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AT CANADA YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS, HELD IN Pickering, by adjournment from the 27th of Sixth Month to the 2nd of Seventh Month, inclusive, 1873.

SIXTH DAY, the 27th of Sixth Month.

1st. By Reports received from the Quarterly Meetings, it appears the following Friends were appointed their Representatives in this Meeting, viz.;

PELHAM—Jonathan H. Rogers, William B. Mason, William B. Stover, Jacob Gainer, Jr., Israel D. Titus.

YONGE STREET—STEPHEN T. PECKHAM, LEVI ROGERS, WILLIAM V. RICHARDSON, CLAYTON WEBB, GERVAS CORNELL, GEORGE RORKE, SAMUEL REAZIN.

WEST LAKE—ROBERT H. SAYLOR, LEVI VARNEY, CHARLES G. BOWERMAN, and ANTHONY HAIGHT.

Who were present except three.

The Care Takers were nearly all present.

2nd. There were in attendance Friends, members of other Yearly Meetings, to wit: WILLIAM GREEN, from Dublin, and

EDWIN and HANNAH PUMPHREY, from London, with several from this Continent: who produced satisfactory credentials of unity from the Meetings to which they belong.

The following Friends were appointed, to join a like Committee of women Friends, to prepare as way shall open for it, suitable Minutes, in duplicate, relative to their attendance, and produce at a future sitting, viz.: Jesse Stover, James Wetherald, Arnoldi Haight, Anthony Haight, and Ira Clark.

Brd. Epistles addressed to us from London, Dublin, New England, New York, Baltimore, North Carolina, Obio, Indiana, Western, Iowa, and Kansas Yearly Meetings were received. The reading of the these messages of love revived feelings of nearness towards our distant brethren. They were referred to the following Friends, with a view of preparing epistles addressed to those Meetings, viz., Jonathan H. Rogers, Richard Dale, Joshua N. Richardson, John Wright, William Valentine, Marmaduke S. Richmond, Thomas Clark, Albert C. Stover, James F. Barker, Stephen T. Peekham, William B. Stover, Michael Gillam, James Keightly, William Wetherald, Harris Knight, Benjamin Cody, Charles G. Bowerman, Arnoldi Haight, Joseph Waring, Gilbert D. Haight, Stephen Rogers, Anthony Haight and James Wetherald.

4th. The following proposition was received from Yonge Street Quarterly Meeting, viz.:

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The following Friends were appointed, to join a similar committee of women Friends, to consider the subject and report the result of their deliberations to a future sitting, viz.: Jonathan H. Rogers, Jesse Stover, Ira Clark, Arnoldi Haight, Thomas Clark, and William Valentine. They were also directed to examine the discipline to ascertain whether members are prohibited from letting or leasing a building to be used as a place for the sale of intoxicating liquors. And if in their judgment no such rule exists, they were requested to produce, for the consideration of the Meeting, a clause that will meet the case.

5th. In the minutes from Pelham Quarterly Meeting the following appears, to wit:

"The feeling of the Friends of this Quarterly Meeting pretty generally is, that the action taken by our last Yearly Meeting, respecting a Boarding School, is premature; and we would suggest to the Yearly Meeting the propriety of re-considering the subject."

The following Friends were appointed to take the subject into careful consideration in all its bearings, and report to a future sitting, viz.: Andrew Wilson, William B. Mason, William Wetherald, Stephen T. Peckham, Thomas Moore, Richard Dale, Levi Varney, Anthony Haight, and William Valentine.

6th. The Meeting was united in appointing a meeting for divine worship, to be held in connection with the Yearly, at 7½ o'clock, p.m., on the First Day of the week each year.

7th. The Representatives were directed to audit the Treasurer's account, to ascertain the condition of the Treasury and the sum necessary to be raised the present year, and report to a future sitting.

They were also directed to confer together, and propose to next sitting the name of a Friend for Clerk and one for asssistant Clerk.

Also, to propose the names of two Friends to serve as Messengers.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SEVENTH DAY MORNING, the 28th of the Month.

About the time adjourned to, the meeting convened.

