therfore they are continued in that matter & to report next no meeting

The friends appointed Report that they attended the marriage of Zephaniah Buffinton & Lydia Tucker and saw nothing but what it was orderly solemnized and a Certificate forwarded to the Clerk for Record

The friends in the case of Stephen Smith report they had an opportunity with him & despite it continued it therfore report under their care they to report next no meeting

The friends appointed Reported a Removal Certificate for James Allen his wife Sarah & their children Namely William Susanah Joseph Gideon & Gilbert with their practice Prince Allen to the mo meeting of N Bedford which was sign by the Clerk

The friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Sloman Report they had a solid opportunity with him to a good Degree of satisfaction yet the matter is refer under the care of said friend to next mo meeting

Benjamin Smith Reports he hath not Informed Deliverance Smith of his Denial by reason of his being gone to sea he is therefore continued to Inform him & Report when done

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate for Elizur Mother Report they have not accomplished it they are continued to that matter & to Report next mo meeting

Zephaniah Eddy gave in a paper condemning his taking the oath in Common forme before a magistrate therefore we appoint John Devol and Jonathan Hart Thos. Mott to Inspect into the matter and Endeavour to Discover his Sincerity and Report next mo meeting

Hezekiah Smith Requested a Removal Certificate for himself and family to the mo meeting of Saratoga and we appoint Jonathan Willbur and Zephaniah Buffinton to take the Necessary Care in that matter and Report one to next mo meeting if they think proper

The friends Reported a Testimony of Ephraim Gifford, Denial which was aproved & Signed by the Clerk and Thos. Hicks is appointed to read it Publickly at the Close of a first days meeting according to our usual manner & Report next mo meeting

Jonathan Willbur George Smith & John Devol are appointed to Audit amounts of this meeting for the year ensuing or till Oct 1st are appointed for their term

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth ¹⁵/_{of} 6mo 1795 ²⁹⁰
the Representatives are from the South Benja. Smith & Jonathan Willbur
North John Tucker and Joshua Poller all present
Tho. Hicks is appointed Clerk for the day

A Removal Certificate for Joseph Gifford and his children Namely Abraham Joseph Edward Prince John & Hannah was Received from the mo meeting of Sandwich and Accepted by this meeting

Benja Smith Reports he informed Deliverance Smith of his Denials Directed

Tho. Hicks Reports that the Testimonies of holder Sloman ^{2d} and Ephraim Gifford Denials has been Read as Directed said Testimonies is as followeth

Whereas holder Sloman ^{2d} having had a right of membership among friends but hath much Neglected the due attendance of our Religious meetings and hath fell into the sin of fornication which appears by his wives having a Child so soon after marriage which brought a Reproach on our Religious Society therefore we disown him the said holder Sloman from any Right of membership with friends Nevertheless we desire he may yet find mercy and be restored to the way of truth which is our desire Given forth at our mo meeting held in Dartmouth ¹⁸/_{of} 7mo 1795 and sign'd in & on behalf of the meeting by Wm Anthony Clerk

Whereas Ephraim Gifford having a birthright among friends and under the care of this meeting but through unwatchfulness hath so far Deviated as to keep company with one not a member & he being guilty of fornication as appears by his wives having a Child so soon after marriage - Therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from the Reproach of such conduct we are Concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Ephraim Gifford hereby Disowning him from being any longer a member of our Society until he shall be favoured with a sight & sense of his outgoings and be restored to the way of truth which is our desire Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19th day of 4 mo 1795 by William Anthony Clerk

Joseph Gifford Jr Requests a Certificate to the re meeting
of Acashket, setting forth his Clearenes of marriage and
Conversation, therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker and
Thomas Mott to take the Necesary Care in that matter
and if they find things clear to prepare one & bring to next
the Sourtment of this meeting --

This meeting being small on account of our yearly
meeting now stting we Adjourn to the 22 instant at
the close of the meeting for Worshipp

Mett by Adjournment the 22nd of 8^{mo} 1795
the Representative being called all present

The Committee in the case of Giles Russell report that
they still find a Degree of Satisfaction in waiting with
him and he must Refrain from partaking spiritous
Liquors therefore said matter is refered to next mo meeting
under the same friends Care then they to report

The Committee in the case of Abner Sheepherson Report
they found a Degree of Satisfaction from him therefore this
meeting receives his paper condemning his maning out
of the Unity of friends for Satisfaction

The friends appointed in the case of Stephen Smith report
they have had no opportunity with him since last mo
meeting they are therefore Continued in that matter &
to report next mo meeting

The friends in the case of Jonathan Scouren Request
Reports, they found a good Degree of Satisfaction from him
therefore his paper of Acknowledgment is Accepted & the Clerk
is Directed to read it in the usual publick manner at the close
of a firstday meeting & report next mo meeting

The Committee in the case of Elizur Moshier & Wives certificate report
they are not ready to Report one they are Continued in that service
and to report next mo meeting

The Committee in the case of Zephaniah Ladd report they found
a good Degree of Satisfaction yet his paper not being present said
matter is refered to next mo meeting under their care then they
to Report

The Committee in the Case of Hersekiah Smith & formerly Capital
reported one which with the concurrence of the women
meeting was signed by the Clerk

The Committee appointed to prepare a Certificate for Joseph
Gifford Jr Requesting Clearenes of marriage Direcled to the mo
Meeting of Acashket mo meeting Reported one which was sign'd
by the Clerk

David Hart of Galloway forwarded a paper to this meeting
condemning his attending meetings held out of the Unity of friends,
therefore we appoint Dr. Smith & William Gifford & Zephaniah
Buffinton to take the Necesary Care and write to Saratoga
mo meeting in order to Discover his Sincerity in that matter
& Report to this meeting when accomplish'd

The Inquiries were Read and Answers thereto from each
Preparative meeting from which general Answer
were compild and forwarded with an Account sign'd by
the Clerk to the Quarterly meeting by our Representative
who are Joseph Tucker Wm Anthony & Jonathan Hart they
to report next mo meeting

This meeting hath been favoured with the Company of our
beloved friend Deborah Darby and Rebekah Young
from Great Britton with Satisfactory Certificates from
their Particular meetings whose labours of love has
been acceptable to us

The women Inform they have Received a Removal
Certificate from the mo meeting of Rhode Island in behalf
of Philadelphia Wood wife of Ephraim Wood & which we Concur
with

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
the 20th of July 1795

The Representatives from the Preparative meeting on
from the South Joseph Tucker and Timothy Howland North
John Tucker and Thos Mott all present

This meeting has been favored with the company of our
beloved friend Henry Hull with a certificate from the
Clerk no meeting in the Newpartness Certifying their
Unity with his Ministry and his Religious interest with us
Whose Labour of gospel love has been truly satisfactory
among us

Also our friend Paul Upton attended as Companion to
Henry Hull with a certificate of Concurrance of Concurrance
therin from the S. Clerk no meeting whose Company is
truly acceptable to us

The Committee in the Case of Stephen Smith Reports they
attended to their appointment but are not ready to make a
conclusive report therefore said matter is referred to next meeting
under their care they then to report

The friends in the Case of Giles Russell before the matter was
therefore referred under their care to next no meeting they then
to report

The Clerk Reports that Jonathan Storuri paper has been read
as directed -- said paper is as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth ^{from 6th}
Respected friends I have fell into the reproachfull sin of
fornication which appears by my wives having a child
before marriage which I am sorry for and do condemn
and desire friends to pass it by and receive me under this
care again this from your friend --

Jonathan Storuri

The Committee Report a Removal Certificate for Elizur Moyer
and wife Ruth to the no meeting of Bedford which was signed by
the Clerk

The friends appointed to write to Saratoga no meeting on account ²⁹⁴
of David Hart reported a letter to you to said meeting which was signed
by the Clerk and forwarded to said meeting

The friends appointed some time past to visit Jonathan Taulman on
account of his partaking spirituous liquors to advise him as to Intoxicatio
here with report they have several times visited him but found no
real Satisfaction yet the matter is referred to next meeting for further
~~Intoxicatio~~ Consideration

