

REVISIONS OF DISCIPLINE.

THE first meetings for Discipline in New York, of which we have accounts, were held in 1671 or 1672. Rules for the government of the Society in that early day, similar in many respects to those now in use, are found in the records. In 1762 the Discipline of Philadelphia, as revised by that meeting in 1719, was approved by the Yearly Meeting of New York (then held at Flushing, Long Island), and recommended to be used by the subordinate Meetings. In 1783 the Discipline was revised, and again in 1800, and two hundred and fifty copies {ordered to be printed—the Meetings previously having been furnished with written copies, one to each meeting. In 1810, and in 1859, the Yearly Meeting revised it again. Since then paragraphs have been altered from time to time, and during the present year, 1877, the whole work has undergone a revision.

Extract from the minutes of the Representative Meeting of Canada Yearly Meeting held 25th of 6th mo. 1880. "The important subject of revising the Discipline, or adopting a new one having been under consideration at this time, it is the judgment of this meeting that the present Discipline of New York Yearly Meeting be adopted."

From the minutes of Canada Yearly Meeting, 1880, No. 34—"The further consideration of the report of Representative Meeting was taken up, and it is the judgment of this meeting that it be adopted."