8th. Stephen T. Peckham, on behalf of the Representatives, proposed the name of Adam Spencer for Clerk, and of Levi Varney for Assistant. The nominations were approved by the Meeting, and the Friends named appointed to the service.

Edward Waring and Michael Gillam were proposed for Messengers, and were appointed accordingly.

9th. The minutes of the Representative Meeting for the past year were read. The labors of that body were approved.

As the time for which the members of the Representative Meeting were appointed had expired, the following Committee was appointed to consider of and propose to a future sitting. The names of Friends for members of that body: Jonathan H.

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10th. We received and read at this time a communication from the Ontario and Quebec Temperance and Prohibitory Leagues, Toronto and Montreal. The subject thus brought before us, was favorably entertained by the meeting, and Thomas Clark, William Valentine, Adam Spencer, James Keightly, and William Wetherald, were appointed to consider the subject and as way opens to draft a response to the address of the Leagues; also, a memorial to the Dominion Parliament and produce to a future sitting. And to propose such other measure in futherance of the cause as they may deem best.

11th. The consideration of the state of the Society was then entered upon. The first and second Queries were read, with answers thereto.

Adjourned to 11 o'clock, Second Day Morning next.

SECOND DAY MORNING, the 30th of the Month.

The Meeting convened according to adjournment.

The examination of the state of the Society was resumed, and the remaining queries and answers were read.

The following is a summary of the answers:

1st. With little exception Friends are careful to attend our meetings on First Days. The neglect of attending mid-week meetings is more apparent. The hour is nearly observed. Some unbecoming behavior is reported and care taken. Two of the reports define sleeping in meetings as the thing referred to.

2nd. With a slight qualification in two of the answers, Friends are preserved in love one towards another, except in three instances, which are under care. When differences arise, care is taken to end them. Tale-bearing and detraction are avoided and discouraged by most Friends.

3rd. Most Friends do endeavor to train up their children, and those of other Friends under their care, in the principles of the Christian religion as professed by us, and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language and deportment which it enjoins; are good examples in these respects themselves; and do endeavor to guard their children, and all others under their care, against corrupt conversation and reading pernicious books.

4th. Most Friends are diligent in reading the Holy Scriptures in their families collectively.

5th. As far as is known, Friends avoid the use of distilled spirituous liquors, except for purposes strictly medicinal, and are clear of frequenting taverns. A few instances of attending places of diversion are reported, with some care taken.

6th. The circumstances of the poor are reported as receiving attention and relief has been afforded them. Their children, and all others under our care, are properly educated for the ordinary duties of life. Some slight exception is expressed in two of the reports, as to the education of children.

7th. Friends are clear of complying with military requisitions and of paying any fine or tax instead thereof, as far as is known.

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8th. As far as appears, Friends are just in their dealings and punctual in fulfilling their engagements. A few instances excepted, and some care taken. Friends are careful to conduct their business as becomes our religious profession; two instances excepted. When any give occasion for fear on those accounts, they are labored with for their preservation and recovery.

9th. Care is taken to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness and agreeably to our discipline. But all the reports have exceptions as to timely care.

12th. A Memorial of our late dear Friend, Cornelius Bowerman, prepared by West Lake Monthly Meeting and approved by West Lake Four Months' Meeting, was read, approved, and directed to be placed on tyle.

Adjourned to 10½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

THIRD DAY MORNING, the First of the 7th Month.

Friends met according to adjournment.

13th. The following Minute of advice was approved and recommended to the serious attention of all our members. read in all our Quarterly Meetings, and at the close of First Day Meetings.

MINUTE.