The Committee in the Case of Zephaniah Eddy produced his paper
condemning his misconduct which was received for ratification and
the Clerk directed to read it at the close of a first day meeting for worship
in the usual manner and Report next meeting

In Concurrance with the former meeting a Removal Certificate in
behalf of Margaret Peter widow directed to the no meeting of next day
was signed by the Clerk

A Complaint from a friend of Shaysland no meeting in behalf
of his Neighbour Benjamin Willbur against Sarah Kitchell for summing
more for Refusing or neglecting to settle amounts with said
Willbur and the Overseers Inform they have taken much pains
with her but she still Neglects to settle said amount therefore
we appoint John Tucker Joseph Estes Thos. Hull & Gideon Howland
to Labour with her on that account and report next meeting

Edward King Jr. of Sandwich produced a certificate from that
no meeting certifying his right of membership & cleareign of money
there also brought up parents to proceed in marriage with Lydia
Howland

Edward King and Lydia Howland Declared their intention of
taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next
no meeting for their answer
the Representative to the Quarterly meeting report they all
attend

Signed Wm Anthony Clerk

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth ^{17th 8th 1795}
the Representatives from the Preparative meeting are from the
South Gideon Howland & Zephaniah Eddy Buffinton
from the North Thos. Mott & Jonathan Hart all present
Except T. Buffinton who rendered a sufficient reason for his
absence

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
therof the 8^{mo} 1795

The Representatives from the Preparative meetings are
from the South Gideon Howland & Zephaniah Buffinton
from the North Jonathan Hart & Thos Mott all present
Except Zephaniah Buffinton who render'd a sufficient Reason for
his absence

The friends in the case of Stephen Smith Report
they found not any real Satisfaction from him by waiting
upon him yet this meeting thinks best to wait therefor
said matter is referred to next no meeting under said Committee
and Jonathan Hart is directed to demand they to report
next no meeting

The friends in the case of Giles Russell Report they
have visited him and found a good Degree of Satisfaction
and he giving in a paper condemning his misconduct
which this meeting accepts for Satisfaction and the Clerk
is directed to read it in the usual publick manner
at the close of a first day meeting & report next no meeting

The friends in the case of Jonathan Taulman report
they found no Satisfaction in his condemning his master
therefore this meeting Denies Unity with him the said
Jonathan Taulman and said Committee is directed to
draw a testimony of his Denial and Inform him therof
& bring said testimony to next no meeting

The Clerk Reports that Zephaniah Eddy's paper has
been Read as Directed and is as followeth.

To the monthly meeting held 18 of J^une 1795
Whereas I some time past have broke a. the Go^d
order of friend having inconsiderately taken the
Oath before a Magistrate in Common form which
I am heartily sorry for and do condemn
Desiring friends to pass it by Zephaniah Eddy
from thy friend

The Committee appointed in the Case of Sarah Pickett
Report that she gave Encouragement of settling the matter
with Benjamin Willbur as soon as she can conveniently
therefore said matter is referred under the care of said Committee
and they to report when said matter is ready

The Women inform they have received Abigail Shepherd and
under their care which this meeting concurs with

Edward Wing and Lydia Howland appear in this meeting
for their Answer which was they might proceed to take
each other in marriage between this & next no meeting
advising with the friends appointed to see D. marriage
orderly solemnized And William Anthony & Jonathan
Willbur are appointed for that purpose & to report next no
meeting

Our Esteemed friend Theophilis Stove attended this meeting
with a copy of a minute from Swanzey no meeting setting
forth their Unity with his Disciple friends among us, whose
visit and gospel love hath been satisfactory to us

Jonathan Hart informed this meeting that he has thoughts
of selling his Interest & removing and requests friends
to advise therefore Joseph Tucker & Wm Gifford are appointed to
take said Harts proposal under Consideration and advise
him as they shall think proper & report next no meeting

The Committee appointed to raise money Report they have
accomplish'd their appointment and have paid £1-15-6 more
to the Treasurer

the business being accomplished
Signed Wm Anthony Clerk

In a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the
21st the 9^{mo} 1795

The Representatives from the Preparative meetings are from the
South George Smith & Zephaniah Buffinton ^{out of the} North Thos Mott & Sophia
Potter all present

The Queries were read and Answers thereto prepared from each Preparative meeting from which general Answers were prepared and forwarded to the Quarterly meeting also an Account signed by the Clerk & forwarded thereto by our Representatives who are Lathan Wood Joseph Tucker & Wm Gifford they to Report next no meeting

The Committee in the case of Stephen Smith Report they have Visited him and had a solid opportunity with him and he gave them no Real Satisfaction in condemning his misconduct. Therefore we Deny unity with him the said Stephen Smith and Said Committee are to Inform them of

The Clerk Reports he has Read Giles Ryall paper of Acknowledgment as Directed

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of Jonathan Taulman's Denial Reports one to this meeting and informs him thereof. Said testimony was signed by the Clerk who is Directed to Read it at the close of a fifth day meeting in our usual manner & Report next no meeting

The friends Appointed to see Edward Wing & Lydia marriage solemnized Report they attended said marriage and had nothing but it was in a good Degree conducted orderly & a Certificate given to the Clerk for Record

The friends appointed to advise with Jonathan Hart Report they have fulfilled their appointment and left him at liberty to proceed if he thinks proper

Stephanie Eddy Inform'd that he has thoughts of going to Saratoga on business & to visit his Relation, we concerning therewith he being a member of this meeting and the Clerk is Directed to give him a copy of this minute

We appoint Wm Gifford Wm Anthony Lathan Wood & Joseph Estes to Consider what sum of money is necessary for this meeting to raise for this meeting use & report next no meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 19 the 10th 1796
The Representatives from the Preparation meetings are from the south Bonj' Smith & Timothy Howland North John Tucker and John Dow all present

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report they all attended and produced Transcripts of Epistles from London N. D. Gibral & New York also Extracts of the minutes from our last year's meeting which was Read to Satisfaction and the matter respecting Schools & raising money for the yearly meeting school Concerning Consideration we appoint the Hicks Wm Gifford Gideon Howland W^m Anthony & Lathan Wood a Committee to take said matter under Consideration and Report their prospect how it may be best for this meeting to proceed & Report next no meeting

The friends Appointed Report they inform Stephen Smith of his Denial as Directed

The Clerk Reports the Testimony of Jonathan Taulman's Denial has been read as Directed which is as follows -

Jonathan Taulman having had a right of membership with friends but having so far got of his watch as to be Intoxicated with Spirituous Liquors and friends having Labored with him in love to Convince him of the Inconsistency of such conduct but friend's labours not having the desired Effect to Satisfaction therefore we give this path as a Testimony against such conduct hereby Publickly disowning him the said Jonathan Taulman from being a member of our Society until he shall manifest a Return to the ways of truth which is our Desire Given forth and signed at our no meeting held in Dartmouth 21 the 9th 1795 by W^m Anthony Clerk

The friend appointed last no meeting Report they think the sum of fifteen pounds is best to raise and paid to the Treasurer for this meeting Use therefore we appoint Humphry Ryall Wm Howland Thos Allen George Smith 2^d and Abner Potter & Thos Mott to receive collection of the members of this meeting according to the proportion made last year Except where material alteration is necessary to be made which is committed to said Committee to alter as they may think proper they to pay said money to the Treasurer & Report once in three months to this meeting

Jethro Russell Informd that he Expects to Remove with his family within the compass of Easttown no meeting and Requests our Certificate Therefore we appoint Wm Gifford & Jonathan Hart to take the necessary care in that matter and Report one to next no meeting if the finding clear

The friends appointed to have the care of the meeting in Allen Neck last winter made the following report which was accepted

To the Monthly Meeting

We your Committee appointed to have the care of the meetings in Allen Neck the winter past ~~had~~ ^{part} report that they were attended by a considerable number and held in a pretty good degree orderly Except a few in which too much levity appeared at times among some of the youth which was discontinued by friend ^{Sign'd} by

