- as a Committee on Gospel service. We direct them to meet and confer with visiting Ministers, and to make such arrangements as appear best for the furtherance of their service in the distribution of the Ministry on First Day, and exercise a watchful supervision over all Meetings for worship during the sessions of this Yearly Meeting.
- 16. A Minute of Mahunta M.M., North Carolina, liberating William L. Pearson for service whithersoever in the providence of God he may be led, has at this time been read to the satisfaction of this Meeting.
- 17. Epistles from New York, New England, Ohio, Kansas and North Carolina, have at this time been read to our instruction and comfort.
- 18. A Minute of the proceedings of the Representative Meeting, has at this time been laid before us, and after some information was given, the further consideration of the subject was deferred to a future sitting.
- 19. The Clerks present the following Minute of Advice on the use of Tobacco. It is accepted and directed to the prayerful attention of members:—
- "The subject of the evil effects of Tobacco having been brought before us in the Minutes from the Quarterly Meeting of West Lake, this meeting was brought into deep exercise on the subject. We have had very touching recitals of the experience of many present, and much thanksgiving that the Lord has delivered them from this snare. After a lengthened and prayerful deliberation upon the subject, while not seeing our way clear to legislate directly on the prohibition of the use of Tobacco at this time, we very strongly urge upon all our members the evil effects which come directly from its use and the far greater evils which follow in its train. We would

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