The answers to the Queries shewed a want of faithfulness to religious duties. The neglect of attending meetings for worship gives evidence of a lack of love to God. And as the neglect has been greatest in the middle of the week, it would appear that the heart is influenced by the love of the world; that our treasures are laid up on the earth, and that those treasures are robbing

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God, as far as we are concerned, of the glory due unto His name. We will not sacrifice a portion of earthly treasure for His sake. "And it shall be, that whose will not come up of all the families of the earth, unto Jerusalem, to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain." Such may be the consequence of our neglect. But if our love for Him, and trust in Him is such, that we seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, all these things will be added unto us. May the poor, as to this world's goods, trust the Lord in faithfulness, for of Him is every blessing. "The Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." The gospel of Christ is adapted to the poor. It is our privilege to worship God in our daily labor. His blessing maketh truly rich. When enriched by His love we are constrained to "bring an offering and come before Him: worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." Having an interest in Christ, we are interested in His service. And the congregated servants, with one accord, will be able " to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God by Jesus Christ," Such meetings will be lively and attractive, and all dullness will be dispelled.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life," is a truth we renewedly feel to be previous. We are also reminded that He, who caused the dry bones to live, will enable us to live before Him, by the influence of His spirit in us. The Spirit of Truth is come, and will lead us into all truth and out of all error. If we adhere to His teachings we shall be directed aright and in harmony. He does not lead one person one way, and another in an opposite direction. The mind of Truth is the same now as it ever was. It is the same to us as it was to our fathers; its teachings the same. The promptings to diversity of thought and action are of the natural

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man, and are evidences of remaining infirmity. The effect of the leaven of the kingdom of heaven, is to leaven into one lump. The greater the attainment of perfection in Christ, the nearer we come into "the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace," and the greater the power for good. The nearer this standard is arrived at, the less will be known of a judging Spirit, and more care will be exercised not to put a stumbling block or an occasion to fall in a brother's way. The nearer the different members of the body are united to Christ Jesus the Head, the more will those members give evidence ef complete redemption. The tree being made good the fruit will also be good—the fruit will shew what the tree is. If we have been with Jesus, men will take knowledge of the blessed fact by our fruits; and this knowledge will promote our service in the truth. If we belong to the family of God and faithfully regard his teachings, He will not suffer us to wound the least of His children, by any harsh word or untoward act. If through unwatchfulness we should do so, our Father will require us to confess that fault to those we have offended. Such acknowledgments open the way to near access to Him, and barriers to worship, especially in the household, are thus removed. We were encouraged to faithfulness in this engagement, to every manifested duty therein.

In our dealings with our fellowmen, we were feelingly reminded of the test, given by our Saviour, "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would, that men should do to you, do you even so to May we be faithful to this injunction.

In dealing with offenders, we were reminded that the Lord's time is the seasonable time. May we look unto Him to know the right time, and the right way. And may we be each others caretakers in the Lord. If any neglect to come to our solemn feasts, because of spiritual disease and want of appetite, may there be a faithfulness on the part of those who have partaken at

the Lord's table, in visiting these with an enquiry after their health.

Beloved Friends, we have infirmities, and when these appear let us put on charity,—and may prayer be raised to Him who forgiveth all our iniquities, who healeth all our diseases, and helpeth our infirmities.

May we be preserved in love, and not forget the admonition, "If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain."

The Lord hath in mercy instituted a search amongst us; may it be effectual and abiding, to the honor of His excellent name.

14th. The following Minute of advice was received from the meeting of Ministers and Elders, which was also recommended to the attention of Friends:

At Canada Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held at Pickering, Ontario, the 26th and 30th of Sixth Month, 1873, the following Minute was adopted, and the Clerk was directed to offer it to the Yearly Meeting.

MINUTE.

While considering the state of this part of society, as presented to us in the answers to the Queries, much weakness and many defects were apparent. We were deeply humbled under a sense of our short-comings. Much sorrow was felt and expressed, that so many indications of the old leaven were found amongst us. The meeting was brought under deep exercise and earnest wrestling. Fervent prayer was raised to our heavenly Father, that all weakness, and every hindering, letting thing might be removed; that this part of the body may be presented to the