Timothy Gifford ² in behalf
Elizabeth Howland of the Committee

Caleb Barker and Sarah Eddy Declared their intention of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next no meeting for their answers and John Tucker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to inquire into Caleb Barker's earnings respecting marriage and conversation and report next no meeting

The Women Inform they have Received Elizabeth Tucker widow under the care which this meeting concur ^{wit} the business being accomplished
Signed Wm Anthony Clark

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth ^{the 16th of Novth} 1795 the Representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South Joseph Tucker Bay & Allen North Bay & Rider and Joseph Gifford ^{are} all present

The Committee to consider the matter respecting schools Report they thought well of this meeting appointing a School Committee to regulate schools according to former advice as far as our situation will admit of Also to receive collections or donations for the support of the yearly meeting school which report themselves concurred in - Therefore we appoint Jonathan Walker George Smith & Luther Ward Wm Gifford John Tucker & Jonathan Hart a Committee for that purpose they to report their progress herin to the no meeting in the 3^d mo next

The Committee to prepare certificate for Jethro Russell ^{fully} they are not ready to report one therefore they are continued and to report next no meeting

The friends to inquire in Caleb Barker's earnings report they find nothing to hinder his proceeding

The Queries were read and Answer thereto prepared from each Preparative meeting from which general answers were prepared also an Account to the deputed ^{Sign'd} by the Clerk and forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Joseph Eddy Thos Hurd & Jonathan Hart they to report next no meeting

Gideon Howland informed this meeting that he Expects to go to Saratoga to give his Relation this meeting concurred therewith he being a member in ~~Levity~~ and the Clerk is directed to give him a copy of the minute

Received a Letter from friend of the no meeting at Saratoga dated 15th of Novth 1795 Informing that Daniel Lapey had neglected the attendance of religious meeting ^{apart} out of plainness of habit and attended a marriage out of the order of friends for which Disorders after Labouring with him from time to time have Disown'd him - which we concur with

Caleb Barker and Sarah Eddy agreed for their answer which was they might proceed to take each other in marriage before next no meeting advising with the friend this meeting appoints to see a marriage order solemnized

Joseph Tuke and Luther Wood are appointed to have marriage
orderly solemnized & report next meeting.

The women inform they received a Removal Certificate
from successor monthly meeting on behalf of Elizabeth Gifford
wife of Joseph Gifford just which we concur with.

This meeting signed a removal Certificate in behalf of
Amy Winslow wife of John Winslow to the no. meeting
of N. Bedford.

The Committee to raise money for our meetings are
to report they have collected and to our Treasurer
Nine Pounds fifteen Shillings 8^{1/2}.

The Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion
of the yearly meeting back to the Quarterly meeting
Treasurer and report at next m^o meeting.

This meeting adjourns to the 25 instant after a meeting
Meeting for Worship.

The 26 day met by adjournment Representatives from
Joseph Tucker & Benjamin Allen the other absent.

The Friends in Allens Neck requests the liberty of
holding meetings there this winter and spring season which
this meeting with the Womens Concurrence Grants and they
to hold d^r meetings according to their request (viz) till the
monthly meeting ~~the month following~~. — In the 12th
st Thomas Allens, and one month at Timothy Gifford,
one month at Sam^d Gifford and one mo. of Elijah Gifford
said meetings to be held on first and 5th days as usual
until the mo. m. in the 4th mo. next: And we appoint Timothy
Gifford, Peleg Sloman, Joseph Tucker and Benjamin Allen
a committee to have the care and oversight of said
meetings; and also to consider of the places suitable for
holding them and make report at next meeting.
the expiration of said time.

Our friend Stephen Buffington informed this meeting
that he had had it on his mind for some time to make Religious
visit to friends meeting within the verge of New York
yearly meeting (viz) Saratoga & New York & there abouts
and he having of the Select meeting members and we having
the concurrence of the women m^o to unite with them therein and
we appoint Mrs. Tucker & Joseph Tucker to prepare a certificate and bring

and bring to the adjournment of this meeting.

This meeting adjourn to the 2^d day of next m^o
after a meeting for Worship.

Second day met of 12 m^o met by adjournment Representatives
present Joseph Tucker & Benjamin Allen.

The friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for
our friend Stephen Buffington produced one which being
approved was signed by the Clerk.

The women produced an acknowledgment signed by
Deborah Barlow (formerly Wilcox) condemning her
misconduct for which she was disowned by this
meeting which we conclude to accept of provided her
late conduct & circumstances render her worthy of admit-
ance into membership at Saratoga (she living with
in the compass of that meeting) and there was a letter
signed in this meeting & forwarded there for their inspection
into the matter and inform us thereof a copy
of which is left on file.

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18 of J^l 1796
the Representatives from the Proprietary meeting, one
from the South Gang of Gifford & Thom^s Allen north
Wm Wood & Thomas Mott all present but Timothy
Gifford who we are informed is dead and in Body.

The Committee in the case of Gethse. Buffells
Certificate report they are not ready to report one
by reason matter are not fully clear they are
contented in that case & to report at next meeting.

The Committee in the case of Robt. Allen report
they visited him and received a good degree of satisfaction
therefore his paper of Acknowledg^t is accepted with
the concurrence of the women meeting said Allen is
accepted under the case of this m^o and Joseph Tucker
is appointed to inform him thereof.

Benjamin Bonnerman & Peleg Shepard appeared for answer
which was that night agreed to take each other in marriage at
some convenient time before next m^o advising with the friends
appointed to see said marriage orderly solemnized into a stamp^y
Buffell & Jonathan W. Moor they to report at next m^o meeting

This meeting is informed that Chilon Wood requests Certificate for two of his young Children namely Ruth & Elisha to the m^r. m^r. of Saratoga they being gone there to live with their father whereupon we appoint Stephen Gifford & Benjamin Allen to Join with the women and take the necessary care and report at next m^r. meeting.

This meeting is also informed that Lemuel Howland Apprentice to Jethro Cole has removed to live within Accoaxet m^r. m^r. wherefore we appoint Joshua Potter & Thomas Mott to take the necessary care in that matter and report next m^r. and forward a certificate if thought best. —

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 2^d of Novr 1795 the Representatives from the South Preparative meeting is Joseph Esters & Benj^r Allen from the North John Tucker & Wm Tripp all present.

The Committee appointed in the care of Jethro Russells Removal certificate report they have been in a progress but are not ready to report one they are continued to report at next m^r. meeting.

The Representatives to Quarterly meeting report they all attended except Dr. Hicks who render'd a sufficient reason for not attending.

The friends appointed to see Caleb Barker and Sarah Eddy's Marriage orderly solemnized report they attend'd said marriage and saw nothing ~~nothing~~ but that it was orderly conducted & the Certificate forwarded to the Clerk for recording.

The Treasurer reports he forwarded £5 to the Quarterly m^r. Treasurer being our proportion.

Benjamin Bowerman produced a certificate from Westborough m^r. meeting setting forth his clearings respecting marriage & consent of Parents to proceed in marriage with Phoebe Shepherd a member here.

Robert Allen of New Bedford gave in a paper concerning his marrying out of the order of Friends, for which he was disown'd some year past, requesting the care of Friends again and we appoint Joseph Tucker & Wm Gifford to keep an opportunity with him to discuss his case with & report at next monthly meeting.

Benjamin Bowerman & Phoebe Shepherd declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage were desired to wait till next m^r. for marriage.

A removal Certificate for Lydia Wing wife Edward Wing to the m^r. m^r. of New Bedford was with the women's Concurrence signed by the Clerk.

A removal Certificate for Bathsheba Russell was signed in concurrence of the women to the m^r. m^r. of Sanday as she is gone ^{there} to live as an apprentice.

Friends in Southwick request liberty to hold meetings there and this meeting after solid consideration therefore grant them liberty to hold meetings on first & fifth days of the week in each following week till the woman in the 3^m month except the day ^{in the week} on which meeting good Discipline are held in course, and to begin at the end of May, we appoint Jas. Webber Benj^r Smith Joseph Esters W^r Anthony Gideon Howland & Jonathan Hart to see said meeting kept up and conducted in an orderly manner and to hold them where they shall think proper & report ~~at~~ ^{to} this meeting at the expiration of said term.