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13 Church at large, and to the world, without spot or wrinkle, or any such thing. Visitors and visited seemed to participate in the exercise and in the labor. Much pertinent counsel and admonition were given by the Lord's faithful messengers. were entreated to remember our responsible position. We profess to occupy the position, by delegation, from the Great Head of the Church, and that with the unity and consent of the body at large, we have been placed in the front rank, where we shall be as lights to direct earth's Zion bound travelers on their christian journey, or as stumbling blocks over which they may fall. We were exhorted to cultivate the great foundation principle, LOVE TO GOD. Where this love predominates, and fills the soul, the unfailing result is love to the brethren. With a desire to meet and mingle with them at the times and places appointed for Divine worship, not only on first days but also in the middle of the week. Many faithful testimonies were borne to the importance of a strict attention to this religious duty, which cannot be neglected without serious loss. A desire was expressed that Ministers and Elders may live so near the Divine Master and realize His love so largely abounding in their own souls, that they may be living examples to the flock. The necessity of abiding in Christ, the true vine, in order to become healthy, fruitful branches, was earnestly pressed upon us. We were reminded of the declaration of our dear Saviour, "without me ye can do nothing." May we dwell near that unfailing source, so as to be qualified for usefulness in the Church, and to walk worthy of the vocation wherewith we are called with all lowliness and meekness. As each one is engaged to do his own part as a member of the body of Christ, acting under the influence of His spirit, we shall become as lively stones, fitted to fill the place designed for us in the spiritual temple, in the building up the superstructure, the sound of a hammer is not heard.

dwelling upon the watch-tower, and keeping the mind singly fixed upon the Great Captain, we shall see eye to eye; harmony and love will prevail, and we shall be enabled, as with one heart and one mouth, to glory God, even the Father.

IRA CLARK,

Clerk.

15th. The Committee on First Day Schools presented their Annual Report, which was approved, and is as follows. The Committee and all others engaged in the work, were encouraged to increased faithfulness therein.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

At the annual meeting of the Committee on First Day Schools of Canada Yearly Meeting, held in open session, 6th mo., 27th, 1873, reports were received from sixteen Schools, and the Clerk was directed to lay the following summary before the Yearly Meeting:

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16th. The Committee to nominate Friends to constitute the Representative Meeting, proposed the following, viz.: Joseph Wiltsie, Charles G. Bowerman, Allen M. Dorland, Thomas Clark, Anthony Haight, Gilbert D. Haight, Ira Clark, Arnoldi

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The Friends named were appointed to the service.

They were directed to meet and organize, and to attend to such business as may properly claim their consideration.

17th. The Executive Committee of the Book and Tract Association presented their Annual Report, as follows, which was was approved, and the Committee was encouraged to the further prosecution of the work.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Executive Committee of the Book and Tract Association of Canada Yearly Meeting of Friends, report: The sale of books during the past year as usual. The library having been recently replenished by a purchase from William Wood, of New York, received 6th mo., 23rd, 1873. In the Tract department, we have received \$100 from the Yearly Meetings' Treasurer; the sum granted last year for the purchase of Tracts. A small number have been received from New York, and 40,000 are now on the way from Richmond, Indiana, possibly at the express office. We have other samples and expect soon to invest the balance of the money, if required. We received no orders for Tracts during the past year.

EDWARD CORNELL,

Secretary.

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PICKERING, 6th Mo. 27th, 1873. Treasurer. 18th. A number of Tracts on the subject of slavery and the slave trade, as at present existing on the eastern coast of Africa, have been received from Friends of Western Yearly Meeting, for public distribution. Our Treasurer was authorized to pay Robert W. Hodson, of Plainfield, Indiana, the price of said Tracts, from this Meeting's treasury.

19th. The Committee on the Boarding School made the following

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TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

We, your Committee on the Boarding School, continued at last Yearly Meeting with instructions to proceed with the work,

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17 report that we gave attention to the matter. We appointed out of our number a building committee, who procured and produced at a general meeting of the Committee, plans and specifications for a building. The estimated cost of which being so much more than the Yearly Meeting had been given to understand, the Committee concluded to leave the concern over till tenders were received, so as to be in a position to inform the Yearly Meeting more definitely the cost of the proposed building.

The tenders for the erection of the building are presented herewith.

Of the \$2,000 ordered to be raised by the last Yearly Meeting for the purpose, we know of only the following amount being

Pelham Quarterly Meeting \$74 00 West Lake Quarterly Meeting Yonge Street " 509 40

The balance in Treasurer's hands this day is...\$8367 54 Which includes the above sum received from the Quarterly

. On behalf of the Committee.

Pickering, 6th mo. 30th, 1873.

JOHN WRIGHT.