A new Chair of overseers of the poor coming again under consideration whereupon we appoint Thomas Allen Saml. Smith Gideon Howland W^r Wood Joseph Gifford jun^r W^r Anthony & Wm Gifford for the year ensuing at till others be appointed.

The business being accomplish'd concluded

Signed by W^r Anthony Clerk

N.B. the minutes of the 1st m^r. 1796 are on the page
on Leaf Back by mistake

At a monthly m^{tg} held in Dartmouth 15th of 2me 1796
the representatives from the Preparative meetings are
from the South George Smith & Stephen Gifford, north
John Devaul & Adam Mott all present. —

The Committee in the case of preparing a
Certificate for Jethro Russell & family reported
one to this meeting which after being read & approved
was signed by the Clerk & ordered to be recorded here.

Joseph Tucker reported he informed Robert
Allen as directed — — — — —

The friends appointed to see Benjⁿ Powerman
and Phoebe Shepherd's marriage orderly solemnized
report they attended S^r. marriage and that it was
orderly conducted, & the Certificate forwarded to the
Clerk for recording. — — — — —

The Committee to prepare Certificate for Chilton
Wood's children reported one which after being
read was approved & signed by the Clerk —

The Committee in case of Lemuel Howland's
Certificate reported they find nothing to hinder his
said Certificate from being endorsed; wherefore it was
accordingly done & directed back to Accept me. m.

Robert Allen requests a certificate to the m. m.
of New Bedford wherefore we appoint John Devaul
and W^m Gifford to take the necessary care therein
and report at next m^{tg} meeting. — — — — —

Jonathan Hart requests a removal Certifi-
cate for himself & family to the m^{tg} meeting of
Easton as he has thots of going there live therefore
we appoint John Tucker & William Wood to
join the Women that may be appointed in that case
they together to take the necessary care therein and
report at next m^{tg} meeting and forward ^{one} to this m^{tg}
if they think proper — — — — —

Gideon Howland returned a copy of a miss he had
to got to Easton & Sometime to the satisfaction of this meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21st of 3me 1796 —
the representatives from the Preparative meetings are from
the South Humphrey Russell & Caleb Barker, north
Joseph Gifford jun^r & Ebenezer Potter jun^r all present —

The Queries were read and answers from each
Preparative meeting from which general known were copied
& forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our representatives
who are W^m Anthony Joseph Tucker & Gideon Howland
and also an account to D^r meeting was signed by the Clerk

The Committee appointed in the 11me last advise and
regulate Schools & receive money for the Yearly m^{tg} School
made report as followeth to us — We the Committee
appointed in the 11me last for the regulation of Schools
and to receive Collections & Donations for the year meeting
School, have make report that we have given much
Advise as we that best in our present Circumstances;
but have not rec'd any collections or donations for that
purpose.

21st of 8me 1796

Jonathan Wilbur
in behalf of Committee

In concurrence of the women's meeting received a
Certificate in behalf of Pease using from Sandusky m^{tg}
also a Certificate in behalf of Lydia Sheppard directed
to the m^{tg} of New Bedford was signed by the Clerk

The friends in the case of Robert Allen Certificate
presented one which was signed by the Clerk — — — — —

The matter respecting Jonathan Hart's Certificate
is deferred next meeting. — — — — —

Luke Hart requests a Removal Certificate to the
m^{tg} of Easton therefore we appoint Joshua Potter
& W^m Wood to take the care thereof and report one to
next m^{tg} if they find thing clear

4mo. 18. Humphrey Shearman requests a removal certificate
1796 for himself & family to the meeting of Easton
Therefore we appoint Jonathan Wilbour & Humphrey
Pugh to take the necessary care & report one to next
monthly meeting if they find matters clear.

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18th Jno. 1796
the representatives from the prebene meetings are from the
South Eston Joseph & Benjamin Allen & Wm. John Gifford
and Wm. Gifford all present - - - -

The Representatives to Quarterly meeting reported
they all attended as directed - - - -

The Committee in care of Jonathan Hart &
Replies Experience Certificate reported one for them
and sister Mary & their children Namely Martha
Thomas, Anna Phebe & Jonathan which was signed
by the Clerk & directed to the mo. m. of Easton.

The Committee in care of Luke Hants Certificate
Reported one which was signed by the Clerk and also
directed to Easton - - - -

The women inform they have derived Unity with
Hannah Packard formerly Smith which now concurs with - - - -

Stephen Russell request a certificate to the
mo. m. of Acocasset Experience of his right of
membership & clearness of marriage engagements
therefore we appoint Jos. Estes & Lutkin Wood
to take the necessary care therein and report
next mo. meeting

Wm. Wood request a removal certificate
to the mo. m. of Acocasset for himself & family
therefore we appoint John Tucker & Wm. Gifford

to take the necessary care therein and report at next
monthly meeting

In concurrence of the women's meeting we sign a
Removal certificate for Abigail Hathaway wife of Samuel
Hathaway to the mo. m. of Vassalborough.

We appoint our friends Jonathan Wilbour, Joseph
Estes, & Wm. Gifford to endeavor to collect the Books Belong-
ing to this meeting in order to make out a list thereof
for found, Use & report at next mo. m. or whenever

The Committee appointed to raise money for this
meetings Use report they have collected £. 11. 11. and recd
to our Treasurer.

We appoint Jonathan Wilbour, G. Howland, Humphrey
Bullock & Wm. Anthony to take the necessary care
Respecting the keeping our meeting in House this year
ensuring also to have the care of pines & feed round the
the House. - - - - Signed Wm. Anthony Clerk

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 16 of June 1796
the representatives from the representative meetings are
from the South Lutkin Wood & Thomas Allen north
Benjamin Rider & Adam Mott, all present

The year of the Clerks appointment being expired
the representatives were called upon to nominate one
for that service and they nominated Joseph Estes for
that service & Wm. Gifford Spurient and after a
solid Consideration thereon they are appointed by this
meeting accordingly to that service for one year or
until others be appointed in their room

The friends appointed to the care of Wm. Woods
Certificate desired to be continued which is complied with
with their then to report

A Certificate for Stephen Russell to account
mo. m. setting forth his clearness of marriage engagements
& consent of Parents to providing marriage with L. Howland
was signed by the Clerk. - -

1796 The Committee to have the care of meetings in Atch
6th m^o Smith's Neck presented the following report

We the committee appointed in the 12 mo last to have the care of the meetings in Smith's Neck Report that we have generally attended said meetings which we all kept up and attended by most of friends also by a number of friendly neighbours and were held in a still quiet & becoming manner as far as we have discoursed to a good degree of satisfaction. Which is accepted by this Meeting.

A New choice of Overseers coming under consideration at this meeting, whereupon we appoint Joseph Tucker John Tucker Lathan Wood Jonathan Wilburt Wm Gifford Benj'n & Timothy Gifford to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

James Tucker & Phoebe Tucker appeared in this meeting and proposed their intentions of marriage with each other which was voted and they desired to wait till next mo. m. for answer, Humphrey Russell & Wm. Gifford are appointed to take the necessary care respecting his clearance of marriage in conversation & report at our next m^o m.

The Committee appointed to hire a man to keep the meeting house & yard have prepared and agreed with Humphrey Russell to keep it accordingly for one year from the 1st of Jan^o 1796 for the sum of Eleven Dollars which this meeting concurs with.

Joseph Estes Clerk

At our monthly meeting of Friends held on Darth the 20th of 6 mo 1796

The Representatives from the preparative m^o are from the Earth formerly Howland & Benjamin Allen with John Tucker & Joseph Gifford all present.

The Quire were read and answers from each preparative meeting from which general answer were compiled were also read and approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly m^o by our representatives who are Wm Anthony, Humphrey Bruffett & Joseph Tucker they are also directed to forward an account from this to y^r meeting said account is prepared & signed by the Clerk.