After a free consultation, it became evident that the Meeting was not prepared to raise, by quota, the sum required to meet the estimated cost; the lowest tender being \$25,700.

20th. The Committee on the proposition from Pelham Quarterly Meeting, relative to the Boarding School, reported as follows:

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee appointed to re-consider the action of last Yearly Meeting, on the Boarding School question, report: They

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They are also united in recommending that the Boarding School Committee be authorized and instructed to erect and furnish a school building, at a cost of not more than \$10,000. Such further amount as may be raised by voluntary subscriptions to be applied in additional buildings.

On behalf of the Committee.

WILLIAM WETHERALD.

Pickering, 6th mo. 30th, 1873. After an interchange of sentiment, it was concluded to refer the whole subject to next sitting.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

FOURTH DAY AFTERNOON, the 2nd of the Month.

About the time adjourned to, Friends met.

21st. The Committee to consider the proposition from Yonge Street Quarterly Meeting, relative to an alteration in the fifth Query, also to examine the discipline to determine whether the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor is sufficiently prohibited in every point, made the following

REPORT.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

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subject confided in the book of discipline, to wit: Under the heading "Distilled Spirituous Liquors," in the first paragraph all after the word land be erased and the following substituted: "It is earnestly desired that none of our members may contribute to this great evil, by being concerned in importing, marufacturing, or vending intoxicating drinks, or selling their grain or other produce for such manufacture. And if any shall so far disregard the concern of the Society, and the labors of their friends, as to continue in either of these practices, by themselves, or be accessory thereto, and cannot be brought to such a sense of their misconduct as to desist from it, they are to be disowned."

Also, that the third clause, under the same heading, be erased and the words "No other than the strictly medicinal use of intoxicating drinks is to be allowed," be inserted.

Also, that the wording of the fifth Query be altered so as to read, "Do Friends avoid the use of all intoxicating drinks except for purposes strictly medicinal. And are they clear of frequenting taverns and of attending places of diversion?"

On behalf of the Committee.

ARNOLDI HAIGHT.

Pickering, 7th Month 2nd, 1873.

The report was united with, and Quarterly Meetings were directed to have the alterations made in all the books of discipline belonging to this Meeting, and to report.

22nd. The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the temperance question, as presented by the address from the prohibitory leagues, made the following

BEPORT.

To THE YEARLY MEETING.

We, your Committee, to consider the circular of the Ontario and Quebec Prohibitory Leagues, report: That in our judgment a petition should be adopted by this Meeting to the Dominion Parliament, asking for the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law. Also, that a minute of this meeting should express the hope that all our members will endeavor to give the whole weight of their influence in favor of the measure, and energetically join with their fellow subjects in getting signatures to petitions to promote this laudable object.

A petition to the Legislature and an address, in answer to the circular of the Leagues, is submitted.

On behalf of the Committee.

WILLIAM VALENTINE.

Pickering, 7th Month 2nd, 1873.

Which was approved, and our members were encouraged to faithfulness in the matter referred to in said report, and perseveringly to keep the subject before the proper authorities; and to pray God for His blessing upon our labors, to the end that our beloved country may be redeemed from the blighting evils of intemperance.

The petition to Parliament was read and approved. The Clerk was authorized to sign it on behalf of this meeting, to direct copies to each branch of the Legislature and intrust the presentation of them to the care of E. V. Bodwell, member for the County of Oxford.

The address to the Leagues was also approved, and is as follows:

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To the Ontario and Quebec Temperance and Prohibitory Leagues.

DEAR FRIENDS,—We cordially accept your fraternal greeting as evidence of our common brotherhood in the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ. Equally with you we lament the injury inflicted by the liquor traffic upon the social interests of our country, and deplore the ruin, temporal and eternal, in which so many of its children are involved.

We have urgently counseled our members to co-operate with their fellow-subjects in obtaining signatures to petitions to the Dominion Parliament for the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law. We have also adopted a petition to the same effect, to be officially signed and forwarded to the Legislature.

We thankfully notice the reiteration of your earnest desire, that the blessing of the Great Head of the Church may rest upon our deliberations; may His blessing rest upon your efforts for the suppression of the liquor traffic—a business so pregnant with incalculable evils.

The Clerk was directed to sign the above address, on behalf of the Meeting, and forward a copy to Thomas Gales, secretary of Quebec League.

The following Minute was received from the Women's Meeting, in relation to the concern embraced in the above minutes on temperance.

TO THE MEN'S MEETING.

We fully unite with those papers going forward on their mission of mercy and love.

On behalf of the Meeting.

ELIZA H. VARNEY,

23rd. The Committee to whom was confided the preparing of minutes relative to the attendance of Friends from other Yearly Meetings, produced the following, which was approved. Clerk was directed to sign them, on behalf of the meeting, and deliver them to the Friends respectively.

MINUTES.

Cur beloved Friend, William Green, a Minister, acceptably attended this meeting, with a certificate of unity from Lisburn Monthly Meeting, in Ireland, held there the 13th day of 3rd Month, 1873. Endorsed by a Quarterly Meeting of Friends for the County of Ulster, held at Lisburn, 17th of 3rd Mo., 1873. Also, one from the Meeting of Ministers and Elders for Ireland, held in Dublin, 4th Month 29th, and by adjournment 5th

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Friends, held at Sunderland, in the County of Durham, England, 3rd Month 12th, 1873.

Similar minutes were prepared for the following named Friends:

William A. Jones, from New England Yearly Meeting, companion to his wife, Mary Ann Jones.

Lavina M. Briggs, from New England Yearly Meeting, companion to Sarah W. Goddard.

George M. Sisson, an Elder, from New York Yearly Meeting, companion to William Green.

Judith C. Johnson, from Ohio Yearly Meeting, companion to Ruth Lloyd.

Joseph Griffin, from Indiana Yearly Meeting, companion to William Haughton.

Rufus Hazard and wife, Elders, from New York Yearly Meeting.

24th. The Committee on the Boarding School offered the following supplementary report, which was united with, except the releasing of the Committee.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

At a meeting of the Boarding School Committee, held this day, it was agreed to suggest to the Yearly Meeting the propriety of leaving the Boarding School question under the care of a Committee for another year, with power to solicit pecuniary aid during that period by voluntary subscriptions or otherwise.

The present Boarding School Committee having served two years, request to be released by the Yearly Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee.

JOHN WRIGHT.

Pickering, 7th Month 1st, 1873.

The whole subject is therefore deferred for one year, under

the care of the present Committee, with James F. Barker and Elisha C. Taylor added. They were encouraged in procuring funds, as proposed in the report.

The Women's Meeting was invited to join in the concern, by the appointment of a Committee. The following Minute was received from that Meeting:

We unite in appointing Mary Wright, Jane Cronk, Mary Ann Wetherald, Hannah Cornell, Hannah Jane Cody, Susan Becket, Sarah T. Barker, Betsey W. Stover, Elizabeth Richardson, sen., Rachel Doyle, Elizabeth Richardson, jr., and Sarah Leavens, to act in conjunction with men Friends.

It is the decision of this Meeting that the solicitations be confined to our own religious Society.

ELIZA H. VARNEY,

Clerk.

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25th, The Representatives reported as below, which was satisfactory. Quarterly Meetings were directed to raise their respective quotas of \$200 and pay to this Meeting's Treasurer.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Representatives offer the following report;

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We would recommend the sum of \$200 be raised for the use of the Yearly Meeting the ensuing year.

On behalf of the Representatives.

ROBERT H. SAYLOR. WILLIAM B. STOVER.

Pickering, 7th Month 1st, 1873.

26th. The Committee appointed last year to receive printed documents, &c., report they have received the portions assigned to their several meetings. They are continued to the same service for this year.

27th. William B. Stover was appointed to assist the Clerk in procuring the printing of 800 copies of the Minutes of this Meeting, apportion and forward them to the Monthly Meetings, and to draw upon the Treasurer for the funds required to meet the expense. The address from the Leagues to be printed as an appendix.

28th. By reports from all but two Meetings, it appears there are belonging to this Yearly Meeting: 21 Meetings, 230 families, 211 parts of families, 247 children of school age—nearly all are

attending common schools—1,406 members, 17 deceased within the past year, 9 received by certificate from other Meetings, 14 received into membership by convincement, 2 disowned, 6 removed out of the Yearly Meeting.