Our beloved friend John Layd attended this meeting with a copy of a minute presented m^o m. dated 26 of 4 mo 1796 where company & labor of love is very acceptable to us.

Also our beloved friend Hannah Barnard attended with a copy of a minute from Utica m^o m. dated 28 of 4 mo 1796 where company and service has been also acceptable to us.

A Removal Certificate in behalf of Wm. Wood & Wife directed to the m^o m. of account was sign'd by the Clerk.

The friend appointed to the care of James Tucker's clearness reported they found nothing sufficient to hinder him from proceeding in marriage with Phoebe Tucker.

A Removal Certificate in behalf of Edward Plaid Jun^r formerly directed to Swaney m^o meeting in new Bedford m^o by the said Edward with an Endorsement satisfactory to this meeting.

An acknowledgment signed by John Gifford (now at Cambridge) was read in this meeting expressing his sorrow for his conduct some years past desiring to be restored to the Unity of Friends whereupon we appoint Wm Anthony Wm Gifford & Joseph Tucker to take the necessary care on his account and make report at next m^o m. what they find most expedient to be done.

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Daniel Tucker and Phoebe Tucker appeared for answer nothing appearing to hinder them from proceeding accordingly — Humphrey Russell and Wm Gifford are appointed to see their marriage orderly conducted & their Certificate forwarded to the Clerk for record & report at next m^o. m.

We are informed by a Letter from Danby m^o. m. respecting Deborah Barlow that they have taken the necessary care according to our request and that they believe her acknowledgment to be sincere; whereupon we accept it for satisfaction with the concurrence of the women's meeting, and appoint Thomas Hicks & Joseph Estes to prepare a certificate and bring to next m^o. meeting. —

Sigd J. Estes Clerk

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of July 1796 the representatives from the preparative meetings are from the South Wm Anthony & Benjamin Allen north John Devaul & Thomas Mott all present except Thomas Mott whose absence we are informed is on account of indisposition of Bady —

Two of the representatives to Quarterly meeting reported they did attend S^t meeting —

Zephaniah Buffington rendered a satisfactory excuse for his not attending —

The committee in the case of John Gifford Acknowledg^t presented a letter directed to the Eastown m^o. m. requesting friends there to inspect his sincerity on this meeting, account and inform us as soon as may be, which being approved was signed by the Clerk

A removal certificate on behalf of Mahetib Smith wife of Deliverance Smith directed to the m^o. m. of New Bedford was signed by the Clerk

The women's meeting inform that they have accepted into membership Sarah Wood wife of Daniel Wood with which this meeting concur

They also inform they have concluded to accept the acknowledgment of Lydia Gifford wife of Stephen Gifford for satisfaction this meeting concurring therewith

A certificate on behalf of Deborah Barlow directed to the monthly meeting of was signed by J^r Clerk her Acknowledgment not being present Thomas Hicks & Joseph Estes are appointed to see that it is procured for recording and report at next monthly meeting —

Our friend Stephen Buffington having returned with the certificate obtained for the purpose of making a Religious Visit to friends at Hoosock, Saratoga, & Nine Partners dated 2 of 12 mo. 1795 which is to our comfort & satisfaction —

Humphrey Russell & Wm Gifford reported they attended the marriage of James Gaskin and Phoebe Tucker and that it was in a good degree orderly conducted & the Certificate forwarded to the Clerk for recording —

Received Epistles from London, Philadelphia and New York; also Transactions of Equities & Extracts from the yearly & Quarterly meeting, the reading of which is deferred to next monthly meeting —

Sigd By J^r Estes Clerk

At our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 1st of August 1796 The representatives are from the South Humphrey Russell and Luther Wood north John Tucker & William Gifford all present —

The several Epistles (the reading of which was referred from last meeting) were read in turn to wit, one printed Epistle from London dated 5 mo. 1795, one written to the yearly meeting of Rhode Island dated 5 mo. 1795 —

8mo. also one from Pennsylvania dated 10 mo. 1795 & one
1796 from New York dated 5 mo. 1796, the several important
communications therein contained were to our satisfaction
and comfort. —

A removal certificate on behalf of Rufus Gifford
and wife Ruth from the monthly meeting of New Bedford
dated 17th of 5 mo. 1796 was read & accepted. —

Thomas Hicks & Joseph Lester reported that
Deborah Borlows acknowledgment was passed for
redording. —

By the Quarterly meeting Extracts it appears
that our proportion of the yearly meeting stock
is seven pounds. —

At our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the
19th. of 9 mo. 1796 the representatives one from
the church Wm Anthony & Luther Wood
with William Grigg & Joseph Gifford Jun^r.
who being called are all present —

The Minutes were read and motions proposed
in this meeting which being approved are directed
to be forwarded to the Q. meeting together with an
account to P. meeting being also approved & sign'd
by the Clerk we appoint Joseph Fucker Jonathan
Milbour and Joseph Gifford Jun^r. to attend the ensuing
Quarterly Meeting as Representatives. —

This meeting concurs with the women
in accepting Edith Olson's Acknowledgment
Also in accepting Mary Hart into membership.

Our Treasurer is directed forward Seven pounds
to the Quarterly m^r v Treasurer being our proportion
of the yearly meeting Stock. —

The committee to receive Donations for Schools
and to regulate them in Society as far as Circumstances
will admit report they have received nothing on
that

that account they are continued in that power and
to endeavour to stir up the minds of friends therein
and report in the m^r m^r in the third month next.

A Removal Certificate on behalf of Eliza Grinnell
wife of Cornelius Grinnell directed to the monthly
meeting of New Bedford dated 19th of 9th 1796 was signed
by the Clerk. —

Also a removal Certificate on behalf of Rebecca
Milk directed to the m^r m^r of Accoaset dated 19th of 9th
was signed by the Clerk. —

The Committee in the care of meetings in
Allem & Clark report as followeth. —

which is accepted by this meeting. —

The Committee to collect money for the meeting
we report they have collected and delivered to our
Treasurer £3..12..2 which is a conclusive report and
they Dismissed. —

Joseph Fucker Wm Gifford & William
Anthony are appointed to settle accounts with
the Trustees accepted & appointed by a former committee
of this meeting to the care of the Estates of John
West late of New Bedford Deceased who are to
report their progress to next m^r meeting.

This meeting is informed through the prepa-
rative meeting that Peter Stanford is removed
out of the Unity of Friends and that the woman
was a member of unity. the further consideration is
referred to next m^r m^r

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth
the 17 of 10 mo. 1796. —

The representatives from the Prepartive meeting,
are from the South Thomas Allen & Timothy Gifford
North Adam Mott & Abner Potter Junr. all present

One of the Representatives to the Quarterly
meeting they all attended said meeting —

The Committee appointed to settle accounts
with the Trustees of John West's Estate report
they have made some progress therein, they are
continued in that service to use their utmost
endeavours to accomplish said business and
make report at next mo. meeting —

The matter respecting Pleg Sanford
coming again under consideration and it
appearing that he is guilty of fornication and
married out of the Unity of friends, wherefore after
Solid Deliberation and having the concurrence of
the women's meeting concluded to deny Unity with
him & Humphrey Russell and Joseph Tucker
are appointed to inform him thereof, prepare a
Testimony of his denial and report at next
monthly meeting

A Removal Certificate for Phoebe
Bowerman to the monthly meeting of Waldborough
was signed by both Clerks —

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the
21 of June 1796

The Representatives from the prepartive meeting
are from the South George Smith & Jonathan Willour
North Wm Tripp & John Tucker all present

The committee to settle Accounts with the Trustees
John West's Estate, reported they have used their endeavours
to accommodate and settle, but the Trustees not
being

being fully ready prepared to make a Settlement with
our said Committee as further appears by writing from them
to this meeting as also a request that said matter may
be transferred to New Bedford mo. m. with which we
Unite and our Committee is continued to confer with
that meeting on that account and report at next mo. m.

This meeting concurs with the women in accepting
the acknowledgment of Sarah Smith wif. John
Smith. —

The care of Pleg Sanford having not been attended
to by reason of his Absence, they are continued to the
care thereof and to report at next mo. meeting

The Queries were read and Answer prepared
also an Account signed by the Clerk which was directed
to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our Repre-
sentatives who are Benjamin Smith, John Tucker
& Wm Gifford they to report at next meeting.

This meeting concurs with the women in accepting
a removal Certificate on behalf of Lydia Russell wif.
Stephen Buffington, also an endorsement in favour of Phoebe
Allen both from the monthly meeting of Alcocket

Our friend Stephen Buffington mightily pressed
before this meeting a concern that had rested on his
mind to make a Religious Visit to friends as far as
the Oblong, Newmarket & there abouts, and after solid
Deliberation thereon we Unite with him therein; he
having laid his prospect before the select members
in due order; whereupon we appoint Thomas Nick,
Joseph Tucker to prepare a certificate for that pur-
pose and bring to the adjournment of this meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 30 instant after
a meeting for worship. —

30th day met according to adjournment. —

A Certificate for our friend Stephen Buffington was
read approved by this and also the women's meeting and
signed by the Clerk in order to be forwarded to the Quarterly
meeting for Concurrence. —

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Which said return being approved by this and also
the Womem meeting; it is satisfactory, and his said
Acknowledgment is accepted by this meeting, and he restored
to membership again with us, and the Clerk is appointed
to read it at usual & report to next mo. m.

Luthur Wood & Jos. Esters are directed to prepare
removal certificate & bring to next m. if found best.

This meeting is informed thod the A. preparative,
that Adam Mott requests a removal certificate for
his son Adam to the mo. m. of Velvethorugh where
upon we appoint John Devaul & Joshua Potter to
take the care thereof and bring one to next m. =
if found best.

Information is received from the m. for Suffring
that the valuable Journal of our Beloved friend Job.
Scott Decd, is about to be printed, & desiring friends
to forward subscriptions therfor to Moses Brown as
soon as is convenient, whereupon we appoint Mr.
Anthony Joseph Gifford Junr. Thomas Mott Timothy
Howland & Lephannah Buffington to receive them
& report to Next mo. meeting. Sign. Jos. Esters Clerk

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth
20th. of 2 mo. 1797 the representatives from South
preparative meeting are Joseph Tucker & Jonathan Willow
North Thom. Mott & Joshua Potter all present

The matter respecting the estate John West is
is again referred to next mo. meeting under care of the
former Committee they then to report

The Clerk reports that the Testimony of Peleg
Sanford's Denial - And John Gifford's Acknowledg^{mt}
has been read as directed

Luthur Wood & Jos. Esters produced a removal
Certificate for John Gifford to the mo. meeting of Easton
which being approved was signed by the Clerk -

The committee to prepare a Removal Certificate
for Adam Mott just reported they had taken the necessary
care and produced one which being approved was signed by
the Clerk.

The receiving Subscriptions for Job Scott's Journal
is continued to next mo. meeting & Thomas Allen is added
to the committee for that purpose. Then to report

A Certificate in behalf of our beloved friend
Stephen Buffington from the Quarterly meeting
held at Easton the 16 of 4th mo. 1796 Expressive of his
Religious Visit and Gospel Labours of Love together with
his Exemplary Conduct & conversation being truly ac-
ceptable and Edifying was received & read here the reception
whereof is very agreeable to us and comfortable

Abn. Shepherd requesteth a removal Certificate for himself
and family to the mo. meeting of New Bedford: we appoint
Zephaniah Buffington & Caleb Barker to take the
necessary care prepare one and bring to next mo. meeting
if found best.

Caleb Stour presented a paper by way of the
Preparative meeting condemning his misconduct &
requesting friends care again wherefore we appoint
Luthur Wood & Jonathan Willbur to take a suitable
opportunity with him and Endeavour to find his
Sincerity & report at next mo. meeting -

By the preparative meeting we are informed that Elizabeth
Johnson requests a removal Certificate for herself and Son
James to the monthly meeting of Easton whereupon we
appoint Thom. Hicks & George Smith to prepare one
and forward to next mo. meeting if that best.

Rec'd. an Extract of a minute from the Quarterly meeting
held at New Bedford 3^d of 12th mo. 1796 by which it appears that
our proportion of the money to be raised for the Quarterly
meeting Stock is Eighty Seven Dollars & one half; and as
as we have a committee for the purpose of collecting money
for this meeting, they are directed to collect the s. sum in the
usual way as the sum have been heretofore collected
and make report at the mo. meeting after paying it
to our Treasurer - Conclude

Signed Jos. Esters, Clerk

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At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth <sup>20th of 3 mo. 1797
the Representatives from the South Zephaniah Buffington
3mo. & Jonathan Wilbour North Thomas Mott & James
Tucker - All Present.</sup>

The Committee reported no account from N. Bedford
respecting the Estate of John West that matter is
again deferred to next mo. meeting; then to report

The Queries were read and Answers from each
Preparative meeting from which General Answers were
compiled which being approved was together with an
account of the Quarterly meeting signed by Clerk
was directed to be forwarded by the Representative
who are Benj: Smith Wm Anthony Jos: Tucker
& Abner Potter just they to report their attendance
at next mo. meeting.

In concurrence with the women's meeting was
signed a Removal Certificate on behalf of Elizabeth
Sisson wife of Jonathan Sisson directed to the
monthly meeting of N. Bedford

Recd. Subscriptions for Job Scott's Journal ^{to}
the number of 39 Books it is still continued to next
month; then to report what addition is made

A Removal Certificate on behalf of Abner
Shepherd and family directed to the mo. meeting
of New Bedford was signed by the Clerk; also
one on behalf of Elisabeth Johnson & son James
to the mo. meeting of Easton.

The Committee reported they have had another
opportunity with Caleb Locum and that they had
received a degree of satisfaction, we think it may
be well to defer it to next mo. meeting under then
care then to report.

By the South Preparative m. we are inform that
Philip Ryall hath kept company and married out
of the Unity of friend with a woman not a member
of our Society we affect a Society whereupon

Thomas Mott & George Smith to take an oppor-
tunity with him & report according to what they find
to next mo. meeting.

Collected and Paid to our treasurer ^L 19.^S 5.^D 8
the Committee are still continued & to report at next mo. meeting

Jos: Estes Clerk

At a monthly Meeting held <sup>17th of 4 mo. 1797
the representatives from the South Humphrey Buffill
& George Smith North Joshua Potter & Joseph Gifford Jr.
all present</sup>

The committee in care of the matters respecting
the Estate of John West report that the matter is
accommodated with New Bedford monthly meeting
and that they have accepted the trust & care thereof
as appears by the following copy of a minute
from that meeting. The Committee appointed accord-
ing to the Request of Dartmouth mo. meeting report
that they think it may be safe for this meeting to
receive the care of John West's Estate; this meeting
Units therewith and the Committee is directed to send
Dartmouth mo. meeting a copy of this minute Abraham
Smith & Thomas Hazard Jr. are appointed to have
the care of said Estate for the year ensuing

Extracted from New Bedford mo. meeting minute
By Thos. Rotch, Clerk

The Representatives to Quarterly meeting reported they all
attended except B. Smith who gave to this meeting a satisfactory
reason for not attending.

The Committee in care of meetings in Smith's Neck

reported in writing as followeth

To the m. m. of Friends in Dartm. <sup>17th of 4 mo. 1797 according to appointment several
of us attended all the meetings held in Smith's Neck the winter past also all
attended when & sojourning with health & recover nothing but that P. meeting
was generally kept in a good degree orderly & to good satisfaction for which reason
and also the mutual consolation mentioned at times there in we desire to render
humble Acknowledgment to the Author of all favors received & signed by
Jos: Wilbour W: Anthony J: Smith Benj: Smith Mary Anthony J: Howland M: Smith</sup>

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Which is accepted by this meeting to good Satisfaction
The committee to receive Subscriptions for Job Scott's Journal report they have four to add which make total 43 Books, — Humphrey Buffell and Wm Gifford are appointed to take the care of forward said number of Books & also the money to mens Books as soon as may be agreeable to direction from the Meeting for Suffering and to report at next m^o. m.