29th. An Essay of Epistle to other Yearly Meetings was read and approved. The Clerk was directed to transcribe and sign it, on behalf of the Meeting, and to direct and forward copies thereof to those Yearly Meetings, respectively, with which we correspond.

30th. During the transaction of the business that has claimed our attention, we have been favored with the presidency of our Holy Head. We feel thankfully to acknowledge that He has helped us in our deliberations. The work is His and all the glory to Him belongs. We conclude the Meoting, purposing to meet again in this place, at the usual time, next year, if the Lord permit.

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OFFICES OF THE ONTARIO AND QUEBEC TEMPERANCE AND PROHIBITORY LEAGUES-TORONTO AND MONTREAL, 1873.

To the Canada Yearly Meeting of Friends,

IN ANNUAL SESSION CONVENED.

DEAR BRETHREN,

We again invite your earnest and prayerful attention to the movement in which the societies we represent are engaged, and desire to express the great pleasure we felt at the courteous manner in which the various religious bodies were pleased to receive our address last year.

It is our firm conviction, that every facility afforded for the manufacture, sale, and use, of intoxicating liquors, as beverages, tends to the formation and fostering of an unnatural and dangerous appetite; and that the magnitude of the evils arising therefrom, and manifested in the injurious effects upon the social, moral, and spiritual interests of our country, can scarcely be overestimated.

As the result of thorough and careful investigation, we are satisfied that, under the Divine blessing, Personal Total Abstinence from all intoxicants,-organized efforts for the promotion of Temperance principles-and combined and hearty church action, both clerical and lay, all uniting to secure the Legislative Suppression of the Liquor Traffic, are the only successful agencies for removing the evils of Intemperance.

Deeply sensible of the importance of our work, and of the great need for soliciting the sympathy and cordial co-operation of all Christians, we most respectfully reiterate our appeal to you, and earnestly hope you may see your way clear to urge the subject upon the ministers and members of your communion, recommending them by precept and example, to aid to the utmost of their power, the Temperance Reform, either by co-operating with existing Temperance societies, or organizing societies in connection with their various congregations.

We have, in connection with the various temperance organizations of both provinces, entered into a vigorous campaign against the traffic, and have noticed, with satisfaction the introduction of the question into the Provincial Parliament of Ontario, and the Dominion House of Commons, and the strong ground taken in favor of the Prohibition by not a few of our leading politicians.

The petitions for Prohibition, already presented to the Legislature, have been referred to a select committee, and we have reason to expect the introduction of a Prohibitory Bill, at the rext session of Parliament. It is therefore desirable that in_ creased efforts be put forth for the support of such a measure, and your aid in that direction is respectfully solicited.

In conclusion, permit us to express our earnest desire that the blessing of the great Head of the church may rest upon you in your present may be the Redeemer's country.

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your present session, and that the result of your deliberations may be the promotion of God's glory, the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom, and the best interests of our rising country.

(Signed,)

Hon. Judge Sanborn,
President of Quebec Temperance and Prohibitory League.

REY. ALEX. SUTHERLAND,
President of Ontario Temperance and Prohibitory League.

REV. JACOB SPENCE,
Secretary of Ontario Temperance and Prohibitory League.