The friends in the case of Caleb Stocum report Caleb Stocum they taken another opportunity with him and found good Acknowledgment wherupon this meeting in concurrence with recorded Women conclude to accept his paper of acknowledgment & receive him into membership with us again & the Clerk is directed to read it in the usual way and report at next m^o. meeting —

Humphrey Buffell return'd a copy of a minute obtained for the purpose of traveling with our friend Stephen Buffington to Satisfaction.

The friends to visit Philip Buffell report they have had no opportunity with him, they are still continued & Jonathan Willour is added with them they to report at next monthly meeting —

The Committee to raise money report nothing material done — They are continued & desired to make report at next m^o. m.

The time of Humphrey Buffells keeping the meeting House & yard being expired; the South Preparative m^o is directed to pay him the sum of Eleaven Dollars for said Service which is complied with

Wm Howland & Timothy Howland are appointed to agree with a friend for that service for the year ensuing & report at next m^o. meeting —

The Committee appointed to see to a Settlement being accommodated between Sarah Pickerson and Benjamin Willour of newport now report it is settled to Satisfaction

Signed J. E. Clark

) At a Monthly meeting of Friends held 15th of Sept 1797
The representatives from the Preparative meeting are from the South Phanas Allon & Joseph Wood north W^m Tripp & Thomas Mott all Present

This meeting is informed that Subscriptions for Job Scott's Journal & also the money for printing the same instant forward as directed —

The Clerk reports that Caleb Stocum acknowledgement has been read as directed the friends to visit Philip Buffell report he has not been much at home they are therefore continued to the necessary care thereof and report at next m^o. m.

This meeting concur with the women in receiving and accepting the cabin acknowledged of Lydia Sanford (wife of Caleb Sanford) —

The committee report they have agreed with Timothy Howland to keep the m^o. house & to have the care of tynd from the 17th. of Sept. the ensuing year for Eleaven dollars & half or so cents which is agreeable to this meeting —

Noah Gifford and Martha Hathaway appeared in this meeting and declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage they having produced consent of Parents and he also produced a certificate from the m^o. meeting of accepting forth his Clearance to proceed in marriage with the said Martha Hathaway; this meeting takes note thereof and desire them to wait till next m^o. m. for answer —

Osman Wood hath obtained Consent of Parents to proceed in marriage with Sarah Tucker and they appear and declare their intentions of taking each other in marriage this meeting takes notice of & desire them to wait till next m^o. m. for Answer

Timothy Howland & Joseph Estes are appointed to take the necessary care respecting Osman Wood's Clearance in marriage & conversation & report at next m^o. meeting.

Zophannah Slade requests (thru the North Preparative meeting) a certificate directed to them meeting of Economy where he is going to reside an apprentice Caleb Barker & Stephen Buffington are appointed to make enquiry prepare one & bring to next m^o. m. if nothing sufficient appears to hinder

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth
1797 the 19 of June, 1797 the Representatives are from the
South Humphrey Buffill & Luther Wood north
John Devail & Joshua Potter all present.

The year of the Clerks appointment being expid
Joseph Etes is again appointed for the ensuing year
or until another is appointed in his stead and
William Gifford is again appointed Assistant.

The Queries were read and answers prepared
which being approved, were together with an
account from this to the Quarterly meeting signed
by the Clerk directed to be forwarded by our Rep-
resentatives who are Lephamah Buffington
Thomas Mott Joseph Gifford just. they to report
of their attendance at next m^r.

The committee to visit Philip Buffill report
no opportunity with him it is again deferd to next m^r.

Our Beloved friend Nathan A. Smith attended
this meeting with a certificate from the m^r
of Philadelphia northern District dated 23 of 5 mo. 1797
when company & Gospel Labour hath been edifying
& satisfactory to us.

The committee report they have taken care on
account of Osman's clearenes find nothing sufficient
to hinder him from proceeding.

The women inform they have concluded to
accept Patience Potter wife of W^t H. Potter into
membership with which this meeting concurs.

Noah Gifford & Martha Hathaway and
Osman Wood & Sarah Tucker appeared for answer
nothing appearing sufficient to hinder them from
proceeding they are left at Liberty to solemnize their
marriage at some convenient time before next
m^r. m. and Luther Wood & Joseph Etes are
appointed to se noah gifford marriage orderly
conducted and the certificate forwarded to the
Clerk for recording.

Humphrey Buffill & m^r Anthony or appointed to
see that of Osman Wood's marriage conducted orderly
deliver their certificate to the Clerk & report at next m^r.

A Certificate directed to the men of Swanzey on
behalf of Lephamah Sted was read approved and
signed by the Clerk.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward 87 Dollars
and 50 Cents to the Quarterly meeting treasurer being
our proportion of yearly Stock.

The North Preparative meeting forwarded a
paper signed Garner Potter condemning his having
been guilty of fornication which is referred to next m^r
in the case of John Devail & Thomas Mott
they to Endeavour to find the sincerity of his mind

This meeting conclude to appoint a meeting to
morrow at the 11 hour for the consummation of the
marriage of Noah Gifford & Martha Hathaway

Collected and paid to our Treasurer 20 dol^s

Joseph Etes Clerk

At a monthly m^r of Dartmouth 17 of June 1797
The Representatives from the South Benjamin Allen & Humphrey
Buffill North Benj^r Rider & Abner Potter &c. all present

The Representatives to Quarterly m^r report they
all attended according to appointment.

The comm^t to visit Philip Buffill report they
have not had opportunity with him By reason of his
absence it is again deferd to next m^r meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the Marriage of Noah
Gifford report it was orderly conducted, and their certificate
forwarded to the recorder.

One of the friends to see to Osman Woods marriage
Reported they attended thereto and that it was conducted
in a good degree orderly, (the other friend rendered a reason-
satisfactory for his nonattendance) the certificate handed
to the recorder as directed.

The comm^t to visit Garner Potter reported they
had an opportunity with him and that he gave them some
satisfaction they are still continued in that service
to report at next m^r meeting.

Our Treasurer reported he has forwarded
87 Dollars & 50 Cents to Quarterly m^r Treasurer as directed

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Walter Shearman produced a certificate from the m. m. of Rhode Island expressing of his being a Member and Clergy to proceed in marriage with Hulda Wilbour also consent of Parents in writing.

Walter Shearman & Hulda Wilbour appear in this meeting and manifested their intentions of taking each other in marriage, which is noted and they desirous to wait till next m. m. for marriage.

A new appointment of Overseers coming under consideration whereupon we appoint Thos. Mott, Luther Wood, Zephaniah Buffing, John Tucker, William Gifford and Joseph Tucker, to attend to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment takes place.

Through the North P. m. came a request signed by Phenee Potter wife of Wm Hulda Potter in behalf of her Children's being admitted into membership with us whereupon we appoint Thomas Smith & John Doreau Joseph Gifford Junr. to join the women and take a suitable opportunity with them on that account and report at next m. m.

The com^{tee} to have of meetings in Allemuck reported they were attened and conducted in a good agree orderly — signed Joseph Estes (P. P.)

(D) At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 21st of Aug: 1797 the Representatives from the South Joseph Wing and Zephaniah Buffington North Adam Mott and James Tucker all present.

The com^{tee} reported they have had no opportunity with Philip Russell by reason of his absence they are desirous to continue their care to him and make return at next m. m.

Wm Gifford reported he delivered Osman Wood Certificate for record as directed —

The com^{tee} report they have had another opportunity with Garner Potter & found good satisfaction; whereupon we accept his paper of acknowledgment and receive him into membership again with us

Wm Gifford is appointed to read said Paper as usual and make report at next m. m.

The Com^{tee} appointed to have the care and inspection of Paternae Potter Request report they have had a suitable opportunity with them and discovered nothing but that it may be safe to receive them into membership; and having the women's concurrence they are accepted and received into membership accordingly; their names are Elisabeth, William Ruby, Benjamin, Ruth, & Sarah.

Walter Shearman & Hulda Wilbour appear for answer & nothing appearing to hinder them from proceeding; they are left at liberty to take each in Marriage at some convenient time before next monthly m. George Smith & Wm Anthony are appointed to see that their Marriage be orderly conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the recorder and report at next m. m.

Wm Wood forwarded a Paper thro' the Proprietor m. condoning his having married out of the approved Rules & Order of Society; & expressing his sorrow therfor & desiring to be restored to Unity again wherefore we appoint Thom. Hicks and Benj: Allen to endeavour to find his vicinity thence and report at next m. m. on meeting accordingly

Humphrey Russell requests a Certificate for his son John Wada Russell directed to the m. m. of New Bedford where he is gone to reside as an Apprentice with a friend whence we appoint George Sciford & Caleb Barker to prepare one and bring to next m. m. if no obstruction appear

We are informed that Joseph Potter sometime past removed within the compass of Loston m. m. without Certificate; whence we appoint James Tucker & Thomas Mott to write to that meeting what they think proper & bring to next m. m.

The com^{tee} to raise money report they have paid to our treasurer Nineteen Dollars four Shillings and ten pence 19 dols. 4/10 pence

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A certificate for George B. Anthony wife
and child from New Bedford mo. m. measured
q.m. and excepted — Signed J. Eales Clerk

(D) At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth
the 18th of qmo. 1797 the representatives
The Representatives from the South Timothy Howland
Zephaniah Buffington North Thomas Smith and
William Tripp — all present

The Queries were read and Answers to 3.2.8th
were prepared & directed to the Quarterly m.

The Comte Report they endeavoured for an opportunity
with Philip Russell but did not obtain it, they
are still continuing and to report next mo.

Wm Gifford reported he had read Garner
Potters Paper as Directive (it being for fornication)

The friends appointed to the care of Walter
Shearmans marriage reported they attended there to
and that it was orderly conducted & the Certificate
forwarded to the Clerk for recording.

The Comte report they have had an opportunity
with Wm Wood, and think best it be referred to
next mo. m. for further Labour with him, which
the meeting Unites with they then to report.

A Certificate on Behalf of John Wada
Russell directed to the mo. m. of New Bedford
was approved & signed by the Clerk

The Comte appointed produced an Epay of a
Letter directed to the mo. m. of Easton as directed
which being read was approved and signed by
the Clerk & James Tucker is directed forward the
same to that meeting to preserve a copy thereof
and Lodge with the Clerk

A complaint against J. Howland Jr. was bro.
through the Prepartive m. on account of his being
out of Plains, in behaviour & apparel, and that
the Officers had laboured with him on these acc'ts
but ned. but little Satisfaction therefore this mdy
appoints Jno. Gifford Jr. & James Tucker to take a
suitable opportunity with him and endeavour to convince
him of his deviation from the way of truth & report the

Likewise a complaint against Nicholas Lapham for
his being out of plains, neglecting to attend our Religious
meeting, & is snarred out of the Unity of friend, for which
the Officers also laboured with him; found but little
satisfaction; yet this meeting being desirous to be fully
clear do appoint Thomas Thacker & Benj: Allen to
visit him and endeavour to reclaim him if it may
be done, and report next mo. m.

In concurrence of the women meeting was signed
a certificate on behalf of Dinah Howland wife
of Wm Howland to the mo. m. of Easton.

We Unite with the women in receiving Alice
Smith Daughter of John Smith into membership.

This m. is informed that Thomas Smith has
a prospect of removing with his family to live
within the compass of Easton morn. & requests a
our Certificate for himself & P. family his children's
names Joseph, Howland, Rebecca & Rachel therefore
we appoint Wm Tripp & Wm Gifford to make
necessary inspection and if they find nothing to
hinder him from having a certificate from the
Women and prepare one & bring to next morn.

Wm Gifford Luther Wood & James Tucker
are appointed to attend our next Quarterly meeting
and make report at the mo. m. next month

This meeting concurs with the women in doing
with Elisabeth Potter wife of Garner Potter

An Account was prepared & signed by the Clerk
directed to the Quarterly m.

We are informed by North Prepartive m.
that John Devane request a Certificate for
himself & wife to the mo. m. of Easton; Joseph
Gifford Jr. & Abner Dyer Jr. are appointed to take
the necessary care to inspect the Legality of his
disposing of his Interest; and if no obstruction
appear give the women prepare one and bring to
next mo. m.

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The Representatives from the North Wm Spragg and James Tucker & Ruth Humphrey Russell & George Sanford all present.

The friends appointed in the case of Philip Russell Report; they have not had opportunity to speak with him on account of his absence, they are still continued to the care thereof, and to report next mo. m.

The Committee appointed to the care of Mrs. Wood, care reported, they had attended thereto and found some satisfaction and that they hot well of its being deferred another month, which is approved, they then to report.

James Tucker informed that he had forwarded the Letter to Easton as directed; and also handed a copy thereof to the Clerk.

The Committee appointed to take an opportunity with Gideon Howland Jr. reported, they endeavoured, but did not obtain it by reason of his absence; they are continued to the care thereof, and to report next mo. m.

The Committee in the care of H. Lapham reported, in writing Viz. To the m.m. to be held 16 of 10 mo 1797 we have had a suitable opportunity with H. Lapham and laboured to convince him of his error and endeavoured to evince to him the necessity of condemning it, but our labour has not had the effect desired, he is not willing to condemn his marrying out of the order of Society and has not requested friends to wait concern with him.

And after said Deliberation thereon [T. Hicks] it is concluded to defer the matter a- [Benjⁿ. Allen] nother month under the care of the former Committee they to use their endeavours to reclaim him & report accordingly at next mo. m.

This meeting concur with the women in accepting & receiving the acknowledgment of Ruth Lapham wife of Humphrey Lapham.

Also in accepting the acknowledgment of Anna Russell wife of William Russell of N. Bedford.

A Removal Certificate for Hilda ~~the~~ ²⁴ year
Member to the m. m. of Rhode Island was signed by the Clerk

The friends appointed to procure a certificate for Thomas Smith and family reported they have taken the necessary care in that case, and have produced one which was approved and signed by the Clerk.

This meeting concur with the women in concerning Metitable wood wife of Mr. Wood into membership.

The Representatives to D. meeting report they they all attended and had in charge to remind this meeting that our future Representatives take due care to meet at the hour where D. meeting is held at the ninth hour of the day on which the meeting is held in order to make out a Summary of the answers to the Queries.

The friend in the case of John Deveal Capt. reported they think best to continue it another month which is complied with thy them to report.

An acknowledgment signed by Elijah Gifford Junr. (was read) condemning his marrying out of the Unity of Friends, and desiring friends to pass by S. office and to be restored to membership; wherefore we appoint Joseph Gifford & Benjⁿ. Allen to take an opportunity with him and endeavour to find the sincerity of his request & return and report next mo. m.

This the Pre. m. we are informed that Josiah Wood Jr. requests a Removal certificate for himself & family to the m. m. of N. Bedford Josephine Buffington & Caleb Barker in conjunction with the women are appointed to take the necessary care, prepare one and bring to next mo. meeting if no obstruction appears.

Also that Abraham Allen hath much neglected the due attendance of our Religious meetings, is out of Platney, kept company and married out of the Unity of Friends, and that the Overseers have laboured with him and that appeared desirous to make friends. Satisfaction for his so Deviating whereupon we appoint Jonathan Tolbour & James Tucker to take a suitable opportunity with him in order for his help and restoration; and report at next mo. m.

It appearing necessary to appoint a Committee to have the care of the burying ground and who of such as are not members shall be Entered therein; we therefore appoint Wm Gifford Joseph Tucker John Tucker Joseph Gifford Jr. Thos. Matt Luther Wood & Jas. Estes and Humphrey Russell to attend to that Service.