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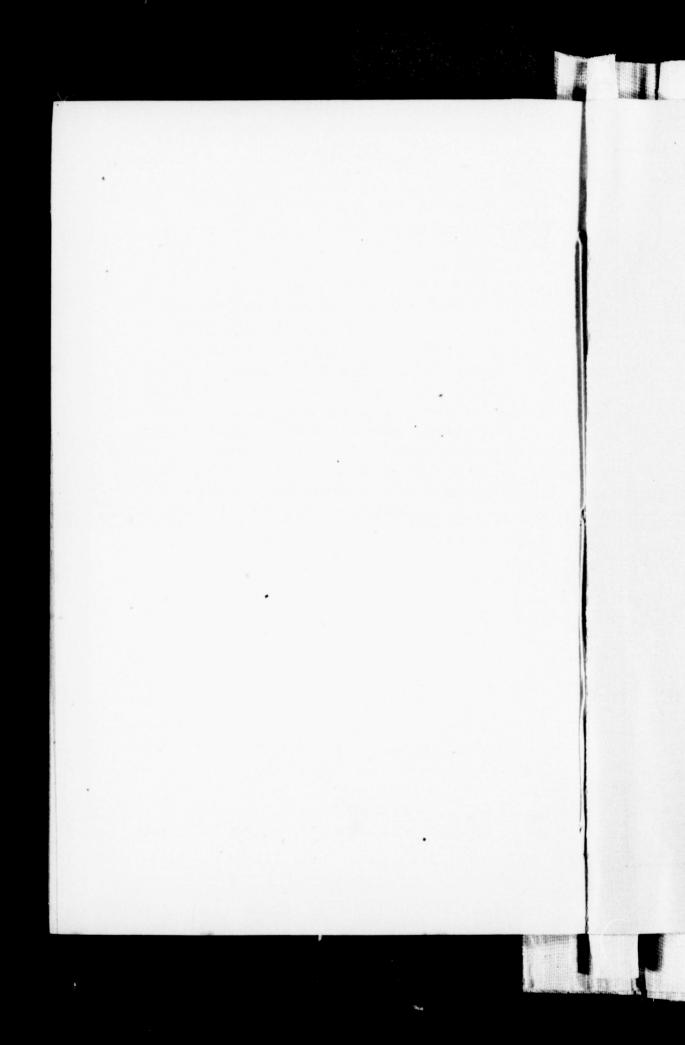
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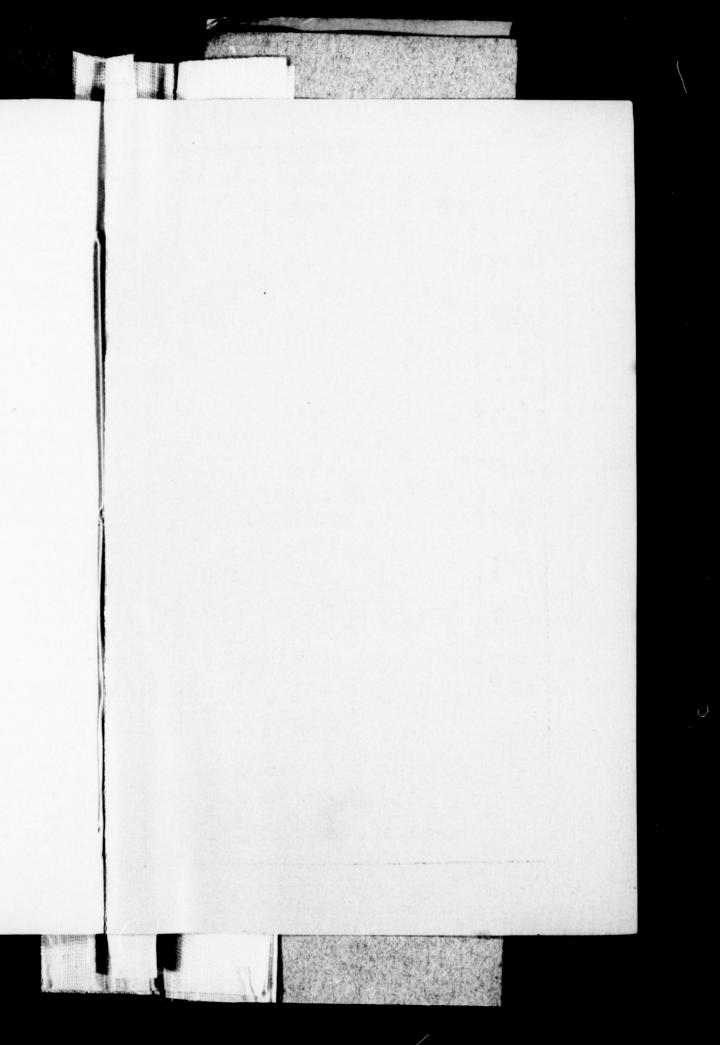
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